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Domestic production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons was up 3.5% to 15.2 million cubic metres in March from March 2011.

During the same period, crude oil exports rose 11.8%.

Marketable natural gas production was down 4.3% to 12.4 billion cubic metres.

Domestic sales of natural gas decreased 5.1%, while natural gas exports declined 8.9%.

From February to March, domestic production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons increased 1.2%.

Note to readers

Preliminary data are available on CANSIM at the national level to March 2012 inclusive. At the national and provincial level detailed information is available for crude oil (126-0001) and for natural gas (131-0001) up to December 2011 inclusive.

Table 1
Crude oil and natural gas: Supply and disposition (key indicators)

	March 2011	February 2012	March 2012 ^P	February to March 2012	March 2011 to March 2012
	thousands of cubic metres			% change	
Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons					
Supply ¹					
Production	14 680.1	15 014.0	15 196.3	1.2	3.5
Imports ²	4 257.5	3 496.4	3 200.1	-8.5	-24.8
Disposition					
Refinery receipts ³	9 219.4	8 554.0	8 149.8	-4.7	-11.6
Exports ⁴	10 895.2	11 580.5	12 185.8	5.2	11.8
	millions of cubic metres			% change	
Natural gas					
Supply ⁵					
Marketable production ⁶	12 961.6	12 408.6	12 405.7	0.0	-4.3
Imports	3 202.3	2 739.6	2 845.2	3.9	-11.2
Disposition					
Domestic sales ⁷	8 892.6	9 076.8	8 434.9	-7.1	-5.1
Exports	8 096.1	7 367.2	7 379.2	0.2	-8.9

^P preliminary

1. Disposition may differ from supply because of inventory change, own consumption, losses and adjustments.

2. Data may differ from International Trade Division estimates because of timing and the inclusion of crude oil landed in Canada for future re-export.

3. Volumetric receipts at refineries of all domestic and imported crude oils for refinery processing or storage.

4. Exports may include some volumes that are not included in the supply, such as imports used for re-export and diluents that are blended in exports.

5. Disposition may differ from supply because of inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations.

6. Receipts from fields after processing for the removal or partial removal of some constituents and impurities and that meet specifications for residential, commercial and industrial use; and including other adjustments.

7. Domestic sales includes residential, commercial, industrial and direct sales (for example direct, non-utility, sales for consumption where the utility acts solely as transporter).

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 126-0001 and 131-0001.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2198.

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