

## Drilling Permits Issued for Development Wells in Nebraska

**1975 – 2025**

(Number of Permits)

Year	Permits
2010	73
2011	107
2012	50
2013	102
2014	129
2015	60
2016	40
2017	54
2018	42
2019	31

Year	Permits
2020	8
2021	26
2022	46
2023	NA
2024	15
2025	8
2026	NA
2027	NA
2028	NA
2029	NA

Development													
Year <sup>1</sup>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Total <sup>2</sup>
2014	12	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	129
2013	5	8	6	10	4	14	10	10	8	9	7	13	102
2012	4	5	7	4	12	11	7	4	2	7	2	6	50
2011	4	0	11	17	7	16	6	14	8	13	7	8	107
2010	5	1	9	7	10	8	3	5	6	10	6	8	73
2009	5	1	0	4	1	4	4	0	11	2	2	13	42
2008	2	5	24	24	15	32	15	4	26	7	9	2	165
2007	3	10	2	1	5	6	22	43	7	15	21	7	146
2006	5	2	4	2	3	2	8	2	3	7	1	3	48
2005	0	3	2	3	5	5	12	8	4	5	5	3	54
2004	1	0	1	13 <sup>3</sup>	1	0	9	6	0	1	6	1	42
2003	2	0	1	0	3	0	5	4	1	0	1	5	25
2002	1	0	0	0	3	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	15
2001	0	6	0	0	2	3	2	0	0	0	3	3	19
2000	1	3	1	4	2	2	7	1	0	2	2	1	27
1999	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	2	3	11
1998	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1	2	0	2	15
1997	5	5	4	4	6	4	1	2	12	10	4	10	67
1996	1	4	4	5	2	4	4	3	3	2	5	2	39
1995	3	2	1	0	3	2	5	2	1	3	3	1	28
1994	2	5	3	0	1	3	4	1	1	1	0	9	30
1993	2	3	5	5	3	3	5	14	6	16	5	2	69
1992	4	5	9	3	2	1	4	3	7	8	1	5	52
1991	16	3	10	11	8	12	4	5	3	7	1	4	84
1990	4	7	7	5	5	3	6	8	8	7	3	4	67
1989	1	4	6	3	6	2	0	6	5	4	5	6	47
1988	0	3	5	9	9	10	5	6	4	6	4	6	67
1987	5	8	5	6	14	11	9	6	6	9	6	7	92
1986	9	4	3	4	1	4	2	1	6	4	7	5	50
1985	23	9	10	12	7	8	8	8	15	19	12	11	142

Development													
Year <sup>1</sup>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Total <sup>2</sup>
1984	13	15	10	22	17	14	17	9	9	8	24	12	170
1983	16	13	13	22	18	24	9	14	15	18	17	7	185
1982	23	15	17	7	13	20	22	12	11	12	15	22	191
1981	27	29	22	56	40	30	44	20	24	24	26	32	374
1980	21	27	25	30	28	32	23	16	22	32	30	27	311
1979	0	22	22	27	14	20	17	20	16	18	26	33	255
1978	9	10	11	23	17	24	11	17	18	20	17	21	168
1977	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13	19	14	18	237
1976	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	144
1975	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	160

**Sources:** *Nebraska Oil Activity Summary*. Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Sidney, NE. Nebraska Department of Water, Energy, and Environment, Lincoln, NE.

**Notes:** NA = Not Available.

<sup>1</sup> Monthly numbers are not available before September, 1977, and after February, 2014.

<sup>2</sup> The annual total is compiled after corrections and updates have been made which are not reflected in the monthly reports, so the annual total will not always equal the total of the monthly numbers.

<sup>3</sup> Kinder Morgan received approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for ten (10) permits which allowed drilling ten development wells into their gas storage units to improve deliverability.