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ABOUT THIS REPORT

Scope & Method

This report forecasts to 2018 world oil and gas exploration and production activities in terms of crude oil production (in barrels), natural gas production (in cubic feet), producing wells (number of wells), wells drilled (number of wells), and active drilling rigs (number of rigs). Producing wells are segmented by resource in terms of:

- oil
- gas.

Wells drilled are segmented by trajectory as follows:

- vertical
- horizontal.

Active drilling rigs are segmented by location in terms of:

- onshore
- offshore.

World forecasts for upstream oil and gas are also segmented by major world region, which include:

- North America
- Europe
- Asia/Pacific
- Central and South America
- Africa/Mideast.

Producing wells, wells drilled, and active drilling rigs are also forecast by type for each major world region.

To illustrate historical trends, all forecasted measures described above are provided for 2008 and 2013.

Forecasts are developed via the identification and analysis of pertinent statistical relationships and other historical trends/events as well as their expected progression/impact over the forecast period. Changes in quantities between reported years of a given total or segment are typically provided in terms of five-year compound annual growth rates (CAGRs). For the sake of brevity, forecasts are generally stated in smoothed CAGR-based descriptions to the forecast year, such as “demand is projected to rise 3.2% annually through 2018.” The result of any particular year over that period, however, may exhibit volatility and depart from a smoothed, long-term trend, as historical data typically illustrate.

Other various topics, including profiles of pertinent leading suppliers, are covered in this

report. A full outline of report items by page is available in the [Table of Contents](#).

Sources

World Upstream Oil & Gas (FW45049) is based on [a comprehensive industry study](#) published by The Freedonia Group in December 2014. Reported findings represent the synthesis and analysis of data from various primary, secondary, macroeconomic, and demographic sources including:

- firms participating in the industry, and their suppliers and customers
- government/public agencies
- national, regional, and international non-governmental organizations
- trade associations and their publications
- the business and trade press
- The Freedonia Group Consensus Forecasts dated June 2014
- the findings of other industry studies by The Freedonia Group.

Specific sources and additional resources are listed in the [Resources](#) section of this publication for reference and to facilitate further research.

Industry Codes

The topic of this report is related to the following industry codes:

NAICS/SCIAN 2007		SIC	
North American Industry Classification System		Standard Industry Codes	
211111	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Extraction	1311	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas
		1321	Natural Gas Liquids
211112	Natural Gas Liquid Extraction	1381	Drilling Oil and Gas Wells
213111	Drilling Oil and Gas Wells	1382	Oil and Gas Field Exploration Services
213112	Support Activities for Oil and Gas Operations	1389	Oil and Gas Field Services, NEC
		2899	Chemicals and Chemical Preparations, NEC
325199	All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing		

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