

Manitoba Industry Report

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Abstract

The resurgent growth of the Manitoba oil and gas industry that began in 2006 has continued into 2014. During 2014 the Province issued well licence 10,000 and saw 464 new wells drilled making 2014 the 6th best year since the industry began production in 1951. The continued development of the Bakken Torquay and redevelopment of the Lower Amaranth was joined by an interest in recompletions into the Lodgepole. This presentation will touch on the areas of interest in the Province during 2014 with a discussion of some of the new emerging completions.

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