

# North Dakota Oil and Gas Industry Outlook

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## *Abstract*

*The North Dakota Oil and Gas Industry outlook will highlight the steady growth in activity over the past year. The Bakken Petroleum System continues to be the primary target as interest in this evolving oil play seems to touch all corners of the globe. The outlook will focus on production as well as additional oversight the state regulatory agency has implemented in the last year.*

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