



Tenth District Energy Activity Increased Moderately

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City released the first quarter [Energy Survey](#) today. According to Chad Wilkerson, Oklahoma City Branch executive and economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, the survey revealed that Tenth District energy activity increased moderately, and expectations for future activity remained strong.

“District drilling and business activity grew further in early 2022,” said Wilkerson. “Firms reported higher prices needed to substantially increase drilling for oil and natural gas. Firms ranked labor shortages and investor pressure to maintain capital discipline as the main factors constraining growth. However, expectations for future production remained positive.”

The Kansas City Fed's quarterly Tenth District Energy Survey provides information on current and expected activity among energy firms in the Tenth District. The survey monitors oil and gas-related firms located and/or headquartered in the Tenth District, with results based on total firm activity. Survey results reveal changes in several indicators of energy activity, including drilling, capital spending, and employment. Firms also indicate projections for oil and gas prices. All results are diffusion indexes – the percentage of firms indicating increases minus the percentage of firms indicating decreases. A summary of the survey is attached. Results from past surveys and release dates for future surveys can be found at <https://www.kansascityfed.org/surveys/energy-survey>.

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