



## Mandatory Reporting Fact Sheet for Petroleum and Gas Producers

This fact sheet is designed to help **businesses producing oil and gas**, including offshore producers, understand what mandatory reporting of petroleum statistics means for them.

### Current Reporting Arrangements

The [Australian Petroleum Statistics](#) (APS) survey asks producers to report **each month** on their:

- **production**,
- internal **consumption** (the use of their production within operations),
- **sales**,
- **opening and closing stock levels**, and
- **liquid densities** (this enables conversion of reported volumes).

For **crude oil, condensate, propane, butane and mixed liquefied petroleum gases** for each **production field**.

There is a similar reporting process for **natural gas, ethane and other gas products**.

Where producers also engage in activities like wholesaling, they report this as well each month.

### Mandatory Reporting

A **mandatory reporting requirement for petroleum statistics** will apply from **1 January 2018**. This will apply to all relevant oil and petroleum products, including crude oil, condensate, propane, butane and mixed liquefied petroleum gases. It is proposed that reporting of natural gas, ethane and other gas products will remain voluntary.

### Consultation

The Australian Government is currently consulting on the design and operation of mandatory reporting. The **consultation closes on 28 October 2016**. The points for discussion include:

- Should a reporting threshold apply to exclude production associated with exploratory drilling?
- How can voluntary gas reporting best align with mandatory petroleum reporting?
- Should the reporting categories for production be changed?
- Should the data reported to NOPTA be used to determine offshore production statistics?

### More Information?

More information is available at: <http://www.environment.gov.au/energy/energy-security-office/international-engagement/mandatory-reporting-petroleum-data>.