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## New Website Launched

A new website has been launched by the Pipeline Authority for the purpose of more efficiently making data, presentations, and updates available to interested parties. For convenience, the site is hosted as a blog by WordPress and can be found at the following address: [www.ndpipelines.wordpress.com](http://www.ndpipelines.wordpress.com). The original Pipeline Authority website will remain active, but will contain static information about the agency. As always, feedback on how to improve agency communications is appreciated.

## Governor's Pipeline Summit

On June 14, 2012, Governor Dalrymple hosted the "Governor's Pipeline Summit" in Bismarck in an effort to educate the general public and industry about future investments in North Dakota's petroleum pipeline and processing infrastructure. The summit also focused on how the industry can continue to strengthen relationships with landowners in western North Dakota, while minimizing disruption to the varied land uses in the region.

Executives from eight of North Dakota's major pipeline companies took part in the event which was open to the public and broadcast live over the internet. A replay of the three hour event will be available on the Governor's website (<http://governor.nd.gov/>).

## ONEOK Bakken Pipeline

In early April, ONEOK Partners announced plans to invest an additional \$1.5-\$1.8 billion in a new 1,300 mile pipeline that would run from Stanley, ND to Cushing, OK. The "Bakken Express" pipeline could be completed in early 2015 and carry up to 200,000 BOPD.

ONEOK will be holding an open season later this summer or fall in order to obtain additional shipper support for the project.

## Enbridge Sandpiper Project

Earlier this year, Enbridge Pipelines began publicly discussing the proposed "Sandpiper Pipeline" project. The proposed project would provide service for 225,000-325,000 BOPD from western North Dakota to the Enbridge terminal in Superior, WI. The 20" or 24" pipeline could be placed in service by 2015.

Enbridge is also moving forward on additional expansion projects to reduce congestion in northern PADD II by expanding access to the east coast and gulf coast.

North Dakota  
Production Numbers

	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12
Average Daily Oil Production, BOPD	558,584	577,491	609,394
Average Daily Gas Production, MMCFD	600.4	622.7	650.7
Average Rig Count	202	205	209

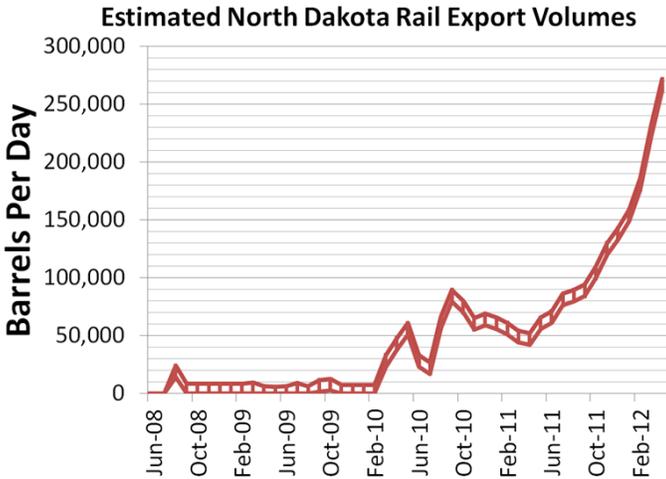
*As of June 27 2012, there are 214 active rigs in North Dakota.*

[www.pipeline.nd.gov](http://www.pipeline.nd.gov)

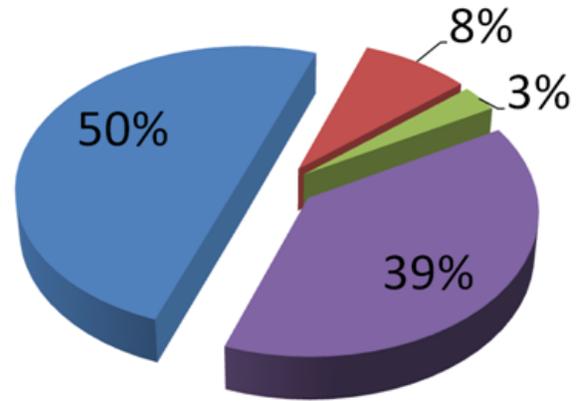
## Rail Volumes Continue to Grow

In April 2012, it is estimated that rail transportation accounted for around 265,000 BOPD, or 39% of all crude oil movements from the US Williston Basin. With no major oil pipeline expansions scheduled until late 2012, this percentage will continue to grow, with volumes potentially reaching 350,000 BOPD or higher by year end.

There are currently seventeen rail loading facilities in western North Dakota and two more under construction.



## Williston Basin Crude Oil Transportation



■ Pipeline Export      ■ Tesoro Refinery  
■ Truck to Canadian Pipelines      ■ Estimated Rail

*April 2012 Figures*



### Pipeline Factoid

In 2007, the US portion of the Williston Basin only had the pipeline capacity to handle up to 230,000 BOPD. Currently, there are pipeline expansion plans and proposals that could transport close to 1.6 million BOPD from the Williston Basin. Learn more at [ndpipelines.wordpress.com/oil-transportation-table/](http://ndpipelines.wordpress.com/oil-transportation-table/)



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