

# North Dakota Legislative Council

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# OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUES MONTHLY UPDATE

This memorandum provides an update on oil production and prices, oil and gas tax revenue collections, and oil and gas tax revenue allocations for January 2021 and for the biennium to date. **The forecasted amounts reflect the 2019 legislative revenue forecast**, prepared at the close of the 2019 legislative session.

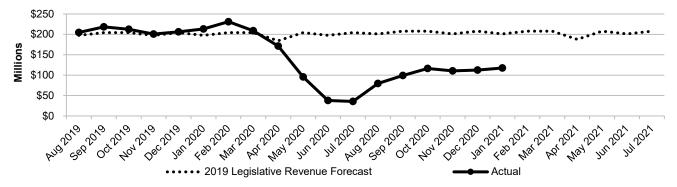
## **OIL PRODUCTION AND PRICES**

The schedule below provides information on oil production and prices for November 2020 and for the biennium to date. Oil and gas tax revenue allocations reflect production and price from 2 months prior. The actual oil prices reflect the average of Flint Hills Resources posted prices and West Texas Intermediate posted prices.

	November 2020				Biennium to Date				
			Varia	ance			Variance		
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	
Average daily oil production	1,224,540	1,440,000	(215,460)	(15%)	1,304,544	1,413,333	(108,789)	(8%)	
Average oil price per barrel	\$37.29	\$48.00	(\$10.71)	(22%)	\$40.34	\$48.33	(\$7.99)	(17%)	

### **OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUE COLLECTIONS**

The chart below provides information on total oil and gas tax revenue collections based on the 2019 legislative forecast and actual allocations through January 2021.



#### OIL AND GAS TAX REVENUE ALLOCATIONS

The schedule below provides information on oil and gas tax revenue allocations to the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, state funds, and political subdivisions for January 2021 and for the biennium to date.

Amounts Shown in Millions												
	January 2021				Biennium to Date							
	Variance				Variance							
	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent	Actual	Forecast	Amount	Percent				
Three Affiliated Tribes	\$14.44	\$21.77	(\$7.33)	(34%)	\$297.17	\$393.03	(\$95.86)	(24%)				
Legacy fund	30.97	53.81	(22.84)	(42%)	712.48	971.38	(258.90)	(27%)				
North Dakota outdoor heritage fund	0.79	1.31	(0.52)	(40%)	11.29	14.18	(2.89)	(20%)				
Abandoned well reclamation fund	0.40	0.66	(0.26)	(39%)	8.29	10.84	(2.55)	(24%)				
Political subdivisions	17.41	26.67	(9.26)	(35%)	406.74	508.79	(102.05)	(20%)				
Common schools trust fund	4.76	8.84	(4.08)	(46%)	110.33	159.64	(49.31)	(31%)				
Foundation aid stabilization fund	4.76	8.84	(4.08)	(46%)	110.33	159.64	(49.31)	(31%)				
Resources trust fund	9.75	18.13	(8.38)	(46%)	226.17	327.26	(101.09)	(31%)				
Oil and gas research fund	0.69	0.00	0.69	N/A	15.79	16.00	(0.21)	(1%)				
State energy research center fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	5.00	5.00	0.00	0%				
General fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	400.00	400.00	0.00	0%				
Tax relief fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	200.00	200.00	0.00	0%				
Budget stabilization fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	48.43	75.00	(26.57)	(35%)				
Lignite research fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	10.00	10.00	0.00	0%				
State disaster relief fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A				
Municipal infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	29.88	30.38	(0.50)	(2%)				
Strategic investment and improvements fund	33.73	61.11	(27.38)	(45%)	80.22	349.83	(269.61)	(77%)				
County and township infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A				
Airport infrastructure fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	0.00	N/A				
Total oil and gas tax revenue allocations	\$117.70	\$201.14	(\$83.44)	(41%)	\$2,672.12	\$3,630.97	(\$958.85)	(26%)				