



The Economic and Budgetary Effects of Producing Oil and Natural Gas from Shale

By Congressional Budget Office

Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 279 x 216 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Recent advances in combining two drilling techniques, hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling, have allowed access to large deposits of shale resources-that is, crude oil and natural gas trapped in shale and certain other dense rock formations.¹ As a result, the cost of that tight oil and shale gas has become competitive with the cost of oil and gas extracted from other sources. Virtually nonexistent a decade ago, the development of shale resources has boomed in the United States, producing about 3.5 million barrels of tight oil per day and about 9.5 trillion cubic feet (Tcf) of shale gas per year. Those amounts equal about 30 percent of U.S. production of liquid fuels (which include crude oil, biofuels, and natural gas liquids) and 40 percent of U.S. production of natural gas. Shale development has also affected the federal budget, chiefly by increasing tax revenues. The production of tight oil and shale gas will continue to grow over the next 10 years by about 30 percent and about 60 percent, respectively, according to a recent projection by the Energy...



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