

Better Data – Better Decisions The JODI Gas Questionnaire and the JODI Gas Manual

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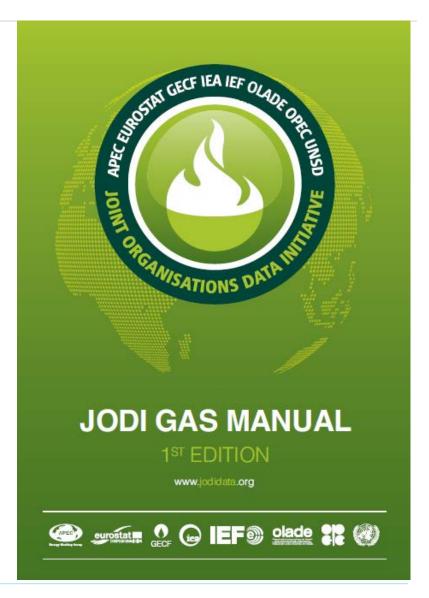






Outline

- Why a JODI Gas Manual?
- Preparation process
- Structure and content of the manual (including the questionnaire)
- Data measurement units
- Moving forward





Why a JODI Gas Manual?

The JODI Gas Manual was prepared to provide

- Guidance on the reporting of the JODI Gas Questionnaire
- Reference for concepts and definitions
- Examples of data collection and validation methods
- Examples of country practices in the collection of JODI gas data

It is meant to be of use to both compilers AND users of monthly gas data



Structure of the Manual

- 1. Introduction
- 2. The questionnaire
- 3. What is Natural Gas?
- 4. Flow definitions
- 5. Measurement units
- 6. Data Quality
- 7. Data Collection/Compilation
- 8. Examples of country practices
- 9. JODI Gas Database Annexes



Chapter 1

Background on the need for a manual:

- Natural gas to become more important in the future, as a "clean", plentiful and dynamic fuel
- Recent increase in trade (LNG), and price volatility
- To ensure consistent reporting by data providers
- To ensure clear understanding of data by users

A JODI gas manual is needed because better JODI gas data are needed



Chapter 2: The Questionnaire

JOINT ORGANISATIONS DATA INITIATIVE GAS QUESTIONAIRE Country Month Year Natural Gas Natural Gas Natural Gas million m³ Terajoules 1000 metric (at 15°C, 760mm hg) tons cProduction Receipts from other sources Imports LNG Pipeline Exports LNG Pipeline Stock Change Gross Inland Deliveries (Calculated) 0 Statistical Difference (Calculated) Gross Inland Deliveries (Observed) of which: Electricity and Heat Generation Closing stocks

Mass to volume conversion factor of LNG (if you have a specific figure)

m³ / metric ton	LNG
Conversion factor	



Chapter 2: The Questionnaire

- To improve comparability, the manual made modifications to the previous questionnaire
 - New line for "Receipts from other sources" explicitly includes
 blended biogas and manufactured gases
 - "Power generation" now "Electricity and heat generation"
 - Removed "of which: own use and losses"
 - "Statistical difference" now calculated
 - Tons are now a separate column (only for LNG trade)
 - Brief "definitions" sheet: short reminders of key points



Chapter 3: What is Natural Gas?

Definition consistent with IRES:

"...mixture of gaseous hydrocarbons, primarily methane, but generally also including ethane, propane and higher hydrocarbons...and some non-combustible gases"

- Includes shale gas, coal seam gas and colliery gas. When distributed may contain blended biogas or manufactured gas
- NGLs excluded



- Definitions are consistent with IRES and InterEnerStat, which ensures that JODI data are compatible with other energy data and other economic statistics standards (e.g. SNA)
- Definitions are simple, easy to follow for regular monthly reporting
- Definitions list specific inclusions/exclusions to help both data providers and users



Production:

- Refers to dry, marketable production within national boundaries including offshore
- Quantities reinjected, flared and vented in situ are excluded
- NGLs and impurities such as sulphur are excluded Receipts from other sources:
- Accounts for gases accounted for elsewhere blended into natural gas (e.g. coke oven gas, biogas); excludes their use when combusted pure



Imports and Exports

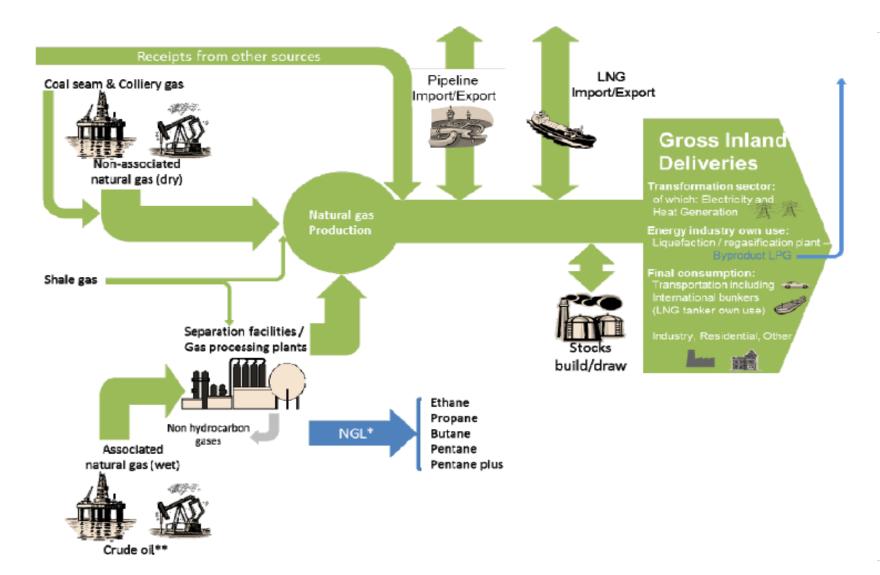
- Includes both pipeline and LNG tanker trade
- Goods-in-transit should be excluded (difficult to determine in complex pipeline systems)

Stocks

 Cushion gas and gas reserves (unextracted gas) should be excluded



Chapter 4: Flow Schematic





- Though definitions exist, exceptions may still arise
- This may cause differences in reporting, but should be clearly indicated in country notes
- Examples:
 - inclusion of natural gas in transit via pipeline in trade
 - "Receipts from other sources" included with production
 - only main activity producers (or electricity-only plants)
 included in deliveries to "Electricity and heat generation"

Metadata are important!



Chapter 5: Measurement Units

- Units to be used in reporting
 - Volumetric units: Million m³, standard conditions
 - Energy units: TJ, gross basis
 - Mass units: tons [LNG trade only]
- Conversion between energy units and volumetric/mass units may depend on flow
- Calorific value needed if only one unit is reported (but countries are asked to report in both main units)



Chapter 6: Data Quality

- Data quality covers several dimensions
- Chapter 6 focuses on checks that can be done to assess accuracy of the data
 - balance check
 - stocks check
 - calorific value check
 - time series check
- Common reporting errors
 - shows typical deviations from standard definitions, and common misconceptions

Ultimately, data quality is difficult to measure, but it's important to try!



Chapter 7: Data Collection/Compilation

- Guidance on data sources and data collection methods (production data from extraction companies, trade data from customs offices etc)
- Discussion of treatment of missing data and confidential data
- Brief discussion of benchmarking, the reconciling of monthly and annual data (publishing time lags make this less relevant for JODI)



Chapter 8: Country Practices

- A diverse list of countries
 - Azerbaijan
 - Brazil
 - Thailand
 - United Kingdom
- Not an explicit compilation guide: should not be seen as best practices; but more as an opportunity to learn from each other



Chapter 9: The JODI World Database

- Shows the flow of data from:
 - Company> Government> Partner Organisation> IEF> JODI Gas World Database>User
- Lists the contents and features of the world database
- Describes the data quality colour codes to be used

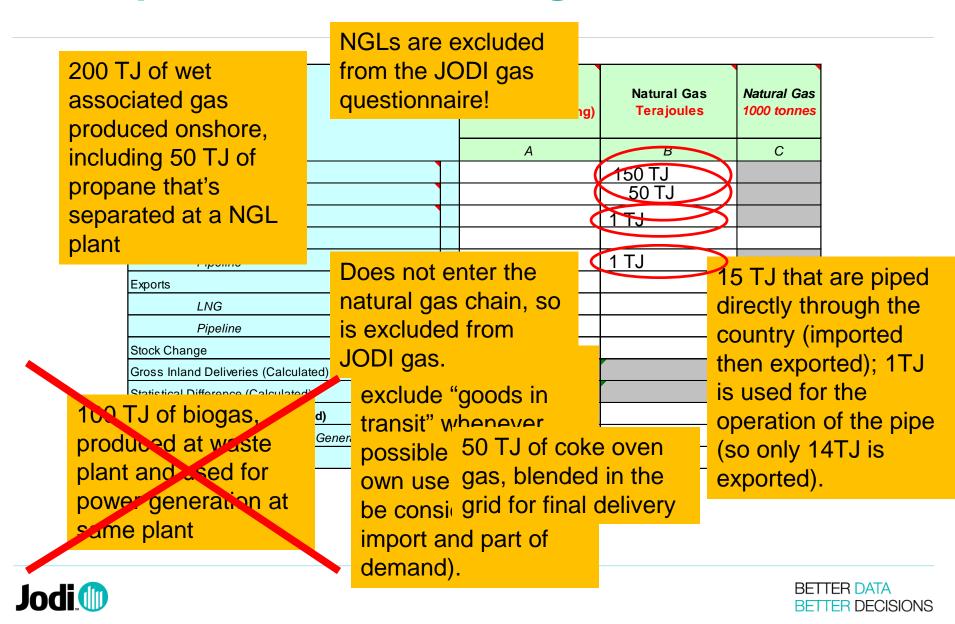


Annexes

- Flow diagrams
- Standard units and conversion factors
 (for standard to normal conditions, energy to volume, volume to mass etc...)



Examples: where do data go?



Moving forward

- With agreed-upon definitions, the reporting burden on countries is reduced and the transparency of the JODI Gas data should increase
- Better, more transparent data was a pre-requisite to launching the JODI Gas world database at the IEF Ministerial in Moscow, May 2014
- More trainings, continuous improvement

Data quality never stops!



Thanks!

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Annex 1: Conversion between Standard & Normal Conditions

Table A2.5: Conversion equivalents between Standard cubic metres (m³) and Normal cubic metres (m³)

То	Standard m ³	Normal m ³
From:		
Standard m ³	1	0.948
Normal m ³	1.055	1

Note: Standard cubic metre (m³) refers to standard measurement conditions at 15°C and 760 mm Hg. Normal cubic metre (m³) refers to normal measurement conditions at 0°C and 760 mm Hg.



Annex 2: Conversion between LNG and Natural Gas Units

Table A2.6: Conversion equivalents between LNG and Natural Gas units

To:	Metric Tons of LNG	m ³ of LNG	Standard m ³ (a)
From			
Metric Tons of LNG	1	2.2	1360
m ³ of LNG	0.45	1	615
Standard m ³	7.35*10 ⁻⁴	1.626*10 ⁻³	1

⁽a) 1 Standard $m^3 = 40$ MJ.





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