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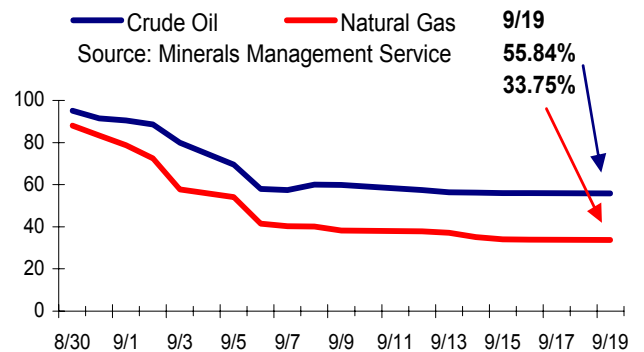
UPDATE ON ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF HURRICANE KATRINA

This update will be the last regular daily update from the JEC of economic effects of Hurricane Katrina.

Shut-In Production Continues to Decline

- The Gulf of Mexico (GOM) coastal region of the United States supplies 29% of domestic oil production and 21% of domestic natural gas production.
- At the peak of “shut-in” production caused by Katrina, on Aug. 30, over 95% of daily GOM oil production and close to 88% of daily GOM natural gas production was shut in for safety reasons.
 - A shut in facility does not produce. Shut-ins for oil and gas production are procedures used by industry for safety purposes. Once inspected and checked, production from shut-in facilities can be brought back on line.
- Today, shut-in oil is 55.84% of daily GOM production and shut-in natural gas is 33.75% of daily GOM production.
- The figures show shut-in data from the Minerals Management Service (MMS).
 - The upper figure shows daily shut-in oil and natural gas production, representing the percent of total **daily** GOM production shut in each day between Aug. 30 and Sept. 19.
 - The lower figure shows **cumulative** shut-in production, representing the percent of total **yearly** GOM production shut in between Aug. 2 and each date on the horizontal axis. Between Aug. 26 and Sept. 19, cumulative shut-in oil is 4.518% of yearly GOM production and cumulative shut-in gas is 3.176% of yearly GOM production.

Daily Shut-In Production
(% of **daily** GOM production)



Cumulative Shut-In Production
(% of **yearly** GOM production)

