

Table 3-24. HELIUM OPERATIONS AND REVENUES, FISCAL YEAR 2002

Fiscal Year	Federal Helium		Storage and Transmission		Helium Produced From Public Land	
	Volume Sold	Sales Receipts /a/	Volume in Storage /b/	Operations Receipts /c/	Volume Sold /d/	Fee Sales and Royalty Receipts /e/
1998	157	\$ 9,111	4,787	\$1,791	2,451	\$3,782
1999	221	\$10,555	5,018	\$2,392	1,571	\$3,987
2000	235	\$11,400	4,475	\$2,284	1,191	\$3,636
2001	253	\$12,400	3,100	\$2,301	1,341	\$3,870
2002	228	\$11,500	1,885	\$3,042	1,356	\$4,875

Note: All receipts are in thousands of dollars; all volumes are in million cubic feet (14.7 psia and 70 degrees F.). BLM operating expenses for the Federal Helium Program are deducted from revenues. All operations are financed through nonappropriated funds.

/a/ Receipts include refined helium sales and related income. Refined helium sales ceased in April 1998. Beginning in 1999, figures represent in-kind helium sales only. The Helium Privatization Act of 1996 mandated the end to sales of refined helium by the Federal government and required that private companies selling helium to Federal government users purchase a like (in-kind) amount of crude helium from the government stockpile.

/b/ This is the balance of *private* helium remaining in storage at the end of each fiscal year. *Government* helium in storage at the end of Fiscal Year 2002 was 29.7 billion cubic feet.

/c/ The Helium Act of 1960 mandated a Federal helium conservation program. The crude helium pipeline was constructed, and from 1963 until about 1973, helium was purchased, injected into, and stored in the Cliffside Bush Dome. In Fiscal Year 1996, new storage contracts were implemented to recover all storage costs allocated to private storers. The transportation and storage of private company helium serves as a method of providing an adequate supply of crude helium to the private helium purification plants.

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- /d/ The 1998 volume for Helium Produced from public land includes recovery of helium captured prior to 1998 and not reported earlier. Volumes reported are based upon helium contained in gross gas handled and represent only estimates of the volumes of helium sold from Federal land.
- /e/ Includes revenues for Federal helium produced in Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming. Volumes reported do not correlate directly to revenues. Revenues are based upon the value received and volume of helium extracted.

Sources: Helium Operations Statistical Reports, Revenue Management Reports, and the Financial Management System.