

Coalbed methane Table 1: Wells drilled in 2000-2005

State	Basin	Coal type	No. of coalbed methane wells					
			Year					
			2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Queensland			39	88	100	140	231	190
	Bowen	high rank	30	57	68	120	206	102
	Clarence-Moreton	low rank	2			1		8
	Cooper	high rank			1			
	Galilee	high rank	4					
	Ipswich	high rank			2	1		
	Nagoorin	low rank					1	3
	Styx	high rank						1
	Surat	low rank	3	31	29	18	24	76
NSW			12	8	16	12	29	34
	Clarence-Moreton	low rank		5				9
	Gloucester	high rank					4	
	Gunnedah	high rank	4		2		6	3
	Murray	lignite				1		
	Sydney	high rank	8	3	14	11	19	22
Victoria				4	5			
	Otway	lignite		4	5			
WA								5
	Perth	high rank						5
Total			51	100	121	152	260	229

Coalmine methane drainage wells that are administered under coal mining legislation are not counted. The data have been compiled from information provided by State governments or available on operators' websites. Some data entries are provisional.