

## Natural Gas Fast Facts

### Natural Gas is:

- A gas consisting primarily of methane
- A form of chemical energy stored in the bonds of atoms and molecules
- Formed by decaying plant and animal remains trapped beneath layers of sands, silt and rock over millions of years
- Often found with oil
- Often found in concentrations deep in the sea bed
- Located in subterranean rock using seismographs which are used to identify folds in the rocks which might contain oil or natural gas
- Burnt to produce heat. The heat energy can be converted into mechanical energy and electrical energy.

For more information on natural gas see [Wikipedia](#).



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