



The China Natural Gas Annual Report provides an exhaustive review of the current state of the country's gas markets, as well as expert forecasts on supply and demand up until 2018. The report includes an in-depth analysis of the latest policies and hot topics, a review of the Chinese liquefied natural gas (LNG) and non-conventional natural gas sectors, and updates on gas storage and logistics.

Overview

China's natural gas market continues its rapid development in 2014, recording significant growth in supply/demand, with a 13% increase in demand. The increase was driven by the following:

- The China government has started to allow private and foreign companies to put forward tenders to obtain exploration rights for shale gas
- Gas pipeline and LNG import facilities are gradually being opened up to third parties, attracting rising interest from private and foreign companies
- In the downstream sector, local governments are actively pushing forward utilisation projects for natural gas under mounting pressure in the area of environmental protection. This means that increasing numbers of downstream markets such as glass factories, ceramic factories and steel mills which formerly used coal and petroleum as energy sources are changing to natural gas instead

In addition, the government has also encouraged investment in non-conventional natural gas such as shale gas, coal-based synthetic natural gas (SNG), coal-bed methane, and coal gas liquefaction. The country is progressing well in coal-based SNG production and has obtained breakthroughs in the production of shale gas in 2014.

Highlights of the report

- China gas market supply and demand analysis for 2014 and forecast data for the next four years
- In-depth analysis on China's gas policies and their impact on both downstream sectors and investment opportunities
- LNG prices and the development of LNG import terminals
- China's top 10 LNG producers and top 10 LNG import terminals

Key topics covered

- Accelerated development of privately-owned LNG import terminals
- Opportunities arising from recent changes towards a mixed-ownership structure
- Natural gas downstream markets, trends and opportunities
- A review of China's natural gas supply contract with Russia

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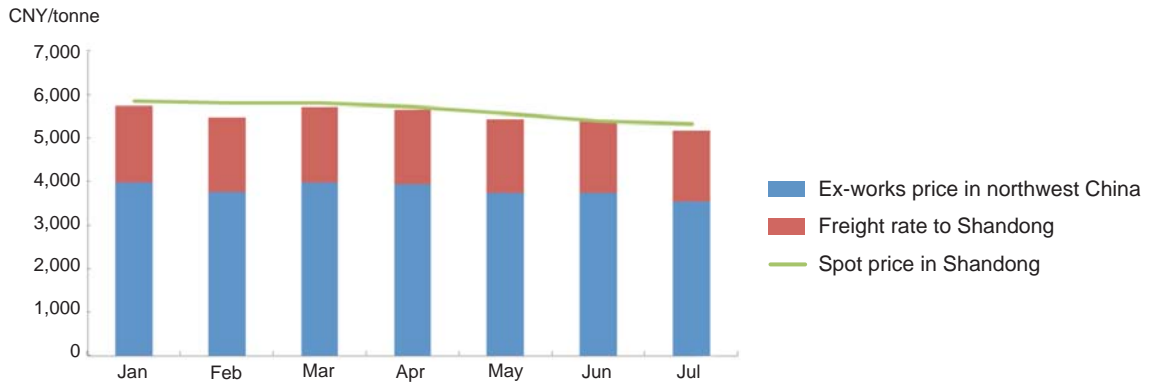
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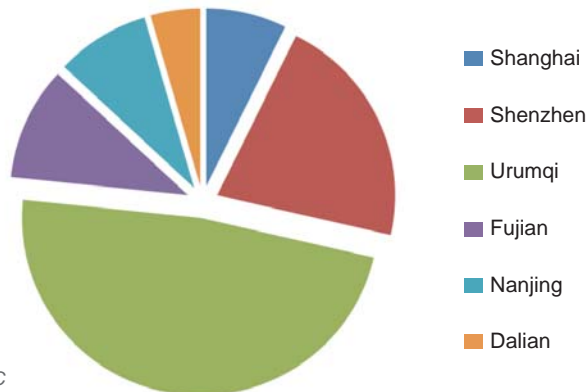
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