



# North Dakota's Oil & Gas Industry

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*North Dakota... The rush hour commute*



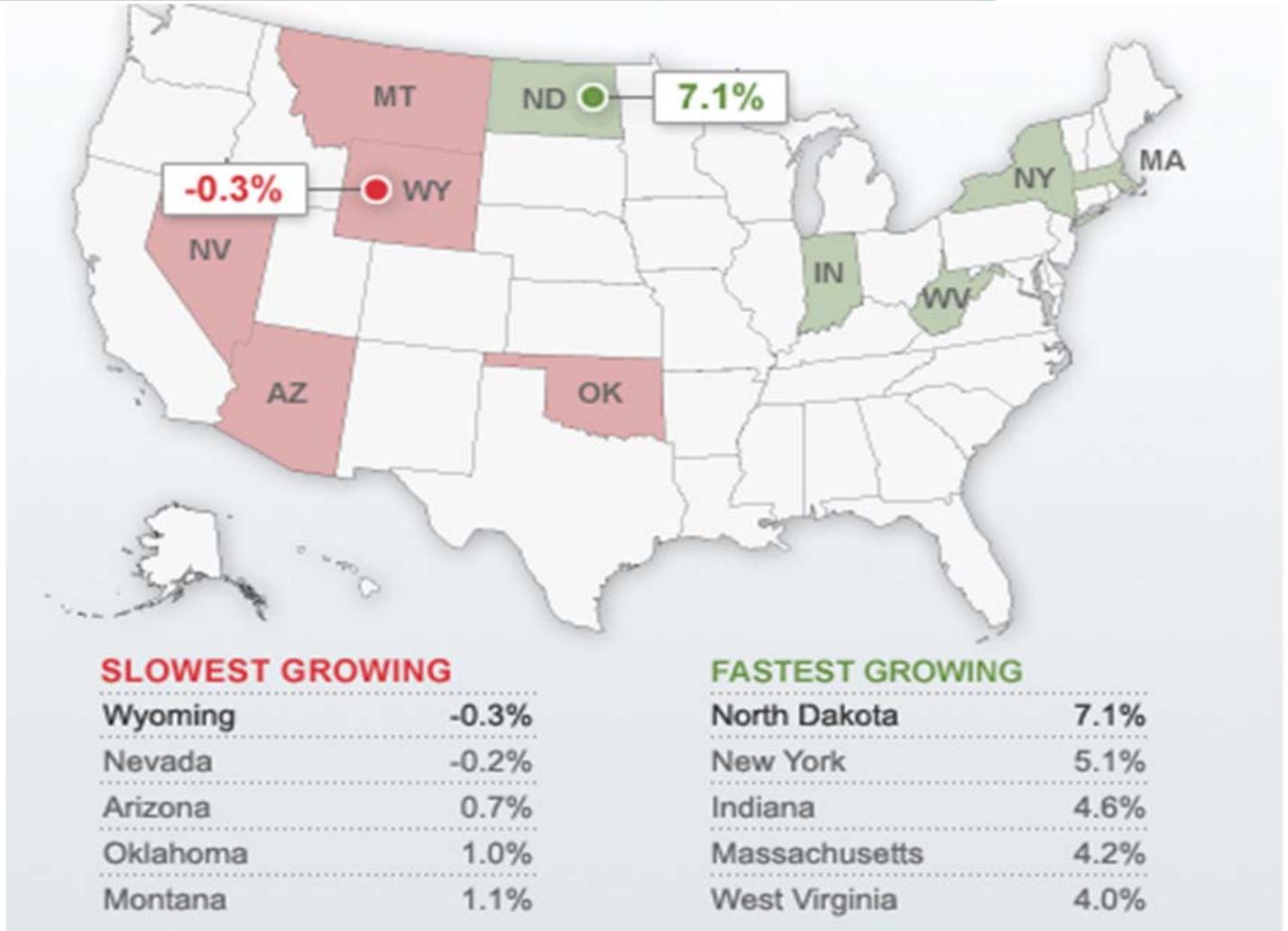
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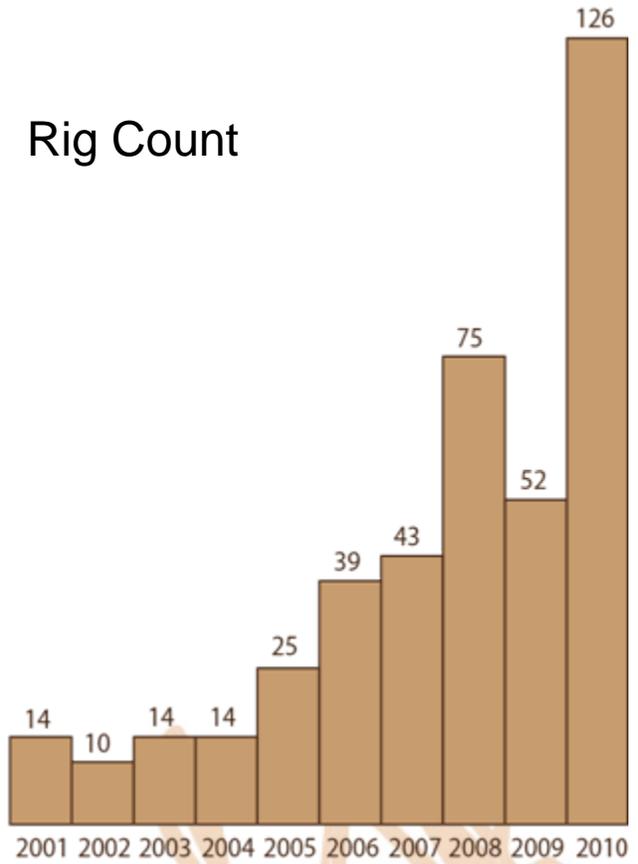
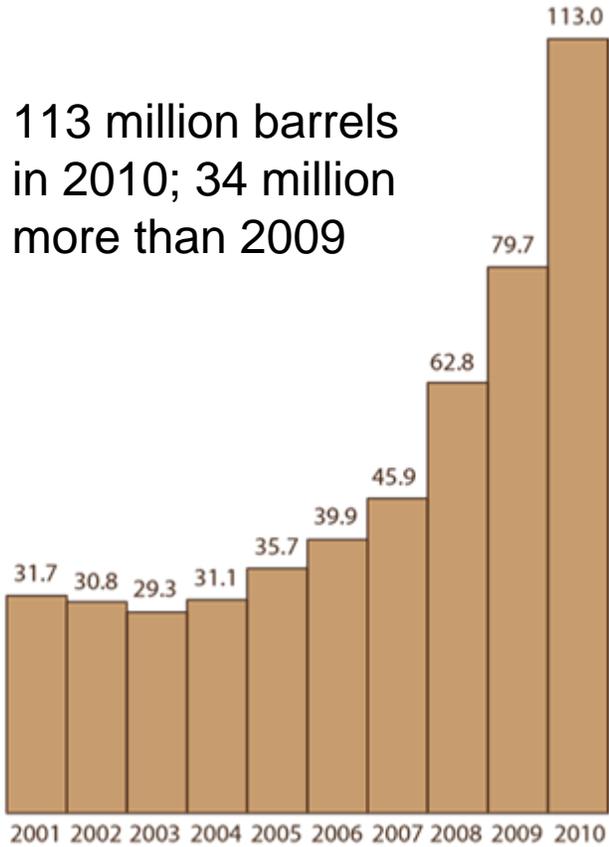
# ND Outpaced US Economy



SOURCE: U.S. BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS



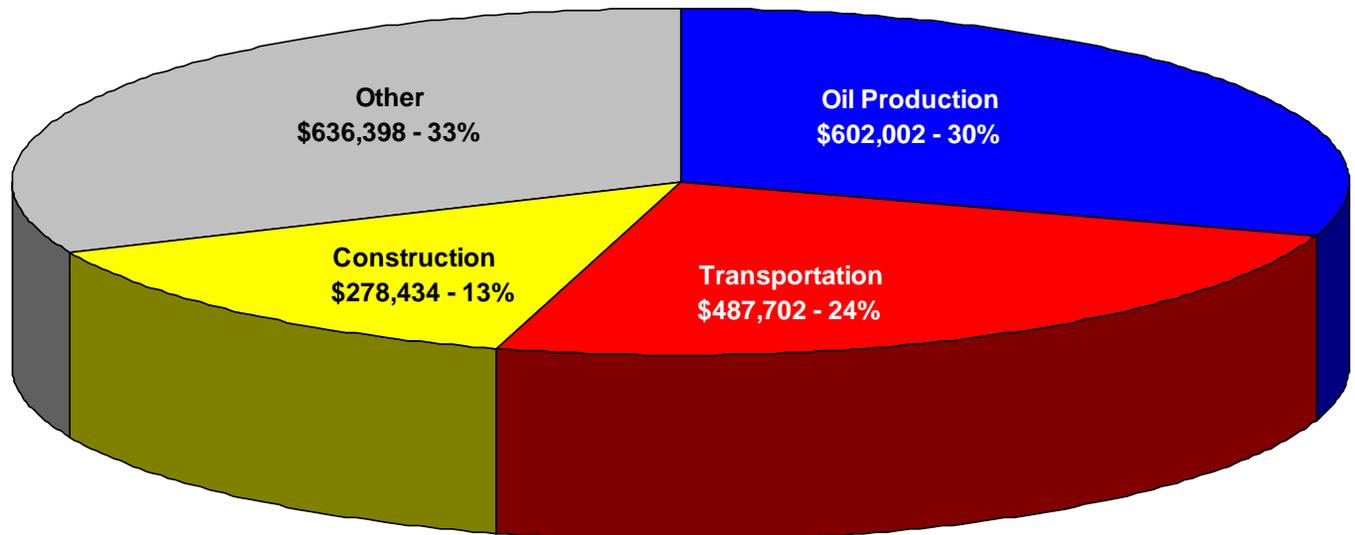
# Production Figures





# WSI new accounts Q4-2010

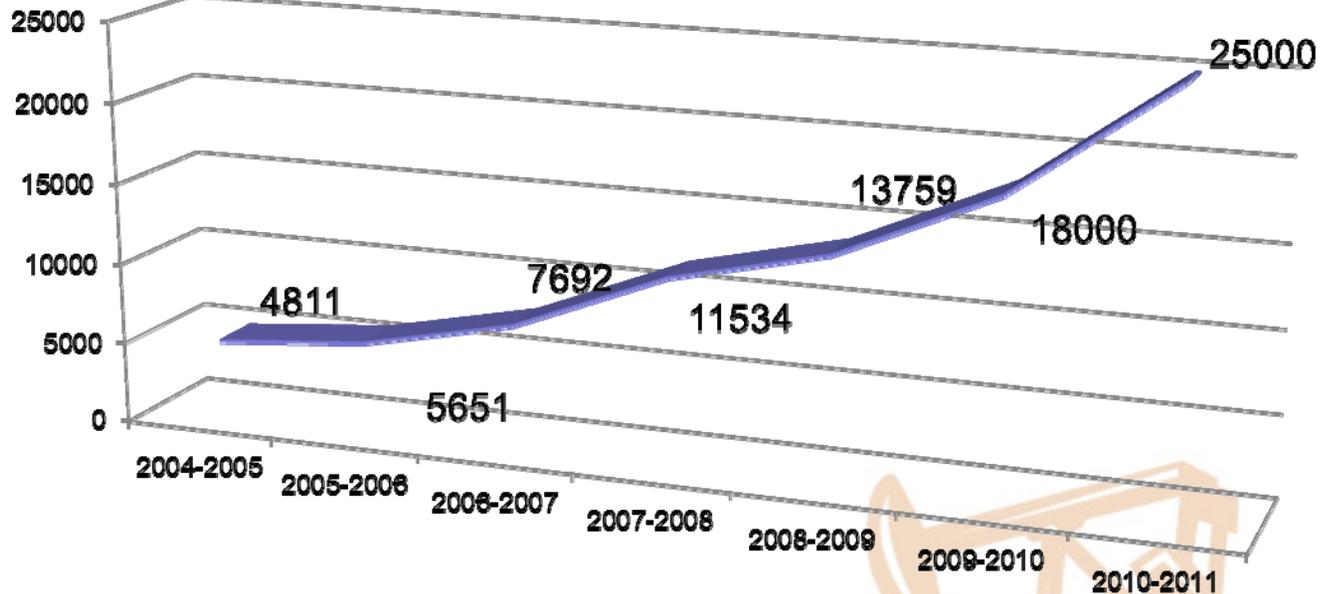
Newly Underwritten Accounts by Industry / Premium  
4th Quarter, 2010





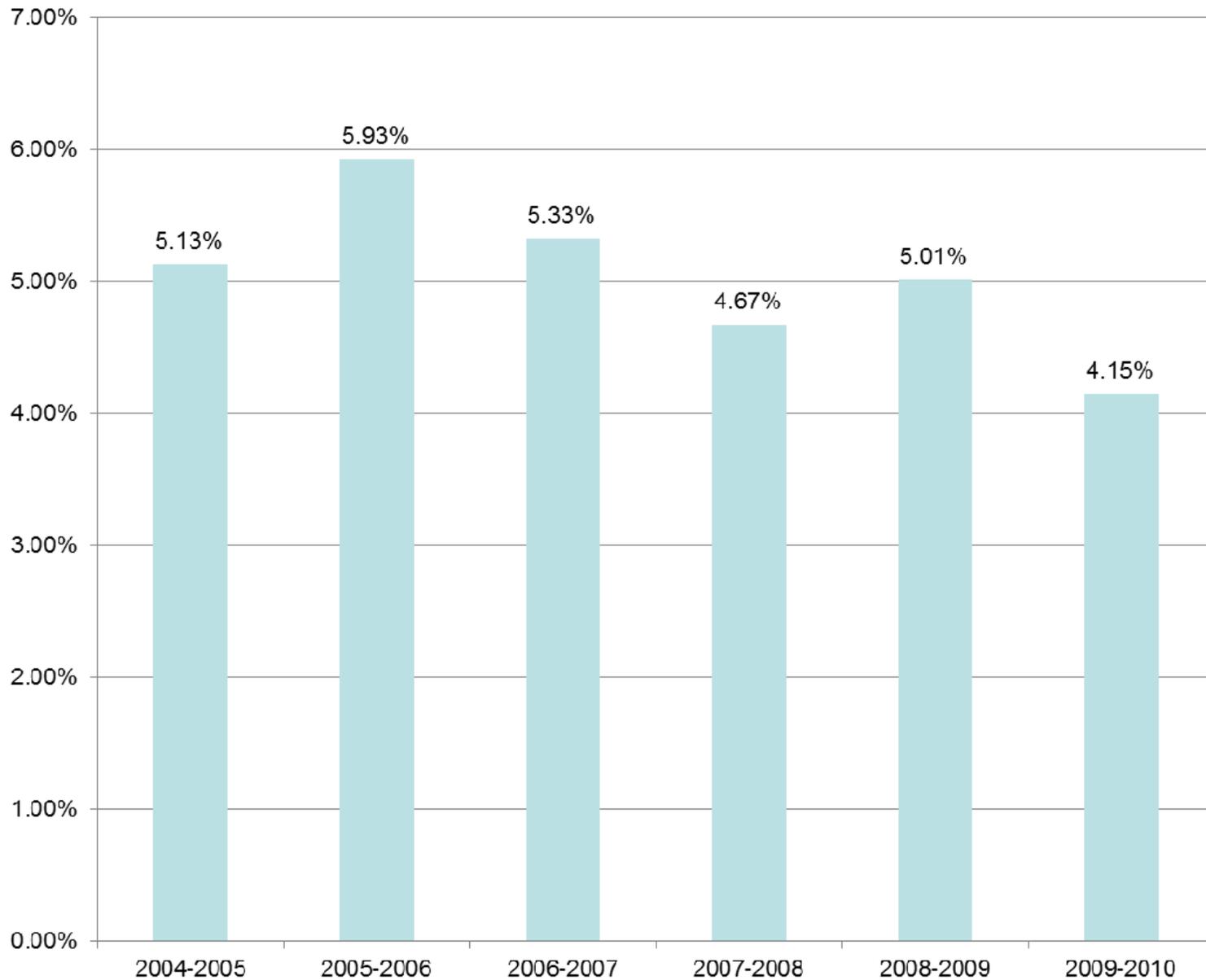
# Oil Industry Employment

Number of Employees



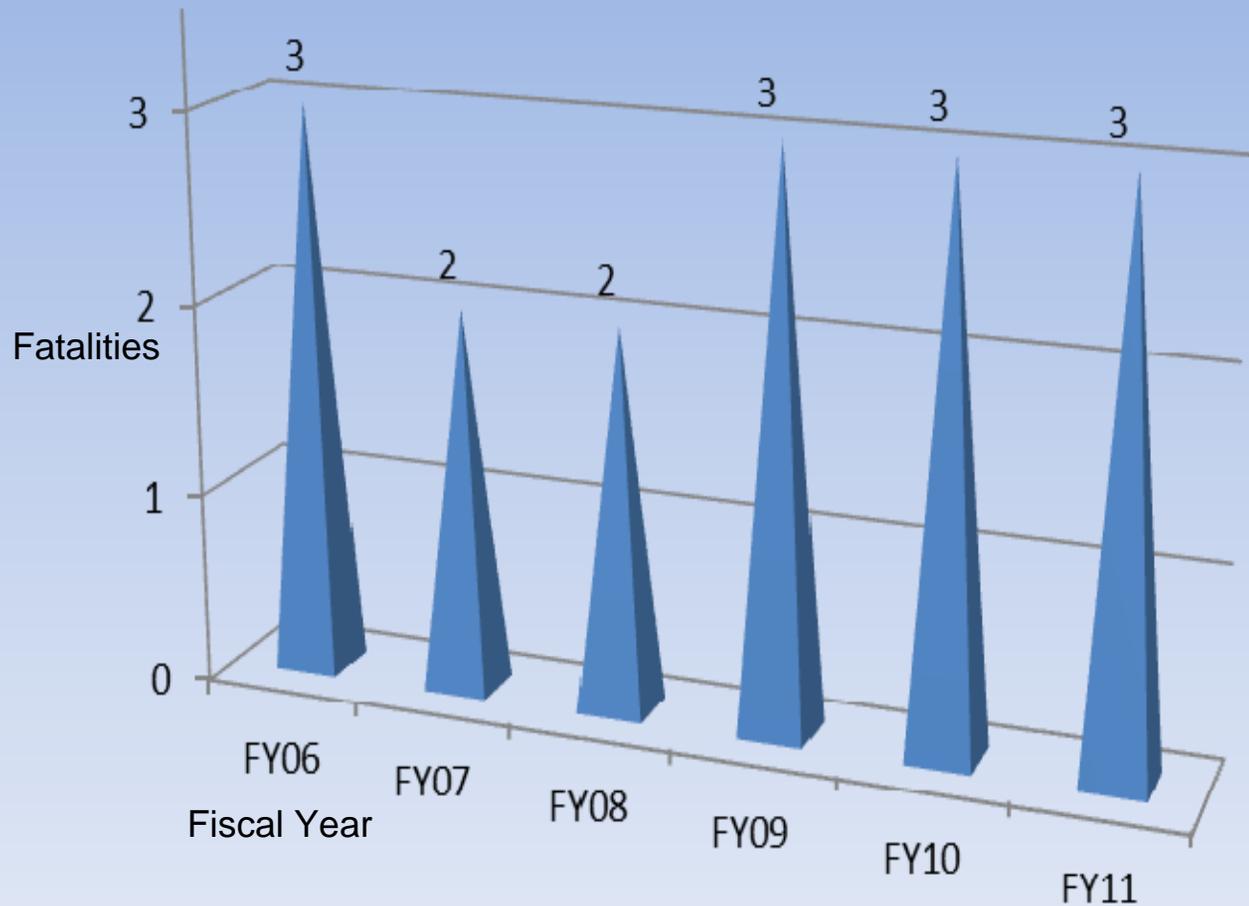


## % Claims



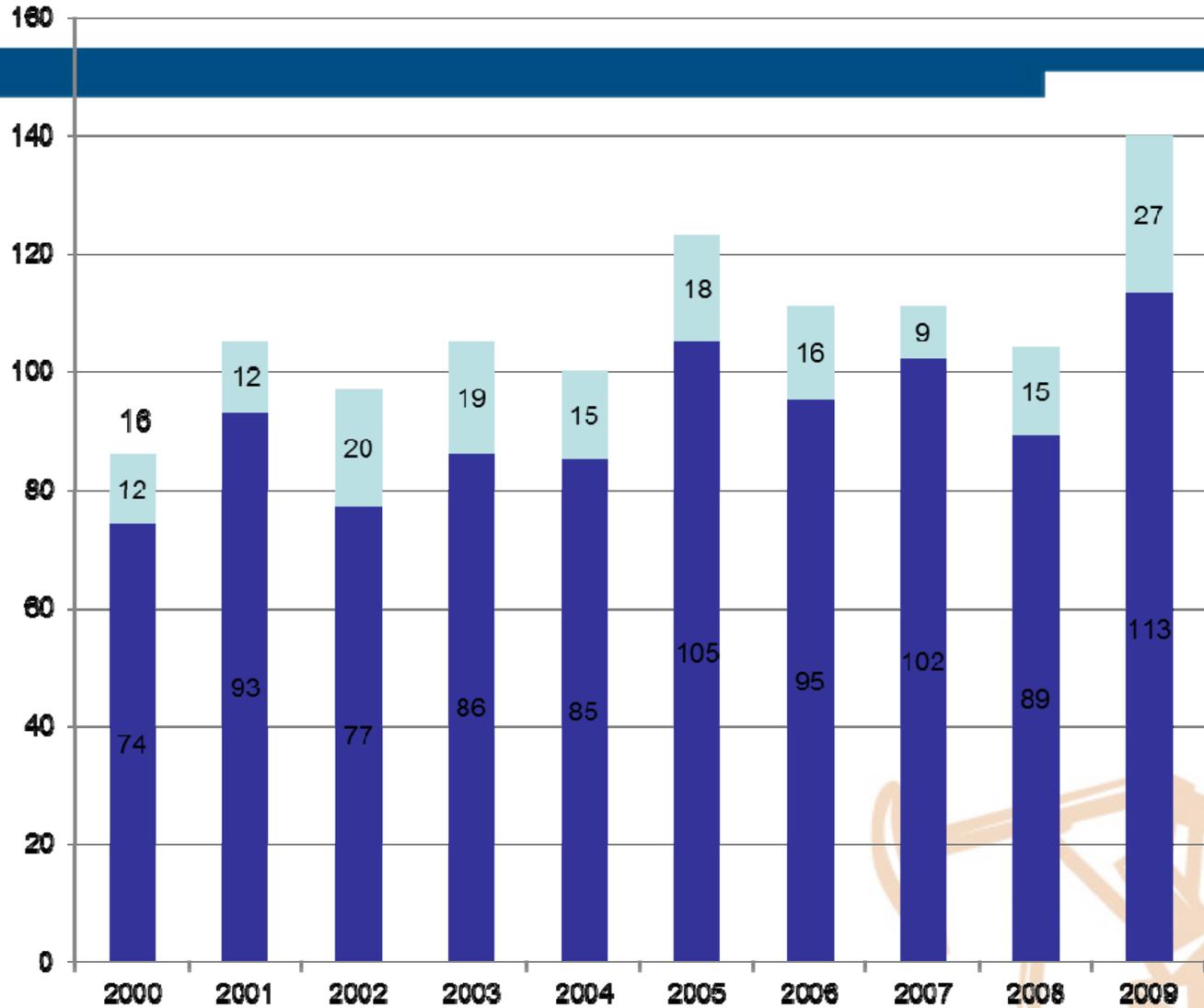


# Oil Industry Fatalities





■ Truck Involved Fatalities  
■ Non Truck Involved





# Consequences of Poor Safety





**PASS WITH  
CAUTION**



**ProgressZoo**  
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*Partnership with ND Dept of Transportation*

***KEY MESSAGES:***

- Pass with Caution
- Better Late than Never!
- Have Patience. Slow Down!



## *Oil Counties Accident Stats:*

- 30% of crashes in 2010 (37 fatalities)
- 16% of all crashes were related to passing (2 fatalities)
- 10% of all crashes were speed-related (8 fatalities)
- 7.5% of crashes were a result of driving too fast for the conditions (3 fatalities)



# Oil Can! Program

## Guiding principles

- Listen first
- Develop partnerships
- Respect others





# NDPC Safety Committee

## Road Safety

- ProgressZone
- Community & Industry Outreach Efforts

## Underground Utility Management

- Legislative Change
- ND One Call Enhancements

## Well Site Safety Management

- Evaluate Industry Best Practices
- Standardize Policies for Contractors



Questions

# Current Public Perception Is Favorable

## Oil Industry Viewed Favorably

An overwhelming majority (87%) either agree or strongly agree that the oil industry provides positive benefits to the people of North Dakota.

