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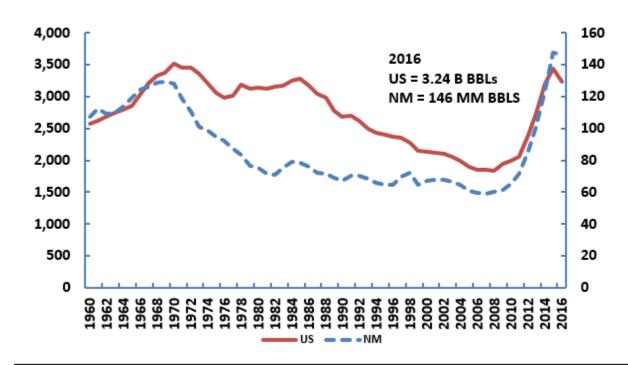


Light

- Economics is the only field in which two people can get a Nobel Prize for saying exactly the opposite thing.
- There are only two types of economists:
 - Those who can't predict oil prices
 - Those who don't know they can't predict oil prices

Sweet

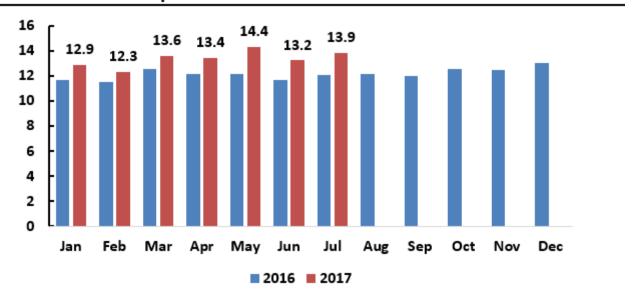
US and New Mexico Production of Crude Oil: 1960 to 2016 Millions of BBLS per year



Sources: 1960-1980, Petroleum Facts and Figures, p. 34. 1980-2016, Energy Information Administration,

Are you kidding me?

New Mexico Production of Crude Oil in 2016 and 2017 millions of barrels per month



Source: EIA, October 2017

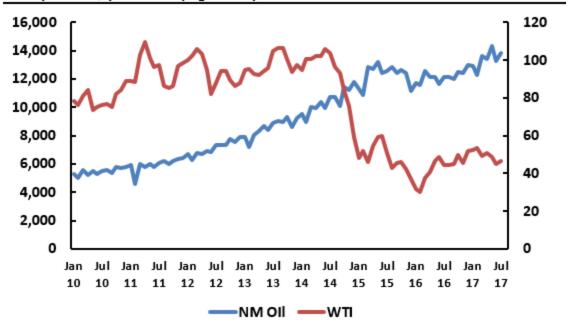
| January to July Production | | Full Year Production | |
|----------------------------|------|----------------------|-----|
| 2016 | 83.9 | 2016 | 146 |
| 2017 | 93.7 | 2017 | ? |

Production and Price

New Mexico Production of Crude Oil and WTI price

Production in 1,000 barrels per month (Left axis)

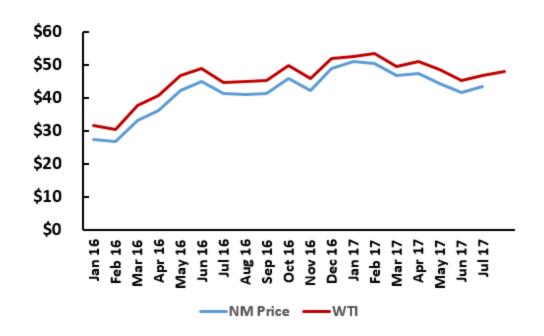
WTI price in \$ per barrel (Right Axis)



Source: EIA October 2, 2017

Difference Narrowing

NM Oil price and WTI (\$ per BBL): Jan 2016 to July 2017



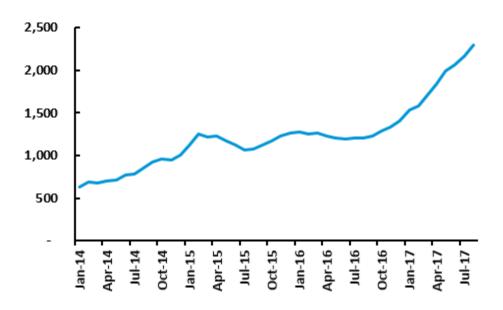
Source: Energy Information Administration and NM Oil Conservation Division, October 2017

Difference:

2016 \$3.96 2017 (Jul) \$3.22

Why so many DUCs?

DUCs in the Permian

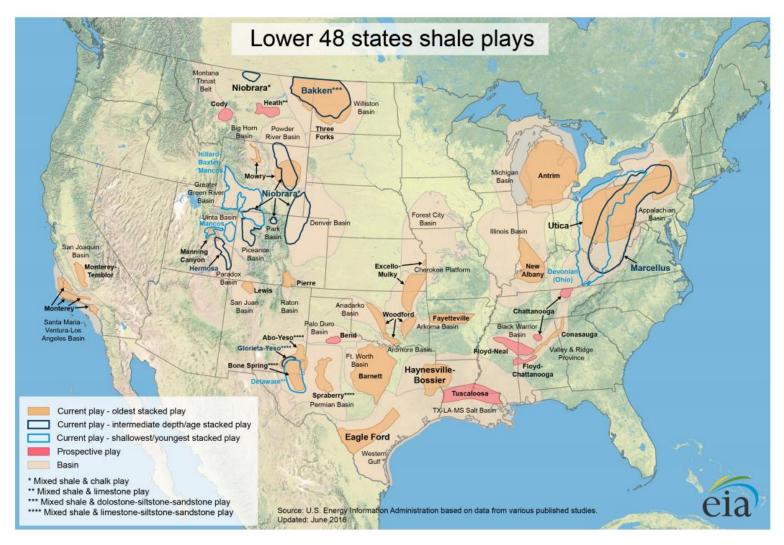


Source: Energy Information Administration, Drilling Productivity Report, Sept 18, 2017 https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/drilling/

Change Aug 16 to Aug 17

Permian 1,094 Total 1,083

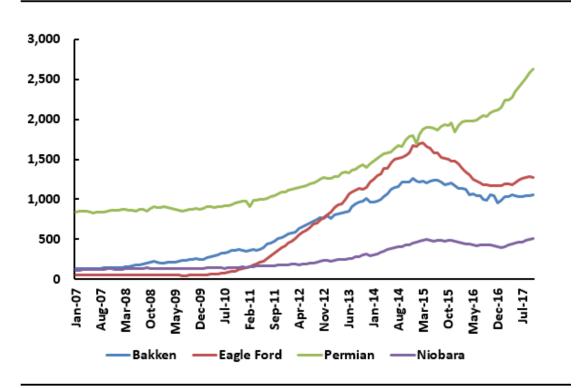
Shale Plays



Source: https://www.eia.gov/maps/images/shale_gas_lower48.pdf, October 4, 2017

When you're hot, you're hot

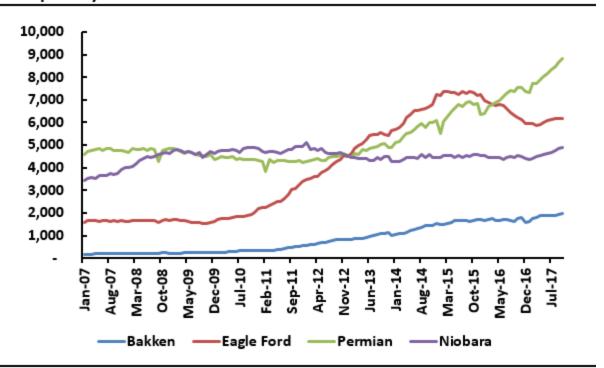
Oil Production by Basin: January 2007 to October 2017 1,000 bbls per day



Source: Energy Information Administration, Drilling Productivity Report, September 18, 2017

It is not all about oil

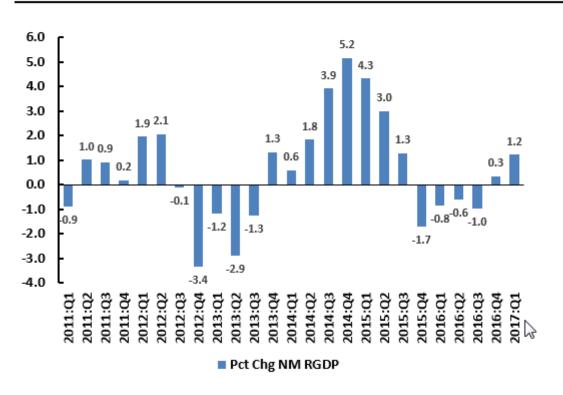
Natural Gas Production by Basin: January 2007 to October 2017 mmcf per day



Source: Energy Information Administration, Drilling Productivity Report, September 18, 2017

O&G and RGDP?

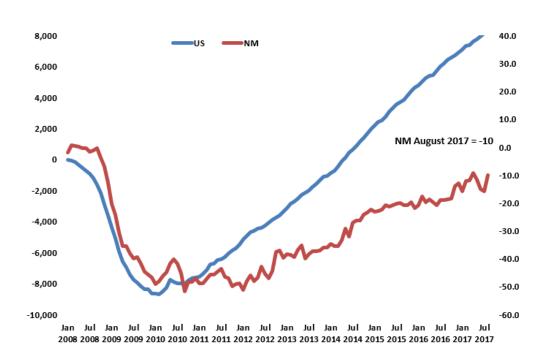
Percent Change in New Mexico Real GDP Same Quarter Year Ago



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

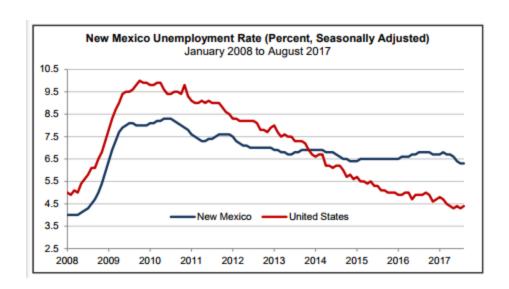
Employment

Cumulative change in non-farm payroll employment in the US and NM: Jan 2008 to August 2017 (1,000s of jobs)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 28, 2017

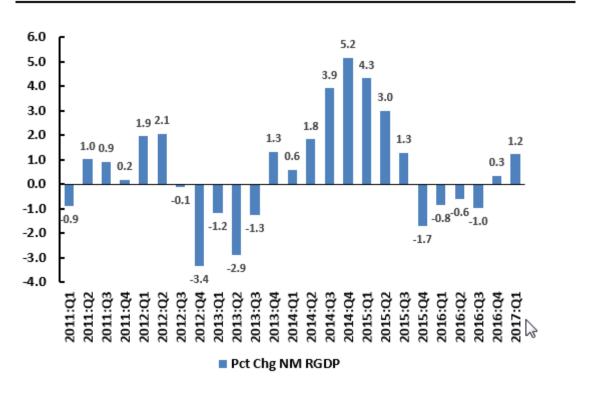
Not so sweet



Source: NM Department of Workforce Solutions, Monthly Labor Market Review, September 2017

Nothing very surprising here

Percent Change in New Mexico Real GDP Same Quarter Year Ago



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

Light, sweet, but not cheap Optimism? Of course.



World Series Game 4, Wrigley, October 29, 2016 Source: Jim Peach, alleged Cub Fan

Enough said!

