

Bureau of Land Management Onshore
Oil and Gas Leasing and Expression of Interest Data
March 2024

Expression of Interest Acres Received in the Past Year

The following table provides a summary of all expression of interest (EOI) acreage received in the past year, from 3/4/2023 to 3/4/2024, and the EOI acreage counted for Section 50265(b)(1) of the Inflation Reduction Act (P.L. 117-169).

Month & Year Received	Acreage Submitted	EOI Acreage
March 2023	9,273.348	8,204.388
April 2023	27,728.09	22,371.59
May 2023	14,189.69	11,813.32
June 2023	6,377.77	1,254.55
July 2023	0	0
August 2023	4,304.62	4,145.94
September 2023	3,283.53	2,490.23
October 2023	1,622.49	1,542.49
November 2023	4,735.98	4,495.98
December 2023	7,182.27	4,742.27
January 2024	4,656.92	4,656.92
February 2024	15,819.85	15,819.85
March 2024	0	0
Total	99,174.558	81,537.528

BLM Onshore Oil and Gas Lease Sales Held in the Past Year

The Inflation Reduction Act defined an Onshore lease sale as “a quarterly oil and gas lease sale (A) that is held by the Secretary in accordance with section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226); and (B) that, if any acceptable bids have been received for any parcel offered in the lease sale, results in the issuance of a lease.”

BLM State Office	Sale Date	Parcels Offered	Acres Offered	Date First Lease Issued
NM	5/25/2023	45	10,124	6/6/2023
MT/DKs	6/28/2023	14	5,672	7/27/2023
WY	6/29 & 6/30/2023	116	127,015	7/20/2023
ES	6/30/2023	4	129	7/17/2023
NV	7/25/2023	4	4,720	N/A – No bids*

WY	9/6/2023	81	67,183	10/12/2023
MT	9/12/2023	19	8,062	9/29/2023
UT	9/26/2023	14	26,854	11/1/2023
WY	11/28/2023	37	35,354	1/17/2024
NM	11/30/2023	9	554	1/10/2024
MT	12/5/2023	12	3,651	1/19/2024
NV	12/5/2023	4	3,498	1/11/2024
UT	12/12/2023	1	761	12/19/2023
Total		360	293,577	

* Although no leases were issued as a result of the sale, the sale qualifies as an “onshore lease sale” within the meaning of IRA Section 50265(a)(3) because no “acceptable bids . . . [were] received.”