Shale Development Supports American Jobs
Development of oil and natural gas from America’s shale plays is providing high paying jobs for working families across the country.

"Employment attributed to upstream unconventional oil and natural gas activity will support more than 1.7 million jobs in 2012, growing to some 2.5 million jobs in 2015, 3 million jobs in 2020, and 3.5 million jobs in 2035.”

IHS CERA

The U.S. average annual wage in the oil and gas industry was about $107,200 in 2012, double the national average.

Bureau of Labor Statistics

In 2012, oil and gas development in Colorado supported nearly 94,000 jobs that pay roughly double the state average.

CU Leeds School of Business

Oil and gas development in Texas’s Permian Basin provides 444,000 jobs.

Texas Tech University

The Barnett Shale alone provides 107,650 permanent jobs.

Perryman Group

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Akron Beacon Journal, 12/28/13

Development of the Marcellus Shale has created 45,000 new building trade jobs in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

CBS Local, 10/17/14

For 69 months now, North Dakota has held onto its title as the state with the lowest unemployment rate, thanks largely to its oil boom.

Washington Post, 9/19/14

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