



## Drilling rig slang

What does pig mean on a rig?

**Pig:** A device inserted into pipelines for cleaning or inspection. **Pusher:** Short for toolpusher; the person in charge of drilling operations on the rig. **Queen:** A derogatory term for someone avoiding work or taking excessive breaks. **Rat Hole:** A hole on the rig floor used to store the kelly when not in use.

What does roughneck mean on a drilling rig?

Commonly found on older drilling rigs that do not have a Top Drive. **ROP** Rate of penetration - the rate at which you are drilling. **Roughneck** Person that works in the Oilfield but not in management. **Roughneck and Rig Hand** both refer to the same position on a rig.

What is the difference between a drill rig and a dope?

**Dope:** A thick lubricant used on pipe connections. **Drill string:** A column, or string, of pipe that transmits drilling fluid (via the mud pumps) and torque (from the Kelly drive or top drive) to the drill bit. **Driller:** The crew supervisor on a drilling rig, working under the toolpusher.

What is a drilling fluid?

Used to describe any method for retrieving oil from a well and bringing it to the surface after the well ceases to produce. Solid or high-viscosity hydrocarbons found in natural deposits or in petroleum refining residue that are used as additives of oil- and water-based muds (drilling fluids).

What does put out mean on a rig?

**Put-out** A common phrase said in the oil patch referring to the effort your giving. This phrase would hold the same meaning if somebody said "put your back into it." **Ex:** worms don't put out. **Rat Hole** A storage place for the Kelly when the rig is not drilling. Commonly found on older drilling rigs that do not have a Top Drive.

What is coring in oil & gas drilling?

**Coring:** A procedure where a small amount of rock sample is extracted from an oil well to the surface to give valuable information during the drilling process about the rock in the well. **CSG** (coal seam gas) or **CBM** (coal bed methane): Methane that forms in the gaps between coal molecules.

o **Bell nipple:** An enlarged pipe at the top of a casing string that serves as a funnel to guide drilling tools into the top of the well.  
o **Big bear:** A big bear is a hitch (see hitch) that lasts a minimum of 50 straight days.  
o **Black Leg :** Joints of pipe racked back in the derrick.

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Tool dressers: helpers on a cable tool rig Tool pusher: foreman of the drilling crew; the supervisor over drilling rig operations; also called "rig ...

Understand the common slang terms used in the oil and gas industry. Learn the nicknames for various tools and equipment. Enhance communication with ...

Oil field workers are commonly referred to as "oil rig workers" or "oil field laborers." These individuals perform various tasks related to the extraction of oil, often working on drilling rigs ...

A roustabout may be part of the drilling contractor's employee workforce, or may be on location temporarily for special operations. Roustabouts are commonly hired to ensure that rig crew ...

Terms like "fracking," "landman" and "driller" may be familiar, but what about the countless other words that oil workers use every day? From "Christmas tree" ...

Drilling mud--also known as drilling fluid--is a specially formulated fluid that is circulated through the wellbore during drilling operations. It plays a critical role in the success and safety of oil ...

Mud: Slang term for drilling fluid. A Mud Man is the drilling fluids technician responsible for formulating the mud, while a Mud Logger checks mud cuttings from the drill bit for traces of ...

The early oil fields also founded a language or lingo of their own. Below is the first of a three-part series of oil field terms and definitions. This information was ...

In the context of the oil and gas industry, "rig" refers to a drilling rig used for extracting natural resources from the ground. These rigs are typically large structures that are built on site and ...

Shortened form of toolpusher. an employee of a drilling contractor who is in charge of the entire drilling crew and the drilling rig. Also called a rig superintendent, drilling foreman, or rig ...

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Turning to the Right -- A slang term meaning "drilling ahead". When viewed from the drill floor, the bit turns in a right-hand (clockwise) direction.



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Ever wondered what the hell your oilfield friends mean with their acronyms? We got you covered with the best oilfield acronyms list ever.

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Discover a complete list of oilfield acronyms, slang, and sayings from A to Z. Perfect for oil and gas professionals, this guide covers industry terms like BOP, ECD, roughneck, and doghouse.

According to Schlumberger's extensive Oilfield Glossary (yes, there is an oilfield glossary dedicated to oil & gas technical jargon) describes the vee-door as: an ...

Distinguishing "Water Table" from Drilling Mast Terminology: It's important to distinguish the term "water table" from drilling mast terminology. "Water table" is a geological term referring to ...

Day Rate The drilling contractor charges a fixed daily rate for its hardware (the rig) and software (the people), plus certain extraordinary expenses. Under this arrangement, the cost of the well ...

The IADC Lexicon is a glossary of oilfield drilling terms that have been defined in legislation, regulations, standards, and/or guidelines.

Drilling block Drilling contractor Drilling crew Drilling fluid Drilling foreman Drilling in Drilling line Drilling out Drilling rate Drilling rig Drilling spool Drilling under pressure Drilling window ...

All members in the assembly used for rotary drilling from the swivel to the bit, including the kelly, drill pipe and tool joints, drill collars, stabilizers, and various specialty items.

Explore a comprehensive glossary of oil and gas drilling terms, definitions, and standards provided by the International Association of Drilling Contractors.

On a drilling rig, drill pipe and tubing are lowered into the hole the first time one joint at a time. When pulled from the hole and stacked in the rig, they are usually pulled two, three, or four at ...

Workers in the oilpatch have their own language when it comes to referring to pieces of equipment and describing how things work in their industry. There are many colourful and ...

As drilling rigs are used over several years, it is important to ensure their reliability and safety through regular inspections. Our team conducts inspections using various methods such as ...

The term "Rig Pig" is a derogatory slang term used to describe oil rig workers, particularly those



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Hello, hope your kelly is high! Today I'm going talk about oilfield words, roughneck, things used in the fields, and some one-liners I've heard over the years.

Knowing the key terms is essential for effective communication and safe operations. To help you navigate the vast and sometimes confusing ...

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