PLAINS RESOURCES INC Form SC 13G February 12, 2002

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION "Washington, DC 20549"

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. _____)*

Plains Resources Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common

(Title of Class of Securities)

726540503

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2001

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the apprpriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X]	Rule	13d-1	(b)
[]	Rule	13d-1	(C)
[]	Rule	13d-1	(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securites, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act, but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes.)

 Name of Reporting Person / IRS Identification Number: Advisory Research, Inc. / 36-2831881
 Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (a) [] (See Instructions) (b) [X]
 SEC Use Only
 Citizenship or Place of Organization Delaware

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Benefic	-	6	Shared Voting Power	
Owned	ц Бу		0 Shares	
Each Reporting		7	Sole Dispositive Power 1,340,413 Shares	
Person		8	Shared Dispositive Power	
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-		e Amount 3 Shares	Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	
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Item 1	(a)	Name of	Issuer: Plains Resources Inc.	
Item 1	(b)	Name of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 500 Dallas, Suite 700 Houston, Texas 77002		
Item 2	(a)	Person Filing - Advisory Research, Inc.		
Item 2	(b)	Address - 180 North Stetson St., Suite 5780 Chicago, IL 60601		
Item 2	(c)	Citizen	ship - Advisory Research, Inc. is a Delaware Corporation	
Item 2	(d)	Title o	f Class of Securities - Common	
Item 2	(e)	CUSIP N	umber - 726540503	
Item 3			statement is filed pursuant to Rules) or 13d-2(b), check whether the person is a:	
		(a) []	Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act	
		(b) []	Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act	

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- (c) [] Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a) (19) of the Act
- (d) [] Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act
- (e) [X] Investment Advisor in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)

- (h) [] A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
- (i) [] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Item 4 Ownership

- (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: Advisory Research, Inc. 1,340,413 Shares
- (b) Percent of Class 5.05%
- (c) Number of shares as to which reporting person has:
 (i) Sole Voting Power 1,340,413 Shares
 (ii) Shared Voting Power 0 Shares
 (iii) Sole Dispositive Power 1,340,413 Shares
 (iv) Shared Dispositive Power 0 Shares
- Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class: If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following []
- Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person: Not Applicable
- Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company: Not Applicable
- Item 8 Identification and Classification if Members of the Group: Not Applicable
- Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group: Not Applicable
- Item 10 Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my

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knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 12, 2002

Date

/s/ Brien M. O'Brien

----- Signature

Brien M. O'Brien, Chairman

Name/Title