



Motor Gasoline Watch

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! A significant reduction in demand allowed stocks to build last week, despite lower than normal production levels. Total motor gasoline stocks were up 1.9 million barrels to end the week at 195.7 million barrels. Stocks of reformulated gasoline rose 0.3 million barrels to 42.2 million barrels as stocks of other finished gasoline increased 0.5 million barrels to 111.1 million barrels. Stocks of motor gasoline blending components ended the week at 41.8 million barrels, 1.1 million barrels above the level at the end of the prior week.

! Total motor gasoline stocks at the primary storage level were 0.5 million barrels above the level for the same week last year. Imports of total gasoline averaged 694 thousand barrels per day of which 291 thousand barrel per day were reformulated and 196 thousand barrels per day were blending components.

Gasoline Production by Petroleum Administration for Defense District (Thousand Barrels per Day)

| District | Total Finished Gasolin Week Ending | | | | | Reformulated Gasolin Week Ending | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | 12/15/00 | 12/22/00 | 12/29/00 | 01/05/01 | 01/07/00 | 12/15/00 | 12/22/00 | 12/29/00 | 01/05/01 | 01/07/00 |
| East Coast (PADD I) | 1,139 | 1,029 | 988 | 907 | 1,036 | 766 | 672 | 661 | 611 | 640 |
| Midwest (PADD II) | 1,935 | 1,983 | 1,912 | 1,779 | 1,851 | 288 | 330 | 272 | 214 | 245 |
| Gulf Coast (PADD III) | 3,702 | 3,408 | 3,453 | 3,266 | 3,595 | 788 | 677 | 690 | 609 | 763 |
| Rocky Mountain (PADD IV) | 273 | 259 | 265 | 250 | 253 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| West Coast (PADD V) | 1,330 | 1,405 | 1,366 | 1,349 | 1,438 | 929 | 987 | 980 | 941 | 959 |
| U.S. Tota | 8,379 | 8,084 | 7,984 | 7,550 | 8,173 | 2,771 | 2,666 | 2,603 | 2,375 | 2,607 |

Gasoline Stocks by Petroleum Administration for Defense District (Million Barrels)

| District | Total Gasolin Week Ending | | | | | Reformulated Gasolin Week Ending | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|
| | 12/15/00 | 12/22/00 | 12/29/00 | 01/05/01 | 01/05/00 | 12/15/00 | 12/22/00 | 12/29/00 | 01/05/01 | 01/05/00 |
| East Coast (PADD I) | 55.8 | 56.5 | 53.4 | 54.3 | 52.5 | 18.1 | 19.5 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 18.5 |
| Midwest (PADD II) | 48.6 | 46.4 | 47.7 | 48.5 | 48.8 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.5 |
| Gulf Coast (PADD III) | 58.5 | 57.2 | 56.1 | 56.0 | 57.4 | 11.2 | 10.9 | 8.8 | 9.6 | 10.1 |
| Rocky Mountain (PADD IV) | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.9 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| West Coast (PADD V) | 29.7 | 29.8 | 30.1 | 30.3 | 29.6 | 11.5 | 12.3 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 12.0 |
| U.S. Tota | 199.0 | 196.4 | 193.8 | 195.7 | 195.2 | 42.1 | 44.0 | 41.9 | 42.2 | 42.0 |

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PRICES

! Gasoline spot prices rose strongly east of the Rockies again last week, lifted by a combination of crude oil price firming and concerns about expected heavy refinery maintenance in the coming months. The New York Harbor spot price for conventional regular gasoline rose 4.32 cents for the week to 81.10 cents per gallon, while the Los Angeles CARB RFG spot price fell 4.50 cents to 91.00 cents per gallon.

! The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline rose last week after 5 weeks of decline, increasing by 1.9 cents to 142.5 cents per gallon as of January 8, 2001. The average price was 16.1 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. Price changes were mixed and small for most regions and formulations, with the exception of solid increases in the Midwest.

Regular Gasoline Spot Prices by City (Cents per Gallon)

| City | Conventional Gasolin | | | | | Reformulated Gasolin | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | 12/18/00 | 12/26/00 | 01/02/01 | 01/08/01 | 01/10/00 | 12/18/00 | 12/26/00 | 01/02/01 | 01/08/01 | 01/10/00 |
| New York | 73.98 | 72.38 | 76.78 | 81.10 | 64.57 | 76.50 | 75.35 | 79.90 | 84.85 | 67.41 |
| Chicago | 80.70 | 80.29 | 85.15 | 93.35 | 68.57 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Houston | 76.78 | 72.75 | 83.15 | 91.20 | 64.63 | 79.40 | 75.88 | 80.03 | 90.83 | 68.34 |
| Los Angeles | 85.50 | 88.75 | 90.50 | 86.00 | 63.50 | 92.00 | 93.75 | 95.50 | 91.00 | 70.00 |

Source: Reuters Information Services.

Note: Data for 12/25/00 and 01/01/01 were not available due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Regular Gasoline Retail Prices by Petroleum Administration for Defense District (Cents per Gallon, Including Taxes)

| District | Conventional Gasolin | | | | | Reformulated Gasolin | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | 12/18/00 | 12/25/00 | 01/01/01 | 01/08/01 | 01/10/00 | 12/18/00 | 12/25/00 | 01/01/01 | 01/08/01 | 01/10/00 |
| East Coast (PADD I) | 137.6 | 134.4 | 134.1 | 135.1 | 124.3 | 150.9 | 149.0 | 148.6 | 147.4 | 132.0 |
| Midwest (PADD II) | 136.7 | 138.2 | 136.8 | 141.9 | 123.8 | 138.6 | 140.1 | 142.0 | 145.2 | 126.1 |
| Gulf Coast (PADD III) | 133.5 | 133.1 | 131.6 | 133.0 | 122.6 | 133.2 | 131.7 | 132.3 | 133.3 | 120.2 |
| Rocky Mountain (PADD IV) | 147.4 | 144.8 | 143.1 | 142.8 | 130.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| West Coast (PADD V) | 160.3 | 158.3 | 156.1 | 154.9 | 134.5 | 165.5 | 164.3 | 162.4 | 162.2 | 135.2 |
| U.S. Average | 138.6 | 138.0 | 136.8 | 139.4 | 124.8 | 149.9 | 149.1 | 148.9 | 149.2 | 130.1 |

Source: Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-878, Motor Gasoline Price Survey.

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