



Motor Gasoline Watch

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SUPPLY

! Stocks increased last week due to continued high import levels and increased production. Total motor gasoline stocks were up 3.0 million barrels to end the week at 198.7 million barrels. Stocks of reformulated gasoline rose 1.3 million barrels to 43.5 million barrels as stocks of other finished gasoline dropped 1.7 million barrels to 109.4 million barrels. Stocks of motor gasoline blending component ended the week at 45.2 million barrels, 3.4 million barrels above the level at the end of the prior week.

! Total motor gasoline stocks at the primary storage level were 0.1 million barrels above the level for the same week last year. Imports of total gasoline averaged 712 thousand barrels per day of which 229 thousand barrel per day were reformulated and 210 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				
	12/22/00	12/29/00	01/05/01	01/12/01	01/14/00	12/22/00	12/29/00	01/05/01	01/12/01	01/14/00
East Coast (PADD I)	1,029	988	907	943	1,091	672	661	611	583	659
Midwest (PADD II)	1,983	1,912	1,779	1,878	1,927	330	272	214	256	279
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	3,408	3,453	3,266	3,331	3,357	677	690	609	616	613
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	259	265	250	276	277	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	1,405	1,366	1,349	1,358	1,387	987	980	941	979	934
U.S. Tota	8,084	7,984	7,550	7,785	8,039	2,666	2,603	2,375	2,434	2,485

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

District	Total Gasolin Week Ending					Reformulated Gasolin Week Ending				
	12/22/00	12/29/00	01/05/01	01/12/01	01/12/00	12/22/00	12/29/00	01/05/01	01/12/01	01/12/00
East Coast (PADD I)	56.5	53.4	54.3	54.2	53.9	19.5	19.4	18.9	19.3	19.2
Midwest (PADD II)	46.4	47.7	48.5	48.5	49.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.6
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	57.2	56.1	56.0	58.1	57.9	10.9	8.8	9.6	10.3	10.1
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.7	7.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	29.8	30.1	30.3	31.2	30.2	12.3	12.4	12.4	12.8	12.2
U.S. Tota	196.4	193.8	195.7	198.7	198.6	44.0	41.9	42.2	43.5	43.1

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PRICES

! Most gasoline spot prices moved higher in the last week, echoing strength in crude oil markets ahead of an OPEC meeting in Vienna this week, along with continuing concerns about expected heavy refinery maintenance in the coming months. The New York Harbor spot price for conventional regular gasoline rose 5.50 cents for the week to 86.60 cents per gallon, while the Los Angeles CARB RFG spot price increased 2.00 cents to 93.00 cents per gallon.

! The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline climbed for a second straight week, rising 4.9 cents to 147.4 cents per gallon as of January 15, 2001. The average price was 19.7 cents per gallon higher than a year ago, and the highest since December 4, 2000. Prices rose solidly for most regions and formulations, except for solid declines on the West Coast.

Regular Gasoline Spot Prices by City (Cents per Gallon)

City	Conventional Gasolin					Reformulated Gasolin				
	12/26/00	01/02/01	01/08/01	01/16/01	01/18/00	12/26/00	01/02/01	01/08/01	01/16/01	01/18/00
New York	72.38	76.78	81.10	86.60	74.82	75.35	79.90	84.85	90.23	76.95
Chicago	80.29	85.15	93.35	92.35	79.32	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Houston	72.75	83.15	91.20	88.73	74.75	75.88	80.03	90.83	93.73	76.90
Los Angeles	88.75	90.50	86.00	88.00	71.50	93.75	95.50	91.00	93.00	73.50

Source: Reuters Information Services.

Note: Data for 12/25/00, 01/01/01, and 01/15/01 were not available due to the Christmas, New Year's, and M. L. King holidays.

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

District	Conventional Gasolin					Reformulated Gasolin				
	12/25/00	01/01/01	01/08/01	01/15/01	01/17/00	12/25/00	01/01/01	01/08/01	01/15/01	01/17/00
East Coast (PADD I)	134.4	134.1	135.1	141.7	124.4	149.0	148.6	147.4	148.3	131.7
Midwest (PADD II)	138.2	136.8	141.9	149.7	127.7	140.1	142.0	145.2	152.5	128.8
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	133.1	131.6	133.0	139.7	122.6	131.7	132.3	133.3	138.3	120.4
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	144.8	143.1	142.8	142.3	129.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	158.3	156.1	154.9	152.6	134.4	164.3	162.4	162.2	159.6	134.3
U.S. Average	138.0	136.8	139.4	145.6	126.5	149.1	148.9	149.2	151.1	130.3

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

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