



Motor Gasoline Watch

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SUPPLY

- Stocks edged upward last week, increasing for the fifth consecutive week. Total motor gasoline stocks were up 0.6 million barrels to end the week at 208.9 million barrels. Stocks of reformulated gasoline rose 0.5 million barrels to a total of 42.8 million barrels and stocks of other finished (conventional) gasoline increased 0.4 million barrels to a total of 118.0 million barrels. Stocks of motor gasoline blending components ended the week at 47.4 million barrels, 0.5 million barrels below the level at the end of the prior week.
- Total motor gasoline stocks at the primary storage level were 17.2 million barrels above the level for the same week last year. Total imports of motor gasoline averaged 695 thousand barrels per day, of which 188 thousand barrels per day were reformulated and 200 thousand barrels per day were blending components.

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

District	Total Finished Gasoline Week Ending					Reformulated Gasoline Week Ending				
	09/28/01	10/05/01	10/12/01	10/19/01	10/20/00	09/28/01	10/05/01	10/12/01	10/19/01	10/20/00
East Coast (PADD I)	1,122	1,094	1,094	1,003	963	550	704	683	642	653
Midwest (PADD II)	1,986	1,956	2,021	1,969	1,959	272	259	263	269	264
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	3,738	3,843	3,822	3,807	3,615	730	686	703	660	703
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	260	257	262	264	267	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	1,348	1,349	1,363	1,386	1,364	966	915	959	970	1,000
U.S. Total	8,455	8,499	8,562	8,429	8,168	2,518	2,564	2,608	2,541	2,620

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

District	Total Gasoline Week Ending					Reformulated Gasoline Week Ending				
	09/28/01	10/05/01	10/12/01	10/19/01	10/19/00	09/28/01	10/05/01	10/12/01	10/19/01	10/19/00
East Coast (PADD I)	54.0	55.5	52.8	53.7	50.0	17.2	17.6	17.6	18.6	16.5
Midwest (PADD II)	52.6	52.7	53.5	54.4	47.4	1.6	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.5
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	62.5	62.5	65.1	63.2	60.0	10.4	10.2	10.8	10.6	10.6
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.7	5.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	28.8	29.3	30.8	31.0	28.7	10.7	11.1	12.0	11.6	11.7
U.S. Total	203.9	206.1	208.3	208.9	191.7	40.0	40.8	42.3	42.8	40.3

Source: Energy Information Administration, *Weekly Petroleum Status Report (WPSR)*.

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PRICES

- Gasoline spot and futures prices were mixed last week, as worries about global demand for petroleum and its products competed with other factors. Markets ignored bullish signals such as rumblings of production cuts from OPEC and government and industry data showing stockdraws for the previous week in favor of bearish demand figures from the International Energy Agency. Crude profit taking on Friday helped to move product prices higher than earlier in the week. The New York Harbor spot price for conventional regular gasoline fell 0.18 cent to 58.85 cents per gallon, while the Los Angeles CARB RFG spot price rose 9.50 cents to finish at 84.50 cents per gallon.
- The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline fell 4.4 cents to end at 126.5 cents per gallon, which is 28.6 cents lower than this time last year. Retail prices were down for the week, with prices falling significantly throughout the country.

Regular Gasoline Spot Prices by City (Cents per Gallon)

City	Conventional Gasoline					Reformulated Gasoline				
	10/01/01	10/08/01	10/15/01	10/22/01	10/23/00	10/01/01	10/08/01	10/15/01	10/22/01	10/23/00
New York	66.43	63.38	59.03	58.85	101.00	66.73	62.35	59.88	59.60	105.70
Chicago	74.35	63.72	58.95	58.35	104.15	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Houston	61.18	58.10	55.60	55.33	93.38	63.10	59.47	57.40	57.68	97.05
Los Angeles	76.00	76.50	69.00	78.50	119.00	83.00	82.50	75.00	84.50	124.00

Source: Reuters Information Services.

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

District	Conventional Areas					Reformulated Areas				
	10/01/01	10/08/01	10/15/01	10/22/01	10/23/00	10/01/01	10/08/01	10/15/01	10/22/01	10/23/00
East Coast (PADD I)	132.6	127.1	123.3	119.0	146.4	140.2	137.1	134.0	130.7	156.3
Midwest (PADD II)	137.6	126.6	120.5	116.5	156.7	153.2	141.9	135.2	127.4	152.4
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	131.7	126.8	123.4	117.5	144.3	132.4	127.9	124.4	119.1	141.8
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	152.8	149.7	146.5	141.8	161.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	160.8	157.9	154.2	151.3	170.2	161.8	157.6	154.5	150.0	178.9
U.S. Average	138.1	131.0	126.4	122.1	153.2	148.7	143.8	140.1	135.5	159.9

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

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