



Motor Gasoline Watch

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SUPPLY

- Stocks were higher last week despite increased demand. Total motor gasoline stocks were up 1.0 million barrels to end the week at 207.7 million barrels. Stocks of reformulated gasoline fell 2.1 million barrels to a total of 43.5 million barrels while stocks of other finished (conventional) gasoline rose 0.8 million barrels to a total of 115.4 million barrels. Stocks of motor gasoline blending components ended the week at 48.2 million barrels, 2.3 million barrels above the level at the end of the prior week.
- Total motor gasoline stocks at the primary storage level were 12.2 million barrels above the level for the same week last year. Total imports of motor gasoline averaged 740 thousand barrels per day, of which 236 thousand barrels per day were reformulated and 257 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				
	11/02/01	11/09/01	11/16/01	11/23/01	11/24/00	11/02/01	11/09/01	11/16/01	11/23/01	11/24/00
East Coast (PADD I)	1,333	1,221	1,168	1,085	1,116	818	699	659	605	698
Midwest (PADD II)	1,859	1,838	1,867	1,997	1,893	262	256	257	233	244
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	3,785	3,615	3,639	3,687	3,681	753	725	603	776	693
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	247	253	272	256	263	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	1,407	1,375	1,380	1,306	1,230	1,019	992	986	988	915
U.S. Total	8,631	8,302	8,326	8,331	8,183	2,852	2,672	2,505	2,602	2,550

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

District	Total Gasoline Week Ending					Reformulated Gasoline Week Ending				
	11/02/01	11/09/01	11/16/01	11/23/01	11/23/00	11/02/01	11/09/01	11/16/01	11/23/01	11/23/00
East Coast (PADD I)	55.5	54.0	54.1	54.2	52.4	20.1	18.3	19.8	18.0	17.1
Midwest (PADD II)	52.4	50.7	50.2	51.1	47.3	2.2	2.4	2.9	1.9	1.4
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	61.6	62.2	63.8	63.1	60.6	10.4	11.9	10.8	11.6	10.4
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	6.5	6.9	6.8	6.8	5.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	31.0	31.6	31.7	32.4	29.3	11.5	11.5	12.1	12.0	12.0
U.S. Total	206.9	205.3	206.7	207.7	195.5	44.2	44.0	45.6	43.5	40.8

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

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PRICES

- Gasoline spot and futures prices were up last week, as positive indications of a possible agreement between OPEC and non-OPEC producers helped to push up prices. Government implied demand data showed an increase from last year which supported prices along with estimates of a 20 percent decrease in air travel. The New York Harbor spot price for conventional regular gasoline rose 1.95 cents to 50.05 cents per gallon, while the Los Angeles CARB RFG spot price gained 6.50 cents to 60.50 cents per gallon.
- The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline fell for the tenth straight week, dropping 4.0 cents to 112.7 cents per gallon as of November 26, 2001. The average was 38.3 cents lower than at this time last year, and the lowest since July 5, 1999. Prices declined for all regions and formulations, with the largest decreases occurring in the Midwest.

Regular Gasoline Spot Prices by City (Cents per Gallon)

City	Conventional Gasoline					Reformulated Gasoline				
	11/05/01	11/12/01	11/19/01	11/26/01	11/27/00	11/05/01	11/12/01	11/19/01	11/26/01	11/27/00
New York	51.80	55.32	48.10	50.05	92.59	53.10	57.37	50.00	51.85	93.09
Chicago	54.53	60.40	51.75	51.88	89.27	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Houston	50.28	53.48	45.73	47.75	84.52	50.93	54.80	47.73	49.05	85.47
Los Angeles	66.50	58.00	48.00	54.50	102.50	72.50	64.00	54.00	60.50	107.50

Source: Reuters Information Services.

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

District	Conventional Areas					Reformulated Areas				
	11/05/01	11/12/01	11/19/01	11/26/01	11/27/00	11/05/01	11/12/01	11/19/01	11/26/01	11/27/00
East Coast (PADD I)	112.7	110.5	108.3	105.3	144.6	124.0	121.3	118.2	115.5	154.8
Midwest (PADD II)	113.5	112.0	113.7	108.0	149.4	119.9	120.7	120.6	115.5	149.6
Gulf Coast (PADD III)	111.6	109.0	108.5	105.1	142.0	111.4	107.9	105.1	102.0	139.6
Rocky Mountain (PADD IV)	132.4	127.5	123.5	119.5	156.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
West Coast (PADD V)	145.7	141.9	137.3	133.0	165.8	141.8	137.5	133.1	129.0	173.9
U.S. Average	117.0	114.7	114.0	109.7	148.9	128.0	125.3	122.2	118.6	157.1

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

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