Gasoline prices increase for first time since February (long version)

The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline rose for the first time since February to $3.54 a gallon on Monday. That’s up 1.8 cents from a week ago, based on the weekly price survey by the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Pump prices were highest in the West Coast region at 3.81 a gallon, up 1.1 cents from a week ago. Prices were lowest in the Gulf Coast States at 3.30 a gallon, up 4-tenths of a penny.

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