U.S. gasoline prices increase for first time in 8 weeks (long version)

The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline rose to $1.73 a gallon on Monday. That’s up 6-tenths of a penny 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 states at 2.14 a gallon, down 7.6 cents from a week ago. Prices were lowest in the Gulf Coast states at 1.53 a gallon, down 2-tenths of a penny.

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