**U.S. gasoline prices increase (long version)**

The U.S. average retail price for regular gasoline increased to $2.25 a gallon on Monday. That’s up 2.1 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 states at 2.68 a gallon, up 2.8 cents from a week ago. Prices were lowest in the Gulf Coast states at 2.01 a gallon, up 4.3 cents.

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