

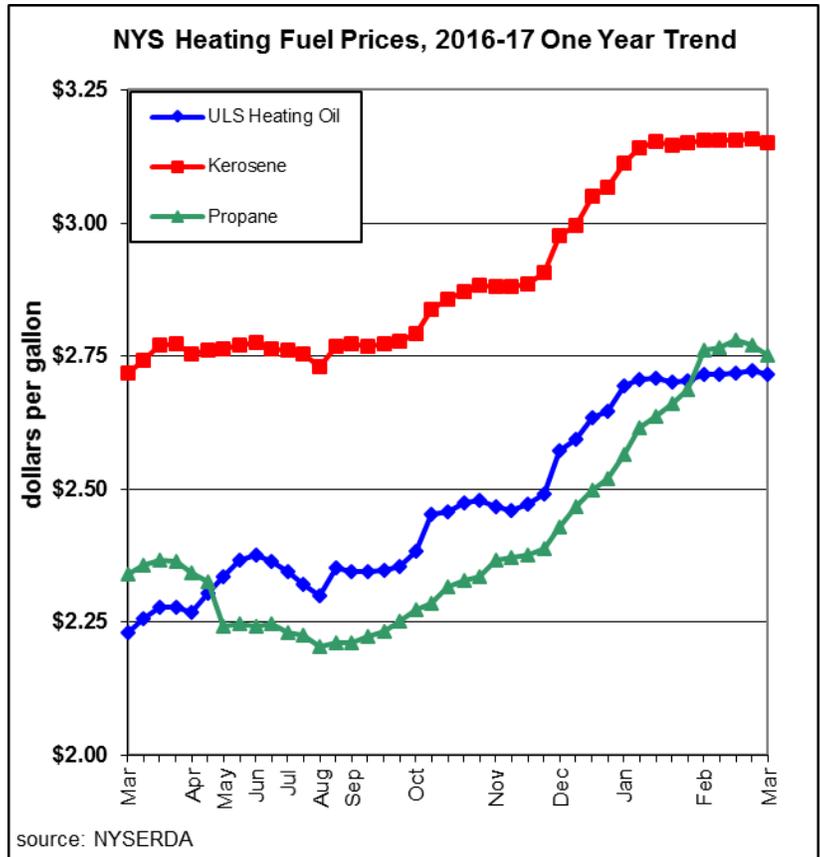
Highlights

- New York statewide heating degree-days for the current week were 8.8% below last year’s level and 18.7% below the 30-year normal. Cumulative heating degree-days since October 1st (3,922) are behind the 30-year normal (4,514) by 13.1%.
- U.S. crude oil inventories increased by 8.2 million barrels (1.6%) since last week to a record level of 528.4 million barrels, 37.6 million barrels (7.7%) higher than last year’s level of 490.8 million barrels.
- New York statewide average retail prices of ultra-low sulfur (ULS) heating oil, kerosene, and propane all decreased since the last survey.

Retail Petroleum Prices—On a statewide basis since the last survey on February 27th, prices decreased \$0.008/gallon (0.3%) to \$2.715/gallon for ULS heating oil, \$0.007/gallon (0.2%) to \$3.150/gallon for kerosene, and \$0.019/gallon (0.7%) to \$2.751/gallon for propane. Compared to a year earlier, prices increased \$0.485/gallon (21.7%) for heating oil, \$0.431/gallon (15.9%) for kerosene and \$0.411/gallon (17.6%) for propane.

Crude Oil Prices—For the week ending 3/3/17, WTI crude oil spot prices averaged \$53.56/bbl, a decrease of \$0.47/bbl (0.9%) from the week-ago average of \$54.03/bbl. WTI prices are now \$19.13/bbl (55.6%) above the year-ago weekly average of \$34.43/bbl. The all-time weekly average high of \$142.52/bbl occurred on 7/04/08.

Spot Natural Gas Prices—For the week ending 3/3/17, Henry Hub natural gas spot prices averaged \$2.532 per million Btu (mmBtu), a decrease of \$0.013/mmBtu (0.5%) from the prior week level of \$2.545/mmBtu. Prices are currently \$0.972/mmBtu (62.3%) above the year-earlier weekly average of \$1.560/mmBtu.



Residential Natural Gas Prices—The NYS average price in December 2016 was \$0.929/therm, a decrease of \$0.128/therm (12.1%) from the prior month of \$1.057/therm, and was \$0.179/therm (16.1%) lower than the year earlier average of \$1.108/therm.

Middle Atlantic Stocks—Current and historic heating fuel inventory data is presented in the table below.

Middle Atlantic Region, Weekly Inventories (million barrels)							
Fuel Type	3/3/2017	2/24/2017	% Change vs. Last Week	Year Ago	% Change vs. Last Year	5-Year Average	% Change vs. 5-Year Avg
ULS Distillate (0-15 ppm)	32.0	32.5	-1.7%	29.9	7.1%	13.9	129.8%
Non-road Diesel (15-500 ppm)	1.2	1.9	-37.7%	1.2	0.5%	0.9	26.8%
High Sulfur Distillate (>500 ppm)	3.4	3.8	-11.1%	4.5	-24.8%	7.1	-52.2%
Total Distillate Oil	36.6	38.3	-4.4%	35.6	2.8%	22.0	66.5%
Propane	2.019	2.737	-26.2%	1.744	15.8%	1.077	87.5%
#6 Residual Oil	7.1	6.9	2.2%	8.9	-20.5%	6.1	15.4%
US Natural Gas	2,295	2,363	-2.9%	2,487	-7.7%	1,932	18.8%
US Crude Oil	528.4	520.2	1.6%	490.8	7.7%	384.4	37.5%

Notes: Natural Gas in billion cubic feet (Bcf); Middle Atlantic is DE, DC, MD, NJ, NY, and PA

ppm = parts per million sulfur content

Source: US DOE/EIA



New York State Retail ULS #2 Heating Oil Posted Credit Prices (dollars per gallon)					
REGION	3/6/2017	2/27/2017	% Change vs. Prior Survey	Year Ago	% Change vs. Last Year
Long Island	2.861	2.870	-0.3%	2.395	19.5%
New York City	2.792	2.802	-0.4%	2.404	16.1%
Lower Hudson	2.802	2.811	-0.3%	2.246	24.8%
Upper Hudson	2.627	2.639	-0.5%	2.160	21.6%
Capital District	2.559	2.559	0.0%	2.088	22.6%
North Country	2.612	2.616	-0.2%	2.097	24.6%
Central	2.516	2.522	-0.2%	1.947	29.2%
Western	2.846	2.851	-0.2%	2.345	21.4%
Statewide	2.715	2.723	-0.3%	2.230	21.7%
New York State Retail Propane Posted Credit Prices - 1,100 gallon usage category (dollars per gallon)					
Long Island	3.068	3.148	-2.5%	2.853	7.5%
Mid-Hudson	2.592	2.616	-0.9%	2.259	14.7%
Capital District	3.086	3.098	-0.4%	2.503	23.3%
North Country	3.452	3.459	-0.2%	2.678	28.9%
Central	2.479	2.502	-0.9%	2.153	15.1%
Western*	2.385	2.385	0.0%	2.088	14.2%
Statewide*	2.751	2.770	-0.7%	2.340	17.6%
New York State Retail Kerosene Posted Credit Prices (dollars per gallon)					
Mid-Hudson	3.200	3.218	-0.6%	2.830	13.1%
Capital District	3.058	3.058	0.0%	2.640	15.8%
North Country	3.219	3.219	0.0%	2.810	14.6%
Central	3.031	3.034	-0.1%	2.532	19.7%
Western	3.227	3.227	0.0%	2.688	20.1%
Statewide	3.150	3.157	-0.2%	2.719	15.9%
New York State Average Residential Natural Gas Prices (\$/therm)					
REGION	December 2016	November 2016	% Change vs. Prior Month	December 2015	% Change vs. Last Year
Statewide	0.929	1.057	-12.1%	1.108	-16.1%

* Revision

Historic Retail Prices—Statewide average high and low prices since Sept. 1997 for heating oil & propane & Sept. 2000 for kerosene.

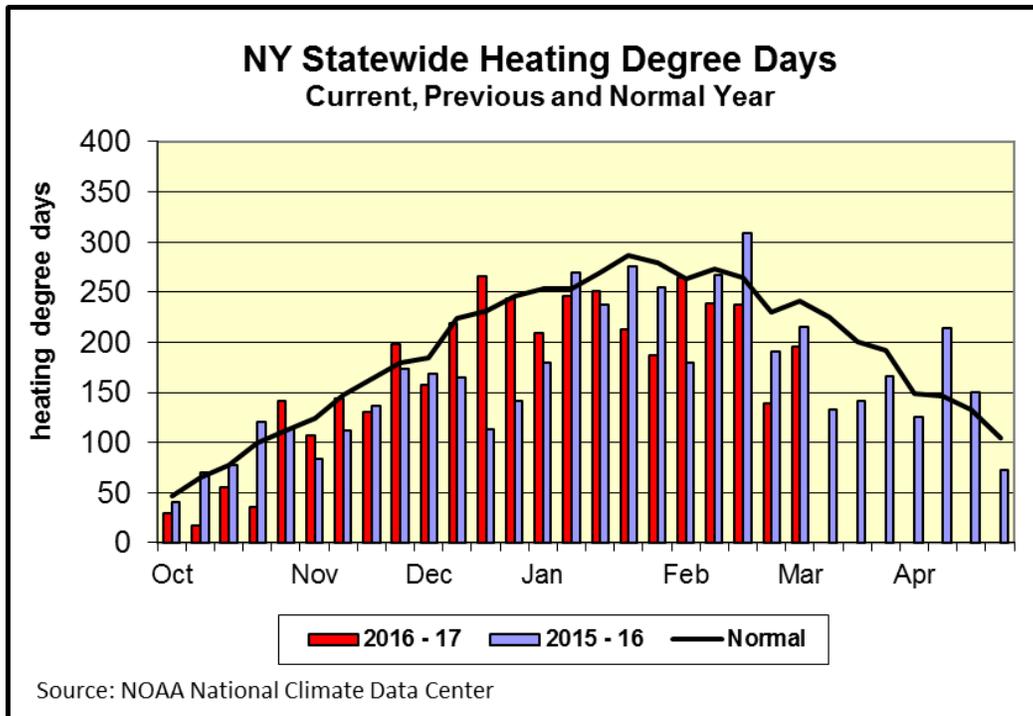
- Heating oil—highest price \$4.778/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price \$0.876/gallon on 9/08/98.
- Propane—highest price \$3.811/gallon on 2/17/14, lowest price \$1.072/gallon on 9/20/99.
- Kerosene—highest price \$5.068/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price \$1.309/gallon on 9/09/02.

Residential Natural Gas Prices: Statewide average prices are derived from US EIA most currently available data. NYS gas utility specific prices can be found on the NYS DPS website at <http://www.dps.ny.gov/TypicalBills.htm#GasRes>.

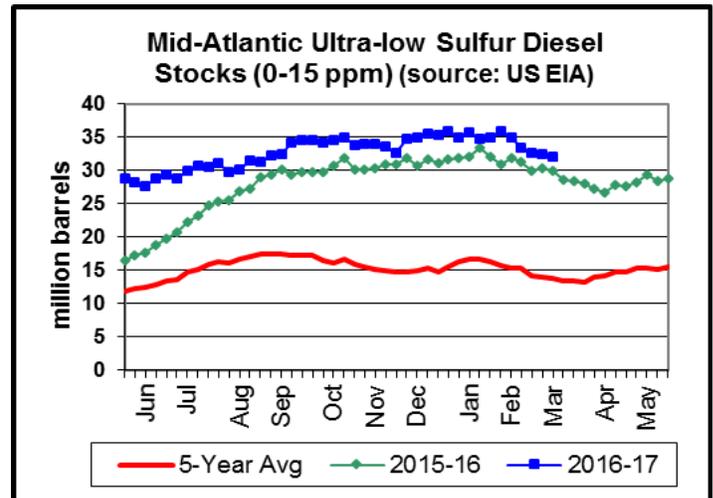
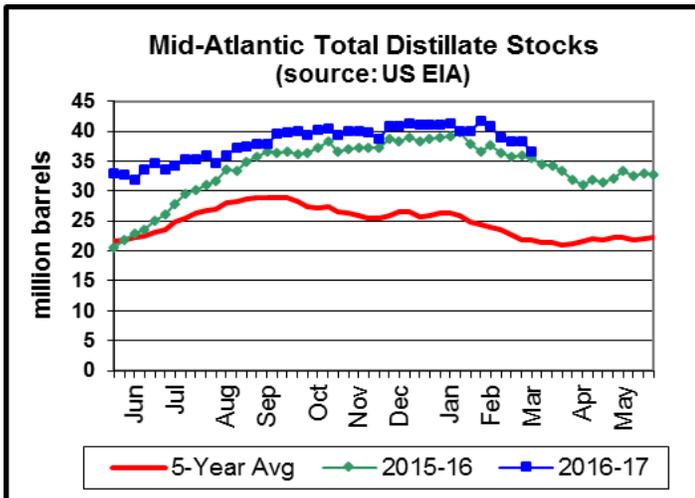
New York State Regions: *Long Island:* Nassau and Suffolk *New York City:* Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond *Lower Hudson:* Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester *Upper Hudson:* Columbia, Greene, Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster *Capital District:* Albany, Fulton Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, and Washington *North Country:* Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, and Warren *Central:* Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Herkimer, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, Otsego, Tioga, and Tompkins *Western:* Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates counties. **Propane & Kerosene:** *Mid-Hudson:* Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester counties.

Heating Degree Days— On a statewide basis during the past week, the number of heating degree-days (196) was 8.8% below the year-ago level of (215) and 18.7% below the normal trend (241). On a cumulative basis since October 1st, current year heating degree-days (3,922) are ahead of the year-ago level (3,894) by 0.7% and behind the normal trend (4,514) by 13.1%.

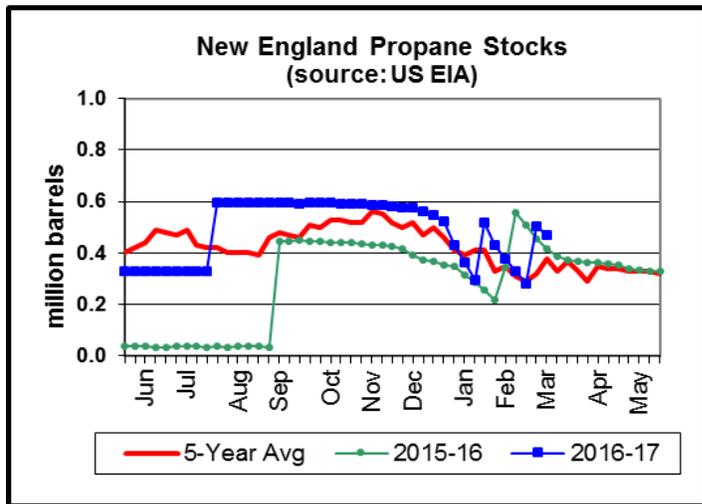
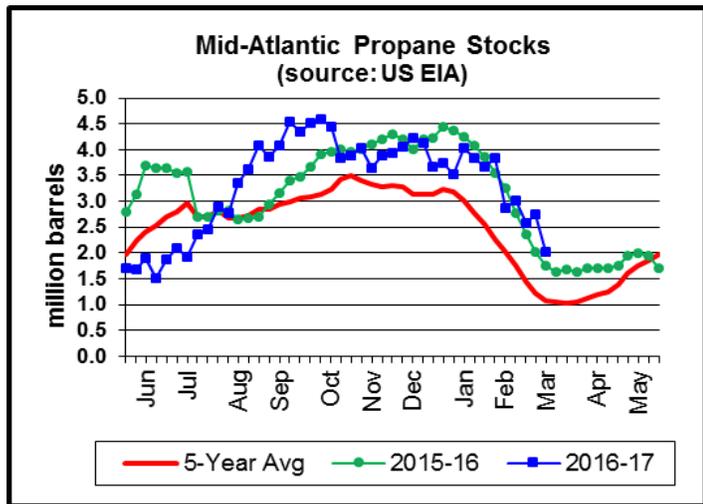
New York State Heating Degree Day Information, Weekly & Cumulative						
Region	Week Ending March 04			Cumulative From October 1		
	2017	2016	Normal	2016-17	2015-16	Normal
Albany	195	226	239	4,250	4,036	4,796
Binghamton	235	244	264	4,707	4,380	5,184
Buffalo	220	233	254	4,010	4,025	4,818
Glens Falls	200	245	272	4,556	4,449	5,508
Massena	260	326	300	4,987	5,145	5,917
NYC	142	161	193	2,789	2,752	3,607
Rochester	213	236	254	3,988	4,006	4,849
Syracuse	215	240	256	4,345	4,201	4,943
Watertown	239	292	283	4,634	4,690	5,502
Statewide	196	215	241	3,922	3,894	4,514



Distillate Stocks—Current and historic heating fuel inventory data is presented in the graphs below.

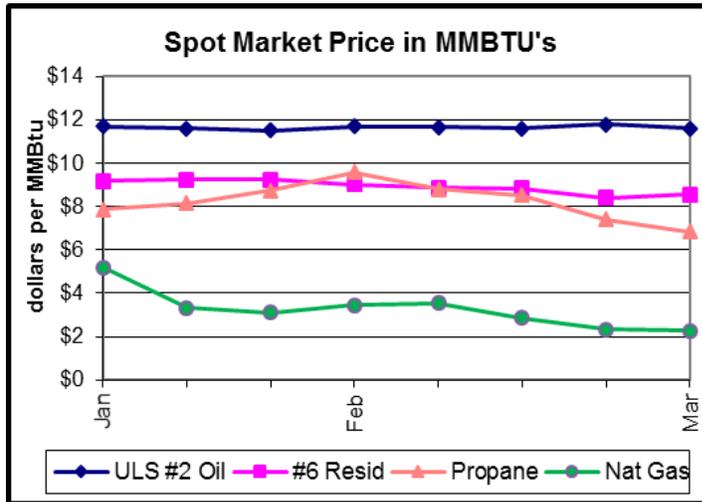
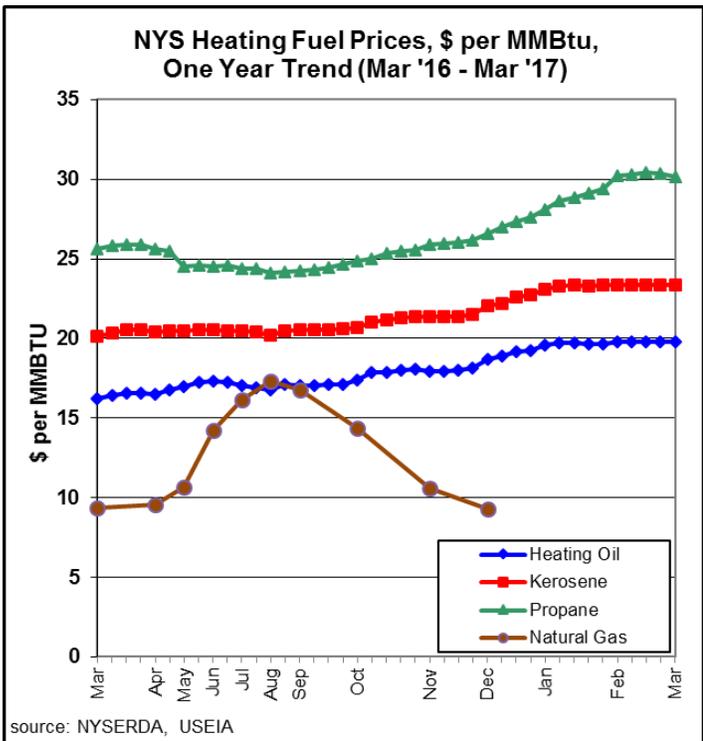


Propane Stocks—Current and historic heating fuel inventory data is presented in the graphs below.



Retail Btu Price Equivalents—The New York State Heating Fuel Prices Btu graph equates the retail price for New York Statewide average residential ultra-low sulfur heating oil, kerosene, propane, and natural gas on a dollar per million Btu (MMBtu) basis.

Spot Btu Price Equivalents—The Btu spot market graph equates the spot market price, in table below, for NY Harbor ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel and 0.3% sulfur high pour #6 residual fuel, Mont Belvieu propane, and the New York City gate natural gas price on a dollar per million Btu (MMBtu) basis.



Note: Natural gas prices are from the U.S. EIA and provided on a monthly basis and delayed by 3 months.

New York Spot Prices, Weekly Average			
Fuel	3/3/2017	Year Ago	% Change
Ultra LS Diesel	1.606	1.102	45.7%
#2 Fuel Oil	1.573	1.046	50.3%
#6 Residual 0.3%	1.281	0.724	76.8%
Propane	0.626	0.433	44.3%
Natural Gas	2.257	1.384	63.1%

Note: Fuel in \$/gallon, natural gas (\$/mmBtu)=NYcitygate

Additional historic **regional specific prices and supply information** is available at NYSERDA's website. For more information please contact Charlie Wesley at (518) 862-1090 ext. 3364, e-mail Charles.Wesley@nyserda.ny.gov.