NYSERDA Heating Fuels Report

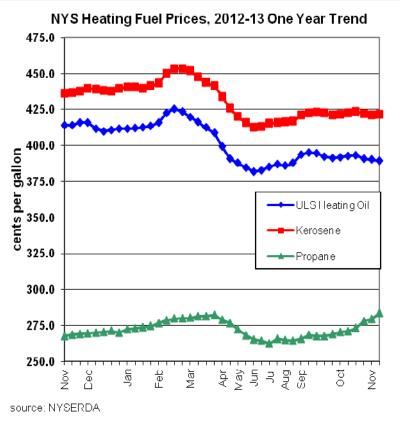
Highlights

- Mid-Atlantic ultra-low sulfur (ULS) distillate inventories, including diesel fuel and New York State heating oil, have declined for nine weeks in a row. Inventories have declined by 39.4% over that time period but remain 31.2% above the 5-year average.
- U.S. WTI crude oil prices have declined in eight of the past nine weeks by a total of \$14.46/bbl, or 13.3%.
- New York statewide average retail prices for ultra-low sulfur (ULS) heating oil declined while propane and kerosene prices increased since last week.

Retail Petroleum Prices—On a statewide basis since the last survey on November 4th, prices decreased $0.8\phi/gallon (0.2\%)$ to $389.3\phi/gallon$ for ULS heating oil, and increased $0.8\phi/gallon (0.2\%)$ to $421.8\phi/gallon$ for kerosene, and $4.2\phi/gallon (1.5\%)$ to $283.6\phi/gallon$ for propane. Compared to a year earlier, prices decreased $24.6\phi/gallon (5.9\%)$ for heating oil, $14.5\phi/gallon (3.3\%)$ for kerosene and increased $15.8\phi/gallon (5.9\%)$ for propane.

Crude Oil Prices—For the week ending 11/8/13, WTI crude oil spot prices averaged \$94.56/bbl, a decrease of \$2.63/bbl (2.7%) from the week-ago average of \$96.94/bbl. WTI prices are now \$8.33/bbl (9.7%) above the year-ago weekly average of \$85.98/bbl. The all-time weekly average high of \$142.52/bbl occurred on 7/03/08.

Spot Natural Gas Prices—For the week ending 11/8/13, Henry Hub natural gas spot prices averaged \$3.468 per million Btu (mmBtu), a decrease of \$0.082/mmBtu (2.3%) from the prior week level of \$3.550 /mmBtu. Prices are currently \$0.68/mmBtu (2.0%) above the year-earlier weekly average of \$xx/mmBtu.



Residential Natural Gas Prices—The NYS average price in August 2013 was \$1.882/therm, an increase of \$0.051/therm (2.8%) from the prior month of \$1.831/therm, and was \$0.134/therm (7.7%) higher than the year earlier average of \$1.748/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 | 11/8/2013 | 11/1/2013 | % Change vs. Last Week | Year Ago | % Change vs. Last Year | 5-Year Average | % Change vs. 5-Year Avg |
| Highway Diesel (ULS) (0-15 ppm) | 11.7 | 12.1 | -9.5% | 6.9 | 60.9% | 9.3 | 31.2% |
| Non-road Diesel (15-500 ppm) | 0.9 | 1.0 | -34.2% | 0.4 | 247.3% | 2.6 | -63.7% |
| Home Heating Oil (>500 ppm) | 5.8 | 5.8 | -2.8% | 12.1 | -54.4% | 22.2 | -74.1% |
| Propane | 3.113 | 3.312 | -6.0% | 2.660 | 17.0% | 2.681 | 16.1% |
| #6 Residual Oil | 5.3 | 5.6 | 13.4% | 6.9 | -16.8% | 9.6 | -42.9% |
| US Natural Gas | 3,834 | 3,814 | 0.9% | 3,914 | -2.9% | 3,776 | 1.5% |
| US Crude Oil | 388.1 | 385.4 | 0.4% | 375.9 | 2.8% | 345.5 | 11.5% |

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



| | | | % Change vs. | | % Change vs. Last |
|------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| REGION | 11/11/2013 | 10/28/2013 | Prior Survey | Year Ago | Year |
| Long Island | 399.9 | 404.0 | -1.0% | 427.1 | -6.4% |
| New York City | 402.4 | 405.3 | -0.7% | 430.4 | -6.5% |
| Lower Hudson | 396.0 | 396.8 | -0.2% | 422.8 | -6.3% |
| Upper Hudson | 381.3 | 383.2 | -0.5% | 409.1 | -6.8% |
| Capital District | 378.0 | 378.5 | -0.1% | 402.8 | -6.2% |
| North Country | 376.2 | 376.0 | 0.1% | 392.6 | -4.2% |
| Central | 383.9 | 383.2 | 0.2% | 404.9 | -5.2% |
| Western | 381.7 | 378.1 | 1.0% | 392.2 | -2.7% |
| Statewide | 389.3 | 390.1 | -0.2% | 413.9 | -5.9% |
| New York S | State Retail Propane P | osted Credit Prices | - 1,100 gallon usage | category (cents pe | r gallon) |
| Long Island | 344.5 | 344.5 | 0.0% | 312.6 | 10.2% |
| Mid-Hudson | 295.9 | 289.6 | 2.2% | 277.7 | 6.6% |
| Capital District | 315.2 | 314.3 | 0.3% | 285.6 | 10.4% |
| North Country | 311.5 | 301.8 | 3.2% | 294.1 | 5.9% |
| Central | 259.2 | 256.6 | 1.0% | 245.6 | 5.5% |
| Western | 237.6 | 234.3 | 1.4% | 237.2 | 0.2% |
| Statewide | 283.6 | 279.4 | 1.5% | 267.8 | 5.9% |
| | New York State Ret | ail Kerosene Poste | d Credit Prices (cents | s per gallon) | |
| Mid-Hudson | 433.3 | 435.0 | -0.4% | 450.0 | -3.7% |
| Capital District | 417.1 | 417.0 | 0.0% | 435.6 | -4.2% |
| North Country | 407.8 | 406.9 | 0.2% | 414.8 | -1.7% |
| Central | 419.5 | 416.7 | 0.7% | 440.0 | -4.7% |
| Western | 419.4 | 414.9 | 1.1% | 426.4 | -1.6% |
| Statewide | 421.8 | 421.0 | 0.2% | 436.3 | -3.3% |
| | New York State | Average Residentia | l Natural Gas Prices | (\$/therm) | |
| REGIO N | August 2013 | July 2013 | % Change vs. Prior Month | August 2012 | % Change vs. Last Year |
| Statewide | 1.882 | 1.831 | 2.8% | 1.748 | 7.7% |

* Revision

Historic Retail Prices—Statewide average high and low prices since Sept. 1997 for #2 & propane & Sept. 2000 for kerosene.

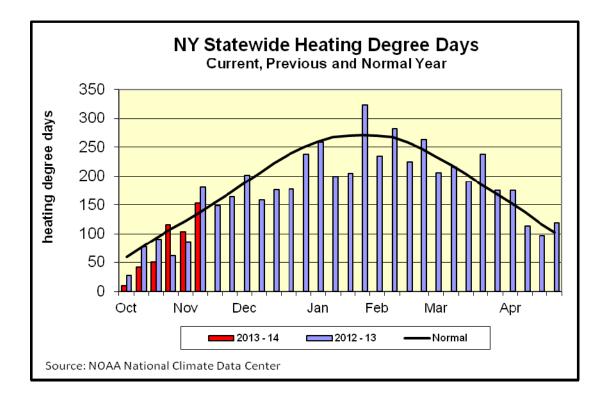
- Heating oil—highest price 477.8¢/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price 87.6¢/gallon on 9/08/98.
- Propane—highest price 325.4¢/gallon on 3/07/11, lowest price 107.2¢/gallon on 9/20/99.
- Kerosene—highest price 506.8¢/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price 130.9¢/gallon on 9/09/02.

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 (153) was 15.0% below the year-ago level (180) and 11.7% above the normal trend (137). On a cumulative basis since October 1st, current year heating degree days (475) are behind the year-ago level (523) by 9.2% and trail the normal trend (594) by 20.0%.

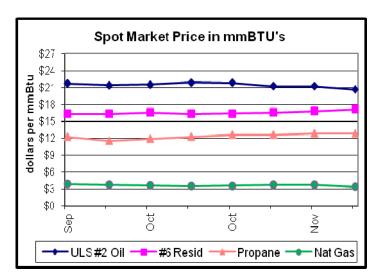
| New York State Heating Degree Day Information, Weekly & Cumulative | | | | | | | |
|--|------|------|--------|---------------------------|---------|--------|--|
| Week Ending November 09 | | | | Cumulative From October 1 | | | |
| Region | 2013 | 2012 | Normal | 2013-14 | 2012-13 | Normal | |
| Albany | 173 | 197 | 152 | 588 | 598 | 672 | |
| Binghamton | 187 | 225 | 166 | 625 | 737 | 746 | |
| Buffalo | 152 | 205 | 148 | 527 | 646 | 648 | |
| Glens Falls | 207 | 203 | 171 | 737 | 679 | 790 | |
| Massena | 196 | 225 | 179 | 727 | 716 | 813 | |
| NYC | 121 | 151 | 100 | 296 | 345 | 383 | |
| Rochester | 150 | 199 | 149 | 549 | 626 | 654 | |
| Syracuse | 158 | 193 | 151 | 536 | 566 | 669 | |
| Watertown | 180 | 217 | 168 | 633 | 646 | 773 | |
| Statewide | 153 | 180 | 137 | 475 | 523 | 594 | |

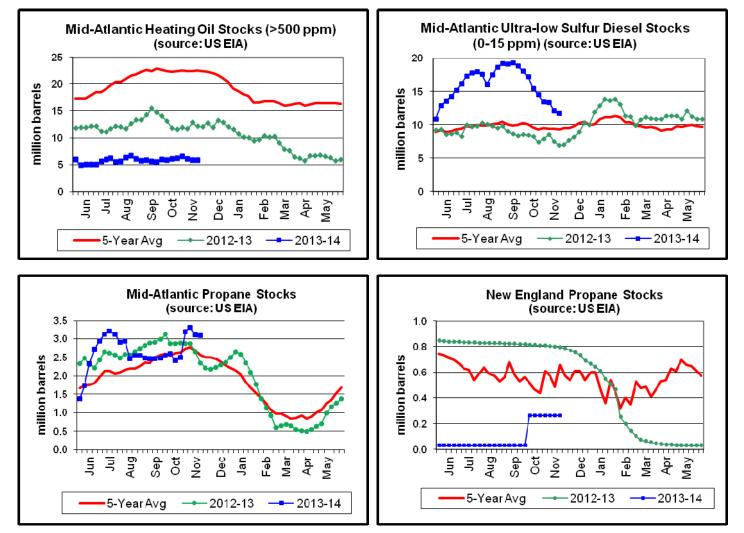


Btu Price Equivalents—The Btu graph equates the spot market price, in table below, for NY Harbor ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel and 0.3% sulfur high pour #6 residual fuel, Mont Belvieu propane, and the New York City gate natural gas price on a dollar per million Btu (mmBtu) basis.

| New York Spot Prices, Weekly Average | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|
| Fuel | 11/8/2013 | Year Ago | % Change | | | |
| Ultra LS Diesel | 286.6 | 314.4 | -8.8% | | | |
| #2 Fuel Oil | 285.2 | 298.8 | -4.5% | | | |
| #6 Residual 0.3% | 256.9 | 249.6 | 2.9% | | | |
| Propane | 117.7 | 94.0 | 25.2% | | | |
| Natural Gas | 3.357 | 3.812 | -11.9% | | | |

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





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