NYSERDA Heating Fuels Report

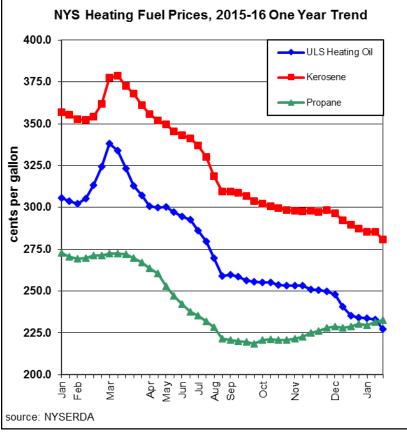
Highlights

- New York Statewide heating degree-days for the week ending January 16 were 14.5% below the 30-year normal and the cumulative heating degree-days since the beginning of October are 19.0% lower than normal.
- The weekly average U.S. WTI crude oil spot price decreased by \$4.06/bbl (11.7%) since last week to \$30.59/bbl. The weekly average WTI crude oil spot price has decreased by 36.7% since October.
- New York statewide average retail prices for ultra-low sulfur (ULS) heating oil and kerosene decreased while the average propane price increased since the last survey.

Retail Petroleum Prices—On a statewide basis since the last survey on January 18^{th} , prices decreased $5.6 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (2.4\%)$ to $227.2 \frac{\varphi}{gallon}$ for ULS heating oil and $4.7 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (1.6\%)$ to $280.7 \frac{\varphi}{gallon}$ for kerosene, while the average price increased $1.1 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (0.5\%)$ to $232.6 \frac{\varphi}{gallon}$ for propane. Compared to a year earlier, prices decreased $78.4 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (25.7\%)$ for heating oil, $76.3 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (21.4\%)$ for kerosene and $40.1 \frac{\varphi}{gallon} (14.7\%)$ for propane.

Crude Oil Prices—For the week ending 1/15/16, WTI crude oil spot prices averaged \$30.59/bbl, a decrease of \$4.06/bbl (11.7%) from the week-ago average of \$34.65/bbl. WTI prices are now \$16.48/bbl (35.0%) below the year-ago weekly average of \$47.07/bbl. The all-time weekly average high of \$142.52/bbl occurred on 7/04/08.

Spot Natural Gas Prices—For the week ending 1/15/16, Henry Hub natural gas spot prices averaged \$2.322 per million Btu (mmBtu), a decrease of \$0.056/mmBtu (2.4%) from the prior week level of \$2.378/mmBtu. Prices are currently \$0.742/mmBtu (24.2%) below the year-earlier weekly average of \$3.064/mmBtu.



Residential Natural Gas Prices—The NYS average price in October 2015 was \$1.391/therm, a decrease of \$0.319/therm (18.7%) from the prior month of \$1.710/therm, and was \$0.169/therm (10.8%) lower than the year earlier average of \$1.560/therm.

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

Middle Atlantic Region, Weekly Inventories (million barrels)							
Fuel Type	1/15/2016	1/8/2016	% Change vs. Last Week	Year Ago	% Change vs. Last Year	5-Year Average	% Change vs. 5- Year Avg
ULS Distillate (0-15 ppm)	33.4	32.0	4.3%	13.4	149.5%	11.9	180.0%
Non-road Diesel (15-500 ppm)	1.7	1.9	-11.0%	1.0	65.0%	1.4	18.9%
High Sulfur Distillate (>500 ppm)	4.8	5.2	-6.7%	4.5	7.6%	12.1	-60.2%
Total Distillate Oil	39.9	39.1	2.1%	18.9	111.2%	25.5	56.7%
Propane	4.075	4.261	-4.4%	3.172	28.5%	2.231	82.7%
#6 Residual Oil	8.6	8.3	3.3%	5.4	59.8%	7.0	23.7%
US Natural Gas	3,297	3,475	-5.1%	2,668	23.6%	2,824	16.7%
US Crude Oil	486.5	482.6	0.8%	397.9	22.3%	357.5	36.1%

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 Reta	ail ULS #2 Heating Oil 1	Posted Credit Prices (cents	per gallon)	
REGION	1/18/2016	1/11/2016	% Change vs. Prior Survey	Year Ago	% Change vs. Last Year
Long Island	238.7	246.0	-3.0%	313.0	-23.7%
New York City	237.6	243.1	-2.3%	313.6	-24.2%
Lower Hudson	220.7	228.8	-3.5%	299.3	-26.3%
Upper Hudson	223.8	227.8	-1.8%	295.3	-24.2%
Capital District	215.9	219.3	-1.6%	301.5	-28.4%
North Country	221.5	226.3	-2.1%	303.3	-27.0%
Central	208.4	213.6	-2.4%	299.6	-30.4%
Western	243.1	248.2	-2.1%	318.5	-23.7%
Statewide	227.2	232.8	-2.4%	305.6	-25.7%
Ne	w York State Retail Propa	ne Posted Credit Prices	- 1,100 gallon usage catego	ry (cents per gallon)	
Long Island	279.5	280.7	-0.4%	318.0	-12.1%
Mid-Hudson	224.7	225.8	-0.5%	274.1	-18.0%
Capital District	251.6	244.4	2.9%	311.3	-19.2%
North Country	256.8	255.7	0.4%	291.0	-11.8%
Central	215.0	216.4	-0.6%	251.7	-14.6%
Western	212.7	209.5	1.5%	243.2	-12.5%
Statewide	232.6	231.5	0.5%	272.7	-14.7%
	New York State	e Retail Kerosene Poste	d Credit Prices (cents per g	allon)	
Mid-Hudson	293.1	295.7	-0.9%	360.4	-18.7%
Capital District	269.3	274.1	-1.8%	353.3	-23.8%
North Country	284.0	287.6	-1.3%	350.8	-19.0%
Central	264.2	271.6	-2.7%	358.6	-26.3%
Western	283.7	290.9	-2.5%	359.4	-21.1%
Statewide	280.7	285.4	-1.6%	357.0	-21.4%
	New York St	tate Average Residentia	Natural Gas Prices (\$/the	rm)	
REGION	October 2015	September 2015	% Change vs. Prior Month	October 2014	% Change vs. Last Year
Statewide	1.391	1.710	-18.7%	1.560	-10.8%

* Revision

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

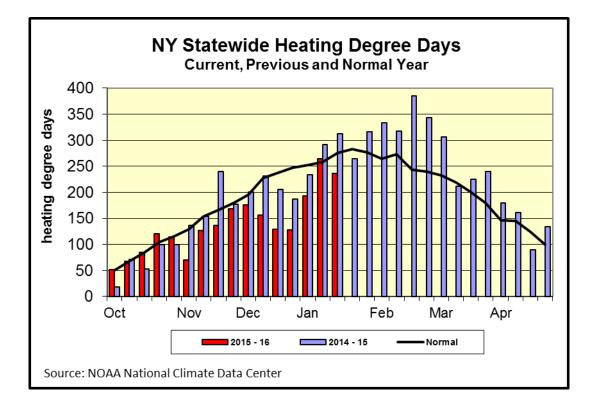
- Heating oil—highest price 477.8¢/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price 87.6¢/gallon on 9/08/98.
- Propane—highest price 381.1¢/gallon on 2/17/14, lowest price 107.2¢/gallon on 9/20/99.
- Kerosene—highest price 506.8¢/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price 130.9¢/gallon on 9/09/02.

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.

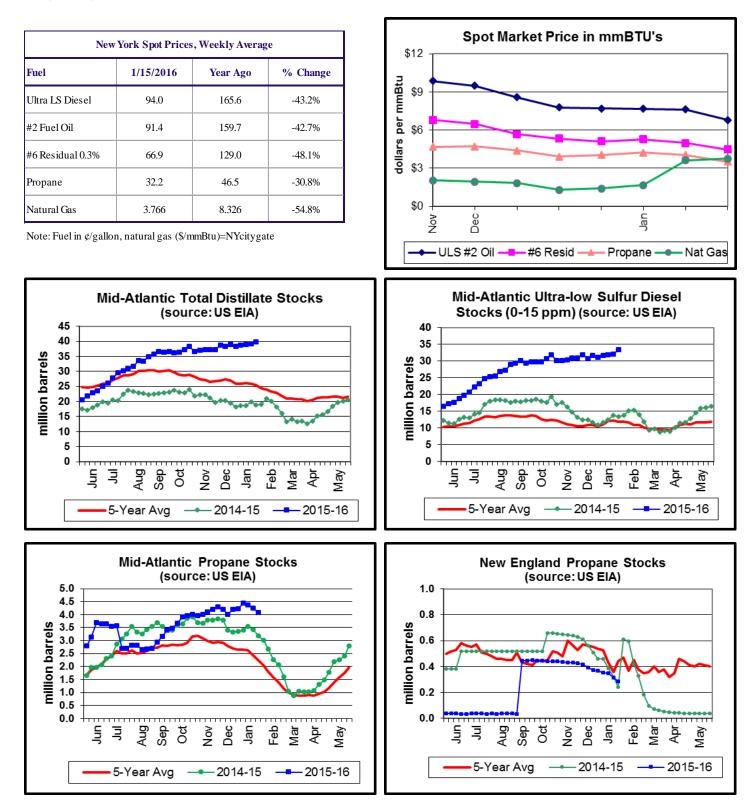
New York State Regions: Long Island: Nassau and Suffolk New York City: Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond Lower Hudson: Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Upper Hudson: Columbia, Greene, Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster Capital District: Albany, Fulton Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, 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 (236) was 24.4% below the year-ago level of (312) and 14.5% below the normal trend (276). On a cumulative basis since October 1^{st} , current year heating degree-days (2,224) are behind the year-ago level (2,710) by 17.9% and the normal trend (2,746) by 19.0%.

New York State Heating Degree Day Information, Weekly & Cumulative							
Week Ending January 16				Cumulative From October 1			
Region	2016	2015	Normal	2015-16	2014-15	Normal	
Albany	248	339	285	2,365	2,880	2,963	
Binghamton	277	357	301	2,566	3,119	3,208	
Buffalo	267	340	285	2,303	2,878	2,935	
Glens Falls	274	387	329	2,682	3,165	3,404	
Massena	311	404	352	2,950	3,374	3,632	
NYC	184	256	229	1,446	2,066	2,136	
Rochester	259	345	285	2,287	2,809	2,953	
Syracuse	264	362	294	2,396	2,836	3,016	
Watertown	272	366	322	2,658	2,914	3,371	
Statewide	236	312	276	2,224	2,710	2,746	



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.



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>Charles.Wesley@nyserda.ny.gov</u>.