NYSERDA Heating Fuels Report

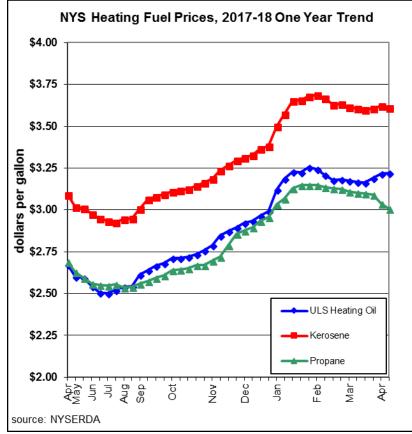
Highlights

- For the week ending April 28, New York Statewide heating degree-days (113) were 54.8% more than last year and 16.5% greater than the 30-year normal. Cumulative New York statewide heating degree-days since October 1st (5,742) are ahead of last year (5,166) by 11.1% and ahead of the 30-year normal (5,726) by 0.3%.
- Mid-Atlantic ultra-low sulfur (ULS) distillate stocks decreased by 0.9 million barrels (5.7%) since last week to 15.2 million barrels and are now 48.3% below last year's level and 18.5% below the 5-year average.
- The New York Statewide average retail price of ultra-low sulfur (ULS) heating oil increased while the average retail prices of kerosene and propane decreased since the last survey.

Retail Petroleum Prices—On a statewide basis since the last survey on April 16th, the price increased \$0.004/gallon (0.1%) to \$3.223/gallon for ULS heating oil, while prices decreased \$0.013/gallon (0.4%) to \$3.611/gallon for kerosene, and \$0.033/gallon (1.1%) to \$3.006/gallon for propane. Compared to a year earlier, prices increased \$0.549/gallon (20.5%) for heating oil, \$0.518/gallon (16.7%) for kerosene and \$0.316/gallon (11.7%) for propane.

Crude Oil Prices—For the week ending 4/27/18, WTI crude oil spot prices averaged \$67.91/bbl, an increase of \$0.36/bbl (0.5%) from the week-ago average of \$67.55/bbl. WTI prices are now \$18.79/bbl (38.3%) above the year-ago weekly average of \$49.12/bbl. The all-time weekly average high of \$142.52/bbl occurred on 7/04/08.

Spot Natural Gas Prices—For the week ending 4/27/18, Henry Hub natural gas spot prices averaged \$2.774 per million Btu (mmBtu), a decrease of \$0.024/mmBtu (0.9%) from the prior week level of \$2.798/mmBtu. Prices are currently \$0.266/mmBtu (8.8%) below the year-earlier weekly average of \$3.040/mmBtu.



Residential Natural Gas Prices—The NYS average price in February 2018 was \$1.083/therm, an increase of \$0.163/therm (17.8%) from the January 2018 price of \$0.920/therm, and was \$0.020/therm (1.9%) higher than the year earlier average of \$1.063/therm.

Middle Atlantic Region, Weekly Inventories (million barrels)							
Fuel Type	4/27/2018	4/20/2018	% Change vs. Last Week	Year Ago	% Change vs. Last Year	5-Year Average	% Change vs. 5- Year Avg
ULS Distillate (0-15 ppm)	15.2	16.1	-5.7%	29.4	-48.3%	18.6	-18.5%
Non-road Diesel (15-500 ppm)	0.6	0.7	-19.3%	0.8	-32.9%	0.9	-35.4%
High Sulfur Distillate (>500 ppm)	2.1	2.4	-13.7%	2.9	-28.9%	4.0	-48.7%
Total Distillate Oil	17.8	19.2	-7.2%	33.1	-46.2%	23.6	-24.3%
Propane	1.834	1.772	3.5%	1.410	30.1%	1.573	16.6%
#6 Residual Oil	4.6	5.4	-15.4%	5.9	-22.4%	6.6	-30.7%
US Natural Gas	1,343	1,281	4.8%	2,246	-40.2%	1,877	-28.4%
US Crude Oil	436.0	429.7	1.4%	527.8	-17.4%	445.3	-2.1%

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



			% Change vs. Prior		% Change vs. Last
REGION	4/30/2018	4/16/2018	Survey	Year Ago	Year
Long Island	3.401	3.385	0.5%	2.849	19.4%
New York City	3.323	3.287	1.1%	2.772	19.9%
Lower Hudson	3.361	3.346	0.4%	2.770	21.3%
Upper Hudson	3.158	3.159	0.0%	2.569	22.9%
Capital District	2.962	2.996	-1.1%	2.488	19.1%
North Country	3.104	3.101	0.1%	2.527	22.8%
Central	2.990	2.972	0.6%	2.480	20.6%
Western	3.294	3.362	-2.0%	2.800	17.6%
Statewide	3.223	3.219	0.1%	2.674	20.5%
Nev	v York State Retail Propane	Posted Credit Prices	1,100 gallon usage categor	y (dollars per gallon)	
Long Island	3.297	3.297	0.0%	2.974	10.9%
Mid-Hudson	2.891	2.931	-1.4%	2.532	14.2%
Capital District	3.019	3.024	-0.2%	2.981	1.3%
North Country	3.752	3.805	-1.4%	3.454	8.6%
Central	2.771	2.831	-2.1%	2.401	15.4%
Western	2.701	2.710	-0.3%	2.345	15.2%
Statewide	3.006	3.039	-1.1%	2.690	11.7%
	New York State	Retail Kerosene Posteo	l Credit Prices (dollars per	gallon)	
Mid-Hudson	3.765	3.763	0.1%	3.168	18.8%
Capital District	3.434	3.463	-0.8%	2.985	15.0%
North Country	3.611	3.618	-0.2%	3.129	15.4%
Central	3.470	3.457	0.4%	2.974	16.7%
Western	3.655	3.738	-2.2%	3.171	15.3%
Statewide	3.611	3.624	-0.4%	3.093	16.7%
	New York Sta	ate Average Residentia	l Natural Gas Prices (\$/the	rm)	
			% Change vs. Prior		% Change vs. Last
REGION	February 2018	January 2018	Month	February 2017	Year
Statewide	1.083	0.920	17.8%	1.063	1.9%

* Revision

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

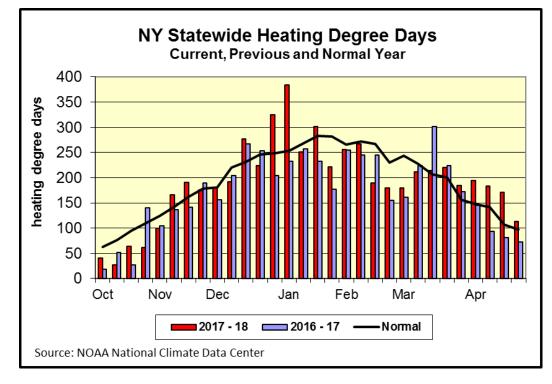
- Heating oil—highest price \$4.778/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price \$0.876/gallon on 9/08/98.
- Propane—highest price \$3.811/gallon on 2/17/14, lowest price \$1.072/gallon on 9/20/99.
- Kerosene—highest price \$5.068/gallon on 7/14/08, lowest price \$1.309/gallon on 9/09/02.

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.

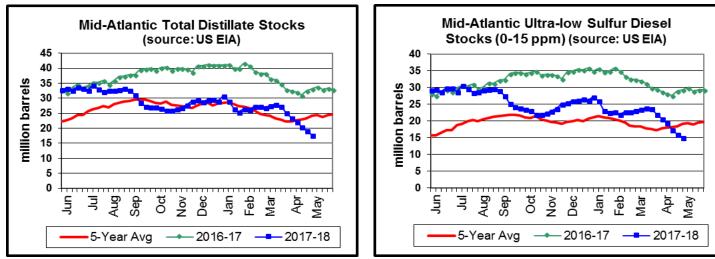
New York State Regions: Long Island: Nassau and Suffolk New York City: Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, and Richmond Lower Hudson: Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester Upper Hudson: Columbia, Greene, Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster Capital District: Albany, Fulton Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, 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— The statewide number of heating degree-days (113) was 54.8% above the year-ago level of (73) and 16.5% above the normal trend (97). On a cumulative basis since October 1^{st} , current season heating degree-days (5,742) are ahead of the year-ago level (5,166) by 11.1% and ahead of the normal trend (5,726) by 0.3%.

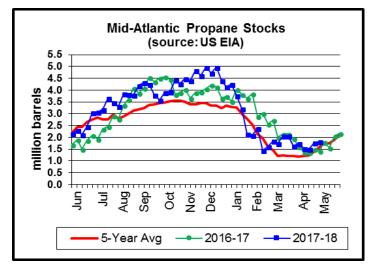
New York State Heating Degree Day Information, Weekly & Cumulative							
Week Ending April 28				Cumulative From October 1			
Region	2018	2017	Normal	2017-18	2016-17	Normal	
Albany	99	53	98	6,072	5,441	6,008	
Binghamton	112	68	118	6,603	5,996	6,558	
Buffalo	109	71	113	6,178	5,200	6,152	
Glens Falls	116	72	113	6,891	5,881	6,877	
Massena	112	91	121	7,170	6,492	7,430	
NYC	58	51	70	4,315	3,650	4,566	
Rochester	103	66	111	5,986	5,167	6,169	
Syracuse	106	66	109	6,337	5,607	6,258	
Watertown	125	94	125	6,860	6,057	6,961	
Statewide	113	73	97	5,742	5,166	5,726	



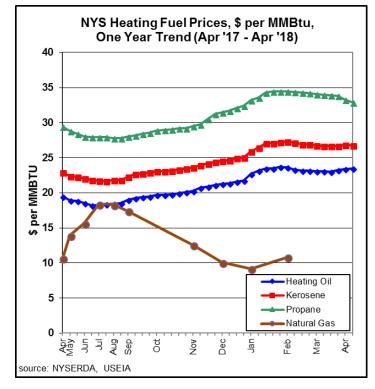
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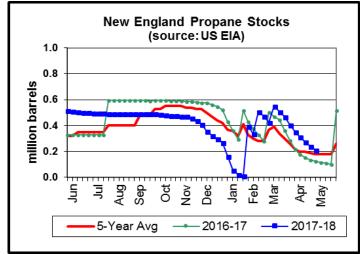
Propane Stocks—Current and historic heating fuel inventory data is presented in the graphs below.



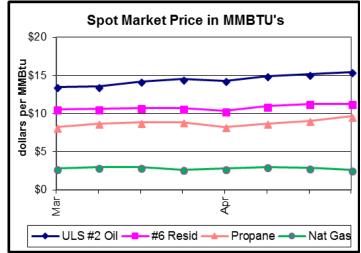
Retail Btu Price Equivalents—The New York State Heating Fuel Prices Btu graph equates the retail price for New York Statewide average residential ultra-low sulfur heating oil, kerosene, propane, and natural gas on a dollar per million Btu (MMBtu) basis.



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



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.



New York Spot Prices, Weekly Average						
Fuel	4/27/2018	Year Ago	% Change			
Ultra LS Diesel	2.145	1.521	41.0%			
#2 Fuel Oil	2.103	1.461	43.9%			
#6 Residual 0.3%	1.685	1.160	45.2%			
Propane	0.881	0.630	40.0%			
Natural Gas	2.631	2.781	-5.4%			

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 Matthew Milford at (518) 862-1090 ext. 3416, e-mail <u>matthew.milford@nyserda.ny.gov</u>.