



Overall Energy & Fuels Markets Summary

- Market influencers include:
 - Global factors such as the Russian-Ukraine war, U.S./Venezuela conflict, world petroleum inventories, U.S. trade policies, and associated geopolitical uncertainties.
 - Domestic factors associated with heating season developments and U.S. economic policy.
- Summary of spot prices for the following market benchmarks (see page 2).
 - Brent crude spot prices generally decreased, still remaining below the \$65 per barrel threshold. WTI remained relatively consistent, staying below the \$60 per barrel mark.
 - Natural gas (Henry Hub) spot prices generally increased, slightly above the \$4 per mmbtu threshold. Propane (Mt. Belvieu) spot prices remained relatively consistent.
- Regional fuels inventories (see pages 2 through 4) compared to the previous week:
 - Distillate inventories increased by 10% while propane decreased by 14% compared to the prior week.
 - Natural gas and total gasoline decreased compared to the prior week.
- Highlights of production and imports/exports (see page 3) observations and comparisons to the previous week:
 - U.S. refining capacity utilization and East Coast both remained above the 90% threshold.
 - Crude oil and petroleum products imports and exports for October are both above year ago levels.
- NY retail prices (see pages 5 and 6) for heating and transportation fuels:
 - NY Transportation fuels retail prices were comparable with the prior week, with only +/- 1% change.
 - Propane prices decreased while heating oil and kerosene remained similar since the prior survey, with only +/- 1% change.
- NY weather forecast and seasonal conditions summary (see pages 7 and 8):
 - The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) forecasts indicate likely above to leaning above normal temperatures for the 6-10 day and near normal to leaning below for the 8-14 day period.
 - The NOAA forecasts for precipitation indicate near normal to leaning above for the 6-10 day and near normal for the 8-14 day period.

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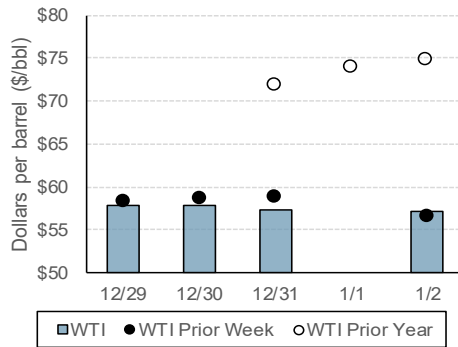
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1. Data and information from a variety of sources, see references section for detailed citations. Visualizations by NYSERDA.
2. Data represent the most recent week ending on Fridays, unless otherwise noted. See individual graphics and summaries for details.
3. Daily spot price data for WTI crude, Henry Hub natural gas, and Mt. Belvieu propane are not available for 12/25/2025, 12/26/2025, and 1/1/2026 due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays in the U.S.

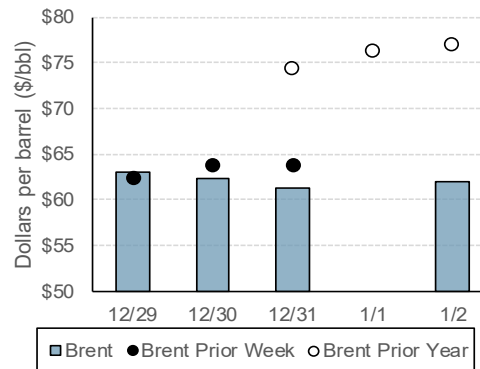
National Market Benchmarks and East Region Natural Gas Inventories

National Market Benchmark Spot Prices

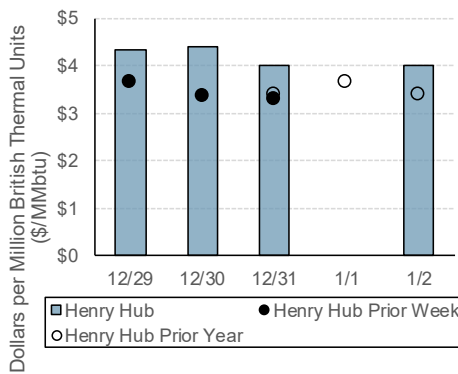
WTI Crude Oil Spot Prices Summary



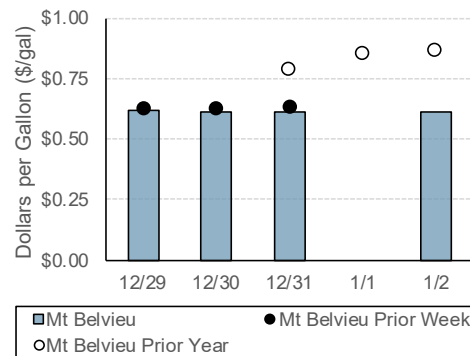
Brent Crude Oil Spot Prices Summary



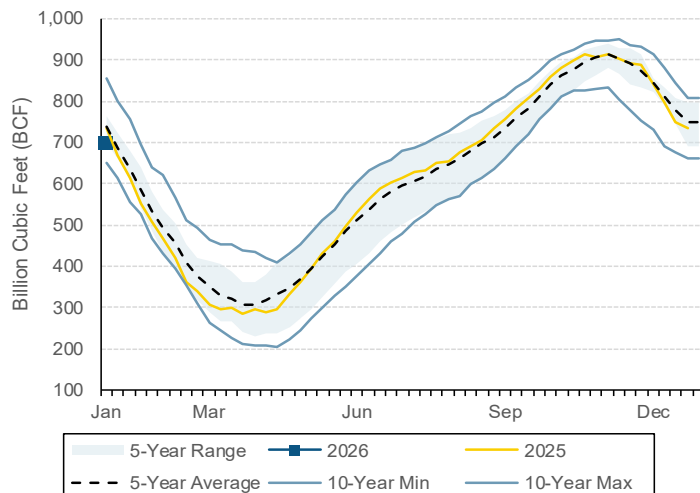
Natural Gas Henry Hub Spot Prices Summary



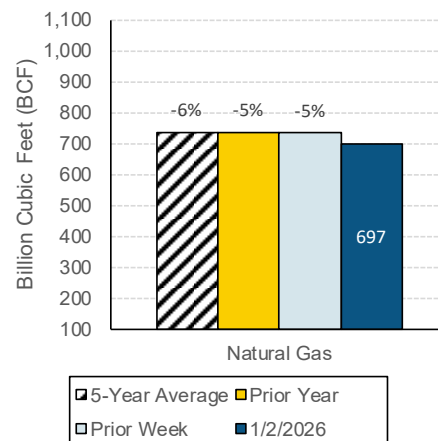
Propane Mt. Belvieu Spot Prices Summary



East Region: Natural Gas Working Underground Storage



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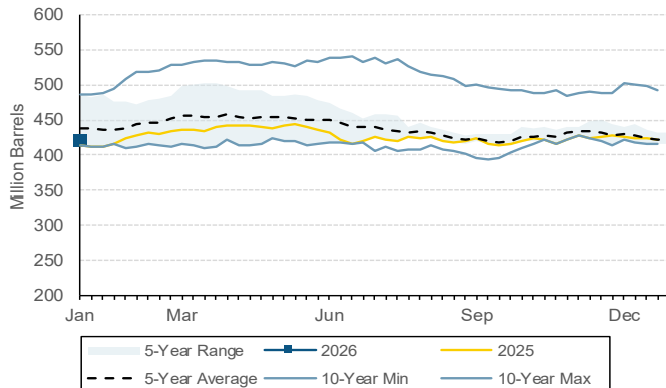


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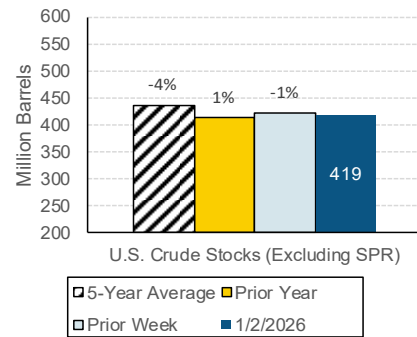
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2. Graphics summarize available USEIA data from the most recent week ending on Fridays.
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National Crude Inventories, Refining, and PADD1 Petroleum Product Movement

National Crude Inventory (Excluding Strategic Petroleum Reserve)

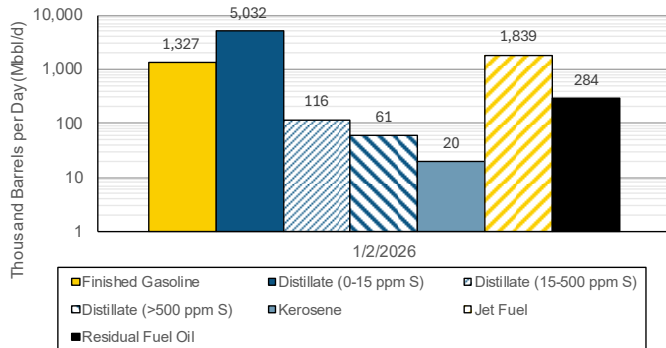


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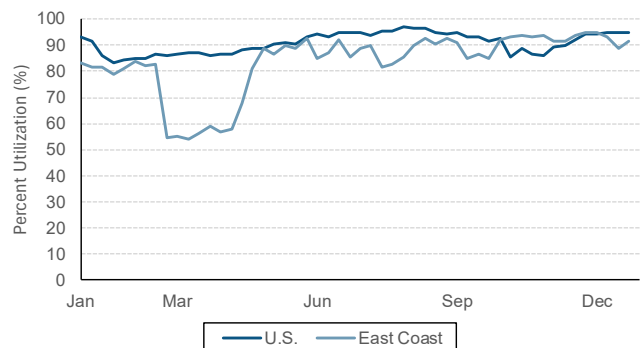


National Refinery Production and Utilization

U.S. Refiner Production

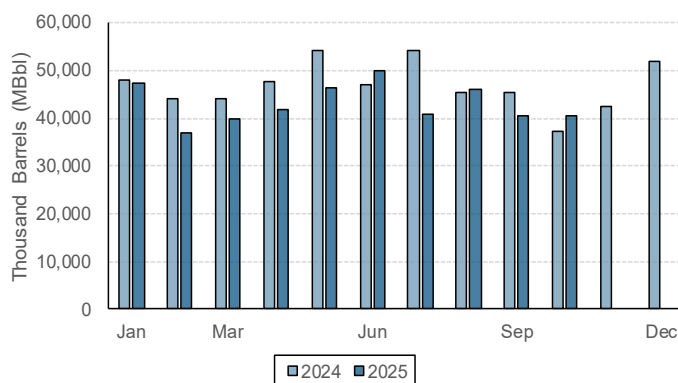


Refinery Capacity Utilization: 2025

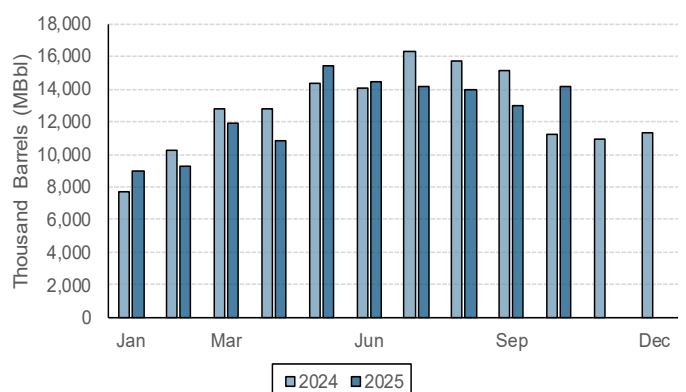


PADD1 (East Coast) Petroleum Product Movement: Imports and Exports Summary

PADD1 Imports: Crude Oil and Petroleum Products



PADD1 Exports: Crude Oil and Petroleum Products

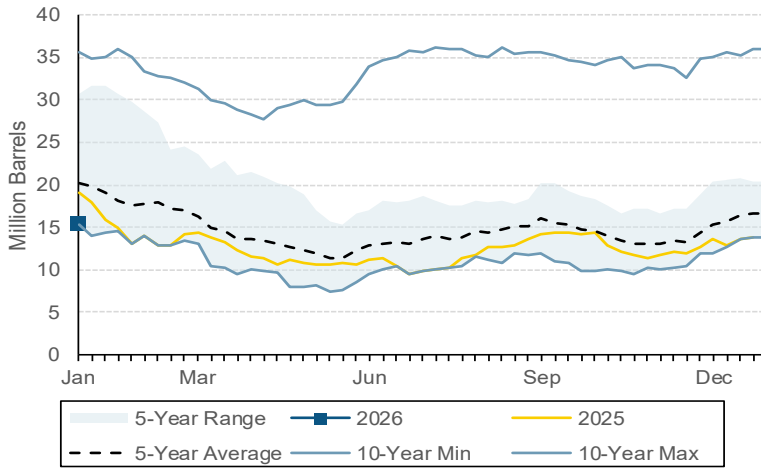


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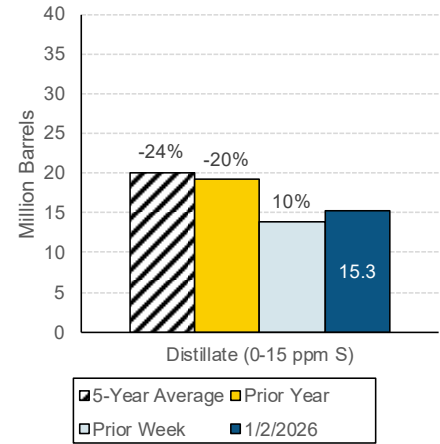
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2. Imports and Exports datasets are monthly and have a 2-month data lag.
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PADD 1B Regional Liquid Fuels Inventories

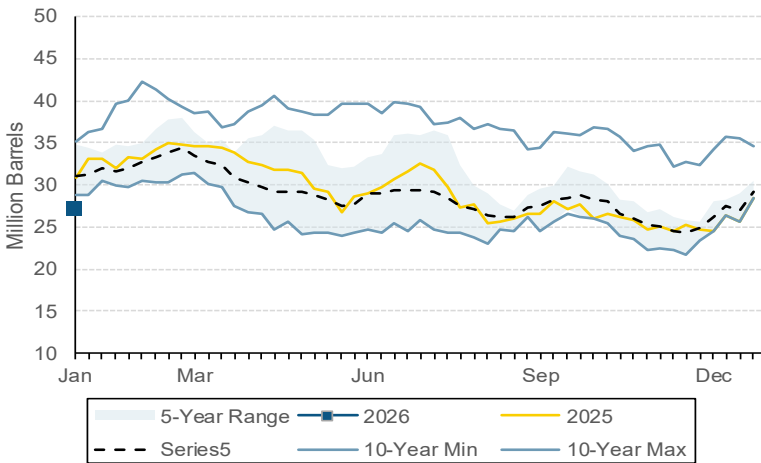
Distillate Fuel Oil (0-15 ppm Sulfur)



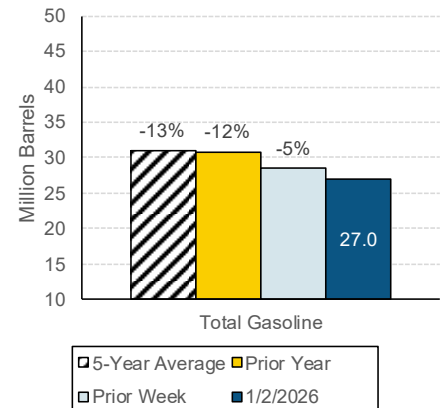
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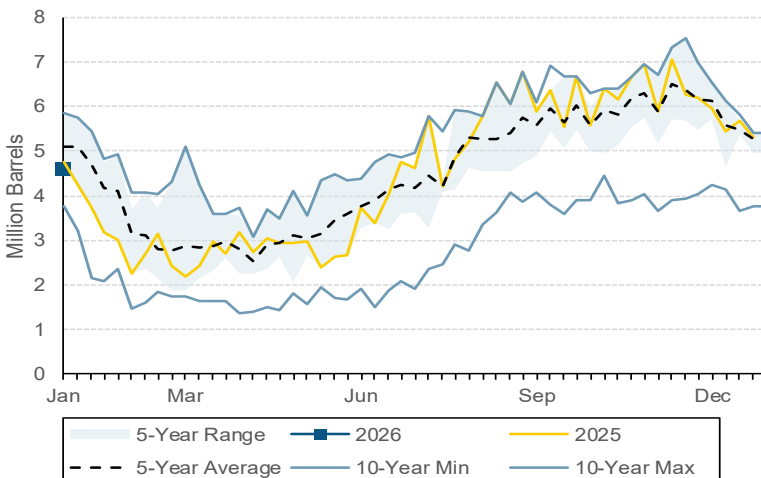
Total Gasoline



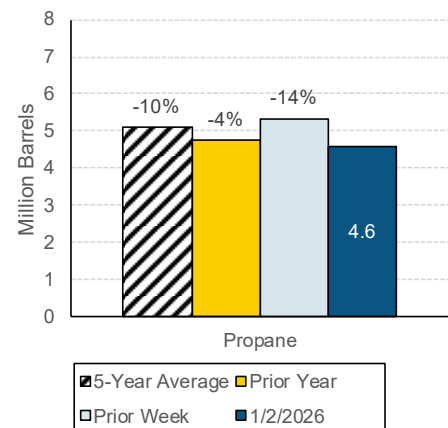
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Propane and Propylene



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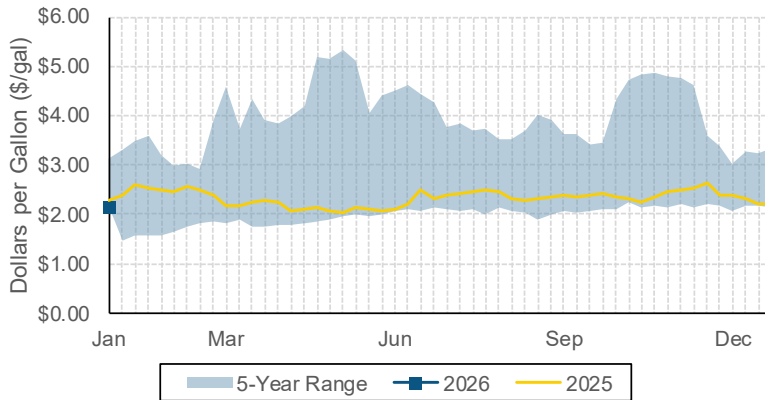


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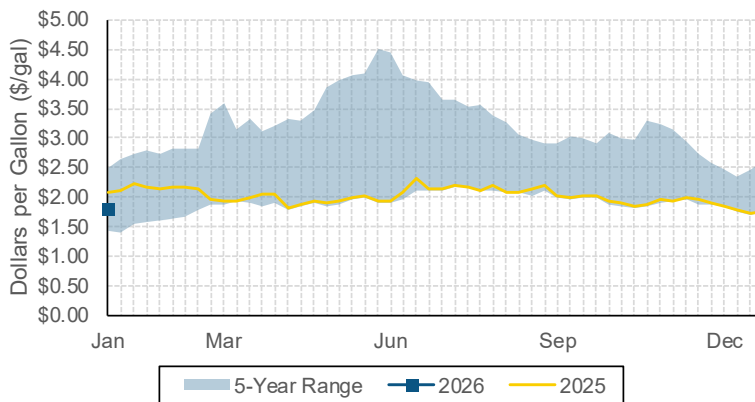
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Transportation Fuel Prices Summary

Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel New York Harbor Average Weekly Spot Prices



Conventional Gasoline Average Weekly Spot Prices New York Harbor



For regional NYS retail price summaries for transportation fuels, visit the following NYSERDA resources:

[Transportation Fuel Dashboard](#)

Transportation fuels retail price summaries presented in this report and on the NYSERDA dashboards are collected by the Energy Markets team from AAA and USEIA as part of our ongoing fuels markets analyses and monitoring.

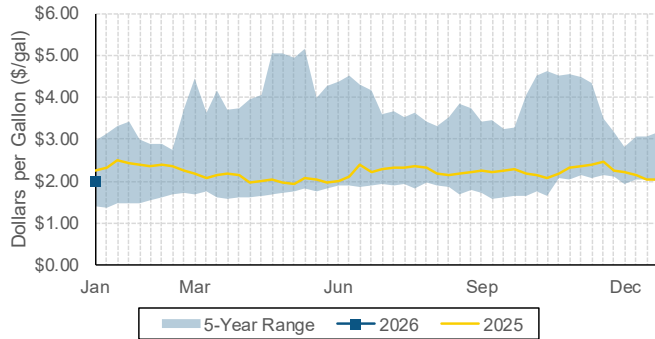
Fuel Type	NYS Average Retail Prices				
	1/2/2026	12/26/2025	% Difference	Prior Year	% Difference
Regular Gasoline (dollars per gallon) ²	\$3.125	\$3.130	-0.1%	\$3.345	-6.6%
On-road Diesel (dollars per gallon) ²	\$3.841	\$3.848	-0.2%	\$4.460	-13.9%

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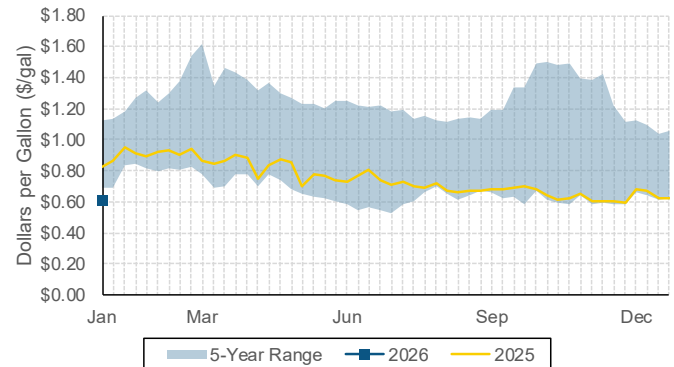
1. Wholesale price data from USEIA, see references section for detailed citations. Visualizations by NYSERDA.
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Heating Fuel Prices Summary

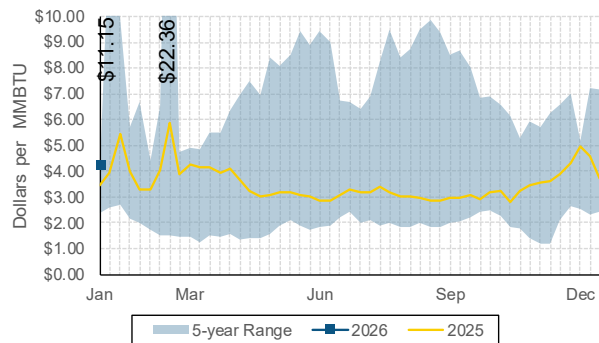
No. 2 Heating Oil Average Weekly Spot Prices New York Harbor



Propane Mt. Belvieu Average Weekly Spot Prices



Natural Gas Henry Hub Average Weekly Spot Prices



Weekly Survey Results by Fuel Type	NYS Average Retail Prices				
	1/5/2026	12/29/2025	% Difference	Prior Year	% Difference
Ultra-low #2 Heating Oil Posted Credit Prices (dollars per gallon) ²	\$3.824	\$3.798	0.7%	\$3.788	1.0%
Propane Posted Credit Prices - 1,100 gallon usage (dollars per gallon) ²	\$3.292	\$3.402	-3.2%	\$3.365	-2.2%
Kerosene Posted Credit Prices (dollars per gallon) ²	\$4.636	\$4.635	0.0%	\$4.447	4.2%
Monthly USEIA Reporting	October 2025	September 2025	% Difference	October 2024	% Difference
Monthly Average Residential Natural Gas Prices (dollars per Therm) ³	\$2.317	\$2.582	-10.3%	\$2.156	7.5%

For regional NYS retail price summaries for heating fuels, visit the following NYSERDA resources:

[Home Heating Oil Prices Dashboard](#)

[Kerosene Prices Dashboard](#)

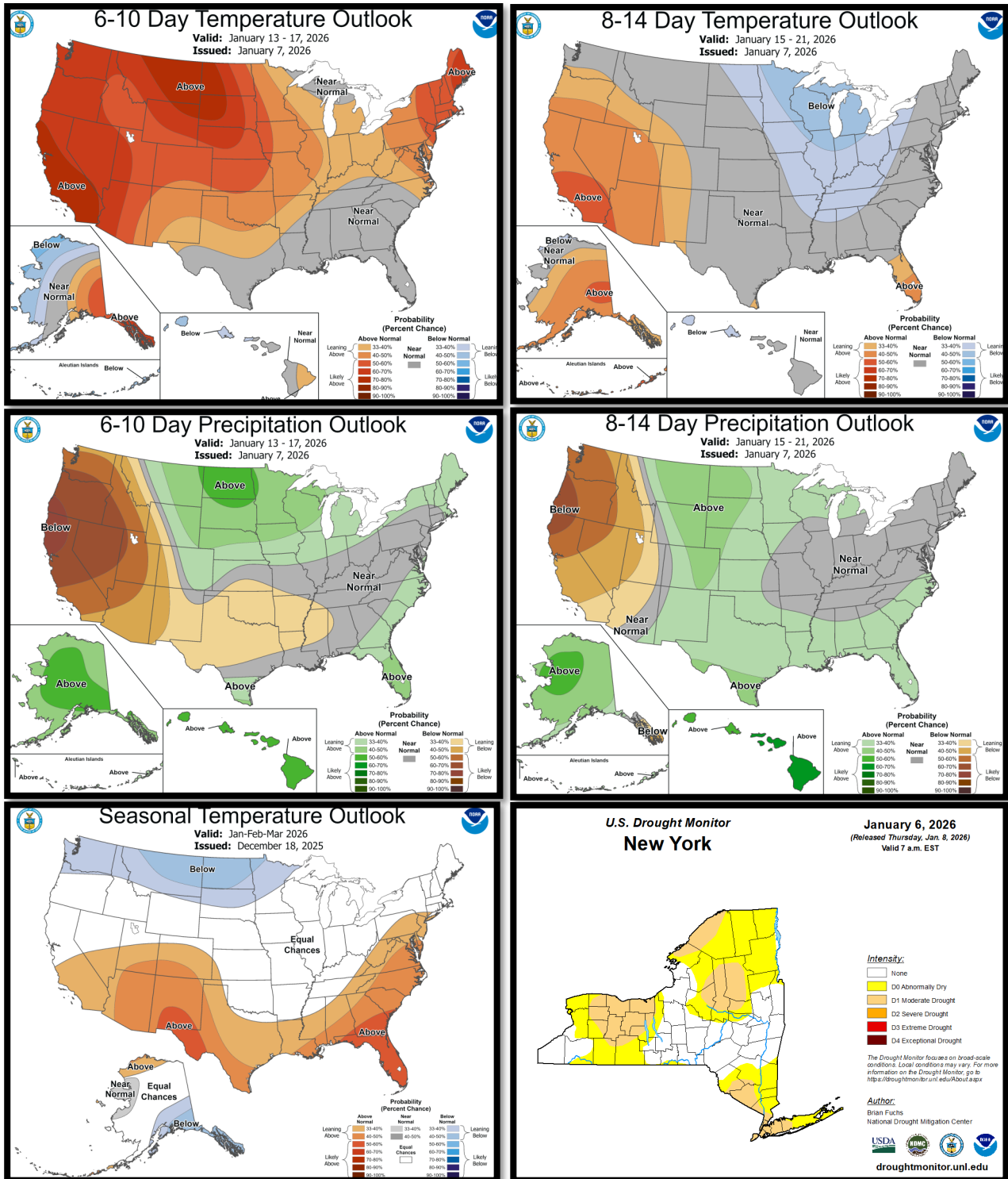
[Propane Prices Dashboard](#)

Heating fuels retail price summaries presented in this report and on the NYSERDA dashboards are part of the USEIA State Heating Oil and Propane Program/NYSERDA Heating Fuel Prices surveys.

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- Retail price data from USEIA & NYSERDA, see references section for detailed citations. Visualizations by NYSERDA. Highlighted cells indicate price correction from prior week.
- Residential natural gas price data from USEIA, see references section for detailed citations. Visualization by NYSERDA.

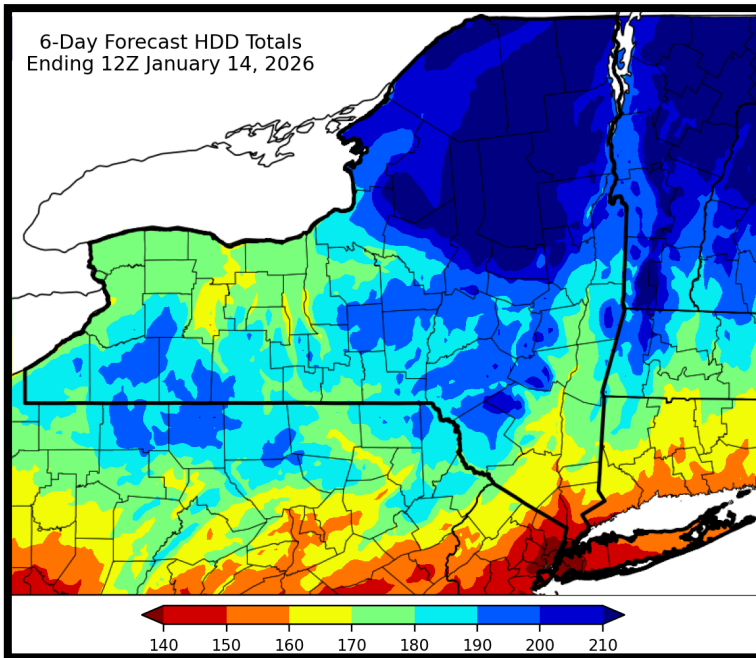
Weather Outlook and Seasonal Threat Monitoring



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1. Temperature and precipitation outlook graphics from NOAA. See references section for detailed citations.
2. Seasonal threat monitoring for winter season. Graphics from NOAA. See reference section for detailed citation.
3. Seasonal threat monitoring for drought conditions during the spring/summer. Graphic from National Drought Mitigation Center. See references section for detailed citation.

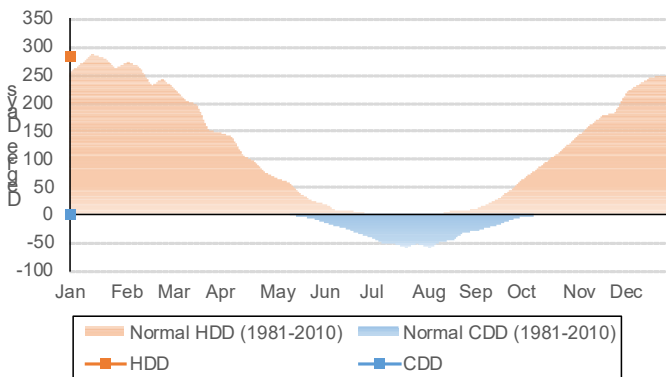
Degree Days Outlook and Summary



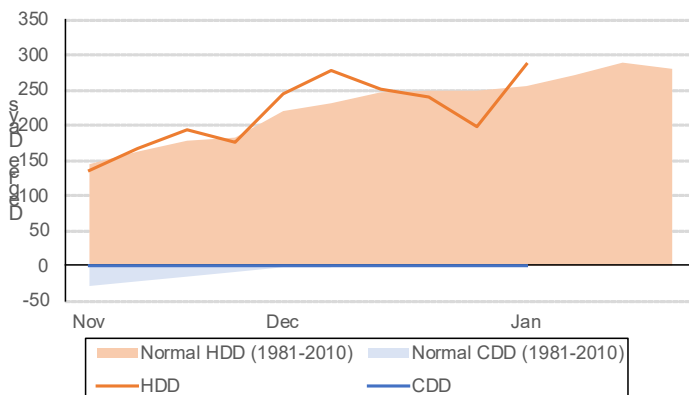
City	6-Day HDD Forecast	Normal	% Difference
Albany	179	243	-26%
Binghamton	185	254	-27%
Buffalo	168	234	-28%
Glens Falls	193	269	-28%
Massena	206	293	-30%
NYC	135	183	-26%
Rochester	166	230	-28%
Syracuse	180	243	-26%
Watertown	191	268	-29%

Forecast Dates:
01/08/2026 - 01/13/2026

NYS Degree Day Weekly Summary: Current Year



NYS Degree Day Weekly Summary: 2-Month History



Notes:

1. Heating degree day (HDD) forecast from NOAA & Northeast Regional Climate Center at Cornell University (NRCC). See references section for detailed citations.
2. HDD and Cooling Degree Day (CDD) data from NOAA. Positive values represent HDD and negative values represent CDD. See reference section for detailed citation. Visualization by NYSERDA.

For regional NYS Heating and Cooling Degree Data along with additional information, visit the following NYSERDA resources:

[Heating Degree Data](#)

[Monthly Degree Day Data \(Heating & Cooling\)](#)

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Note that there may be slight differences between USEIA reported values and this NYSERDA summary due to methodology differences.

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