# MARCH 3 - 7, 2025 MARKET SUMMARY



SPOTLIGHT | Northeastern Electricity Markets Grapple with Uncertainty from Tariffs

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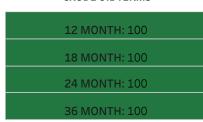
#### **CES SCORE** | Is it Time for Action?

The CES SCORE shows how current wholesale commodity prices compare to their 52-week range. A score close to 0 indicates that current prices are close to their 52-week HIGH; a score close to 100 indicates that current prices are close to their 52-week LOW. Many factors influence how wholesale prices are translated into retail prices paid by consumers and when it is time to consider a price lock. Please contact your CES Energy Services Advisor for customized strategic procurement advice.

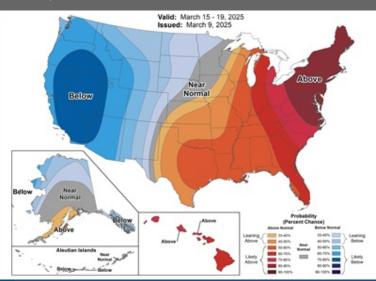
**NATURAL GAS NYMEX TERMS ELECTRICITY TERMS CRUDE OIL TERMS** 

12 MONTH: 5	
18 MONTH: 5	
24 MONTH: 5	
36 MONTH: 6	

<b>12 MONTH:</b> 9
18 MONTH: 14
24 MONTH: 11
36 MONTH: 11



#### WEATHER | 6-10 Day Forecast



The West Coast and Rockies are expected to see cooler-than-average temperatures next week, while warmer weather is forecast for the eastern half of the United States, particularly the Northeast.

This map depicts forecasted temperatures for next week compared to the long-term average. The blue/purple areas are forecast to be colder than normal, gray areas are normal, and **yellow/orange/red** areas are warmer than normal. Abnormally hot weather in the summer and cold weather in the winter can increase the price for natural gas, oil, and electricity.

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#### OIL & DISTILLATES OVERVIEW



Prompt Month Price For Apr 25

This Week: \$67.04/Bbl

Prior Week: \$69.76/Bbl

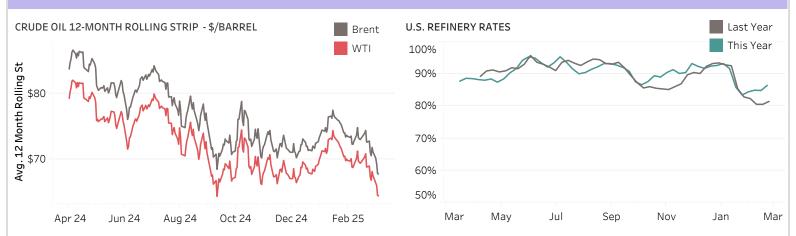
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CHANGE:

(\$2.72)/BbI

WTI, Brent, and New York Harbor Heating Oil all decreased in price last week. WTI fell 3.9% week-over-week, closing at \$67.04 per barrel, while Brent decreased 5.0% week-over-week to \$70.36 per barrel. New York Harbor Heating Oil closed at \$2.22 per gallon, a 5.9% decrease from the previous week. Early last week, OPEC+ increased output quotas for the first time since 2022. President Trump passed his delayed tariffs on Canada and Mexico on Tuesday before exempting goods under the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement for another month. He announced on Friday that he is considering adding sanctions on Russia until a peace deal is reached with Ukraine.

#### **FUNDAMENTALS**







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2027

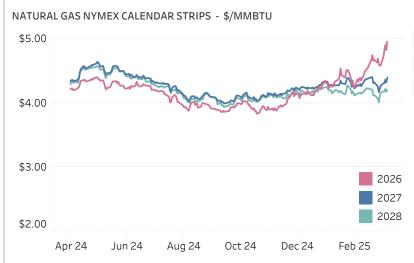
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#### **NATURAL GAS OVERVIEW**



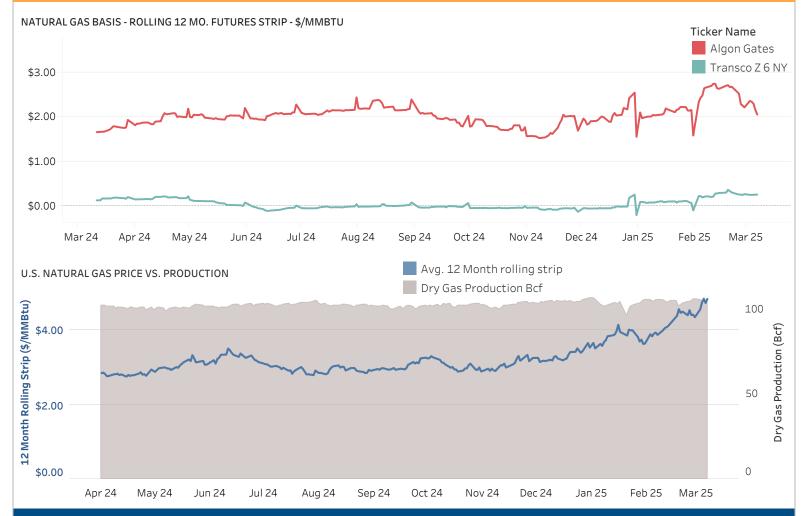
Winter natural gas NYMEX strips are an average of commodity prices for the months of December - March of each winter. Prices are presented in this format to highlight what consumers will pay during the typical heating season in the U.S.

#### Prompt Month Price For Apr 25



The NYMEX prompt month rose by \$0.57 week-over-week to \$4.40/MMBtu, a 14.7% increase. The rolling 12-month strip jumped \$0.51 week-over-week to \$4.83/MMBtu, an 11.8% rise. A net withdrawal of 80 Bcf for the week ending February 28 brought national storage down to 1,760 Bcf, 224 Bcf or 11.3% below the five-year average and 24.9% below levels for the same week last year. Average withdrawal rates have been approximately 25% higher than the five-year average this season. Total U.S. natural gas consumption dropped week-over-week, driven by decreased heating demand from the residential and commercial sectors and lower power demand. Uncertainty over tariffs has put upward pressure on prices. The Algonquin Citygate price spiked last week when Algonquin Gas Transmission issued an operational flow order ahead of cold weather on March 2nd and 3rd.

#### **NATURAL GAS FUNDAMENTALS**

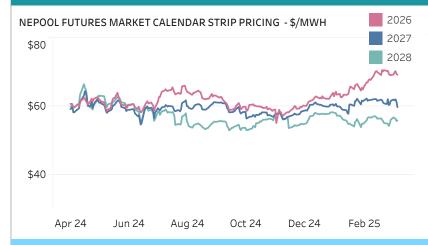


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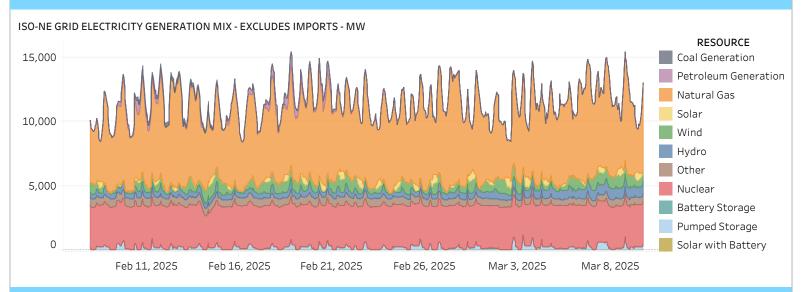


#### **NEW ENGLAND ELECTRICITY OVERVIEW**

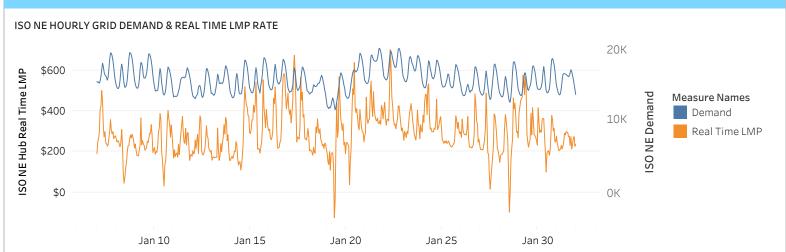


The NEPOOL 12-month strip increased by 2.52% week-over-week to \$72.90/MWh. Electricity prices increased this week as colder weather applied upwards pressure to natural gas NYMEX and Algonquin Citygate Basis prices. The 2026 calendar strip increased marginally by 0.19% to reach \$69.29/MWh, the 2027 strip decreased 3.01% to \$59.83/MWh, and the 2028 strip decreased 0.34% to \$55.98/MWh. Outer year strips continue to trade well below the 2026 calendar year strip. In response to tariffs imposed by the Trump administration on Canadian exports, Ontario has levied a 25% tariff on the electricity it exports to Minnesota, New York and Michigan. Ontario is the largest exporter of electricity across all Canadian provinces and in 2024 sent 6.75 terawatt hours (TWh) to New York, 4.59 TWh to Michigan and about 250 gigawatt hours (GWh) to Minnesota.

#### **NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ELECTRICITY GRID GENERATION MIX**



#### **NEW ENGLAND GRID FUNDAMENTALS**



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