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SPOTLIGHT | Nine Governors Request State-Nominated Candidates for Vacant PJM Board Seats

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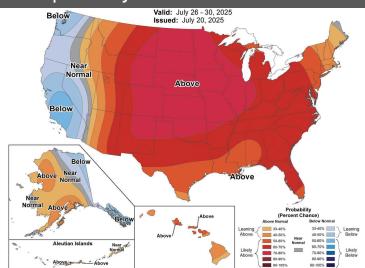
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CES SCORE | Is it Time for Action?

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.

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Natural Gas NYMEX Terms	Electricity Terms	Crude Oil Terms	
12 Month: 28	12 Month: 18	12 Month: 72	
18 Month: 20	18 Month: 4	18 Month: 72	
24 Month: 28	24 Month: 17	24 Month: 70	
36 Month: 23	36 Month: 18	36 Month: 69	

WEATHER | 6 - 10 Day Forecast



Hotter-than average weather is expected across much of the United States, while the West Coast will likely see below-average temperatures.

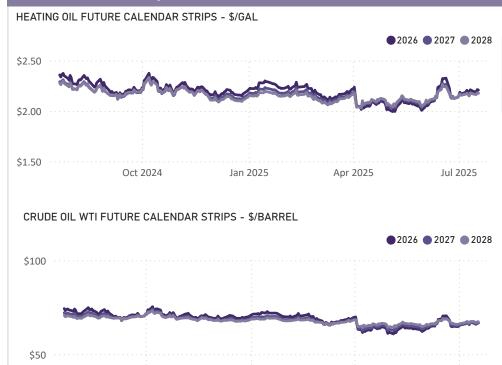
This map depicts forecasted temperatures for next week compared to the long-term average. The blue/purple areas are forecast to be colder than normal, gray areas are normal, and yellow/orange/red areas are warmer than normal. Abnormally hot weather in the summer and cold weather in the winter can increase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

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OIL & DISTILLATES



Prompt Month Price for August 2025

This week:

\$67.34/Bbl

Prior Week:

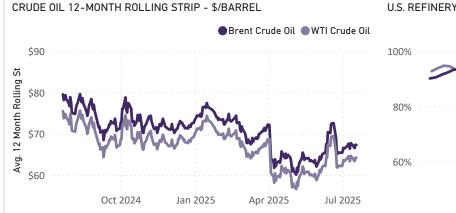
\$68.45/Bbl

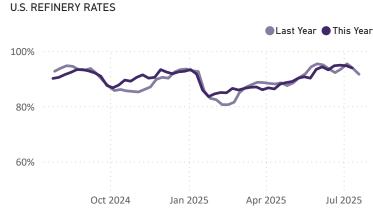
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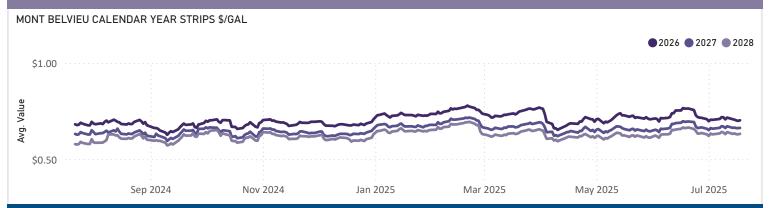
WTI and Brent both decreased in price last week while New York Harbor Heating Oil prices remained constant. WTI dropped 1.6% week-over-week, closing at \$67.34 per barrel, and Brent decreased 1.5% week-over-week to \$69.28 per barrel. New York Harbor Heating Oil closed at \$2.45 per gallon. The EU's new sanctions on Russian oil introduce a floating price cap set 15% below the average market rate, beginning at \$47.60 per barrel. Aimed at tightening the \$60 cap established by the Group of Seven major economies in 2022, the measure seeks to reduce Russia's oil revenue and hinder its war efforts in Ukraine. However, Reuters analysts suggest enforcement may be challenging and unlikely to affect global oil markets.

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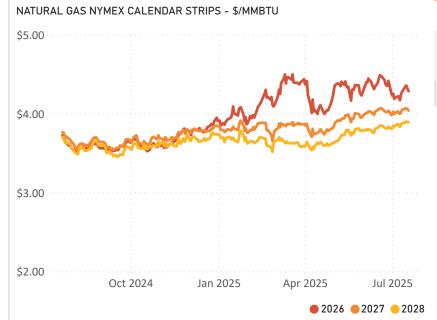


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NATURAL GAS



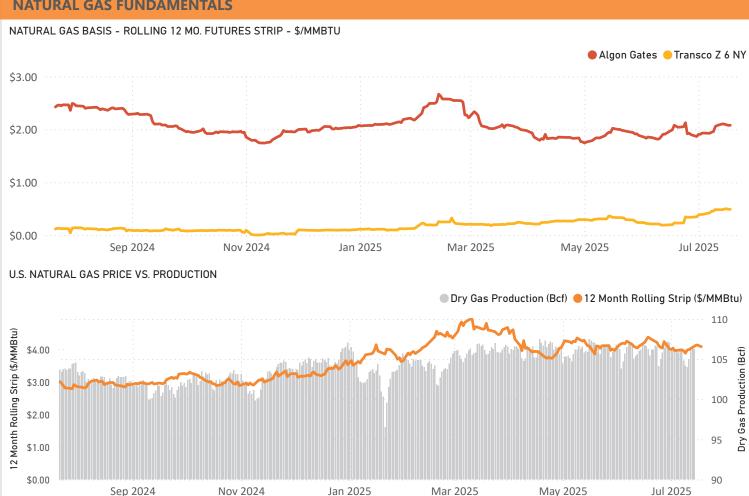
Prompt Month Price for August 2025

This Week: \$3.57/MMBtu Prior Week: \$3.31/MMBtu

\$0.25/MMBtu Change:

The NYMEX prompt month increased by \$0.25/MMBtu or 7.6% week-over-week to \$3.57/MMBtu. The rolling 12-month strip increased by \$0.09/MMBtu or 2.2% week-over-week to \$4.08/MMBtu. Near-term prices briefly rose last week as uncertainty surrounding reciprocal tariffs set to take effect on August 1 and increasing levels of consumption applied upward pressure to markets. The week ending July 11 saw a 46 Bcf net storage injection, bringing U.S. inventory to 3,052 Bcf, 6.2% above the five-year average. Total natural gas consumption rose by 2.5% or 1.9 Bcf/day last week, while gas demand for power increased by 4.2% (5.7 Bcf/d) week-over-week. LNG exports continue to increase as average gas deliveries to U.S. export terminals increased by 2.7% or 0.4 Bcf/day week-over-week.

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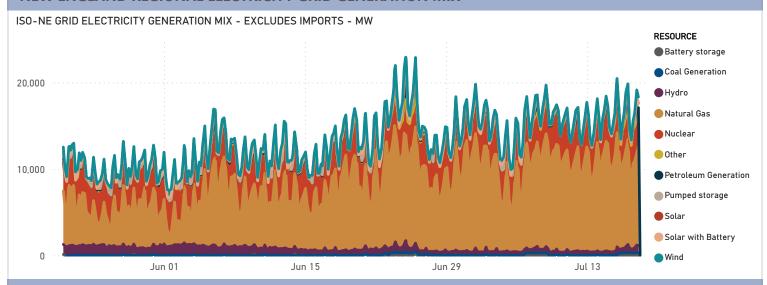


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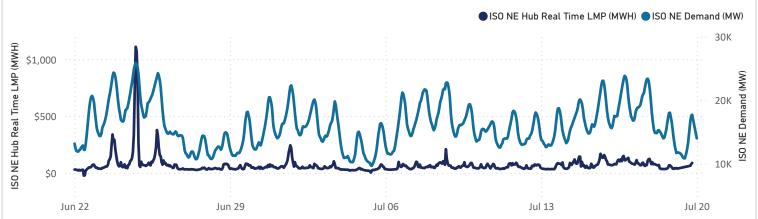
The NEPOOL 12-month strip rose 1.63% this past week, settling at \$68.34/MWh, while the August prompt month increased 6.43% amid warm weather predictions, high demand, and a rise in natural gas price forecasts. Calendar strips experienced week-over-week increases: the 2026 strip increased 1.14% to \$68.36/MWh, the 2027 strip rose 0.73% to \$62.90MWh, and the 2028 strip increased 0.02% to \$56.92/MWh. ISO New England released its monthly wholesale electricity prices and demand for May 2025. Wholesale power prices averaged \$32.77 per megawatt-hour (MWh) in the Real-Time Energy Market in May 2025, up 24.8% compared to the previous year. Day-Ahead Energy Market averages were \$35.21/MWh, up 29% from May 2024. Grid demand for electricity peaked on May 16 during the hour from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., when the average temperature in New England was 75°F.

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ELECTRICITY GRID GENERATION MIX



NEW ENGLAND GRID FUNDAMENTALS





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