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Gasoline and Diesel Margins Tumble Amid a Surge in Rack Prices

National average rack-to-retail margins for both gasoline and diesel in the United States pulled back sharply during the week ending Feb. 12th, as a surge in wholesale prices for both fuels bit into station owners' profits. The national average gasoline margin tumbled nearly 9cts to 28.6cts/gal during the week, the lowest level seen since July as the national average rack price rose nearly 12cts to \$2.30/gal. That increase sent the rack price to its highest so far this year and easily outpaced the 3.2cts/gal rise that sent the average retail price to \$3.184/gal.

Retail prices were also at a high for 2024, reaching levels not seen since early December as operational issues and seasonal maintenance at several U.S. refineries have curtailed gasoline production and sent pump prices climbing. The week marked the fourth consecutive increase in the average retail price, which has risen by nearly 10cts/gal during that period.

Average retail prices are now above the \$3/gal in 27 states, with prices topping \$4.60/gal in both Hawaii and California, the only two states where prices also exceed the \$4/gal ceiling. The lowest

retail price average in the U.S., \$2.701/gal, was found in Oklahoma last week. The rise in wholesale gasoline prices comes as U.S. refinery utilization averaged 80.6% during the week ending Feb. 9th, according to the latest data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA). Utilization is now five to six percentage points below levels seen at this time of year in 2023 and 2022. One reason for the low utilization rates is continued downtime at BP's 440,00 b/d Whiting, Ind., refinery.

The reduced refinery runs contributed to a 3.7 million bbl decline in U.S. gasoline inventories during the week. It was the second-straight week of gasoline inventory declines, with stocks off nearly 7 million bbl during that period. Meanwhile, implied gasoline demand in the U.S. remains close to last year levels, with the latest EIA report showing demand averaged 8.25 million b/d during the previous four weeks, close to the 8.33 million b/d average seen during the same period last year. At the start of winter, there had been concerns that there might be an oversupply of gasoline this winter, particularly in the Great Lakes and Mid West

12-Week National Fuel Price Trend													
		G	ASOL	INE				DIESE	EL				
Date	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	%Profit	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	%Profit			
11/27	326.2	267.7	226.5	41.2	12.6%	424.1	356.8	288.0	68.7	16.2%			
12/4	324.6	265.3	221.4	43.9	13.5%	420.2	352.3	277.2	75.0	17.8%			
12/11	317.6	258.1	209.5	48.6	15.3%	412.6	344.6	257.1	87.5	21.2%			
12/18	308.7	249.3	206.9	42.4	13.7%	403.1	335.1	258.3	76.8	19.1%			
12/25	312.4	252.8	216.4	36.4	11.7%	401.8	333.6	269.7	63.9	15.9%			
1/1	311.7	252.1	213.8	38.3	12.3%	399.7	331.6	260.2	71.4	17.9%			
1/8	308.6	249.1	209.3	39.8	12.9%	396.0	328.0	257.0	71.0	17.9%			
1/15	307.6	248.0	208.4	39.6	12.9%	392.7	324.6	262.6	62.0	15.8%			
1/22	308.8	249.1	211.2	37.9	12.3%	391.7	323.6	260.8	62.8	16.0%			
1/29	310.9	251.2	220.5	30.7	9.9%	391.0	322.9	267.0	55.9	14.3%			
2/5	315.2	255.5	218.1	37.4	11.9%	393.1	324.9	272.3	52.5	13.4%			
2/12	318.4	258.6	230.0	28.6	9.0%	398.2	329.5	292.7	36.9	9.3%			

Retail = average retail price: Net = retail price less state, federal and local taxes and 1.5 cts/gal for freight; Rack = wholesale cost; Margin = difference between net and rack





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OPIS State-By-State Pricing Trends —

ST				SOLINE		DIESEL								
ST	Monthly Change-													
	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Retail	Rack	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Retail	Rack		
AK	347.4	318.9	252.2	66.7	-9.2	8.9	384.0	349.4	287.3	62.0	-7.9	14.6		
AL	290.1	236.8	220.8	16.0	10.8	19.4	380.5	319.2	290.7	28.4	6.7	29.7		
AR	278.4	233.0	216.1	16.8	15.7	22.1	362.7	307.4	279.2	28.1	2.3	27.3		
AZ	323.2	283.7	256.4	27.3	-0.5	29.6	389.9	336.3	300.6	35.7	-6.2	24.4		
CA	460.7	365.5	310.9	54.6	-2.7	28.0	533.6	407.2	344.1	63.1	-4.8	28.1		
CO	273.7	226.7	210.1	16.6	2.9	29.4	352.8	298.2	278.6	19.7	-6.3	30.1		
СТ	322.5	255.0	231.1	23.9	5.5	18.0	421.4	345.7	297.0	48.7	-4.6	23.6		
DE	314.9	267.3	244.1	23.2	22.3	19.5	394.7	344.0	295.6	48.4	13.8	24.9		
FL	317.1	254.1	234.4	19.7	3.6	19.8	397.6	331.6	303.3	28.3	12.8	29.5		
GA	303.6	241.0	220.0	21.0	8.0	18.1	398.4	325.9	291.9	34.0	5.9	27.7		
HI	469.0	389.4	243.5	146.0	2.2	8.8	559.4	469.3	282.0	187.3	-0.9	14.4		
IA	287.8	237.3	207.8	29.5	11.4	27.5	366.7	307.7	271.1	36.6	7.1	27.8		
ID	292.2	238.7	207.0	31.7	-17.2	11.0	377.7	318.2	308.7	9.5	-18.6	40.0		
IL	334.9	243.2	220.9	22.3	28.4	35.1	398.1	288.4	279.9	8.5	13.7	47.6		
IN	312.1	242.1	221.4	20.7	26.7	33.5	396.8	312.3	281.9	30.4	7.9	49.6		
KS	274.8	226.8	205.7	21.1	7.2	26.7	356.3	302.8	266.7	36.0	-5.4	25.0		
KY	294.7	244.1	220.1	24.1	12.7	18.4	378.1	324.5	287.5	37.0	9.0	40.9		
LA	286.0	244.6	225.8	18.8	12.4	21.2	368.4	320.9	287.8	33.1	10.8	30.3		
MA	315.7	268.0	230.8	37.2	-0.6	16.9	417.2	363.5	298.5	65.0	-2.1	23.1		
MD	321.4	253.7	225.1	28.6	13.9	19.7	405.7	331.3	292.3	39.0	15.0	29.2		
ME	320.2	268.2	232.3	35.9	1.7	12.8	437.6	379.1	326.1	53.0	5.9	24.2		
MI	318.9	252.9	223.1	29.8	29.6	34.5	397.6	321.8	280.4	41.3	9.9	49.4		
MN	294.5	245.4	205.4	40.1	13.4	28.9	374.9	319.8	270.9	48.9	-4.8	27.7		
MO	280.6	235.1	212.2	23.0	16.8	25.5	353.2	301.7	273.4	28.3	1.1	32.6		
MS	277.1	237.9	222.0	15.9	10.8	20.7	362.8	317.9	290.1	27.8	8.0	30.5		
MT	295.0	240.8	228.1	12.7	3.0	26.1	355.3	298.3	280.5	17.7	-7.8	19.6		
NC	302.8	241.7	215.8	25.9	11.7	18.4	392.1	325.0	289.3	35.7	5.0	30.2		
ND	283.7	240.2	204.8	35.4	1.9	24.2	373.6	324.0	264.5	59.6	-14.9	23.5		
NE	284.3	233.8	207.4	26.4	6.8	27.8	357.0	301.0	269.6	31.4	-5.2	24.9		
NH	309.4	265.2	232.2	33.0	1.9	15.2	415.1	364.7	310.6	54.1	0.2	25.4		
NJ	313.4	250.6	225.1	25.5	7.5	18.2	402.7	326.8	292.1	34.7	-2.2	23.3		
NM	284.4	245.1	225.5	19.5	-1.0	27.5	377.2	327.8	297.5	30.4	-5.5	18.7		
NV	389.2	315.2	270.9	44.3	1.3	25.0	411.3	338.3	305.0	33.4	-3.5	30.5		
NY	327.7	261.7	231.4		-2.9	16.5	439.7	366.6	299.0	67.7	-3.9	24.5		
OH	310.8	250.1	223.8	26.3	34.0	31.3	392.0	316.6	286.1	30.5	9.6	54.7		
OK	270.1	229.7	205.7	23.9	12.1	25.8	344.2	297.7	265.6	32.1	1.8	24.8		
OR	358.9	295.7	227.2	68.5 25.2	-11.4	11.3	413.3	344.6	269.1	75.5	-14.8	14.1		
PA RI	342.1 310.1	262.9 251 5	227.6 228.2	35.3 23.3	7.1 4.3	21.6 17.7	449.0 421.4	348.4 356 7	295.8 295.9	52.6 60.9	0.3 -0.9	30.2		
SC	293.7	251.5	228.2 219.5	23.3 24.9		17.7	421.4 378.8	356.7 323.6			-0.9 8.4	21.6 28.9		
SD	293.7	244.5 231.8	219.5	24.9	10.3 -6.0	27.1	378.8	323.6	293.1 277.4	30.5 27.2	8.4 -12.1	28.9		
TN	282.2 286.2	231.8	205.9 216.9	25.9 21.4	-6.0 12.8	27.1 19.8	301.2	304.7 322.3	277.4 289.1	33.2	-12.1 9.7	34.2		
TX	280.2 282.7	238.3 242.1	210.9	21.4 18.1	12.8	19.8 20.7	377.3	322.3 315.2	289.1 293.8	33.2 21.4	9.7 15.0	34.2 30.6		
UT	282.7 284.1	242.1	223.9	25.1	4.0	20.7 19.0	361.9	315.2 307.4	293.8 295.4	21.4 12.0	-3.2	30.6 51.5		
VA	204.1 308.7	220.5	201.4	29.0	4.0 15.5	19.0 19.2	398.1	307.4 331.4	293.4 290.6	40.8	-3.2 6.4	30.5		
VA	308.7	268.2	236.3	31.9	-2.6	19.2	422.9	364.4	312.4	52.0	-4.7	30.3		
WA	390.2	316.3	230.3 245.1	71.2	-15.4	3.7	466.1	386.0	294.2	91.8	-18.4	3.2		
WA	299.6	246.2	243.1	27.6	32.8	37.1	371.9	312.4	294.2	36.4	11.9	40.9		
WV	308.8	252.7	218.6	34.0	20.2	17.3	394.2	332.0	286.1	45.9	3.3	40.9		
WY	269.4	224.9	202.7	22.2	-5.6	26.7	365.7	315.2	284.4	30.8	-15.0	35.5		

Current retail average based on reconciled credit card transactions received by OPIS from the 7-day period between the previous Tuesday through the most recent Monday. Due to the way credit card receipts are reconciled, a few additional transactions may be received for the dates that already comprise the current weekly average. Minor fluctuations in the actual average may occur as a result. Rack averages are based on the daily OPIS average for the individual stations during the time period for the appropriate product sold at the station. Branded stations are matched to the appropriate suppliers at the closest rack. If we are unable to match a brand to a supplier we use the branded average price from the closest rack. All retail brands determined to be unbranded use the unbranded average price at the closest rack. All prices are for regular unleaded gasoline or diesel only and are in cts per gal.

	Weekly Gasoline Price By Region												
Monthly Change													
Region	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	%Profit	Retail	Rack						
Northeast	322.1	258.4	227.5	30.9	9.6%	6.4	18.3						
Great Lakes	316.6	247.3	221.8	25.4	8.0%	30.3	34.0						
Midwest	283.9	236.2	209.1	27.2	9.6%	11.8	26.3						
Southwest	286.0	245.6	225.7	19.9	7.0%	12.7	22.6						
Southeast	299.6	244.1	223.0	21.1	7.0%	9.2	19.1						
West	396.7	319.1	268.9	50.2	12.7%	-4.6	22.0						

	Weekly Diesel Price By Region												
Monthly Change-													
Region	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	%Profit	Retail	Rack						
Northeast	420.4	346.7	296.1	50.6	12.0%	1.3	27.4						
Great Lakes	392.7	309.9	281.4	28.4	7.2%	10.6	49.2						
Midwest	362.6	308.1	272.1	36.0	9.9%	-1.6	28.2						
Southwest	364.0	316.4	291.7	24.7	6.8%	10.0	28.6						
Southeast	386.7	325.2	293.3	31.9	8.2%	8.9	30.8						
West	457.5	365.6	313.3	52.3	11.4%	-8.1	26.7						

Retail = average retail price; Net = retail price less state, federal and local taxes and 1.5 cts/gal for freight; Rack = wholesale cost; Margin = the difference between net and wholesale; Monthly Retail Change and Monthly Rack Change = the change in the average retail and wholesale price from exactly one month ago











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OPIS Best & Worst Markets To Sell & Supply Fuel —

Most Pro	Most Profitable Metros To Sell & Supply Gasoline (Current Week) Monthly Retail Monthly Rack												
Rank	Metro	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Change	Change						
1	Seattle-Bellevue-Everett WA	415.7	341.8	245.7	96.1	-16.0	3.5						
2	Portland-Vancouver (WA Only)	387.3	313.5	224.4	89.0	-16.7	11.8						
3	Anchorage AK	358.9	330.4	245.7	84.7	-7.4	9.2						
4	Portland-Vancouver (OR Only)	374.8	308.3	225.2	83.1	-14.2	11.8						
5	San Luis Obispo CA	479.8	386.4	305.0	81.4	-9.1	32.7						
6	Salinas CA	468.5	373.3	292.3	81.0	-11.0	17.1						
7	Santa Rosa CA	466.3	370.2	294.8	75.5	-13.3	17.9						
8	San Francisco CA	469.5	372.9	297.5	75.4	-13.2	16.1						
9	Bremerton WA	389.1	315.2	245.0	70.2	-10.9	3.2						
10	Olympia WA	388.2	314.3	244.4	69.9	-19.5	3.0						

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Rank	Metro	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Change	Change
1	Yuma AZ	326.4	287.0	323.8	-36.8	-10.7	30.1
2	Victoria TX	275.4	234.8	246.9	-12.1	12.6	21.5
3	Great Falls MT	288.5	234.3	233.8	0.5	9.4	27.3
4	Lawton OK	253.7	213.2	211.8	1.4	10.9	25.7
5	San Angelo TX	269.2	228.5	224.4	4.1	11.5	22.8
6	Lubbock TX	258.8	218.1	213.6	4.6	9.7	14.3
7	Elmira NY	304.6	239.0	234.3	4.6	-2.2	16.6
8	Colorado Springs CO	261.1	214.1	209.4	4.8	8.8	28.2
9	Duluth-Superior (MN Only)	268.3	219.2	214.4	4.8	-12.9	33.4
10	Owensboro KY	275.6	225.0	220.0	5.0	7.7	16.5

Most Pro	fitable Matros To Sell & Supply Diesel ((^urrant IV/a	ek)			Monthly Retail	Monthly Rack
Rank	fitable Metros To Sell & Supply Diesel ((<mark>Metro</mark>	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Change	Change
1	Seattle-Bellevue-Everett WA	494.2	414.0	290.0	124.0	-18.0	-1.5
2	Olympia WA	483.6	403.5	295.6	107.9	-15.8	-2.3
3	Portland-Vancouver (OR Only)	441.1	369.9	264.3	105.6	-13.2	13.5
4	San Luis Obispo CA	575.5	449.7	347.7	102.0	-12.4	28.7
5	Portland-Vancouver (WA Only)	443.5	363.5	262.4	101.1	-21.7	13.1
6	Tacoma WA	475.2	395.1	295.3	99.8	-16.4	-1.6
7	Bremerton WA	464.2	384.0	289.2	94.9	-18.8	-0.6
8	Salinas CA	559.7	432.7	339.9	92.8	-15.4	19.1
9	Santa Cruz-Watsonville CA	561.1	433.1	340.6	92.5	-6.0	18.8
10	New York NY	462.0	387.5	296.8	90.8	-3.7	23.4

LeranRro	Metrie Metros To Sell & Supply Diesel (Cu retail We	eek) Net	Rack	Margin	Monthly Retail Change	Monthly Rack Change
1	Abilene TX	355.8	309.1	316.6	-7.5	27.1	33.1
2	Mcallen-Edinburg-Mission TX	355.4	308.7	312.8	-4.1	12.4	39.6
3	Rockford IL	386.7	281.2	283.5	-2.3	7.6	51.6
4	Lubbock TX	336.7	290.0	290.5	-0.5	-5.0	-1.0
5	Pensacola FL	383.1	317.1	316.8	0.3	11.1	29.6
6	Bloomington-Normal IL	390.6	280.2	279.5	0.7	23.8	41.6
7	Decatur IL	383.2	275.3	274.7	0.7	15.9	44.5
8	Pocatello ID	377.4	317.9	316.7	1.2	-25.8	51.4
9	Amarillo TX	331.3	284.6	282.9	1.6	-9.1	-6.8
10	Victoria TX	356.2	309.5	304.7	4.8	13.4	30.1

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						Avg			Implied Avg	Implied Low
	Avg	Low	Avg	Avg	Avg	Lading	Avg	Low	Breakeven	Breakeven
Metro	Retail	Retail	Rack	Taxes	Freight	Cost	Margin	Margin	Cost	Cost
Lubbock TX	258.8	242.6	213.6	39.1	1.5	254.2	4.6	-24.2	218.1	202.0
Colorado Springs CO	261.1	233.6	209.4	45.5	1.5	256.4	4.8	-19.0	214.1	186.6
Duluth-Superior (MN Only)	268.3	252.8	214.4	47.6	1.5	263.5	4.8	-7.8	219.2	203.7
Des Moines IA	262.6	244.2	206.3	49.0	1.5	256.8	5.9	-17.8	212.2	193.7
Amarillo TX	254.3	238.6	207.7	39.1	1.5	248.3	6.0	-19.7	213.6	198.0
Panama City FL	293.5	273.7	226.9	58.6	1.5	286.9	6.6	-20.4	233.5	213.6
Fort Walton Beach FL	296.4	290.2	226.7	61.6	1.5	289.8	6.7	-4.1	233.4	227.1
Greeley CO	260.8	232.2	206.6	45.5	1.5	253.6	7.1	-26.3	213.7	185.2
Shreveport-Bossier City LA	277.0	254.0	228.5	39.9	1.5	269.9	7.1	-22.8	235.6	212.6
Killeen-Temple TX	275.6	255.9	227.7	39.1	1.5	268.4	7.3	-13.8	235.0	215.3
Tyler TX	269.5	257.0	221.0	39.1	1.5	261.6	7.9	-12.3	228.9	216.4
Mobile AL	288.5	269.9	224.1	54.8	1.5	280.4	8.3	-15.2	232.3	213.6
Waco TX	277.2	258.0	228.3	39.1	1.5	269.0	8.3	-21.4	236.6	217.4
Evansville-Henderson (IN Only)	296.8	282.0	218.5	68.5	1.5	288.5	8.3	-4.9	226.9	212.0
Monroe LA	278.0	269.9	228.2	39.9	1.5	269.6	8.4	1.5	236.6	228.5
Pensacola FL	301.4	291.4	227.6	62.8	1.5	291.8	9.4	-8.2	237.2	227.1
Denver CO	264.7	232.9	207.6	45.5	1.5	254.7	10.0	-30.2	217.7	185.9
Anniston AL	282.9	273.8	220.1	50.9	1.5	272.5	10.5	-2.5	230.6	221.4
Sioux Falls SD	268.2	256.0	206.9	49.0	1.5	257.4	10.9	-7.3	217.8	205.5
Brownsville-Harlingen TX	284.4	271.9	232.8	39.1	1.5	273.5	11.0	-8.0	243.8	231.3
Mcallen-Edinburg-Mission TX	284.5	271.5	232.0	39.1	1.5	273.0	11.5	-5.0	243.9	230.9
Chattanooga TN (GA Only)	291.1	273.6	217.0	61.0	1.5	279.5	11.5	-9.0	228.6	211.1
Boulder-Longmont CO	265.4	273.0	206.8	45.5	1.5	279.3	11.6	-14.9	218.3	201.1
Jackson MS	203.4	258.1	226.5	37.4	1.5	265.3	11.9	-7.6	238.3	219.2
Longview-Marshall TX	275.3	259.9	220.3	39.1	1.5	263.4	11.9	-13.8	234.6	219.2
Jacksonville FL	310.7	290.9	222.8	63.6	1.5	203.4	12.7	0.4	234.0	219.3
Albuquerque NM	274.2	290.9	234.0	37.8	1.5	299.1	12.7	2.0	234.8	209.4
Joplin MO	267.4	248.7	208.7	43.9	1.5	254.1	12.8	10.5	234.8	209.4
Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula MS	207.4	258.2	208.7	40.4	1.5	262.6	13.5	-7.3	234.3	216.3
Beaumont-Port Arthur TX	270.2	253.2	220.8	40.4 39.1	1.5	263.2	13.5	-2.7	234.3	210.3
Florence AL	287.1	275.8	222.5	52.5	1.5	203.2	13.9	3.5	230.4	212.0
Fort Collins-Loveland CO	267.1	275.8	219.2	52.5 45.5	1.5	273.2		3.5 8.9		203.6
Little Rock AR	267.9		206.5	45.5 44.0	1.5	253.6	14.4	-5.6	220.9 231.0	
Alexandria LA	276.5	261.6 261.1	210.0	39.9	1.5	262.0	14.4	-5.6	242.6	216.1 219.7
	296.8	201.1	228.0		1.5	289.4	14.5			219.7
Macon GA				61.3			14.5	-7.3	234.0	
Memphis TN (MS Only)	272.7	258.3	219.2	37.4	1.5	258.0	14.7	-4.4	233.9	219.4
Decatur AL	286.3	277.3	218.9	50.8	1.5	271.1	15.1	8.0	234.1	225.0
Laredo TX	286.3	277.1	230.6	39.1	1.5	271.2	15.1	0.5	245.6	236.5
San Antonio TX	281.3	255.9	225.4	39.1	1.5	266.1	15.2	-38.9	240.6	215.3
Chattanooga TN (TN Only)	280.9	256.2	217.4	46.4	1.5	265.3	15.6	-13.1	233.0	208.3
Fort Lauderdale FL	324.4	294.9	243.5	63.6	1.5	308.5	15.8	-19.3	259.3	229.8
Columbus GA (GA Only)	302.8	285.0	221.8	64.0	1.5	287.3	15.9	-5.4	237.3	219.5
Appleton-Oshkosh WI	293.7	286.6	224.4	51.9	1.5	277.7	16.0	3.6	240.4	233.2
Albany GA	298.1	287.8	219.5	61.0	1.5	282.0	16.1	-2.2	235.6	225.3
Tuscaloosa AL	287.5	275.2	219.8	50.2	1.5	271.4	16.1	0.5	235.8	223.5
Brazoria TX	278.0	259.0	221.2	39.1	1.5	261.8	16.2	-4.3	237.3	218.4
Montgomery AL	292.5	276.7	220.7	56.0	1.5	278.2	16.3	-1.9	235.0	219.2
Miami FL	322.9	285.7	243.3	61.6	1.5	306.3	16.4	-18.2	259.9	222.6
Lake Charles LA	284.0	261.8	226.1	39.9	1.5	267.5	16.5	-4.7	242.6	220.4
Omaha NE (NE Only)	274.9	253.8	207.8	49.0	1.5	258.2	16.6	-7.5	224.4	203.3

Implied Average Breakeven Cost = the price that a reseller would have to pay to break even if they sold product at the average retail price in the market

Implied Low Breakeven Cost = the price that a reseller would have to pay to break even if they sold product at the same price as the lowest chain in the market

Average Retail = average retail price; Low Retail = lowest average price for a particular chain in the market; Average Rack = average wholesale cost; Average Taxes = the average taxes in the market; Average Freight = OPIS assumes an average freight of 1.5 cts per gal; Average Lading Cost = the total of the average rack price, the average taxes and the average freight; Average Margin = the average profit margin in the market; Low Margin = the average profit margin for the chan selling retail at the lowest average price

*To qualify the market must have received retail prices from more than 85 stations

OPIS National Brand Overview & Upstream Trends -

Top-35 Most Profitable Brands In The United States												
		Station				Current	Week Ago	Month Ago	Current 30-Day	Year-Ago	Monthly Retail	Monthly Rack
Rank	Brand	Count	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Margin	Margin	Rolling Margin	Rolling Margin	Change	Change
1	Pac Pride	246	378.9	308.7	241.6	67.1	71.8	85.5	71.8	61.2	-1.0	17.8
2	76	2079	409.9	330.4	274.8	55.6	60.8	81.5	62.9	53.2	-4.6	20.5
3	Fred Meyer	112	343.8	280.3	230.0	50.3	54.4	71.5	53.7	39.3	-11.0	10.4
4	Chevron	6952	367.0	301.5	255.6	45.9	51.8	63.6	50.7	46.5	4.4	21.6
5	ARCO	1630	409.6	324.6	283.1	41.5	45.6	70.1	49.9	39.1	-3.2	24.4
6	Holiday	489	303.1	253.2	212.5	40.8	48.1	55.3	44.6	35.2	15.5	29.9
7	Kwik Star	131	299.3	248.6	209.2	39.4	45.9	47.0	39.5	31.6	21.0	28.6
8	Sheetz	718	332.3	264.0	225.2	38.8	40.3	36.2	37.7	39.2	26.3	23.9
9	Rutters	84	346.2	268.0	229.2	38.8	39.1	48.2	38.5	44.9	9.9	19.2
10	Kwik Trip	698	304.6	252.4	214.4	38.0	38.8	43.4	37.4	31.9	30.4	35.7
11	GetGo	240	334.2	264.2	227.3	36.9	42.0	38.5	42.6	23.9	30.6	32.5
12	Safeway	283	344.3	278.1	241.8	36.3	43.8	59.2	41.2	25.3	-5.8	17.1
13	Quik Stop	81	411.9	318.2	282.3	35.8	40.2	66.4	39.3	21.8	-12.8	16.7
14	Stewarts	294	330.5	265.8	230.3	35.5	43.6	48.5	37.8	36.8	2.9	15.4
15	Mirabito	94	334.6	268.9	233.6	35.3	43.5	56.5	40.8	23.1	-5.0	15.6
16	Shell	13100	328.4	268.0	233.8	34.2	42.9	46.8	39.3	38.5	10.6	22.9
17	Kwik Fill	294	336.3	265.3	231.3	34.0	40.9	56.5	40.3	30.7	-1.2	20.9
18	Mobil	5328	336.9	271.5	237.7	33.9	43.0	49.0	39.2	39.6	9.9	24.3
19	USA Gasoline	60	434.3	342.2	308.5	33.7	30.2	58.7	39.9	31.2	7.7	31.3
20	Irving	318	316.9	267.1	234.5	32.6	40.1	44.8	35.5	36.5	1.7	13.8
21	Quarles	110	313.8	251.9	219.4	32.5	37.7	36.2	33.7	45.3	15.3	19.4
22	Go Mart	113	306.4	249.4	217.1	32.4	43.4	29.6	38.0	41.0	17.8	15.1
23	Sinclair	1763	314.7	256.4	224.2	32.4	39.7	56.5	41.0	31.8	-0.7	23.3
24	Giant (Ahold)	102	337.5	261.0	229.0	32.0	35.2	40.1	32.3	37.1	11.2	19.3
25	Turkey Hill	238	339.8	262.4	231.0	31.5	34.1	38.2	31.1	39.4	12.4	19.3
26	Техасо	1519	311.2	259.2	228.2	31.0	34.1	40.6	33.7	34.5	8.9	18.5
20	Cenex	1575	291.0	239.2	220.2	30.7	30.5 40.6	40.0	37.9	33.2	6.3	24.5
	Kwik Serv	67		240.6 321.5	209.9		40.6 34.0	49.0 62.2	36.2	33.2 26.4	-9.6	24.5
28			414.8			30.6			36.2			20.9 24.7
29	Speedway	3252	316.3	254.3	224.3	30.0	39.1	40.5		33.1	14.4	
30	BP Oversheedend	6770	312.0	249.6	220.4	29.2	38.3	38.0	34.2	35.2	17.0	25.4
31	Cumberland	566	313.9	258.5	229.3	29.2	39.2	42.5	31.2	32.4	4.3	17.4
32	Amoco	612	311.6	248.3	219.8	28.5	38.2	38.2	33.9	34.7	17.7	27.1
33	7-Eleven	2467	328.9	265.7	238.0	27.7	38.2	43.0	32.9	29.3	6.9	22.0
34	Sunoco	5423	318.1	255.4	227.8	27.6	36.4	39.5	32.5	34.1	10.7	22.3
35	Gulf	1101	318.5	257.4	230.4	27.0	33.9	41.0	30.8	33.9	4.9	18.3
Lowest	Sams Club	526	286.1	228.6	226.4	2.3	12.3	12.6	7.7	4.4	14.9	25.0

*Must have received a price from a minimum of 60 stations

	12-Week Spot Price Trends													
	Gulf (Conventional		NY RFG	LA	CARBOB								
Week	Price	Basis to WTI	Price	Basis to WTI	Price	Basis to WTI								
11/27	209.4	-27.7	226.2	-44.5	240.4	-58.7								
12/4	205.8	-26.1	221.9	-42.2	239.4	-59.7								
12/11	189.1	-20.8	205.9	-37.6	234.3	-66.0								
12/18	194.4	-26.1	207.5	-39.1	213.3	-44.9								
12/25	211.9	-36.2	216.3	-40.6	227.8	-52.1								
1/1	208.2	-33.7	211.4	-36.9	253.8	-79.4								
1/8	206.6	-35.3	208.4	-37.1	231.3	-60.0								
1/15	208.9	-37.3	207.7	-36.1	205.5	-33.9								
1/22	215.5	-40.5	215.1	-40.0	210.7	-35.6								
1/29	224.4	-42.7	222.0	-40.3	228.0	-46.3								
2/5	221.9	-44.5	216.5	-39.0	254.6	-77.2								
2/12	233.1	-53.5	225.5	-45.9	260.1	-80.5								

Gasoline, Retail, Rack Spot & WTI Trend

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Top-25 Most Profitable Markets To Sell Gasoline In 2024 YTD

2024	Week Ago							Change From	% Change From
Rank	Rank	Market	ST	Retail	Net	Rack	Margin	Week Ago	Week Ago
1	2	Seattle-Bellevue-Everett WA	WA	424.7	350.8	247.9	102.9	-1.3	-1.2%
2	1	San Luis Obispo CA	CA	481.9	389.3	287.6	101.7	-4.0	-3.8%
3	3	Portland-Vancouver (WA Only)	WA	395.6	321.8	222.0	99.8	-2.2	-2.2%
4	4	Portland-Vancouver (OR Only)	OR	383.3	316.8	222.6	94.1	-2.2	-2.3%
5	6	Anchorage AK	AK	363.2	334.6	245.3	89.4	-0.9	-1.0%
6	5	Salinas CA	CA	472.4	377.6	288.4	89.3	-1.6	-1.8%
7	7	Santa Rosa CA	CA	472.4	376.7	289.8	86.9	-2.2	-2.5%
8	9	San Francisco CA	CA	475.1	378.9	293.8	85.1	-1.9	-2.2%
9	8	Bakersfield CA	CA	463.2	372.3	288.5	83.8	-4.7	-5.3%
10	10	Santa Cruz-Watsonville CA	CA	461.8	366.0	287.3	78.6	-1.8	-2.2%
11	11	Olympia WA	WA	398.8	324.8	247.5	77.3	-1.5	-1.9%
12	12	San Diego CA	CA	466.9	375.2	299.7	75.5	-3.2	-4.1%
13	13	Visalia-Tulare-Porterville CA	CA	455.0	361.9	287.2	74.7	-3.1	-4.0%
14	14	Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa CA	CA	453.9	362.1	288.1	74.0	-2.4	-3.1%
15	15	Ventura CA	CA	470.6	379.4	305.8	73.6	-2.7	-3.5%
16	17	Bremerton WA	WA	394.8	320.9	247.6	73.3	-0.6	-0.8%
17	18	Medford-Ashland OR	OR	357.5	296.9	224.4	72.4	-1.4	-1.9%
18	16	Santa Barbara CA	CA	465.2	371.0	299.7	71.4	-2.7	-3.6%
19	19	Sacramento CA	CA	450.5	358.5	287.1	71.3	-2.0	-2.7%
20	21	Tacoma WA	WA	390.7	316.8	247.0	69.8	-0.9	-1.3%
21	20	Fresno CA	CA	448.2	355.5	286.3	69.2	-1.9	-2.7%
22	22	Oakland CA	CA	458.3	359.6	290.9	68.7	-2.0	-2.8%
23	23	Yolo CA	CA	445.6	354.3	286.2	68.1	-1.9	-2.7%
24	24	San Jose CA	CA	452.5	356.4	289.3	67.1	-2.3	-3.3%
25	NR	Merced CA	CA	443.0	350.6	286.2	64.4	-1.4	-2.1%

Top-25 Least Profitable Markets To Sell Gasoline In 2024 YTD

2024 Rank	Week Ago Rank	Market	ST	Retail	Net	Deek	Morgin	Change From Week Ago	% Change From Week Ago
	1	Yuma AZ	AZ	331.7	292.2	Rack 305.2	Margin -13.0	-4.6	54.8%
2	2	Victoria TX	TX	267.4	226.7	234.8	-8.1	-0.8	11.0%
3	3	Fort Walton Beach FL	FL	285.8	222.7	216.4	6.3	0.1	1.6%
4	4	Brownsville-Harlingen TX	TX	270.7	230.0	221.4	8.7	0.5	6.1%
5	5	Killeen-Temple TX	ТХ	266.5	225.9	216.3	9.5	-0.5	-5.0%
6	6	Mcallen-Edinburg-Mission TX	TX	271.8	231.1	220.9	10.3	0.2	2.0%
7	8	Owensboro KY	KY	267.9	217.3	207.0	10.3	-1.1	-9.6%
8	16	Great Falls MT	MT	279.6	225.4	215.0	10.4	-2.0	-16.1%
9	11	Amarillo TX	ТХ	248.9	208.3	197.7	10.6	-0.9	-7.8%
10	12	San Angelo TX	ΤХ	263.1	222.4	211.8	10.6	-1.3	-10.9%
11	7	Monroe LA	LA	268.5	227.1	216.3	10.8	-0.5	-4.4%
12	10	Waco TX	ΤХ	268.7	228.1	217.1	11.0	-0.5	-4.3%
13	14	Lubbock TX	ΤХ	252.8	212.2	201.1	11.1	-1.3	-10.5%
14	9	Pensacola FL	FL	292.4	227.9	216.8	11.1	-0.4	-3.5%
15	13	Panama City FL	FL	287.4	227.3	215.9	11.4	-1.0	-8.1%
16	17	Tyler TX	ΤX	261.5	220.8	208.9	12.0	-0.7	-5.5%
17	18	Gadsden AL	AL	273.8	221.4	208.9	12.5	-1.0	-7.4%
18	15	Laredo TX	ТΧ	273.3	232.7	219.8	12.8	0.4	3.2%
19	19	Bloomington-Normal IL	IL	309.7	219.3	205.7	13.6	-0.4	-2.9%
20	20	Decatur IL	IL	297.9	208.3	194.4	13.9	-1.1	-7.3%
21	22	Mobile AL	AL	283.5	227.5	213.1	14.3	-1.2	-7.7%
22	21	Florence AL	AL	277.8	223.9	209.1	14.9	-0.1	-0.7%
23	23	Shreveport-Bossier City LA	LA	273.4	232.0	216.8	15.3	-1.5	-8.9%
24	25	Evansville-Henderson (IN Only)	IN	287.6	216.8	201.0	15.8	-1.4	-8.1%
25	NR	Jonesboro AR	AR	268.3	222.8	206.7	16.2	-1.6	-9.0%

NR = Market was not ranked in the previous 25 least most/least profitable markets

*To qualify market must have received prices from 40 or more unique stations

*Week-Ago rank was what the year-to-date rank was last week



Number of days worth of supply on hand is derived by taking the current supply numbers and dividing them by the 4-week rolling average demand numbers. This indicates the balance between supply and demand and shows whether demand is outpacing stock builds or stocks are able to replenish at a faster rate.



Above is an estimated snapshot of refiner profitability in producing a gallon of the relevant fuel in a given region. The WTI crude price is converted to cents per gallon and subtracted from the closing spot price each day. The resulting number is then averaged for the week and charted against the average spread between 1/1/2004 and 12/31/2005 (the red line).

OPIS Implied National Market Share -

Top 10 Brands By Market Share										
Rank	Brand	Market Share	Outlet Share	Market Efficiency	Price Differential					
1	Shell	13.40%	10.93%	1.23	6.16					
2	Chevron	7.73%	5.83%	1.33	15.39					
3	Exxon	5.99%	5.75%	1.04	2.53					
4	Mobil	5.36%	4.42%	1.21	4.17					
5	Speedway	4.40%	2.74%	1.61	-2.45					
6	QuikTrip	4.13%	0.88%	4.69	-2.62					
7	BP	3.68%	5.64%	0.65	2.17					
8	Circle K	3.59%	2.47%	1.45	-3.15					
9	Wawa	3.56%	0.72%	4.93	-0.31					
10	Valero	3.39%	4.05%	0.84	-0.66					

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regions. The recent draw in gasoline inventories have helped abate those concerns, even as the upcoming switch to summer-spec gasoline is approaching and concerns about clearing out winter-grade fuel become more pressing.

National average diesel margins also tumbled during the week, dropping 15.6cts to average 36.9cts/gal. As with gasoline, the culprit was a surge in rack prices, with the national average shooting up 20.4cts to \$2.927/gal, the highest the average rack price has been since November. While the national average retail price of diesel rose to \$3.982/gal, the nearly 5ct increase merely trimmed the amount that margins fell.

The national retail diesel price is on track to soon broach the \$4/gal ceiling for the first time in 2024. Prices have already exceeded that level 15 states, with California and Hawaii seeing prices well above the \$5/gal mark. The lowest price in the nation is in Colorado, where motorists are paying an average \$3.528/gal.

The latest EIA data showed U.S. distillate inventories also decreased, falling nearly 2 million bbl. An indication of the impact of lower refinery activity on distillate supplies is that the latest EIA data showed distillate production falling by 281,000 b/d to 4.076 million b/d during the reporting week. U.S. distillate output has not been below 4 million b/d since a late February 2021 storm forced significant amounts of refining offline. Distillate supplies have fallen in each of the last four weeks, with the total decline in the range of 9 million bbl. Demand for distillate was weak in the latest EIA data, coming in at 3.514 million b/d. That was a decrease of more than 300,000 b/d from the previous-week and was also well below demand seen at the same time in 2022 and 2023.

A relatively warm winter appears to be helping keep supplies stable on the East Coast, which relies more than other regions on heating oil. The latest EIA report showed inventories in the mid-Atlantic region at 16.4 million bbl, about where it had been at the same time over the past two years. Market Share based on volume from Wright Express Univeral cards. Only those sites that accept Wright Express are included in the survey.

Market Share = % of volume sold by the brand Outlet Share = % of stations for each brand Market Efficiency = Market Share/Outlet Share

The higher the number indicates that the brand has a greater number of high volume stations

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Margins for both diesel and gasoline might bounce back a bit in the coming week. While refinery maintenance continues and inventories of both fuels are unlikely to increase, the recent Bureau of Labor Statistics report showing inflation in January running higher than expected, sent futures prices for both gasoline and diesel lower in the most recent week, which is likely to result in a decline in wholesale prices.

But that reprieve may be short lived if refinery runs remain suppressed. While the need to reduce gasoline inventories ahead of the upcoming switch to summer-spec gasoline, lower-than-anticipated gasoline inventories could reduce the size of the bump, with margins again falling once the more-expensive summer spec gas begins sale at retail sites.

Nationally, margins have averaged about 35.6cts/gal so far in 2024. That's 4cts/gal higher than the 31.6cts/gal average seen during the same time in 2023, but it remains to be seen how long average margins will continue to exceed year-ago levels.

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