Henry Hub Natural Gas Spot Prices 2007

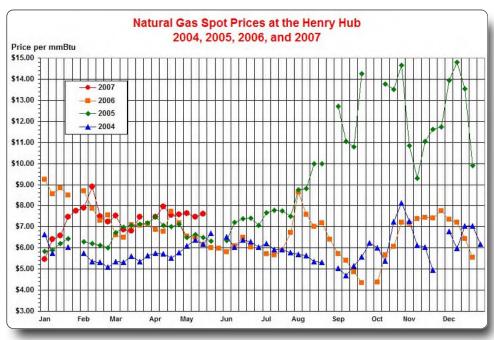
Increases in the prices of crude oil and refined petroleum products and concerns regarding natural gas supply were factors pressuring natural gas prices this week. On May 16, the Henry Hub natural gas spot price was \$7.62 per million <u>British thermal units</u> (mmBtu), which was 16 cents, or 2.1 percent, higher than the price of \$7.46 last Wednesday. This Wednesday's price of \$7.62 was 24 percent higher than the price of \$6.16 per mmBtu on the third Wednesday of May, 2006.

The amount of natural gas in storage in the East Region increased 7.9 percent to 838 billion cubic feet for the week ending May 11, which was 96 billion cubic feet above the five-year average. Nebraska is a part of the East Region (see map) which is a major natural gas consumer, particularly in the residential and commercial sectors. The industrial sector, which includes agriculture, is also a major consumer in this state. Most of the gas is supplied from the Producing Region with a fair amount imported from Canada. The Henry Hub in southern Louisiana is a major market center with interconnections for many of the pipelines that transport U.S.-produced gas to the East Region. Furthermore, the Henry Hub is the preferred reference point for prices for most of the domestic gas destined for the East. Therefore, market conditions and developments in the East Region and price movements and trends at the Henry Hub are usually highly correlated.

Notes: An archive is available. Divide the price by ten (10) to obtain the price per hundred cubic feet (ccf) or the approximate price per therm.



A general rule of thumb: Add three dollars to the Henry Hub spot price to estimate the residential natural gas price. Likewise, add 30 cents if you have already converted the price from British thermal units to ccf or therms.



Natural Gas Spot Prices at the Henry Hub 2007 [Price per Million <u>British Thermal Units</u> (mmBtu)]

Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Day
	NA	NA		NA		NA	\$7.64		\$7.07	\$7.93	Holiday	1
	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.64	\$7.61	\$7.22	\$8,18	\$5,41	2
NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		\$7.58	\$7.57			\$5.47	3
NA		NA	NA		NA	NA	\$7.82	\$7.46			\$5,60	4
NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.52	\$7.35	\$9.10	\$5.51	5
NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		Closed	\$7.57	\$8.26		6
NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	\$7.69		\$7.52	\$7.89		7
	NA	NA		NA		NA	\$7.49		\$7.15	\$8.06	\$6.02	8
	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.46	\$7.65	\$7.05	\$8.15	\$6.14	9
NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		\$7.63	\$7.64			\$6.41	10
NA		NA	NA		NA	NA	\$7,53	\$7.96			\$6.08	11
NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.94	\$6.81	\$7.76	\$5.97	12
NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		\$7.94	\$6.78	\$8.08		13
NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	\$7.85		\$6.86	\$8.91		14
	NA	NA		NA		NA	\$7.67		\$7.02	\$8.93	Holiday	15

Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Day
	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.62	\$7.65	\$6.84	\$8.45	\$6.79	16
NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	\$7 <u>.</u> 48			\$6,57	17
NA		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	\$7 . 54			\$6.28	18
NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7 <u>.</u> 54	\$6,69	Holiday	\$6,39	19
NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		\$7. 32	\$6.82	\$7.33		20
NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA		\$6.82	\$7.51		21
	NA	NA		NA		NA	NA		\$7.07	\$7.47	\$7,20	22
	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	\$7 . 24	\$7.16	\$7.53	\$7.43	23
NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	\$7.56			\$7.46	24
NA		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	\$7.59			\$7.19	25
NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.55	\$7.15	\$7.73	\$6.93	26
NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		\$7.44	\$7.16	\$7.43		27
NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA		\$7.47	\$7.24		28
	NA	NA		NA		NA			\$7.33		\$7.34	29
	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	\$7.71	\$7,50		\$7,34	30
NA		NA		NA	NA		NA				\$7.75	31

 $\textbf{Sources: } \textit{Natural Gas Weekly Update.} \ \texttt{Energy Information Administration, Washington, DC. Nebraska Energy Office, Lincoln, NE.}$

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