

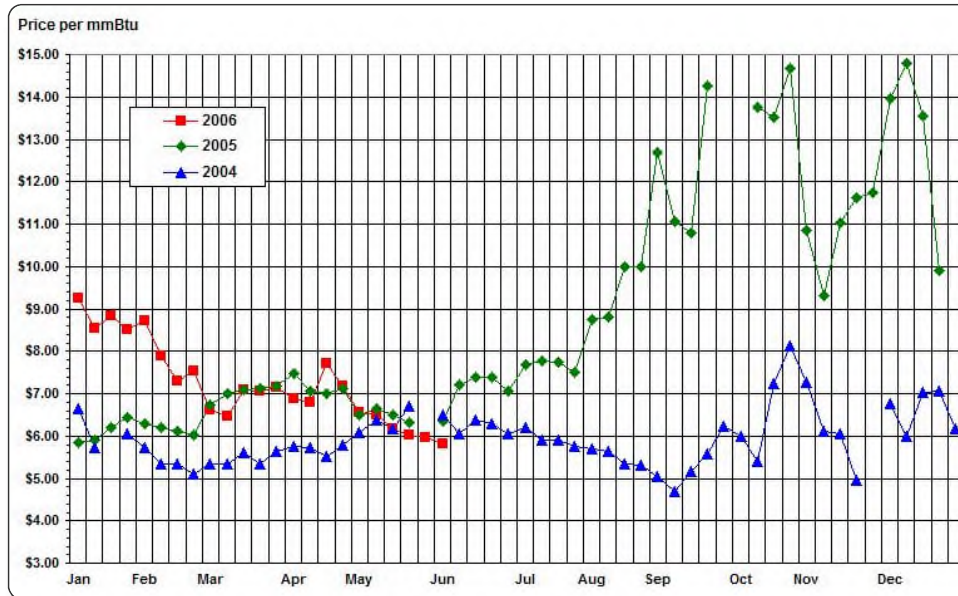
Henry Hub Natural Gas Spot Prices 2006

Prices decreased due to seasonal temperatures and perceived ample supplies in storage for this time of year. Although this year's hurricane season officially began on June 1, there is still [shut-in](#) production in the Gulf of Mexico from last year's hurricane season. Lost supplies from shut-in production are not reflected in the current storage levels, which are viewed as ample. On June 7, the Henry Hub natural gas [spot price](#) had fallen 15 cents per million [British thermal units](#) (mmBtu), or 2.5 percent, since last Wednesday to \$5.82. This Wednesday's price of \$5.82 was 54 cents lower than the price of \$6.36 per mmBtu on the first Wednesday in June, 2005.

The amount of natural gas in [storage](#) in the East Region increased 3.8 percent to 1,213 billion cubic feet for the week ending June 2, which was 379 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](#).

**Natural Gas Spot Prices at the Henry Hub
2004, 2005, and 2006**



**Natural Gas Spot Prices at the Henry Hub 2006
[Price per Million [British Thermal Units](#) (mmBtu)]**

Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1		\$8.71	\$6.62		\$6.54	\$6.24		NA	NA		NA	NA
2	Holiday	\$8.00	\$6.69		\$6.68	\$6.23		NA		NA	NA	
3	\$9.91	\$8.01	\$6.59	\$7.05	\$6.56		NA	NA		NA	NA	
4	\$9.25			\$7.02	\$6.46		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
5	\$9.23			\$6.88	\$6.80	\$6.41	NA		NA	NA		NA
6	\$9.28	\$8.26	\$6.49	\$7.05		\$6.16	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
7		\$7.73	\$6.53	\$6.80		\$5.82	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
8		\$7.88	\$6.48		\$6.54	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
9	\$8.80	\$7.56	\$6.31		\$6.56	NA		NA		NA	NA	
10	\$8.60	\$7.56	\$6.40	\$6.83	\$6.50		NA	NA		NA	NA	
11	\$8.55			\$6.99	\$6.81		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
12	\$8.70			\$6.79	\$6.35	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
13	\$8.53	\$7.36	\$6.76	\$6.67		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
14		\$7.03	\$7.14	Holiday		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
15		\$7.31	\$7.10		\$5.92	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
16	Holiday	\$7.16	\$7.12		\$5.99	NA		NA		NA	NA	
17	\$8.81	\$7.38	\$7.17	\$7.22	\$6.16		NA	NA		NA	NA	
18	\$8.85			\$7.61	\$5.78		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA

Note: NA = Not available.

Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
19	\$8.21			\$7.72	\$5.77	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
20	\$8.78	Holiday	\$7.00	\$7.96		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
21		\$7.40	\$6.83	\$7.64		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
22		\$7.54	\$7.07		\$5.90	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
23	\$8.29	\$7.23	\$7.16		\$6.27	NA		NA		NA	NA	
24	\$8.25	\$7.40	\$7.43	\$7.73	\$6.01		NA	NA		NA	NA	
25	\$8.50			\$7.37	\$5.86		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
26	\$7.85			\$7.18	\$5.78	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
27	\$8.18	\$6.97	\$7.06	\$6.93		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
28		\$6.68	\$7.15	\$6.65		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
29			\$7.16		Holiday	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
30	\$8.35		\$7.18		\$6.21	NA		NA		NA	NA	
31	\$8.73		\$6.98		\$5.97		NA	NA		NA		

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