

Henry Hub Natural Gas Spot Prices 2011

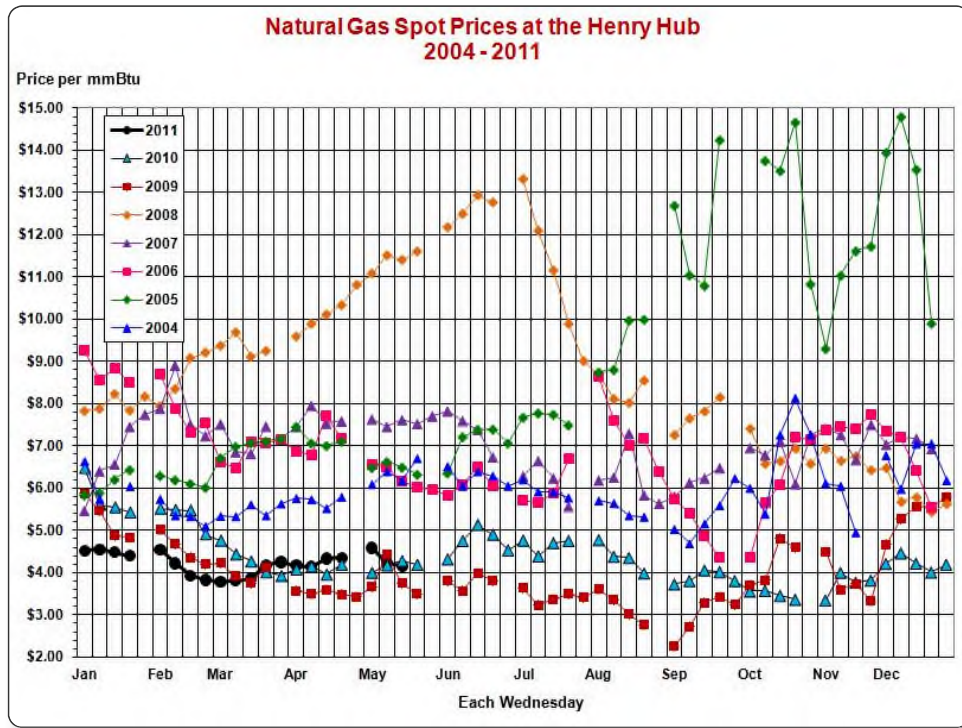
On May 18, 2011, the Henry Hub natural gas [spot price](#) was \$4.15 per million [British thermal](#) units (mmBtu), which was 8 cents, or 1.9 percent, lower than the price of \$4.23 last Wednesday. The price showed the downtrend that is observed in a slightly oversupplied market. This Wednesday's price of \$4.15 was 3 percent lower than the price of \$4.28 per mmBtu on the third Wednesday in May 2010.

The amount of natural gas in storage in the East Region had increased 7.5 percent to 804 billion cubic feet for the week ending May 13, which was 109 billion cubic feet below 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. A forecast of Henry Hub prices to the year 2035 is available in Table 133 on line 975. To obtain the price per hundred cubic feet ([ccf](#)) or the approximate price per [therm](#), divide the price by ten (10).



..... 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 2011 [Price per Million [British Thermal Units](#) (mmBtu)]

Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1		\$4.42	\$3.93	\$4.32		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
2		\$4.55	\$3.79		\$4.60	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
3	\$4.54	\$4.69	\$3.75		\$4.60	NA		NA		NA	NA	
4	\$4.61	\$4.48	\$3.70	\$4.21	\$4.59		NA	NA		NA	NA	
5	\$4.52			\$4.22	\$4.49		Holiday	NA	NA	NA		NA
6	\$4.48			\$4.17	\$4.24	NA	NA		Holiday	NA		NA
7	\$4.43	\$4.32	\$3.73	\$4.12		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
8		\$4.24	\$3.83	\$4.05		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
9		\$4.22	\$3.81		\$4.28	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
10	\$4.49	\$4.11	\$3.87		\$4.19	NA		NA		NA	NA	
11	\$4.42	\$3.96	\$3.78	\$4.04	\$4.23		NA	NA		NA	NA	

Note: NA = Not available.

Day	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
12	\$4.55			\$4.08	\$4.10		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
13	\$4.48			\$4.14	\$4.09	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
14	\$4.43	\$3.89	\$3.90	\$4.12		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
15		\$3.92	\$3.81	\$4.21		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
16		\$3.93	\$3.85		\$4.21	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
17	Holiday	\$3.90	\$3.85		\$4.25	NA		NA		NA	NA	
18	\$4.52	\$3.84	\$3.99	\$4.23	\$4.15		NA	NA		NA	NA	
19	\$4.48			\$4.19	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
20	\$4.57			\$4.33	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
21	\$4.72	Holiday	\$3.99	\$4.33		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
22		\$3.89	\$4.05	Holiday		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
23		\$3.83	\$4.18		NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
24	\$4.72	\$3.83	\$4.27		NA	NA		NA		NA	Holiday	
25	\$4.46	\$3.81	\$4.13	\$4.37	NA		NA	NA		NA	Holiday	
26	\$4.40			\$4.32	NA		NA	NA	NA	Closed		NA
27	\$4.40			\$4.35	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA		NA
28	\$4.27	\$3.93	\$4.35	\$4.38		NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
29			\$4.27	\$4.51		NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA
30			\$4.25		NA	NA		NA	NA		NA	NA
31	\$4.42		\$4.31		Holiday			NA		NA		

Note: NA = Not available.

Sources: *Natural Gas Weekly Update*. Energy Information Administration, Washington, DC. Nebraska Energy Office, Lincoln, NE.

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