Nebraska Gasoline and Diesel Prices

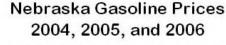
Summer gasoline prices could be influenced by the degree of refinery maintenance in April. Some analysts are projecting refinery maintenance to be much larger than in recent years which could require significant draws from inventory to meet demand. While Midwest inventories are considerably above the normal range, national inventories are only about one million barrels above the normal range.

For the week of April 3, Nebraska's average gasoline price had increased seven cents per gallon to \$2.60 from the previous week, which was 39 cents higher than the price at this time last year. Weekly average prices in surveyed cities ranged from \$2.56 in Columbus to \$2.66 in Kearney. As of March 31, the Midwest gasoline stock level was above the normal range with 54.2 million barrels.

Nebraska's average diesel price had risen five cents to \$2.65 per gallon. According to the <u>weekly price report</u>, this week's state average was 37 cents higher than the price at this time last year. Weekly averages in the surveyed cities ranged from \$2.60 in Columbus to \$2.69 in Kearney. On the supply side, the Midwest distillate fuel inventory level was above the normal range with 23.8 million barrels of diesel fuel as of March 31.

Regular unleaded gasoline is regular unleaded motor gasoline with an 87 to 88 octane. Diesel fuel is fuel used for internal combustion in diesel engines.

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Regular Unleaded Gasoline Prices for the Week of April 3, 2006

(Price per Gallon)

	Columbus	Grand Island	Kearney	Lincoln	Norfolk	North Platte	Omaha	State Average
Weekly Average	\$2.56	\$2.62	\$2.66	\$2.63	\$2.61	\$2.65	\$2.59	\$2.60

Nebraska Diesel Prices 2004, 2005, and 2006



Diesel Prices for the Week of April 3, 2006

(Price per Gallon)

	Columbus	Grand Island	Kearney	Lincoln	Norfolk	North Platte	Omaha	State Average
Weekly Average	\$2.60	\$2.65	\$2.69	\$2.66	\$2.63	\$2.63	\$2.61	\$2.65

Source: Nebraska Energy Office, Lincoln, NE.

Notes: Averages may not equal the average of the components due to independent rounding. NA = Not Available.

This table was updated on April 7, 2006. Typically, there is one week between updates.

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