# **Average Wholesale Propane Prices in Nebraska**

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#### **Analysis**

The average wholesale <u>propane</u> price had increased ten cents from last week's report reaching \$1.06 per gallon on October 19, 2009 (see the <u>table</u> at the end of this report). The <u>graph</u> below shows the spread in Nebraska prices from month to month and from this year compared to previous years. This week's average price was 10 cents (or 10 percent) higher than the price a year ago.

Other <u>states</u> in the Midwest Region had comparable wholesale prices ranging from 96 cents to \$1.11 per gallon with the region averaging \$1.07. States adjacent to Nebraska, such as Kansas, South Dakota, Iowa, and Missouri, had prices of \$1.03, \$1.08, \$1.07, and \$1.06, respectively.

With 30.3 million barrels of supply on October 16, the Midwest Region inventory level was above the normal range for this time of year.

Notes: The <u>annual report</u> for the 2008-2009 winter season is available. An <u>archive</u> houses annual reports from previous years.

#### **Heating Season**

The Oil Price Information Service collects wholesale <u>propane</u> prices each week for Nebraska and eleven (11) other states in the Midwest Region during the heating season (October to March). The <u>Energy Information Administration</u>, the independent statistical and analytical agency within the U.S. Department of Energy, uses the prices collected by the Oil Price Information Service to calculate a state average price, a regional average price, and a national average price which can be seen in the report <u>Wholesale Propane Prices by Region and State</u>.

#### Off Season

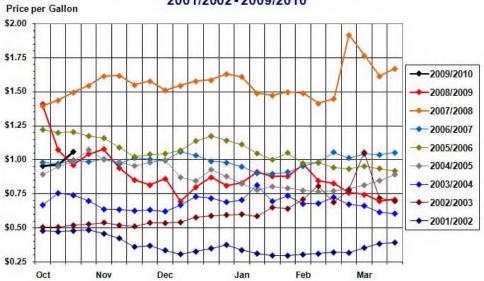
Prices are not collected during the off season (April through September).

#### **Midwest Region**

For statistical purposes, the Energy Information Administration defines the <u>Midwest Region</u> to include the states of Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

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## Nebraska's Average Wholesale Propane Prices 2001/2002 — 2009/2010

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		Heating Season								
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar				
2001/2002										
First Monday	\$0.478	\$0.457	\$0.335	\$0.336	\$0.304	\$0.353				
Second Monday	\$0.471	\$0.423	\$0.307	\$0.311	\$0.310	\$0.383				
Third Monday	\$0.478	\$0.361	\$0.326	\$0.297	\$0.320	\$0.392				
Fourth Monday	\$0.484	\$0.369	\$0.349	\$0.296	\$0.317					
Fifth Monday	\$0.482		\$0.375							
2002/2003										
First Monday	\$0.501	\$0.535	\$0.531	\$0.596	\$0.706	\$1.051				
Second Monday	\$0.502	\$0.515	\$0.537	\$0.582	\$0.803	\$0.716				
Third Monday	\$0.515	\$0.507	\$0.573	\$0.646	\$0.684	\$0.693				
Fourth Monday	\$0.523	\$0.534	\$0.584	\$0.637	\$0.773					
Fifth Monday			\$0.591							
2003/2004										
First Monday	\$0.667	\$0.636	\$0.621	\$0.703	\$0.675	\$0.661				
Second Monday	\$0.752	\$0.634	\$0.667	\$0.809	\$0.678	\$0.615				
Third Monday	\$0.737	\$0.625	\$0.727	\$0.694	\$0.723	\$0.605				
Fourth Monday	\$0.696	\$0.632	\$0.715	\$0.734	\$0.672					
Fifth Monday			\$0.688							
	Heating Season									
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar				
2004/2005										
First Monday	\$0.890	\$0.999	\$0.868	\$0.820	\$0.763	\$0.844				
Second Monday	\$0.948	\$0.980	\$0.842	\$0.775	\$0.768	\$0.889				
Third Monday	\$0.984	\$0.953	\$0.925	\$0.800	\$0.784					
Fourth Monday	\$1.072	\$0.977	\$0.875	\$0.788	\$0.810					

	Heating Season								
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
Fifth Monday		\$0.996		\$0.771					
2005/2006									
First Monday	\$1.217	\$1.087	\$1.066	\$1.110	\$0.976	\$0.934			
Second Monday	\$1.195	\$1.020	\$1.135	\$1.044	\$0.941	\$0.916			
Third Monday	\$1.200	\$1.037	\$1.170	\$0.998	\$0.931				
Fourth Monday	\$1.171	\$1.042	\$1.138	\$1.048	\$0.950				
Fifth Monday	\$1.156			\$0.972					
2006/2007									
First Monday	\$0.981	\$0.969	\$1.059	\$0.949	\$0.980	\$1.037			
Second Monday	\$0.972	\$1.015	\$1.032	\$0.901	\$1.056	\$1.052			
Third Monday	\$0.996	\$1.003	\$0.989	\$0.897	\$1.014				
Fourth Monday	\$0.986	\$0.994	\$0.978	\$0.910	\$1.044				
Fifth Monday	\$1.005			\$0.954					
Heating Season									
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar			
2007/2008									
First Monday		\$1.612	\$1.510	\$1.609	\$1.488	\$1.762			
Second Monday	\$1.394	\$1.616	\$1.543	\$1.488	\$1.413	\$1.612			
Third Monday	\$1.436	\$1.548	\$1.576	\$1.472	\$1.447	\$1.668			
Fourth Monday	\$1.494	\$1.576	\$1.584	\$1.496	\$1.914				
Fifth Monday	\$1.543		\$1.629						
2008/2009									
First Monday	\$1.407	\$1.078	\$0.860	\$0.829	\$0.966	\$0.744			
Second Monday	\$1.073	\$0.939	\$0.694	\$0.910	\$0.846	\$0.696			
Third Monday	\$0.960	\$0.851	\$0.799	\$0.879	\$0.827	\$0.708			
Fourth Monday	\$1.042	\$0.814	\$0.870	\$0.879	\$0.757				
Fifth Monday			\$0.810						
2009/2010									
First Monday	\$0.953	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
Second Monday		NIA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
	\$0.962	NA	147 (						
Third Monday	\$0.962 \$1.059	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
Third Monday Fourth Monday	<u> </u>				NA NA	NA			

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**Sources:** Weekly Petroleum Status Report. Energy Information Administration, Washington, DC. Nebraska Energy Office, Lincoln, NE.

**Note:** NA = Not Available.

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