

## Average Wholesale Propane Prices in Nebraska

### Analysis

The average wholesale propane price had jumped 9 cents from the last report to \$1.15 per gallon on February 27, 2012 (see the [table](#) at the end of this report). The [graph](#) 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 47 cents (or 29 percent) lower than the price a year ago.

Other states in the Midwest Region had comparable wholesale prices ranging from \$1.02 to \$1.38 per gallon with the region averaging \$1.19. States adjacent to Nebraska, such as Kansas, South Dakota, Iowa, and Missouri, had prices of \$1.13, \$1.17, \$1.18, and \$1.18, respectively.

With 17.2 million barrels of supply on February 24, the Midwest Region inventory level was above the normal range for this time of year.

**Notes:** The [annual report](#) for the 2010–2011 winter season is available. An [archive](#) houses annual reports from previous years.

### Heating Season

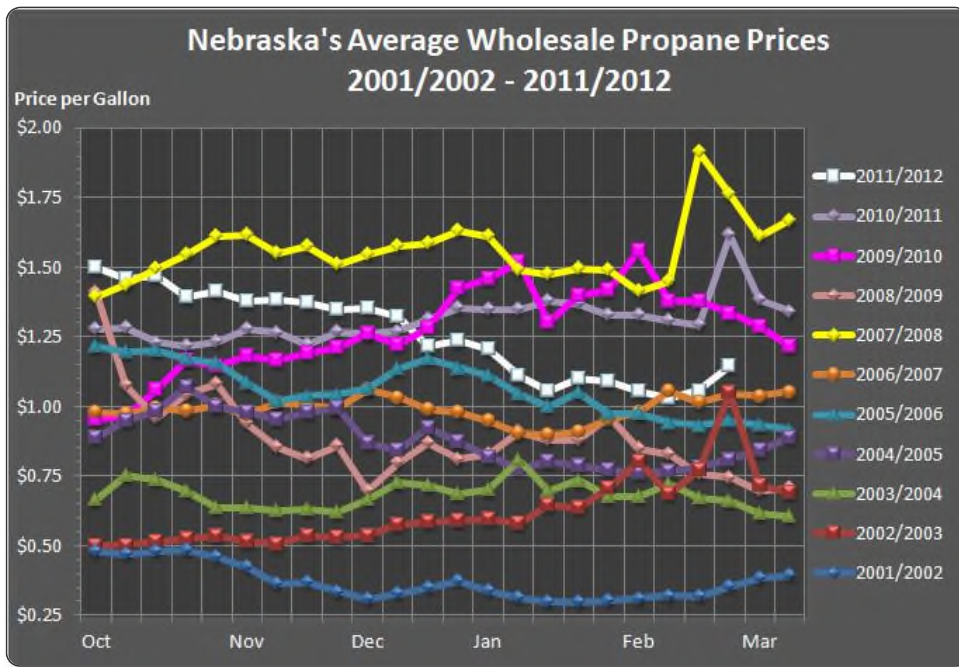
The Oil Price Information Service collects wholesale propane prices each week for Nebraska and eleven (11) other states in the Midwest Region during the heating season (October to March). The [Energy Information Administration](#), the independent statistical and analytical agency within the U.S. Department 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 [Wholesale Propane Prices by Region and State](#).

### Off Season

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

### Midwest Region

For statistical purposes, the Energy Information Administration defines the [Midwest Region](#) to include the states of Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.



**Nebraska's Average Wholesale Propane Prices  
2001/2002 – 2011/2012**

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2001/2002</b>						
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			

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2002/2003</b>						
First Monday	\$0.501	\$0.535	\$0.531	\$0.596	\$0.706	\$1.051

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2002/2003</b>						
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			

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2003/2004</b>						
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
<b>2004/2005</b>						
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	
Fifth Monday		\$0.996		\$0.771		

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2005/2006</b>						
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		

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2006/2007</b>						
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
<b>2007/2008</b>						
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			

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2008/2009</b>						
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			

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2009/2010</b>						
First Monday	\$0.953	\$1.146	\$1.260	\$1.460	\$1.419	\$1.335
Second Monday	\$0.962	\$1.182	\$1.223	\$1.520	\$1.558	\$1.288
Third Monday	\$1.059	\$1.165	\$1.284	\$1.303	\$1.378	\$1.217
Fourth Monday	\$1.167	\$1.189	\$1.424	\$1.398	\$1.376	
Fifth Monday		\$1.210				

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2010/2011</b>						
First Monday	\$1.276	\$1.232	\$1.259	\$1.347	\$1.327	\$1.382
Second Monday	\$1.280	\$1.279	\$1.269	\$1.348	\$1.307	\$1.340
Third Monday	\$1.229	\$1.264	\$1.312	\$1.378	\$1.290	
Fourth Monday	\$1.215	\$1.219	\$1.351	\$1.369	\$1.617	
Fifth Monday		\$1.266		\$1.327		

	Heating Season					
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2011/2012</b>						
First Monday	\$1.497	\$1.379	\$1.353	\$1.207	\$1.054	NA
Second Monday	\$1.457	\$1.385	\$1.322	\$1.108	\$1.031	NA
Third Monday	\$1.470	\$1.372	\$1.214	\$1.054	\$1.057	
Fourth Monday	\$1.392	\$1.348	\$1.236	\$1.099	\$1.146	
Fifth Monday	\$1.413			\$1.090		

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

**Note:** NA = Not Available

*This report was updated on March 2, 2012.  
Typically, there is one week between updates during the heating season.*