JUNE 10 - 14, 2024 MARKET SUMMARY

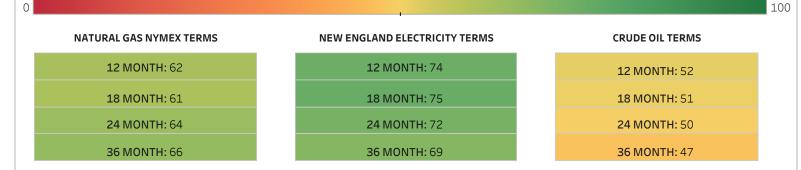


SPOTLIGHT | Renewable Projects in U.S. Face Increasing Public Opposition: Especially Offshore Wind

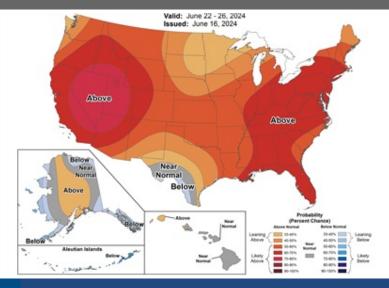
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CES SCORE | Is it Time for Action?

The CES SCORE shows how current <u>wholesale commodity</u> prices compare to their 52-week range. A score close to 0 indicates that current prices are close to their 52-week **HIGH**; a score close to 100 indicates that current prices are close to their 52-week **LOW**. Many factors influence how wholesale prices are translated into retail prices paid by consumers and when it is time to consider a price lock. Please contact your CES Energy Services Advisor for customized strategic procurement advice.



WEATHER | 6-10 Day Forecast



A warm front is moving across a large majority of the country, especially impacting the East Coast and South West.

This map depicts forecasted temperatures for next week compared to the long-term average. The **blue/purple** areas are forecast to be colder than normal, gray areas are normal, and **yellow/orange/red** areas are warmer than normal. Abnormally hot weather in the summer and cold weather in the winter can increase the price for natural gas, oil, and electricity.

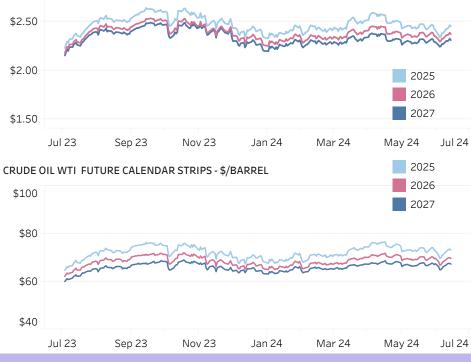
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OIL & DISTILLATES OVERVIEW

HEATING OIL FUTURE CALENDAR STRIPS - \$/GAL

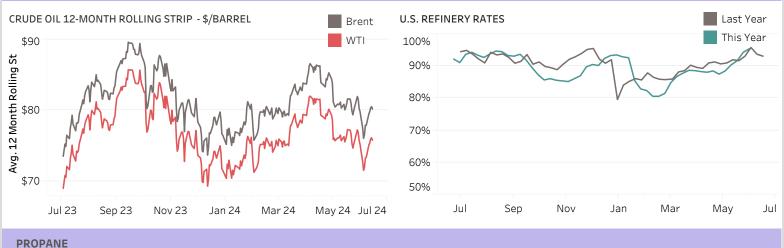


Prompt Month Price For Jul 24

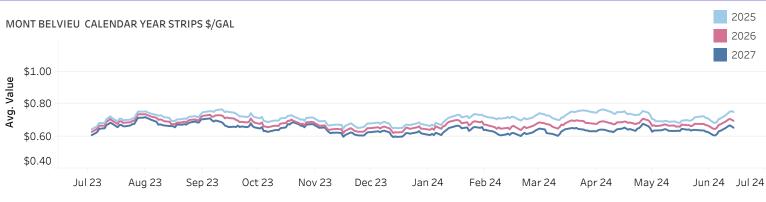
| This Week: | \$78.45/Bbl |
|-------------|-------------|
| Prior Week: | \$75.55/Bbl |
| CHANGE: | \$2.90/Bbl |

WTI and Brent prices both experienced increases this week. WTI was up 3.76% to land at \$78.45/barrel week-over-week, and Brent was up 3.69% week-over-week to \$82.62/barrel. The New York Harbor Heating Oil price registered a 5% increase over the last week to \$2.47/gallon. The Federal Reserve left interest rates unchanged and pushed the start of rate cuts to late 2024. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) rebuked the IEA's prediction of peak oil consumption by 2029 and predicted oil demand growing to 116 million barrels per day by 2045. U.S. crude stockpiles rose more than expected last week, driven largely by a jump in imports, while fuel inventories also increased more than expected. Talks over a potential ceasefire in Gaza may ease fear of oil supply and shipping disruptions in the region, although tensions remain high.









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NATURAL GAS OVERVIEW

NATURAL GAS NYMEX CALENDAR STRIPS - \$/MMBTU



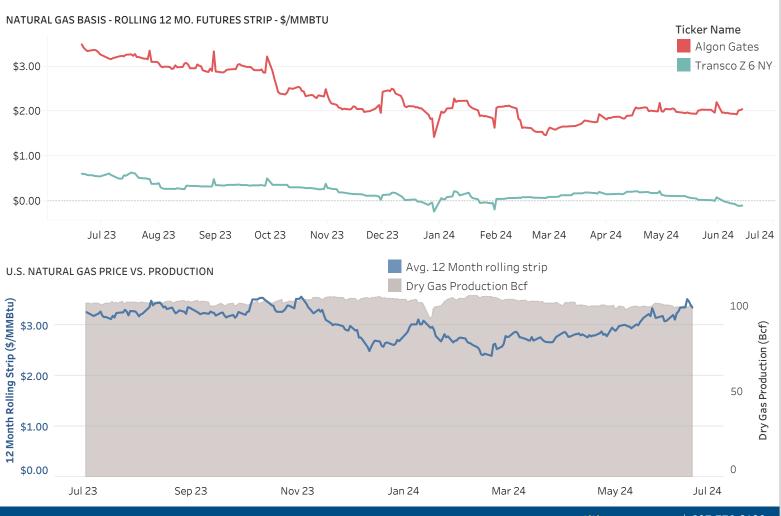
Winter natural gas NYMEX strips are an average of commodity prices for the months of December - March of each winter. Prices are presented in this format to highlight what consumers will pay during the typical heating season in the U.S.

Prompt Month Price For Jul 24

| This Week: | \$2.88/MMBTU |
|-------------|--------------|
| Prior Week: | \$2.82/MMBTU |
| CHANGE: | \$0.06/MMBTU |

Natural gas prompt month futures increased by 2.1% week-over-week to land at \$2.88/MMBtu after trading above \$3/MMBtu on June 10th for the first time since mid-January. The 12-month strip is up by 4% to \$3.39/MMBtu. Production for the month of June sits at 99.9 Bcf per day, down year-over-year by 1.6 Bcf per day. The week to June 7th saw a storage injection of 74 Bcf, narrowing the supply inventory surplus to 573 Bcf above the five-year average. Demand for power generation has been a major contributor to recent upward price movement, currently at 37.9 Bcf/day for the month of June, up slightly from the same period last year. This trend is expected to continue in the short term, with weather forecasts indicating hot summer weather in New England over the next two weeks.

NATURAL GAS FUNDAMENTALS



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NEW ENGLAND ELECTRICITY OVERVIEW

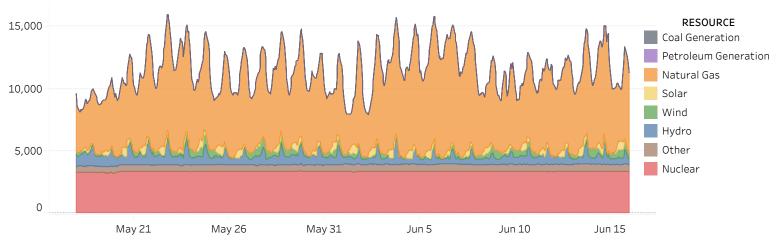


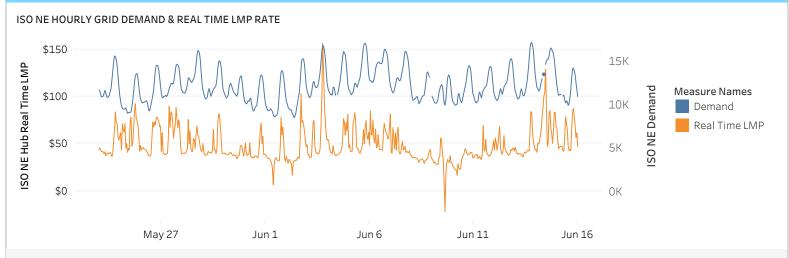
2025 The NEPOOL 12-month electricity strip registered gains last
2026 week, rising by 3.1% to \$60.96/MWh. The 2025 strip climbed
2027 week-over-week by 1.73% to \$63.09/MWh, the 2026 strip rose by about 1% last week to \$63.70/MWh, and the 2027 strip
experienced a decline of 1.73% over the last week to trade at
\$57.67/MWh. Upward movement in Henry Hub natural gas prices week-over-week is a major driving factor for the electricity strip trending higher. Natural gas storage is plentiful, significantly higher than a year ago, which puts downward pressure on electricity prices. The EIA forecasts electricity use for this summer to be 3% higher than last summer nationwide, but this is not expected to affect the natural gas consumption volume for power production, which is projected to be relatively flat at around 44.7 billion cubic feet per day.





NEW ENGLAND GRID FUNDAMENTALS





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