

Weekly Gasoline Report

The Gasoline Report is a roundup of consumer gasoline prices from across Ontario and Canada. The graph shows price trends for three Ontario cities for the previous 12 month period. The report and graph are updated weekly.

This week's Gasoline Report is for the week ending September 4, 2006

Higher wholesale prices and the end of price wars in some markets caused the Ontario average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline to increase by 1.1 cents to 98.3 cents a litre.

Prices rose by 5.5 cents in Thunder Bay (to a two-month high), 5.0 cents in both Sault Ste. Marie (to a four-week high) and North Bay (to a six-week high), 4.8 cents in Sudbury (to a six-week high), 3.5 cents from a six-month low in Timmins (to a four-week high), 1.0 cents in Ottawa, and less than a cent in Toronto and London. Prices fell by 0.1 cents in Windsor (from a four-week high). The average price gap between northern and southern Ontario widened for the second straight week, from 6.9 cents to 11.2 cents, an eight-month high. The Ontario average retail diesel price, after declining three straight weeks, increased by 1.1 cents from a two-month low to 94.8 cents, a four-week high.

The Canadian average retail gasoline price increased for the third straight week, by 1.3 cents to 103.4 cents, a five-week high. Prices rose by 6.4 cents in Halifax (to a six-week high), 4.8 cents from a four-month low in Winnipeg (to a six-week high), 3.1 cents in Regina (to a six-week high), 3.0 cents in Vancouver (to a two-month high), 2.5 cents in Charlottetown, 2.1 cents in Calgary (to a six-week high), 1.9 cents in Edmonton (to a six-week high), and less than a cent in Montreal (to a five-week high), St. Johns, and Toronto (to a five-week high). Prices fell by 1.4 cents in Saint John and 1.0 cents in Quebec City (to a six-month low). The Canadian average retail diesel price, after being unchanged for three straight weeks, increased by 0.2 cents from a two-month low to 97.1 cents, a four-week high.

The table and graphic on the next pages show this week's gasoline price trends.

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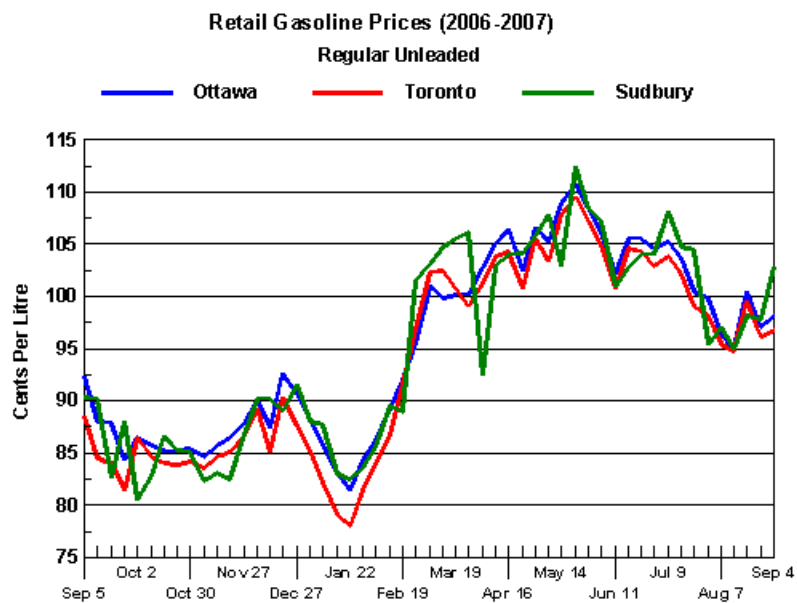
Market	August 27	September 4	+/-
Ottawa	97.1	98.1	1.0
Toronto West	96.1	96.8	0.7
Toronto East	96.2	96.7	0.5
Windsor	97.0	96.9	-0.1
London	96.8	97.3	0.5
Sudbury	97.9	102.7	4.8
S. Ste. Marie	100.6	105.6	5.0
Thunder Bay	111.4	116.9	5.5
North Bay	97.6	102.6	5.0
Timmins	106.4	109.9	3.5
Ontario Average	97.2	98.3	1.1

Market	August 28	September 4	+/-
St John's NF	108.7	109.0	0.3
Charlottetown	99.9	102.4	2.5
Halifax	102.5	108.9	6.4
Saint John NB	101.2	99.8	-1.4
Quebec City	105.4	104.4	-1.0
Montreal	106.4	107.0	0.6
Toronto	96.6	96.8	0.2
Winnipeg	103.0	107.8	4.8
Regina	109.8	112.9	3.1
Edmonton	103.4	105.3	1.9
Calgary	104.3	106.4	2.1
Vancouver	105.5	108.5	3.0
Canada Average	102.1	103.4	1.3

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