

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 December 3, 2006

A sharp decline in world crude oil and North American wholesale prices, combined with price wars in some markets, caused the Ontario average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline to decline by 5.4 cents from a six-month high to 100.3 cents a litre, a five-week low.

Prices fell by 6.7 cents from a six-month high in London (to a five-week low), 6.6 cents from a six-month high in Toronto East (to a five-week low), 6.4 cents from a six-month high in Ottawa (to a five-week low), 6.0 cents from a six-month high in Toronto West (to a five-week low), 2.3 cents in North Bay (from a six-month high), 1.5 cents in Thunder Bay, and 0.4 cents in Sault Ste. Marie (from a four-month high). Prices rose by less than a cent in Sudbury and Windsor, both to a five-month high. Toronto East ended Windsor's four-week run as the lowest-priced market. The average price gap between northern and southern Ontario widened sharply from 4.7 cents to 10.1 cents, a two-month high. The Ontario average retail diesel price increased for the eighth straight week, by 2.1 cents to 107.1 cents, a record high.

The Canadian average retail gasoline price, after increasing five straight weeks, declined by 4.2 cents from a five-month high to 103.6 cents. Prices fell by 8.0 cents in Montreal (from a six-month high), 5.2 cents from a five-month high in Toronto (to a five-week low), 5.2 cents from a five-month high in Vancouver (to a six-week low), 2.7 cents in Halifax (from a four-month high), and less than a cent in Quebec City (from a six-month high), Edmonton, and Calgary. Prices rose by 2.2 cents in Saint John (to a six-month high) and 0.8 cents in St. Johns (to a five-month high). The Canadian average retail diesel price increased for the eighth straight week, by 1.7 cents to 114.0 cents, a record high.

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

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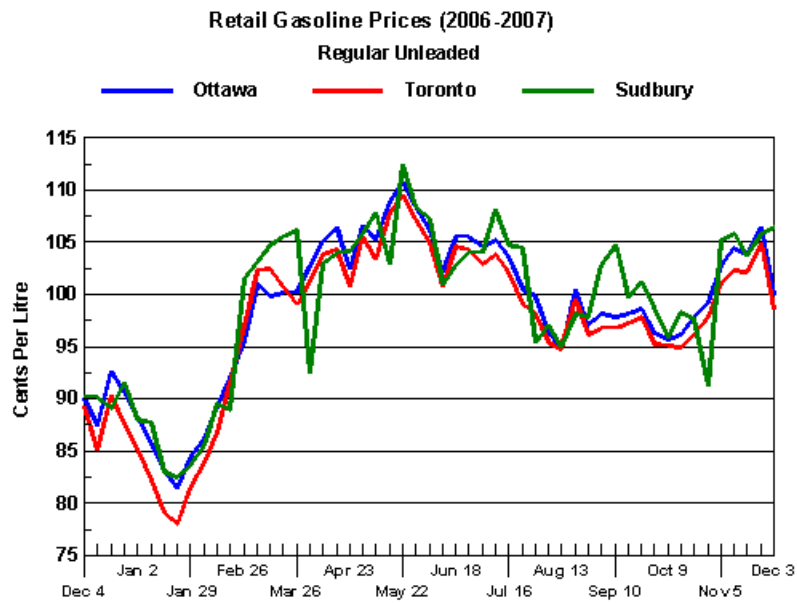
Market	November 26	December 3	+/-
Ottawa	106.4	100.0	-6.4
Toronto West	104.7	98.7	-6.0
Toronto East	105.2	98.6	-6.6
Windsor	103.3	103.4	0.1
London	105.6	98.9	-6.7
Sudbury	105.8	106.4	0.6
S. Ste. Marie	111.5	111.1	-0.4
Thunder Bay	111.2	109.7	-1.5
North Bay	109.9	107.6	-2.3
Timmins	112.9	112.9	0.0
Ontario Average	105.7	100.3	-5.4

Market	November 27	December 4	+/-
St John's NF	115.8	116.6	0.8
Charlottetown	107.7	107.7	0.0
Halifax	114.9	112.2	-2.7
Saint John NB	107.6	109.8	2.2
Quebec City	116.4	115.5	-0.9
Montreal	117.4	109.4	-8.0
Toronto	104.3	99.1	-5.2
Winnipeg	103.1	103.1	0.0
Regina	106.9	106.9	0.0
Edmonton	97.2	96.9	-0.3
Calgary	99.8	99.7	-0.1
Vancouver	110.9	105.7	-5.2
Canada Average	107.8	103.6	-4.2

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