

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 27, 2006

The Ontario average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline, after increasing two straight weeks, declined by 1.0 cents to 102.4 cents a litre, reflecting lower wholesale prices and price wars in some markets.

Prices fell by 7.8 cents in Sudbury (from a five-month high), 7.0 cents in North Bay, 2.2 cents in Sault Ste. Marie (to a five-week low), 2.0 cents in Timmins (from a five-month high), and less than a cent in Toronto, London, Thunder Bay (to a six-week low), Ottawa, and Windsor. The average price gap between northern and southern Ontario narrowed from 6.2 cents to 3.2 cents, a two-month low. The Ontario average retail diesel price increased for the second straight week, by 2.4 cents to 109.6 cents, a record high. In 2007, the Ontario regular gasoline price increased for the fifth straight year, by 4.2 cents to 99.0 cents, its fourth consecutive record high. The Ontario diesel price also increased for the fifth straight year, by 1.3 cents to 95.9 cents, its fourth consecutive record high.

The Canadian average retail gasoline price increased for the second straight week, by 1.4 cents to 105.8 cents, a four-week high. Prices rose by 4.3 cents in Montreal (to a four-week high), 2.5 cents in Saint John, 2.1 cents in Vancouver (to a four-week high), 1.7 cents in Halifax, and 0.6 cents in Toronto (to a four-week high). Prices fell by less than a cent in St. John's (to a four-week low), Edmonton (to a two-month low), and Calgary (to a two-month low). The Canadian average retail diesel price increased for the second straight week, by 0.6 cents to 114.3 cents, a record high. In 2007, the Canadian regular gasoline price increased by 4.1 cents to 101.8 cents, its fifth consecutive record high. The Canadian diesel price also rose to a fifth consecutive record, increasing by 1.7 cents to 99.8 cents.

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

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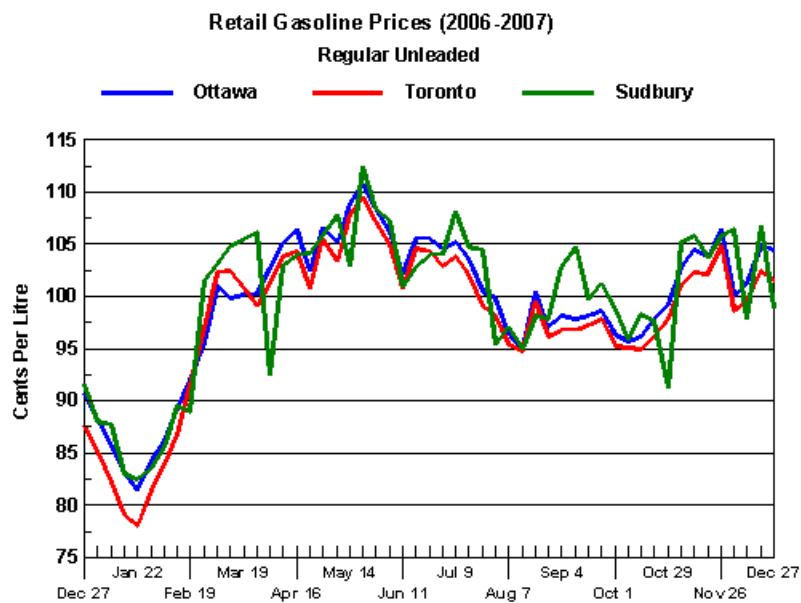
Market	December 17	December 27	+/-
Ottawa	104.9	104.5	-0.4
Toronto West	102.4	101.6	-0.8
Toronto East	102.5	101.5	-1.0
Windsor	99.5	99.4	-0.1
London	102.8	101.9	-0.9
Sudbury	106.7	98.9	-7.8
S. Ste. Marie	109.3	107.1	-2.2
Thunder Bay	109.2	108.7	-0.5
North Bay	106.8	99.8	-7.0
Timmins	114.9	112.9	-2.0
Ontario Average	103.4	102.4	-1.0

Market	December 18	December 24	+/-
St John's NF	116.4	115.8	-0.6
Charlottetown	107.7	107.7	0.0
Halifax	110.6	112.3	1.7
Saint John NB	104.8	107.3	2.5
Quebec City	113.4	113.4	0.0
Montreal	111.0	115.3	4.3
Toronto	101.4	102.0	0.6
Winnipeg	103.1	103.1	0.0
Regina	104.9	104.9	0.0
Edmonton	96.2	95.8	-0.4
Calgary	97.3	97.0	-0.3
Vancouver	107.7	109.8	2.1
Canada Average	104.4	105.8	1.4

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