

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 March 17, 2008

Despite record world crude oil prices of over US\$110 a barrel and higher North American wholesale prices, the Ontario average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline declined by 0.3 cents from a nine-month high to 108.2 cents a litre.

Prices fell by 2.0 cents from a two-month high in Windsor (to a four-week low), and less than a cent in Ottawa, Toronto, and London, all from a ten-month high. Prices rose by 6.9 cents from last week's revised level in North Bay (to a 30-month high), 6.1 cents in Sudbury (to a 30-month high), 5.8 cents in Sault Ste. Marie (to a ten-month high), 3.0 cents in Timmins (to an eight-month high), and 0.2 cents in Thunder Bay. Windsor had the lowest average price for the seventh straight week. The average price gap between northern and southern Ontario widened from a revised 2.7 cents to 7.6 cents. The Ontario average retail diesel price increased for the fifth straight week, by 6.6 cents to 123.4 cents, its fourth consecutive record high.

The Canadian average retail gasoline price declined by 1.7 cents from a nine-month high to 109.8 cents. Prices fell by 5.8 cents from a ten-month high in Toronto (to a five-week low) and 1.0 cents in St. John's. Prices rose by 4.0 cents in Halifax (to a ten-month high), 3.0 cents in Regina (to an eight-month high), 2.8 cents in Saint John (to a ten-month high), and less than a cent in Vancouver (to a ten-month high), Quebec City, and Montreal. The Canadian average retail diesel price increased for the fifth straight week, by 6.4 cents to 126.4 cents, its fourth consecutive record high.

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

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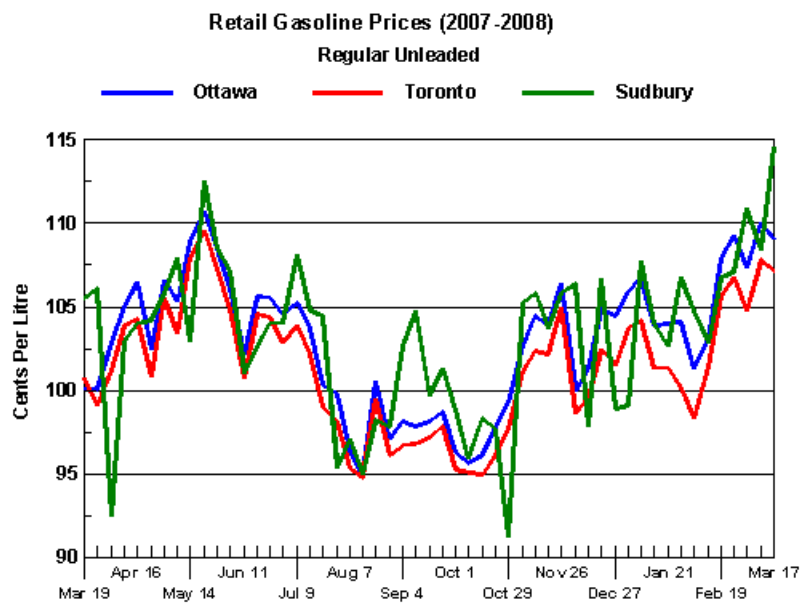
Market	March 10	March 17	+/-
Ottawa	110.0	109.1	-0.9
Toronto West	107.8	107.1	-0.7
Toronto East	107.9	107.3	-0.6
Windsor	105.9	103.9	-2.0
London	108.1	107.6	-0.5
Sudbury	108.4	114.5	6.1
S. Ste. Marie	110.7	116.5	5.8
Thunder Bay	113.1	113.3	0.2
North Bay	107.7	114.6	6.9
Timmins	114.9	117.9	3.0
Ontario Average	108.5	108.2	-0.3

Market	March 11	March 18	+/-
St John's NF	121.8	120.8	-1.0
Charlottetown	111.9	111.9	0.0
Halifax	115.7	119.7	4.0
Saint John NB	109.7	112.5	2.8
Quebec City	117.4	117.8	0.4
Montreal	114.0	114.3	0.3
Toronto	109.1	103.3	-5.8
Winnipeg	110.7	110.7	0.0
Regina	112.9	115.9	3.0
Edmonton	105.9	105.9	0.0
Calgary	106.5	106.5	0.0
Vancouver	118.3	119.2	0.9
Canada Average	111.5	109.8	-1.7

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