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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 May 16, 2011.

The Ontario average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline declined for the second straight week, by 0.1 cents to 132.3 cents a litre, a five-week low.

Prices fell by less than a cent in Toronto, Ottawa, and London, but increased by 7.1 cents in North Bay (to a record high), 6.9 cents in Sudbury (to a record high), 4.2 cents in Sault Ste. Marie (to a 34-month high), 3.8 cents in Thunder Bay (to a 32-month high), and 1.9 cents in Timmins (to a 32-month high). The average price gap between northern and southern Ontario widened for the fourth straight week, from 5.7 cents to 11.5 cents, the highest since December 2008. The Ontario average retail diesel price fell for the second straight week, by 3.6 cents to 125.5 cents, a three-month low.

The Canadian retail gasoline price fell for the second straight week, by 4.5 cents to 130.9 cents, a five-week low. Prices fell by 11.7 cents in Saint John (to a two-month low), 11.1 cents in Toronto (from a record high), 5.4 cents in Charlottetown (from a 32-month high), 4.1 cents in Halifax (to a two-month low), 3.4 cents in St. John's (from a 32-month high), 2.5 cents in Montreal (to a two-month low), and 1.3 cents in Quebec City. Prices rose by 7.7 cents in Winnipeg (to a 32-month high), 4.6 cents in Edmonton (to a 32-month high), 2.3 cents in Regina (to a 32-month high), 2.0 cents in Calgary, and 0.1 cents in Vancouver. The Canadian retail diesel price declined for the fourth straight week, by 2.6 cents to 124.9 cents, a two-month low.

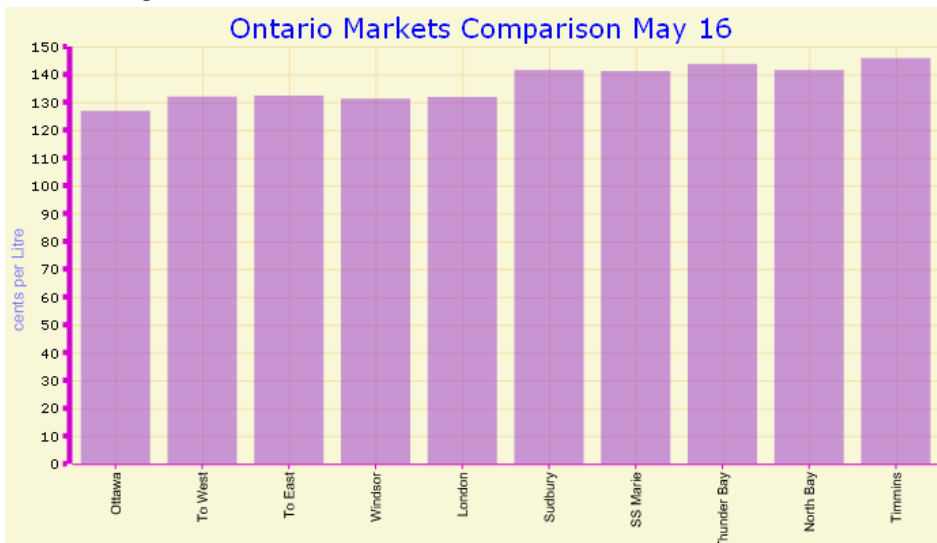
Ontario petroleum product sales rebounded by 10% in 2010 from an 11-year low to 33.7-billion litres, second only to 2004's record 34.3-billion litres, according to a Ministry of Energy analysis of Statistics Canada data.

The increase largely reflected a stronger economy. Transportation fuel sales grew by 3.5% to 25.4-billion litres, a record high. Gasoline sales rose by 2.9% to 16.8-billion litres, their second consecutive record high. Diesel fuel rebounded by 6.7% from a six-year low to 6.95-billion litres (sales of on-road, ultra-low-sulphur diesel jumped by 14% from a five-year low to 6.1-billion litres). Jet fuel declined for the second straight year, by 4.1%, to a seven-year low. Transportation fuels' share of total product sales fell from a record 80.2% to 75.4%, but this was still the second highest on record; in 1980 their share was 58%. With respect to other products, light fuel oil sales grew by 6.9% and heavy fuel oil surged by 22%, both from their lowest level since at least 1980. Petrochemical feedstocks soared by 62% from a 26-year low, asphalt jumped by 32% from a 14-year low, and lube oils and greases rose by 6.9% from an eight-year low.

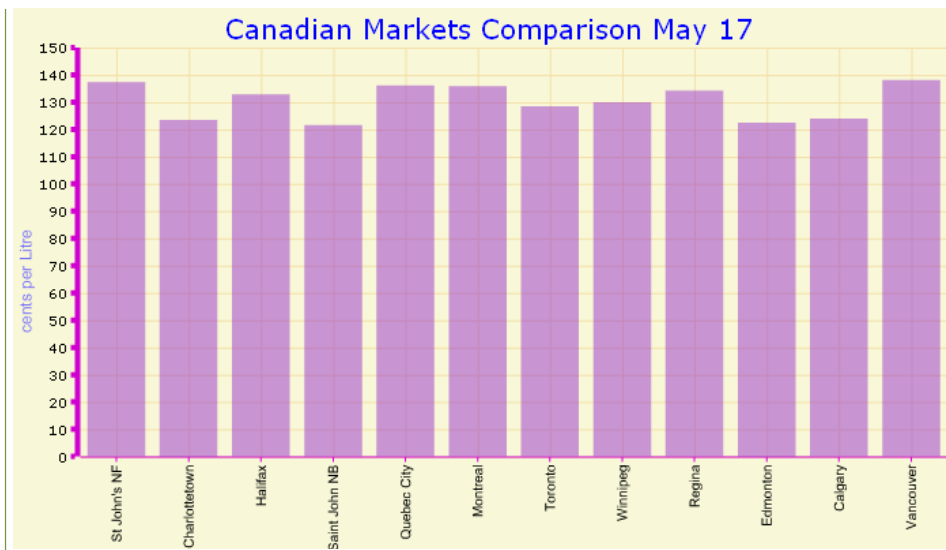
The table and graphic below show this week's gasoline price trends.

Market	Ontario Prices		
	May 9	May 16	+/-
Ottawa	127.7	126.9	-0.8
Toronto West	132.9	132.0	-0.9
Toronto East	133.1	132.3	-0.8
Windsor	131.0	131.2	0.2
London	132.7	131.9	-0.8
Sudbury	134.7	141.6	6.9
S. Ste. Marie	137.0	141.2	4.2
Thunder Bay	139.9	143.7	3.8

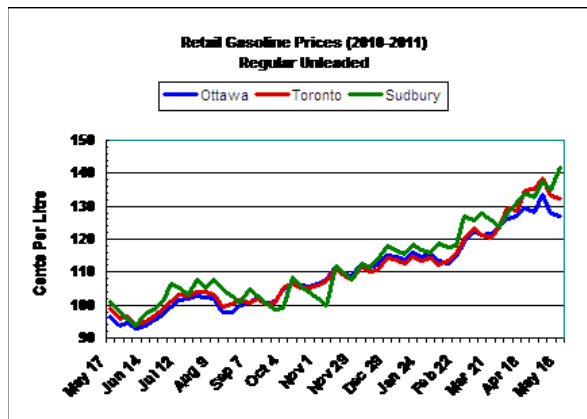
North Bay	134.4	141.5	7.1
Timmins	143.9	145.8	1.9
Ontario Average	132.4	132.3	-0.1



Canada Prices			
Market	May 10	May 17	+/-
St John's NF	140.7	137.3	-3.4
Charlottetown	128.9	123.5	-5.4
Halifax	136.9	132.8	-4.1
Saint John NB	133.3	121.6	-11.7
Quebec City	137.4	136.1	-1.3
Montreal	138.3	135.8	-2.5
Toronto	139.6	128.5	-11.1
Winnipeg	122.2	129.9	7.7
Regina	131.9	134.2	2.3
Edmonton	117.9	122.5	4.6
Calgary	121.9	123.9	2.0
Vancouver	138.0	138.1	0.1
Canada Average	135.4	130.9	-4.5



Source: Ontario Ministry of Energy; [Kent Marketing Services](#)



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