

## FUEL PRICE REPORT AUGUST 2008

A fierce supermarket price war and plummeting wholesale prices have seen average UK petrol prices fall significantly this month. Crude oil has fallen to \$113 a barrel and pump prices are expected to fall further in coming weeks.

Nationally, **unleaded** prices have fallen by 6.3ppl to 113.2ppl in the past month. **Diesel** prices have fallen by 7.5ppl to 125.6ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen from 13.6ppl to 12.4ppl

**London** recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 114.6ppl followed by **Northern Ireland** at 114.5ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** and the **North West** recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 112ppl. **Northern Ireland** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 127.9ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** has the cheapest **diesel** at 124.3ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** also fell over the month by 7.7ppl to 110.7ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has risen to 2.5ppl.

Overseas prices have also fallen. The UK has the tenth highest **unleaded** price in Europe and the second highest **diesel** price.

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super Unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
Northern Ireland	114.5	520.5	127.9	581.44	118.4	538.3	n/a
Scotland	112.4	511.0	125.8	571.90	118.3	537.8	54.8
Wales	113.4	515.5	125.9	572.35	118.7	539.6	56
North	112.4	511.0	125	568.26	120.2	546.4	56.6
North West	112	509.2	124.5	565.99	120.5	547.8	56.3
Yorkshire & Humberside	112	509.2	124.3	565.08	119.6	543.7	55.4
West Midlands	113	513.7	125.3	569.63	120.4	547.3	60.5
East Midlands	113.1	514.2	124.9	567.81	120.7	548.7	58.8
East Anglia	113.5	516.0	126.2	573.72	120	545.5	56.9
South East	113.8	517.3	126.1	573.26	120.4	547.3	60.4
South West	113.3	515.1	125.5	570.53	119.3	542.3	59.2
London	114.6	521.0	126.6	575.53	121.2	551.0	61.5
<b>UK AVERAGE</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>514.6</b>	<b>125.6</b>	<b>570.99</b>	<b>120.2</b>	<b>546.4</b>	<b>58.7</b>
Per cent taken as Tax		59.4		54.98		56.8	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
<b>SUPERMARKET AVERAGE</b>	<b>110.7</b>	<b>503.3</b>	<b>122.3</b>	<b>556.0</b>	<b>115.6</b>	<b>525.5</b>	<b>54.5</b>
Per cent taken as Tax		60.4		56.06		58.4	

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Experian Catalyst ([www.catalist.com](http://www.catalist.com))  
 They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions.

## OVERSEAS PRICE COMPARISONS

Using currency exchange rates as at 20 August 2008 quoted in local currency and UK pence equivalent.  
 Source of overseas price comparisons: European prices - European Road Information Centre (Geneva), and based on figures as at 20 August 2008. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 18 August 2008.

### FUEL PRICES IN EUROPE AND THE USA

Country	Currency	Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
		Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	1.29	1.32	101.91	104.93
Belgium	Euro	1.53	1.33	121.26	105.16
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	32.50	34.90	105.81	113.62
Denmark	Danish Krone	11.07	10.55	117.75	112.22
Finland	Euro	1.50	1.35	118.96	107.38
France	Euro	1.43	1.33	113.41	105.48
Germany	Euro	1.47	1.37	116.58	108.89
Greece	Euro	1.19	1.30	94.54	102.94
Netherlands	Euro	1.60	1.34	126.50	106.51
Hungary	Forint	300.00	314.00	101.46	106.19
Ireland	Euro	1.34	1.44	105.88	114.05
Italy	Euro	1.46	1.51	115.79	119.36
Luxembourg	Euro	1.32	1.28	104.85	101.52
Estonia	Kroons	17.90	19.85	90.74	100.62
Norway	Norwegian Krone	13.48	14.17	134.47	141.35
Latvia	Lats	0.77	0.85	87.12	95.58
Lithuania	Litas	3.99	4.31	91.64	98.99
Poland	Zloty	4.63	4.63	110.53	110.53
Slovakia	Koroan	41.22	44.56	107.62	116.34
Slovenia	Euro	1.13	1.20	89.54	94.93
Portugal	Euro	1.47	1.39	116.82	110.16
Spain	Euro	1.23	1.31	97.55	103.89
Sweden	Swedish Krona	13.29	14.19	112.03	119.61
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.90	2.14	93.07	104.82
United States of America	US Dollars	0.988	1.11	53.12	59.68
Bulgaria	Leva	2.28	2.45	92.32	99.2
Malta	Euro	1.20	1.21	95.17	95.96

Note: We receive international prices to 3 decimal places and calculate the UK pence per litre on that price. Therefore, some countries will show the same price in their local currency to 2 decimal places, but the UK pence price could be slightly different.