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FUEL PRICE REPORT FEBRUARY 2008

A 10 per cent fall in the oil price during January has barely registered at the pumps for UK drivers. And, with the price of Brent crude again reaching the high $90s, petrol and diesel prices may resume their rise in the coming weeks.

Nationally, unleaded prices have fallen by 0.3ppl to 104.0ppl in the past month. Diesel prices have risen by 0.1ppl to 109.3ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has risen from 4.9ppl to 5.3ppl.

London recorded the highest price for unleaded at 104.8ppl followed by East Anglia at 104.7ppl. Scotland recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 103.3ppl. Northern Ireland and East Anglia recorded the highest diesel price at 109.8ppl. The North West still has the cheapest diesel at 108.6ppl.

Supermarket prices for unleaded also fell over the month by 0.7ppl to 102.5ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for unleaded has increased to 1.5ppl.
Overseas prices have fallen. The UK has the sixth 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)	litres
Northern Ireland	104.6	475.5	109.8	499.16	111.3	506.0	N/A
Scotland	103.3	469.6	109.2	496.43	110	500.1	53
Wales	104.1	473.2	109.6	498.25	108.4	492.8	49.9
North	103.4	470.1	109.1	495.98	111.2	505.5	52.4
North West	103.4	470.1	108.6	493.71	110.4	501.9	50.6
Yorkshire & Humberside	103.4	470.1	108.7	494.16	110	500.1	51.8
West Midlands	104	472.8	109.3	496.89	111.1	505.1	54.2
East Midlands	104.1	473.2	109.3	496.89	111.5	506.9	55.2
East Anglia	104.7	476.0	109.8	499.16	111.4	506.4	56.1
South East	104.4	474.6	109.6	498.25	110.7	503.3	55
South West	104.1	473.2	109.5	497.80	110.6	502.8	54.8
London	104.8	476.4	109.6	498.25	111	504.6	55.5
UK AVERAGE	**104.0**	472.8	**109.3**	496.89	**110.7**	503.3	**53.8**
Per cent taken as Tax	63.3		60.96		60.4		

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	**102.5**	**466.0**	**107.7**	**489.6**	**107.4**	**488.3**	**50.6**
Per cent taken as Tax	64.0		61.64		61.8		

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Catalist Ltd & Arval (www.catalist.com)
They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions.

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OVERSEAS PRICE COMPARISONS

Using currency exchange rates as at 18 February 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 18 February 2008. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 18 February 2008.

EUROPEAN FUEL PRICES

		Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
Country	Currency	Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	1.17	1.14	87.66	85.71
Belgium	Euro	1.44	1.15	107.98	86.31
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	30.30	30.60	90.00	90.89
Denmark	Danish Krone	10.54	9.82	106.00	98.75
Finland	Euro	1.41	1.20	105.43	90.13
France	Euro	1.32	1.18	99.21	88.18
Germany	Euro	1.37	1.26	102.58	94.26
Greece	Euro	1.08	1.09	80.76	81.66
Netherlands	Euro	1.54	1.22	115.10	91.71
Hungary	Forint	293.00	297.00	83.50	84.64
Ireland	Euro	1.19	1.20	89.16	89.68
Italy	Euro	1.37	1.34	102.73	100.78
Luxembourg	Euro	1.15	1.02	86.53	76.19
Estonia	Kroons	15.20	16.60	72.83	79.54
Norway	Norwegian Krone	12.25	11.94	116.07	113.14
Latvia	Lats	0.69	0.70	73.34	75.15
Lithuania	Litas	3.53	3.60	76.69	78.21
Poland	Zloty	4.28	3.99	89.79	83.71
Slovakia	Koroan	38.94	40.85	88.58	92.92
Slovenia	Euro	1.02	1.03	76.64	77.24
Portugal	Euro	1.37	1.17	102.66	88.03
Spain	Euro	1.08	1.04	81.21	77.91
Sweden	Swedish Krona	12.49	12.64	100.73	101.94
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.74	1.89	80.90	87.87
United States of America	US Dollars	0.8037	0.90	41.26	46.06

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.