

# Fuel Price Report

August 2009



## FUEL PRICE REPORT AUGUST 2009

Despite falling to 102.3 pence per litre at the end of July, average UK petrol prices have since risen to 104.4. This makes them 1.5p dearer than a month ago. The cost of diesel is also higher, but has gone up 0.9 pence a litre to almost 105 pence. Considerable oil price volatility, as stock markets try to predict an end to the global recession, but then run into poor economic news, has been reflected in price swings at the pump. In the past month, Brent crude prices have pitched from \$75 to \$70 and back up again to \$74 now.

**Unleaded** prices have risen by 1.4ppl from 103.0ppl to 104.4ppl. **Diesel** prices have risen by 0.9ppl, from 104.1ppl to 105.0ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen from 1.1ppl to 0.6ppl.

**Northern Ireland** and **London** recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 104.9ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** recorded the lowest price for **unleaded** at 103.5ppl. **London** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 105.5ppl. The **North West** and **Yorkshire and Humberside** have the cheapest **diesel** at 104.0ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** rose over the month by 1.4ppl to 102.8ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has remained at 1.6ppl.

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

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane (pence)		Diesel (pence)		Super Unleaded (pence)		LPG (pence)
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
Northern Ireland	104.9	476.9	105.3	478.70	110.8	503.7	N/A
Scotland	104.4	474.6	105.2	478.25	110.2	501.0	50.9
Wales	104.6	475.5	105.4	479.16	109.1	496.0	50.7
North	104.0	472.8	104.6	475.52	111.7	507.8	50.1
North West	103.7	471.4	104.0	472.79	111.0	504.6	52.0
Yorkshire & Humberside	103.5	470.5	104.0	472.79	110.7	503.3	50.9
West Midlands	104.4	474.6	104.7	475.98	111.5	506.9	55.2
East Midlands	104.3	474.2	104.9	476.88	110.9	504.2	55.2
East Anglia	104.8	476.4	105.2	478.25	111.1	505.1	53.8
South East	104.8	476.4	105.3	478.70	111.0	504.6	54.3
South West	104.8	476.4	105.4	479.16	110.7	503.3	54.6
London	104.9	476.9	105.5	479.61	111.3	506.0	54.6
<b>UK AVERAGE</b>	<b>104.4</b>	<b>474.6</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>477.34</b>	<b>110.9</b>	<b>504.2</b>	<b>53.3</b>
Per cent taken as Tax	64.9		62.90		60.2		

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
<b>SUPERMARKET AVERAGE</b>	<b>102.8</b>	<b>467.3</b>	<b>102.9</b>	<b>467.8</b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>487.8</b>	<b>49.2</b>
Per cent taken as Tax	65.8		63.83		61.8		

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

# Fuel Price Report

August 2009



## OVERSEAS PRICE COMPARISONS

Using currency exchange rates as at 20 August 2009 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 August 2009. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 17 August 2009.

## FUEL PRICES IN EUROPE AND THE USA

Country	Currency	Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
		Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	1.11	1.02	96.01	87.64
Belgium	Euro	1.37	1.08	118.17	92.73
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	29.20	26.80	98.41	90.33
Denmark	Danish Krone	10.42	8.88	120.74	102.90
Finland	Euro	1.36	1.02	117.40	87.72
France	Euro	1.30	1.15	112.14	99.20
Germany	Euro	1.35	1.12	116.36	96.26
Greece	Euro	1.10	1.01	94.80	86.69
Netherlands	Euro	1.49	1.11	128.09	95.32
Hungary	Forint	299.00	274.00	95.17	87.22
Ireland	Euro	1.17	1.05	101.09	90.92
Italy	Euro	1.31	1.21	113.00	104.20
Luxembourg	Euro	1.08	0.86	92.99	74.53
Estonia	Kroons	15.15	14.55	83.56	80.25
Norway	Norwegian Krone	12.50	10.71	125.40	107.44
Latvia	Lats	0.72	0.65	88.08	79.48
Lithuania	Litas	3.81	3.12	95.30	78.04
Poland	Zloty	4.52	3.79	94.23	79.01
Slovakia	Euro	1.17	1.12	101.01	96.44
Slovenia	Euro	1.15	1.05	99.20	90.57
Portugal	Euro	1.26	1.00	108.51	85.91
Spain	Euro	1.10	0.97	94.88	83.67
Sweden	Swedish Krona	12.49	11.69	105.69	98.92
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.63	1.64	92.75	93.32
United States of America	US Dollars	0.697	0.70	42.31	42.53
Malta	Euro	1.13	0.95	97.47	81.95
Bulgaria	Leva	2.00	1.88	88.29	82.99

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.

[http://www.theaa.com/public\\_affairs](http://www.theaa.com/public_affairs)