

## FUEL PRICE REPORT JANUARY 2009

UK petrol prices have started to rise again after falling to less than 86 pence a litre in early January. Conflict in Gaza and the dispute between Russia and the Ukraine helped to push the price of oil back above \$50 for a while and the weakening pound has contributed to higher wholesale prices.

**Unleaded** prices have fallen by 2.9 ppl from 89.5ppl to 86.6ppl. **Diesel** prices have fallen by 3.2ppl, from 101.9ppl to 98.7ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen from 12.4ppl to 12.1ppl

**London, East Anglia** and the **South West** recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 87ppl. The **North West** recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 86.1ppl. **Wales** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 99.3ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** have the cheapest **diesel** at 98.1ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** also fell over the month by 4ppl to 84.3ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has risen to 2.3ppl.

Overseas prices have also fallen. The UK has the thirteenth highest **unleaded** price in Europe and the fifth 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	86.4	392.8	99	450.06	91.1	414.1	53.9
Scotland	86.5	393.2	99.1	450.52	92.6	421.0	49.4
Wales	86.6	393.7	99.3	451.43	91.4	415.5	47.6
North	86.8	394.6	99	450.06	93.9	426.9	49.7
North West	86.1	391.4	98.2	446.43	93.6	425.5	50.7
Yorkshire & Humberside	86.2	391.9	98.1	445.97	92.6	421.0	49.8
West Midlands	86.6	393.7	98.6	448.24	93.4	424.6	50.9
East Midlands	86.6	393.7	98.6	448.24	93.9	426.9	49.9
East Anglia	87	395.5	98.8	449.15	93.1	423.2	49.9
South East	86.8	394.6	98.7	448.70	93.4	424.6	49.9
South West	87	395.5	99.1	450.52	93.7	426.0	50.6
London	87	395.5	98.7	448.70	93.5	425.1	50.2
<b>UK AVERAGE</b>	<b>86.6</b>	<b>393.7</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>448.70</b>	<b>93.3</b>	<b>424.2</b>	<b>50.0</b>
Per cent taken as Tax		73.5		66.08		69.2	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
<b>SUPERMARKET AVERAGE</b>	<b>84.3</b>	<b>383.2</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>438.7</b>	<b>88.6</b>	<b>402.8</b>	<b>48.0</b>
Per cent taken as Tax		74.6		67.07		71.7	74.6

## OVERSEAS PRICE COMPARISONS

Using currency exchange rates as at 19 January 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 19 January 2009. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 19 January 2009.

### FUEL PRICES IN EUROPE AND THE USA

Country	Currency	Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
		Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	0.94	0.96	85.12	87.29
Belgium	Euro	1.18	0.99	106.78	89.56
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	22.50	24.40	73.65	79.87
Denmark	Danish Krone	8.65	8.24	105.21	100.22
Finland	Euro	1.15	0.98	103.97	88.74
France	Euro	1.14	1.02	102.97	92.19
Germany	Euro	1.16	1.09	105.52	98.35
Greece	Euro	0.83	0.95	75.24	86.29
Netherlands	Euro	1.30	1.03	117.93	93.46
Hungary	Forint	229.00	244.00	72.72	77.49
Ireland	Euro	0.95	0.94	85.75	85.57
Italy	Euro	1.13	1.14	102.16	102.88
Luxembourg	Euro	0.91	0.88	82.58	79.77
Estonia	Kroons	13.10	15.00	75.88	86.88
Norway	Norwegian Krone	10.49	10.99	103.84	108.78
Latvia	Lats	0.57	0.62	73.14	79.59
Lithuania	Litas	3.17	3.25	83.25	85.35
Poland	Zloty	3.40	3.40	71.53	71.53
Slovakia	Koroan	1.05	1.20	95.54	108.50
Slovenia	Euro	0.91	0.94	82.49	85.21
Portugal	Euro	1.13	0.91	101.98	82.49
Spain	Euro	0.87	0.88	78.86	79.77
Sweden	Swedish Krona	10.99	11.29	91.75	94.26
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.38	1.60	84.20	97.62
United States of America	US Dollars	0.48796	0.61	33.63	41.77
Malta	Euro	0.99	0.99	89.74	89.74
Bulgaria	Leva	1.63	1.69	75.57	78.35

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.