

Fuel Price Report

October 2009



FUEL PRICE REPORT OCTOBER 2009

UK average petrol and diesel prices have dropped by around 1p in the past month. However, the price of fuel between major petrol stations in neighbouring areas can vary by as much as 9p a litre. Wholesale prices fell by more than 15% at the end of September, but continuing volatility in stock markets threatens to push the price of petrol back up again. Crude oil price has risen to \$75.

Unleaded prices have fallen by 1.2ppl from 106.3ppl to 105.1ppl. **Diesel** prices have also fallen, by 0.9ppl, from 107.1ppl to 106.2ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has risen from 0.8ppl to 1.1ppl.

London recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 106.0 ppl. **The North West** and **Yorkshire and Humberside** recorded the lowest price for **unleaded** at 104.2ppl. **Northern Ireland** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 106.9ppl. **The North West** has the cheapest **diesel** at 105.2ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** fell over the month by 0.9ppl to 103.3ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has fallen to 0.9ppl.

Overseas prices have also fallen. The UK has the thirteenth 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	105.8	481.0	106.9	485.98	114.3	519.6	53.9
Scotland	104.3	474.2	106.5	484.16	110.3	501.4	52.9
Wales	105.2	478.2	106.6	484.61	110.7	503.3	51.2
North	104.6	475.5	106.0	481.89	112.5	511.4	51.7
North West	104.2	473.7	105.2	478.25	112.4	511.0	52.2
Yorkshire & Humberside	104.2	473.7	105.4	479.16	111.2	505.5	52.6
West Midlands	104.8	476.4	105.9	481.43	112.3	510.5	54.7
East Midlands	105.0	477.3	106.2	482.79	112.3	510.5	55.1
East Anglia	105.5	479.6	106.6	484.61	111.6	507.3	54.9
South East	105.6	480.1	106.6	484.61	111.8	508.3	56.7
South West	105.5	479.6	106.7	485.07	111.6	507.3	54.5
London	106.0	481.9	106.7	485.07	112.5	511.4	56.8
UK AVERAGE	105.1	477.8	106.2	482.79	111.9	508.7	54.9
Per cent taken as Tax		66.5		65.95		63.3	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	103.3	469.6	104.2	473.7	108.1	491.4	51.1
Per cent taken as Tax		67.4		66.97		65.0	

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Experian Catalist (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 21 October 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 16 October 2009. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 19 October 2009.

FUEL PRICES IN EUROPE AND THE USA

Country	Currency	Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
		Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	1.05	0.96	94.66	87.06
Belgium	Euro	1.27	0.98	114.93	88.87
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	27.50	25.50	96.11	89.12
Denmark	Danish Krone	9.90	8.64	120.30	104.99
Finland	Euro	1.29	0.99	116.65	89.50
France	Euro	1.24	1.02	111.76	92.67
Germany	Euro	1.30	1.12	117.46	101.08
Greece	Euro	1.04	0.98	94.02	88.59
Netherlands	Euro	1.43	1.09	129.05	98.55
Hungary	Forint	288.00	274.00	98.53	93.74
Ireland	Euro	1.18	1.07	106.78	96.56
Italy	Euro	1.26	1.17	113.84	105.88
Luxembourg	Euro	1.06	0.88	96.01	79.45
Estonia	Kroons	15.50	14.85	89.59	85.83
Norway	Norwegian Krone	12.70	11.50	138.12	125.07
Latvia	Lats	0.69	0.65	88.40	83.25
Lithuania	Litas	3.66	2.97	95.86	77.79
Poland	Zloty	4.26	3.67	92.66	79.83
Slovakia	Euro	1.18	1.11	106.69	100.36
Slovenia	Euro	1.08	1.02	97.73	92.30
Portugal	Euro	1.26	0.98	113.93	89.05
Spain	Euro	1.04	1.02	94.11	92.30
Sweden	Swedish Krona	12.26	11.65	108.02	102.64
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.58	1.65	94.55	98.74
United States of America	US Dollars	0.68	0.71	40.92	42.72
Malta	Euro	1.11	0.96	100.45	86.87
Bulgaria	Leva	1.88	1.81	86.91	83.68

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.

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