

Fuel Price Report

March 2011



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Average UK petrol and diesel prices have risen by up to five pence a litre in the past month, propelled by oil prices that, at one point, touched \$120 a barrel following unrest in the Middle East. The cost of a 50-litre tank of diesel has gone up £2.50 in two-thirds of the UK's regions. The cost of a barrel of oil has dropped back to \$111.

Unleaded prices have risen by 4.1ppl from 128.8ppl to 132.9ppl. **Diesel** prices have also risen, by 5.0ppl, from 134.0ppl to 139.0ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has risen to 6.1ppl.

Northern Ireland recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 133.8ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** recorded the lowest price for **unleaded** at 131.9ppl. **Northern Ireland** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 139.7ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** have the cheapest **diesel** at 138.2ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** also rose over the month by 2.6ppl to 130.0ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has risen to 2.9ppl.

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	133.8	608.3	139.7	635.09	138.6	630.1	69.9
Scotland	132.4	601.9	139.4	633.72	139.1	632.4	71.3
Wales	133.2	605.5	139.5	634.18	138.3	628.7	73.2
North	132.4	601.9	138.9	631.45	139.5	634.2	73.1
North West	132.4	601.9	138.5	629.63	139.5	634.2	75.9
Yorkshire & Humberside	131.9	599.6	138.2	628.27	139.3	633.3	73.4
West Midlands	132.8	603.7	138.9	631.45	141.0	641.0	78.8
East Midlands	132.4	601.9	138.5	629.63	139.5	634.2	75.9
East Anglia	133.1	605.1	139.0	631.91	139.9	636.0	78.1
South East	133.6	607.4	139.4	633.72	140.4	638.3	79.5
South West	133.1	605.1	139.3	633.27	140.0	636.5	77.1
London	133.5	606.9	139.1	632.36	141.1	641.5	78.0
UK AVERAGE	132.9	604.2	139.0	631.91	140.0	636.5	76.8
Per cent taken as Tax		61.0		59.08		58.8	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	130.0	591.0	135.5	616.0	134.7	612.4	71.7
Per cent taken as Tax		62.0		60.18		60.4	

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 17 March 2011 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 February 2011. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy - as at 14 March 2011.

FUEL PRICES IN EUROPE AND THE USA

Country	Currency	Local Currency per litre		UK pence per litre	
		Unleaded	Diesel	Unleaded	Diesel
Austria	Euro	1.35	1.35	117.67	116.89
Belgium	Euro	1.51	1.37	131.05	119.15
Czech Republic	Czech Koruna	34.50	33.40	122.67	118.76
Denmark	Danish Krone	12.41	11.39	144.51	132.63
Finland	Euro	1.60	1.37	139.05	118.71
France	Euro	1.58	1.46	136.87	126.45
Germany	Euro	1.61	1.44	140.09	125.23
Greece	Euro	1.59	1.39	138.44	120.88
Netherlands	Euro	1.69	1.41	145.92	122.22
Hungary	Forint	375.00	372.00	118.93	117.97
Ireland	Euro	1.45	1.39	125.58	120.36
Italy	Euro	1.53	1.42	133.05	123.49
Luxembourg	Euro	1.31	1.20	113.93	104.11
Estonia	Euro	1.25	1.31	108.80	113.58
Norway	Norwegian Krone	14.29	13.69	157.26	150.66
Latvia	Lats	0.89	0.90	109.66	110.89
Lithuania	Litas	4.60	4.36	115.70	109.66
Poland	Zloty	5.02	4.95	106.72	105.23
Slovakia	Euro	1.38	1.26	119.93	109.50
Slovenia	Euro	1.28	1.24	111.15	107.50
Portugal	Euro	1.53	1.38	133.14	119.49
Spain	Euro	1.32	1.30	114.71	112.98
Sweden	Swedish Krona	13.93	14.19	134.16	136.66
Switzerland	Swiss Francs	1.78	1.91	122.25	131.18
United States of America	US Dollars	0.9424	1.03	58.37	63.95
Malta	Euro	1.31	1.21	113.84	105.15
Bulgaria	Leva	2.46	2.55	109.24	113.24

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. Please note, the petrol prices for Germany and Finland are for E10 grade, that's petrol containing 10 per cent ethanol.

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