

Fuel Price Report

January 2012



FUEL PRICE REPORT JANUARY 2012

Pump prices have started the new year back on the rise, with diesel a penny shy of the record set in May of last year. Volatility in the oil and fuel markets make it difficult to predict where prices are heading, but the average cost of petrol in the UK has been above 130p a litre since March and diesel above 140p since July. Oil price: \$111 a barrel.

Unleaded prices have risen by 1.0ppl from 132.5ppl to 133.5ppl. **Diesel** prices have risen by 0.8ppl from 141.1ppl to 141.9ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen to 8.4ppl.

Northern Ireland recorded the highest price for **unleaded** at 134.6ppl. **The North** recorded the lowest price for **unleaded** at 132.4ppl. **Northern Ireland** recorded the highest **diesel** price at 142.8ppl. **Yorkshire and Humberside** have the cheapest **diesel** at 141.2ppl.

Supermarket prices for **unleaded** rose by 0.8ppl to 131.8ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for **unleaded** has risen to 1.7ppl.

The UK has the eighth highest petrol price in Europe and the third 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 | 134.6 | 611.9 | 142.8 | 649.18 | 142.6 | 648.3 | 73.9 |
| Scotland | 133.3 | 606.0 | 142.3 | 646.91 | 139.8 | 635.5 | 66.8 |
| Wales | 133.5 | 606.9 | 142.4 | 647.36 | 139.5 | 634.2 | 78.4 |
| North | 132.4 | 601.9 | 141.4 | 642.82 | 140.8 | 640.1 | 72.2 |
| North West | 133.1 | 605.1 | 141.4 | 642.82 | 141.0 | 641.0 | 78.7 |
| Yorkshire & Humberside | 132.5 | 602.4 | 141.2 | 641.91 | 141.0 | 641.0 | 74.4 |
| West Midlands | 133.4 | 606.4 | 141.8 | 644.64 | 141.8 | 644.6 | 75.5 |
| East Midlands | 133.2 | 605.5 | 141.5 | 643.27 | 140.7 | 639.6 | 71.3 |
| East Anglia | 134.4 | 611.0 | 142.3 | 646.91 | 141.0 | 641.0 | 73.2 |
| South East | 134.1 | 609.6 | 142.2 | 646.45 | 141.1 | 641.5 | 76.1 |
| South West | 133.7 | 607.8 | 142.3 | 646.91 | 140.0 | 636.5 | 75.0 |
| London | 134.4 | 611.0 | 142.0 | 645.54 | 141.7 | 644.2 | 74.2 |
| UK AVERAGE | 133.5 | 606.9 | 141.9 | 645.09 | 141.0 | 641.0 | 74.7 |
| Per cent taken as Tax | | 60.1 | | 57.51 | | 57.8 | |

| Supermarkets | Unleaded 95 Octane | | Diesel | | Super unleaded | | LPG |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| | litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres | (gallons) | litres |
| SUPERMARKET AVERAGE | 131.8 | 599.2 | 139.7 | 635.1 | 136.9 | 622.4 | 69.8 |
| Per cent taken as Tax | | 60.6 | | 58.15 | | 59.0 | |

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

Source of overseas price comparisons: European prices - European Road Information Centre (Geneva) based on figures as at 10 January 2012 and ec.europa weekly oil bulletins. USA prices - Energy Information Administration, US Dept. of Energy – as at 16 January 2012.

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 | 1.37 | 112.92 | 114.09 |
| Belgium | Euro | 1.65 | 1.52 | 138.06 | 127.20 |
| Czech Republic | Czech Koruna | 35.70 | 36.30 | 117.76 | 119.74 |
| Denmark | Danish Krone | 12.59 | 11.75 | 141.51 | 132.07 |
| Finland | Euro | 1.58 | 1.53 | 131.72 | 127.71 |
| France | Euro | 1.55 | 1.46 | 129.46 | 121.53 |
| Germany | Euro | 1.51 | 1.42 | 126.04 | 118.44 |
| Greece | Euro | 1.63 | 1.53 | 136.48 | 127.71 |
| Netherlands | Euro | 1.75 | 1.48 | 146.42 | 123.53 |
| Hungary | Forint | 424.00 | 443.00 | 117.20 | 122.45 |
| Ireland | Euro | 1.55 | 1.53 | 129.38 | 127.87 |
| Italy | Euro | 1.71 | 1.66 | 142.41 | 138.40 |
| Luxembourg | Euro | 1.34 | 1.26 | 112.00 | 105.41 |
| Estonia | Euro | 1.29 | 1.36 | 107.66 | 113.51 |
| Norway | Norwegian Krone | 14.05 | 13.04 | 153.33 | 142.31 |
| Latvia | Lats | 0.95 | 0.95 | 112.76 | 113.48 |
| Lithuania | Litas | 4.50 | 4.49 | 108.85 | 108.61 |
| Poland | Zloty | 5.45 | 5.59 | 105.18 | 107.88 |
| Slovakia | Euro | 1.45 | 1.39 | 121.36 | 116.26 |
| Slovenia | Euro | 1.38 | 1.31 | 115.26 | 109.00 |
| Portugal | Euro | 1.53 | 1.40 | 127.54 | 116.76 |
| Spain | Euro | 1.30 | 1.29 | 108.58 | 107.74 |
| Sweden | Swedish Krona | 14.63 | 14.94 | 139.58 | 142.54 |
| Switzerland | Swiss Francs | 1.73 | 1.90 | 119.59 | 131.35 |
| United States of America | US Dollars | 0.8959 | 1.02 | 58.01 | 65.91 |
| Malta | Euro | 1.41 | 1.34 | 117.77 | 111.92 |
| Bulgaria | Leva | 2.44 | 2.60 | 104.19 | 111.02 |
| Cyprus | Euro | 1.24 | 1.32 | 103.57 | 110.00 |

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 unleaded prices for France, Germany and Finland are for E10. That's petrol containing 10 per cent ethanol.

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