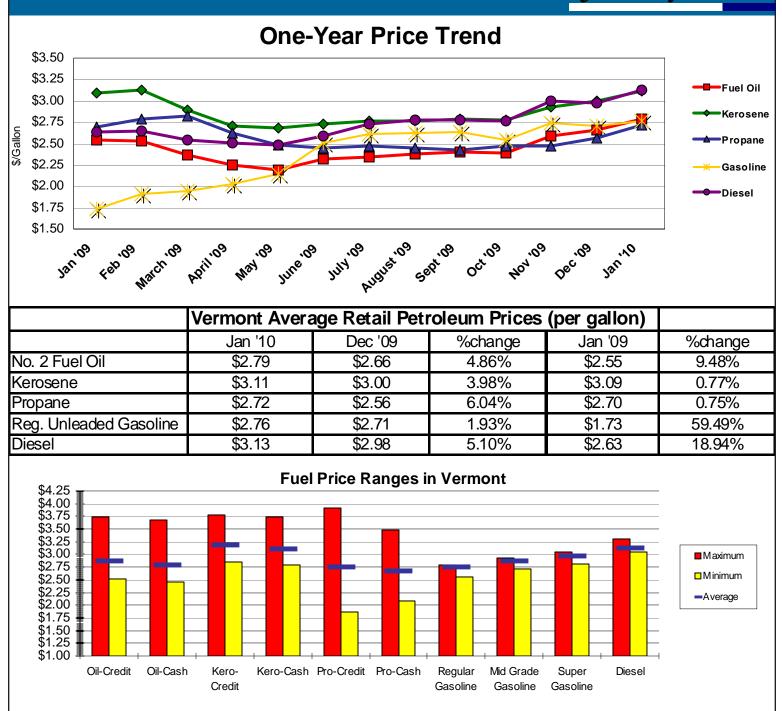
## VERMONT FUEL PRICE REPORT

January 2010



## GASOLINE AND DIESEL PRICES

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has reported that the national average retail price for regular gasoline has increased 7.5 cents from the first week of January to \$2.74 per gallon as of January 18th. The New England average price is \$2.78 as of January 18th. The EIA projects gasoline prices to pass \$3.00 per gallon at some point during the upcoming spring and summer.

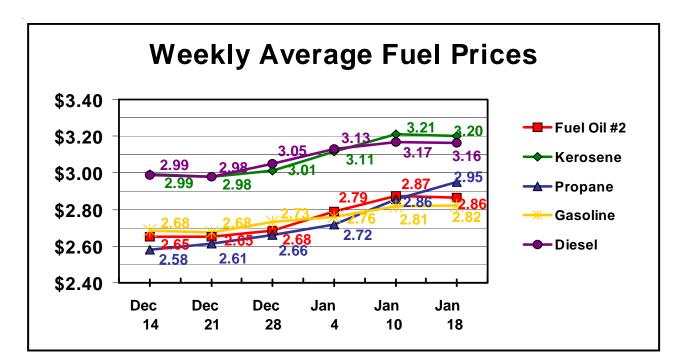
The national average retail price of diesel was \$2.87 per gallon as of January 18th. The New England average price was \$3.07. The EIA projects diesel prices to average \$3.14 per gallon in 2010.

Additional information is available at: www.eia.doe.gov

## **HEATING FUEL PRICES**

The national average residential heating oil price was \$2.88 per gallon the first week of January and had increased 7 cents to \$2.95 per gallon by the week of January 18th. The New England average heating oil price as of January 18th was \$2.96 per gallon.

The national average propane price was \$2.53 per gallon the first week of January and had increased 14 cents to \$2.67 per gallon by the week of January 18th. The New England average propane price was \$3.04 per gallon as of January 18th. U.S. inventories of propane had the largest drop of the current heating season the week of January 18th, contributing to the large increase in prices.



Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels				
Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$2.79	\$25.21
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$3.11	\$28.50
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.72	\$37.09
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.58	\$19.75
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.14	\$41.35
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$190.00	\$14.39
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$285.00	\$19.79
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$257.00	\$19.59

NOTE: The Vermont Fuel Price Report is published monthly by the Vermont Department of Public Service. Prices are collected on or about the first Monday of each month and reflect dealer discounts for cash or self-service, except propane prices, which are an average of the credit and discount price. For more information please contact Kelly Launder at 1-800-642-3281 or (802) 828-4039 or by email at kelly.launder@state.vt.us.