

### Natural Gas Futures Prices (\$/dth) NYMEX Settle on January 25, 2012

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Jan	\$ 5.814	\$ 4.216	\$ 3.084	\$ 3.712	\$ 4.172
Feb	\$ 5.274	\$ 4.316	\$ 2.729	\$ 3.715	\$ 4.151
Mar	\$ 4.816	\$ 3.793	\$ 2.769	\$ 3.681	\$ 4.099
Apr	\$ 3.842	\$ 4.240	\$ 2.875	\$ 3.636	\$ 3.957
May	\$ 4.271	\$ 4.377	\$ 2.956	\$ 3.658	\$ 3.972
Jun	\$ 4.155	\$ 4.326	\$ 3.025	\$ 3.689	\$ 3.996
Jul	\$ 4.717	\$ 4.357	\$ 3.083	\$ 3.730	\$ 4.031
Aug	\$ 4.774	\$ 4.370	\$ 3.112	\$ 3.747	\$ 4.048
Sep	\$ 3.651	\$ 3.857	\$ 3.117	\$ 3.748	\$ 4.050
Oct	\$ 3.837	\$ 3.759	\$ 3.162	\$ 3.787	\$ 4.082
Nov	\$ 3.292	\$ 3.524	\$ 3.315	\$ 3.875	\$ 4.164
Dec	\$ 4.267	\$ 3.364	\$ 3.589	\$ 4.068	\$ 4.355
Avg.	\$ 4.393	\$ 4.042	\$ 3.068	\$ 3.754	\$ 4.090

Note: Prices in blue italics are historical - NYMEX contract expired.

### Natural Gas NYMEX Strip Prices (\$/dth)

3-month strip	\$2.791
6-month strip	\$2.906
12-month strip	\$3.120
18-month strip	\$3.309
24-month strip	\$3.456
Apr12-Oct12	\$3.047
Nov11-Mar12	\$3.094

### Natural Gas Storage (bcf) week ending 1-20-12

This week	-192 bcf	3,098
Last week	-87 bcf	3,290
This week last year	-184 bcf	2,567
5-Year Average	-173 bcf	2,551

Note: Negative number denotes withdrawal

### Gas Daily Midpoint - Cash Prices (\$/dth) - flow date 1/26/12

Henry Hub	\$ 2.610
Transco Zone 6 - NY	\$ 3.200
Transco Zone 6 - non NY	\$ 2.845
Tetco Zone M3	\$ 2.890

### Fuel Prices - prompt month NYMEX

Natural Gas	\$ 2.729 /dth	\$ 2.73 /mmbtu
Crude Oil	\$ 99.40 /barrel	\$ 17.03 /mmbtu
#2 Heating Oil	\$ 3.010 /gallon	\$ 21.66 /mmbtu
NY Harbor Gasoline	\$ 2.837 /gallon	\$ 21.83 /mmbtu
<b>Crude Oil - Natural Gas Spread:</b>	<b>\$ 14.30</b>	

### Financial Indicators

Dow Jones Industrial Average	12,757.00
NASDAQ	2,818.31
S&P 500	1,326.06
Euro - U.S. Dollar (\$)	\$1.3162
U.S. Federal Reserve Rate (%)	0.25%

### Weather (6-10 day forecast)

Expect above-normal temperatures for about half of the US states.  
The remaining half of the country will experience normal temperatures.

### HEATING DEGREE DAYS - Newark, NJ H.D.D.s

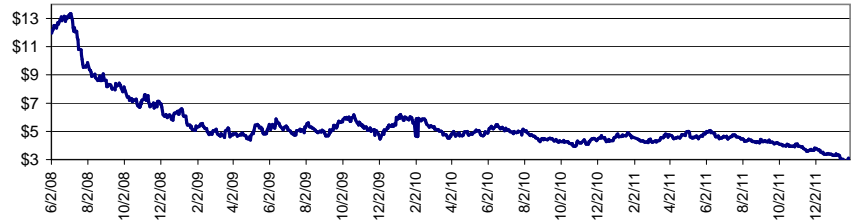
2011/12 (Oct-May) Season to Date	2,059
2010/11 (Oct-May of prior year)	2,610
NORMAL (30-year average) - Season to Date	2,554

### Market Outlook

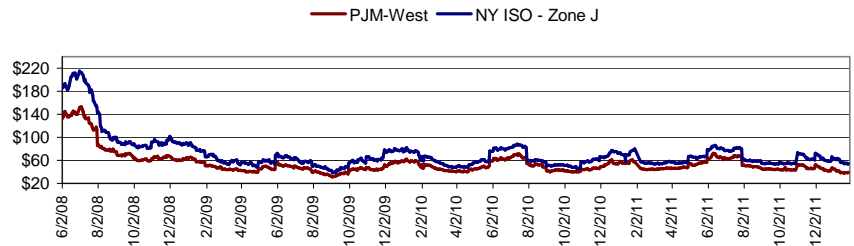
This week's hefty storage withdrawal of 192 bcf was above market expectations. Inventories are now 531 bcf ahead of last year and 547 bcf ahead of the 5 yr average.

The Fed's interest rate announcement (see below) figured into the rise in commodities futures prices at yesterday's market close. Natural gas 12- and 24- month strip prices rose 9.55% (to \$3.120) and 7.56% (to \$3.456) respectively. However, crude oil futures actually dropped by about 1.2% (to \$99.40).

### Natural Gas - NYMEX 12-month futures strip (\$/dth)



### Electricity - Prompt Month On-Peak Prices (\$/mwh)



### Interests rates to remain low through 2014

In an unprecedented move, the Federal Reserve has released forecasts for the federal funds rate, its key tool for stimulating the economy, and released an explicit goal for the rate of inflation. In addition, projections economic growth and the unemployment rate were released. Unemployment rates are projected to fall to between 8.2% and 8.5% in 2012, an improvement over what it had predicted back in November. However, the economy will grow between 2.2% and 2.7% this year, slightly slower than it had previously thought.

Because economic growth remains sluggish, the Fed announced that the federal funds rate will remain near zero for the foreseeable future. This should have a stimulative effect on everything from mortgages to car and student loans. The Fed's announcement sent commodities rising which translated to the Dow Jones Industrial Average reaching its highest level since 2008.

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