

Highlights

U.S. crude oil refinery inputs averaged over 15.5 million barrels per day during the week ending May 26, up 186,000 barrels per day from the previous week's average. Refineries operated at 91.4 percent of their operable capacity last week, the highest utilization rate since the week ending August 26, 2005. Gasoline production remained relatively flat last week, compared to the previous week, averaging 9.2 million barrels per day, while distillate fuel production inched lower compared to the previous week, averaging nearly 4.1 million barrels per day.

U.S. crude oil imports averaged over 10.8 million barrels per day last week, up nearly 1.3 million barrels per day from the previous week. Over the last four weeks, crude oil imports have averaged 10.2 million barrels per day, an increase of 24,000 barrels per day from the comparable four weeks last year. Total motor gasoline imports (including both finished gasoline and gasoline blending components) last week averaged nearly 1.6 million barrels per day, the third highest weekly average ever. Distillate fuel imports averaged 483,000 barrels per day last week.

U.S. commercial crude oil inventories (excluding those in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve) increased by 1.6 million barrels from the previous week. At 345.5 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories remain well above the upper end of the average range for this time of year. Total motor gasoline inventories increased by 0.8 million barrels last week, but remain in the lower half of the average range. Distillate fuel inventories rose by 1.8 million barrels and are just above the upper end of the average range for this time of year. Increases were seen in both low-sulfur (diesel fuel) distillate fuel inventories and high-sulfur (heating oil) distillate fuel

inventories. Total commercial petroleum inventories jumped by 8.1 million barrels last week, and are at the upper end of the average range for this time of year.

Total products supplied over the last four-week period has averaged 21.1 million barrels per day, or 4.8 percent more than averaged over the same period last year. Over the last four weeks, motor gasoline demand has averaged over 9.3 million barrels per day, or 0.9 percent above the same period last year. Distillate fuel demand has averaged 4.1 million barrels per day over the last four weeks, or 1.0 percent above the same period last year. Jet fuel demand is up 8.7 percent over the last four weeks compared to the same four-week period last year.

The average world crude oil price on May 26, 2006 was \$63.49, \$0.61 less than last week's price but \$19.82 above a year ago. WTI was \$71.35 per barrel on May 26, 2006, \$2.91 over last week and \$19.70 more than a year ago. The spot price for conventional gasoline in the New York Harbor was 206.08 cents per gallon, 10.58 cents above last week's price and 66.30 cents over a year ago. The spot price for No. 2 low-sulfur diesel fuel in the New York Harbor was 214.50 cents per gallon, 8.70 cents more than last week's price and 62.40 cents above a year ago.

The national average retail regular gasoline price decreased to 286.7 cents per gallon on May 29, 2006, 2.5 cents per gallon less than last week but 77.0 cents per gallon over a year ago. The national average retail diesel fuel price fell to 288.2 cents per gallon, 0.6 cents per gallon below last week but 72.2 cents per gallon more than a year ago.

Refinery Activity (Thousand Barrels per Day)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	05/26/06	05/19/06	05/26/05
Crude Oil Input to Refineries	15,376	15,257	15,849
Refinery Capacity Utilization (Percent)	90.3	89.6	94.0
Motor Gasoline Production	9,125	8,972	8,783
Distillate Fuel Oil Production	4,027	3,975	4,167

See Table 2.

Stocks (Million Barrels)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	05/26/06	05/19/06	05/26/05
Crude Oil (Excluding SPR)	345.5	343.9	332.2
Motor Gasoline	209.3	208.5	215.0
Distillate Fuel Oil ¹	118.9	117.1	109.7
All Other Oils	349.7	345.8	366.2
Crude Oil in SPR ²	688.6	688.6	693.5
Total	1,712.0	1,703.9	1,716.7

See Table 3.

Net Imports (Thousand Barrels per Day)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	05/26/06	05/19/06	05/26/05
Crude Oil	10,176	9,918	10,094
Petroleum Products	2,959	2,639	1,980
Total	13,136	12,557	12,074

See Table 1.

Products Supplied (Thousand Barrels per Day)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	05/26/06	05/19/06	05/26/05
Motor Gasoline	9,324	9,241	9,244
Distillate Fuel Oil	4,102	4,109	4,061
All Other Products	7,675	7,460	6,838
Total	21,100	20,810	20,143

See Table 10.

Prices (Cents per Gallon except as noted)

	Week Ending		
	05/26/06	05/19/06	05/27/05
World Crude Oil (Dollars per Barrel)	63.49	64.10	43.67
Spot Prices			
WTI Crude Oil - Cushing (Dollars per Barrel)	71.35	68.44	51.65
Conv. Regular Gasoline - NYH	206.08	195.50	139.78
RFG/RBOB Regular - NYH	230.50	217.75	146.40
No. 2 Heating Oil - NYH	196.63	190.30	145.23
No. 2 Low-sulfur Diesel Fuel - NYH	214.50	205.80	152.10
Kerosene-Type Jet - NYH	211.50	205.80	152.60
Residual Fuel - NYH	116.60	114.60	85.43
Propane - Mont Belvieu	105.07	102.25	79.19
	05/29/06	05/22/06	05/30/05
Retail Prices			
Motor Gasoline - Regular	286.7	289.2	209.7
Motor Gasoline - Midgrade	297.1	299.8	219.8
Motor Gasoline - Premium	307.1	309.8	229.5
On-Highway Diesel Fuel	288.2	288.8	216.0

See Tables 13, 14, 15 and 17.

Data for the week ending May 5 reflect benchmarking to the February *Petroleum Supply Monthly* values.

¹ Distillate fuel oil stocks located in the "Northeast Heating Oil Reserve" are not included.

² Crude oil stocks in the SPR include non-U.S. stocks held under foreign or commercial storage agreements.

Notes: • NA=Not Available. • Data may not add to total due to independent rounding.