

# NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE Tuesday February 1, 2022 5:45 PM

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#### **NATURAL GAS FUTURES SETTLEMENT PRICES:**

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2/1/22		NYMEX NATURAL GAS					
Mar22	4.751	Apr22-Oct22	4.631	Cal 23	3.768		
Apr22	4.573	Nov22-Mar23	4.777	Cal 24	3.279		
May22	4.578	Apr23-Oct23	3.390	Cal 25	3.121		
Jun22	4.614	Nov23-Mar24	3.675	Cal 26	3.069		
Jul22	4.661	Apr24-Oct24	3.071	Cal 27	3.089		
Jul22	4.669	Nov24-Mar25	3.449	Cal 28	3.163		
TTF - HOLLAND		NBP - UK		JKM - ASIA			
Mar-22	\$25.143	Mar-22	\$24.421	Mar-22	\$23.705		
Apr-22	\$24.107	Apr-22	\$23.880	Apr-22	\$24.225		
May-22	\$23.795	May-22	\$23.547	May-22	\$23.870		
Jun-22	\$23.740	Jun-22	\$23.478	Jun-22	\$24.195		
Jul-22	\$23.723	Jul-22	\$23.476	Jul-22	\$24.275		
EASTERN GAS SOUTH FIXED-PRICE SETTLES (NYMEX + BASIS):							
Mar-22	4.1460	Apr22-Oct2			3.4837		
Apr-22	3.8405	3.8405 Nov		22-Mar23			
May-22	3.6730	3.6730 Apr		23-Oct23			
Jun-22	3.6640	Nov	/23-Mar24		2.9796		
Jul-22	3.6985	Apı	Apr24-Oct24		2.1907		
Aug-22	3.6365	Nov	Nov24-Mar25		2.7715		
Sep-22	2.9615	Mar22-	Mar22-Feb23 (1-Year)		3.7185		
Oct-22	2.9120	Cale	Calendar 2023		2.8754		
Nov-22	3.6530	Cale	Calendar 2024		2.4747		

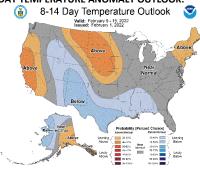
## FRONT-MONTH NYMEX NG FUTURES CHART:



DAILY CASH MARKET PRICES (for GD1):

Algonquin, citygates	22.655
Columbia Gas Transmission (TCO)	4.940
Eastern Gas South (formerly Dominion South)	4.960
Henry Hub	5.575
Tetco M2 (Receipts)	4.980
Tetco M3	6.320
Transco Zone 5 South	5.980
Waha	4.830

### NOAA 8 TO 14 DAY TEMPERATURE ANOMALY OUTLOOK:



#### **WORKING NATURAL GAS IN STORAGE, LOWER 48 STATES:**

As of Week Ending:	1/21/2022	Build/(Draw)				
Current Storage	2,591 Bcf	(219) Bcf				
		Surplus/(Deficit)				
Last Year Storage	2,899 Bcf	(308) Bcf				
5-Year Average	2,616 Bcf	(25) Bcf				
Prelim. Estimate for: 02/0	(285) Bcf					
End of NG Storage Withdray	1,320 Bcf					

Market Commentary: The idea that winter was likely waning had begun to set in as of the publication of the previous update, but that mindset was in for a rude awakening as one can immediately glean from a quick glance of the Nymex chart. Last week kicked off with an opening print of \$3.915 for the then-prompt Feb22 Nymex contract and chopped around the 3.90 level overnight into Monday, before chopping in a rough range of 3.90 to 4.05 on Monday and Tuesday. Things got more interesting overnight into Wednesday, which was Nymex options settlement for Feb22, and after firming up overnight prices touched 4.39 on Weds morning, but were back down 10 cents or so by the close. Thursday started out like a normal day, but was starting to look bullish by midday with a break back above 4.50, which was the first time hitting that level since Nov 30th when we were on our way down from the 6.46 highs of October. By 1:00 we were into the 4.60's, and at 1:55 with just 35 minutes of life left in the Feb22 Nymex contract, prices had touched 4.85. The next 30 mins were surreal to watch unfold, with prices jumping from 4.85 to 6.55 just 10 minutes later, marking a new 13-year high on the continuation chart, with an eventual high print of \$7.346 around 2:10, which gave way to a print as low as 4.50 over the following 15 mins, and the market ultimately posted a \$6.265 final settlement for the month, which was up +\$1.988 or 46.5% from the day before, and good for a record close both in nominal and percentage terms. The driving forces behind the move remain a mystery to all but those behind them, with the usual hypotheses offered, but no concrete or reasonable explanation as to what drove the wildest move that the natural gas market has witnessed to-date. Since assuming front-month status, Mar22 Nymex has embarked on its own path higher, as it and the rest of the NG curve were left in the dust on Thursday, with March posting a modest gain of 25 cents on Thurs to 4.28. Friday finished out the week with another 36-cent gain for the prompt contract but couldn't get above 4.876 on its highs, and then on Sunday night prices gapped higher with an open of 4.867 and a high of 5.057 which is our current high for the week. The market sold off somewhat this morning down below 4.65 briefly, but found support at the week-to-date low of 4.620 and tacked on +.27 from those lows to our afternoon highs. Dry-gas production has been more steady, with a 7-day average of 92.3 Bcf/day which is also our YTD average for production. The extreme cold has also given us two 200+ Bcf withdrawals from storage, with two more still expected, and with that the storage swap for where storage will bottom out in April has dropped to 1,320 Bcf, which is down almost 300 Bcf from the beginning of the year, and suggests tightness is likely to remain this summer as the market attempts to refill storage to a reasonable level ahead of next winter.

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