

# NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE Thursday March 23, 2023 2:00 PM

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### NATURAL GAS FUTURES SETTLEMENT PRICES:

3/22/23	NATURAL GAS FUTURES SETTLEMENT PRICES:							
	0.474	NYMEX NATURAL GAS						
Apr23	2.171	Apr23-Oct23		2.625	1-Year	3.046		
May23	2.307	Nov23-Mar24		3.636	Cal 24	3.623		
Jun23	2.547	Apr24-Oct24		3.416	Cal 25	4.215		
Jul23	2.801	Nov24-Mar25		4.362	Cal 26	4.335		
Aug23	2.843	Apr25-Oct25		3.976	Cal 27	4.320		
Sep23	2.805	Nov25-Mar26		4.752	Cal 28	4.307		
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Apr-23	\$12.669	Apr-23		\$11.971	Apr-23	N/A		
May-23	\$12.836	May-23		\$12.298	May-23	\$12.640		
Jun-23	\$13.011	Jun-23		\$12.550	Jun-23	\$12.870		
Jul-23	\$13.124	Jul-23		\$12.528	Jul-23	\$13.125		
Aug-23	\$13.312	Aug-23		\$12.849	Aug-23	\$13.460		
EASTERN GAS SOUTH FIXED-PRICE SETTLES (NYMEX + BASIS):								
Apr-23	1.7760	)	Apr23-Oct23			1.9460		
May-23	1.8395	,	Nov23-Mar24			2.8669		
Jun-23	2.0020	)	Apr24-Oct24			2.6044		
Jul-23	2.2060	)	Nov24-Mar25			3.4956		
Aug-23	2.1805	;	Apr25-Oct25			2.9531		
Sep-23	1.8775	;	Nov25-Mar26			3.8847		
Oct-23	1.7405	;	Apr23-Mar24 (1-Year)			2.3297		
Nov-23	2.2925	;	Calendar 2024			2.8044		
Dec-23	2.8970	)	Calendar 2025			3.2729		
Jan-24	3.1155	;	Calendar 2026			3.3288		

## FRONT-MONTH NYMEX NG FUTURES CHART:



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## DAILY CASH MARKET PRICES (for GD23):

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Algonquin city-gates (New England)	2.020
Columbia Gas Transmission (TCO)	1.825
Eastern Gas South (formerly Dominion South)	1.795
Enable Gas, East (Mid-Con)	1.775
Henry Hub	2.035
SoCal city-gate	9.780
Transco Zone 5 South	2.040
Waha (Permian Basin)	0.905

### 8 TO 14 DAY TEMPERATURE ANOMALY OUTLOOK:



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

As of Week Ending:	03/17/2023	Build/ <mark>(Draw)</mark>	
Current Storage	1,900 Bcf	(72) Bcf	
		Surplus/(Deficit)	
Last Year Storage	<b>1,396</b> Bcf	504 Bcf	
5-Year Average	<b>1,549</b> Bcf	351 Bcf	
End NG Storage Withdrawa	1,870 Bcf		

Market Commentary: No recent developments in the NG space have been sufficient to stem the selling pressure and help the market turn a corner and pull itself up out of the basement, as prices continue to attempt to stimulate a sufficient pullback from producers to prevent an oversupply in storage this Fall, with many analysts projecting storage to breach 4.0 Tcf this year unless producers take action to prevent it. Historically that has been a tough nut to crack, with last year seeing the market bidding for more production all year, but it didn't get that until the onset of winter, and this past winter was a huge disappointment from a demand perspective, with prices having plummeted in response. Last week's storage report showed a weekly withdrawal of just -58 Bcf from storage, which was bearish to both expectations and historical comparisons, and prices came down from 2.50 in the wake of that report, with more selling follow-through into Friday to round out the week in the mid-2.30's. That is where prices opened on Sunday night as well, but after trading up to a week-todate high of 2.427 on Monday morning, sellers have been largely in control ever since. Monday saw selling push April Nymex as low as 2.21 before finding support, but that led to consolidation in the low 2.20's and not a turnaround. Tuesday AM sellers knocked it down to a one-month low of 2.127, which importantly was a penny higher than the February low of 2.113 for the current prompt contract, so we have a higher low on the charts for now, though that has not given way to a meaningful upside correction as yet. Today's storage report came in at -72 Bcf, essentially in line with expectations and not yielding a huge price response when the data hit, and after a failed attempt to rally capped at 2.261 intraday, selling pressure has built up as the afternoon has progressed and we find ourselves slipping close to the multi-year contract low as we approach the day's close. LNG feedgas demand has been pretty quiet with a 7-day average of 13.0 Bcf/day, down less than 0.1 Bcf/day for the week per Platts data, while dry-gas production was 97.4 Bcf/day for the week, up less than 0.1 Bcf/day from the week prior and essentially flat to the month-to-date average for March. The outlook at the moment is pretty dismal in the NG space, with both domestic and global markets feeling the impacts of a very mild winter across the Northern Hemisphere, and that has spelled trouble for NG prices given the resulting hit to demand (and also to sentiment). The market is looking for a response from producers, which like last year, is taking time to show up in the data, and until that is evident, and/or the demand side of the equation starts to tick higher, the natural gas market finds itself stuck in bear market territory. The path of least resistance has been lower for months and continues to be in the short term, and until such time as those conditions shift, the market is likely to keep selling into rallies in an attempt to find the price that helps the oversupply situation begin to correct itself.

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