

NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE Friday April 7, 2023 1:30 PM

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4/6/23		NYMEX NATURAL GAS						
May23	2.011	May23-Oct23		2.405	1-Year	2.885		
Jun23	2.238	Nov23-Mar24		3.432	Cal 24	3.461		
Jul23	2.491		Apr24-Oct24	3.255	Cal 25	4.086		
Aug23	2.547		Nov24-Mar25	4.224	Cal 26	4.177		
Sep23	2.527		Apr25-Oct25	3.850	Cal 27	4.169		
Oct23	2.614		Nov25-Mar26	4.616	Cal 28	4.188		
TTF - HOLLAND			NBP - UNITED KINGDOM JKM			- ASIA		
May-23	\$14.286	May-23		\$13.287	May-23	\$12.680		
Jun-23	\$14.439	Jun-23		\$13.669	Jun-23	\$12.900		
Jul-23	\$14.570	Jul-23		\$13.673	Jul-23	\$14.125		
Aug-23	\$14.817	Aug-23		\$14.286	Aug-23	\$14.865		
Sep-23	\$15.259	Sep-23		\$14.879	Sep-23	\$15.435		
EASTERN GAS SOUTH FIXED-PRICE SETTLES (NYMEX + BASIS):								
May-23	1.5660)	May23-Oct23			1.7380		
Jun-23	1.7630)	Nov23-Mar24			2.7041		
Jul-23	1.9535	,	Apr24-Oct24			2.4662		
Aug-23	1.9320)	Nov24-Mar25			3.3580		
Sep-23	1.6895	,	Apr25-Oct25			2.8676		
Oct-23	1.5240)	Nov25-Mar26			3.7436		
Nov-23	2.0895	,	May23-Apr24 (1-Year)			2.2077		
Dec-23	2.7170)	Calendar 2024			2.6643		
Jan-24	2.9390)	Calendar 2025			3.1603		
Feb-24	3.0170)	Calendar 2026			3.1724		

FRONT-MONTH NYMEX NG FUTURES CHART:



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DAILY CASH MARKET PRICES (for GD7-GD10): Algonquin city-gates (New England) 2.100 Columbia Gas Transmission (TCO) 1.875 Eastern Gas South (formerly Dominion South) 1.740 Enable Gas, East (Mid-Con) 1.850 2.175 Henry Hub SoCal city-gate 8.435 Transco Zone 5 South 2.190 Waha (Permian Basin) 1.405

6 TO 10 DAY TEMPERATURE ANOMALY OUTLOOK:



WORKING NATURAL GAS IN STORAGE, LOWER 48 STATES:

As of Week Ending:	3/31/2023	Build/ <mark>(Draw)</mark>	
Current Storage	1,830 Bcf	(23) Bcf	
		Surplus/(Deficit)	
Last Year Storage	1,387 Bcf	443 Bcf	
5-Year Average	1,532 Bcf	298 Bcf	
End NG Storage Injections	3,950 Bcf		

Market Commentary: The winter natural gas season is now over, with the market transitioning into the summer injection season in April, and yesterday's reported -23 Bcf draw for the week ended 03/31 is likely to be the last withdrawal. At 1.83 Tcf, storage inventories are +443 Bcf above last year, and +298 Bcf over the 5-year average, with analyst expectations for where storage tops out at the end of October currently in the 3.9 to 4.1 Tcf vicinity based on the current trajectory, and that is a level the market may attempt to prevent from happening via lower prices. The best cure for low prices is low prices, as the saying goes, and utilities are expected to increase gas burns in response to higher prices in an effort to stave off storage containment issues 6 months from now. Last Friday saw prices rally back into the low 2.20's and settled there for the week, but that enthusiasm was tempered after Sunday night's gap down below 2.10. The low was 2.015 for May23 Nymex, which marked a new contract low, though not a new continuation low, but buyers scooped up some length and sent prices back into the teens on Monday before pulling back. Things were fairly quiet around the 2.10 level for most of Monday and Tuesday, with a move up to a week-to-date high of 2.197 on Wednesday's open, but that was sold into and by early afternoon the market had dipped down to 2.11. Early yesterday morning Nymex traded as high as 2.18, but again was met with selling pressure, and by 10:30 AM when the storage report hit was back to 2.10. The market reaction on the -23 Bcf withdrawal was muted initially, but ultimately sellers won out with a drop to a new contract low of 1.992 for May23 Nymex (which is 1 tick above where Apr23 Nymex settled for the month), but settled at 2.011 for the day, which was also the final print for the week in light of today's Good Friday market holiday where even electronic trade is closed. Cash markets have been ugly as well, with \$1 and \$2 handles at most hubs, though SoCal city-gate was again above \$8 for the 4-day holiday package traded yesterday. The OPEC+ group (OPEC along with Russia) announced a surprise production cut of 1.66 million barrels per day on Monday, sending oil prices surging back into the \$80's and thwarting the Biden administration's previously stated intentions to refill the Strategic Petroleum Reserve when prices got back to \$70. Even with WTI as low as \$64 recently, there was no such announcement of plans to refill inventories, and hesitation when energy officials were asked directly about it, but OPEC+ has now taken that option off of the table for the time being with the rally that resulted from the announced cuts. With natural gas back to its previously oversupplied condition, and with oil prices jumping in the face of tighter conditions for that energy market, CapEx in the oil patch is likely to see increases that will also bring with them greater "associated gas" volumes from basins such as the Permian, and that is likely on weigh on sentiment in the natural gas market as well if supply/demand balances remain loose and prices for NG continue to languish.

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