

Table 4. Selected National Average Natural Gas Prices, 1999-2004

(Dollars per Thousand Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Wellhead Price ^a	City Gate Price	Consumer Prices					Electric Power Price ^c
			Residential Price	Commercial		Industrial		
				Price	% of Total ^b	Price	% of Total ^b	
1999 Annual Average	2.19	3.10	6.69	5.33	66.1	3.12	18.8	2.62
2000 Annual Average	3.68	4.62	7.76	6.59	63.9	4.45	19.8	4.38
2001 Annual Average	4.00	5.72	9.63	8.43	66.0	5.24	20.8	4.61
2002								
January	2.50	3.79	7.39	6.53	80.8	4.05	20.1	3.10
February	2.19	3.76	7.24	6.41	81.2	3.70	20.4	2.86
March	2.40	3.84	7.11	6.30	82.3	3.78	20.0	3.37
April	2.94	4.21	7.68	6.57	77.8	3.64	26.1	3.80
May	2.94	4.07	8.55	6.69	74.1	4.07	23.8	3.78
June	2.96	4.15	9.60	6.82	74.4	3.86	25.4	3.61
July	2.92	3.95	10.34	6.63	72.7	3.80	23.8	3.49
August	2.76	3.67	10.47	6.46	73.3	3.62	22.4	3.42
September	2.97	3.99	10.26	6.55	71.0	3.89	22.4	3.71
October	3.24	4.32	8.62	6.65	74.7	4.18	21.6	4.19
November	3.59	4.65	8.01	6.91	79.5	4.72	21.7	4.35
December	3.96	4.74	7.88	7.18	80.7	4.92	23.0	4.72
Annual Average	2.95	4.12	7.91	6.64	78.4	4.02	22.5	3.68
2003								
January	€4.47	€5.32	€8.17	€7.43	79.0	€5.55	21.0	5.28
February	€5.45	5.86	€8.56	€7.91	79.6	€6.28	21.8	6.44
March	€6.69	7.60	€9.74	€9.05	80.2	€8.11	21.2	7.16
April	€4.71	5.61	€10.15	€8.80	76.9	5.90	21.1	5.36
May	€4.97	5.67	€10.74	€8.64	73.7	5.62	20.4	5.69
June	€5.35	6.37	€12.04	€8.90	72.6	6.39	19.9	5.97
July	€4.91	5.82	€12.70	8.69	71.4	5.63	25.6	5.47
August	€4.72	5.50	€12.88	€8.36	73.6	5.22	23.6	5.20
September	€4.58	5.58	€12.31	€8.35	€72.4	5.30	23.0	5.12
October	€4.43	5.30	€10.65	€8.28	€72.1	4.80	23.2	5.09
November	€4.34	5.55	€9.77	€8.31	77.3	€5.16	22.2	4.78
December	€5.08	5.90	€9.50	€8.52	79.9	€5.79	23.2	5.45
Annual Average	€4.98	5.86	€9.62	€8.32	€77.3	5.79	22.2	5.55
2004								
January	€5.53	6.39	9.69	€8.90	80.7	6.64	€22.2	6.38
February	€5.15	6.34	9.85	€8.97	80.7	6.39	€23.1	5.75
March	€4.97	6.24	9.97	€8.91	€78.4	5.86	€22.3	5.47
April	€5.20	6.33	10.52	€8.90	€76.5	€5.95	€22.9	5.76
May	€5.63	€6.48	11.60	€9.03	73.2	6.27	22.7	5.81
June	€5.85	6.92	13.05	9.57	71.7	6.70	24.4	6.52
July	€5.60	€6.68	€13.41	€9.48	€71.5	6.24	€24.6	NA
August	€5.36	6.45	13.78	9.47	70.9	6.19	23.8	NA
2004 YTD^d	€5.41	6.42	10.42	9.03	77.6	6.29	23.2	5.81
2003 YTD^d	€5.16	5.98	9.46	8.28	77.5	6.07	21.8	5.97
2002 YTD^d	2.70	3.90	7.76	6.50	78.7	3.81	22.7	3.45

^a See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 10, for discussion of wellhead prices.

^b Percentage of total deliveries represented by onsystem sales, see Figure 6. See Table 25 for State data.

^c The electric power sector comprises electricity-only and combined-heat-and-power plants within the NAICS 22 category whose primary business is to sell electricity, or electricity and heat, to the public. Through 2001, data are for regulated electric utilities only; beginning in 2002, data also include nonregulated members of the electric power sector.

^d Year-to-date price represents months for which price information is available in the current year. The electric power year-to-date price is 2 month behind the wellhead, city gate, residential, commercial, and industrial year-to-date prices.

^R Revised Data.

^E Estimated Data.

NA Not Available.

Notes: Data for 1999 through 2002 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Sources: 1999-2002: Energy Information Administration (EIA) *Natural Gas Annual 2002*. January 2003 through current month: EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," Form EIA-910, "Monthly Natural Gas Marketer Survey," Form FERC-423, "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants," Form EIA-423, "Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report," and EIA estimates.