

**Table 9.11 Natural Gas Prices**  
(Dollars per Thousand Cubic Feet)

	Wellhead Price	City Gate Price	Consuming Sectors <sup>a</sup>							
			Residential		Commercial <sup>b</sup>		Industrial <sup>c</sup>		Electric Power <sup>d</sup>	
			Price <sup>e</sup>	Percentage of Sector <sup>f</sup>	Price <sup>e</sup>	Percentage of Sector <sup>f</sup>	Price <sup>e</sup>	Percentage of Sector <sup>f</sup>	Price	Percentage of Sector <sup>f</sup>
1973 Average	0.22	NA	1.29	NA	0.94	NA	0.50	NA	0.38	92.1
1974 Average	.30	NA	1.43	NA	1.07	NA	.67	NA	.51	92.7
1975 Average	.44	NA	1.71	NA	1.35	NA	.96	NA	.77	96.1
1976 Average	.58	NA	1.98	NA	1.64	NA	1.24	NA	1.06	96.2
1977 Average	.79	NA	2.35	NA	2.04	NA	1.50	NA	1.32	97.1
1978 Average	.91	NA	2.56	NA	2.23	NA	1.70	NA	1.48	98.0
1979 Average	1.18	NA	2.98	NA	2.73	NA	1.99	NA	1.81	96.1
1980 Average	1.59	NA	3.68	NA	3.39	NA	2.56	NA	2.27	96.9
1981 Average	1.98	NA	4.29	NA	4.00	NA	3.14	NA	2.89	97.6
1982 Average	2.46	NA	5.17	NA	4.82	NA	3.87	85.1	3.48	92.6
1983 Average	2.59	NA	6.06	NA	5.59	NA	4.18	80.7	3.58	93.9
1984 Average	2.66	3.95	6.12	NA	5.55	NA	4.22	74.7	3.70	94.4
1985 Average	2.51	3.75	6.12	NA	5.50	NA	3.95	68.8	3.55	94.0
1986 Average	1.94	3.22	5.83	NA	5.08	NA	3.23	59.8	2.43	91.7
1987 Average	1.67	2.87	5.54	NA	4.77	93.1	2.94	47.4	2.32	91.6
1988 Average	1.69	2.92	5.47	NA	4.63	90.7	2.95	42.6	2.33	89.6
1989 Average	1.69	3.01	5.64	99.9	4.74	89.1	2.96	36.9	2.43	88.6
1990 Average	1.71	3.03	5.80	99.3	4.83	86.6	2.93	35.2	2.38	89.2
1991 Average	1.64	2.90	5.82	99.2	4.81	85.1	2.69	32.7	2.18	93.2
1992 Average	1.74	3.01	5.89	99.1	4.88	83.2	2.84	30.3	2.36	93.2
1993 Average	2.04	3.21	6.16	99.1	5.22	83.9	3.07	29.7	2.61	93.4
1994 Average	1.85	3.07	6.41	99.1	5.44	79.3	3.05	25.5	2.28	93.5
1995 Average	1.55	2.78	6.06	99.1	5.05	76.7	2.71	24.5	2.02	92.0
1996 Average	2.17	3.34	6.34	99.1	5.40	77.6	3.42	19.4	2.69	92.2
1997 Average	2.32	3.66	6.94	98.8	5.80	70.8	3.59	18.1	2.78	91.0
1998 Average	1.96	3.07	6.82	97.7	5.48	67.0	3.14	16.1	2.40	82.5
1999 Average	2.19	3.10	6.69	95.2	5.33	66.1	3.12	18.8	2.62	75.3
2000 Average	3.68	4.62	7.76	92.6	6.59	63.9	4.45	19.8	4.38	64.3
2001 Average	4.00	5.72	9.63	92.4	8.43	66.0	5.24	20.8	4.61	41.9
2002 January	2.50	3.79	7.39	NA	6.53	80.8	4.05	20.1	d3.10	d80.8
February	2.19	3.76	7.24	NA	6.41	81.2	3.70	20.4	2.86	87.4
March	2.40	3.84	7.11	NA	6.30	82.3	3.78	20.0	3.37	86.1
April	2.94	4.21	7.68	NA	6.57	77.8	3.64	26.1	3.80	84.4
May	2.94	4.07	8.55	NA	6.69	74.1	4.07	23.8	3.78	81.8
June	2.96	4.15	9.60	NA	6.82	74.4	3.86	25.4	3.61	78.7
July	2.92	3.95	10.34	NA	6.63	72.7	3.80	23.8	3.49	74.5
August	2.76	3.67	10.47	NA	6.46	73.3	3.62	22.4	3.42	78.6
September	2.97	3.99	10.26	NA	6.55	71.0	3.89	22.4	3.71	79.1
October	3.24	4.32	8.62	NA	6.65	74.7	4.18	21.6	4.19	81.0
November	3.59	4.65	8.01	NA	6.91	79.5	4.72	21.7	4.35	84.9
December	3.96	4.74	7.88	NA	7.18	80.7	4.92	23.0	4.72	88.2
Average	2.95	4.12	7.91	91.4	6.64	78.4	4.02	22.5	3.68	81.1
2003 January	E 4.47	5.31	8.07	NA	R 7.36	R 79.0	5.54	R 21.0	5.31	83.8
February	E 5.45	5.86	8.44	NA	7.83	79.6	6.27	R 21.8	6.47	83.5
March	E 6.69	7.60	9.61	NA	8.96	80.2	R 8.09	R 21.2	7.19	86.1
April	E 4.71	5.61	10.05	NA	8.76	76.9	R 5.90	R 21.1	5.38	89.8
May	E 4.97	5.67	10.63	NA	8.73	73.7	R 5.62	R 20.4	5.71	88.5
June	E 5.35	R 6.37	11.91	NA	8.88	72.6	R 6.39	R 19.9	5.99	83.0
July	E 4.91	5.82	R 12.57	NA	R 8.69	R 71.4	5.63	R 25.6	5.48	79.1
August	E 4.72	5.50	12.74	NA	8.35	73.6	5.22	R 23.6	5.22	78.1
September	E 4.58	5.58	12.18	NA	8.34	72.7	5.30	R 23.0	5.14	85.7
October	E 4.43	5.30	10.54	NA	8.17	73.1	4.80	R 23.2	5.12	78.5
November	E 4.34	5.55	9.67	NA	8.24	77.3	5.15	R 22.2	4.80	83.6
December	E 5.08	5.90	9.40	NA	8.44	R 79.9	5.78	R 23.2	5.48	93.1
Average	E 4.98	5.86	9.51	E 92.1	8.26	77.4	R 5.79	R 22.2	5.57	83.6
2004 January	E 5.53	R 6.39	R 9.69	NA	R 8.91	R 80.7	6.64	22.1	6.38	92.4
February	E 5.15	6.34	9.85	NA	R 8.98	80.7	6.39	23.0	5.75	89.7
March	E 4.97	R 6.24	9.97	NA	R 8.88	78.3	5.86	22.2	5.47	93.4
April	E 5.20	6.33	R 10.52	NA	R 8.92	76.3	5.93	R 22.8	5.76	95.9
May	E 5.63	6.56	11.60	NA	9.04	73.2	6.27	22.7	6.27	90.6
June	E 5.85	6.92	13.05	NA	9.57	71.7	6.70	24.4	6.52	89.7
July	E 5.60	6.69	13.40	NA	9.49	71.3	6.24	24.7	NA	NA
7-Month Average	E 5.42	6.43	10.29	NA	9.01	77.9	6.30	23.1	NA	NA
2003 7-Month Average	E 5.22	6.01	9.23	NA	8.23	77.8	6.19	21.6	5.86	NA
2002 7-Month Average	2.69	3.91	7.66	NA	6.51	79.1	3.84	22.7	3.46	NA

<sup>a</sup> See Note 9 at end of section.

<sup>b</sup> Commercial sector, including commercial combined-heat-and-power (CHP) and commercial electricity-only plants. See note at end of Section 7.

<sup>c</sup> Industrial sector, including industrial combined-heat-and-power (CHP) and industrial electricity-only plants. See note at end of Section 7.

<sup>d</sup> The electric power sector comprises electricity-only and combined-heat-and-power (CHP) 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 electric utilities only; beginning in 2002, data also include independent power producers. See Note 8 at end of section for plant coverage.

<sup>e</sup> Includes taxes.

<sup>f</sup> The percentage of the sector's consumption in Table 4.4 for which price data are available.

R=Revised. NA=Not available. E=Estimate.

Notes: • Prices are for natural gas, plus a small amount of supplemental gaseous fuels that cannot be identified separately. • Prices are intended to include all taxes. See Note 9 at end of section. • Wellhead annual and year-to-date prices are simple averages of the monthly prices; all other annual and year-to-date prices are volume-weighted averages of the monthly prices. • Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Web Page: <http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/mer/prices.html>.

Sources: See end of section.