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# CURRENT COMMUNITY CONDITIONS ALASKA FUEL PRICE REPORT 

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## InTRODUCTION AND METHODOLOGY

The fuel price report contains a bi-annual collection of fuel prices quoted in 100 communities during the months of January and June. It illustrates current changes in fuel prices across Alaska, and also provides a historical perspective. The report highlights the price differences among Alaska communities and sheds light on the influence of transportation costs on the fuel prices at various locations. This, in part, explains the high costs of living in Alaska's remote locations.

To complement the fuel price information of Alaska communities, analysts at the Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA), include monthly Alaska North Slope (ANS) crude price information and the national average prices of gasoline and heating fuel. The nationwide heating fuel prices are tracked only during the heating season that starts in October and stretches into March of any given year.

In 2005,100 communities were strategically selected as survey participants to represent differing socioeconomic conditions in Alaska. Most of the rural communities had been recipients of the Alaska Energy Authority's bulk fuel project assistance. The selected communities lie in the Interior, Gulf Coast, Northern, Northwest, Southeast, Southwest, and Western regions (Appendix A-1). To accurately and consistently track longitudinal changes in fuel prices, the 2005 survey format and community sample were continually used to collect fuel information through 2012. Therefore, the communities and core questionnaire items have remained the same.

The current report contains the national fuel price and monthly ANS crude price averages from to January to June 2012, in addition to the statewide price quotations from the survey conducted between June 20 and July 13, 2012. Local fuel retailers in the selected communities were contacted via telephone and asked to provide current per-gallon prices on heating fuel \#1 and gasoline (Appendix A-2) on the date of the survey. All fuel price quotes reflect prices at the vendors' pump stations. Therefore, survey results are one-time measurements and are representative of retail fuel prices on the particular day of contact. Heating fuel and gasoline prices may have changed between the time of contact and the publication of this report.

## ALASKA NORTH SLOPE CRUDE AND NATIONAL FUEL PRICES

The shift of fuel prices in Alaska's communities over a given time period generally follow the ANS crude price trend. However, changes in transportation modes of fuel delivery and the cost of the existing inventory, held in bulk, also exert strong influences on current local fuel price levels.

Figure 1. Alaska North Slope Crude: March 2005 to June 2012


The price of ANS West Coast crude oil ${ }^{1}$ was tracked from March 2005 to June 2012 (Figure 1). During this period, the price was highest in June 2008, at $\$ 133.78$, and lowest in December 2008, when it dropped to $\$ 37.70$. During the latter half of 2009 , and most of 2010 , oil prices remained fairly stable. In the the fall of 2010, however, crude oil prices resumed their upward trend going from $\$ 75.27$ in September 2010 up to $\$ 120.86$ in April 2011, the highest price recorded since June 2008. The monthly average price in June 2012 was $\$ 98.06$ per barrel.

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has been tracking the national average price of gasoline ${ }^{2}$ since 1990. The gasoline price (all grades - conventional retail) peaked at $\$ 4.10$ per gallon in mid-July 2008, and dropped to $\$ 1.64$ per gallon by the end of December 2008. By early June

[^0]2009, the price had risen to $\$ 2.54$ per gallon and had remained mostly level until December of 2010, when it once again crested the $\$ 3$ per gallon mark. During 2012, the highest gasoline price registered at $\$ 3.93$ in early April, but fell to $\$ 3.34$ per gallon in July.

EIA also reports average residential heating prices. Heating fuel \#2 is the most common fuel type used nationwide but heating fuel \#1 is used mostly in Alaska communities since the latter is more suitable for cold temperatures. Therefore, price quotes are only representative of the type of heating fuel most commonly used in the respective locations.

As mentioned earlier, national average heating fuel $\# 2$ prices are tracked for the winter months from October to March only. In 2012, the average price during the heating season was $\$ 4.01$ per gallon. The current average (October 2011 - March 2012) was $\$ 3.92$ per gallon. Nationwide, a new high for heating fuel $\# 2$ registered at $\$ 4.11$ per gallon in March 2012, compared with a low of $\$ 3.68$ per gallon in October, 2011.

## Current Fuel Prices across Alaska

The prices of heating fuel \#1 and gasoline in 100 communities across seven regions of Alaska vary based on their location within Alaska and their proximity to the road system. Some communities impose sales taxes on the fuel while others do not.

## Table 1. July 2012: Heating Fuel \#1 Prices per Gallon across Alaska

|  | Gulf <br> Coast | Interior | Northern | Northwest | Southeast | Southwest | Western |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High | $\$ 7.03$ | $\$ 10.00$ | $\$ 3.60$ | $\$ 7.50$ | $\$ 5.87$ | $\$ 8.85$ | $\$ 7.81$ |
| Low | $\$ 3.75$ | $\$ 3.74$ | $\$ 1.40$ | $\$ 4.74$ | $\$ 4.06$ | $\$ 4.30$ | $\$ 5.47$ |
| Average | $\$ 5.03$ | $\$ 5.81$ | $\$ 1.94$ | $\$ 6.20$ | $\$ 4.82$ | $\$ 5.81$ | $\$ 6.64$ |

As shown in Table 1, Alaska communities in the Western Region reported the highest average heating fuel retail price at $\$ 6.64$ per gallon, while Northern communities reported the lowest average retail price at $\$ 1.94$ per gallon. The North Slope Borough subsidizes residential heating fuel costs in five of its seven communities. Excluding the Northern Region, Southeast Alaska communities experienced the lowest heating fuel prices. The relatively short distance to fuel distribution centers and year-round marine access contribute to the lowest Alaska heating fuel prices at an average of $\$ 4.82$ per gallon. This also holds true for the Gulf Coast Region, which has the next-lowest average price of $\$ 5.03$ per gallon. Although the Southwest Region has year-round marine access, the greater distance to distribution centers results in higher prices, with a current average of $\$ 5.81$.

In other parts of the state, many communities are located off the road system and have limited and, at times, impaired (mostly due to weather) waterway access. Such isolation contributes to higher fuel costs. In the Northern, Northwest, and Western regions, most communities depend on a few bulk fuel barge deliveries per year but only if weather and water levels allow it. Sometimes, fuel must be flown into the community, further increasing the cost for consumers.

Table 2. July 2012: Northern Region Heating Fuel \#1 and Gasoline Retail Prices

| Community | Community <br> Retailer |  | Heating Fuel Retail Price |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gasoline <br> Retail Price |  |  |  |  |
|  | Residential | Commercial | $\$ 9.65$ |  |
| Anaktuvuk Pass | Nunamiut <br> Corporation | $\$ 1.55$ | $\$ 9.25$ | $\$ 5.90$ |
| Atqasuk | Atqasuk Corporation | $\$ 1.40$ | $\$ 4.10$ | $\$ 5.90$ |
| Barrow | BUEC, Inc | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | $\$ 5.60$ |
| Kaktovik | Kaktovik Inupiat <br> Corporation | $\$ 3.60$ | $\$ 8.50$ | $\$ 5.00$ |
| Nuiqsut | Kuukpik <br> Corporation | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | $\$ 5.50$ |
| Point Hope | Tigara Corporation | $\$ 1.64$ | $\$ 6.35$ | $\$ 6.87$ |
| Wainwright | Olgoonik <br> Corporation | $\$ 1.50$ | $\$ 5.95$ | $\$$ |

Of noteworthy importance, the North Slope Borough (Northern Region) has village corporations that distribute fuel to residents throughout the Northern Region and, within the community, charge only a delivery fee on a per-gallon basis (Table 2). The North Slope Borough does not subsidize heating fuel for commercial use. Consequently, the retail price of heating fuel for commercial entities is significantly higher than for residences. Two Northern Region communities, Barrow and Nuiqsut, heat primarily with natural gas.

To accurately summarize statewide heating fuel prices, it is appropriate to exclude Northern Region communities because of the North Slope Borough subsidy for residential-use heating fuel and natural gas connections. On average, excluding the seven Northern communities, heating fuel retailed at $\$ 5.83$ per gallon across the remaining surveyed Alaska communities. Arctic Village (Interior Region) reported the highest heating fuel retail price at $\$ 10.00$ per gallon (see Appendix A2). In contrast, the City of Delta Junction (Interior Region) reported the lowest heating fuel price in July 2012 at $\$ 3.74$ per gallon.

## Table 3. July 2012: Gasoline Prices per Gallon across Alaska

|  | Gulf <br> Coast | Interior | Northern | Northwest | Southeast | Southwest | Western |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High | $\$ 7.13$ | $\$ 10.00$ | $\$ 9.65$ | $\$ 7.60$ | $\$ 6.01$ | $\$ 9.09$ | $\$ 8.03$ |
| Low | $\$ 4.15$ | $\$ 4.08$ | $\$ 5.00$ | $\$ 5.00$ | $\$ 3.92$ | $\$ 4.70$ | $\$ 6.00$ |
| Average | $\$ 5.31$ | $\$ 6.12$ | $\$ 6.35$ | $\$ 6.36$ | $\$ 4.74$ | $\$ 6.23$ | $\$ 6.91$ |

As Table 3 illustrates, average gasoline prices per gallon varied across Alaska by region. Communities in the Western Region reported the highest average gasoline retail price at $\$ 6.91$ per
gallon and Southeast Region communities reported the lowest average retail price at $\$ 4.74$ per gallon. Statewide retail prices indicate significant variation in gasoline price. Specifically, Arctic Village, the local tribal organization (Interior Region), received its gasoline by airlift and reported the highest gasoline price at $\$ 10.00$ per gallon. Petro Marine in Petersburg (Southeast Region) reported the lowest gasoline retail price at $\$ 3.92$ per gallon. On average, gasoline retailed for $\$ 6.11$ per gallon across the 100 surveyed Alaska communities. ${ }^{3}$

In the Gulf Coast and Interior regions, some communities lie on the road system, and others do not. This causes heating fuel prices to differ between the two groups (Table 4). This contrast is stronger in the Interior, where the average prices for heating oil and gasoline for communities off the road system were $\$ 2.39$ and $\$ 2.33$ higher, respectively, than the average prices for communities on the road system. In the Gulf Coast Region, where many of the communities can be served year-round by road or barge, the average price was $\$ 1.46$ higher for heating fuel and $\$ 1.25$ higher for gasoline for communities off the road system than the average price for communities on the road system.

## Table 4. July 2012: On the Road System and Off the Road System, Prices in the Gulf Coast and Interior Regions

| Gulf Coast | On Road <br> System | Off Road <br> System | Interior | On Road <br> System | Off Road <br> System |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Heating Fuel: |  |  | Heating Fuel: |  |  |
| High | $\$ 4.20$ | $\$ 7.03$ | High | $\$ 4.95$ | $\$ 10.00$ |
| Low | $\$ 3.75$ | $\$ 3.95$ | Low | $\$ 3.74$ | $\$ 5.00$ |
| Average | $\$ 4.06$ | $\$ 5.52$ | Average | $\$ 4.26$ | $\$ 6.65$ |
| Gasoline: |  |  | Gasoline: |  |  |
| High | $\$ 4.68$ | $\$ 7.13$ | High | $\$ 5.70$ | $\$ 10.00$ |
| Low | $\$ 4.15$ | $\$ 4.41$ | Low | $\$ 4.08$ | $\$ 5.50$ |
| Average | $\$ 4.52$ | $\$ 5.77$ | Average | $\$ 4.72$ | $\$ 7.05$ |

[^1]
## Change in Fuel Prices across Alaska

Since June 2011, the heating fuel prices in Alaska have been increasing overall. Excluding the Northern Region communities, the statewide average per gallon heating fuel price rose from $\$ 5.54$ in June 2011, to $\$ 5.83$ in July 2012 (Figure 2). This $\$ 0.29$ per gallon price change represents a 5 percent increase in the statewide average heating fuel price per gallon. Prices in the Western ( $+16 \%$ ), Northern ( $+11 \%$ ), Northwest ( $+5 \%$ ), Interior ( $+4 \%$ ), Southwest ( $+2 \%$ ), and Gulf Coast ( $+1 \%$ ) regions increased from June 2011 to July 2012. Prices in the Southeast ( $-1 \%$ ) region declined (Figure $3)$.

Figure 2. Trend in Average Alaska Fuel Price


The statewide average gasoline price also increased from June 2011 to July 2012, rising from $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6.11$ per gallon (Figure 2). This $\$ 0.36$ per gallon average price increase represents a 6 percent increase in the statewide average price per gallon of gasoline. Gasoline prices per gallon increased in most regions - Northern ( $+18 \%$ ), Western ( $+8 \%$ ), Northwest ( $+7 \%$ ), Southwest ( $+6 \%$ ), Gulf Coast ( $+5 \%$ ), and Interior ( $+4 \%$ ) (Figure 4).

## Figure 3. Heating Fuel Prices by Region



Figure 4. Gasoline Prices by Region


## Summary

During June and July 2012, current retail heating fuel \#1 and gasoline prices were collected from 100 select communities across Alaska. Disregarding the subsidized heating fuel prices of the Northern Region, retail prices per gallon ranged from $\$ 3.74$ (Delta Junction) to $\$ 10.00$ (Arctic Village). Overall, the average heating fuel price for the state of Alaska (excluding the subsidized Northern Region) was $\$ 5.83$ in June and July 2012; whereas, the most recent national average (March 2012) was $\$ 4.10$. Retail prices per gallon of gasoline across the state of Alaska in June and July 2012, ranged from $\$ 3.92$ (Petersburg) to $\$ 10$ (Arctic Village), with an average of $\$ 6.10$. In comparison, the national average gasoline price in June and July 2012, was $\$ 3.48$ per gallon.

In general, average Alaska heating fuel and gasoline prices are slightly lower than their peak in the summer of 2008. They have, however, increased by 5 percent and 6 percent respectively, since June 2011, compared with a decrease of 12 percent in ANS crude prices over the same period. Although fuel prices are comparable to late 2008, they are still significantly higher than in November 2005, when the survey was first initiated. Since November 2005, the statewide average cost of heating fuel has increased 68 percent from $\$ 3.48$, and the statewide average cost of gasoline has increased 59 percent from $\$ 3.83$.

These increased fuel and energy costs continue to present rural Alaska communities and households with challenging circumstances.


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## Appendix A-2: Community Heating Fuel and Gasoline July 2012

| Community | Region | Community Retailer: (entity selling fuel) | Heating <br> Fuel \#1 <br> 07/2012 <br> Retail: <br> (selling price <br> per galon $\$ \$$ | Percent (\%) <br> $+/-07 / 2012$ <br> Statewide <br> Heating <br> Fuel <br> Average <br> (\$5.83*): | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & +/- \\ & 01 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail: } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { (seling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gasoline } \\ & 07 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail } \\ & \text { Price } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon- } \\ \$ \$ \text { ) } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Percent (\%) <br> +/- 07/2012 <br> Statewide <br> Gasoline <br> Average <br> (\$6.10): | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent } \\ +/- \\ 1 / 2012 \\ \text { Retail: } \\ \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chenega Bay | Gulf Coast | Chenega Bay Utility | \$7.03 | 20\% | 6\% | \$7.13 | 17\% | 5\% |
| Chitina $\triangle$ | Gulf Coast | Chitina Services | \$4.15 | -29\% | 2\% | \$4.68 | -23\% | 12\% |
| Cordova | Gulf Coast | Hovers Mover | \$4.60 | -21\% | 5\% | \$5.09 | -17\% | 6\% |
| Glennallen $\triangle$ | Gulf Coast | Crowley | \$4.15 | -29\% | 2\% | \$4.68 | -23\% | 12\% |
| Homer $\triangle$ | Gulf Coast | Home Run Oil | \$3.75 | -36\% | -2\% | \$4.58 | -25\% | 11\% |
| Kodiak | Gulf Coast | Petro Marine | \$3.95 | -32\% | -2\% | \$4.41 | -28\% | 5\% |
| Larsen Bay | Gulf Coast | City of Larsen Bay | \$5.46 | -6\% | -2\% | \$6.31 | 3\% | 0\% |
| Old Harbor | Gulf Coast | City of Old Harbor | \$6.50 | 11\% | N/A | \$7.13 | 17\% | N/A |
| Ouzinkie $\dagger$ | Gulf Coast | Ouzinkie Native Corporation | \$4.80 | -18\% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Port Lions | Gulf Coast | Kizhuyak Oil Sales | \$6.53 | 12\% | 27\% | \$4.90 | -20\% | 0\% |
| Seldovia | Gulf Coast | Seldovia Fuel and Lube | \$5.29 | -9\% | 2\% | \$5.40 | -12\% | 0\% |
| Valdez $\Delta$ | Gulf Coast | North Pacific | \$4.20 | -28\% | -2\% | \$4.15 | -32\% | -10\% |
| Alatna | Interior | Alatna Village | \$6.50 | 11\% | -7\% | \$7.50 | 23\% | 7\% |
| Anderson $\Delta$ | Interior | Nenana Heating | \$3.97 | -32\% | -6\% | \$4.33 | -29\% | 2\% |
| Anvik | Interior | Deloyges, Inc. | \$5.75 | -1\% | 10\% | \$5.50 | -10\% | 0\% |
| Arctic Village | Interior | Arctic Village | \$10.00 | 71\% | N/A | \$10.00 | 64\% | 0\% |
| Circle $\Delta$ | Interior | Central Corner (HF); Village of Circle (Gas) | N/A | N/A | N/A | \$5.55 | -9\% | 11\% |
| Delta Junction $\Delta$ | Interior | Delta Fuel | \$3.74 | -36\% | -6\% | \$4.29 | -30\% | 9\% |
| Eagle $\Delta$ | Interior | Telegraph Hill Services | \$4.75 | -19\% | 0\% | \$5.00 | -18\% | 0\% |

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| Community | Region | Community <br> Retailer: <br> (entity seling fuel) | Heating Fuel \#1 07/2012 Retail: (selling price \$\$) | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Percent (\%) } \\ +/-07 / 2012 \\ \text { Statewide } \\ \text { Heating } \\ \text { Fuel } \\ \text { Average } \\ \left(\$ 5.83^{*}\right): \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & +/- \\ & 01 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail: } \\ & \text { (selling price } \\ & \text { per gallon) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gasoline } \\ & 07 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail } \\ & \text { Price: } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { selling price } \\ \text { per gllon- } \\ \text { s } \$ \text { ) } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Percent (\%) <br> +/- 07/2012 <br> Statewide <br> Gasoline <br> Average <br> (\$6.10): | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent } \\ +/- \\ 1 / 2012 \\ \text { Retail: } \\ \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fairbanks $\Delta$ | Interior | Alaska Petroleum | \$3.78 | -35\% | -4\% | \$4.08 | -33\% | 7\% |
| Galena | Interior | Crowley Marine Services | \$5.97 | 2\% | 14\% | \$6.91 | 13\% | 12\% |
| Grayling | Interior | HYL Grayling Fuel Company | \$5.00 | -14\% | 0\% | \$6.00 | -2\% | 0\% |
| Healy ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Interior | Fisher Fuel | \$4.69 | -20\% | 11\% | \$4.50 | -26\% | 8\% |
| Holy Cross | Interior | Holy Cross Oil Company | \$6.87 | 18\% | 0\% | \$7.32 | 20\% | 0\% |
| Hughes | Interior | City of Hughes | \$9.50 | 63\% | 6\% | \$8.25 | 35\% | 0\% |
| Huslia | Interior | Huslia Gas \& Oil | \$7.00 | 20\% | 17\% | \$7.00 | 15\% | 40\% |
| Kaltag | Interior | Kaltag <br> Cooperative | \$5.75 | -1\% | 0\% | \$6.00 | -2\% | 0\% |
| McGrath | Interior | Crowley | \$7.47 | 28\% | 0\% | \$7.39 | 21\% | 3\% |
| Minto $\Delta$ | Interior | North Fork Store | \$4.95 | -15\% | -2\% | \$5.70 | -7\% | 3\% |
| Nenana $\Delta$ | Interior | Nenana Heating | \$3.97 | -32\% | -4\% | \$4.33 | -29\% | 4\% |
| Nulato | Interior | City of Nulato | \$5.50 | -6\% | -4\% | \$6.50 | 6\% | 8\% |
| Ruby | Interior | Dineega Fuel Company | \$5.60 | -4\% | 6\% | \$6.20 | 1\% | 5\% |
| Tanana $\dagger$ | Interior | Tanana Tribal Council | \$5.50 | -6\% | 0\% | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Anaktuvuk Pass | Northern | Nunamiut Corporation | \$1.55 | -73\% | 0\% | \$9.65 | 58\% | 0\% |
| Atqasuk | Northern | Atqasuk Corporation | \$1.40 | -76\% | 0\% | \$5.90 | -3\% | 44\% |
| Barrow | Northern | Eskimos Inc. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Natural } \\ \text { Gas } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | N/A | N/A | \$5.90 | -3\% | 3\% |
| Kaktovik | Northern | Kaktovik Inupiat Corporation | \$3.60 | -38\% | 38\% | \$5.60 | -8\% | 22\% |
| Nuiqsut | Northern | Kuukpik Corporation | Natural Gas | N/A | N/A | \$5.00 | -18\% | 0\% |
| Point Hope | Northern | Tigara Corporation | \$1.64 | -72\% | 0\% | \$5.50 | -10\% | 0\% |
| Wainwright | Northern | Olgoonik <br> Corporation | \$1.50 | -74\% | 0\% | \$6.87 | 12\% | 0\% |

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| Community | Region | Community Retailer: (entity selling fuel) | Heating <br> Fuel \#1 <br> 07/2012 <br> Retail: <br> (selling pric <br> \$\$) | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Percent (\%) } \\ +/-07 / 2002 \\ \text { Statewide } \\ \text { Heating } \\ \text { Fuel } \\ \text { Average } \\ \left(\$ 5.83^{*}\right): \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Percent +/01/2012 Retail: per gallon) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gasoline } \\ & 07 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail } \\ & \text { Price: } \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per glllon- } \\ \$ \$ \text { ) } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Percent (\%) <br> +/- 07/2012 <br> Statewide <br> Gasoline <br> Average <br> (\$6.10): | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent } \\ +/- \\ 1 / 2012 \\ \text { Retail: } \\ \begin{array}{c} \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brevig Mission | Northwest | Brevig Mission <br> Native Store | \$4.74 | -19\% | 0\% | \$5.09 | -17\% | 0\% |
| Deering | Northwest | Deering IRA | \$6.25 | 7\% | 0\% | \$6.49 | 6\% | 3\% |
| Gambell | Northwest | ANICA (Gambell Native Store) | \$6.75 | 16\% | 0\% | \$7.01 | 15\% | 0\% |
| Golovin | Northwest | Golovin Public Utilities | \$5.00 | -14\% | 0\% | \$5.00 | -18\% | 0\% |
| Kiana | Northwest | City of Kiana | \$7.00 | 20\% | 0\% | \$7.50 | 23\% | 0\% |
| Kotzebue | Northwest | Crowley | \$5.68 | -3\% | -4\% | \$5.73 | -6\% | -4\% |
| Koyuk | Northwest | Koyuk Native Corporation | \$6.50 | 11\% | 0\% | \$6.13 | 0\% | 0\% |
| Noorvik | Northwest | Morris Trading Post | \$7.50 | 29\% | 30\% | \$7.60 | 24\% | 23\% |
| Saint Michael | Northwest | Saint Michael Fuel Company | \$6.76 | 16\% | 0\% | \$6.19 | 1\% | 1\% |
| Savoonga | Northwest | ANICA <br> (Savoonga Native Store) | \$5.61 | -4\% | 0\% | \$6.02 | -1\% | 0\% |
| Shishmaref | Northwest | Shishmaref Native Store | \$6.45 | 11\% | 0\% | \$6.99 | 14\% | 0\% |
| Stebbins | Northwest | Tapraq Fuel Company | \$6.99 | 20\% | 0\% | \$7.10 | 16\% | 0\% |
| Teller | Northwest | Teller Native Fuel Business | \$5.73 | -2\% | 3\% | \$6.42 | 5\% | 3\% |
| Unalakleet | Northwest | Unalakleet Native Corporation | \$6.30 | 8\% | 0\% | \$6.30 | 3\% | 0\% |
| Wales | Northwest | Wales Native Store | \$6.72 | 15\% | -13\% | \$6.50 | 6\% | -13\% |
| White Mountain | Northwest | White Mountain Native Store | \$5.25 | -10\% | 0\% | \$5.65 | -8\% | 2\% |
| Angoon | Southeast | Angoon Oil and Gas | \$5.32 | -9\% | 2\% | \$5.09 | -17\% | 0\% |
| Craig | Southeast | Petro Marine | \$4.43 | -24\% | 10\% | \$4.33 | -29\% | -1\% |
| Gustavus | Southeast | Gustavus Dray Gustavus Propane | \$5.11 | -12\% | 5\% | \$5.14 | -16\% | 5\% |
| Hoonah | Southeast | Hoonah Trading | \$4.69 | -20\% | 4\% | \$4.33 | -29\% | -1\% |
| Juneau | Southeast | Delta West. (HF) <br> Fred Meyer (Gas) | \$4.06 | -30\% | -6\% | \$4.34 | -29\% | 9\% |

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| Community | Region | Community Retailer: (entity selling fuel) | Heating <br> Fuel \#1 <br> 07/2012 <br> Retail: <br> (selling price <br> per gallo $\$$ ) | Percent (\%) <br> $+/-07 / 2012$ <br> Statewide <br> Heating <br> Fuel <br> Average <br> $(\$ 5.83 *):$ | Percent +/01/2012 Retail: per gallon) | Gasoline <br> 07/2012 <br> Retail <br> Price: <br> (selling price <br> $\underset{\substack{\text { p } \\ \text { er galo }}}{ }$ | Percent (\%) <br> $+/-07 / 2012$ <br> Statewide <br> Gasoline <br> Average <br> (\$6.10): | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent } \\ +/- \\ 1 / 2012 \\ \text { Retail: } \\ \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kake | Southeast | Kake Tribal Fuel | \$5.87 | 1\% | 7\% | \$6.01 | -2\% | 1\% |
| Pelican | Southeast | Pelican Fuel | \$5.24 | -10\% | 6\% | \$5.09 | -17\% | 3\% |
| Petersburg | Southeast | Petro Marine | \$4.12 | -29\% | 2\% | \$3.92 | -36\% | -10\% |
| Point Baker | Southeast | Point Baker Trading Post | \$5.10 | -13\% | -4\% | \$4.95 | -19\% | 0\% |
| Thorne Bay | Southeast | Petro Marine (HF) Bayview (Gas) | \$4.43 | -24\% | 7\% | \$4.67 | -24\% | 3\% |
| Wrangell | Southeast | Wrangell Oil | \$4.64 | -20\% | 4\% | \$4.30 | -30\% | 1\% |
| Akutan | Southwest | City of Akutan | \$4.30 | -26\% | 13\% | \$4.80 | -21\% | 0\% |
| Atka | Southwest | Atka Native Store | \$8.85 | 52\% | 19\% | \$9.09 | 49\% | 18\% |
| Chignik $\dagger$ | Southwest | City of Chignik <br> (HF); Trident (Gas) | \$5.06 | -13\% | 20\% | \$4.93 | -19\% | 3\% |
| Clark's Point | Southwest | City of Clark's <br> Point | \$6.00 | 3\% | -25\% | \$6.00 | -2\% | 0\% |
| Dillingham | Southwest | Delta Western | \$5.30 | -9\% | 3\% | \$6.82 | 12\% | 9\% |
| King Cove | Southwest | Peter Pan Seafood | \$4.40 | -25\% | -17\% | \$5.15 | -16\% | -3\% |
| Kokhanok | Southwest | Kokhanok Tribal Council | \$7.86 | 35\% | 0\% | \$8.00 | 31\% | 0\% |
| Nelson Lagoon | Southwest | Nelson Lagoon Enterprises | \$5.50 | -6\% | -8\% | \$5.65 | -8\% | -12\% |
| New Stuyahok | Southwest | New Stuyahok Village Corp. | \$6.31 | 8\% | -4\% | \$6.43 | 5\% | -4\% |
| Nondalton | Southwest | City of Nondalton | \$6.59 | 13\% | -1\% | \$7.79 | 27\% | 18\% |
| Saint George | Southwest | Delta Fuel Company | N/A | N/A | N/A | \$6.26 | 2\% | 3\% |
| Sand Point | Southwest | TDX Svcs (HF); Trident (gas) | \$4.78 | -18\% | -7\% | \$5.02 | -18\% | 4\% |
| Togiak | Southwest | Togiak Natives Limited | \$5.90 | 1\% | 1\% | \$6.60 | 8\% | 2\% |
| Unalaska | Southwest | Delta Western | \$4.64 | -20\% | 2\% | \$4.70 | -23\% | 4\% |
| Akiak | Western | Kokarmiut Corporation | \$6.85 | 17\% | 0\% | \$7.40 | 21\% | 9\% |

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| Community | Region | Community Retailer: (entity selling fuel) | Heating <br> Fuel \#1 <br> 07/2012 <br> Retail: <br> (selling price <br> per gallo $\$$ ) | Percent (\%) <br> $+/-07 / 2012$ <br> Statewide <br> Heating <br> Fuel <br> Average <br> $(\$ 5.83 *):$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & +/- \\ & 01 / 2012 \\ & \text { Retail: } \\ & \text { (seling ricice } \\ & \text { per gallon) } \end{aligned}$ | Gasoline $07 / 2012$ <br> Retail <br> Price: <br> (selling price <br> \$S) | Percent (\%) <br> $+/-07 / 2012$ <br> Statewide <br> Gasoline <br> Average <br> (\$6.10): | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent } \\ +/- \\ 1 / 2012 \\ \text { Retail: } \\ \begin{array}{c} \text { (selling price } \\ \text { per gallon) } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ |
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| Atmautluak | Western | Atmautluak Limited | \$7.81 | 34\% | 45\% | \$7.30 | 19\% | 6\% |
| Bethel | Western | Crowley | \$6.40 | 10\% | 11\% | \$6.59 | 8\% | 10\% |
| Emmonak | Western | Emmonak Corp. Tank Farm | \$6.54 | 12\% | -3\% | \$6.54 | 7\% | -3\% |
| Goodnews Bay | Western | Mumtram Pikkai Village Corp. | \$5.47 | -6\% | 3\% | \$6.17 | 1\% | 0\% |
| Hooper Bay | Western | Crowley Marine | \$7.09 | 22\% | 0\% | \$6.98 | 14\% | 0\% |
| Kotlik | Western | Kotlik Yupik Enterprises | \$6.10 | 5\% | -8\% | \$6.70 | 10\% | -8\% |
| Kwigillingok | Western | KWIK Marina Inc. | \$6.45 | 11\% | 0\% | \$6.60 | 8\% | 0\% |
| Marshall | Western | Maserculiq Inc. | \$5.76 | -1\% | -11\% | \$6.94 | 14\% | 1\% |
| Mountain Village | Western | Azachorak Fuel | \$7.31 | 25\% | -3\% | \$7.25 | 19\% | -3\% |
| Nunapitchuk | Western | Nunapitchuk LTD. | \$7.02 | 20\% | 2\% | \$7.30 | 19\% | 22\% |
| Pilot Station | Western | Pilot Station Native Corporation | \$7.32 | 25\% | 4\% | \$8.03 | 31\% | 4\% |
| Quinhagak | Western | Qanirtuuq Corporation | \$6.25 | 7\% | 4\% | \$6.50 | 6\% | -7\% |
| Russian Mission | Western | Russian Mission Corporation | \$5.75 | -1\% | 0\% | \$6.20 | 1\% | 0\% |
| Scammon Bay | Western | Askinuk Corporation | \$7.41 | 27\% | 1\% | \$7.41 | 21\% | 1\% |
| Sleetmute | Western | Henry Hill Store | \$7.30 | 25\% | -1\% | \$7.85 | 28\% | 5\% |
| Toksook Bay | Western | Nunakauiak Yupik Corporation | \$6.06 | 4\% | -17\% | \$6.00 | -2\% | -20\% |
| Tuntutuliak | Western | Qinarmiut Corporation | \$6.80 | 17\% | 0\% | \$7.00 | 15\% | 0\% |
| Upper Kalskag | Western | City of Upper Kalskag | \$6.50 | 11\% | 0\% | \$6.50 | 6\% | 0\% |

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[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ At the time of the June/July 2012 survey, gasoline was not sold in Chignik, Ouzinkie, and Tanana.

[^2]:    * Heating fuel average does not include Northern communities, whose residential fuel is subsidized by the North Slope Borough.
    $\Delta$ Community is on the road system; this only applies to communities in the Gulf Coast and Interior regions.
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