



WEEKLY NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE

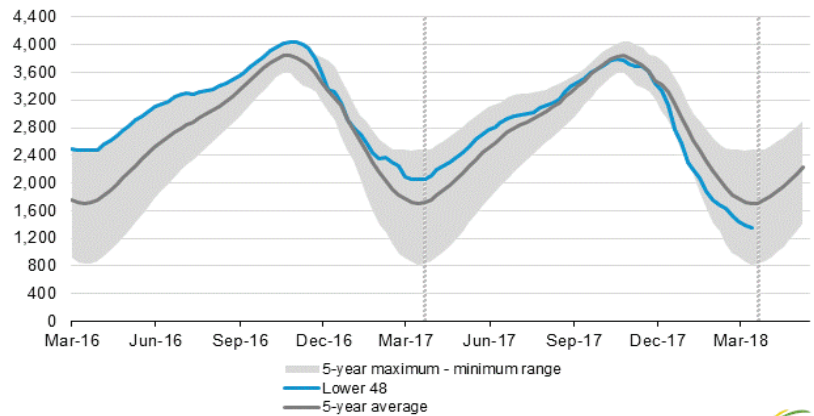
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The May-2018 NYMEX natural gas contract closed Friday at \$2.701, down \$0.032 for the week. The 12-month strip average price of natural gas fell by \$0.016 over the same period. The May-2018 NYMEX crude oil contract closed Friday at \$62.06, down \$2.88 for the week. Updated weather forecasts released by the NOAA continue to suggest that below normal temperatures are likely to persist across most of US through at least late this month. Baker Hughes reported on Friday that the US natural gas rig count was unchanged at 194 while total rigs (gas/oil combined) rose by 10 to 1003. In its most recent natural gas storage data, the EIA reported a withdrawal of 29 Bcf (includes a one-time -9 Bcf reclassification from working gas) from national inventories, a number at the low end of consensus market expectations. Early estimates for this week's report indicate an expected withdrawal in the range of 10 to 20 Bcf vs. a withdrawal of 9 Bcf for the same week last year and a 5-yr avg. withdrawal of 9 Bcf.

EIA NATURAL GAS STORAGE REPORT
Week Ending March 30, 2018

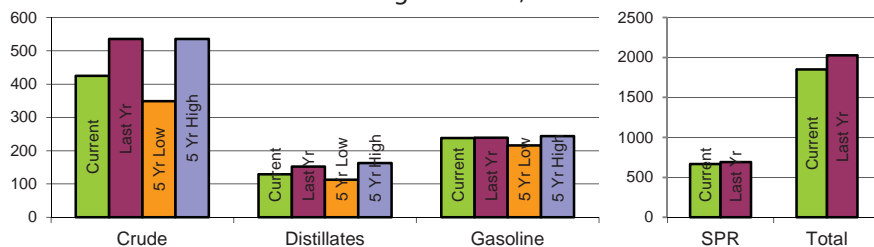
Region	Inv. Level	Week Δ	Year Ago	5yr Avg.
East	229	-13	269	284
Midwest	266	-18	480	356
Mountain	87	-1	142	122
Pacific	166	-0-	215	220
S. Central	606	+3	944	718
Total	1354	-29	2051	1701

WORKING GAS IN UNDERGROUND STORAGE
COMPARED WITH 5-YEAR RANGE



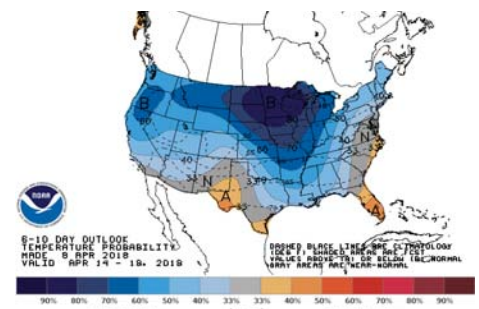
Storage Highlights: Working gas in storage was 1,354 Bcf as of Friday, March 30, 2018, according to EIA estimates. This represents a net decrease of 29 Bcf from the previous week. Stocks were 697 Bcf less than last year at this time and 347 Bcf below the five-year average of 1,701 Bcf. At 1,354 Bcf, total working gas is within the five-year historical range.

EIA PETROLEUM INVENTORY (BARRELS X 1000)
Week Ending March 30, 2018

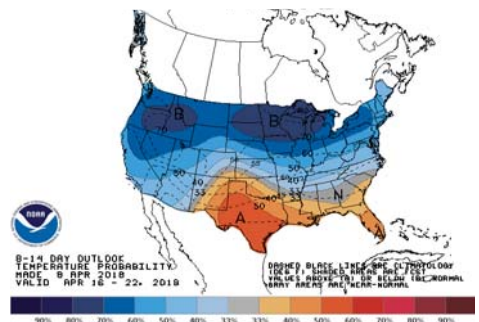


U.S. commercial crude oil inventories (excluding those in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve) decreased by 4.6 million barrels from the previous week. At 425.3 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories are in the lower half of the average range for this time of year. Total motor gasoline inventories decreased by 1.1 million barrels last week, but are in the upper limit of the average range. Both finished gasoline inventories and blending components inventories decreased last week. Distillate fuel inventories increased by 0.5 million barrels last week but are in the lower half of the average range for this time of year. Propane/propylene inventories increased by 0.6 million barrels last week, but are in the lower half of the average range. Total commercial petroleum inventories decreased by 3.9 million barrels last week.

6-10 DAY TEMP OUTLOOK (NOAA)



8-14 DAY TEMP OUTLOOK (NOAA)



BAKER HUGHES US NATURAL GAS RIG COUNT, 04/06/2018

	This Week	+/-	Last Week	+/-	Year Ago
Gas Rigs	194	-0-	194	+29	165