

WEEKLY NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE

The Dec-2021 NYMEX natural gas contract expired Friday at \$5,447 up \$0,382 for the week. The 12-month strip average price of natural gas rose by \$0.290 over the same period. The Jan-2022 NYMEX crude oil contract closed Friday at \$68.15, down \$7.79 for the week. Updated forecasts from the NOAA suggest that above normal temperatures are likely for almost all of US through at least ~mid-December. The 2021 tropical Atlantic hurricane season officially ends tomorrow, 11/30. Baker Hughes reported on Friday that the US natural gas rig count was unchanged at 102 while total rigs (gas/oil combined) were up 6 to 569. In its most recent natural gas storage data, the EIA reported a withdrawal of 21 Bcf from national inventories, a number in line with consensus market expectations. Early estimates for this week's report indicate an expected withdrawal in the range of 50 to 60 Bcf vs. a withdrawal of 4 Bcf for the same week last year and a 5-yr avg. withdrawal of 31 Bcf.



EIA NATURAL GAS STORAGE REPORT Week Ending November 19, 2021



Storage Highlights: Working gas in storage was 3,623 Bcf as of Friday, November 19, 2021, according to EIA estimates. This represents a net decrease of 21 Bcf from the previous week. Stocks were 320 Bcf less than last year at this time and 58 Bcf below the five-year average of 3,681 Bcf. At 3,623 Bcf, total working gas is within the five-year historical range. (Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding)



U.S. commercial crude oil inventories (excluding those in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve) increased by 1.0 million barrels from the previous week. At 434.0 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories are about 7% below the five year average for this time of year. Total motor gasoline inventories decreased by 0.6 million barrels last week and are about 6% below the five year average for this time of year. Finished gasoline inventories increased while blending components inventories decreased last week. Distillate fuel inventories decreased by 2.0 million barrels last week and are about 8% below the five year average for this time of year. Propane/propylene inventories decreased by 1.0 million barrels last week and are about 13% below the five year average for this time of year. Total commercial petroleum inventories decreased by 6.0 million barrels last week.

BAKER HUGHES US NATURAL GAS RIG COUNT, 11/24/2021					
	This Week	+/-	Last Week	+/-	Year Ago
Gas Rigs	102	-0-	102	+25	77





WORKING GAS IN UNDERGROUND STORAGE

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