

### WEEKLY NATURAL GAS MARKET UPDATE

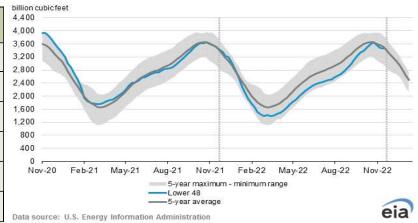
## **DECEMBER 12, 2022**

The Jan-2023 NYMEX natural gas contract closed Friday at \$6.245, down \$0.036 for the week. The 12-month strip average price of natural gas fell by \$0.036 over the same period. The Jan-2023 NYMEX crude oil contract closed Friday at \$71.02, down \$8.96 for the week. Most recent NOAA forecasts suggest that below normal temperatures will prevail over most of the US through the end of the month. Later this week the NOAA will release its updated outlook for the balance of winter and beyond. Baker Hughes reported on Friday that the US natural gas rig count was down 2 to 153 while total rigs (gas/oil combined) were down 4 to 780. In its most recent natural gas storage data, the EIA reported a withdrawal of 21 Bcf from national inventories, a number in line with 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 83 Bcf for the same week last year and a 5-yr avg. withdrawal of 93 Bcf.

### EIA NATURAL GAS STORAGE REPORT Week Ending December 2, 2022

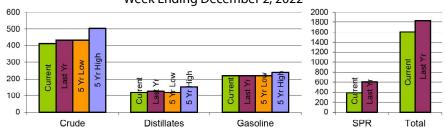
#### Region Inv. Level Week A Year Ago 5yr Avg. 834 846 -6 852 East Midwest 1028 -12 1022 1023 Mountain 193 -4 206 205 **Pacific** 217 -9 266 284 S. Central 1191 +10 1173 1157 Total 3462 -21 3513 3520

# WORKING GAS IN UNDERGROUND STORAGE COMPARED WITH 5-YEAR RANGE



Storage Highlights: Working gas in storage was 3,462 Bcf as of Friday, December 2, 2022, according to EIA estimates. This represents a net decrease of 21 Bcf from the previous week. Stocks were 51 Bcf less than last year at this time and 58 Bcf below the five-year average of 3,520 Bcf. At 3,462 Bcf, total working gas is within the five-year historical range. (Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding)

### EIA PETROLEUM INVENTORY (BARRELS X 1000) Week Ending December 2, 2022

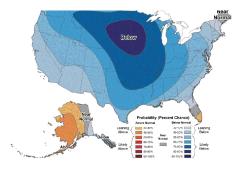


U.S. commercial crude oil inventories (excluding those in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve) decreased by 5.2 million barrels from the previous week. At 413.9 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories are about 9% below the five year average for this time of year. Total motor gasoline inventories increased by 5.3 million barrels from last week and are about 3% below the five year average for this time of year. Finished gasoline inventories decreased, while blending components inventories increased last week. Distillate fuel inventories increased by 6.2 million barrels last week and are about 9% below the five year average for this time of year. Propane/ propylene inventories decreased by 1.0 million barrels from last week and are 14% above the five year average for this time of year. Total commercial petroleum inventories increased by 5.9 million barrels last week.

### BAKER HUGHES US NATURAL GAS RIG COUNT, 12/09/2022

	This Week	+/-	Last Week	+/-	Year Ago
Gas Rigs	153	-2	155	48	105

### 8-14 DAY TEMP OUTLOOK (NOAA)



### 3-4 WEEK TEMP OUTLOOK (NOAA)

