

Summary of Weekly Petroleum Data for the Week Ending October 23, 2015

U.S. crude oil refinery inputs averaged over 15.6 million barrels per day during the week ending October 23, 2015, 271,000 barrels per day more than the previous week's average. Refineries operated at 87.6% of their operable capacity last week. Gasoline production increased last week, averaging 9.7 million barrels per day. Distillate fuel production increased last week, averaging 4.9 million barrels per day.

U.S. crude oil imports averaged over 7.0 million barrels per day last week, down by 439,000 barrels per day from the previous week. Over the last four weeks, crude oil imports averaged over 7.2 million barrels per day, 3.8% below the same four-week period last year. Total motor gasoline imports (including both finished gasoline and gasoline blending components) last week averaged 722,000 barrels per day. Distillate fuel imports averaged 108,000 barrels per day last week.

U.S. commercial crude oil inventories (excluding those in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve) increased by 3.4 million barrels from the previous week. At 480.0 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories remain near levels not seen for this time of year in at least the last 80 years. Total motor gasoline inventories decreased by 1.1 million barrels last week, but are above the upper limit of the average range. Both finished gasoline inventories and blending components inventories decreased last week. Distillate fuel inventories decreased by 3.0 million barrels last week but are in the middle of the average range for this time of year. Propane/propylene inventories remain unchanged last week and are well above the upper limit of the average range. Total commercial petroleum inventories decreased by 3.7 million barrels last week.

Total products supplied over the last four-week period averaged over 19.5 million barrels per day, up by 1.0% from the same period last year. Over the last four weeks, motor gasoline product supplied averaged over 9.1 million barrels per day, up by 3.4% from the same period last year. Distillate fuel product supplied averaged about 4.0 million barrels per day over the last four weeks, up by 10.0% from the same period last year. Jet fuel product supplied is up 1.9% compared to the same four-week period last year.