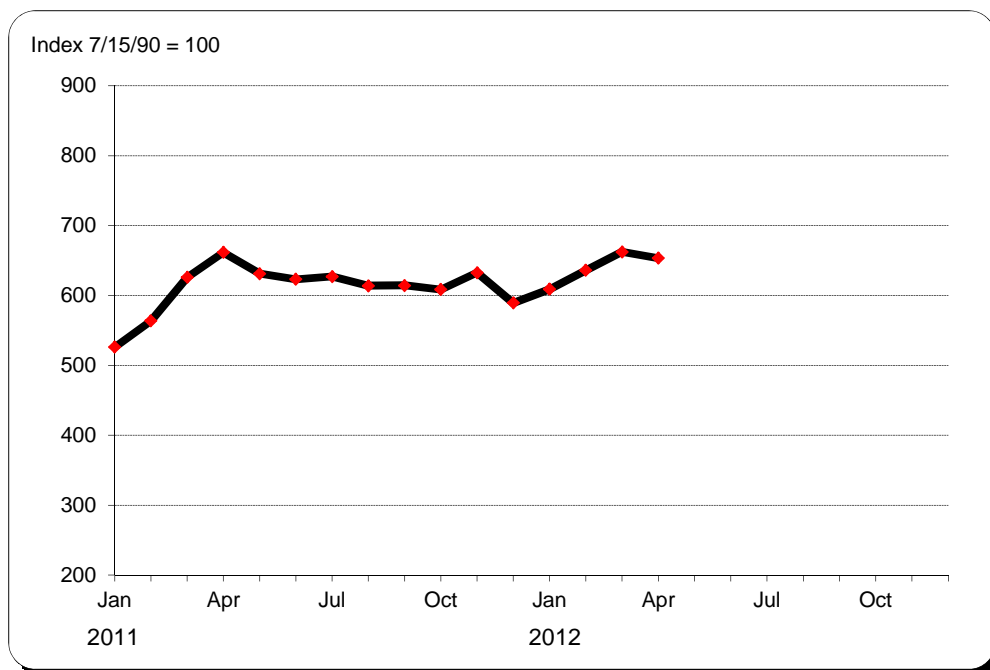

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Prices through April 2012



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Data

- The price data, which include federal excise taxes, transportation, and handling expenses, represent the average monthly price paid for gallons purchased by freight railroads during each month.

Collection

- Railroad diesel fuel prices are collected by the Association of American Railroads (AAR) as sub-components of railroad costs reflected in both the AAR's *Railroad Cost Recovery Indexes* (RCR) and the Surface Transportation Board's *Rail Cost Adjustment Factor* (RCAF).
- Because fuel prices are an input to the RCAF, the collection and computation of the monthly figures are subject to strict procedures which are audited on behalf of the Surface Transportation Board.

Availability

- Index information for any given month becomes available during the final 10 days of the subsequent month. Visit the cost indexes section of the AAR web site at: <http://www.aar.org>, select STATISTICS & PUBLICATIONS (on right), then RAIL COST INDEXES (on left), then Index of Monthly Railroad Fuel Prices.
- Monthly fuel index information is not available on other than an industry-wide basis.
- The quarterly RCR contains East, West, and U.S. versions of the fuel index.

Index of Average U.S. Railroad Fuel Prices

		Index	
		Jan 15, 1989 = 100.0	Jul 15, 1990 = 100.0
2010	January	417.3	419.1
	February	403.4	405.1
	March	430.6	432.4
	April	464.4	466.4
	May	442.6	444.5
	June	424.8	426.6
	July	421.6	423.4
	August	434.8	436.7
	September	439.8	441.6
	October	468.4	470.4
	November	479.1	481.1
	December	494.4	496.4
2011	January	523.9	526.1
	February	561.2	563.6
	March	623.4	626.0
	April	658.9	661.6
	May	628.7	631.3
	June	620.5	623.1
	July	624.5	627.1
	August	611.2	613.7
	September	611.6	614.2
	October	605.9	608.5
	November	630.0	632.6
	December	586.8	589.3
2012	January	606.3	608.9
	February	633.2	635.9
	March	659.6	662.3
	April	650.8	653.5
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