

WEEKLY GASOLINE FUNDAMENTAL-PRICE-BASIS OUTLOOK

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Cash Basis Outlook			
Product	Market	Weeks Forward	
		1 - 2	3 - 6
RBOB	NYH	\Rightarrow	\rightarrow
	Gulf		\rightarrow
	W Coast		
Conventional	NYH	\Rightarrow	
	Gulf		
	Grp III		
	Chicago		
	W Coast		
Gulf Coast Price Outlook			

Wholesale demand fell -362,000 bpd last week on an end to panic buying by the downstream supply chain and lower

exports. The latest 4-wk average demand was +125,000 bpd above a year ago.

Production fell -282,000 bpd on the week, due to very low blend stock imports, which also declined -113,000 bpd on the week. Stocks fell -4.2 million barrels, with significant declines in PADDs 3 and 2.

The latest 4-wk stock draw East of the Rockies was -14.2 million barrels, a a record draw for this time of year.

Basis fell last week for NYH RBOB grades while Group III traded sideways. Other markets witnessed an uptrend in basis, led by strength in the Gulf Coast RBOB market. Basis levels in NYH and the Group III remain extremely weak.

Stocks levels in PADD 2 fell to the low end of the historic range last week, which should lead to improving basis in that market. Robust exports should support the Gulf. Expected higher imports to the East Coast should limit increases in NYH.

RBOB

New York Harbor basis to trade sideways in the near term on expected higher imports, then higher on increased demand.

West Coast (Los Angeles) basis to trade sideways as plants return to operation, then higher on improved seasonal demand.

Conventional

New York Harbor basis to trade sideways in the near term on expected higher imports, then higher on increased demand **Chicago basis** to trend higher on low stock levels and switch to spring grades.

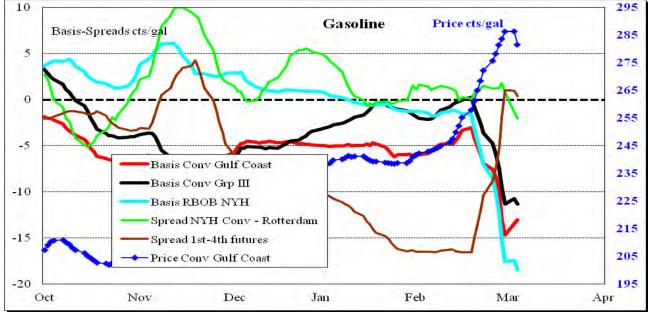
Group III to trend higher on low stock levels, increased seasonal demand and spring refinery maintenance.

Gulf Basis to trend higher on robust exports, and higher seasonal demand.

West Coast (Los Angeles) basis to trade sideways as plants return to operation, then higher on improved seasonal demand.

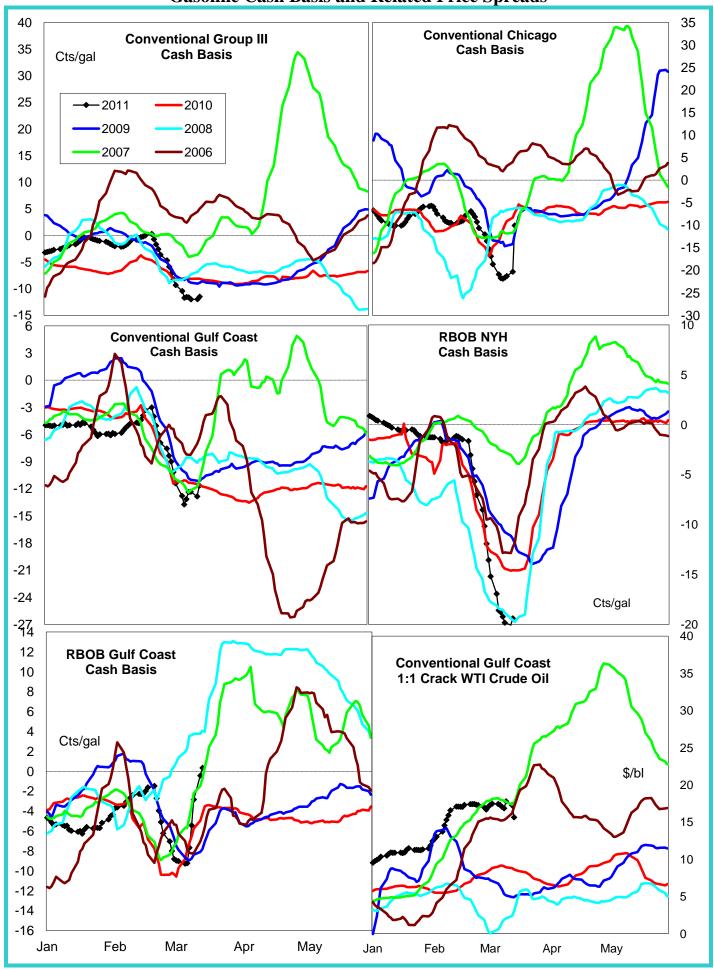
Gulf Coast Price

Robust exports from the Gulf to be partially offset by increased imports to NYH harbor over the next month. Combined with higher seasonal demand and spring refinery maintenance should support Gulf gasoline prices.

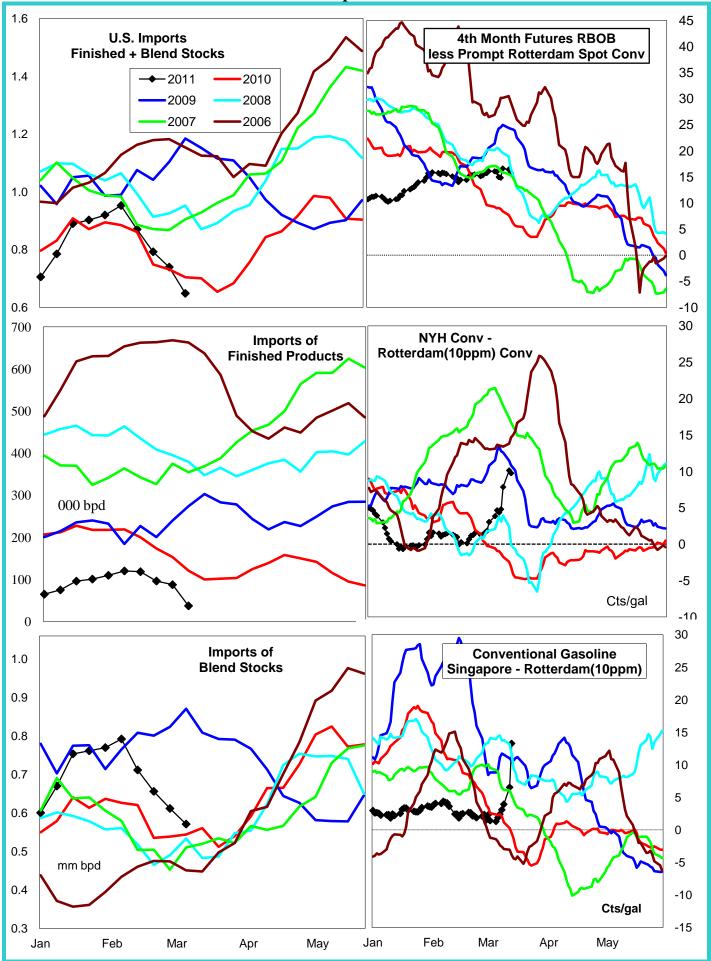


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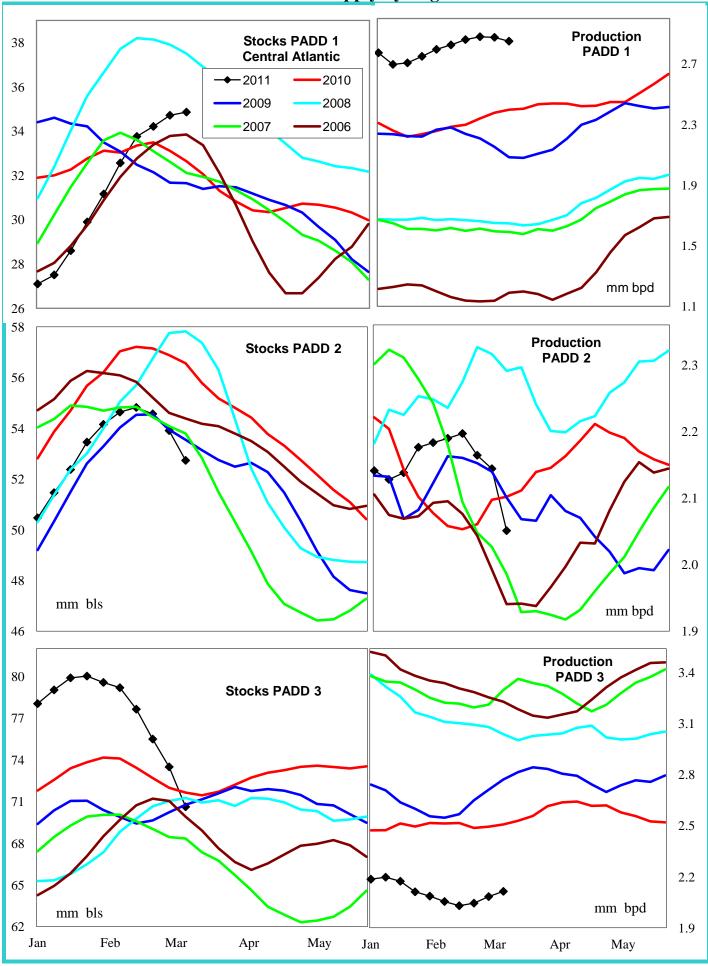
Gasoline Cash Basis and Related Price Spreads



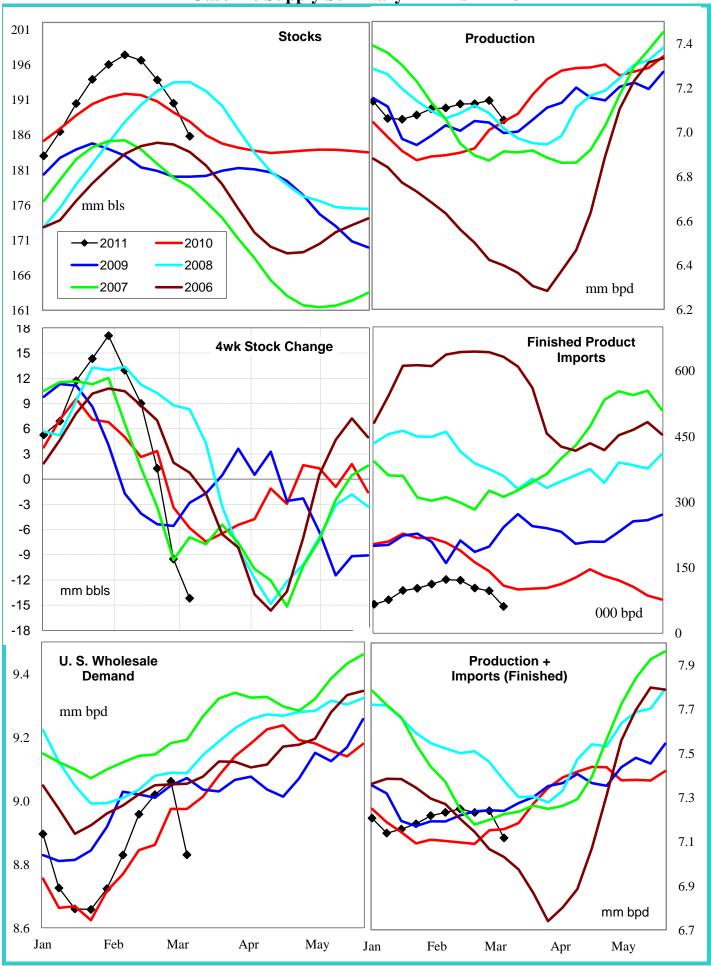
Gasoline Import Economics



Gasoline Supply by Region



Gasoline Supply Summary PADDs 1+2+3



PADD 5 Gasoline Supply

