

### WEEKLY GASOLINE FUNDAMENTAL-PRICE-BASIS OUTLOOK

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Product	Market	Weeks Forward	
		1 - 2	3 - 6
RBOB	NYH	$\Rightarrow$	$\Rightarrow$
	Gulf	$\Rightarrow$	<b></b>
	W Coast	$\Rightarrow$	<b></b>
Conventional	NYH	<b></b>	<b>→</b>
	Gulf	$\Rightarrow$	<b></b>
	Grp III	<b>-</b>	$\Rightarrow$
	Chicago	<b>-</b>	$\Rightarrow$
	W Coast	<b></b>	<b></b>
Gulf Coast Price Outlook			<b>&gt;</b>

Wholesale demand was unchanged last week. The latest 4-wk average demand was +184,000 bpd above a year ago.

Supplies increased +224,000 bpd on higher production, partially offset by record low imports.

Stocks declined -4 million barrels on the week. Stock levels remain very high in the East, West and Gulf coast markets.

Basis collapsed to record lows in all west coast markets last week on excess supplies. Basis for RBOB graded also trended lower in Chicago. Conventional grades trended higher in all markets East of the Rockies for the week, although the level remains below the 5-yr range, except in the Gulf.

Basis in international markets traded sideways last week at record low levels in Asian and Middle East regions. European markets trended sharply higher, with the level at the low end of the historic range.

#### **RBOB**

*New York Harbor* basis to trade sideways on very high stock levels.

#### Conventional

*New York Harbor basis* to trend seasonally higher on a collapse in imports.

**Chicago** basis to trend higher on peak seasonal demand and stock draws.

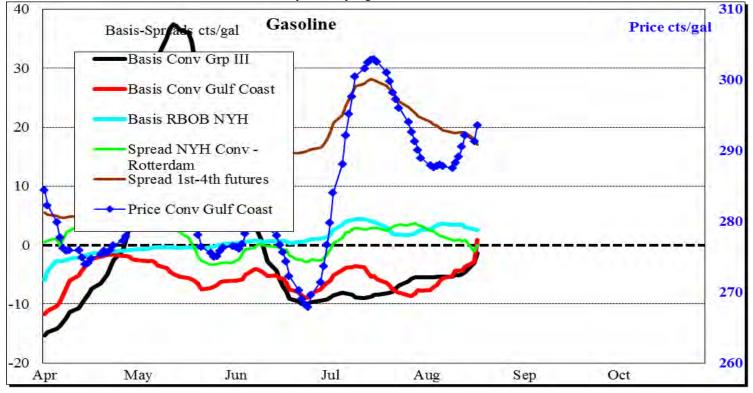
**Group III** basis to trend higher on increased seasonal demand and stock draws.

**Gulf Basis** to trend higher on peak seasonal demand, constrained by high stock levels.

West Coast (Los Angeles) basis to trend higher on increased exports (due to extremely over supplied market) refinery maintenance and a seasonal draw down in stocks.

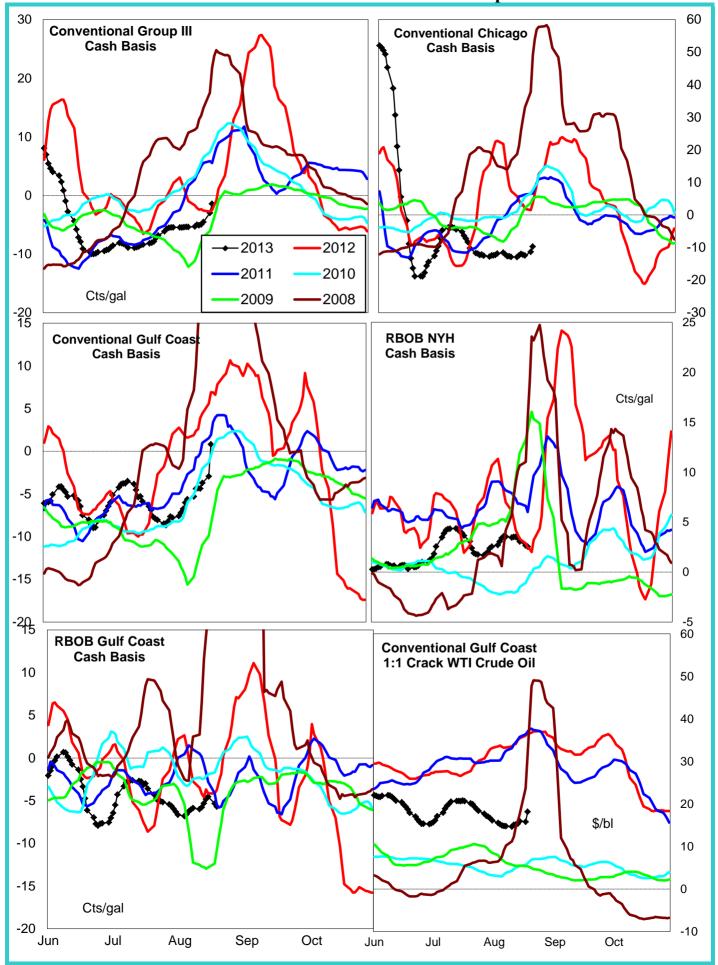
**Gulf Coast Price** Gasoline stocks are very high in all coastal markets, although a collapse in imports and peak summer demand should drive significant stock draws during the next 30-days.

With an end to peak summer demand, and excess supply in coastal markets, look for a pull back in prices during the next 30-days; absent hurricane supply disruptions.

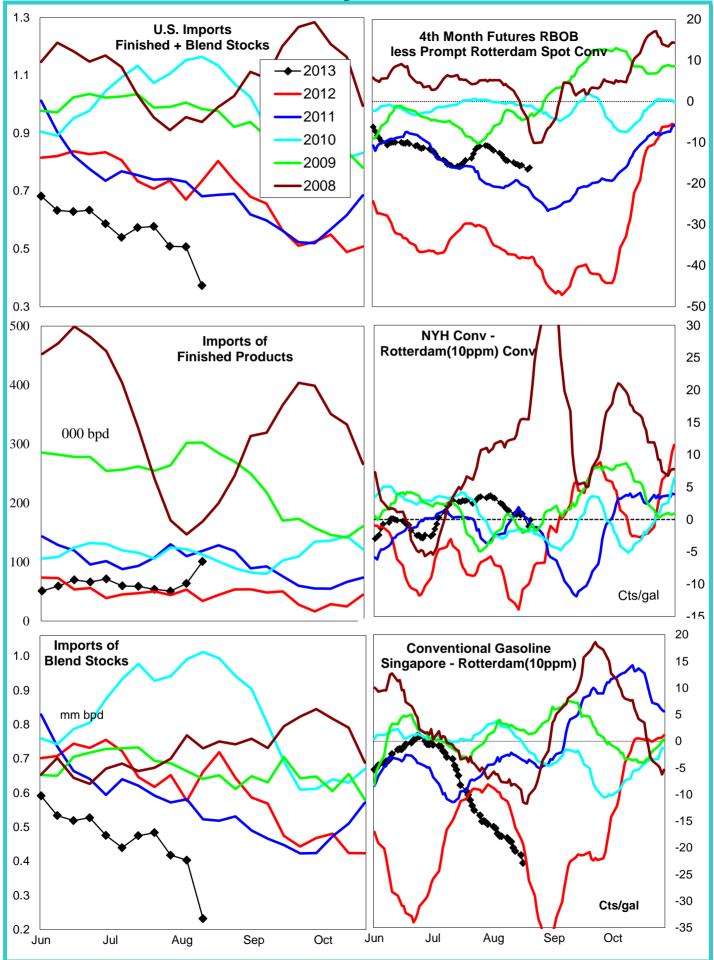


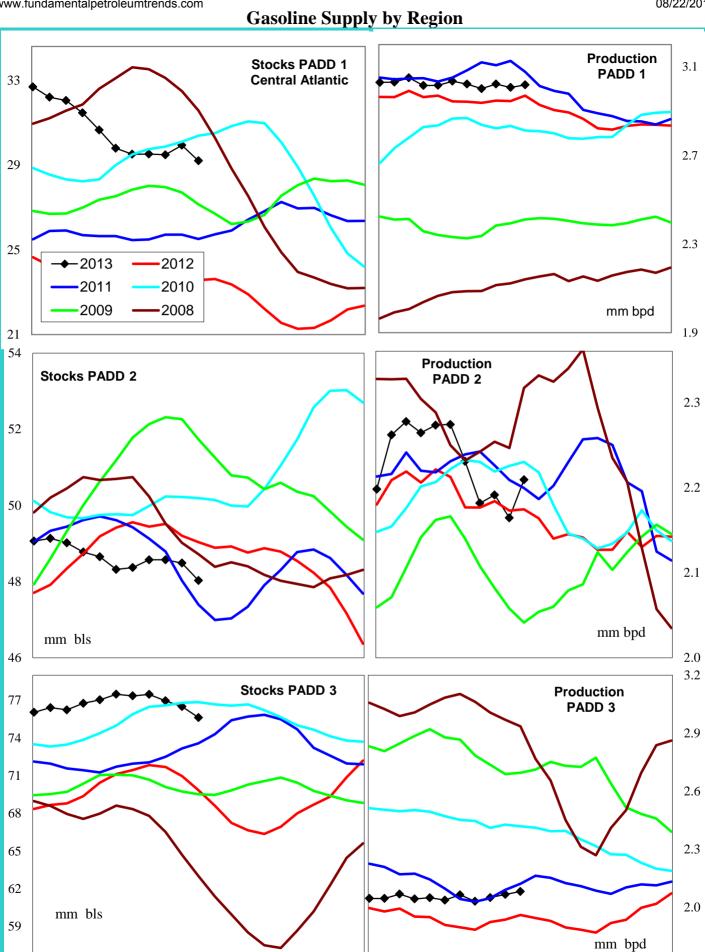
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## **Gasoline Cash Basis and Related Price Spreads**



# **Gasoline Import Economics**





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Gasoline Supply Summary PADDs 1+2+3

