

#### WEEKLY GASOLINE FUNDAMENTAL-PRICE-BASIS OUTLOOK

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

Wholesale demand jumped +525,000 bpd last week, on downstream supply chain restocking after previous inclement weather. The latest 4-wk average demand was -81,000 bpd below a year ago.

Supplies jumped +650,000 bpd on higher production as refiners returned to operation following early weather disruptions.

Stocks decreased -0.8 million barrels last week, although the level remains above the 5-yr range. Stock levels in the Midwest are the lowest, relative to prior years, of any regional market.

Basis trended higher in the Midwest and West Coast regional markets last week. The Gulf and Chicago markets traded sideways to lower on the week.

Look for basis to trade sideways in markets East of the Rockies during the next month, then pull back on the roll to spring grade at month end.

#### **RBOB**

**New York Harbor** basis to trade sideways at the mid range on weak seasonal demand then trend lower on the switch to spring NYMEX contract.

### Conventional

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*Chicago* basis to trade sideways following recent strength, then risk a pull back on

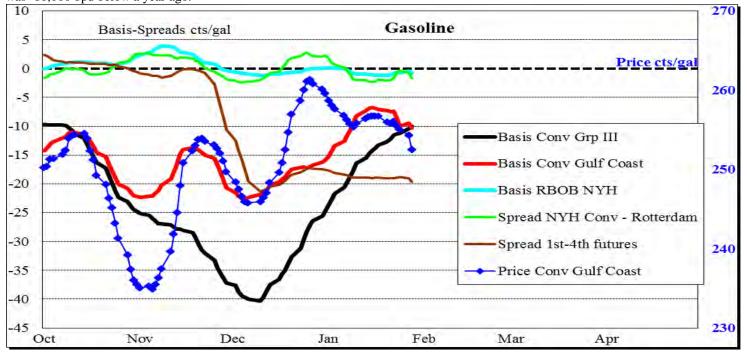
excess winter grade inventory ahead of the roll to spring NYMEX contract.

Group III basis to trade sideways on seasonal stock builds and weak seasonal demand, then pull back on the switch to NYMEX spring contract at the end of February. There is increased risk of above average basis in this region on relatively low PADD 2 stocks during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.

**Gulf Basis** to trade sideways in the near term then risk a pull back on excess winter grade stocks and the roll to spring NYMEX contract.

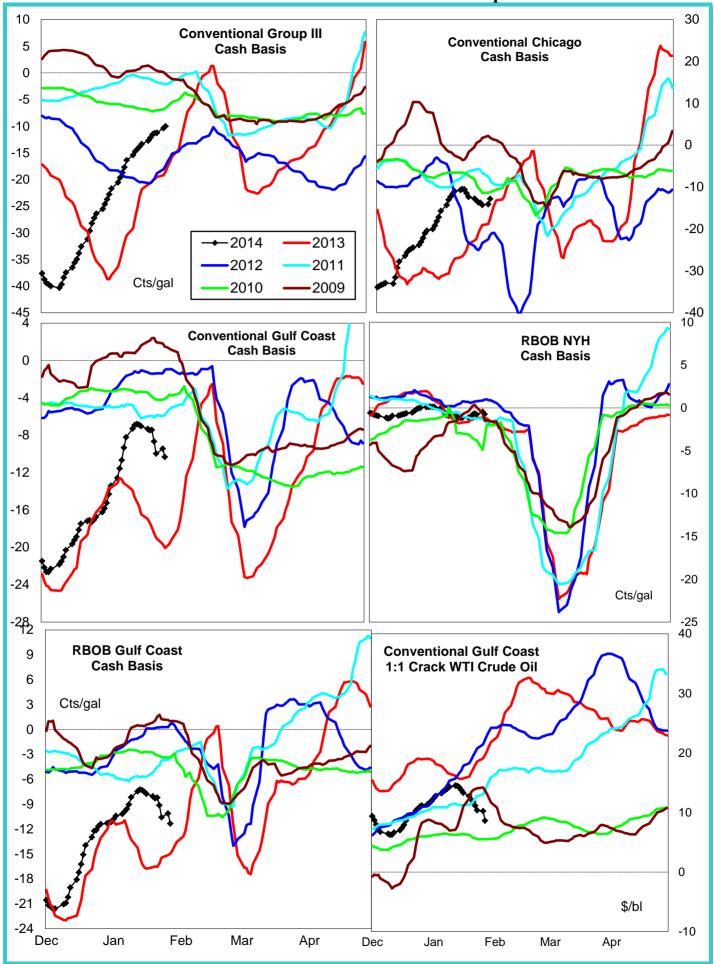
West Coast (Los Angeles) basis trend higher in the near term on refinery upsets in the region, then trade sideways on increased production.

**Gulf Coast Price** Look for the seasonal uptrend in demand to be delayed as a result of inclement weather until mid February. Combined with a reduction in output as refiners conduct winter maintenance, look for price strength by late in the quarter.

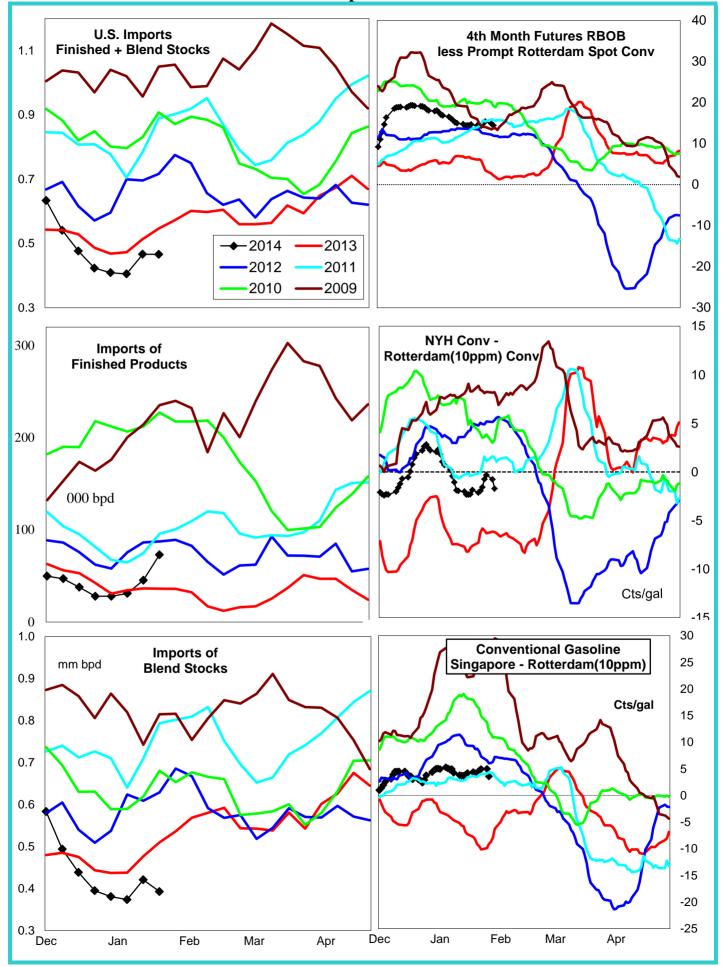


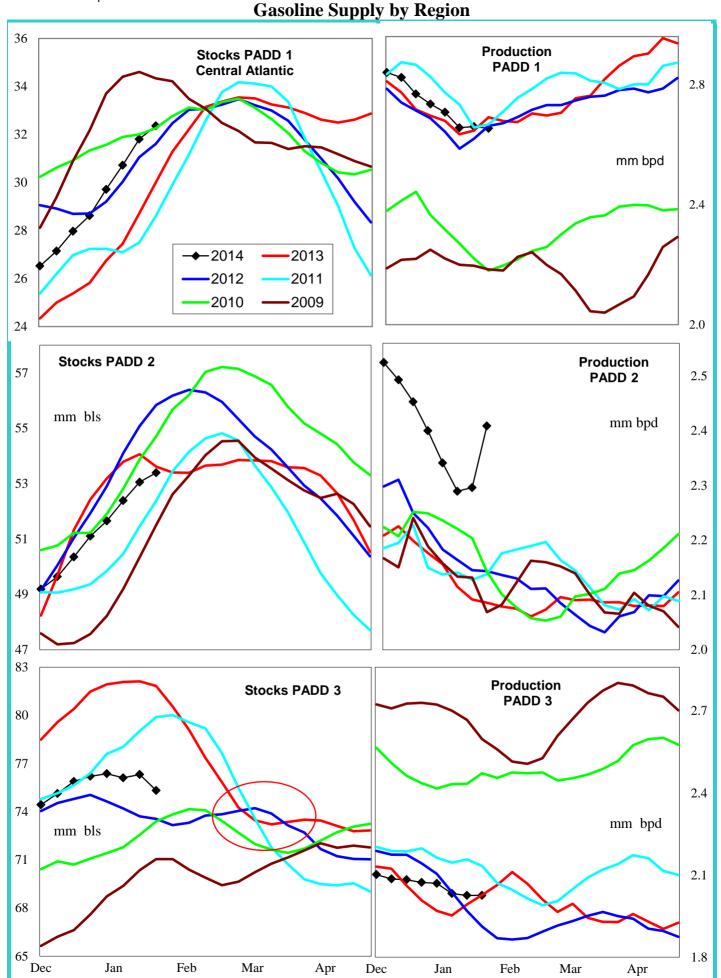
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## **Gasoline Cash Basis and Related Price Spreads**



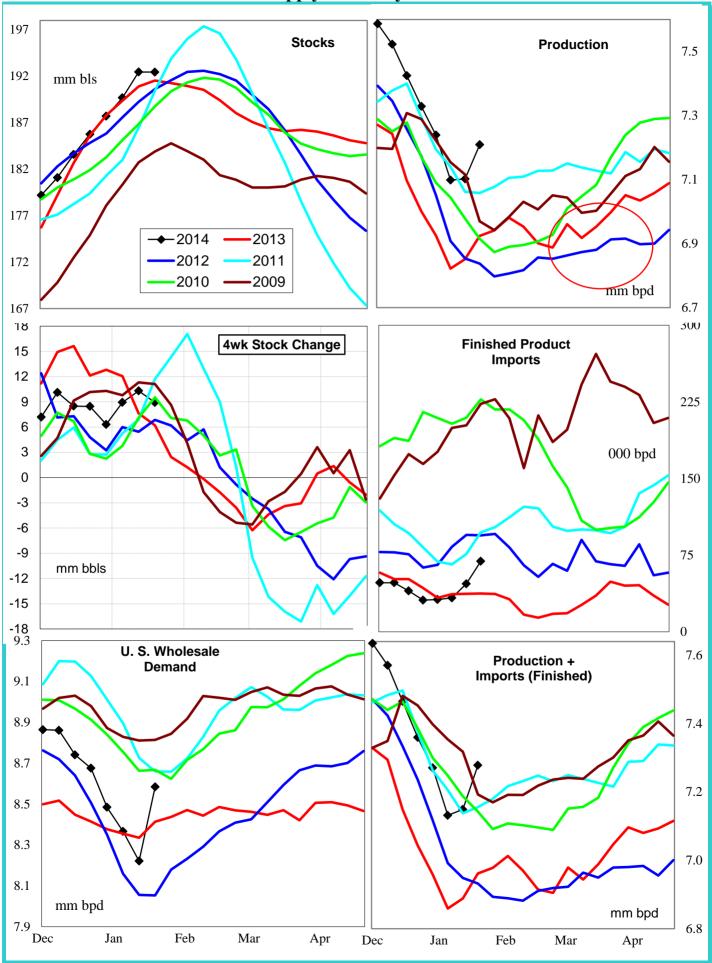
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# Gasoline Supply Summary PADDs 1+2+3



**PADD 5 Gasoline Supply** 

