

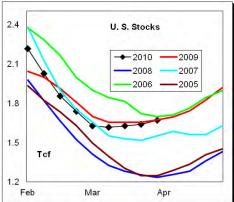
#### WEEKLY NATURAL GAS SUPPLY and PRICE TRENDS

#### A Fundamental Petroleum Trends Weekly Report

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Summary <sup>1</sup> Stocks increased +31 Bcf last week, matching the 5-year high for the week. The strong build was due in part to the heating degree days which were -33% below normal for the week.



In the East Region stocks declined -3 Bcf, which was near the historic mid range for the period. The +3 Bcf build in the West Region matched the historic high for the period. The stock build of +31 Bcf in the Producing Region was a record build for the period.

Heating degree days were -38% below normal in the East Region, -10% below normal in the West Region and -27% below normal in the Producing Region for the week ending April 3rd.

Heating degree days were -33% below normal for the week ending April 3rd and forecast to be -48% below normal for the week ending April 10th.

The 6-10 day NWS forecast for the week ending April 17th is for exceptionally warm temperatures in the eastern 3/5ths of the country and cooler than normal in the western 1/3rd.

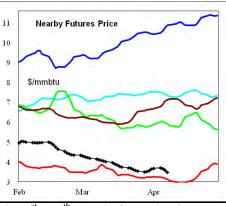
The 8-14 day NWS forecast for the week ending April 21st, is for much warmer than normal temperatures in the eastern 1/2 of the country and cooler in the western 1/3rd.

Prices: Nearby gas futures prices increased +\$0.20/mmbtu for the week ending April 8th.



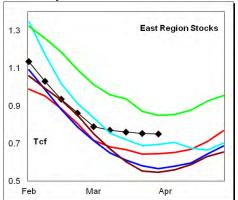
National Weather Service 6-10 Day

National Weather Service 10-14 Day



The 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> month forward price curve trended lower on the week in favor of the deferred months. The forward curve is now near the historic mid range for the period.

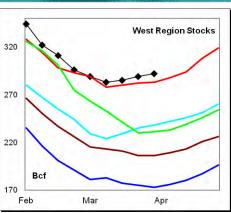
East Region stocks decreased -3 Bcf on the week, a level that matched the historic mid range. The latest 4-wk stock draw was a record low draw for the period during the last 5-yrs. Stock levels are above four of the last 5-years.



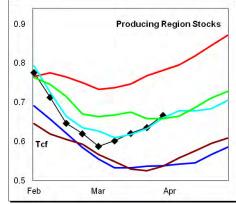
Heating degrees in the region were -38% below normal for the week ending April 3rd and forecast to be -55% below normal week ending April for the Unseasonably warm temperatures are forecast for the next 10-days.

West Region stocks increased +3 Bcf on the week, which matched the 5-year high build for the period. The latest 4-wk stock build matched the 5-year high for the period. Stock levels are at a new 5-year high for the period.

Heating degree days were -10% below normal for the week ending April 3rd, and forecast to be -13% below normal for the week ending April 10th. Cooler than normal temperatures are forecast for the next 10-days.



Producing Region stocks increased +31 Bcf on the week, a record build for the week. The latest 4-wk build was a 5-year high for the period. Stock levels match the 5-year mid range.



Heating degree days were -27% below normal for the week ending April 3rd, and forecast to be -37% below normal for the week ending April 10th. Warmer than normal temperatures are forecast for the next 10 days.

Residual Fuel Oil Switching: The price spread between residual fuel oil and natural gas remains at a record high, in favor of natural gas. Residual fuel oil demand (including exports) matched year ago record low levels for the latest 4-wk period.

Outlook: The latest 4-wk stock build was a record high for the week, driven by heating degree days that were well below normal for the last month. Carry out stocks are near 5-year highs for this time of year. Record fuel substitution in electric power generation, commercial boilers, heating and industrial stationary power has been more than offset by increased gas Expect continue price production. weakness in the spring quarter.



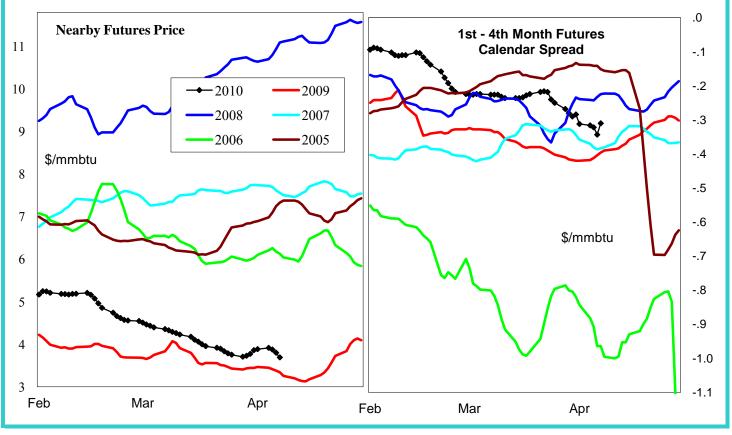
# NATURAL GAS: Graph Link and Weekly Summary

Report prepared as of: April 8, 2010 For the week ending: 2-Apr-10

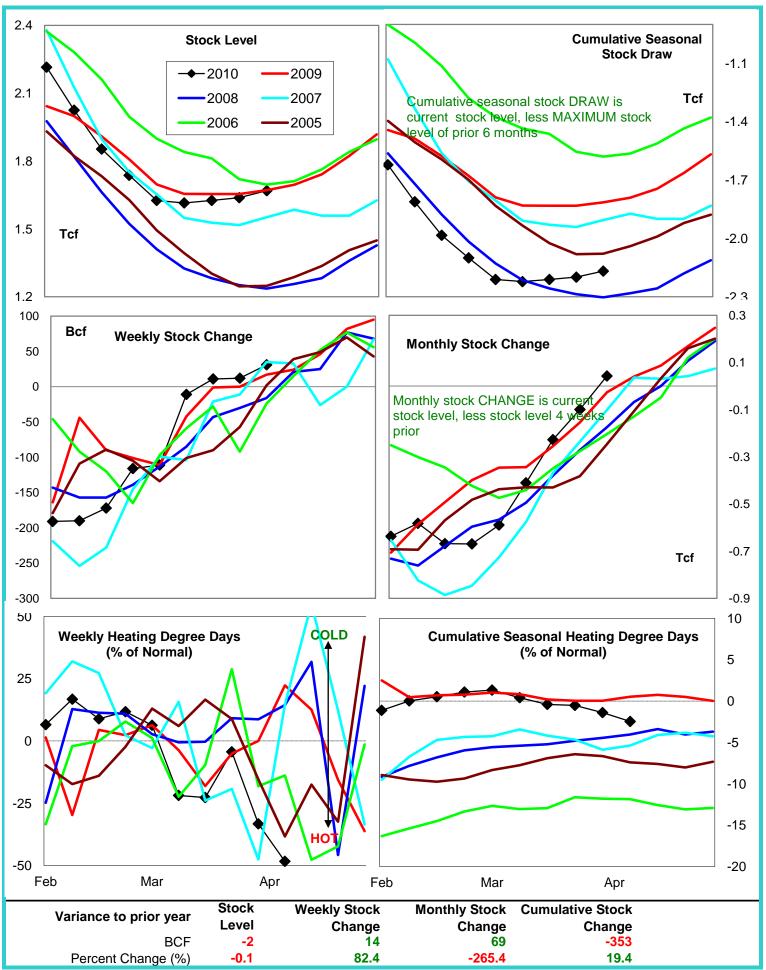
Weekly Trends in Stocks and Heating Degree Days for the week ending:													
Week ending:		2-Apr-10		27-Ma	r-10	3-Apr	-10	10-Apr	·-10				
	Weekly Stocks			Weekly Heating Degree Days									
Region		Change v	s prior:	Change vs	% of	Change vs	% of	Change vs	% of				
	Bcf	Week Bcf	Year (%)	prior week	normal	prior week	normal	prior week	normal				
U.S. Total	1,669	31	-0.1	14	-4%	-49	-33%	-26	-48%				
East	750	-3	16.1	18	-9%	-54	-38%	-32	-55%				
West	292	3	3.2	12	-6%	-14	-10%	-14	-13%				
Producing	627	31	-15 5	-2	38%	-51	-27%	-12	-37%				

Seasonal Trends in Stocks and Heating Degree Days **Cumulative Stock Draw Cumulative Heating Degree Days** Change vs prior year CHDD's vs % of CHDD's vs % of CHDD's vs % of Bcf **Bcf** normal normal normal normal normal normal U.S. Total -353 16.3 -2,168 130 -0.5-1.4 56 -2.5 East 141 -3.2 -1,351 44 -3.3 -2.2 87 55 -4.4 West -45 19.2 128 -3.4 114 -3.6 100 -3.8 -234 **Producing** -592 -362 61.1 93 12.7 42 11.9 30 11.0

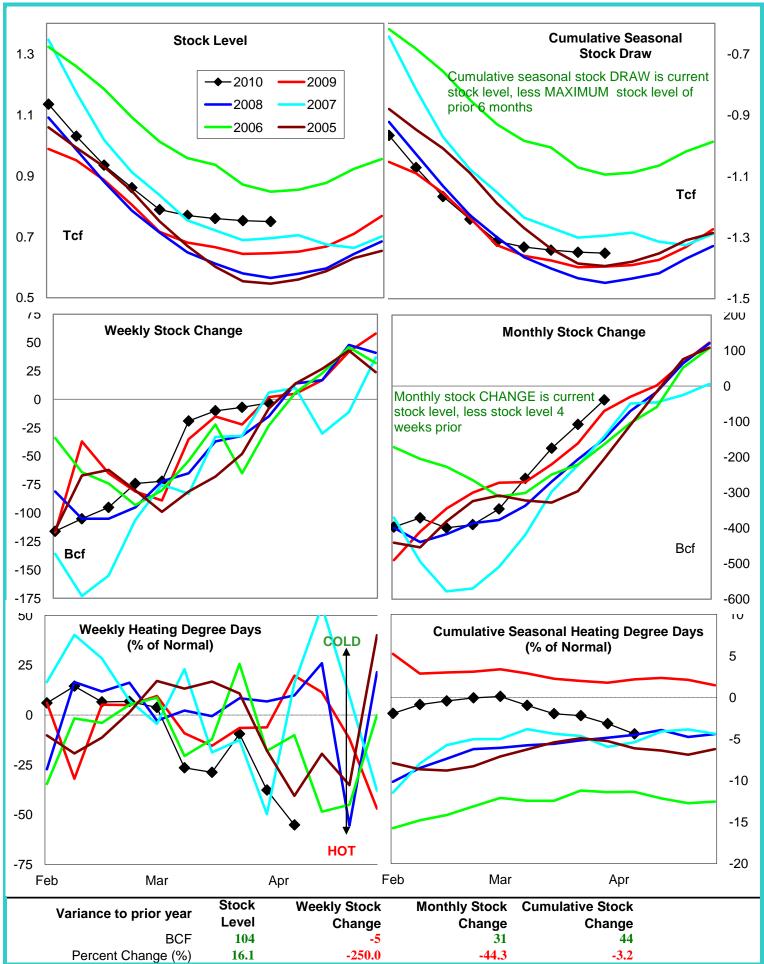
Futures Market P							
Date: <b>30-Apr-10</b>		Change vs prior week, month, year					
Date.	30-Apr-10	27-Apr-10	6-Apr-10	30-Apr-09			
1st month							
Futures	3.89	-0.20	-0.51	0.36			
% change	XXXXX	-4.9	-11.6	10.2			



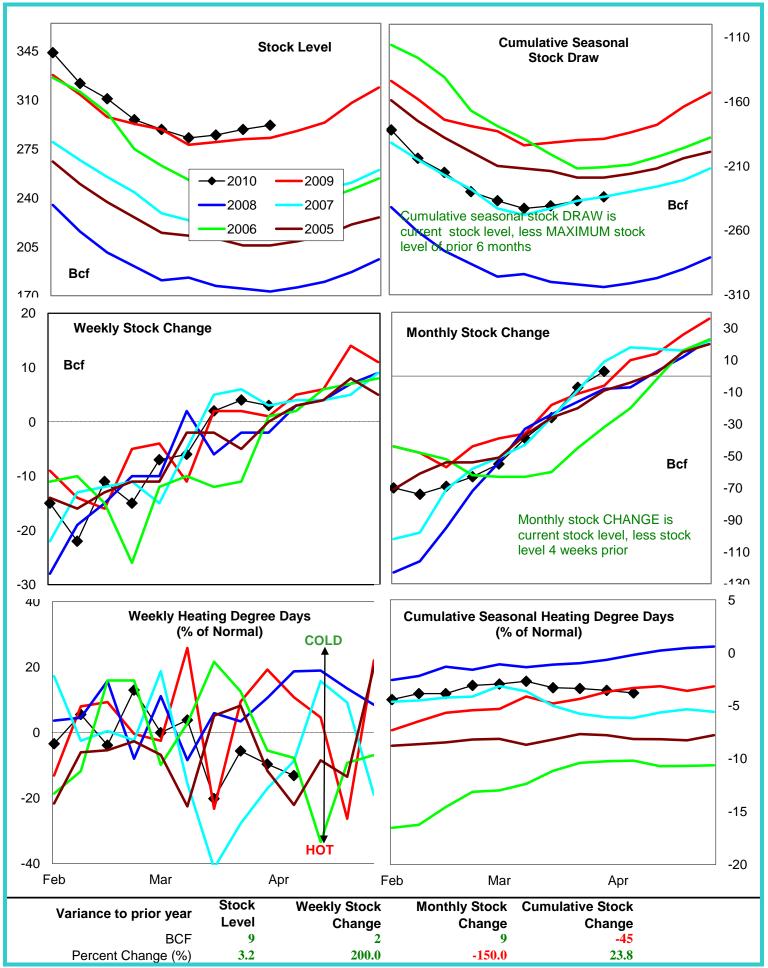
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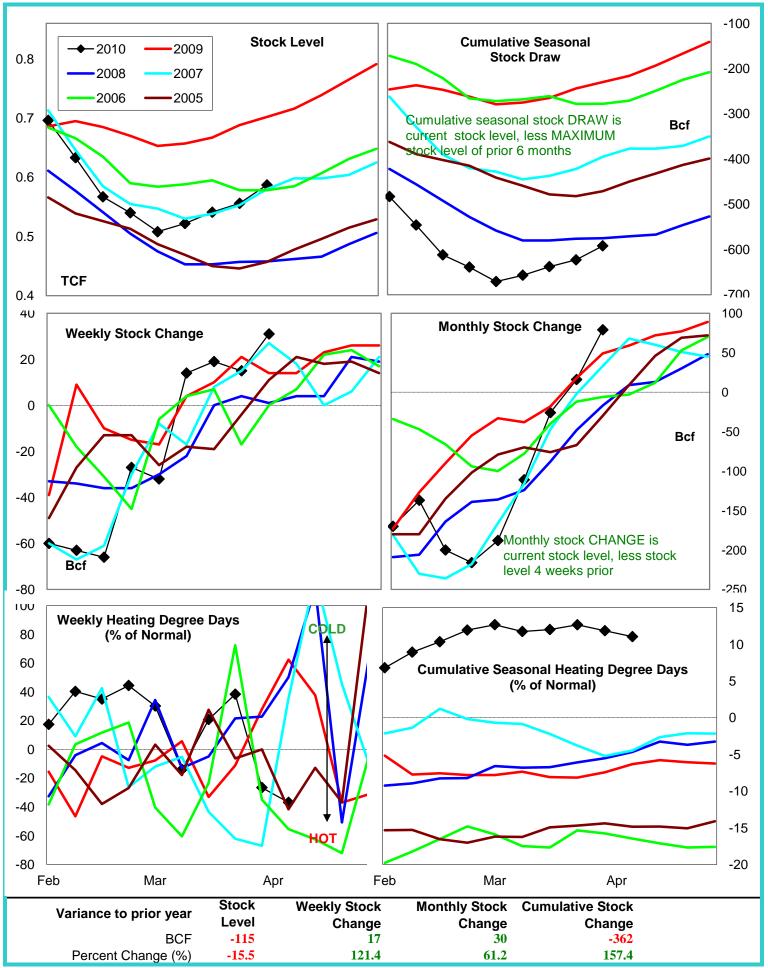
## **Natural Gas East Region Stock and Weather Trends**



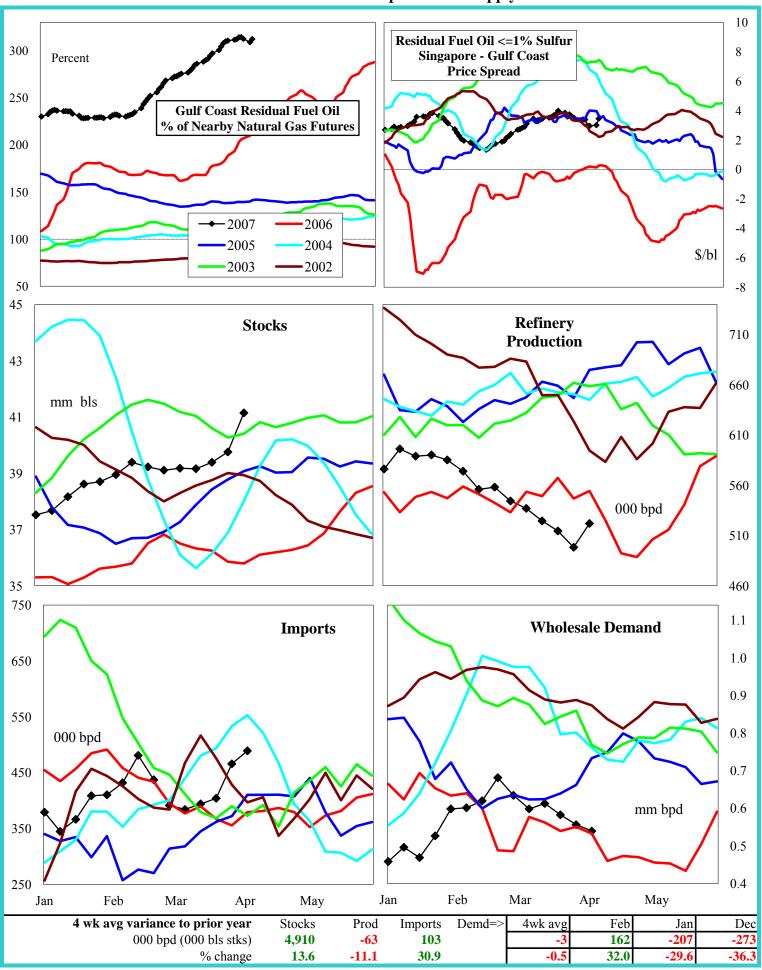
## **Natural Gas West Region Stock and Weather Trends**



## **Natural Gas Producing Region Stock and Weather Trends**

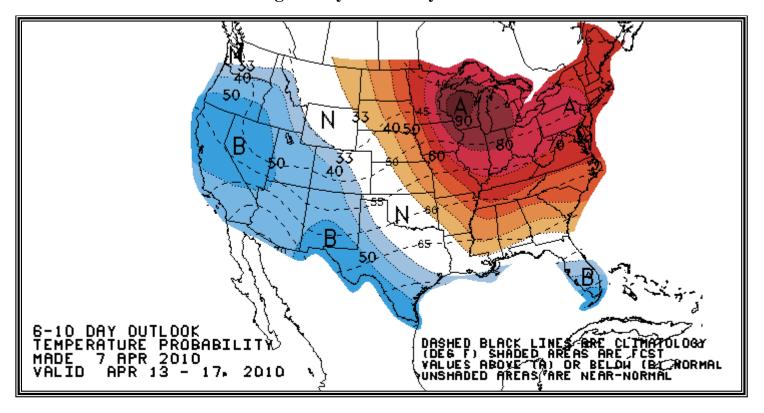


#### **U.S. Residual Fuel Oil Price Spreads and Supply Balance**



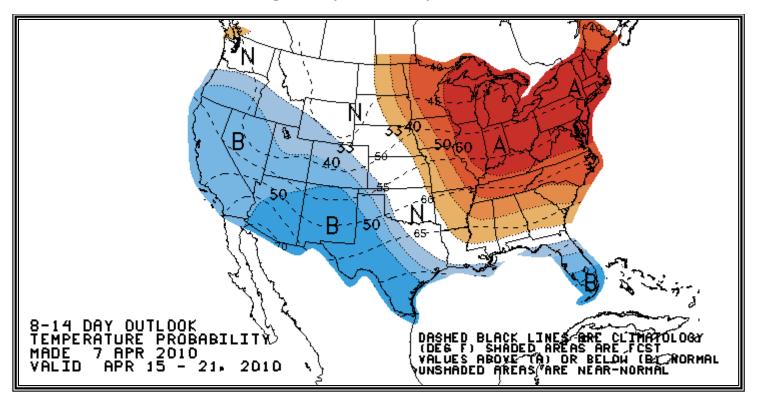
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## Degree Days 6 - 10 Day Forecast



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