

WEEKLY PETROLEUM SUPPLY-DEMAND TRENDS

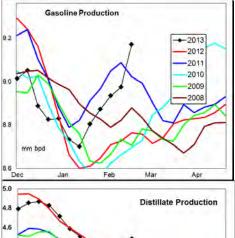
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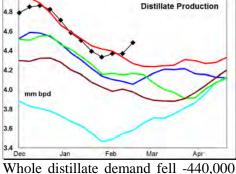
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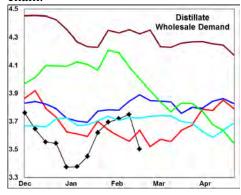
Major Fundamental Trends¹

Refinery crude oil thru put climbed +335,000 bpd last week, with increases in each region. This restart of refiners led to a one-time surge in output of gasoline as distillate (up a combined +0.5 million bpd) as intermediate blend stocks were converted to finished product. Look for a near term downturn in production as the one-time blending with refiner restart ends.



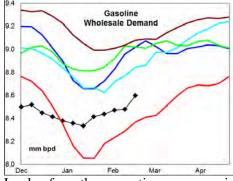


Whole distillate demand fell -440,000 bpd during the last 2-wks; with the pull back driven in part by a drop in wholesale prices and a draw down in stocks by the downstream supply chain.



¹ Source is latest EIA Weekly Statistics

Wholesale gasoline demand continues on a track of solid year-on-year demand growth with the latest 4-wk average +164,000 bpd above last year.



Look for the one-time surge in production of transport fuels due to refinery restarts, to pull back, combined with a rebound in distillate demand and continued robust gasoline demand to drive above average product stock draws during the next 60-days.

The crude oil stock build this week was below the historic average as refiners returned from maintenac.e Expect further stock builds over the next 60-days to be a downside risk to WTI crude oil prices.

Demand for distillate fell -306,000 bpd last week, with the latest 4-wk average year on year change up +158,000 bpd. Wholesale demand, measured over the last four weeks compared to a year ago: gasoline increased +2%; distillate was +4.4% higher; jet fuel was -0.3% lower, and residual fuel fell -42%.

Stocks forward coverage: Gasoline demand coverage decreased on a -1.9 million barrel stock draw. Coverage levels matched the 3-year mid range.

Distillate coverage increased on a +0.6 million barrel stock build and sharply lower demand. Coverage levels fell below four of the last 5-years.

Jet fuel coverage improved on a +0.3 million barrel stock build and weak demand. Coverage levels ended the week at the 3-year mid range.

Residual fuel oil coverage remains extremely high, at a level equal to 175 days of wholesale demand.

Refinery utilization rates increased on

a +335,000 bpd jump in crude oil thru put. During the latest 4-wk period crude oil input was -296,000 bpd below a year ago.

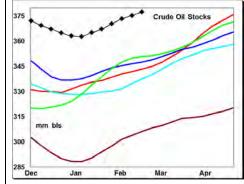
Gasoline yield % on crude oil runs increased on a +275,000 bpd rise in output compared to the +335,000 bpd increase in crude oil thru put. Yield % on crude oil runs was above four of the last 5-years.

Distillate yield % on crude oil runs increased +212,000 bpd rise in output compared to the upturn in crude oil throughput. The yield % on crude oil runs was a record high for this time of year.

Jet fuel yield % on crude oil runs fell on a -47,000 bpd drop in output, compared to the increase in crude oil runs. The yield % fell to the historic mid range.

Petroleum Imports of crude oil, gasoline and jet fuel were higher last week, while distillate declined. During the latest 4-wk period crude oil imports were -1.2 million bpd below last year; distillate imports increased +24,000 bpd; finished gasoline imports decreased -31,000 bpd, gasoline blend stock imports decreased -50,000 bpd; jet fuel imports increased +13,000 bpd, while residual fuel oil imports were -34,000 bpd lower.

Crude Oil stocks increased +1.1 million barrels last week, concentrated in the Gulf Region. The jump in refinery runs offset higher imports, limiting the seasonal build. U.S. stocks ended the week +9.5% above last year and a record high for the winter quarter.





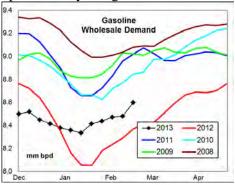
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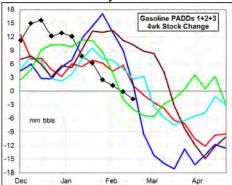
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Product Supply-Demand Trends

Gasoline demand increased +160,000 bpd on the week, with the level above last years' record lows. The latest 4-wk average demand was +164,000 bpd above a year ago. This represents a significant year-on-year increase. Supply jumped +345,000 bpd last week on higher production. Supply for the latest 4-wk period was +110,000 bpd above a year ago.



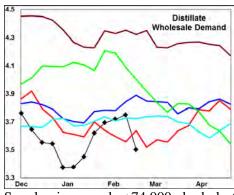
Stocks decreased -1.9 million barrels last week, with the level below the last 3-years. The latest 4-wk draw of -1.8 million barrels matched the highest draw of the last 3-years.



Production surged this week, driven by the restart of refiners and one-time blending of intermediate feed stocks into finished product, look for a sharp drop in production from current highs during the next 2-wks.

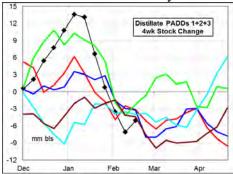
Year on year demand growth and spring refinery maintenance should lead to above average stock draws during the next 60-days.

Distillate demand plunged -0.3 million bpd last week, to a level below the historic range. The latest 4-wk average demand was +158,000 bpd above a year ago.



Supply increased +74,000 bpd last week, on sharply higher production, partially offset by a drop in imports. The latest 4-wk average supply was -55,000 bpd above last year. Stocks increased +0.6 million barrels last week, on a drop in demand.

The latest 4-wk stock change in markets East of the Rockies was a -5.1 million barrel draw, matching the prior record draw for this time of year.



Expect a rebound in wholesale demand and refinery maintenance to drive further stock draws during the next 45days. Stock levels remain near 5-year lows.

Jet Fuel demand increased +26,000 bpd on the week, to a level that matched 5-year lows for the period. The latest 4-wk average demand was -4,000 bpd below a year ago.

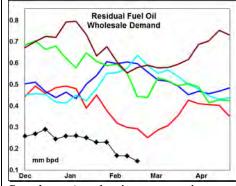
Supplies decreased -15,000 bpd on the week, due to lower production. Supply for the latest 4-wk period was +25,000 bpd above a year ago. Stock levels ended the week at a level that matched the 5-year lows.

Imports have trended higher during the last 60-days, partially offsetting the lower seasonal production. Look for the supply balance to remain tight during the next

2-months on higher seasonal demand and ongoing spring refinery maintenance.



Residual fuel oil demand declined - 27,000 bpd last week. Demand for the latest 4-wk period was -149,000 bpd below a year ago.



Supply (production + imports) decreased -60,000 bpd last week, on lower imports. The latest 4-wk average supply was -122,000 bpd below last year on lower imports and production. Stocks were nearly unchanged on the week, at a level below the mid range.

Stock levels in PADDs 2 & 3 each ended the week at levels above the 5-year range. Exceptionally low demand has led to the record stock levels in these regions. Stock levels on the East Coast remain below the historic range.



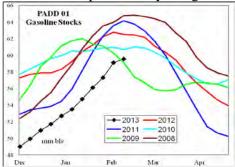
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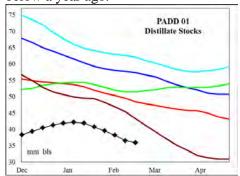
PADD Supply Trends

PADD 1 refinery crude oil runs increased +52,000 bpd last week, a level still below the 5-year range. The latest 4-wk average crude oil thru put was +12,000 bpd above a year ago.

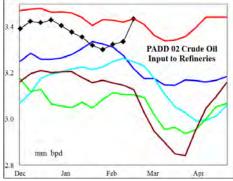


Gasoline supply increased +35,000 bpd on higher imports last week. Stock levels ended the week below each of the last 3-years.

Distillate supply fell -131,000 bpd on the week due to lower imports. Stocks decreased -0.3 million barrels on the week, with the level -27% below a year ago.



Jet fuel stock levels remain below the last 3-years, while production ended the week below the 5-year mid range.



PADD 2 crude oil refinery runs increased +113,000 bpd last week, matching 5-year highs for the period. Runs for the latest 4-wk period were -

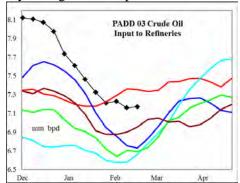
103,000 bpd below last year. Crude oil stocks were nearly unchanged on the week. Stocks ended the week +46% above a year ago at Cushing, Oklahoma.

Gasoline production increased +69,000 bpd on the week, a level comparable to the average of the last 3-years. Stocks increased +0.3 million barrels on the week, although the level remains below the 5-year range.

Distillate supply was nearly unchanged last week, at a level near last years' 5-year highs. Stock levels remained below the 5-year range.

Jet fuel production increased +29,000 bpd to a record high for the period. Stocks jumped +0.7 million barrels to, although the level remains below the 5-year range.

PADD 3 refinery runs increased +100,000 bpd last week, with the latest 4-wk average -157,000 bpd below a year ago. Crude oil stocks increased +1.1 million barrels with the level near 3-year highs for the period.



Gasoline supply +245,000 bpd last week, ending the week at a level above the last 2-years. Production for the latest 4-wk period was +243,000 bpd above a year ago. Stocks fell -1.9 million barrels, to a level that matched prior record highs.

Distillate supply increased +102,000 bpd on the week, with the latest 4-wk average nearly unchanged from last year. Stock levels ended the week comparable to last year.

Jet fuel production fell -53,000 bpd last week. Stocks increased +0.4 million barrels on the week, to a level above 5-year highs for the period.

Residual fuel oil supplies declined -18,000 bpd on the week. Stock levels ended the week +11% above last year and above the 5-year range.

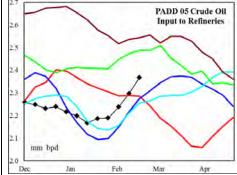
PADD 4 refinery crude runs decreased -19,000 bpd on the week, to a level that matched 5-year highs.

Gasoline production decreased - 13,000 bpd on the week, a level that matched the historic mid range. Stocks decreased -0.2 million barrels with the level comparable to the last 2-years.

Distillate production decreased -7,000 bpd on the week, a level slightly below last years' record. Stocks increased +0.2 million barrels on the week, but remain -17% below last years' record high.

Jet fuel production remains below the historic range while stocks are near 5-year lows.

PADD 5 crude oil refinery runs increased +89,000 bpd on the week, to a level above the last 3-years. Runs for the most recent 4-wk period were – 53,000 bpd below last year.



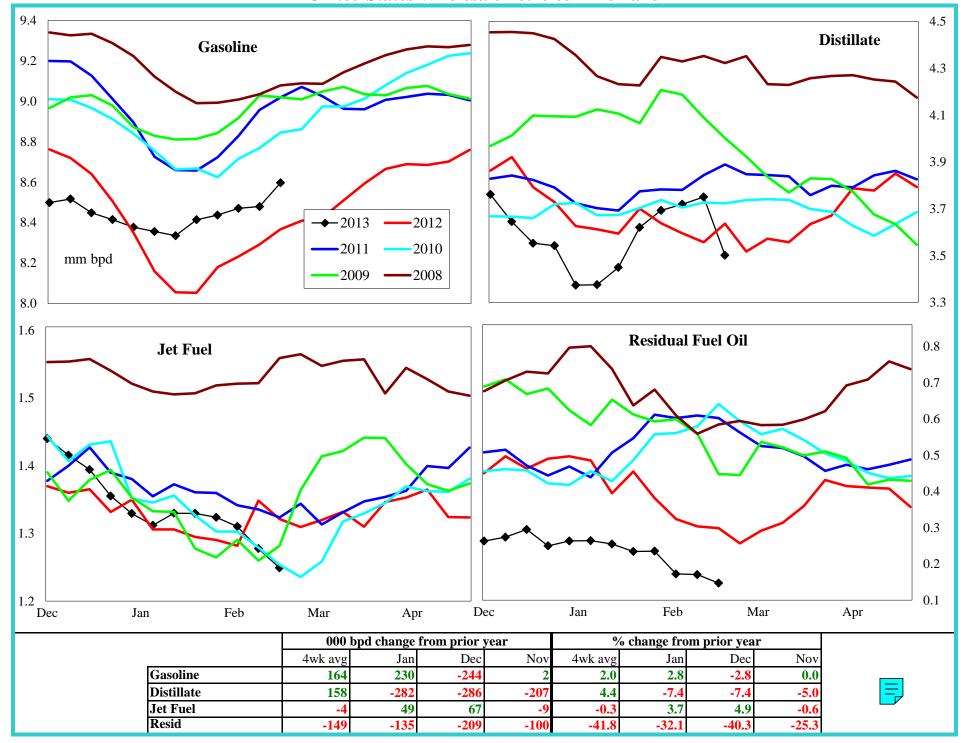
Gasoline supply increased +31,000 bpd on the week, to a level above the 5-year range. The latest 4-wk average supply was -35,000 bpd below a year ago. Stocks fell -0.4 million barrels, with the level equal to the 3-year mid range.

Distillate supply climbed +113,000 bpd, to a level above the 5-year range. Stocks increased +0.6 million barrels to a level above four of the last 5-years.

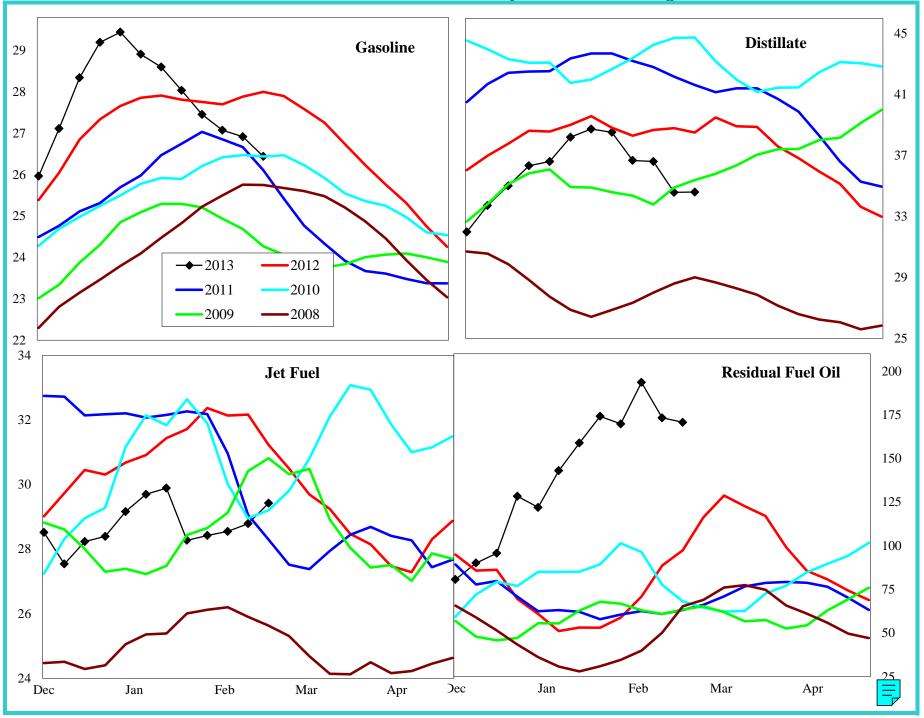
Jet fuel stocks and production each ended the week at 5-year lows for this time of year.

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Trends	Demand	Fwd Coverage		Product Yield %			<u>Imports</u>
Supply/Demand	22-Feb-13	EIA-DOE CHANGE FROM PRIOR WEEK					
Trends	000 bpd	U.S.	U. S. PADD				
	stocks 000 bls	Total	1	2	3	4	5
Crude Oil	Stocks	1,130	640	-237	1,085	-292	-66
	Imports	269	-172	216	37	37	151
	Input	335	52	113	100	-19	89
	% Utilization	2.20					
Gasoline	Stocks	-1,857	264	272	-1,864	-167	-362
	Production	275	-13	69	182	-13	74
	Imports	70	48	0	63	0	-43
	Supplied	160					
<u>Distillate</u>	Stocks	557	-311	129	-21	206	553
	Production	212	-3	-6	114	-7	113
	Imports	-138	-128	2	-12	0	0
	Supplied	-306					
<u>Jet Fuel</u>	Stocks	281	-280	696	446	-152	-429
	Production	-47	3	29	-53	0	-26
	Imports	32	19	0	0	0	14
	Supplied	26					
Residual Fuel Oil	Stocks	56	-136	116	-296	-4	375
	Production	66	-9	16	46	0	13
	Imports	-126	-43	-12	-64	0	-6
	Supplied	-27					

United States Wholesale Petroleum Demand

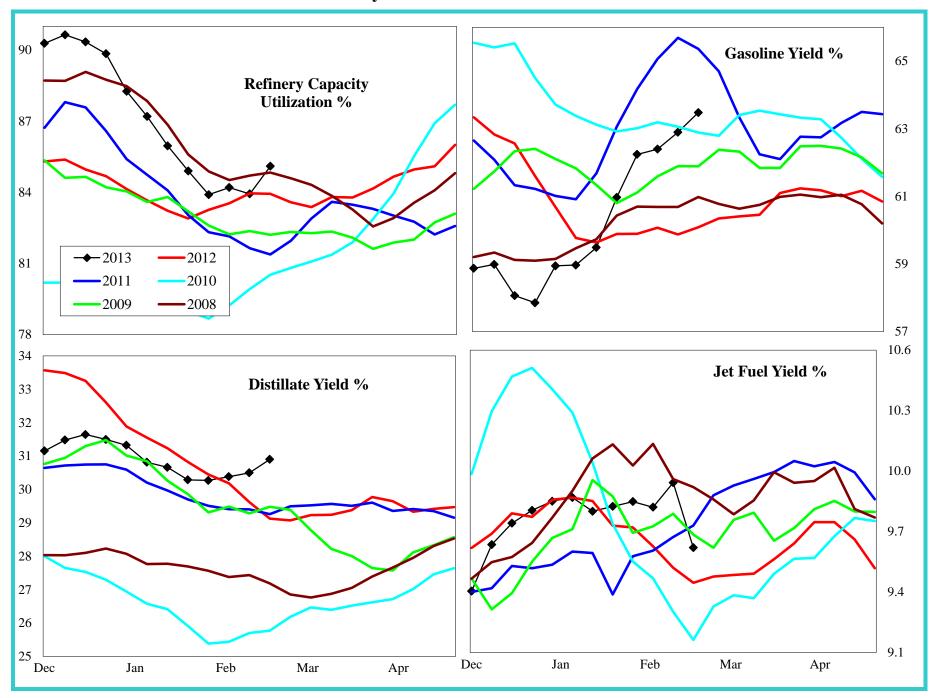


United States Product Stocks: Days Forward Coverage

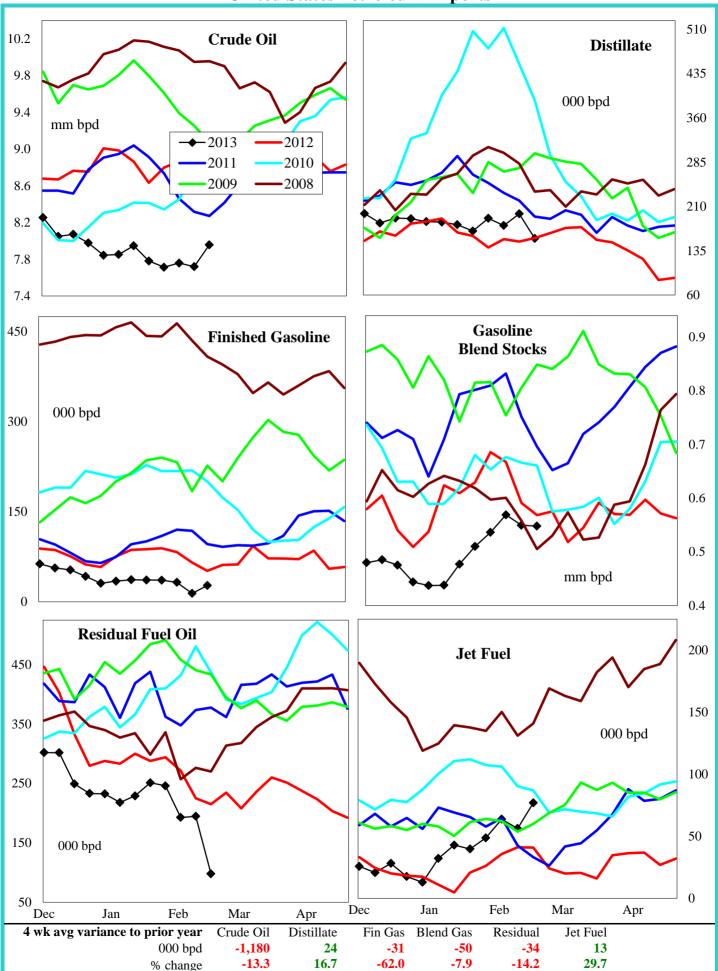


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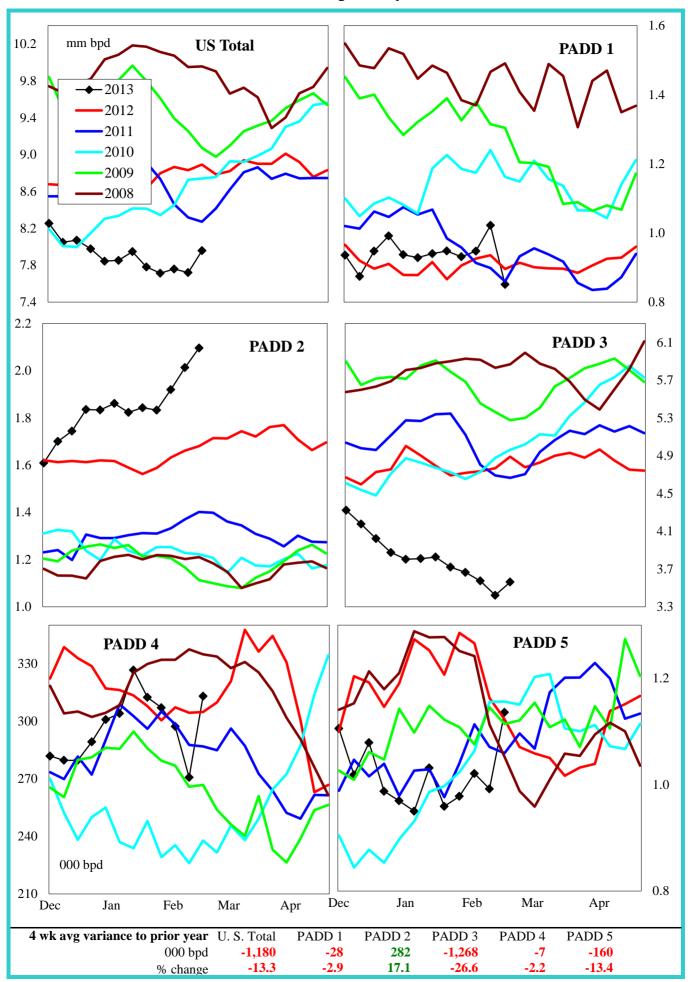
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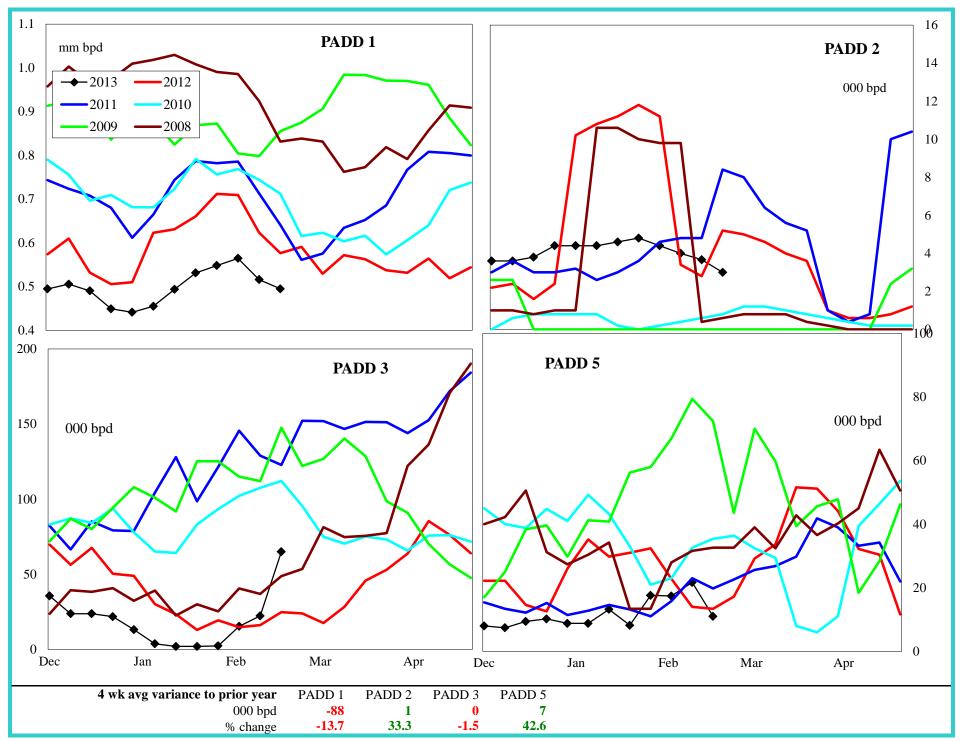
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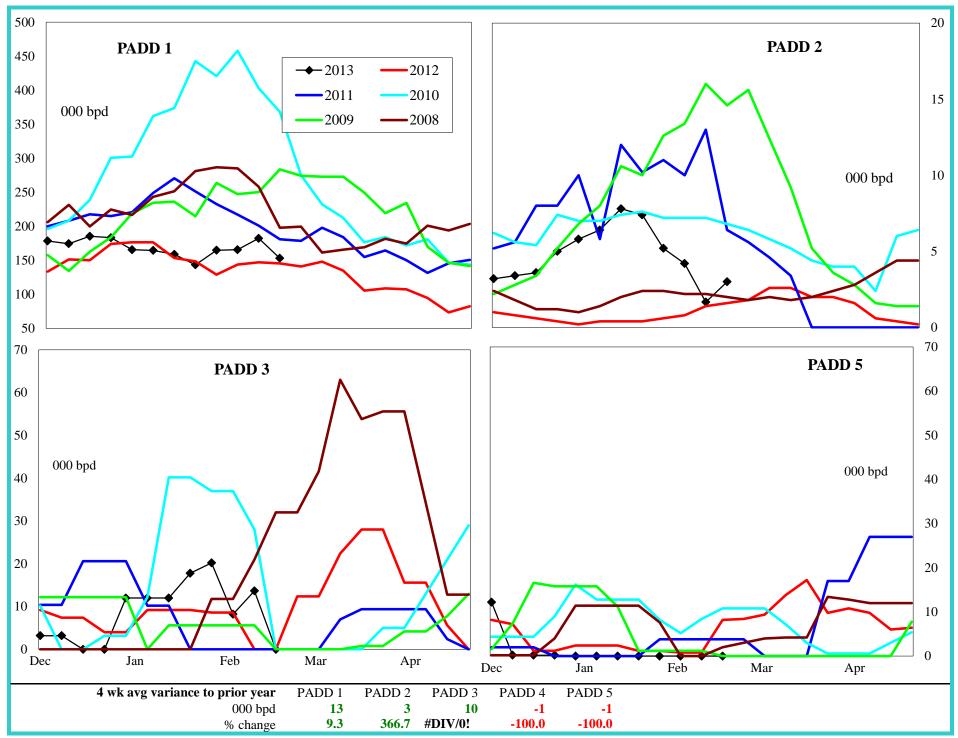
Crude Oil Imports by PADD



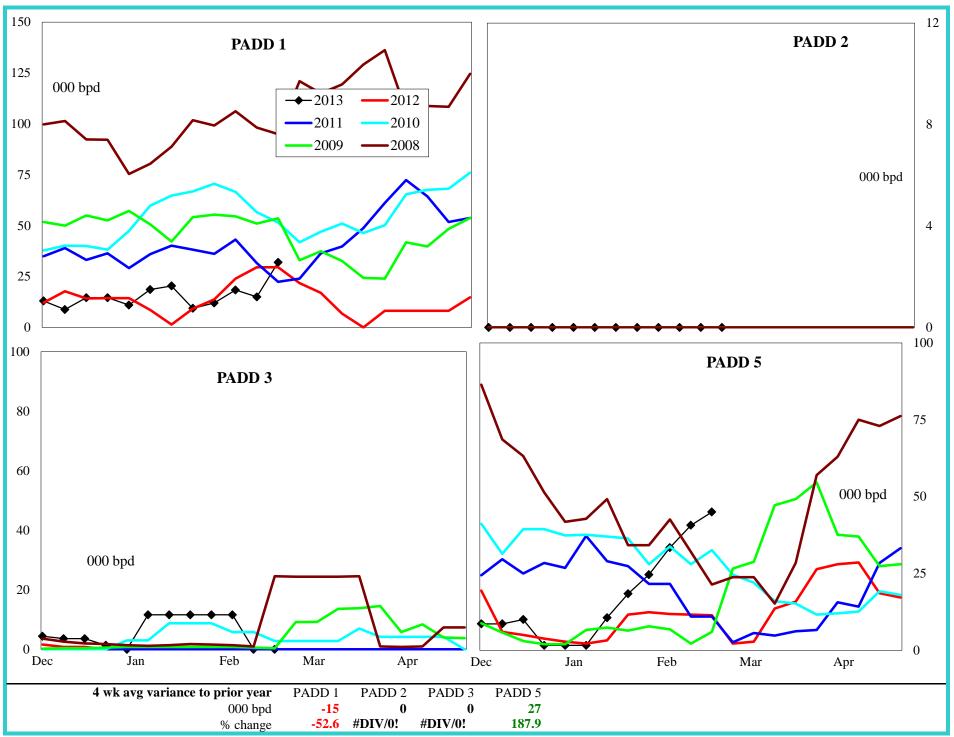
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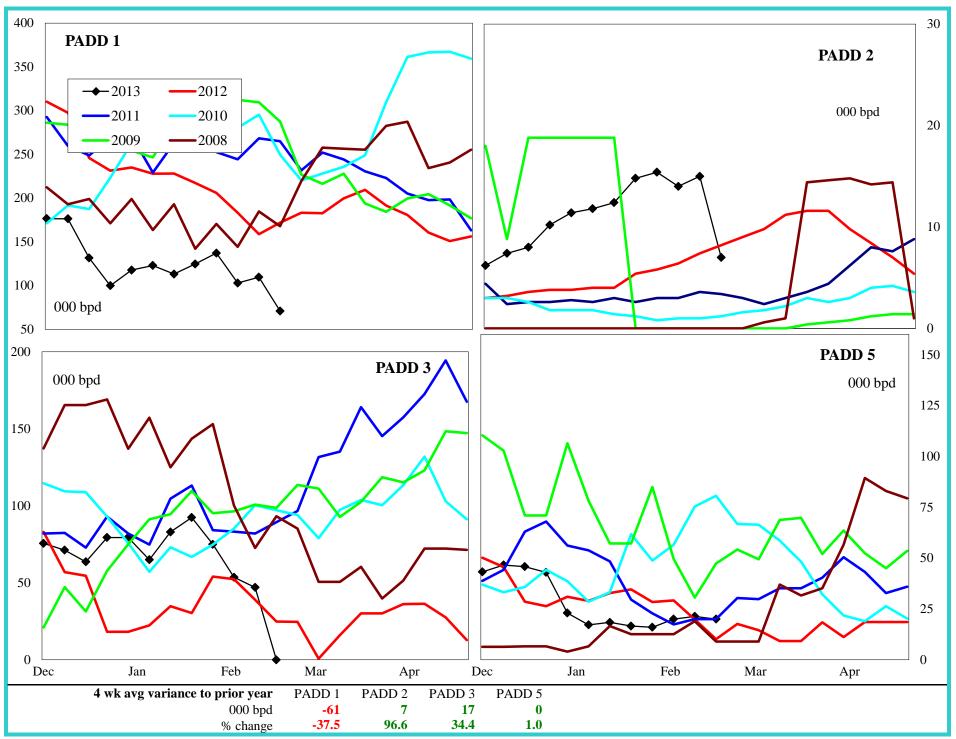
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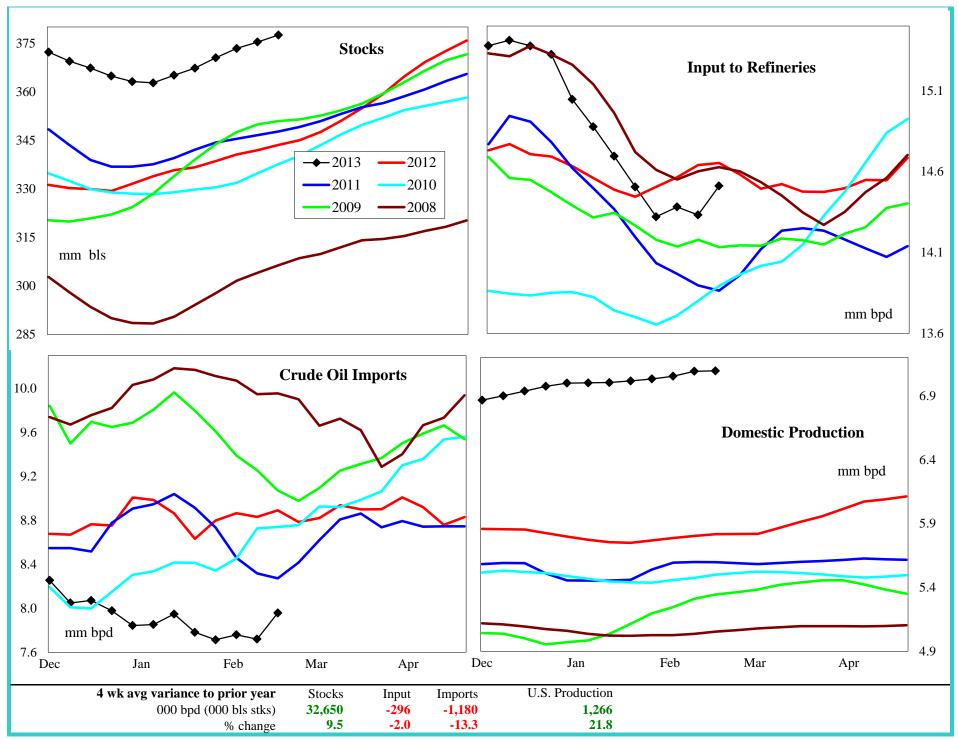
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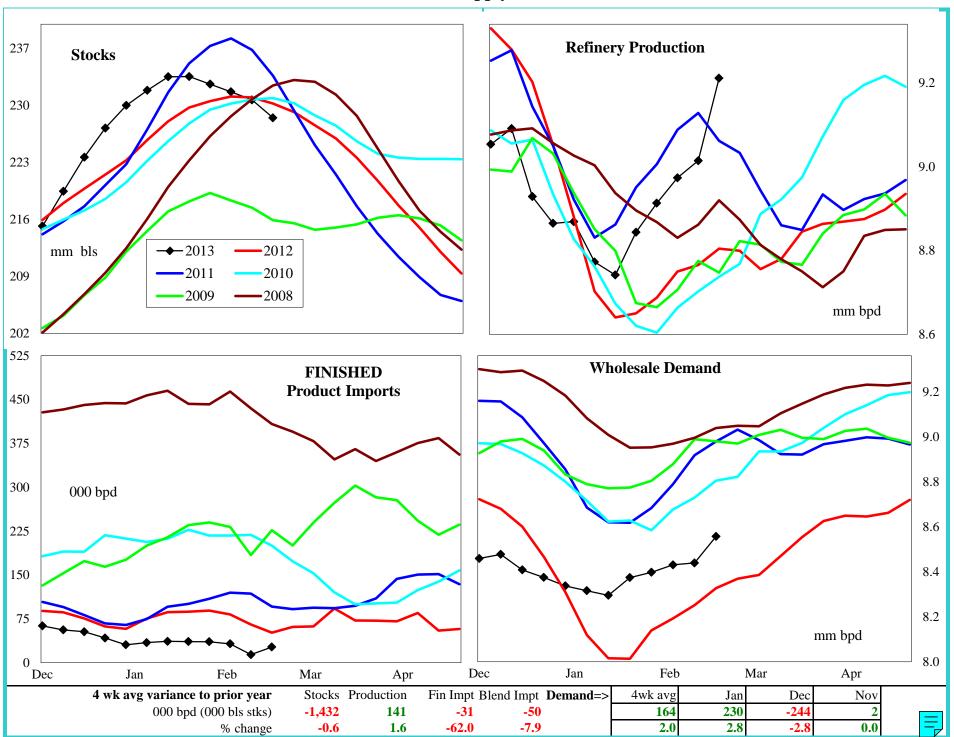
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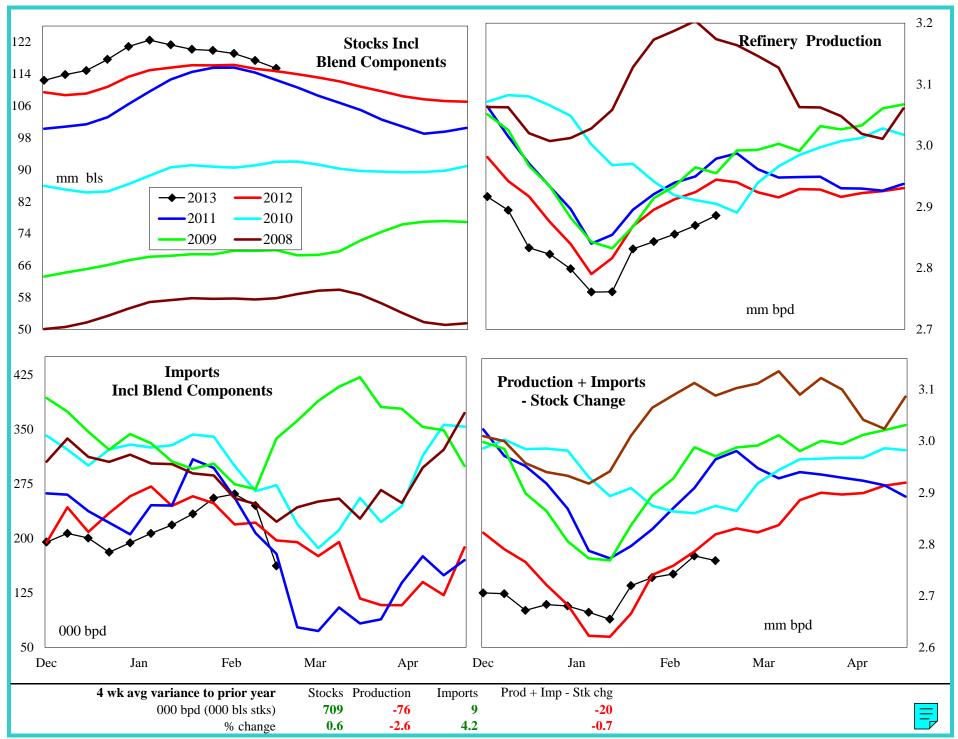
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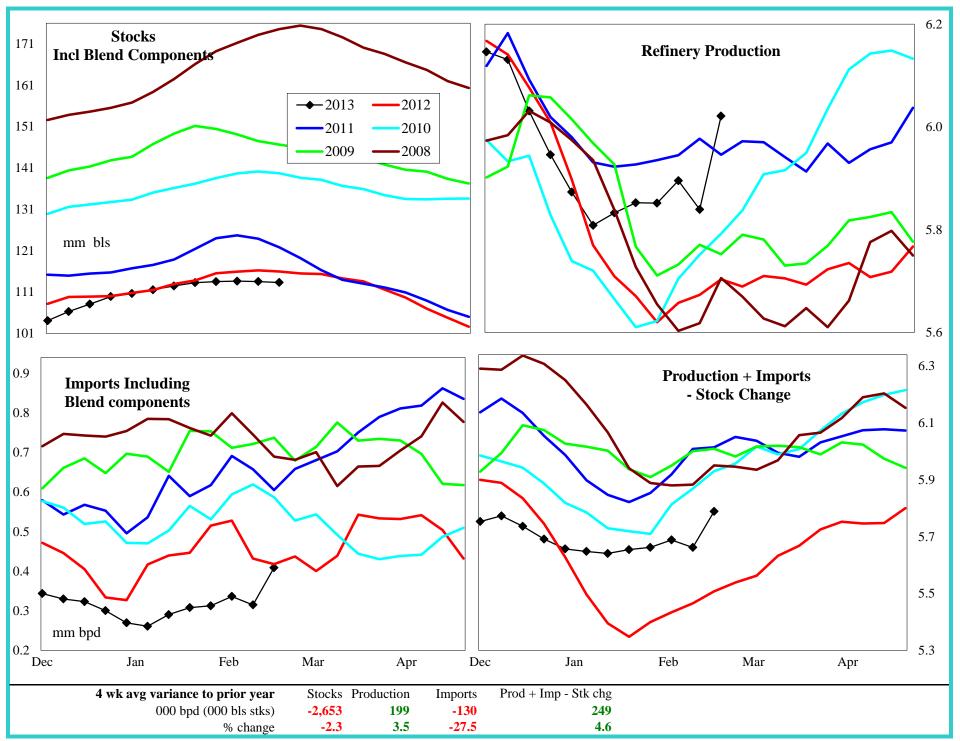
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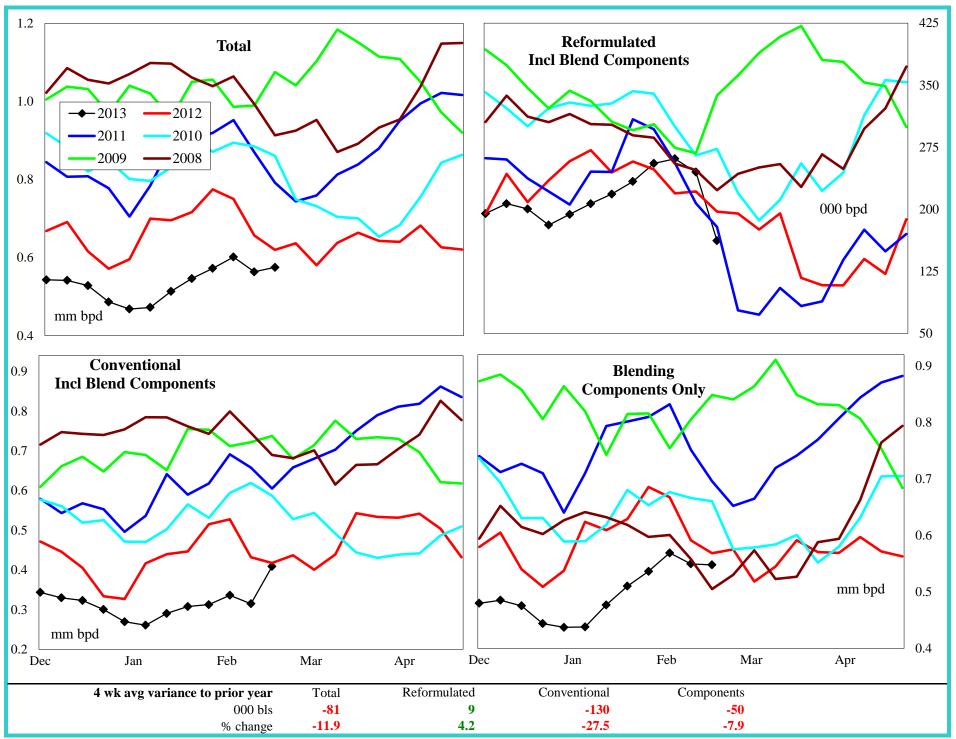
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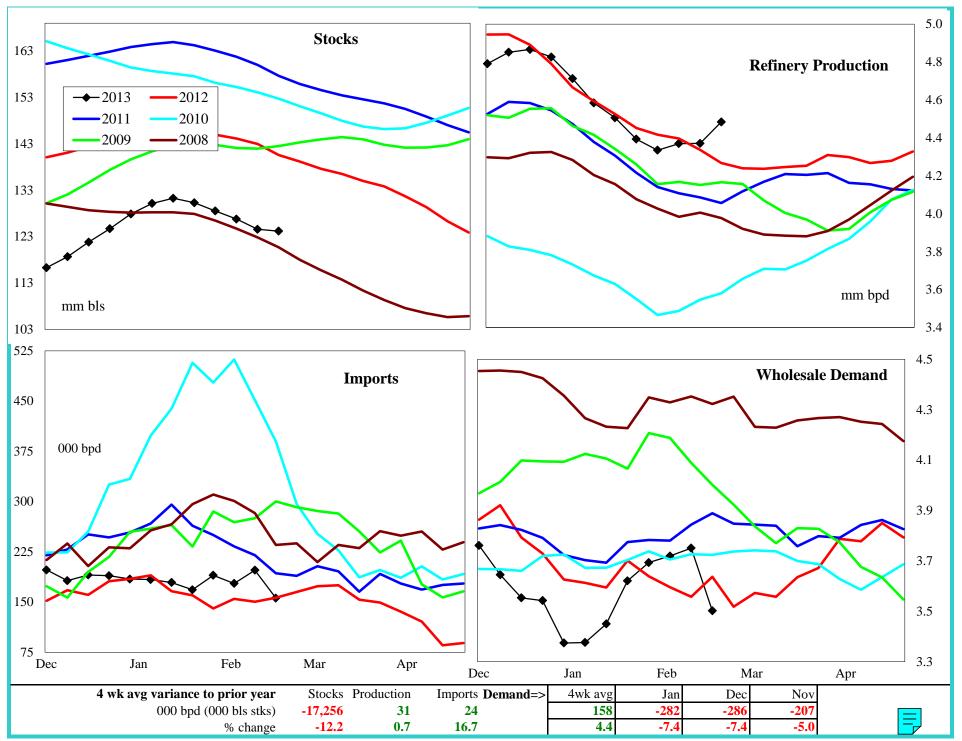
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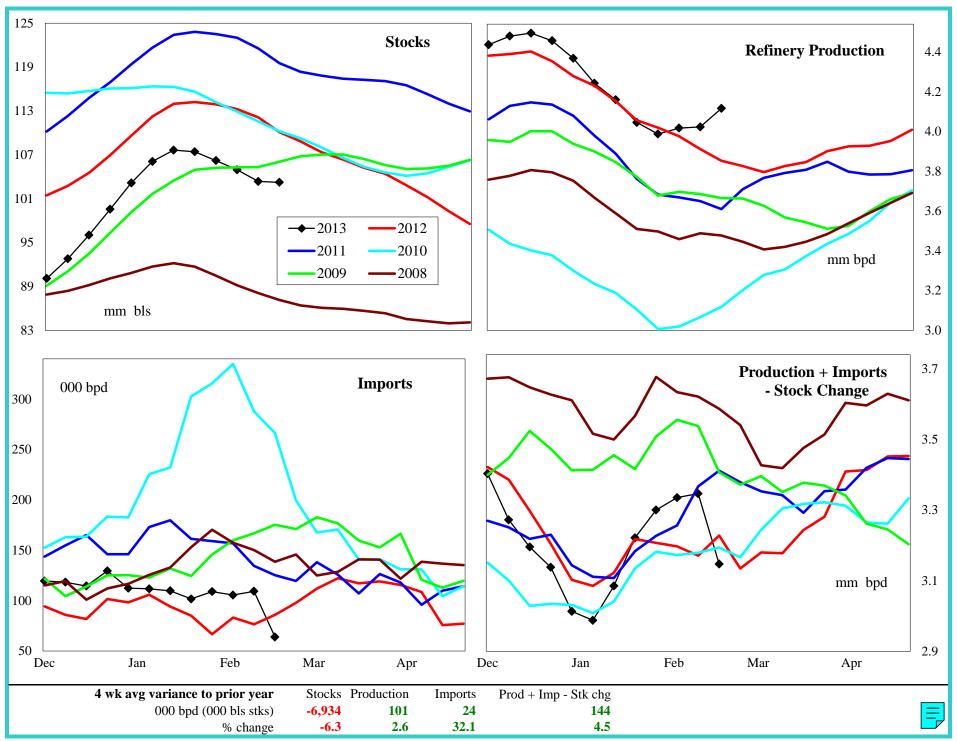
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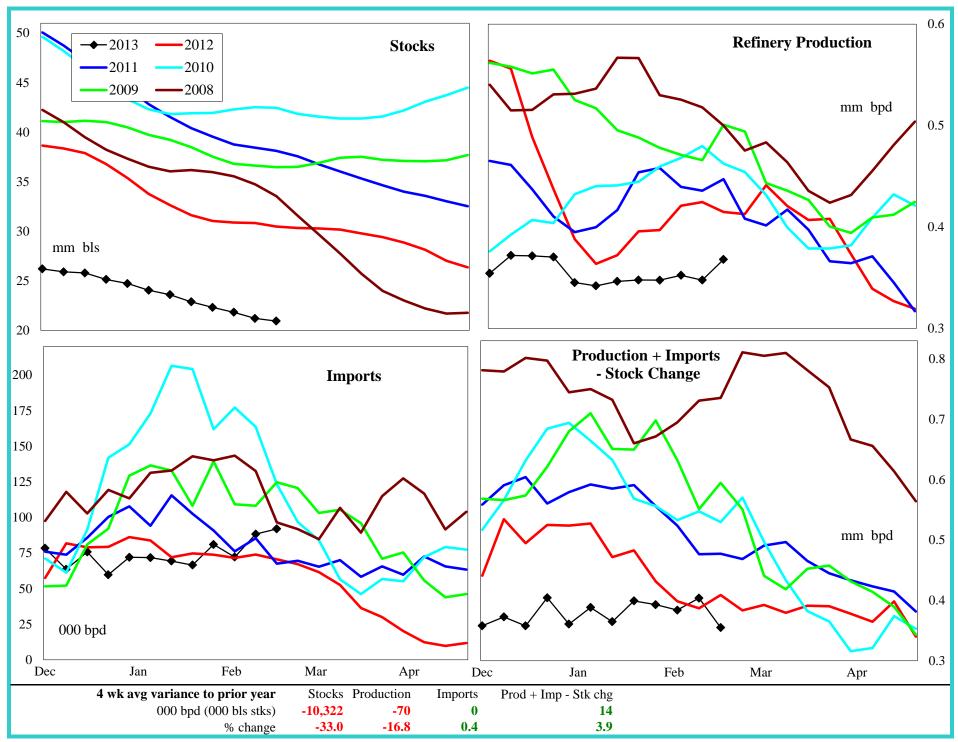
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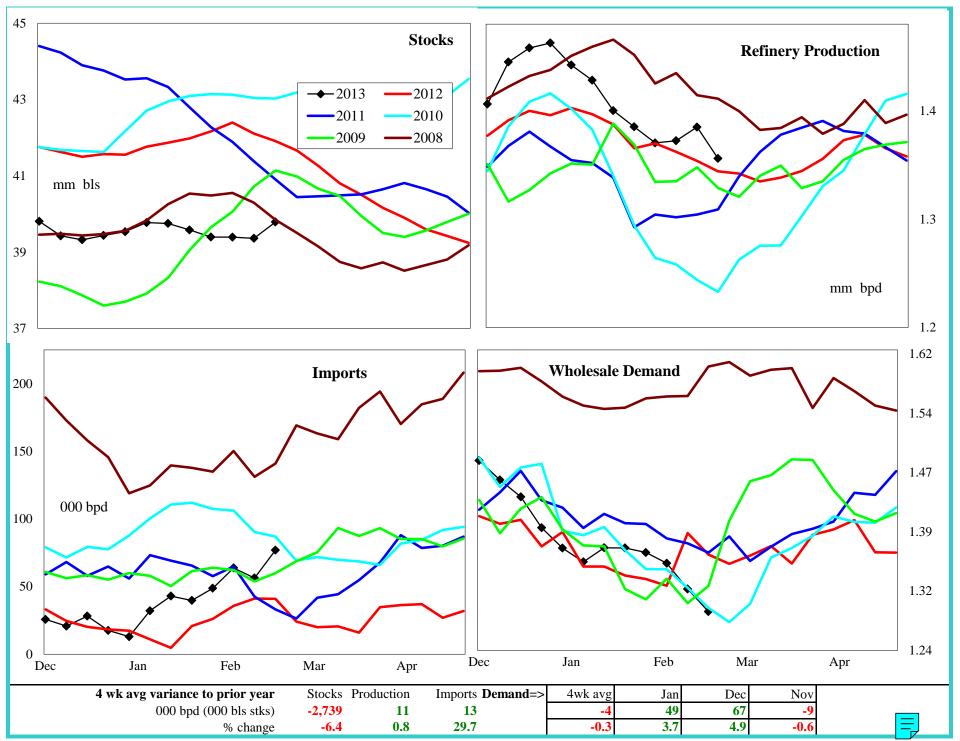
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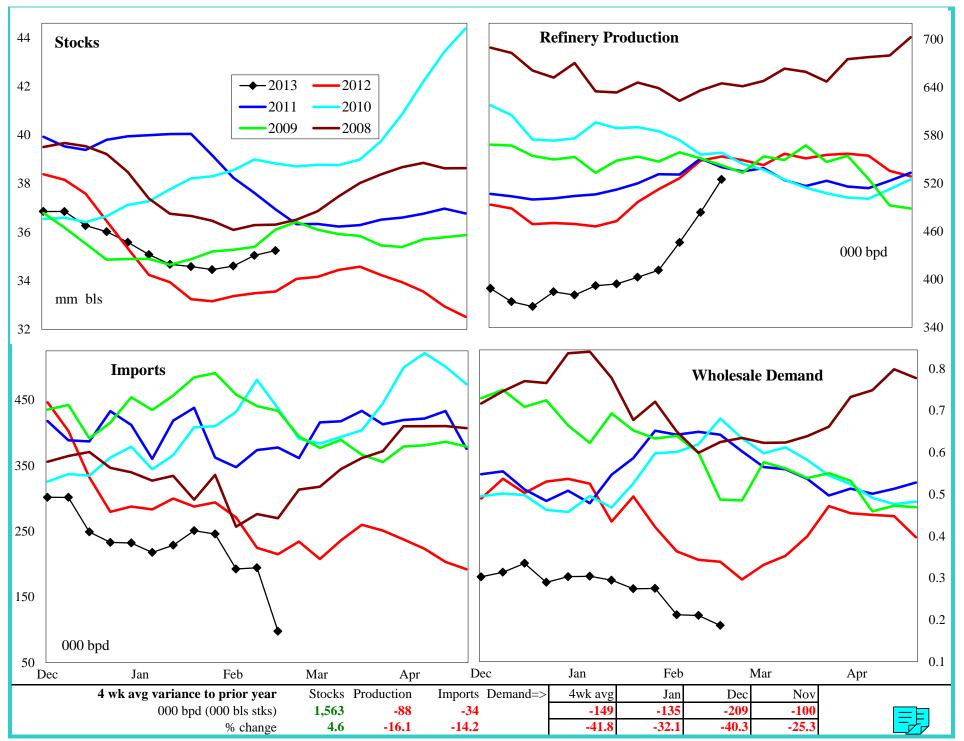
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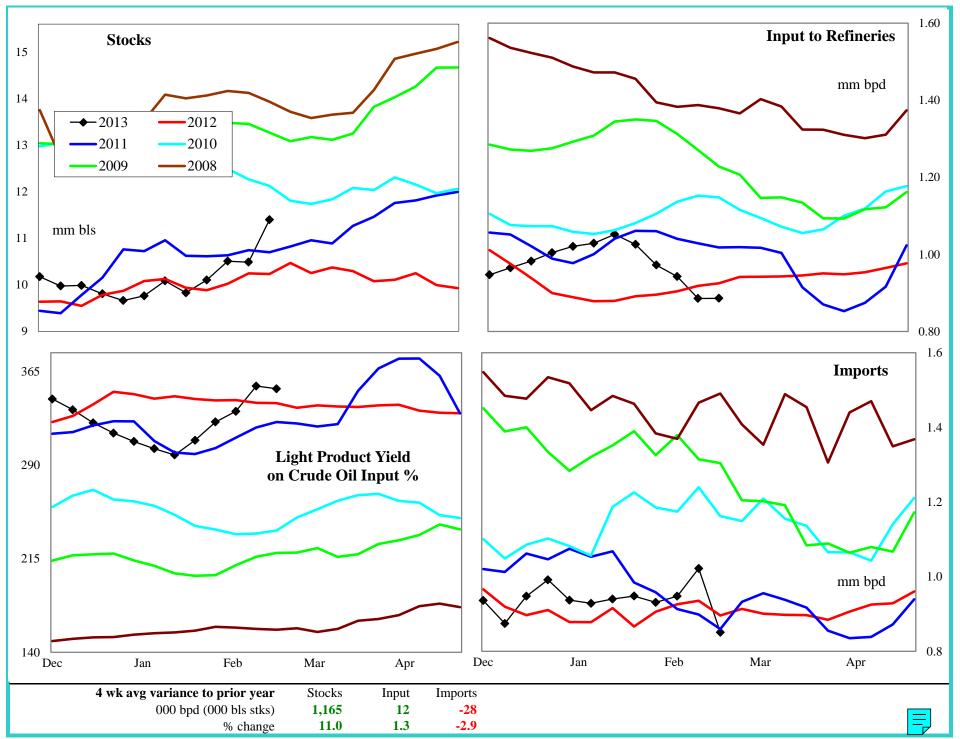
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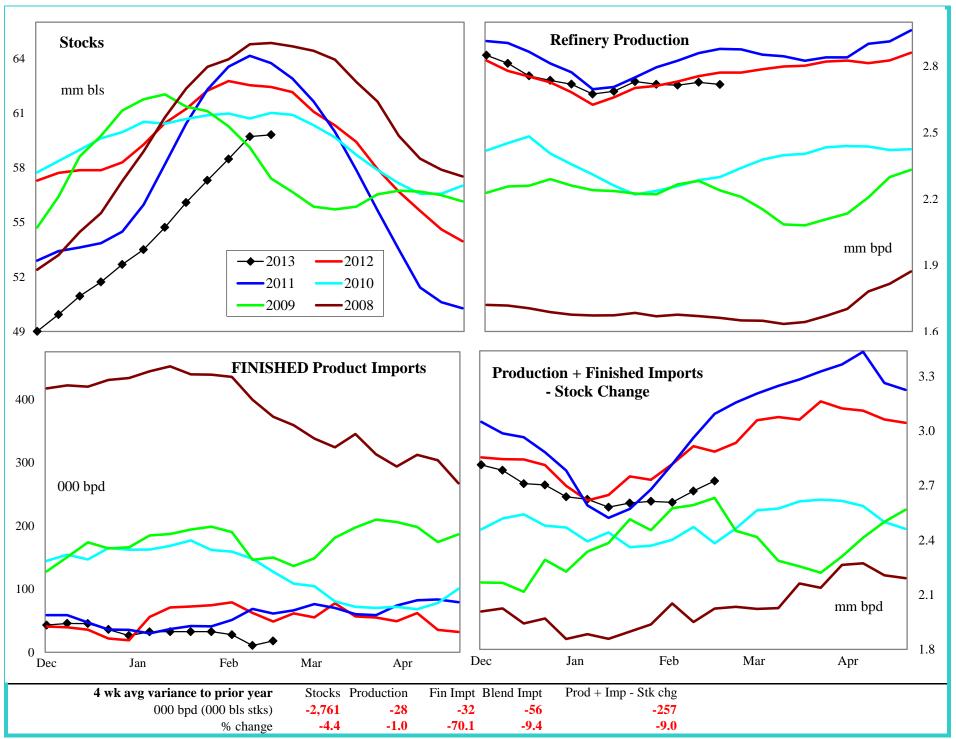
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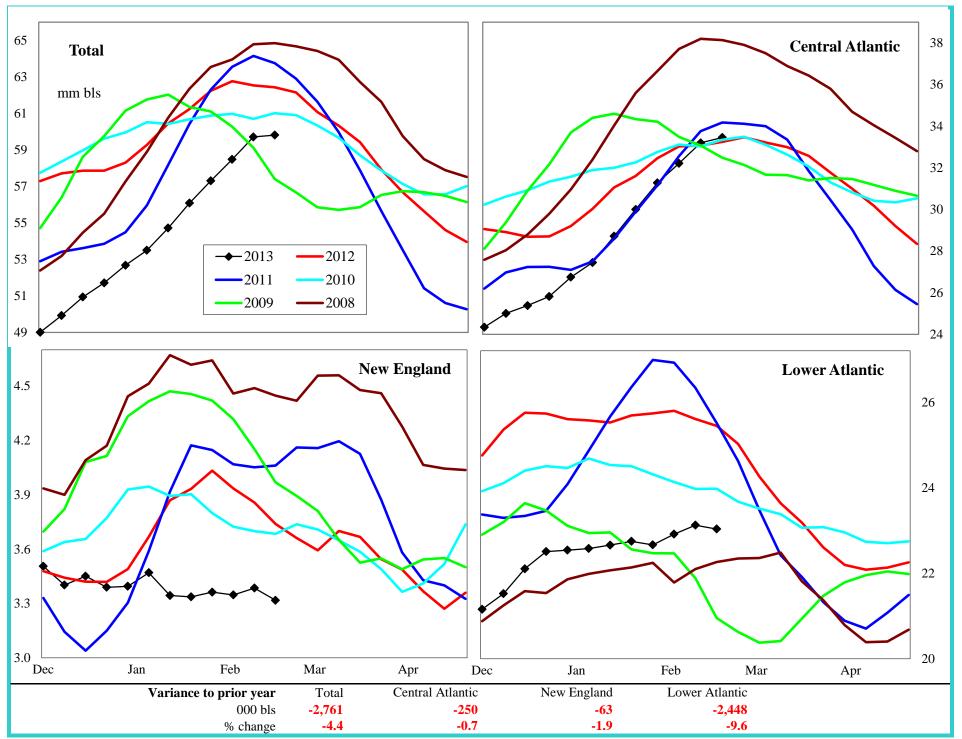
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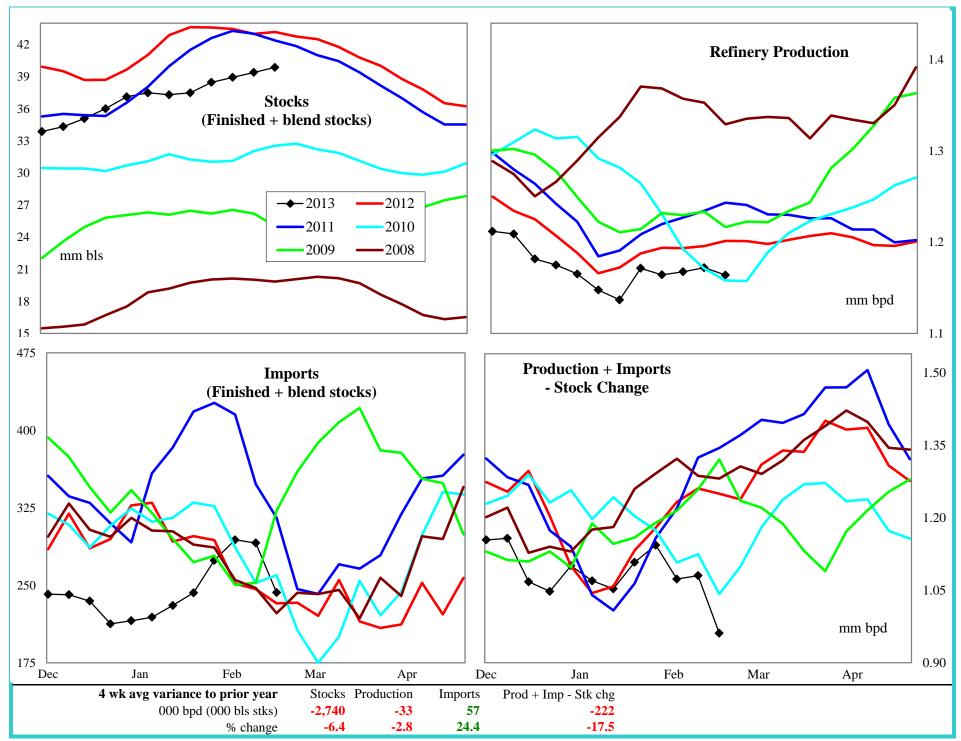
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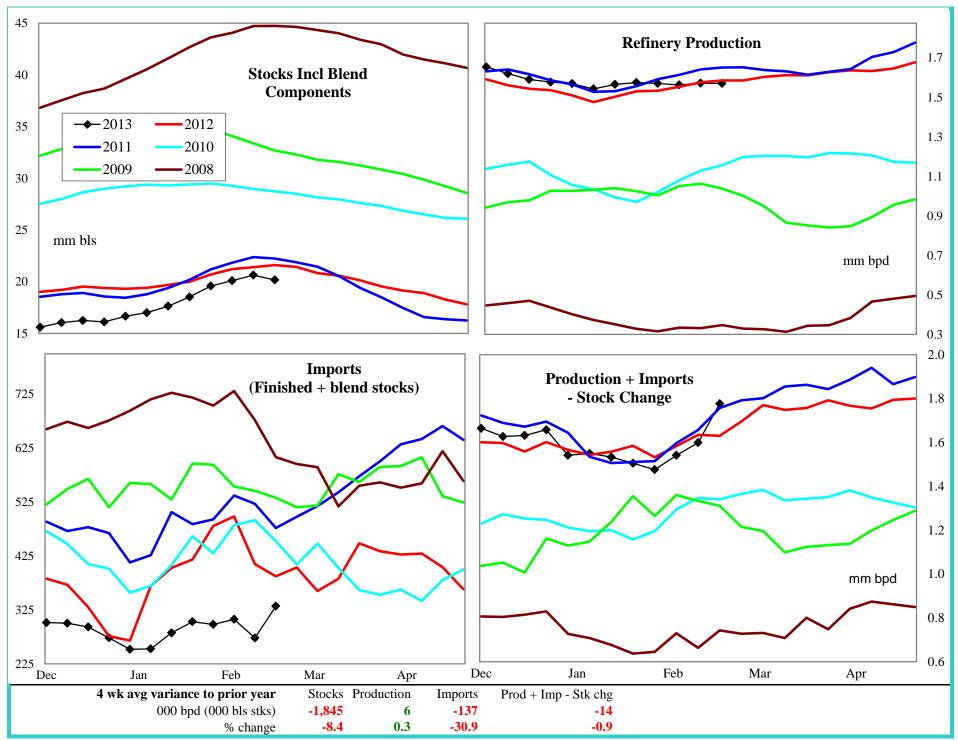
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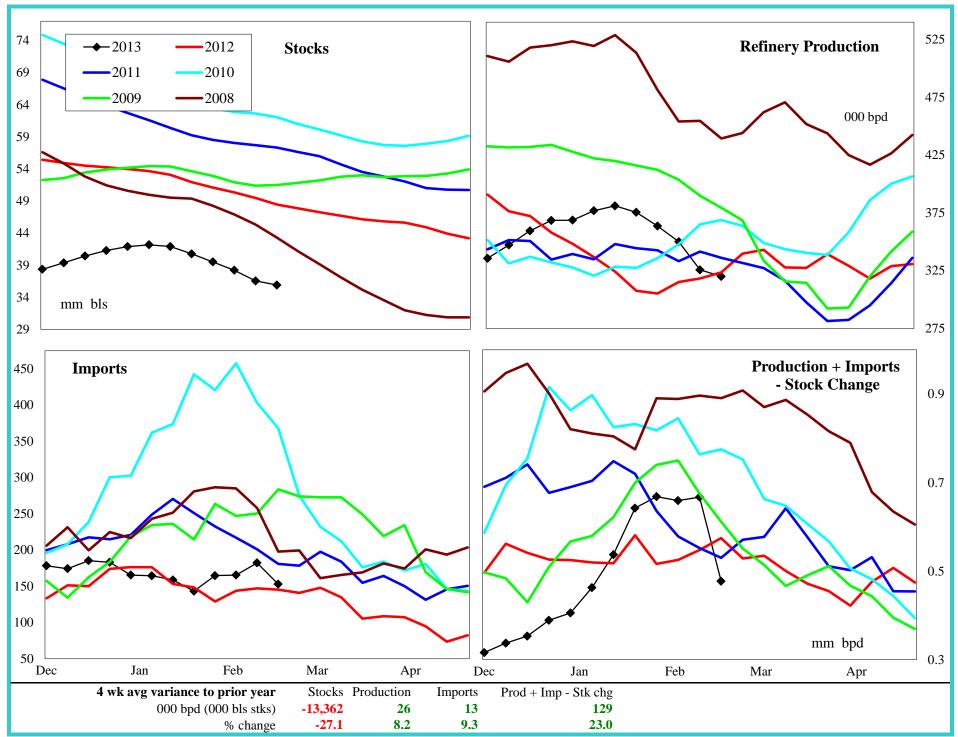
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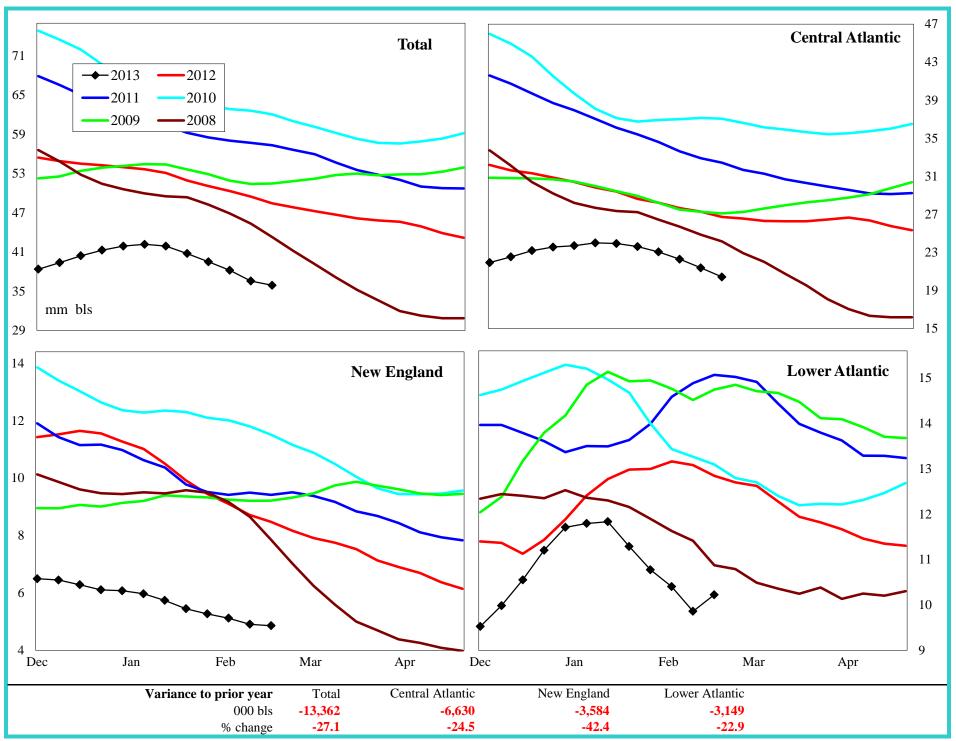
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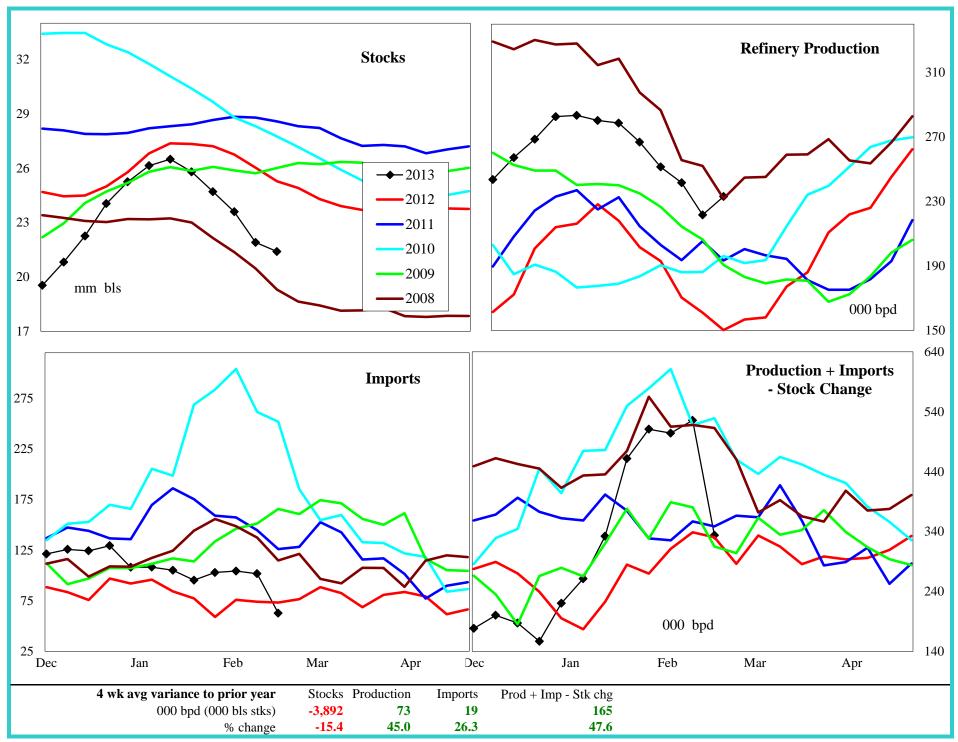
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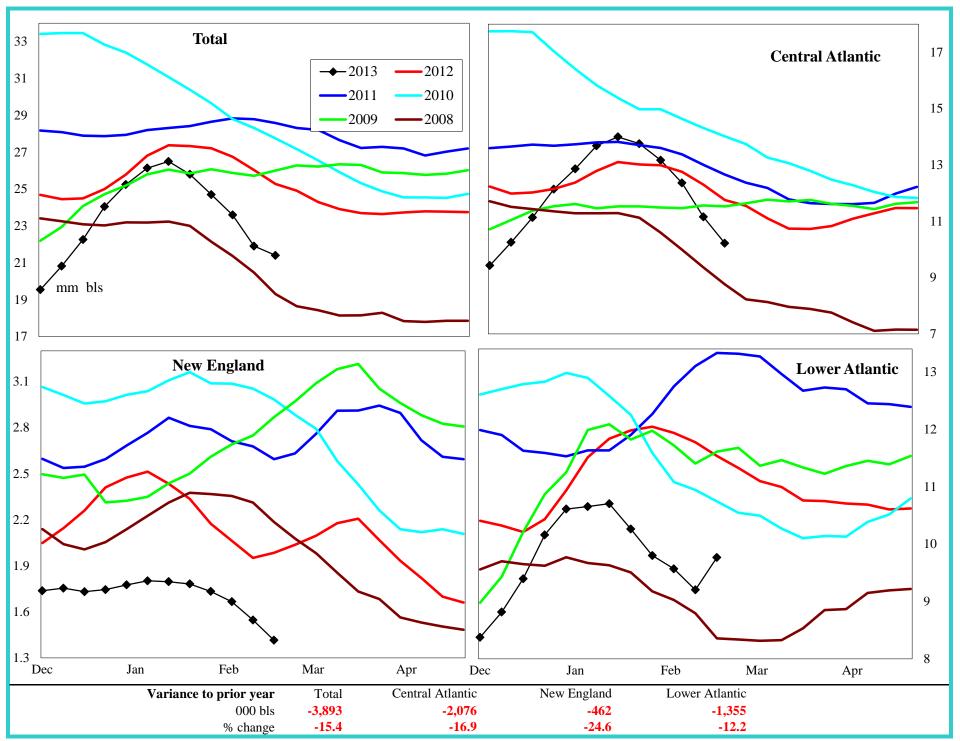


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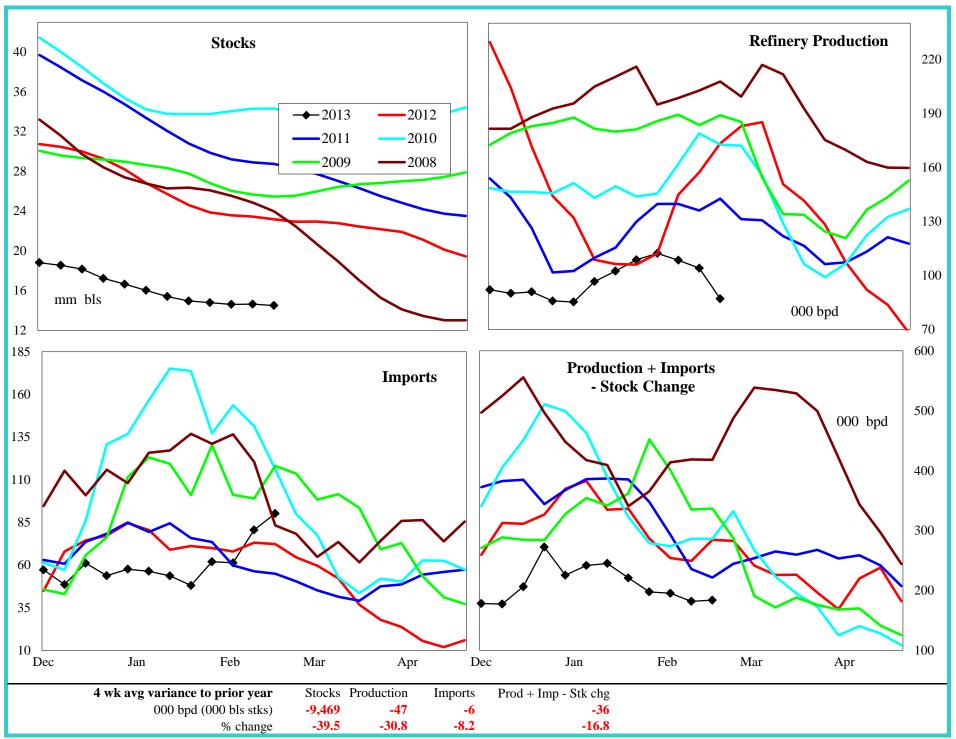
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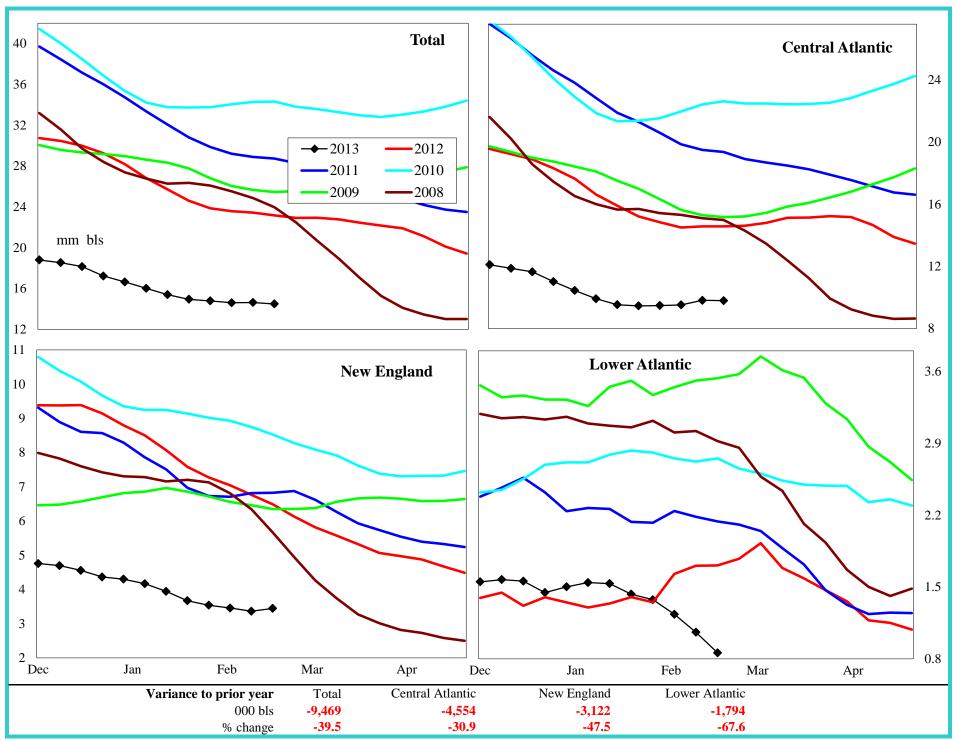


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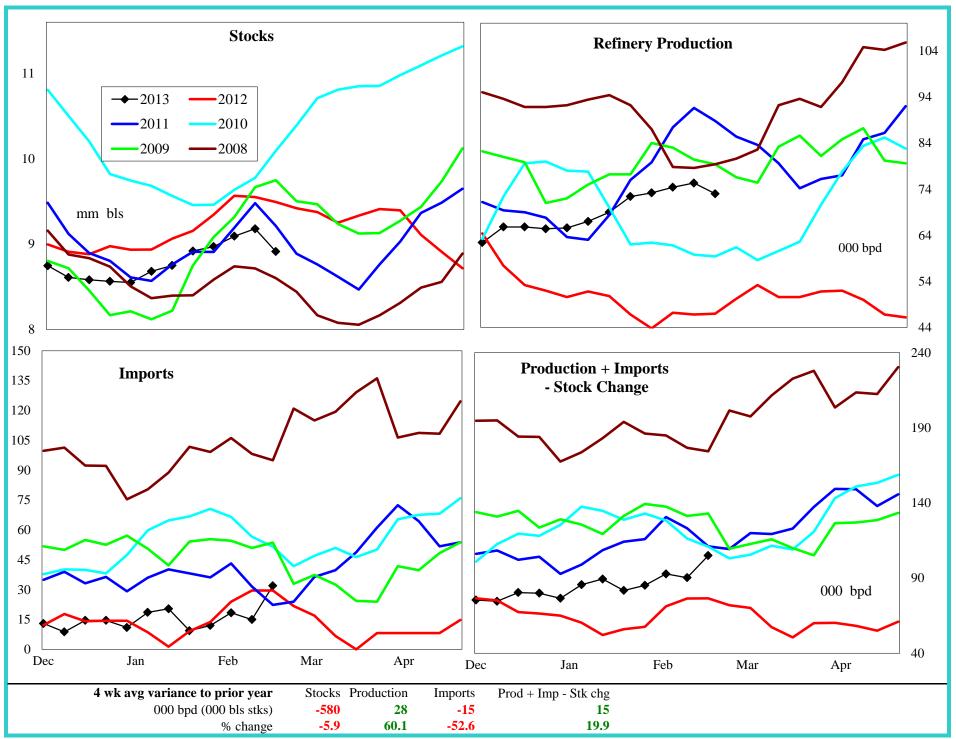
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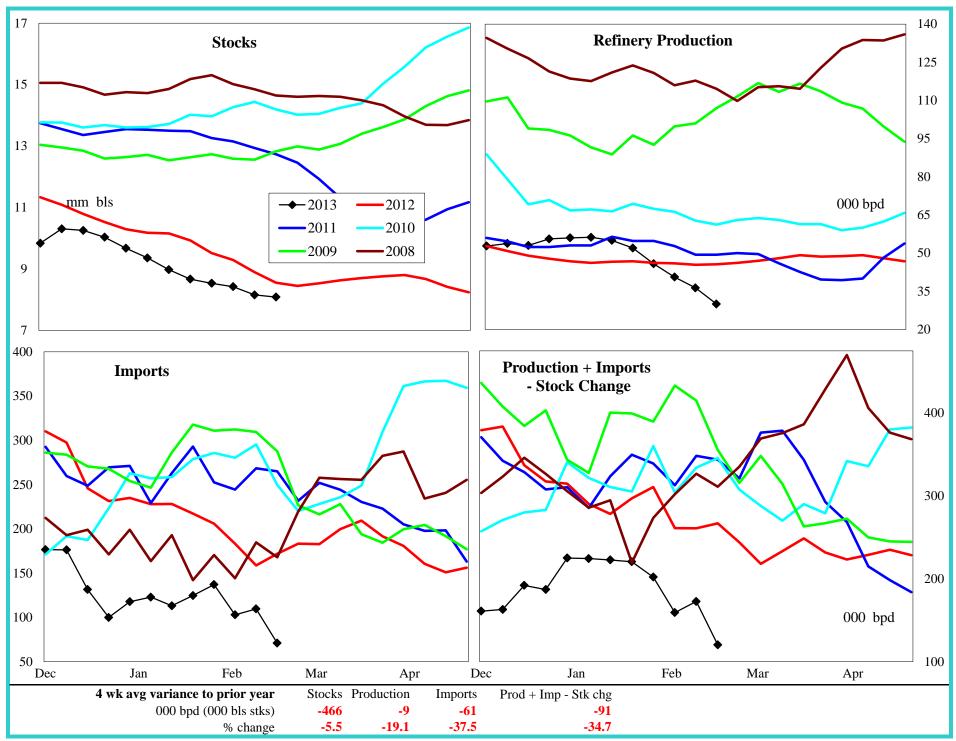
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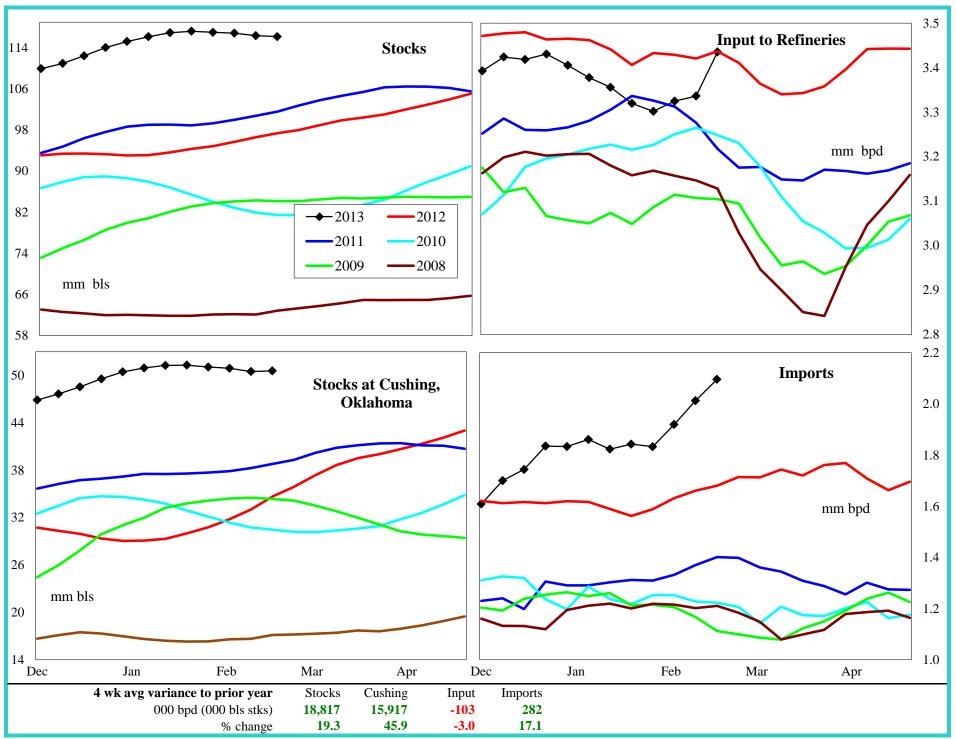
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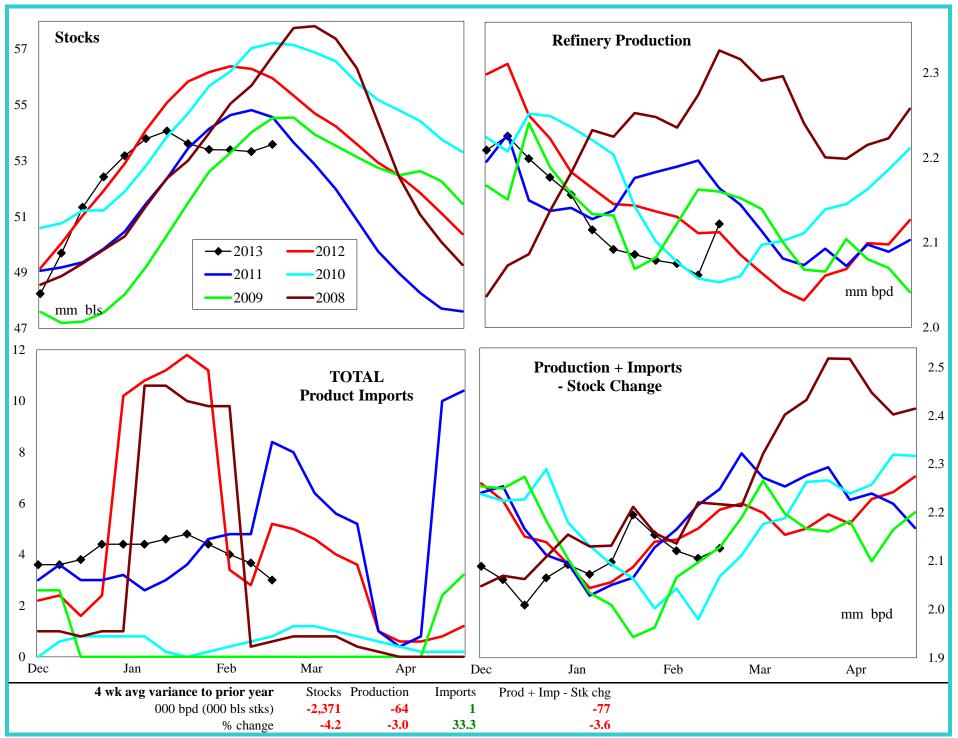
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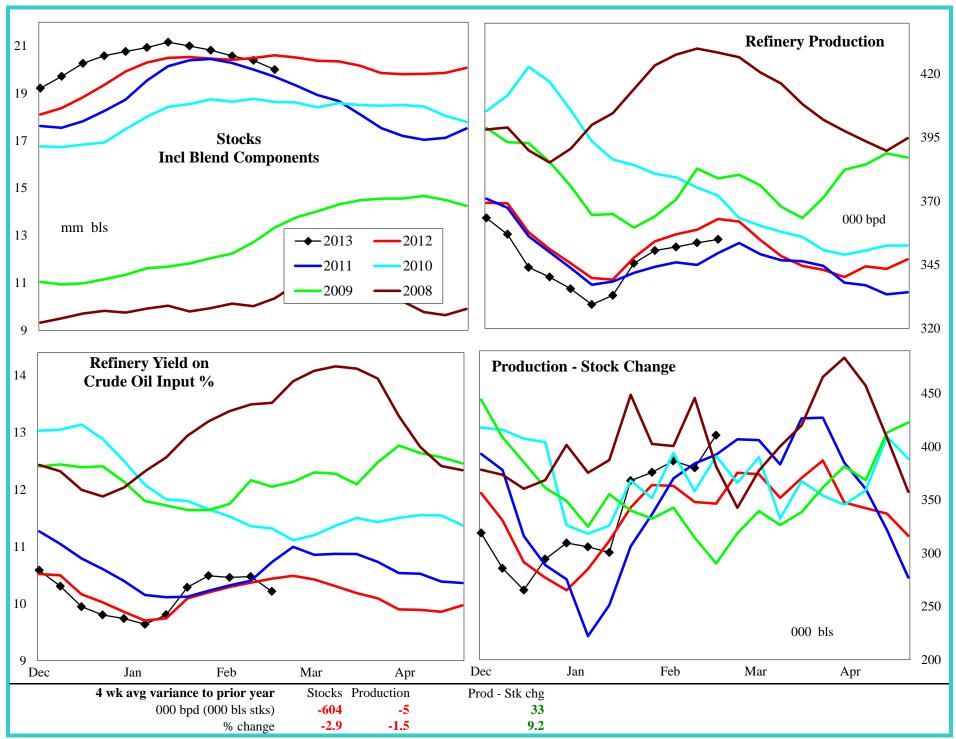
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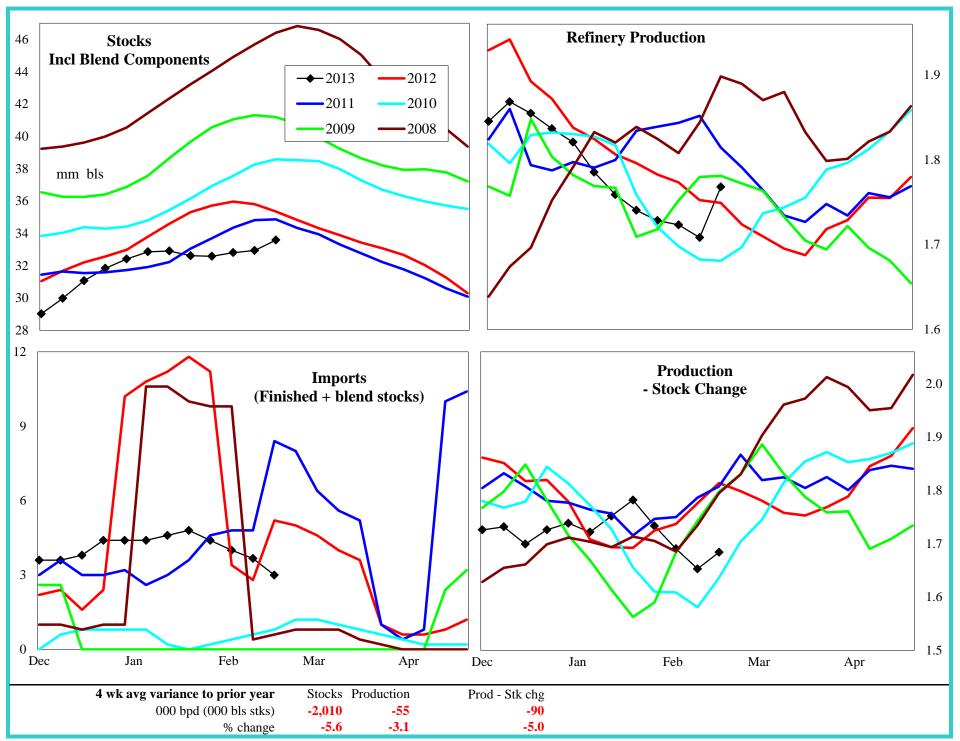
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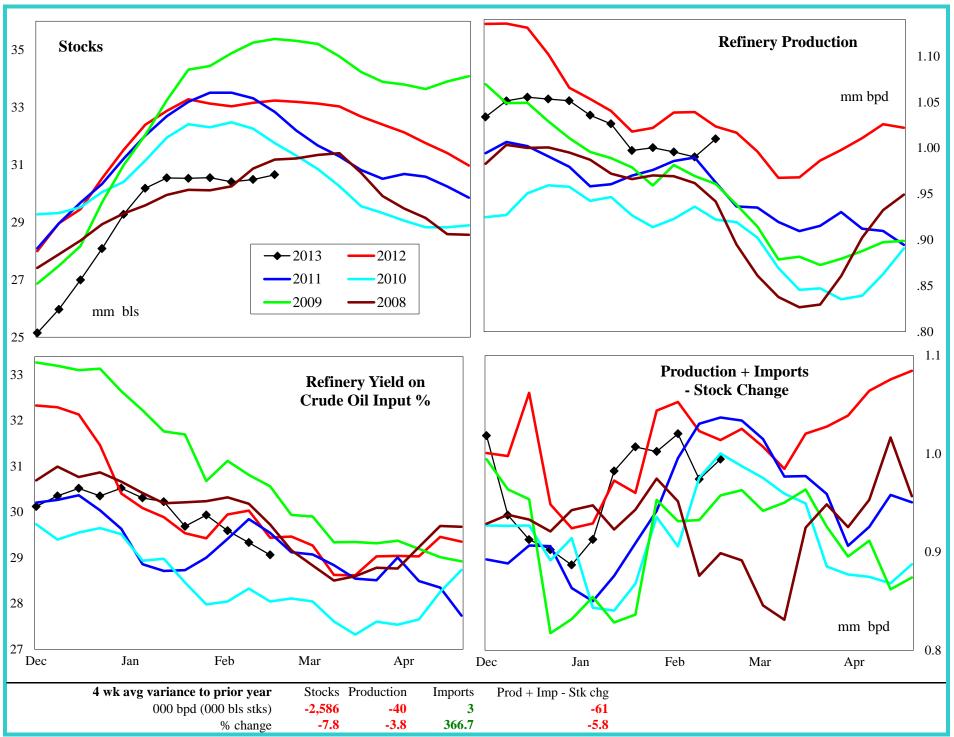
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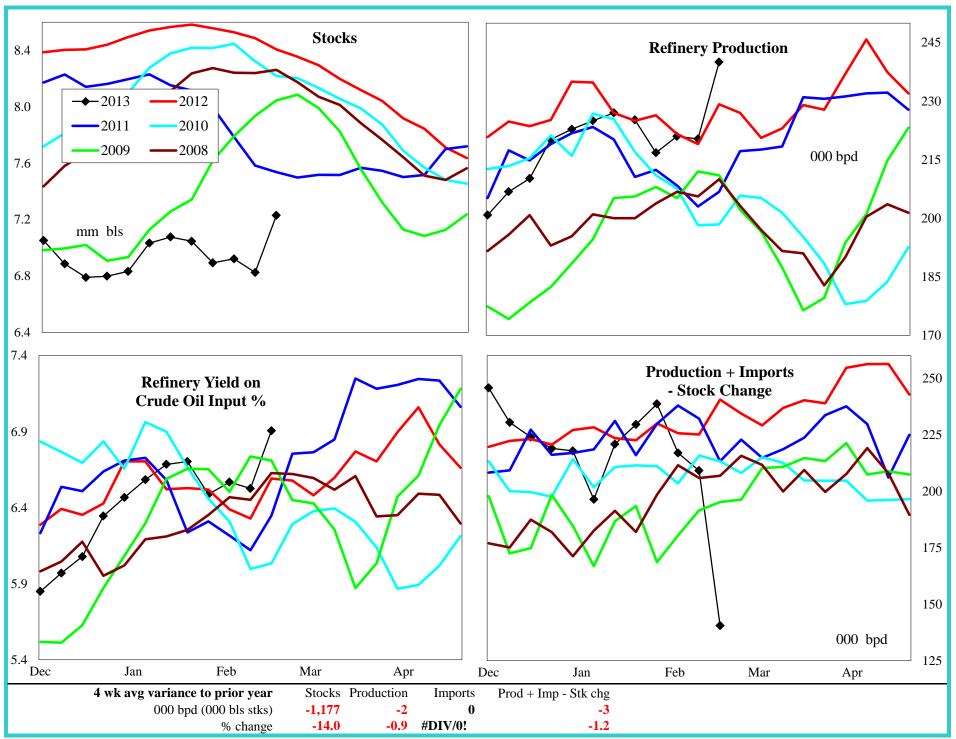
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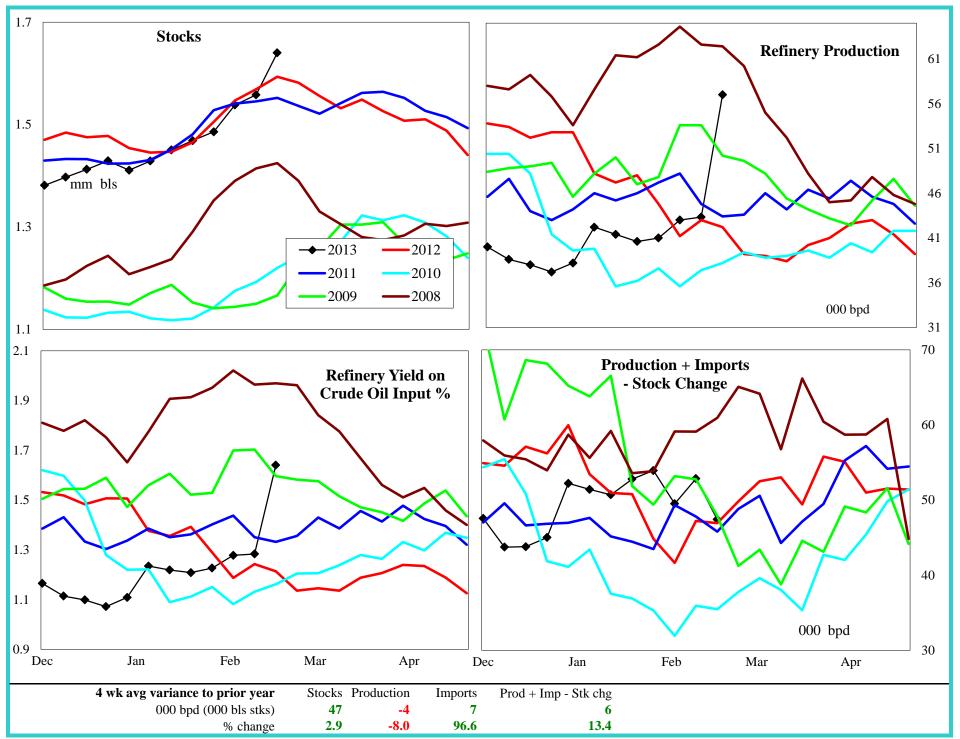
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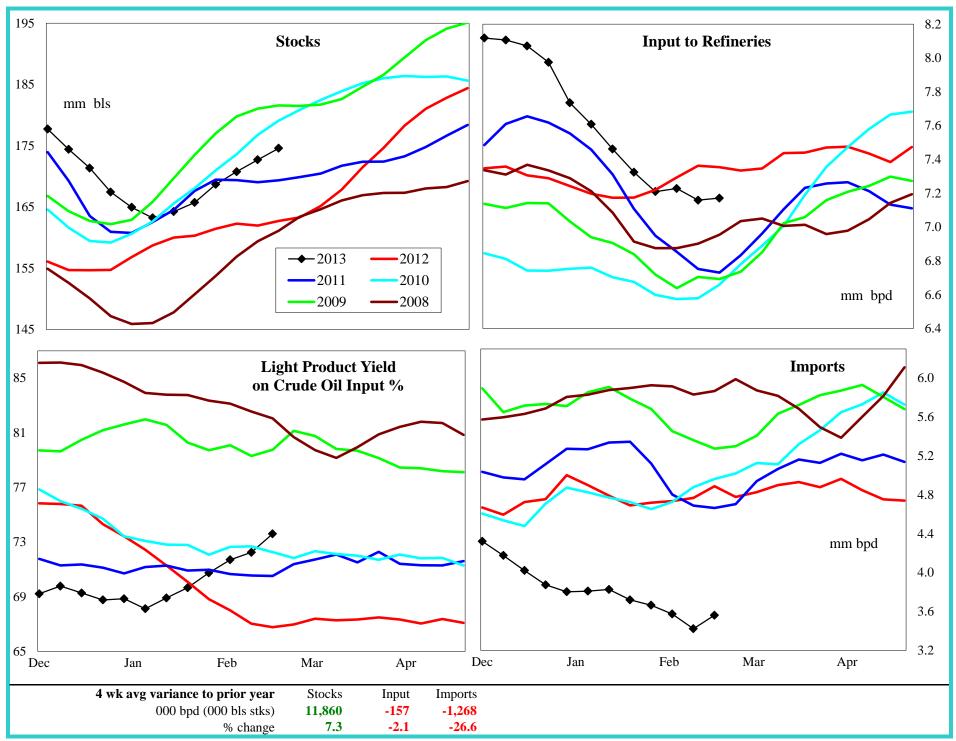
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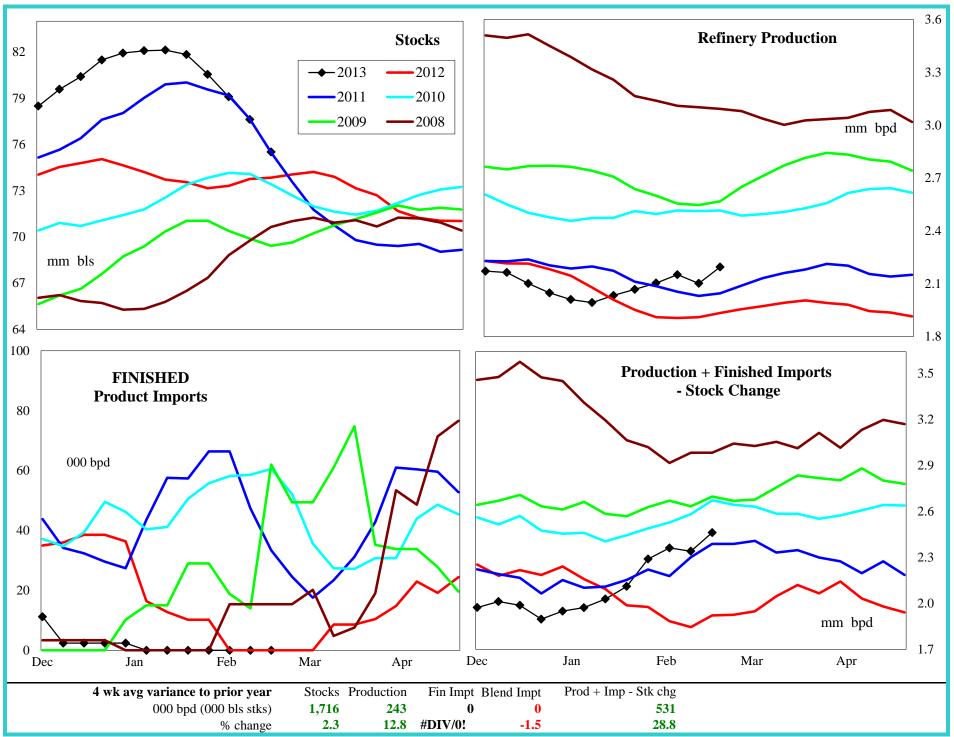
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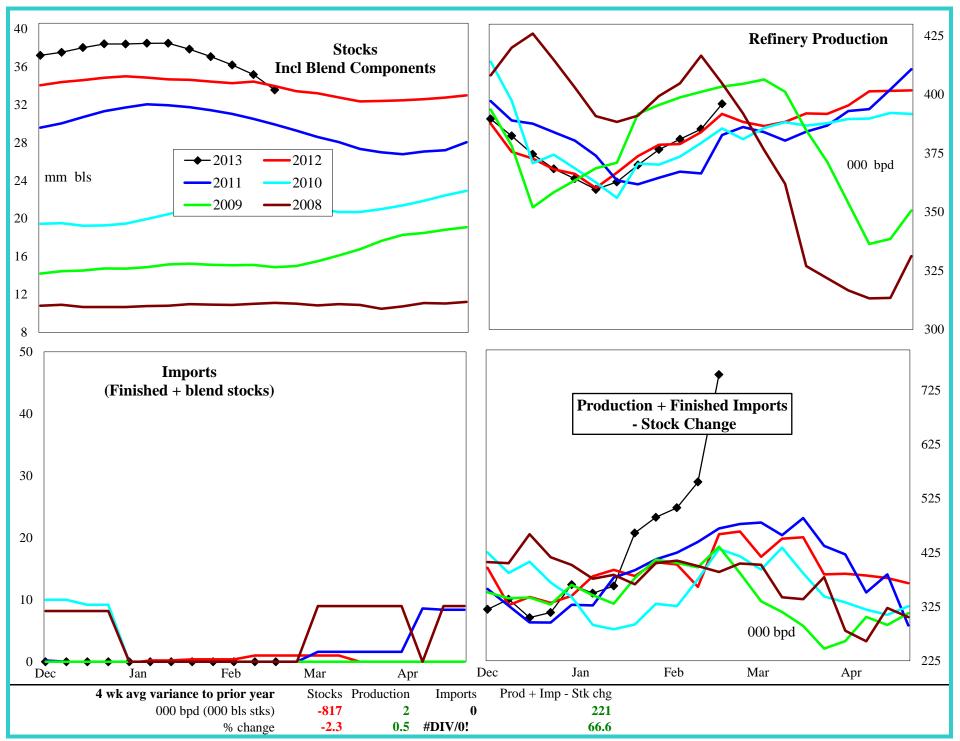
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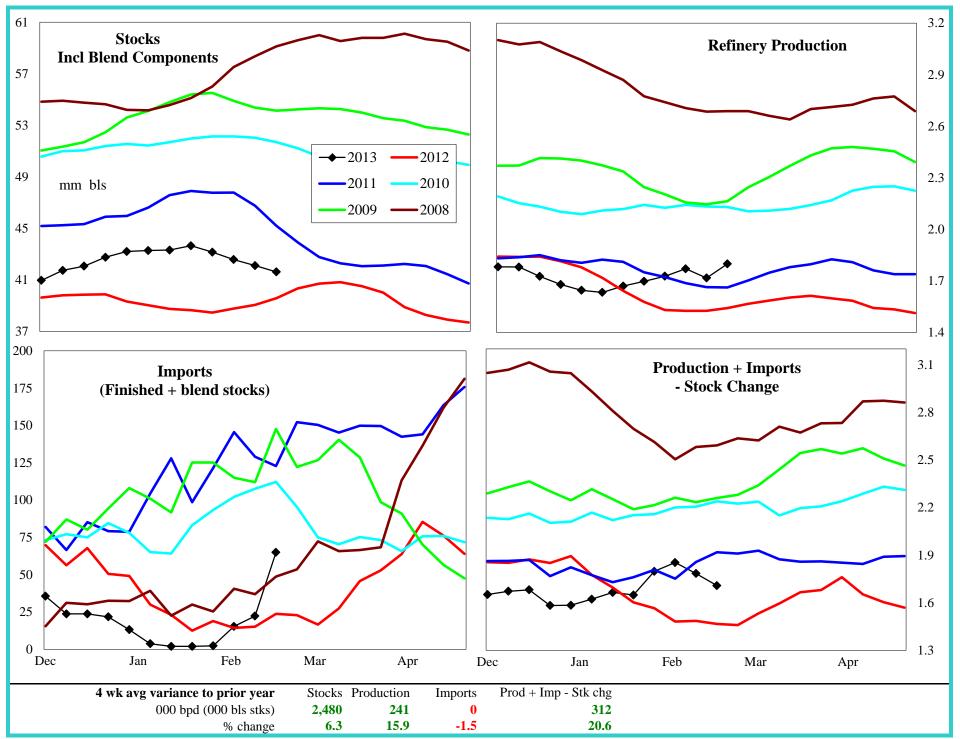
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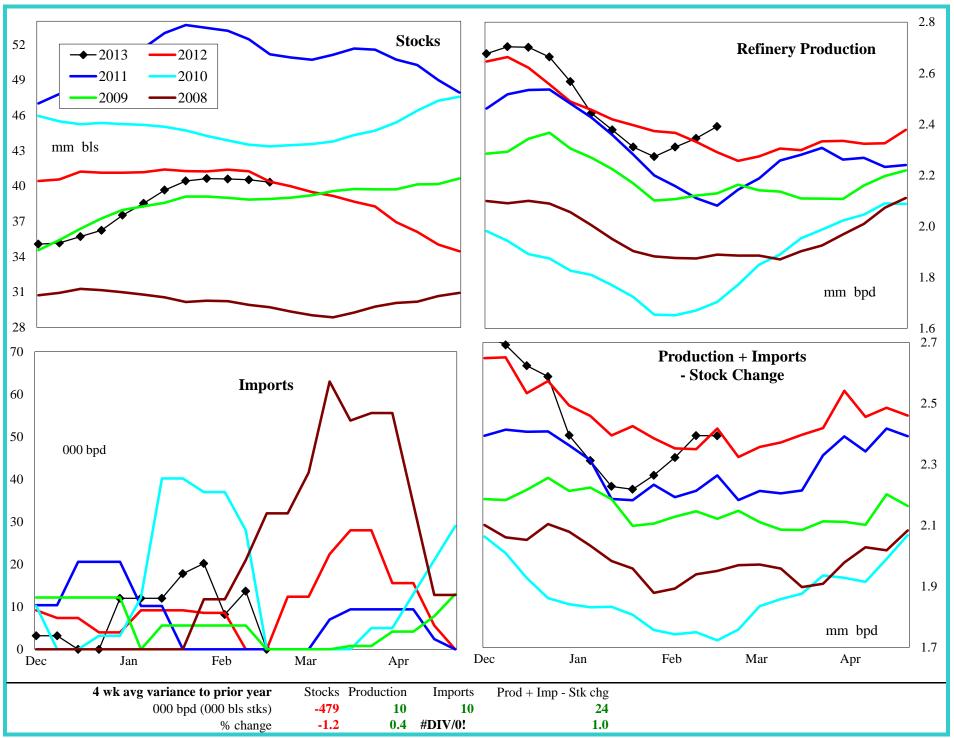
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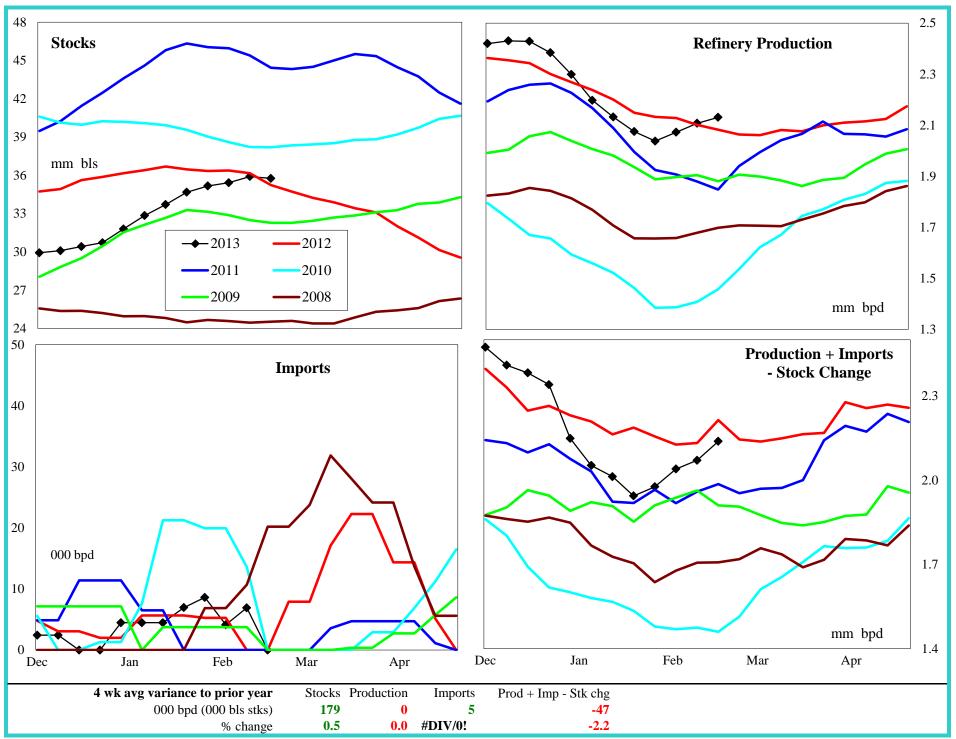
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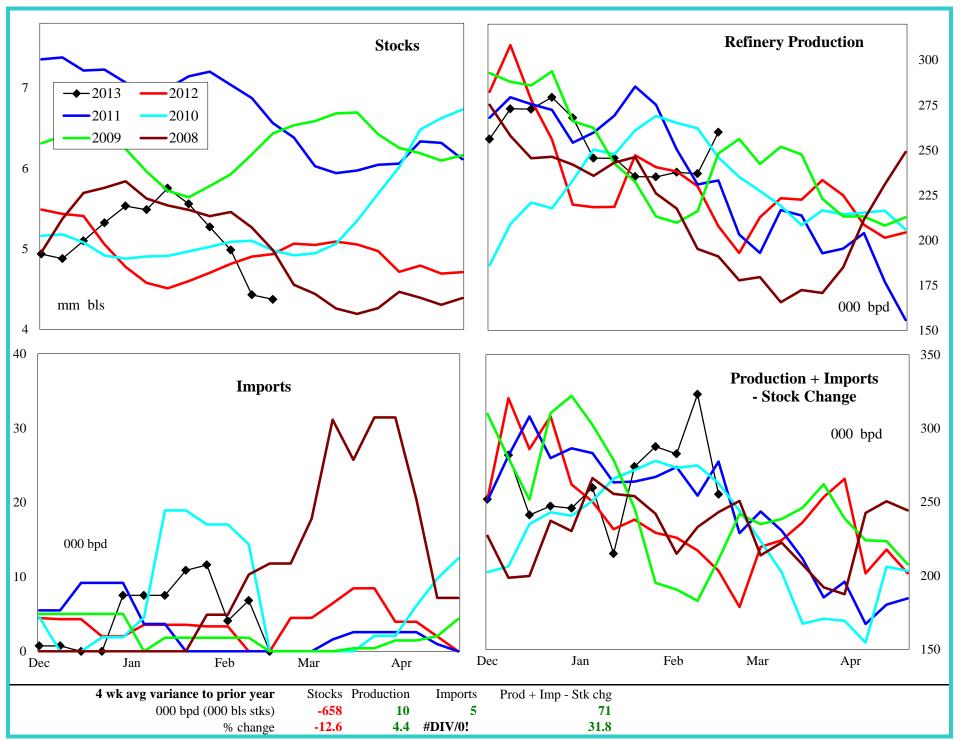
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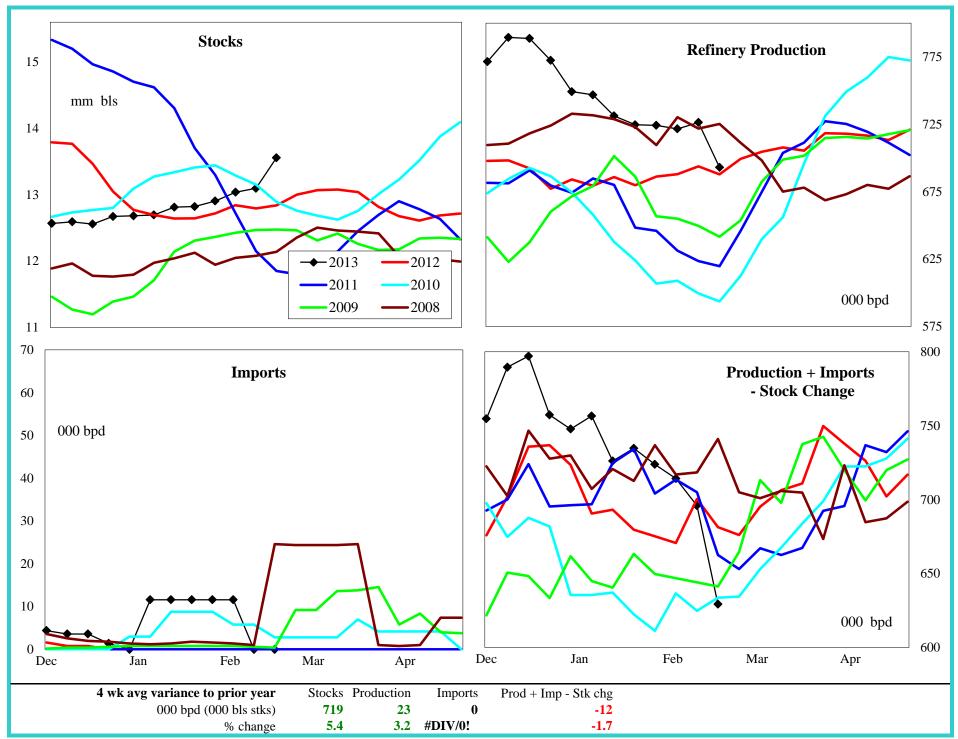
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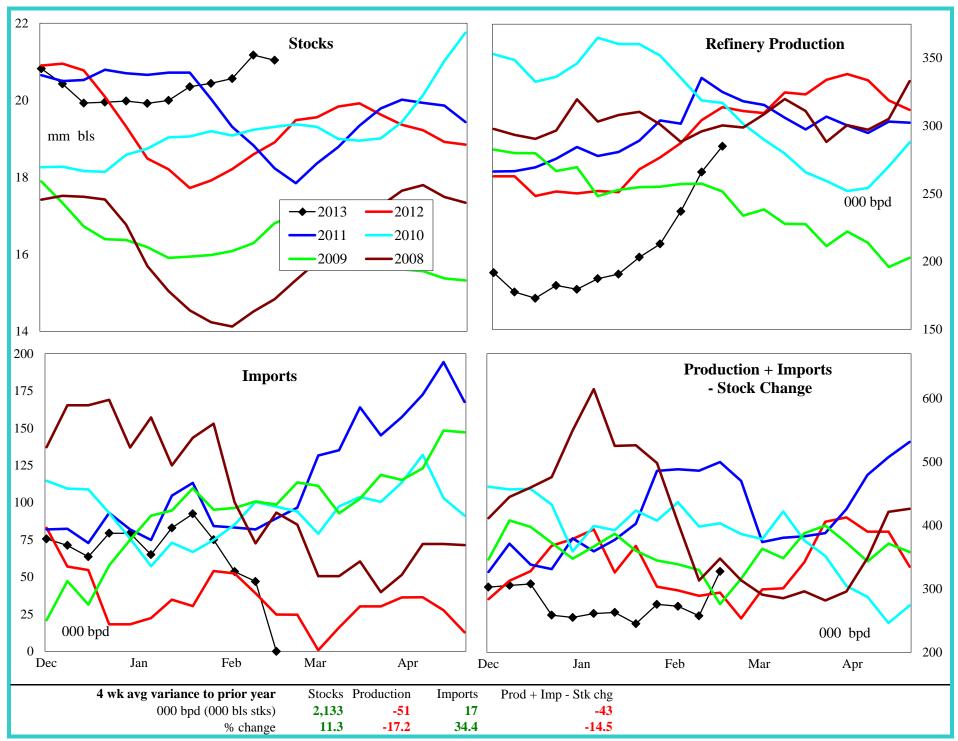
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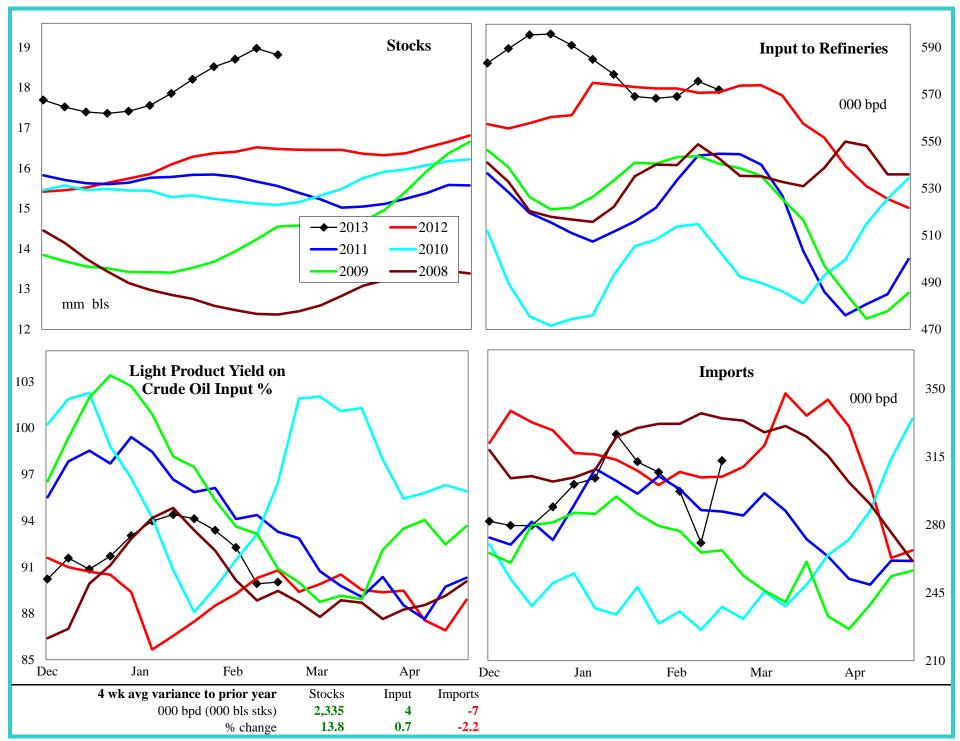
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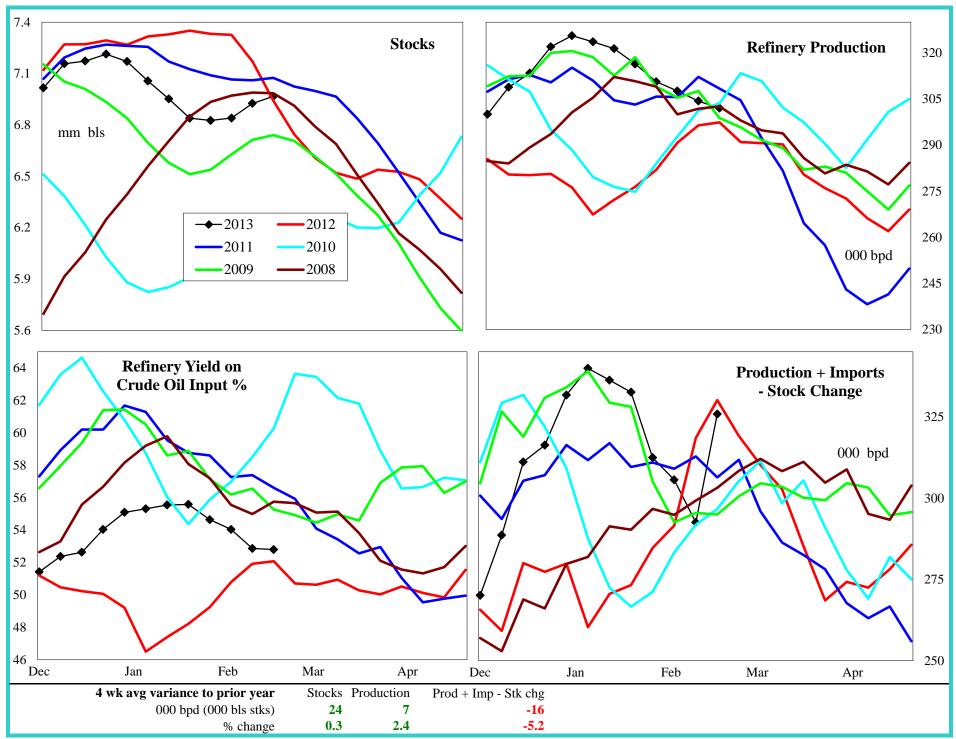
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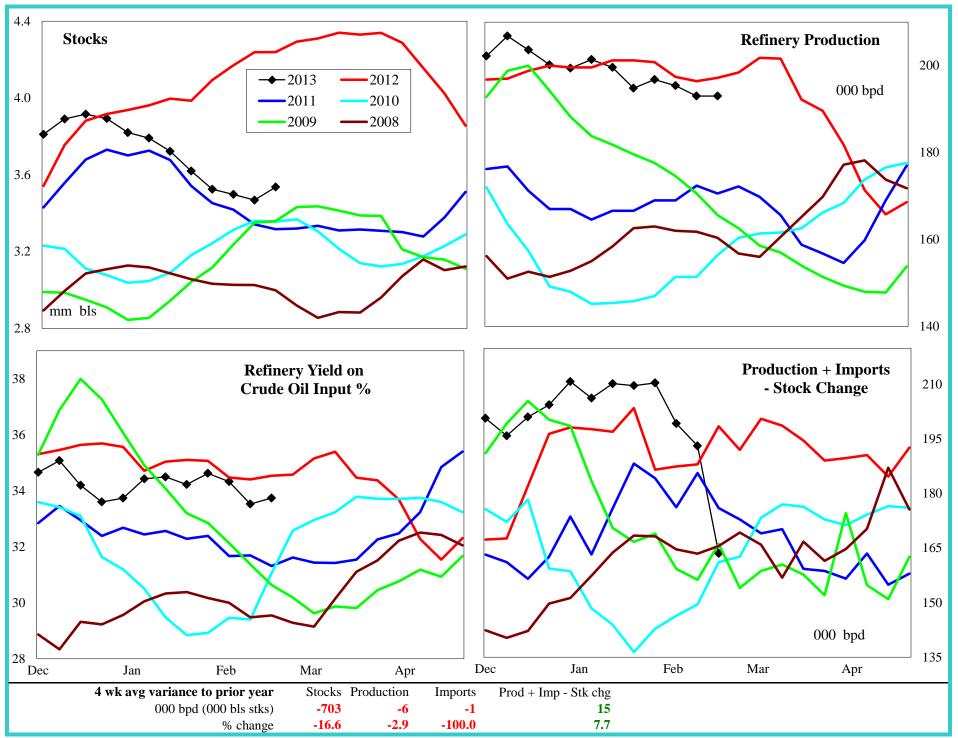
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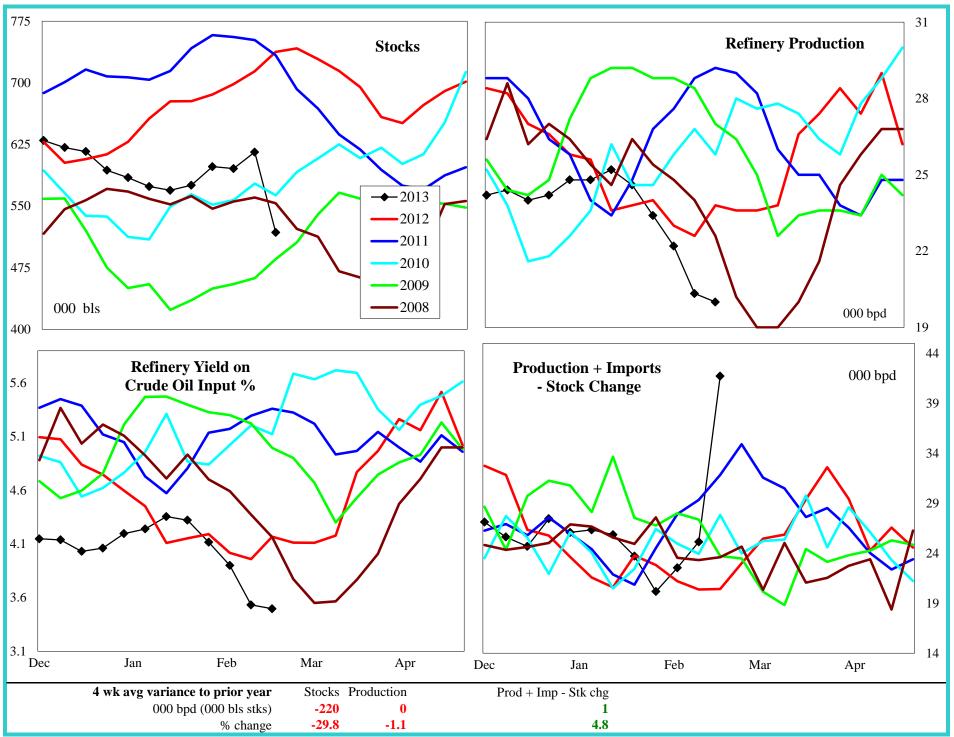
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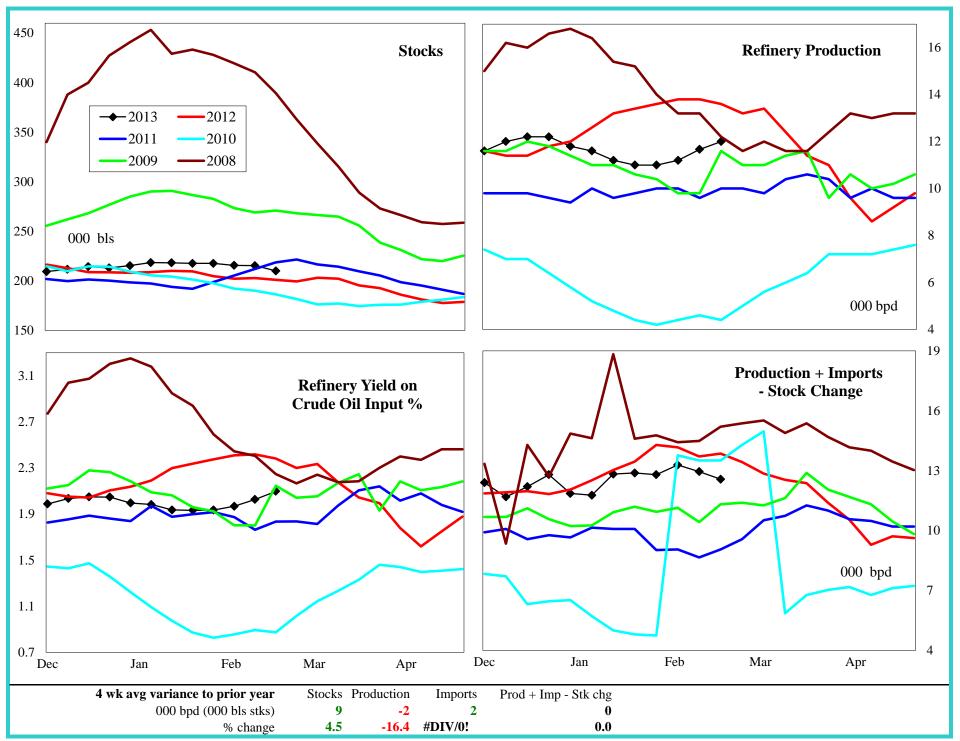
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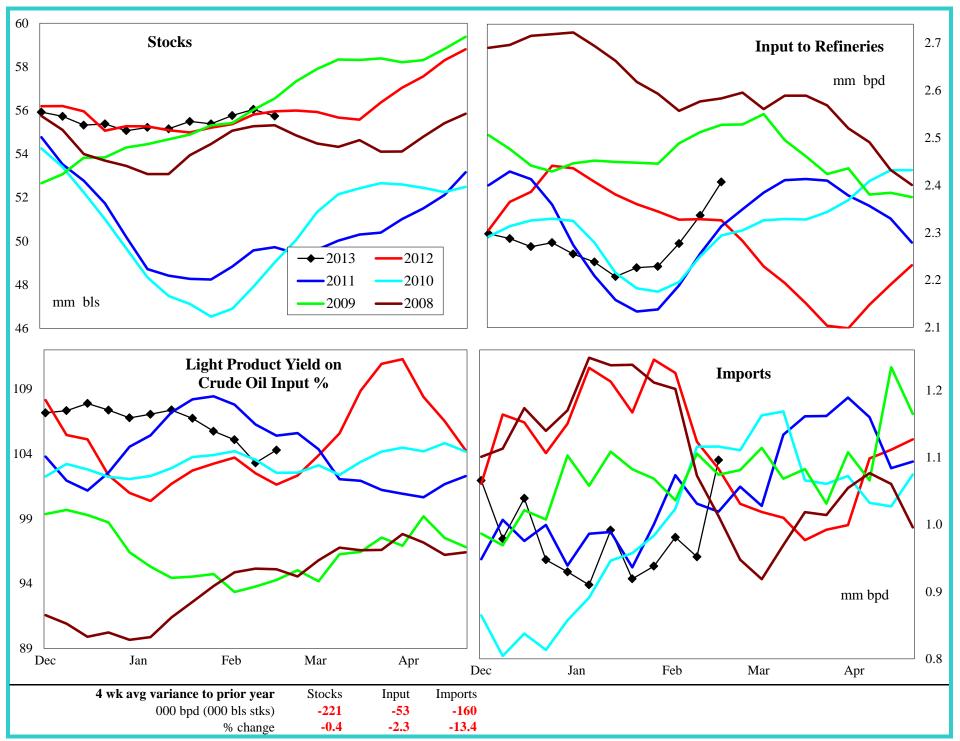
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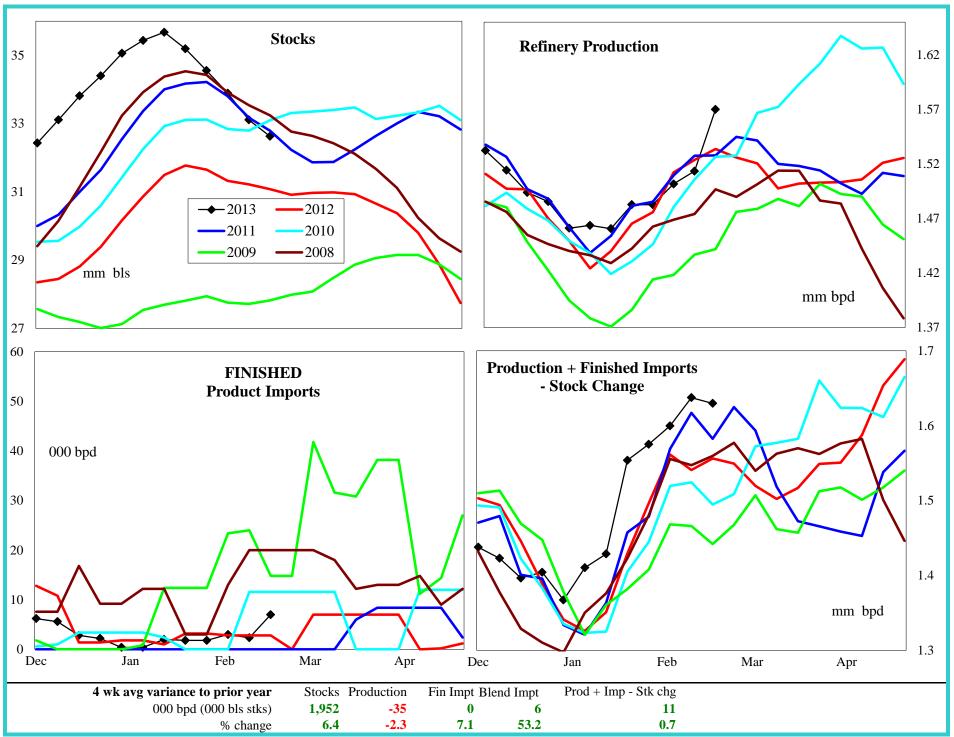
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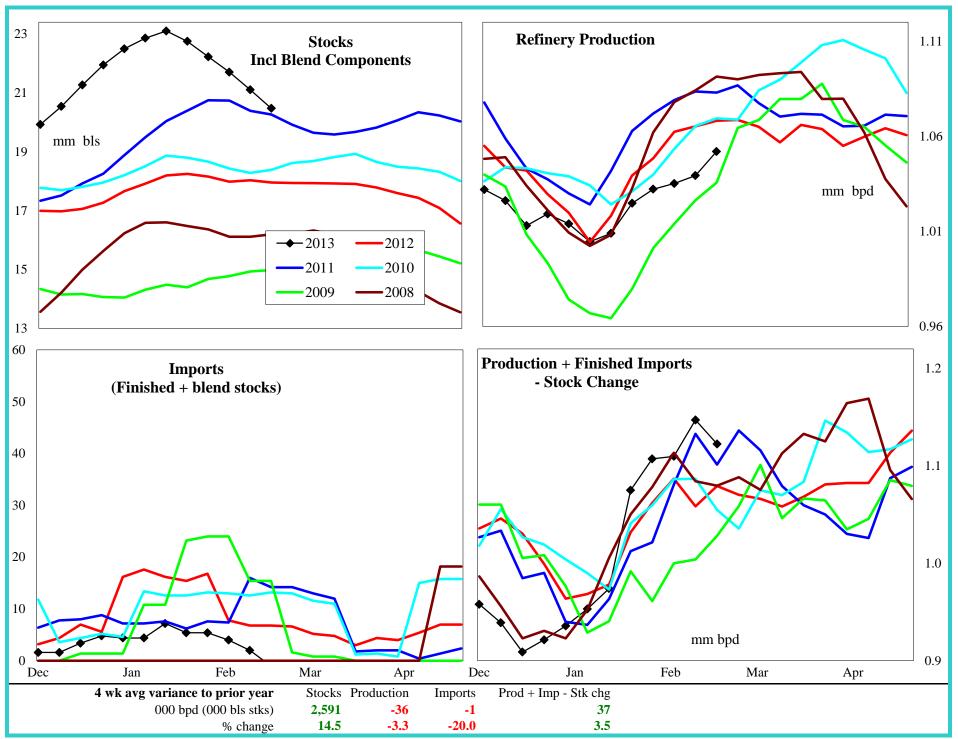
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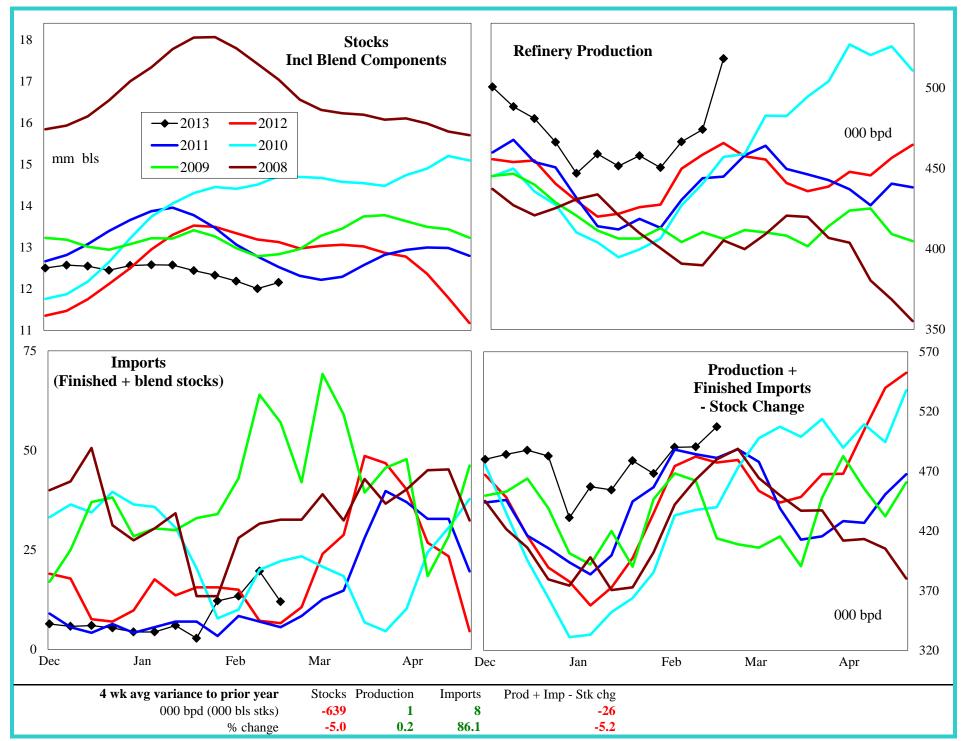
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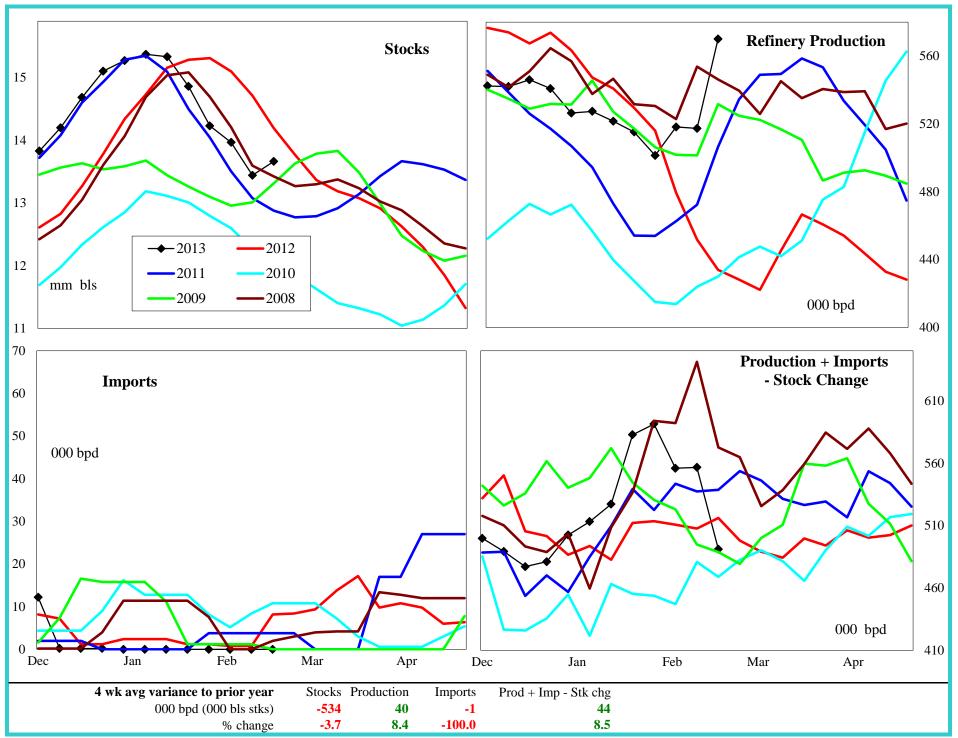


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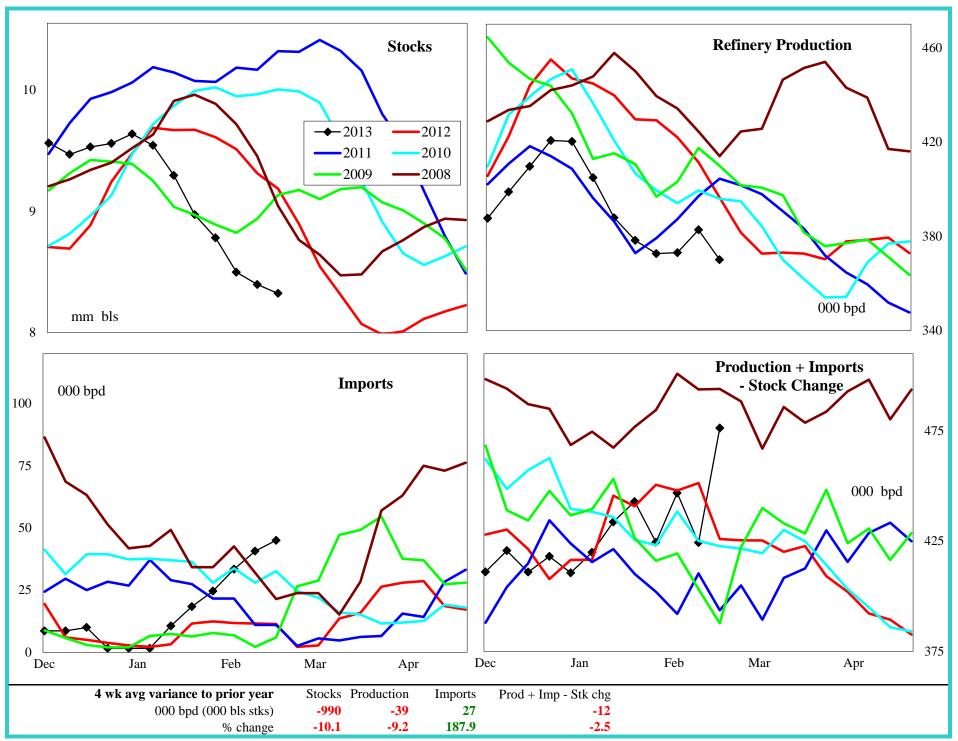


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