

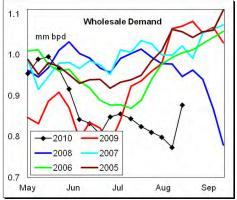
#### WEEKLY PROPANE SUPPLY-DEMAND-PRICE TRENDS

A Fundamental Petroleum Trends Weekly Report

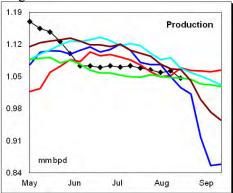
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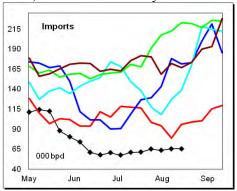
Summary<sup>1</sup>: Wholesale demand increased +152,000 bpd last week. Demand remains well below the historic range on weak petro chemical consumption, lack of summer fill due to extreme heat and slower exports.



Production decreased -19,000 bpd on the week, to a level below the historic mid range.



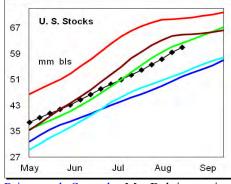
Imports increased +11,000 bpd last week, but remain extremely low.



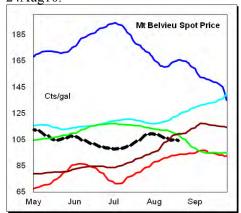
Combined production and imports during the latest 4-wk period were

+5,000 bpd above a year ago. Imports declined -10,000 bpd during the period, while production was +15,000 bpd higher. The latest 4-wk average demand was -233,000 bpd below last year.

Stocks increased +1.1 million barrels on the week. The latest 4-wk stock change was a build of +6.7 million barrels, above the historic high. Stock levels remain below the mid range.



Price and Spreads Mt Belvieu prices decreased -0.75 ct/gal while Conway increased +2 cts/gal for the week ending 24Aug10.



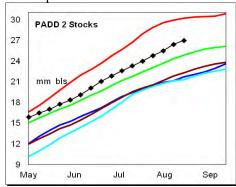
The Conway – Mt Belvieu price spread trended higher last week ending 17Aug10. The spread ended the week above the 5-year mid range on continued strength in Conway.

The propane to natural gas price spread trended higher on the week. The spread was near the 5-year high set last year.

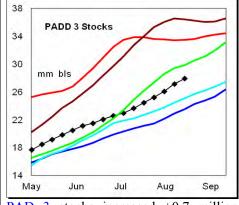
The propane / crude oil price spread trended higher last week. The level ended above the last two years.

PADD 1 stocks increased +0.1 million barrels last week. Combined production and imports increased +3,000 bpd on the

week, with the level well below the historic range. Supply for the latest 4-wk period was -7,000 bpd below a year ago. Stock levels matched historic lows for the period.



PADD 2 stocks increased +0.2 million barrels last week, with stock levels -3.8 million barrels below the 5-year high for the period. Combined imports and production increased +7,000 bpd last week. The most recent 4-wk stock build of +3 million barrels, was a record for the period.



PAD 3 stocks increased +0.7 million barrels. Supply declined -23,000 bpd on the week, with the 4-wk average +19,000 bpd above last year. Stock levels were below the mid range.

PADDs 4 & 5 stocks increased +0.1 million barrels last week. Stock levels were near historic lows.

Emerging Trends point toward an immediate rise in seasonal demand, though at a level below the historic range. Very low imports and below average stock levels should lead to price strength on higher seasonal demand.

Source is latest EIA Weekly Statistics



# **PROPANE: Graph Link and Weekly Summary**

August 25, 2010

Fundamental Trends for the Week Ending: Friday, August 20, 2010										
000 bpd Stocks 000 bls	Weekly Supply-Demand					Change from prior week:				
	U.S.	PADD				U.S.	PADD			
	Total	1	2	3	4&5	Total	1	2	3	4&5
Stocks	60,949	4,301	26,966	27,933	1,749	1,128	124	228	664	112
Propylene Stocks	2,567					1				
Production	1,046	44	261	693	48	-19	-1	3	-14	-7
Imports	65	19	42	0	4	-7	4	-9	0	-2
Whsle Demand	877					152				

#### **Price Trends for the Week Ending:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 Average for week ending: **Change from:** % change from: Cents/gal 8/24/10 8/17/10 7/27/10 8/14/09 8/17/10 7/27/10 8/14/09 8/17/10 7/27/10 8/14/09 Mont Belvieu Spot 104.7 104.8 104.0 93.8 0.76 10.24 10.9 -0.06-0.1 0.7 **Conway Spot** 102.1 100.4 95.8 63.7 1.63 4.67 32.02 1.6 4.9 50.3

#### **Key Price Spreads and Differentials** 5 200 Mt Belvieu Spot Price Conway - Mt Belvieu Spread 180 0 160 -5 140 Cts/gal 120 -10 100 2007 2006 -15 2005 2004 80 Cts/gal 2003 2002 -20 60 Mt Belvieu Propane % of 77 **Nearby Crude Oil Futures** 285 72 245 67 205 62 165 Mt Belvieu Propane % of 57 **Nearby Natural Gas Futures** 125 52 **Percent**

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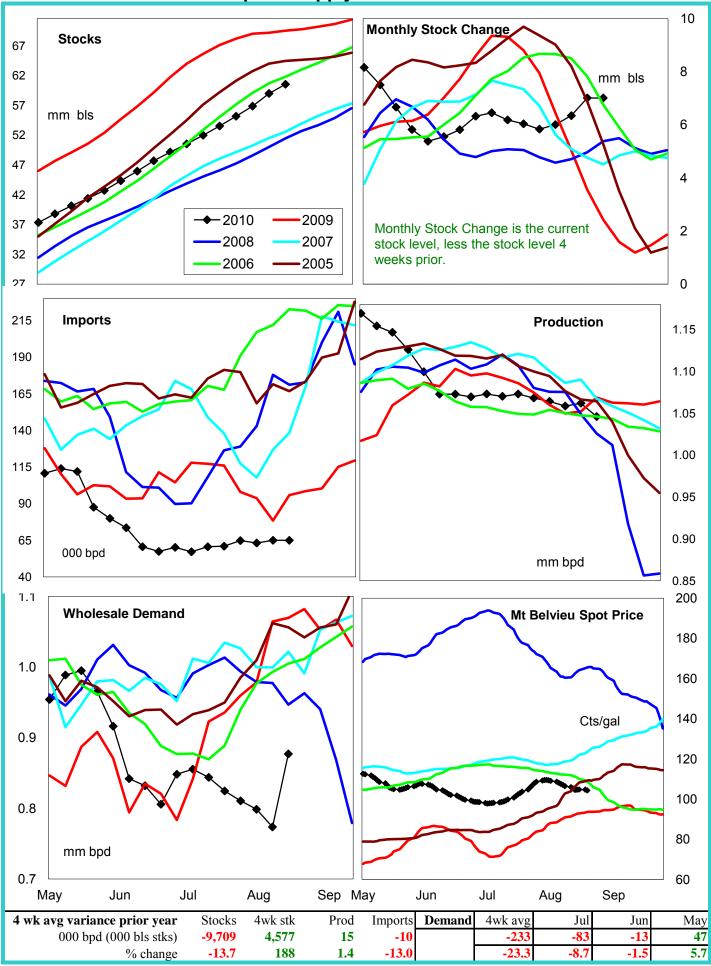
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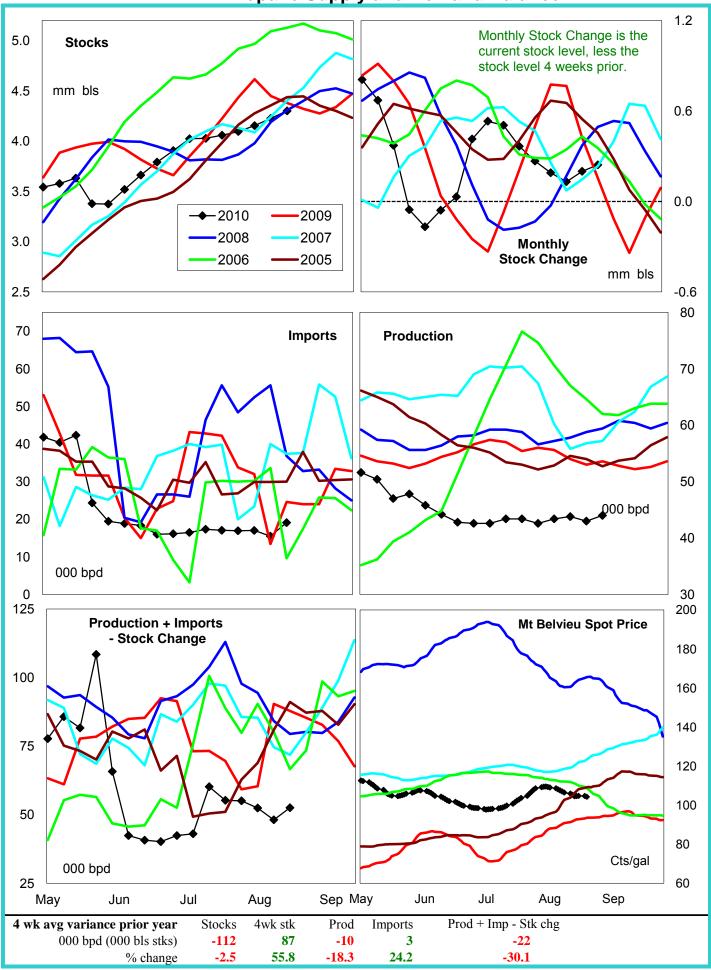
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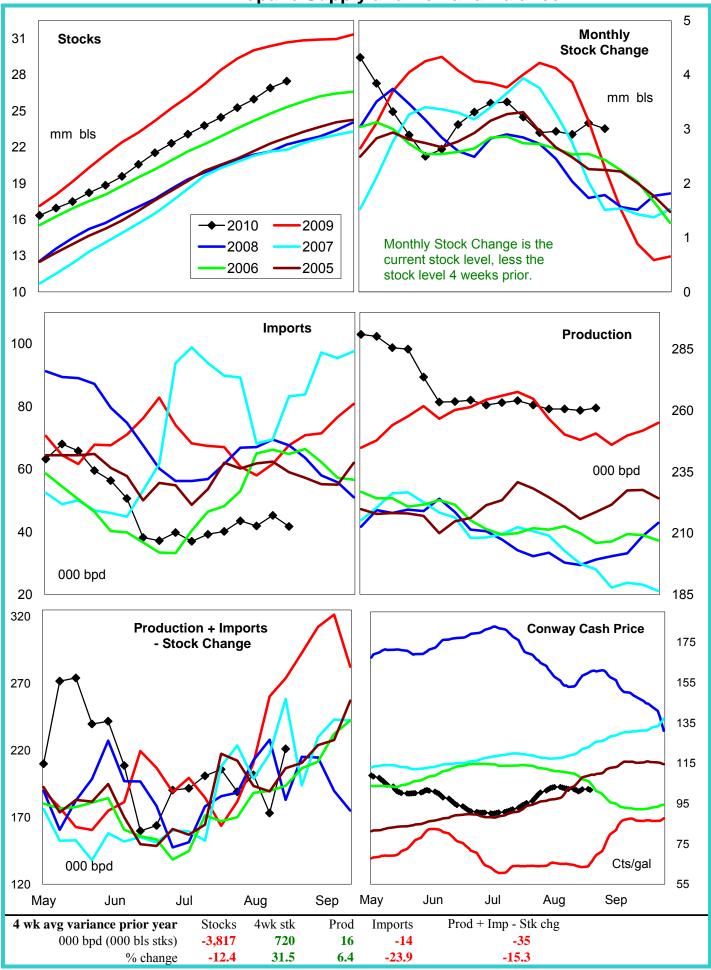
#### U. S. Propane Supply and Demand Balance



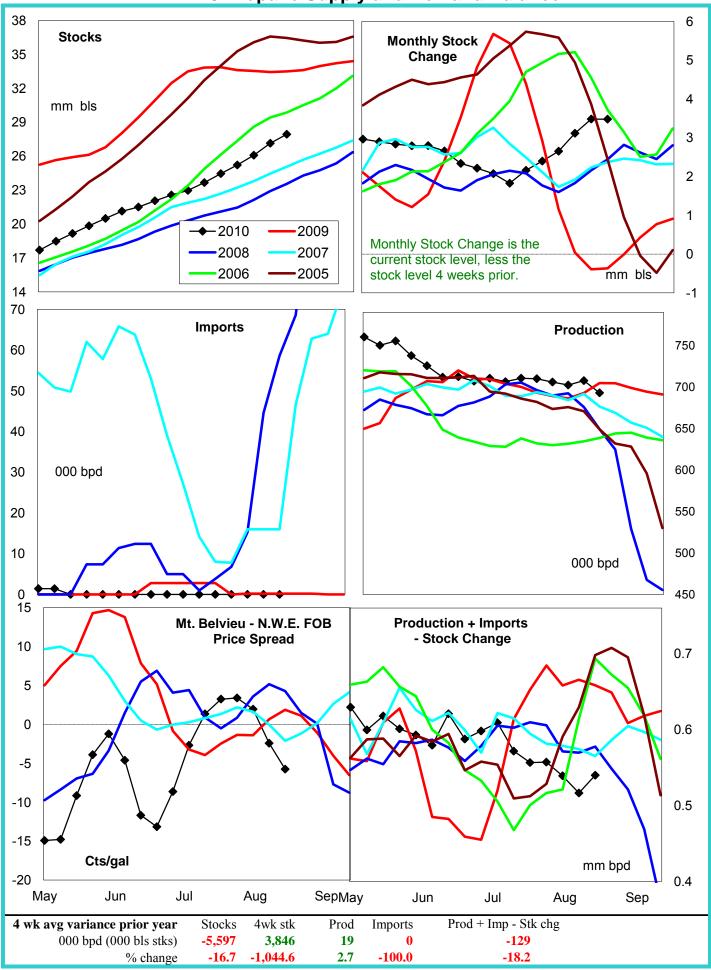
#### **PADD 1 Propane Supply and Demand Balance**



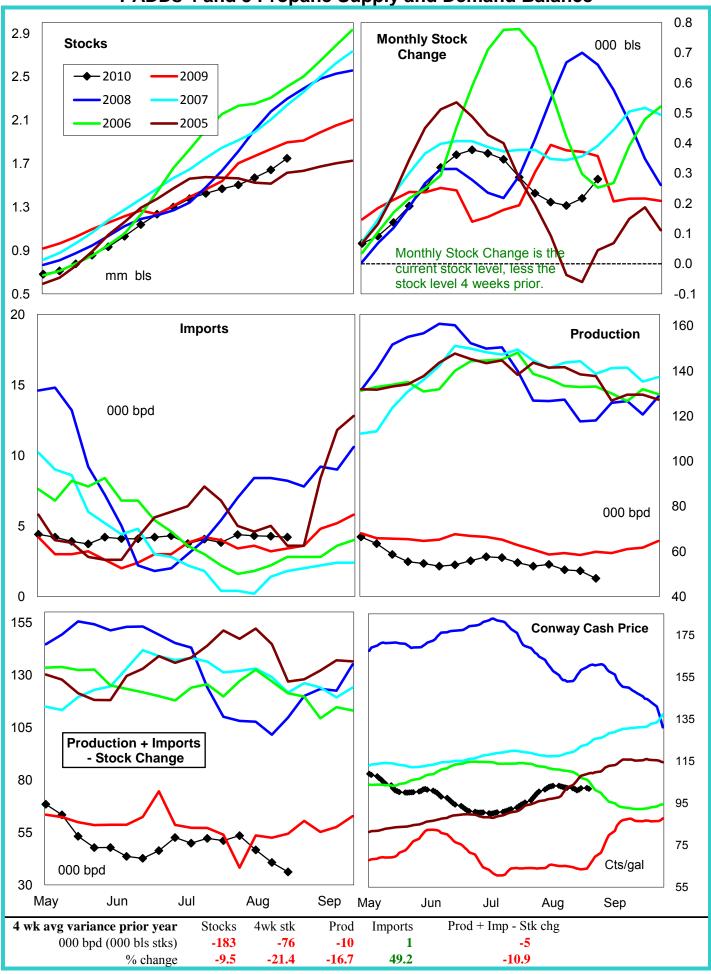
## **PADD 2 Propane Supply and Demand Balance**



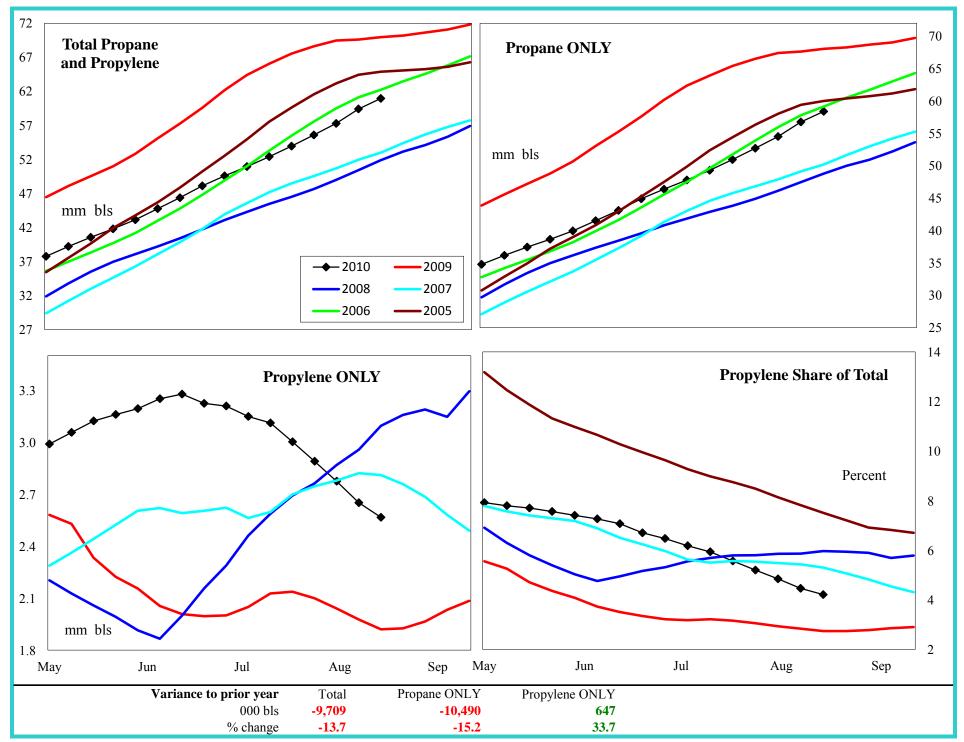
## **PADD 3 Propane Supply and Demand Balance**



**PADDs 4 and 5 Propane Supply and Demand Balance** 



## **U. S. Propane and Propylene Stocks**



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