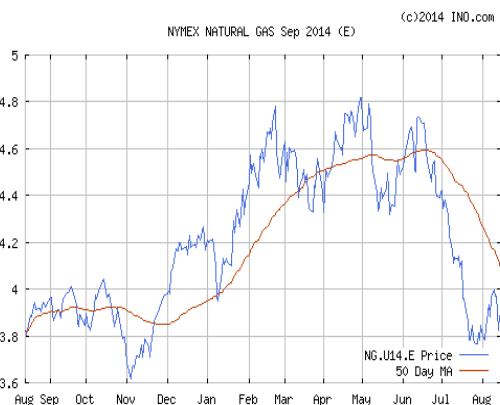


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Market- Natural gas prices traded mixed this week; but are trading higher after the storage report this morning with a lower than expected injection. Hotter weather in the west and south is putting pressure on prices with gas going for increased electric generation. Uncertainty long term about the gas storage levels will keep prices supported. Natural gas storage inventories are at record lows as seen on the graph to the right and are below last year levels and below five-year average. Prices are also supported by global increasing demand for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG). The US gas traditional rotary rig count increased 3 rigs and horizontal drilling increased 19 rigs. Gas production levels due to shale drilling are still strong. Natural gas is very attractive to fix now and for winter.

The Crude oil price for Sep is lower this week at \$95.37 per barrel. Heating oil is lower at \$2.83 per gal. Unleaded gasoline futures are lower this week at \$2.67 and gasoline at the pump is around \$3.39...in Indiana. The natural gas storage report this week was an injection of **78BCF**; storage is **530 BCF lower** than last year and **575BCF lower** than the 5 year average.



Above Graph—Sept 2014 NYMEX gas futures

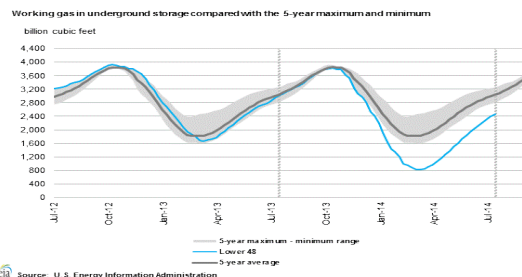
Extended Temperature Forecast: Chicago Area

	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
High	76	80	82	77	79
Low	64	66	70	65	66

Storage Statistics: (BCF) Billion Cubic Ft

This Week	Last Year	5 Year Ave.
2,467	2,997	3,042

The total is an increase of 78 BCF from last week.



Above Graph - Storage levels as of Aug 14

Comparative Fuels: Futures Prices for Sep

	Price	Compared to Nat Gas
Natural Gas (therm)	\$3.898	\$3.898
Propane (gal)	\$1.036	\$1.129
Crude Oil (barrel)	\$95.37	
Heating Oil (gal)	\$2.83	\$2.03
Unleaded Gas (gal)	\$2.67	

North American Traditional Nat. Gas Rig Count:

This week	316
Last week	313
Year Ago this week	386

US Horizontal Rig Count:

This week	1,317
Last week	1,298
Year Ago this week	1,065

NGI Chicago for Aug 2014 **\$3.870**

