

Inputs price monitor results:

January

Survey 2010

Please note these figures are intended to be a benchmark for the month in question. They are not statistically significant and are not meant to provide a forecast for future months prices.



Fuel and energy costs

Red diesel

Price results for red diesel by region and by volume purchased.

Key: L = Lowest figure H = Highest figure Av = Average of all figures
Nat Av = National average figure **Averages:** In calculating averages, ALL of the data is used, not just the average of top and bottom data.

North East

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	43	54.98	48.40
2000 – 4999 L	43.2	47.64	45.87
5000 – 9999 L	45.6	45.6	45.6
10,000 + L	43.5	48	45.75

South West

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	42.5	49.3	46.68
2000 – 4999 L	38.41	57.84	48.24
5000 – 9999 L	45.5	48.9	47.2
10,000 + L	-	-	-

East Anglia

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	45.5	55	50.49
2000 – 4999 L	46.5	49.2	47.93
5000 – 9999 L	48.5	48.5	48.5
10,000 + L	48.9	48.9	48.9

North West

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	49.51	53	50.76
2000 – 4999 L	46.5	54.5	49.2
5000 – 9999 L	-	-	-
10,000 + L	-	-	-

South East

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	36	54.66	45.33
2000 – 4999 L	42	50.9	45.73
5000 – 9999 L	42.67	42.67	42.67
10,000 + L	-	-	-

Wales

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	50	50	50
2000 – 4999 L	43.67	50	47.75
5000 – 9999 L	49.3	49.3	49.3
10,000 + L	-	-	-

West Midlands

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	45.5	51.95	48.78
2000 – 4999 L	41.86	51.21	46.01
5000 – 9999 L	40	50.5	45.83
10,000 + L	38	38	38

Scotland/Northern Ireland (NI)

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	40	53.2	47.33
2000 – 4999 L	46.08	49	47.56
5000 – 9999 L	46.2	48	47.1
10,000 + L	-	-	-

East Midlands

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	42	54.9	48.45
2000 – 4999 L	45	48.93	47.59
5000 – 9999 L	46.97	47.88	47.55
10,000 + L	42.1	42.1	42.1

National Average

Pence Per Litre	L	H	Av
0 -1999 L	36	55	48.35
2000 – 4999 L	38.41	57.84	47.51
5000 – 9999 L	40	50.5	46.77
10,000 + L	38	48.9	44.1

Comments box

Red diesel prices have increased by approximately 2ppl since December according to our respondents this month, this is contrary to white diesel which has shown a fall on average (see below). The national figures show a large range in prices from 36-57ppl and although some participants have achieved a good deal on low volumes, generally the larger the order, the better the price. As with white diesel, the time of purchase in the month may have also played a part with peaks reported in the middle of January for all grades of fuel, as the cold weather had a knock on effect on red diesel prices.

Electricity

Pence / kwhr	Peak			Off peak		
	L	H	Av	L	H	Av
North East	7.89	13	9.73	2.41	7.3	5.47
East Midlands	7.93	16.37	11.18	4.6	10.18	6.17
East Anglia	6.94	10.1	8.15	4.5	10.1	6.03
South West	8.5	17.36	11.32	4.13	11.79	6.88
South East	8.2	12.68	9.3	5.3	9.88	6.49
North West	8.3	15.09	12.87	4.9	8.14	7.06
West Midlands	8.39	15.82	11.83	6.03	10.16	8.3
Wales	8.22	14	12.03	6.7	6.7	6.7
Scotland/NI	9.85	15.8	13.09	6.1	9.2	7.68
National Average	6.94	17.36	11.14	2.41	11.79	6.78

Kerosene

Pence per Litre	L	H	Av
North East	37	52.98	42.8
East Midlands	32	46.25	40.19
East Anglia	37.26	42	39.46
South West	33.99	57.86	42.26
South East	32	43.99	38.43
North West	39.85	51	42.93
West Midlands	35	41.4	39.07
Wales	37.99	47.87	43.09
Scotland/NI	38.2	49	43.67
National Average	32	57.86	41.41

Propane

Pence per Litre AV
29.33
36.5
28.54
35.5
-
-
46.8
-
36
34.89

White diesel

Pence per Litre	L	H	Av
North East	94	94	94
East Midlands	92	94.1	93.05
East Anglia	89.75	104	95.16
South West	96.5	112	104.13
South East	91.9	110	97.94
North West	110	110	110
West Midlands	94.6	114	101.53
Wales	93.92	98.2	95.36
Scotland/NI	91	114	102.29
National Average	89.75	114	98.8

Water

Pence / cubic m	L	H	Av
North East	90.85	123	106.93
East Midlands	111.67	130	119.32
East Anglia	-	-	-
South West	90	174	153
South East	105.4	160	132.7
North West	110	136	123
West Midlands	107.97	130.06	122.76
Wales	136	136.71	136.47
Scotland/NI	75	103	82.38
National Average	75	174	126.09

Comments box

The monthly average for white diesel in January was 2ppl lower than December, but the range in average prices indicates that the time of purchase played a big part in the deal available, with the AA reporting a surge in the value of oil and higher wholesale fuel costs lifting prices by around 2ppl in 10 days. Respondents in the North East, East Mids and Wales reported the lowest top prices, with a low price of 89ppl driving the average down in East Anglia. Against this, average reported prices for kerosene have increased by 3ppl from December, with the cold weather throughout January driving demand.

Fertiliser Costs: UK Produced Ammonium Nitrogen

£ / ton	L	H	Av	Volume purchased	L	H	Av	Nat Av
North East	174	220	194.56					
East Midlands	172	220	198.83	0 - 20 tonnes	166	227	203	203
East Anglia	175	188	183	21 - 50 tonnes	174	235	199	199
South West	170	228	194.33	51 - 100 tonnes	170	212	182	182
South East	173	213	186.25	Comments box				
North West	166	235	213.4	The national average price for AN has increased by approximately £7/t since December, with buyers in East Anglia reporting the best deals. As expected, the average prices for different order sizes show that, despite a large range, larger orders will command more competitive prices.				
West Midlands	170	225	185.8					
Wales	186	210	195.33					
Scotland/NI	170	221	185.57					
National Average	166	235	193.54					

Other fertilisers

Volume purchased			
NPK 0:24:24	Average = £253.66/t	All less than 55t volume	
NPK 20.10.10	Average = £224.66/t	All less than 55t volume	

Comments box
Prices for 0:24:24 match, to the pound, the last reported prices in November. The reported prices for 20:10:10 range from £193-270/t but generally cluster from £215-225/t for a range of order sizes.

Chemical costs

Chemical	£ / Litre	£ / Pack
Glyphosate e.g. Roundup	£3.50	
Metazachlor e.g. Butisan		£95.23
Clomazone 360 e.g. Centium	£99.55	
Flufenacet plus pendimethalin e.g. Crystal/Ice (10L)		£78.88
Flufenacet plus diflufenican e.g. Liberator (3L)		£163.83
Prosulfocarb e.g. defy (10L)		£57.38

Comments box
Most chemicals have shown a fall in price on previously reported figures, but with glyphosate and metazochlor bucking the trend and rising by 8ppl and £6.07 respectively. Generally the reported prices for January are below other published prices for the same period, with the exception of Liberator and glyphosate. Glyphosate prices ranged from £2.10 to £6 per litre, suggesting that a range of formulations were purchased, but that good deals for the product are still out there.

Animal feed

Animal feed: Livestock

Livestock feed types	North West	North East	Wales	West Midlands	East Midlands	East Anglia	South West	South East	Scotland/ NI	Nat Av
Lamb creep – 16–18%		199.75	180	178			189		183	190
Ewe nuts – 16%		177.5	180	175.5				207.5	176.25	182
Dairy concentrate – 18%	185		196	170	181		189	181.5	182	176
Calf weaner pellets – 18%		235.5	163.67		179.5		193.67	248	216.75	200
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Poultry feed types	North West	North East	Wales	West Midlands	East Midlands	East Anglia	South West	South East	Scotland/ NI	Nat Av
Layers mash – 17–21%	183					184.5	250		190	202
Broiler chick crumb					232	281.5				257
Broiler grower pellet/mash					210	256.83				233
Turkey starter crumb										
Turkey grower pellet										

Comments box

In an effort to bring greater clarity to this area we have included a national average this month. Prices reported for lamb creep ranged from £136-215/t for 16% and then up to £230/t for 18%. Prices for ewe, dairy and calf nuts are toward the top end of other published prices for January, with 18% dairy ranging from £155-196/t, in a likely reflection of a range of energy densities. The average reported price for layer mash has been buoyed by the highest reported value of £250/t, generally the values cluster around £187/t. The averages for broiler compounds mask a large range, as indicated in the price differences between the regions.

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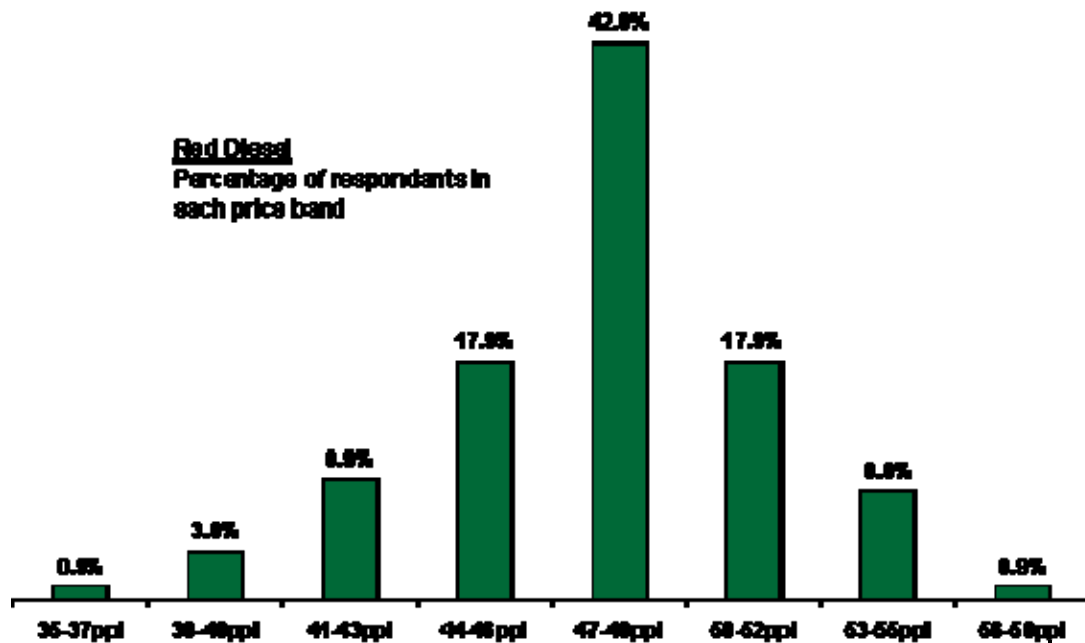
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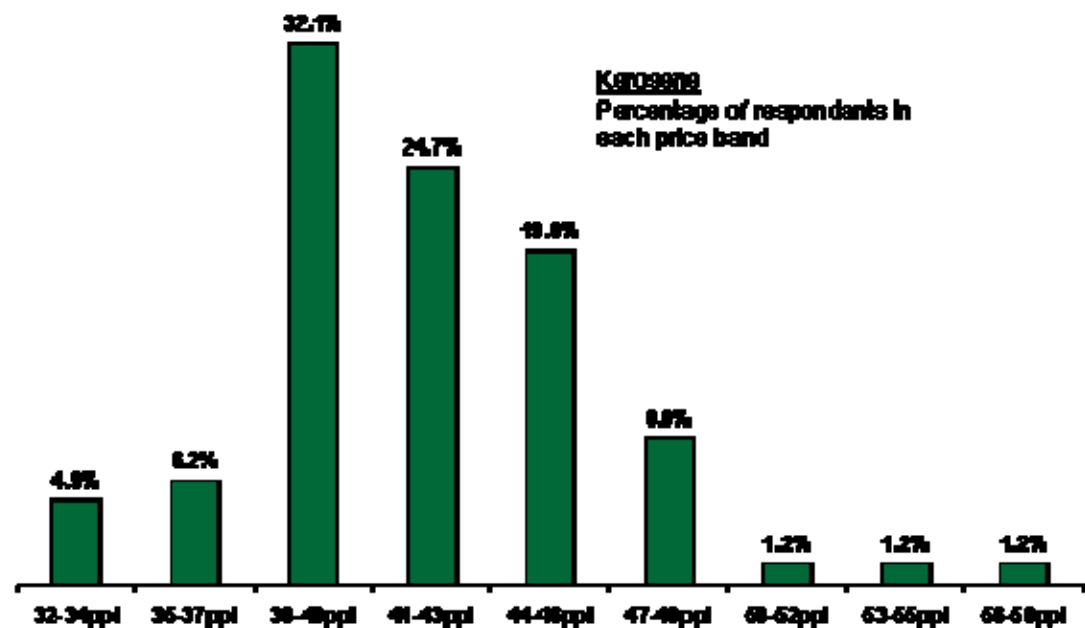
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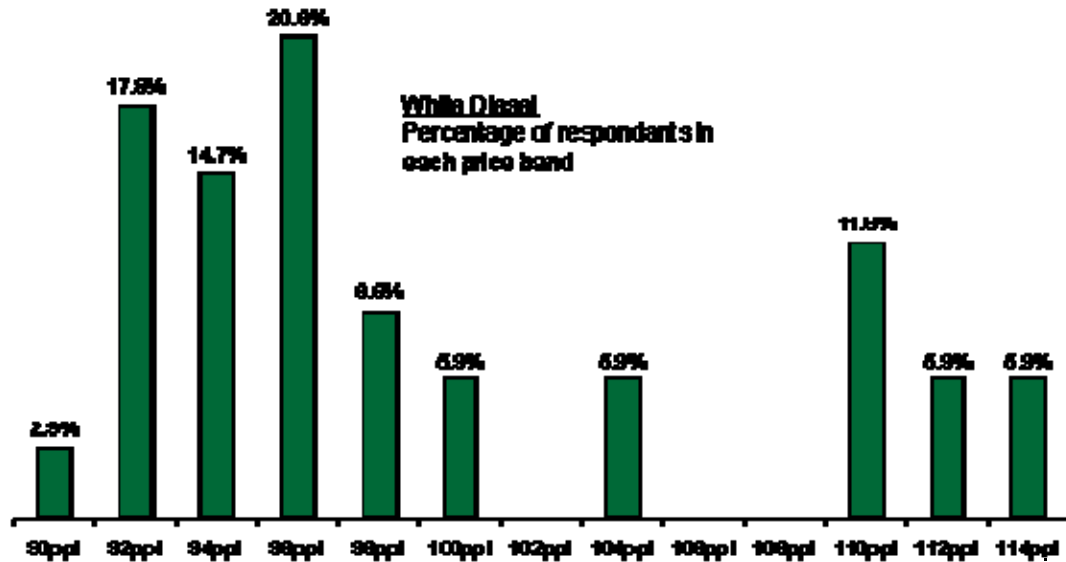
In January we saw prices for **red diesel** average around 2ppl higher than December with the vast majority of respondents to the survey fixing at between 47-49ppl as can be seen below.



Prices for **kerosene** (below) showed the same trend, with the monthly average ending 3ppl higher than December and most respondents buying between 38-40ppl but with a large proportion purchasing kerosene at anything up to 49ppl.



The average reported prices for **white diesel** in January dipped by 2ppl on the December average, finishing on 98.8ppl. However, the breakdown of prices below shows that reports actually clustered around the 95ppl and the 112ppl marks, which could reflect the fluctuations in the price throughout the month but may also relate to the difference between bulk deliveries and forecourt purchases.



Finally, it can be seen below that our price reports for **dairy concentrates** in January show that although the majority of prices reported centred between £175-184/t, there were a sizable proportion of purchases below these figures, ranging down to £155/t.

