

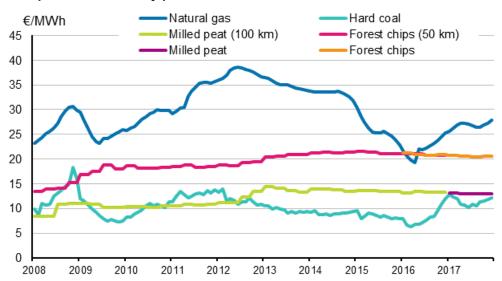
Energy prices

2017, 4th quarter

Prices of imported fuels rose in the last quarter of 2017

According to Statistics Finland's data, prices of imported fuels continued rising in the last quarter of 2017. This was particularly visible as price increases for hard coal and natural gas.

Fuel prices in electricity production



The price of motor gasoline was in December 2017 at the same level as in the year before and the price of diesel oil was one per cent lower than a year earlier. The price of light fuel oil rose in December by four per cent from twelve months back.

The price of hard coal rose clearly at the end of 2016 but in 2017, the price rise halted and turned to a decline at times. In the last quarter of 2017, the price of hard coal rose back to the level at the turn of the previous year. The tax-free price of hard coal used in electricity production was in December two per cent higher than one year ago in December. The price of natural gas also started growing moderately in the last quarter of the year. The tax-free price of natural gas used in electricity production was 10 per cent higher in December than one year previously.

Compared with the situation one year earlier, the taxable price of hard coal used in heat production went up in December by five per cent and that of natural gas by nine per cent. The taxable prices of hard coal and natural gas used in heat production were raised by the increase in excise duties and tax-free prices at the beginning of the year. However, changes in tax-free prices influence taxable prices increasingly less due to the growing share of taxes in the prices of these fuels in the past few years. In the last quarter, the taxable price of milled peat declined by three per cent and the price of forest chippings fell by one per cent from the respective period of the previous year.

The system price of the Nordic electricity exchange derived from the sell and buy bids on the exchange went down in the fourth quarter. This was due to the better availability of hydro power in the Nordic countries than in the previous year. In December 2017, the average of the system price was three per cent lower than one year previously. Due to electricity transmission restrictions, the Finnish area price was, on average, three per cent higher in December than the system price, falling by six per cent from one year ago.

In December, the prices of electricity for household customers were, on average, five per cent higher than one year earlier. The prices for enterprise and corporate customers fell by three per cent for the smallest consumers and by nine per cent for the biggest consumers. Household customers' electricity prices are based on obligation to deliver prices published by the Energy Authority, while the price of enterprise and corporate customers are based on Statistics Finland's price inquiry on electrical energy. The obligation to deliver price reacts more slowly to changes in electricity prices on the Nordic electricity exchange.

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Appendix table 1. Energy taxes, precautionary stock fees and oil pollution fees

Date	Fuels 1)				Electricity								
					Consumpti	on	Product	ion					
	Motor- gasoline, unleaded ²⁾	Diesel fuel ³⁾	Light fuel oil ¹²⁾	Liquefied petroleum gas	Heavy fuel oil	Hard coal ¹¹⁾		Peat	Electricity, I ⁴⁾	Electricity, II ⁵⁾	Nuclear power	Hydro power	Imports
	c/l			c/kg		€/t	€/MWh		c/kWh				
Excise to	axes ¹⁰⁾												
1.1.1990	21,53	16,82	0,34	_	0,34	2,69	0,17	0,34	-	-	_	-	_
1.1.1991	26,57	17,49	0,35	-	0,35	2,83	0,18	0,35	-	-	-	-	_
1.1.1992	28,26	17,49	0,35	-	0,35	2,83	0,18	0,35	-	-	-	-	-
1.8.1992	31,62	17,49	0,35	-	0,35	2,83	0,18	0,35	-	-	_	-	-
1.1.1993	39,52	19,17	1,41	-	1,12	5,61	0,35	0,70	0,25	0,25	0,10	-	0,10
1.7.1993	39,52	16,65	1,41	-	1,12	5,61	0,35	0,70	0,25	0,25	0,10	-	0,10
1.1.1994	40,05	17,29	2,05	-	1,98	11,30	1,09	0,35	-	-	0,35	0,03	0,22
1.1.1995	45,12	27,50	3,02	-	3,12	19,53	0,94	0,59	-	-	0,40	0,07	0,37
1.1.1996	51,85	27,50	3,02	-	3,12	19,53	0,94	0,59	-	-	0,40	0,07	0,37
1.1.1997	51,85	27,50	4,88	-	3,72	28,42	1,19	0,71	0,40	0,40	-	-	-
1.4.1997	51,85	27,50	4,88	-	3,72	28,42	1,19	0,71	0,56	0,24	-	-	-
1.1.1998	55,22	30,02	5,50	-	4,34	33,40	1,40		0,56	0,34	_	-	-
1.9.1998	55,22	30,02	6,37	-	5,40	41,37	1,73	1,51	0,69	0,42	_	-	-
1.1.2003		31,59	6,71	-	5,68	43,52	1,82	1,59	0,73	0,44	-	-	-
1.7.2005		31,59	6,71	-	5,68	43,52	1,82	-	0,73	0,44	-	-	-
1.1.2007		31,59	6,71	-	5,68	43,52	1,82	-	0,73		-	-	-
1.1.2008		36,05		-	6,42	49,32	2,016	-	0,87		-	-	-
1.1.2011	62,02		15,70	-	18,51		8,94	1,90	1,69		-	-	-
1.1.2012			15,70	-	18,51		8,940	1,90	1,69		-	-	_
1.1.2013			15,99	-	·	131,53	11,38	-	1,69		-	-	_
1.1.2014			15,99	-		131,53	11,38	4,90	1,89		-	-	-
1.1.2015			18,39	-		153,24	15,36	_	2,24		-	-	_
1.1.2016			21,05	24,82		177,36	17,34		2,24		-	-	_
1.3.2016				24,82		177,36			2,24		-	-	-
1.1.2017			22,52	26,54		189,84			2,24			-	-
1.1.2018			24,04	28,32	28,64	202,69	19,78	1,90	2,24	0,69	-	-	-
	content tax ⁸⁾			I						1			
1.1.2011			7,70	-	8,79			-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1.2012			7,70	-	8,79		3,00	-	-	-	-	-	_
1.1.2013		-		-	7,59			-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1.2015				-	7,59			-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1.2016				8,50	7,59		6,65	-	-	-	-	-	_
1.1.2017			7,05	9,01	8,05			-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1.2018			7,50	9,58	8,56	53,13	7,50	-	-	-	-	-	_
Carbon	dioxide tax ⁹⁾												
1.1.2011	11,66	-	8,00	-	9,72	72,37	5,94	-		-	-	-	
1.1.2012	14,00	15,90	8,00	_	9,72	72,37	5,94	-	-	-	_	-	_
1.1.2013	14,00	15,90	9,34	-	11,34	84,43	6,93	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1.2014	16,25	18,61	9,34	-	11,34	84,43	6,93	_	-	-	_	-	-

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	c/I			c/kg		€/t	€/MWh		c/kWh					
1.1.2015	16,25	18,61	11,74	-	14,25	106,14	8,71	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.2016	16,25	18,61	14,40	16,32	17,49	130,26	10,69	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.2017	17,38	19,90	15,47	17,53	18,78	139,91	11,48	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.2018	17,38	19,90	16,54	18,74	20,08	149,56	12,28	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Energy tax ⁷⁾														
1.1.2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,90	1,69	0,69	-	-	-	
1.1.2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	4,90	1,69	0,69	_	-	-	
1.1.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,90	1,89	0,69	_	-	-	
1.1.2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,40	2,24	0,69	-	-	-	
1.1.2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,40	2,24	0,69	-	-	-	
1.3.2016	-	-	-	-	_	-	_	1,90	2,24	0,69	_	-	-	
Strategic	stockpile f	ees												
1.7.1984	0,72	0,39	0,39	-	0,32	1,48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.1997	0,68	0,35	0,35	-	0,28	1,18	0,084	-	0,013	0,013	_	-	-	
1.1.2016	0,68	0,35	0,35	0,11	0,28	1,18	0,084	-	0,013	0,013	-	-	-	
Oil pollution fees ⁶⁾														
1.1.1990	0,28	0,031	0,031	-	0,037	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.2005	0,038	0,042	0,042	-	0,050	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.1.2010	0,113	0,126	0,126	-	0,150	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

- 1) Fuels in electricity production tax-exempt since 1 January 1997
- 2) Reformulated, since 1 January 1993, also sulphur-free since 1 September 2004. Fossil fuel
- 3) Sulphur-free, sulphur content < 50 ppm since 1 July 1993, sulphur content < 10 ppm since 1 September 2004. Fossil fuel.
- 4) Tax class I: others
- 5) Tax class II: industry and professional greenhouses
- 6) Fee for imported oil and oil products: 1,50 €/t
- 7) Energy tax included in excise taxes
- 8) Energy content tax included in excise taxes
- 9) Carbon dioxide tax included in excise taxes
- 10) Excise taxes contain energy content tax, carbon dioxide tax, and energy tax.
- 11) Excise taxes for hard coal in the heat production. In CHP production excise tax is lower.
- 12) Fossil fuel. Sulphur-free.

Appendix table 2. Energy prices in heat production in December 2017

Energy source ³⁾	¹⁾ Price €/MWh	Annual change-%
²⁾ Hard coal (VAT 0%)	39.11	5.3
Natural gas (VAT 0%)	46.49	8.8
Forest chips (VAT 0%)	20.58	-1.3
Milled peat (VAT 0%)	14.80	-2.5

¹⁾ Inclusive of excise duties.

Appendix table 3. Consumer prices of heating energy in December 2017

Energy source ²⁾	¹⁾ Price €/MWh	Annual change-%
Light fuel (VAT 24%)	91.8	4.3
Household electricity, K2 (VAT 24%)	123.5	3.4
Wood pellet (VAT 24%)	57	-0.5
District heat, terraced house / low-rise block of flats (VAT 24%)	78.64	0.5

¹⁾ The price of wood pellet is from November 2017 and district heat from January 2018

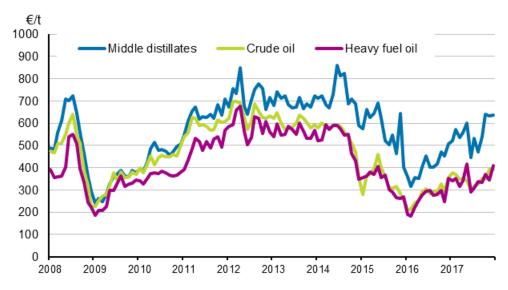
²⁾ The price is preliminary.

³⁾ Sources: Energy Authority, Finnish Customs, FOEX Indexes Ltd, The Bioenergy Association of Finland,

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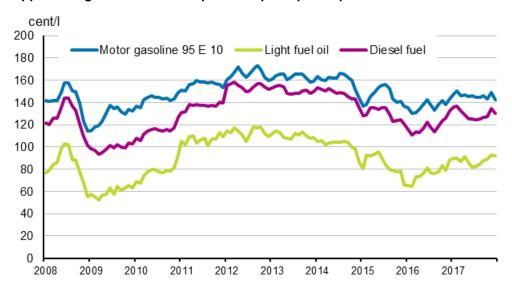
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Appendix figure 1. Import prices of oil



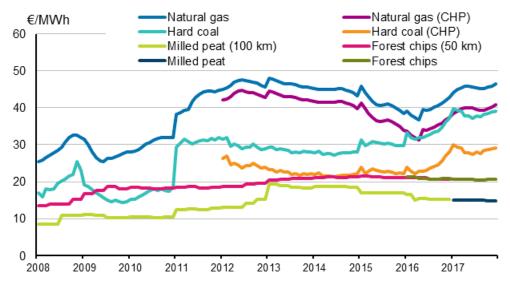
Source: Finnish Customs

Appendix figure 2. Consumer prices of principal oil products



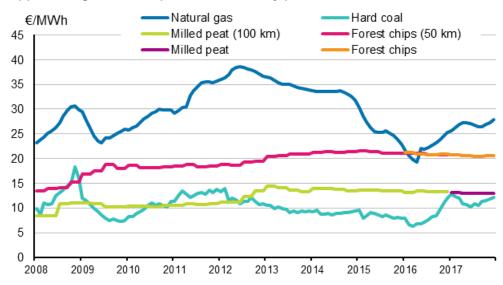
Source: Finnish Petroleum and Biofuels Association

Appendix figure 3. Fuel prices in heat production



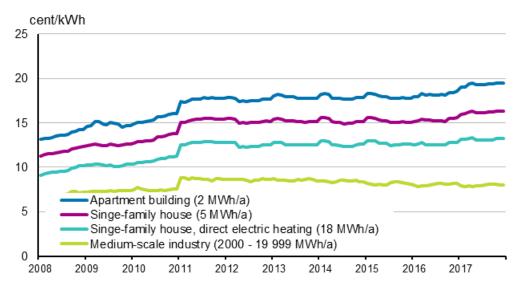
The prices include excise duties (VAT 0%). The carbon dioxide tax on natural gas and hard coal used in combined heat and power production was halved from the beginning of 2011. Sources: Finnish Customs, Energy Authority, The Bioenergy Association of Finland, Finnish Petroleum and Biofuels Association, FOEX Indexes Ltd

Appendix figure 4. Fuel prices in electricity production



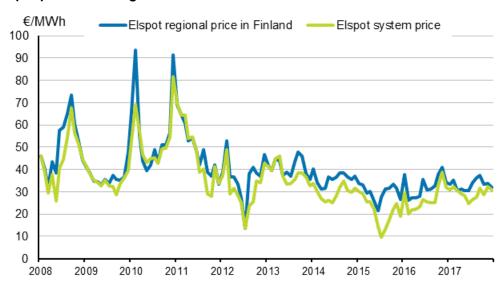
The fuels of electricity production are exclusive of tax. Sources: Finnish Customs, Energy Authority, The Bioenergy Association of Finland, Finnish Petroleum and Biofuels Association, FOEX Indexes Ltd

Appendix figure 5. Price of electricity by type of consumer



The prices include electrical energy, transmission fee and taxes. Source: Energy Authority, Statistics Finland

Appendix figure 6. Average monthly spotprices at the Nord Pool Spot power exchange



Source: Nord Pool Spot



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