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European gas futures trended lower on Friday and Monday morning as upward price pressure from the conflict between Israel and Hamas was more than offset by a raft of downward factors.

Even concerns over the Middle East conflict eased, following a long and rare speech by Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah on Friday. While warning that “all options are open”, he stopped short of declaring war on Israel, as some had feared.

The downward pressures are the familiar ones: unseasonably warm weather – now expected to continue into the second half of November; bulging storage facilities, more than 99.5% full, according to Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE) data; high levels of seaborne LNG; and the impact on demand of policies implemented following the collapse of pipeline gas supplies from Russia.

Moreover, the contribution of wind power to Europe’s electricity supply remains higher than usual, at 32.2% on Sunday, according to Wind Europe.

In Continental Europe, TTF front-month futures appeared little changed in US dollar terms – from USD 15.11/MMBtu on Thursday to close at USD 15.12/MMBtu on Friday – but currency movements masked a 1.0% fall in EUR/MWh terms. Prices were down again on Monday morning.

Currency impacts – a falling US dollar because of a negative jobs report – also masked a decline in the UK’s NBP price, which edged up 0.1% from USD 15.15/MMBtu on Thursday to USD 15.16/MMBtu on Friday, but fell 1.5% in p/therm terms. It was following a similar trajectory to TTF on Monday morning.

With minimal interregional competition for spot LNG, Asia's JKM remained stable, falling by 0.4%, from USD 17.65/MMBtu on Thursday to USD 17.57/MMBtu on Friday.

In the US, Henry Hub was up 1.2%, after a spell of cold weather, from USD 3.47/MMBtu on Thursday to USD 3.52/MMBtu on Friday.

European demand for coal and lignite in the first six months of 2023 showed “a sharp drop ... verging on a shock”, according to the latest market report from trade association Euracoal. European Union supply was 17.1% down, to 193 mt. This was despite the closure of the last nuclear power plants in Germany in April of this year.

Part of the reason, said Euracoal, is that “the cost of EU ETS emission allowances is driving energy-intensive industrial production away from EU member states”.

On Friday, API2 coal – the benchmark for imports into North-West Europe – was up 0.4%, from USD 4.96/MMBtu on Thursday to USD 4.98/MMBtu.

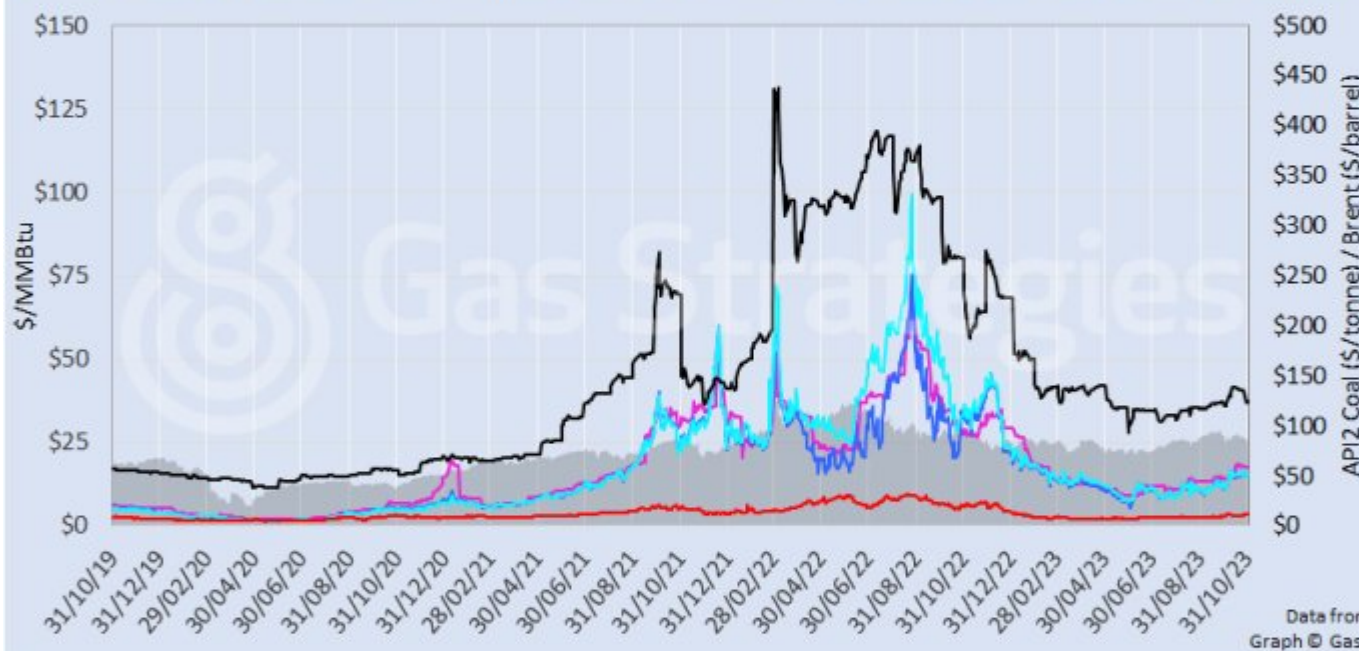
Crude prices fell despite tensions in the Middle East, with Brent down 2.3%, from USD 86.85/barrel on Thursday to USD 84.89/barrel on Friday and WTI down 2.4%, from USD 82.46/barrel to USD 80.51/barrel.

Prices were edging up on Monday morning, following confirmation over the weekend of self-imposed output curbs by Saudi Arabia and Russia.

*Front-month futures and indexes at last close with day-on-day changes (click to enlarge):*

Front-month futures/index	03/11/2023	02/11/2023	Daily +/- (\$)	Daily
Henry Hub (\$/MMBtu)	3.52	3.47	0.04	
NBP (\$/MMBtu)	15.16	15.15	0.01	
NBP (£p/th)	122.55	124.47	-1.92	
Henry Hub-NBP spread	11.65	11.68	-0.03	
TTF (\$/MMBtu)	15.12	15.11	0.00	
TTF (€/MWh)	48.06	48.56	-0.51	
Henry Hub-TTF spread	11.60	11.64	-0.04	
JKM (\$/MMBtu)	17.57	17.65	-0.07	
TTF-JKM spread	2.45	2.53	-0.08	
Henry Hub-JKM spread	14.06	14.17	-0.12	
Brent (\$/barrel)	84.89	86.85	-1.96	
WTI (\$/barrel)	80.51	82.46	-1.95	
Brent-WTI spread (\$/barrel)	4.38	4.39	-0.01	
API2 Coal (\$/tonne)	124.50	124.00	0.50	
API2 Coal (\$/MMBtu)	4.98	4.96	0.02	
EU CO <sub>2</sub> emissions allowances (€/tonne)	77.64	78.61	-0.97	

US, UK and EU gas hubs, Asian LNG (left axis), API2 coal front-month futures and Brent crude (right axis), since



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*Time references based on London GMT. Brent, WTI, NBP, TTF and EU CO2 data from ICE. Henry Hub, JKM and API2 data from CME. Prices in USD/MMBtu based on exchange rates at last market close. All monetary values rounded to nearest whole cent/penny. Text and graphic copyright © Gas Strategies, all rights.*



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