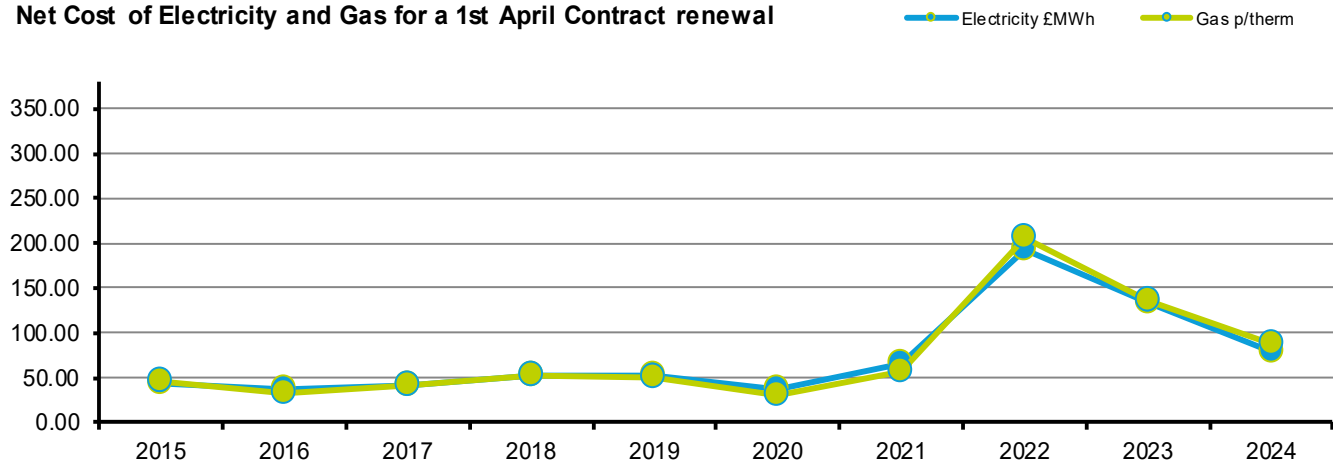


Net Cost of Electricity and Gas for a 1st April Contract renewal



Electricity: base load cost - excludes distribution, taxation and supplier margin and costs

| 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------|
| 44.49 | 36.90 | 42.08 | 51.70 | 53.20 | 38.00 | 66.08 | 192.75 | 133.4 | 78.5 |

Gas: core gas cost - excludes distribution, taxation and supplier margin and costs

| 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 46.64 | 33.73 | 42.37 | 52.45 | 49.65 | 29.72 | 57.28 | 205.97 | 135.69 | 88.48 |

Week commencing 6th May 2024

| | Oil (bbl) | Gas (ppt) | Power (MWh) | Coal (MT) |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Start | \$83.29 | 84.85 | £76.88 | \$100.50 |
| End | \$83.94 | 85.00 | £78.02 | \$98.25 |

Prices remained volatile with expected milder weather set to take hold. The planned outages at the Karsto and Kollsens gas plants caused a slight supply disruption in Norway however, flows still remained in line with the 5 day moving averages. Mid week supply concerns mainly centred around the geopolitical risks concerning Middle East and Ukraine further supported by declining wind generation leading to increased demand for gas-fired generation

Week commencing 29th April 2024

| | Oil (bbl) | Gas (ppt) | Power (MWh) | Coal (MT) |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Start | \$89.07 | 81.89 | £74.82 | \$108.65 |
| End | \$83.29 | 84.85 | £76.88 | \$100.50 |

Contract prices traded mixed throughout the week. Gas flows disruptions from Norway continued to hamper Europe with major supply plants undergoing maintenance, causing Norwegian flows to drop below the 5 day average. Markets are sensitive now the maintenance season has commenced with more announcements of outages testing current supply levels. Despite the outages, European gas storage remains above the 5yr seasonal average and forecast UK temperatures were expected to be higher than seasonal average, decreasing demand for heating.

Week commencing 22nd April 2024

| | Oil (bbl) | Gas (ppt) | Power (MWh) | Coal (MT) |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Start | \$87.58 | 85.55 | £78.00 | \$119.25 |
| End | \$89.07 | 81.89 | £74.82 | \$108.65 |

Contracts began the week trading down on confidence that the EU has sufficient supplies and storage to withstand any geopolitical threats or cold snaps. Even after the cold temperatures during the previous week in the EU, storage remained at 61%. Contracts continued to shed value as tensions in the Middle East softened slightly also backed by increased wind generation and expectations of a decline in day-on-day demand. Prices did rise towards the end of the week as higher prompt demand and geopolitical risks weighed on the system.

Week commencing 15th April 2024

| | Oil (bbl) | Gas (ppt) | Power (MWh) | Coal (MT) |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Start | \$91.98 | 85.59 | £79.18 | \$123.25 |
| End | \$87.58 | 85.55 | £78.00 | \$119.25 |

The first half of the week saw contracts trading higher, increasing Middle East tensions resulted in some market uncertainty, with analysts fearing that the conflict could extend outside of the region. The previous week's Russian attacks on Ukrainian energy infrastructure also kept markets on edge. Contracts then recovered as Market fundamentals supported the bearish movement in prices as storage levels were at above average levels and industrial demand remained weak in the EU.