## South Fork Gas Prices Spike for 2015 Summer Season

# Gas prices increase 24 cents on South Fork since May; Long Island and state only increase by 4 cents during same period

New York State Assemblyman Fred W. Thiele, Jr. (I, D, WF-Sag Harbor) today released his gasoline price survey for July 23, 2015. Thiele's most recent gasoline survey for the South Fork shows that gasoline prices have increased from about \$2.85 in May to \$3.09 cents in July or 24 cents.

Gas prices on the South Fork are higher than the rest of Long Island by 12 cents, where prices only increased by 4 cents since May. South Fork prices are also 19 cents higher than the State average.

The Automobile Association of America (AAA) provides for a regional survey on New York State gasoline prices. However, there is no survey solely for the South Fork. Thiele's survey also includes prices in western Southampton along Montauk Highway. There may be prices that are higher or lower in the region away from Montauk Highway, but the survey reflects the price posted at most stations on our region's main arterials.

Thiele stated, "The average price for East Hampton and Southampton along Montauk Highway excluding Amagansett and Montauk is now \$3.09. The average price for Amagansett and Montauk is \$3.49. A gallon of gas on the North Fork is now about \$2.85. The Long Island average is \$2.97 and the State average is \$2.90."

Thiele added that new Speedway stations, which have replaced most of the Hess stations across the South Fork, spiked substantially since the takeover in Spring. Thiele called upon the State Senate to pass his legislation which would prohibit zone pricing. The legislation would enact the recommendations of the State Attorney General to outlaw the practice of zone pricing of gasoline. The bill has been supported by local gasoline retailers and opposed by the major oil companies. The bill passed the State Assembly by a 135-13 margin in June but continues to languish in the State Senate.

Thiele concluded. "There is no other conclusion to reach other than the fact that prices have been fixed at a higher level on the South Fork for the busy summer season. This is unfair and should be illegal. The local residents of a region should not have to endure artificially high gas prices just so that Big Oil companies can soak summer visitors."

#### NEW YORK STATE GASOLINE PRICE COMPARISONS

LOCATION	May 23, 2015 AVERAGE PRICE <sup>1</sup>	July 23, 2015 AVERAGE PRICE <sup>2</sup>	
New York State <sup>3</sup>	\$2.86	\$2.90	+ 4 cents
South Fork <sup>4</sup>	\$2.85	\$3.09	+ 24 cents
Nassau-Suffolk <sup>5</sup>	\$2.93	\$2.97	+ 4 cents
New York City <sup>6</sup>	\$2.98	\$3.04	+ 6 cents

#### PRICE DIFFERENTIAL COMPARED TO SOUTH FORK

LOCATION	May 23, 2015	<b>July 23, 2015</b>
South Fork		
New York State	+ 1 cent	- 19 cents
Nassau-Suffolk	+ 8 cents	- 12 cents
<b>New York City</b>	+ 13 cents	- 5 cents

## SOUTH PRICES FORK PRICE PER GALLON REGULAR<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per Gallon-Regular
<sup>2</sup> Per Gallon-Regular
<sup>3</sup> AAA Daily Fuel Gauge Report
<sup>4</sup> Survey of Prevailing Gas Prices- Montauk Highway- East Hampton to Southampton
<sup>5</sup> AAA Daily Fuel Gauge Report
<sup>6</sup> AAA Daily Fuel Gauge Report
<sup>7</sup> cash only except where noted

	May 23	July 23	Change
Eastport Citgo Gas	\$2.93	\$2.99	+ <b>6</b> cents
Gulf-Eastport	<b>\$2.89</b>	<b>\$2.89</b>	
<b>USA-Westhampton</b>	\$3.29	<b>\$3.29</b>	
Valero-Westhampton	\$3.29	\$3.29	
Speedway-Quogue	\$3.04	<b>\$3.09</b>	+ 5 cents
Spirit-East Quogue	\$3.04	<b>\$2.99</b>	- 5 cents
<b>Empire- East Quogue</b>	<b>\$2.83</b>	<b>\$2.99</b>	+ 16 cents
Hess-Hampton Bays	<b>\$3.09</b>	\$3.25	+ 16 cents
Shell- Hampton Bays-W	<b>\$3.19</b>	<b>\$3.29</b>	+ 10 cents
Shell-Hampton Bays-E	<b>\$2.89</b>	\$3.05	+ 16 cents
Hampton Gas-Southampton	<b>\$2.81</b>	\$3.09	+ 28 cents
Shell-Southampton	<b>\$2.86</b>	<b>\$3.09</b>	+ 23 cents
<sup>8</sup> Speedway-Southampton-	<b>\$2.81</b>	<b>\$3.11</b>	+ 30 cents
Sunoco-Southampton	<b>\$2.81</b>	\$3.05	+ 24 cents
Gulf-Southampton	<b>\$2.89</b>	\$3.05	+ 16 cents
<sup>9</sup> Coastal-Southampton	<b>\$2.81</b>	<b>\$3.05</b>	+ 24 cents
<sup>10</sup> Mobil-Southampton	<b>\$2.86</b>	<b>\$3.10</b>	+ 24 cents
Shell-Water Mill	<b>\$2.89</b>	\$3.05	+ 16 cents
<sup>11</sup> Speedway-Bridgehampton	\$2.81	\$3.09	+ 28 cents
Gulf-Bridgehampton	<b>\$2.89</b>	\$3.05	+ 16 cents
<sup>12</sup> Speedway-Wainscot	<b>\$2.81</b>	\$3.09	+ 28 cents
<b>Exxon-East Hampton</b>	<b>\$2.99</b>	<b>\$3.19</b>	+ 20 cents
Gulf-Amagansett	\$3.34	<b>\$3.39</b>	+ 5 cents
Mobil-Amagansett	\$3.35	<b>\$3.49</b>	+ 14 cents
Shell-Amagansett	<b>\$3.39</b>	<b>\$3.59</b>	+ 20 cents
Citgo-Montauk	\$3.25	<b>\$3.47</b>	+ 22 cents
Mobil-Montauk	\$3.29	<b>\$3.49</b>	+ 20 cents
Montauk Fuel	<b>\$3.59</b>	\$3.69	+ 10 cents

### THIELE GASOLINE PRICE SURVEY **COMPARATIVE GASOLINE PRICES**

**DATE SOUTH FORK** LONG ISLAND **NYS SF/LI** +/-

<sup>8</sup> cash/credit price 9 cash/credit price 10 cash/credit price 11 cash/credit price 12 cash credit price

5-31-11	<b>\$4.25</b>	<b>\$4.08</b>	<b>\$4.02</b>	<b>+17 cents</b>
7-13-11	<b>\$3.99</b>	<b>\$3.96</b>	<b>\$3.89</b>	+3 cents
7-25-11	<b>\$3.99</b>	<b>\$4.04</b>	<b>\$3.95</b>	-5 cents
8-7-11	<b>\$3.99</b>	<b>\$4.04</b>	<b>\$3.95</b>	-5 cents
8-20-11	<b>\$3.91</b>	\$3.95	<b>\$3.87</b>	-4 cents
9-12-11	<b>\$3.91</b>	<b>\$3.97</b>	<b>\$3.89</b>	-6 cents
9-29-11	\$3.85	\$3.81	\$3.76	+4 cents
10-10-11	<b>\$3.81</b>	\$3.73	<b>\$3.70</b>	+8 cents
11-2-11	<b>\$3.79</b>	\$3.72	<b>\$3.70</b>	+7 cents
11-29-11	\$3.79	\$3.61	\$3.61	+18 cents
12-12-11	\$3.71	\$3.57	\$3.55	+14 cents
2-2-12	\$3.75	\$3.80	\$3.77	-5 cents
3-2-12	\$3.97	<b>\$4.01</b>	\$3.97	-4 cents
4-6-12	\$4.13	\$4.16	\$4.14	-3 cents
4-28-12	\$4.15	\$4.10	\$4.10	+5 cents
6-1-12	\$3.99	\$3.87	\$3.87	+12 cents
6-27-12	\$3.95	\$3.64	\$3.64	+31 cents
7-21-12	\$3.95	\$3.86	\$3.76	+9 cents
8-14-12	\$3.99	\$3.99	\$3.91	
9-4-12	\$4.05	\$4.05	\$4.00	
9-28-12	\$4.07	\$4.08	\$4.07	-1 cent
11-28-12	\$4.05	\$3.95	\$3.89	+10 cents
1-2-13	\$3.93	\$3.77	\$3.73	+16 cents
2-7-13	\$3.97	\$3.95	\$3.91	+2 cents
3-30-13	\$4.05	\$3.93	\$3.90	+12 cents
5-15-13	\$3.95	\$3.78	\$3.73	+17 cents
7-4-13	\$3.89	\$3.76	\$3.71	+13 cents
7-29-13	\$4.05	\$3.99	\$3.92	+6 cents
8-19-13	\$4.05	\$3.90	\$3.85	+15 cents
10-26-13	\$3.77	\$3.57	\$3.60	+20 cents
12-15-13	\$3.69	\$3.66	\$3.66	+3 cents
1-18-14	\$3.75	\$3.64	\$3.65	+11 cents
5-4-14	\$3.99	\$3.98	\$3.92	+ 1 cent
5-31-14	\$3.99	\$3.92	\$3.88	+ 7 cents
7-29-14	\$4.05	\$3.90	\$3.84	+15 cents
9-3-14	\$3.99	\$3.72	\$3.78	+27 cents
10-19-14	\$3.59	\$3.44	\$3.45	+15 cents
12-19-14	\$2.99	\$2.88	\$2.91	+ 11 cents
1/31/15	\$2.49	\$2.35	\$2.40	+ 14 cents
4/25/15	\$2. <b>7</b> 9	\$2.77	\$2.71	+ 2 cents
5/23/15	\$2.86	\$2.93	\$2.86	- 8 cents
7/23/15	\$3.09	\$2.9 <b>7</b>	\$2.90	+12 cents
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