

Weekly Energy Market Report
20th January 2021

Both gas and electricity prices dropped this week with gas dropping by 15.4% and electricity by 10.9%. Gas prices were again affected by the weather as forecasts of milder temperatures in the coming weeks as well as increased wind pushed prices lower. A potential increase in the number of LNG deliveries to Europe due to milder temperatures in Asia also helped prices drop.

Similarly, electricity prices dropped throughout the week as they mirrored the gas market. Weaker trading with the carbon market also put pressure on the electricity prices to drop.

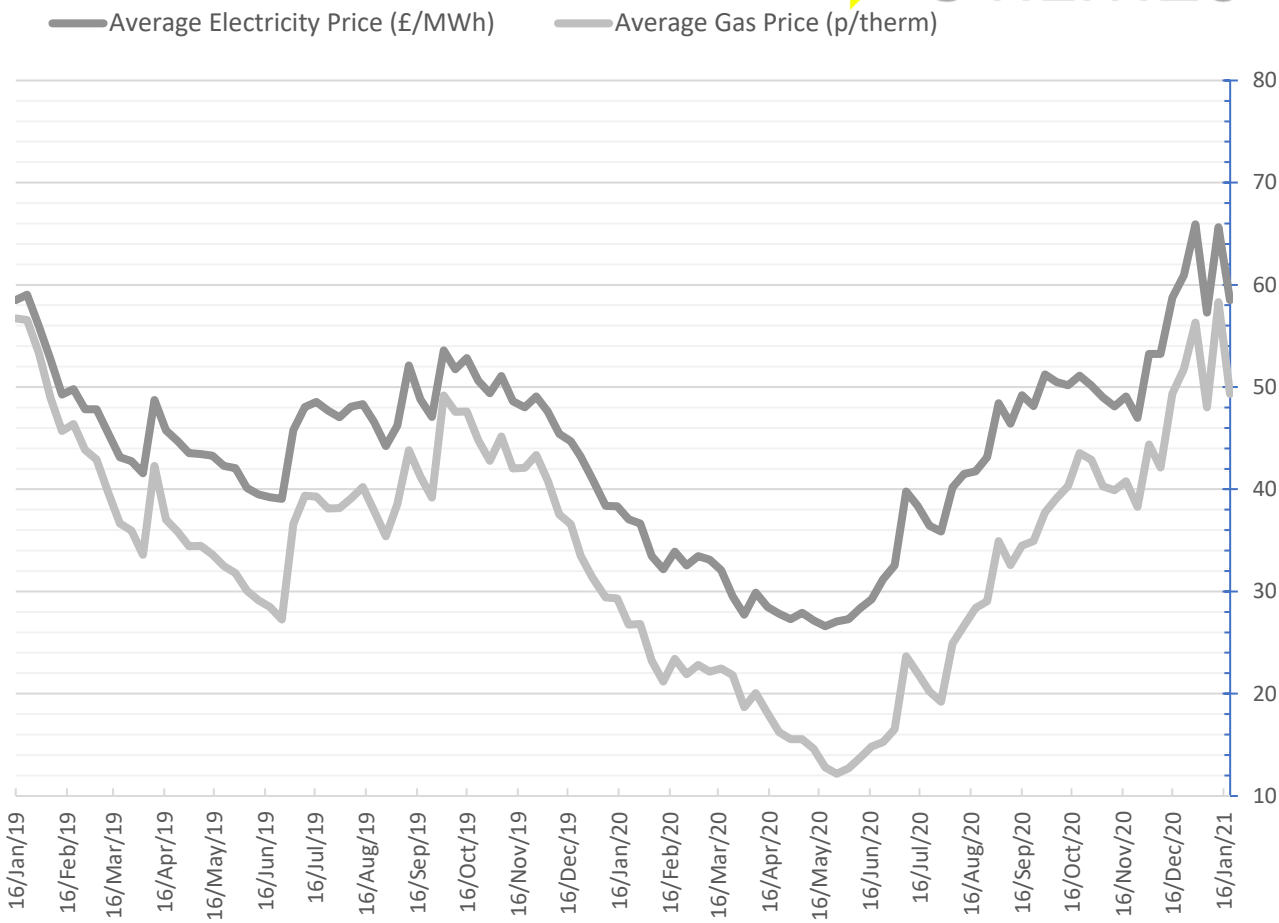
Brent crude oil prices initially dropped from 56.42 USD/bbl to 54.75 USD/bbl before recovering to 56.27 USD/bbl later in the week. Prices fell initially as China reported a significant increase in Coronavirus infections and put several provinces in lockdown. The US Dollar increasing in value also pushed prices lower. Prices increased later as markets remained hopeful that demand would increase despite the new lockdown measures.

Coal prices initially increasing from \$72.00/t to \$73.50/t before falling to \$69.10/t this week. Carbon prices fell throughout the week from €34.57/t to €31.62/t.

The Pound strengthened against both the Euro (€1.1223 to €1.1271) and the US Dollar (\$1.3656 to \$1.3670) this week.



YEAR AHEAD PRICING (ENERGY ONLY)



Electricity (£/MWh)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
64.50	52.50	58.50



PRICE MOVEMENTS
OVER PAST WEEK

Gas (p/Therm)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
55.37	43.31	49.34

