

Weekly Energy Market Report  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Both gas and electricity prices initially increased before dropping later in the week with gas prices 2.1% higher and electricity prices 5.5% lower compared to last week. Reduced Russian gas flows to Europe as well as less a larger number of LNG deliveries going to Asia instead of Europe initially pushed prices higher. Warmer than expected temperatures, increased wind generation and decreasing demand pushed prices back down again.

Electricity prices again followed the movements of the gas markets throughout the week. Other factors included weaker trading with coal and carbon markets as well as Heysham 2's second reactor returning online which pushed prices down further.

Brent crude oil prices increased throughout this week from 83.18 USD/bbl to 85.08 USD/bbl. Prices increases as demand increased due to industries switching from gas to oil due to the increase in gas prices. Supply issues in the US due to damage on rigs in the Gulf of Mexico caused by recent hurricanes also pushed prices higher.

Coal prices dropped throughout this week from \$159.30/t to \$139.16/t. Carbon prices initially increased from €59.40/t to €61.59/t before dropping back to €55.87/t.

The Pound strengthened against both the Euro (€1.1783 to €1.1841) and the US Dollar (\$1.3622 to \$1.3779) this week.



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