U.S. gas prices and inventories Selected indicators

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U.S. real natural gas price, 1990-2022 front-month futures, U.S.\$ per million British thermal units, month-end adjusted for inflation using core CPI ex food and energy 20.00 18.00 16.00 14.00 12.00 May 2022 10.00 8.87 8.00 6.00 4.00 2.00 Mar 2020 1.77 0.00 1990 1992 1994 1996 1998 2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022

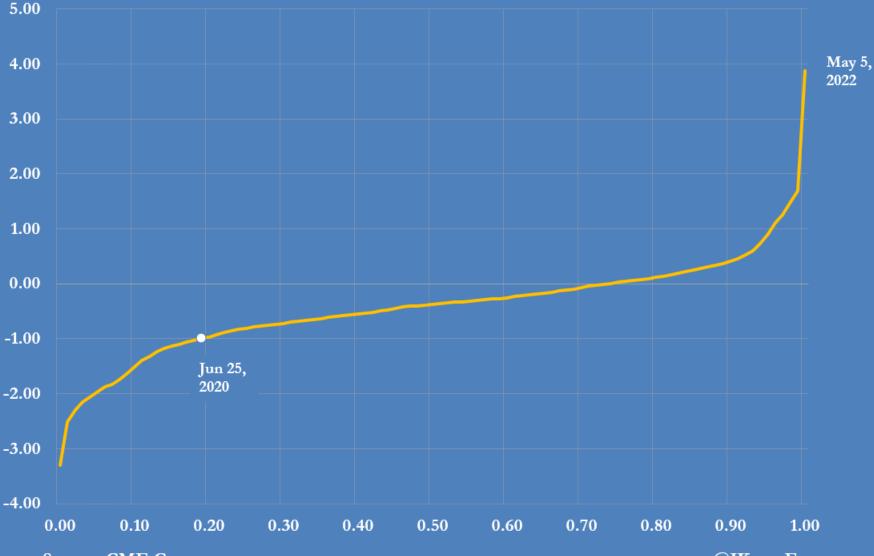
Sources: CME Group, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

U.S. natural gas futures calendar spread, 2007-2021 first-month minus thirteenth-month, daily, U.S.\$ per million Btu contango (-) or backwardation (+)

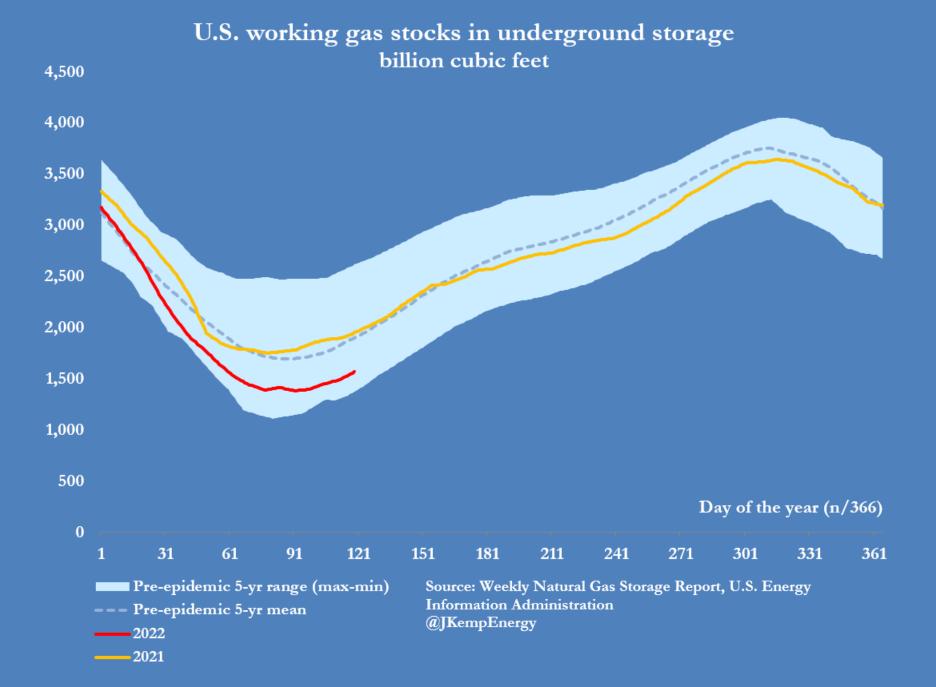


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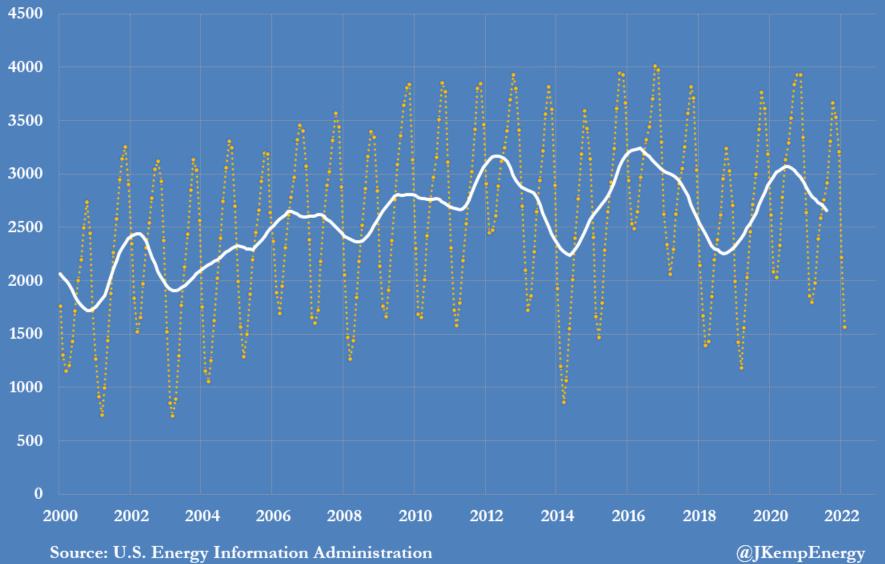
U.S. natural gas futures calendar spread, 2007-2022 daily, U.S.\$ per million Btu, M1-M13, percentiles contango (-) or backwardation (+)



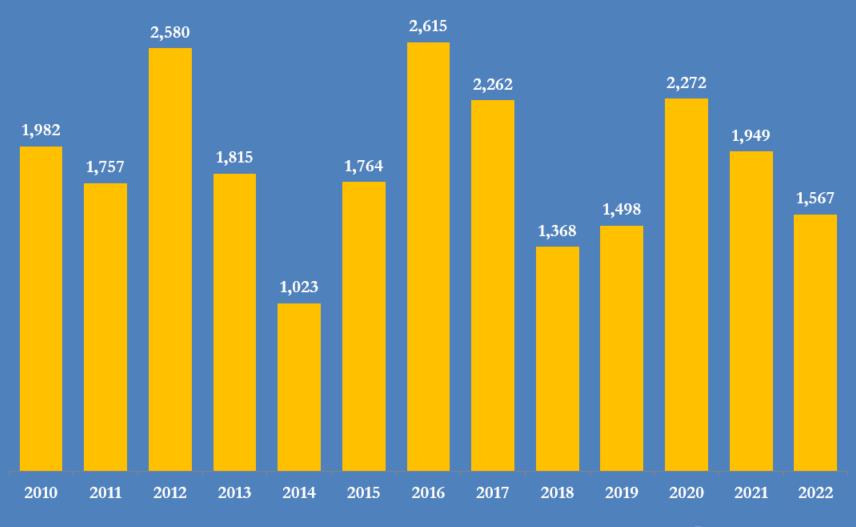
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U.S. natural gas inventories, 2000-2022 billion cubic feet, working gas in underground storage monthly and twelve-month centred average

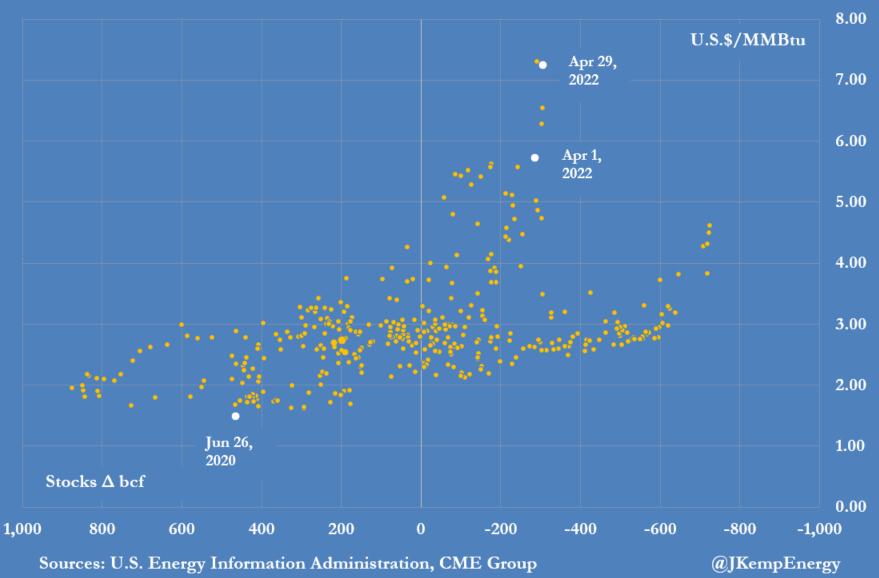


U.S. natural gas stocks, 2010-2022 billion cubic feet each year on April 29

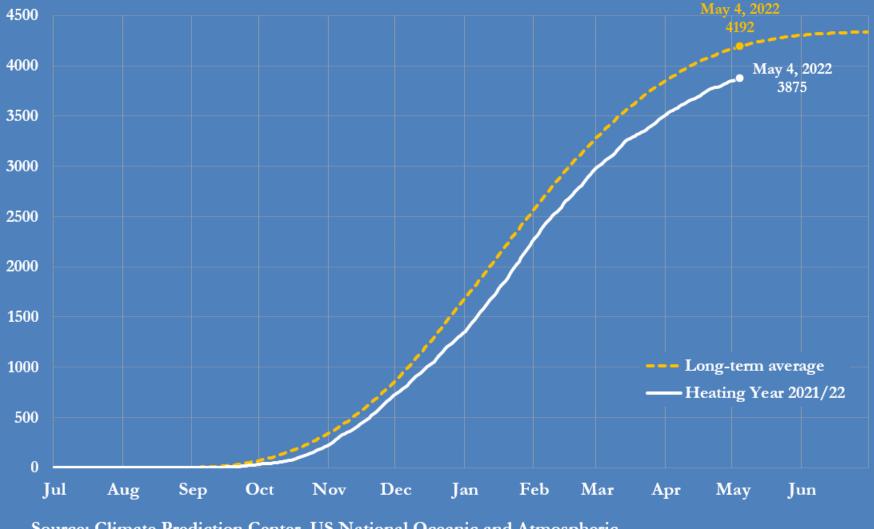


Source: US Energy Information Administration

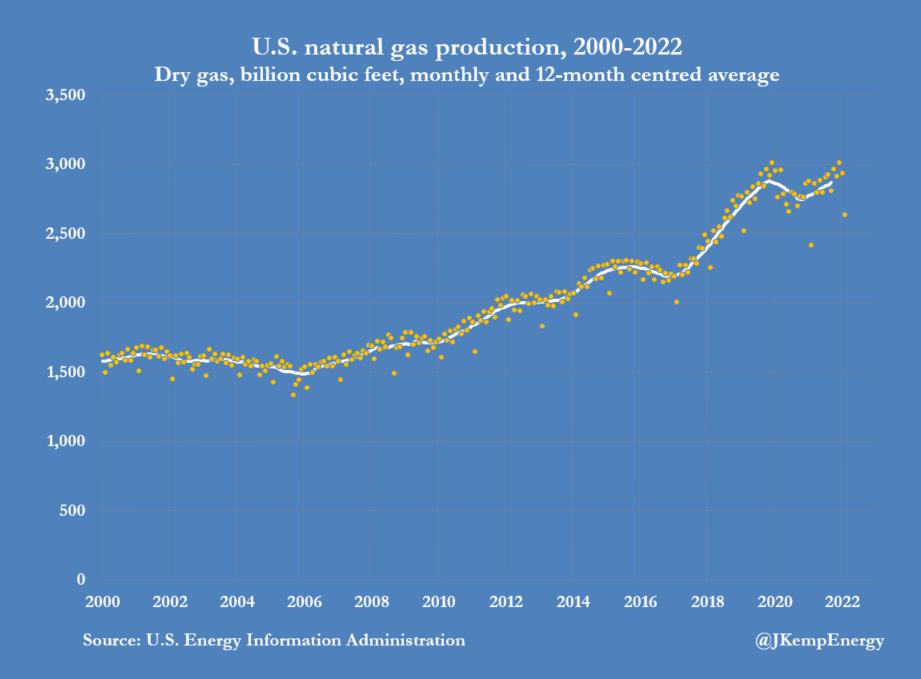
U.S. natural gas stocks and prices, 2015-2022 weekly, stock deviation from prior 5-yr average, front-month futures price



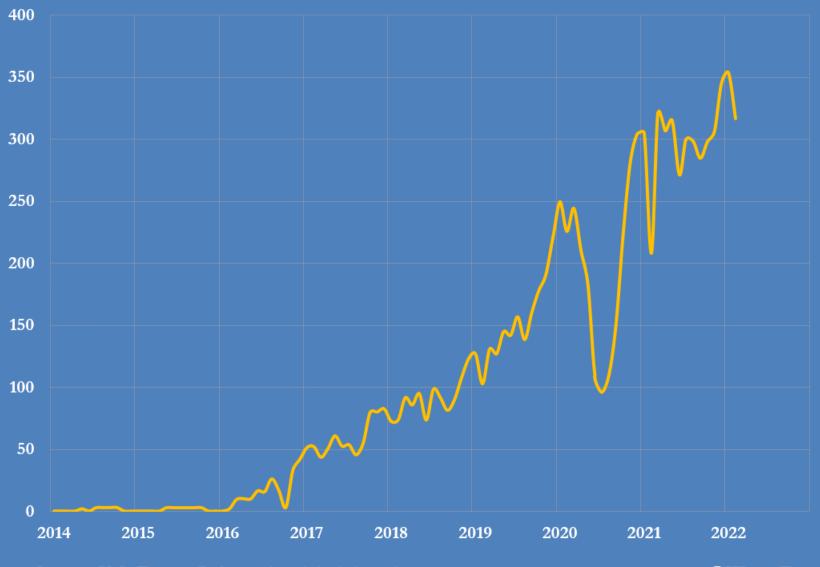
U.S. cumulative heating degree days since start of heating year Lower 48 states, population-weighted HDDs



Source: Climate Prediction Center, US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration @JKempEnergy



U.S. LNG exports, 2014-2022 monthly, waterborne exports, billion cubic feet



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

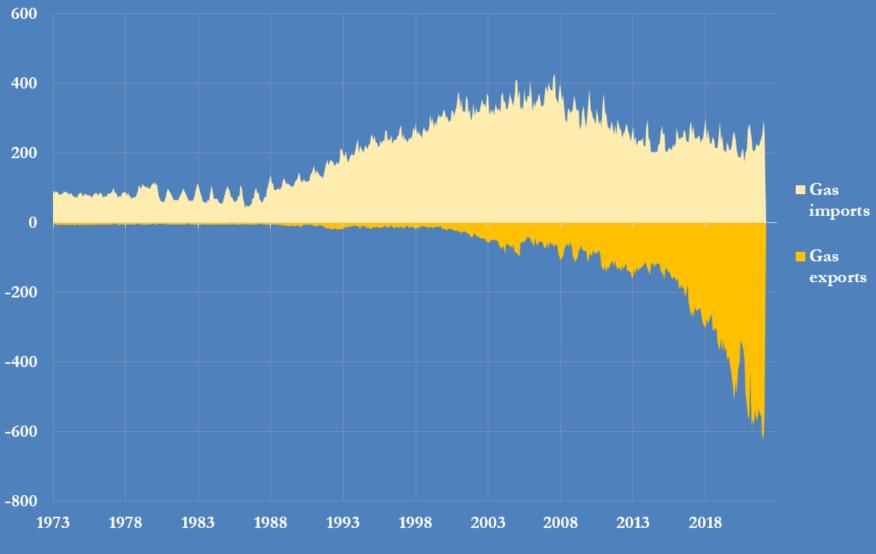
U.S. LNG exports, 2000-2022

monthly and 12-mth centred average, percent of domestic dry gas production



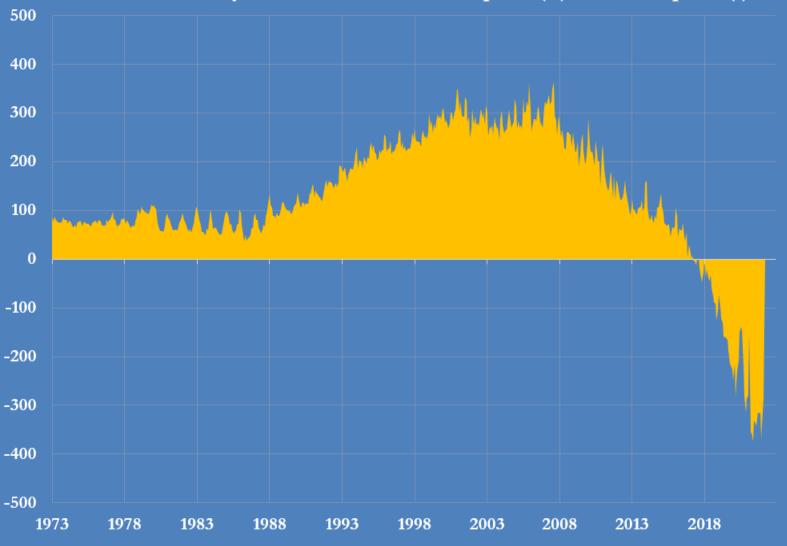


U.S. gas imports and exports, 1973-2022 monthly, billion cubic feet, exports shown negative





U.S. net gas trade, 1973-2022 monthly, billion cubic feet, net imports (+) and net exports (-)



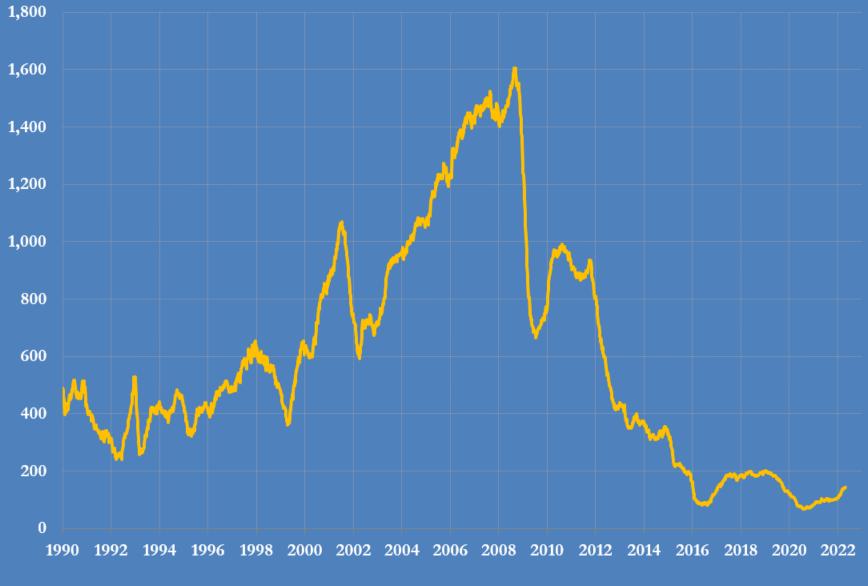


U.S. net gas trade, 2010-2022 net imports (+) and net exports (-), monthly, billion cubic feet



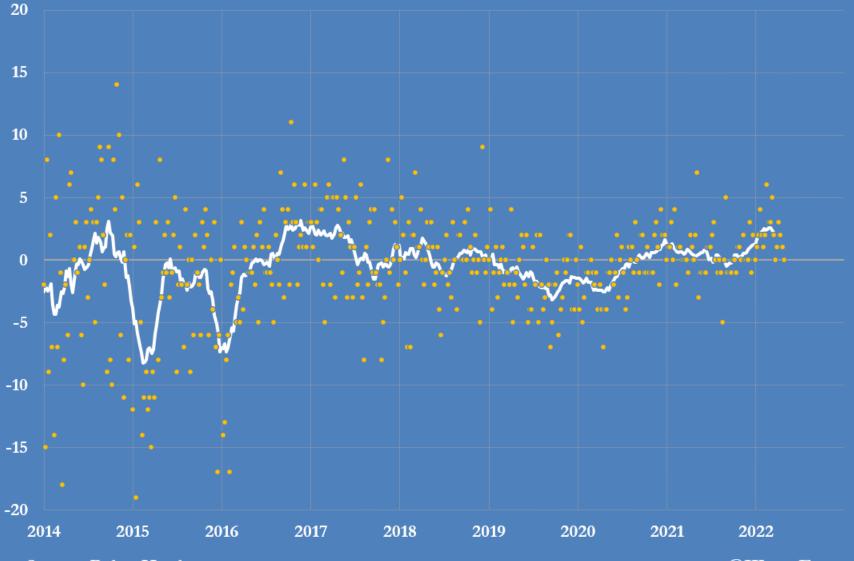


Number of rigs drilling for gas in the United States, 1990-2022

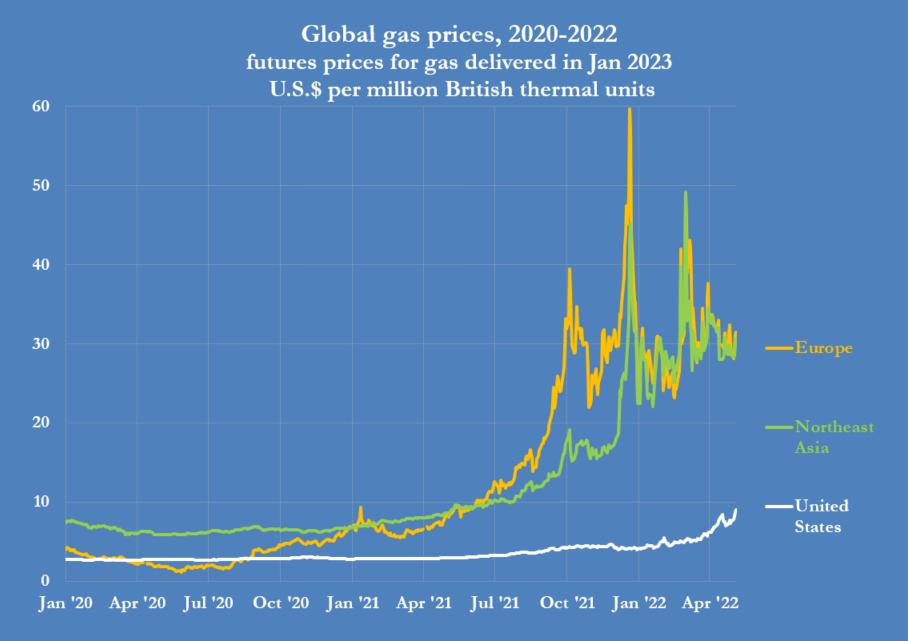


Source: Baker Hughes

Number of rigs drilling for gas in the United States weekly change and 13-week centred moving average



Source: Baker Hughes



Sources: CME Group, ICE ENDEX

Global gas prices, 2020-2022 futures prices for gas delivered in Jan 2023 U.S.\$ per million British thermal units - semi-logarithmic scale



Sources: CME Group, ICE ENDEX