

Weekly Energy Market Report

21st August 2024

Despite initially increasing, both gas and electricity prices finished this week lower than the previous week, with gas dropping by 5% and electricity by 1.7%. Gas prices had initially increased due to continued fighting in the Kursk region of Russia. However, a higher-than-average wind generation pushed prices lower. An additional 2 extra LNG deliveries expected within the next 2 weeks also pushed prices lower.

Electricity prices closely followed the movements of the gas and carbon markets as prices initially increased before dropping as wind generation increased.

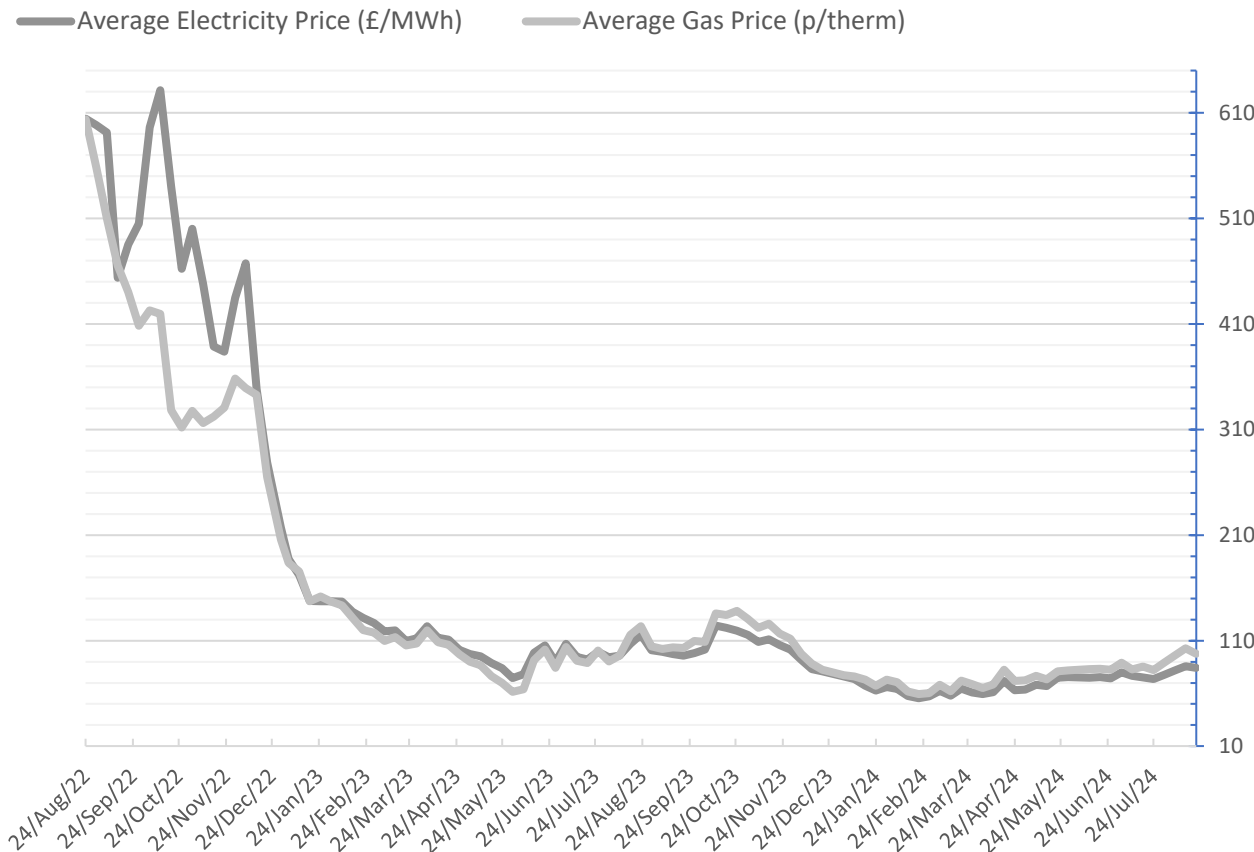
Brent crude oil prices initially increased from \$81.00/bbl to \$81.43/bbl before dropping later in the week to \$77.66/bbl. Increasing tensions in Iran pushed prices higher early this week. However, prices soon dropped due to a drop in demand in China as well as an increase in European inflation.

Coal prices initially dropped from \$121.65/t to \$120.65/t before rising back to \$122.50/t later this week. Carbon prices increased throughout this week from €71.87/t to €73.63/t.

The Pound strengthened against both the Euro (€1.1674 to €1.1713) and the US Dollar (\$1.2844 to \$1.3032) this week.



YEAR AHEAD PRICING (ENERGY ONLY)



Electricity (£/MWh)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
79.70	89.08	84.39

Gas (p/Therm)		
Prompt Price	Future Price	Average Price
92.82	102.55	97.69

-1.7%
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PRICE MOVEMENTS OVER PAST WEEK
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-5.0%