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U.S. gasoline price expected to drop further below \$3 per gallon

The national average pump price of gasoline dropped below \$3 per gallon last week for the first time in nearly four years.

U.S. gasoline prices are expected to sink further below the \$3 per gallon mark through the end of this year and average under \$3 for the year in 2015.

In its new short-term forecast, the U.S. Energy Information Administration said the average price for gasoline will continue to decline, reaching an average \$2.80 per gallon in December. For 2015 as a whole, gasoline is forecast to average \$2.94 per gallon.

The decline in gasoline prices mirrors the drop in crude oil costs for refiners caused by rising crude oil production and weak fuel demand. EIA expects the price of North Sea Brent crude oil which helps determine U.S. gasoline prices will average \$83 per barrel next year. That's well below the more than \$100 per barrel spot price of Brent crude oil seen for most of this year.

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