

Appendix D. Data and Methodology Changes

Tables and data files in the State Energy Data System (SEDS) supply a new year of data each production cycle. The latest data may be preliminary and, therefore, revised the following cycle. Changes made to consumption and price source data for historical years are also regularly incorporated into SEDS.

Listed below are changes in SEDS contents beyond the standard updates.

Natural gas

For 2013 forward, missing vehicle fuel price is assigned the state's commercial sector price instead of the average price for selected neighboring states.

Petroleum

Asphalt and road oil

Also beginning in 2009, asphalt physical unit prices are developed by calculating a simple average of the reported weekly or monthly prices from individual state Department of Transportation data. States that do not report prices are assigned their corresponding Census division simple average prices. For states with an incomplete series, the Census division growth rate is applied to available data to estimate missing years.