

Gas prices up in KS, in contrast to national trend

(KNZA)--You might have noticed a recent increase in prices at the pump.

Despite a majority of states across the nation experiencing falling or flat gas prices, Kansas was part of a regional trend that saw prices at the pump rise over the past week.

According to Triple A Kansas, the average cost of a gallon of regular gas in the state rose four cents this past week to \$2.70.

Triple-A says gas refinery issues in the region are to blame for the increase.

Triple-A spokesman Shawn Steward says generally this time of year, gas prices in Kansas trend downward, and that is the case in much of the country. Steward says it goes to show that retail fuel prices are always evolving, sometimes impacted by unexpected factors and, overall, hard to predict.

Kansas does still fare very well, though, with gas prices 15 cents below the national average and 12th cheapest in the nation.

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