## FRANCE

Date of data collection	Average consumer prices on the previous Friday <sup>1</sup>
or reference period	Average consumer prices on the previous Friday
Reporting body	Ministry of Environment, Sustainable Development and Energy
	General Directorate for Energy and Climate (DGEC)
Reporting price discounts on motor fuels	Average consumer prices reported take into account possible discount prices at filling stations offered by distributors to consumers
Market coverage and data sources	<ul> <li>Data collected from 23 oil operators, including 4 oil companies, 5 large store chains and 14 independent groups. LPG prices provided by 9 companies.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The operators surveyed account for 95% of volumes of motor fuels sold (Euro Super 95: 94%; Euro Super 98: 96%, Diesel: 95%), 75% of heating oil and 80% of heavy fuel oil.</li> </ul>
Price averages	Weighted average with weights defined based on the market share of each operator (oil companies, large store chains, independents)
Biofuels	To incentivize biofuels development and blending into motor fuels, the motor fuel tax system is based on two elements taken into account by operators in the calculation of pump prices at the filling stations:  • a partial tax exemption of "TICPE" (Taxe Intérieure de Consommation sur les Produits Energétiques) granted to sustainable biofuels produced by production units that have received an administrative agreement (the administrative agreement is given by the General Directorate of Customs and Excise, after a EU bidding procedure), in the limit of quantities fixed by the agreement;  • an additional tax named "TGAP" (Taxe Générale sur les Activités Polluantes) paid by operators who are putting on the market fuels that don't reach the minimal threshold of 7% energy incorporated biofuels.  Biofuel contents of fuels : maximum content of biofuel in automotive fuels is fixed by law:  • Euro super 95 : max 5% volume of ethanol.  • Diesel : max 7% volume of FAME (biodiesel).  • Heating oil (gas-oil) : max 7% volume of FAME (biodiesel).  No diffentiated taxation (excise duties) for biofuel blends.  The excise duties reported by France (613.30 €/1000l for Euro Super 95 and 440.90 €/1000l for diesel oil as of 16/01/2014) are the weighted average excise duties, taking into account the regional excise duties weighed by regional oil consumptions.
Other indirect taxes reported	Not applicable
Other specific	<ul> <li>High degree of consolidation in the refining sector in recent years.</li> <li>High competition in the retail oil market with significant penetration</li> </ul>
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Data prices collection doesn't include pump prices in Corsica or in overseas department.

administrations	of large store chains since the late 1980's. Market share of large store chains close to 60%; market share of oil operators and independent close to 40%.
	• For consumer's information, mandatory regulations for retailers to indicate prices at filling stations on the Government web site since 2007: www.prix-carburants.gouv.fr