

# **MARKET INSIGHT**

9 August 2022



### **Morning Briefing**

#### Day ahead (DA)

- Day ahead gas prices are up this morning compared to yesterday's settlement due lower LNG nominations and an increase on exports via the IUK pipeline.
- The gas system is currently 15 mcm short according to National Grid data.
- · Nord Stream flows remain at 20% capacity.
- Higher DA gas prices are pushing the DA power price and it is trading higher this morning by 2.5p/kWh compared to yesterday's close price.
- Wind generation is forecast at 2.4GW, providing the grid 8%. We are currently exporting 0.5 GW to France, Belgium and the Netherlands.

#### Month ahead (Sep 22)

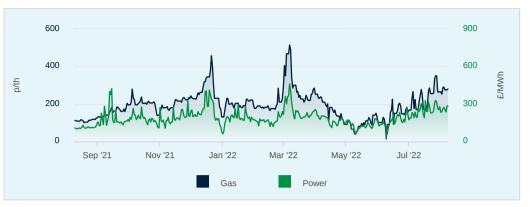
- September 2022 gas contracts are trading below settlement and are valued at 341p/th (11.64p/kWh).
- Tighter supplies across Europe, are undermining the region's ability to replenish storage sites, ahead of the upcoming winter.
- Lower LNG sendout, a weaker price incentive in the UK for LNG cargoes compared to Europe and Asia, European storage concerns ahead of the winter and reduced NS1 flows have created supply concerns and kept UK gas prices firm.

EU carbon prices are trading higher day-on-day at EUR 84.6/t, in line with a higher cooling demand for power due to the hot weather across the continent and a lower nuclear output.

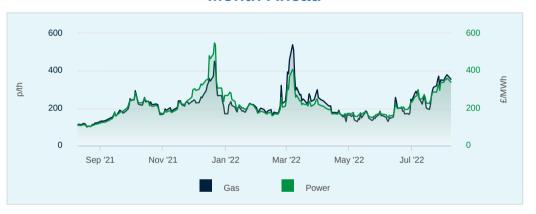
Brent crude prices are trading lower day-on-day and are valued at \$96 per barrel. Oil prices have weakened in recent weeks, with the market remaining wary of a recession in the West. Moreover, OPEC+ agreed to raise its oil output target by 100,000 barrels per day (bpd) in September.



### **Day Ahead**



#### **Month Ahead**



### **Year Ahead**





### **Gas Prices**

Gas	5 <sup>th</sup> Aug (p/th)	8 <sup>th</sup> Aug (p/th)	Day-On-Day %	Week-On-Week %
Day-Ahead	275.00	280.00	5.00%	1.82%
Sep-22	373.63	355.14	-18.49%	-4.95%
Oct-22	421.60	405.28	-16.32%	-3.87%
Nov-22	477.71	464.29	-13.42%	-2.81%
Q4-22	467.23	453.45	-13.79%	-2.95%
Q1-23	480.11	471.44	-8.67%	-1.81%
Q2-23	383.00	386.58	3.58%	0.93%
Win 22	473.60	462.35	-11.26%	-2.38%
Sum 23	367.78	371.29	3.51%	0.96%
Win 23	360.69	363.96	3.27%	0.91%
Sum 24	234.44	230.32	-4.12%	-1.76%
Win 24	227.66	227.07	-0.59%	-0.26%
Sum 25	142.03	139.50	-2.52%	-1.78%
Win 25	139.78	137.03	-2.75%	-1.97%
Sum 26	119.43	116.68	-2.75%	-2.30%

UK Gas - Winter Season



UK Gas - Summer Season



### **Power Prices**

Power	5 <sup>th</sup> Aug (£/MWh)	8 <sup>th</sup> Aug (£/MWh)	Day-On-Day %	Week-On-Week %
Day-Ahead	255.08	283.00	27.92%	10.95%
Sep-22	357.10	339.47	-17.63%	-4.94%
Oct-22	418.10	399.63	-18.47%	-4.42%
Nov-22	674.81	672.62	-2.19%	-0.32%
Q4-22	589.51	580.26	-9.26%	-1.57%
Q1-23	557.45	557.42	-0.03%	-0.01%
Q2-23	313.20	314.20	1.00%	0.32%
Win 22	573.66	568.96	-4.69%	-0.82%
Sum 23	313.13	315.50	2.37%	0.76%
Win 23	321.11	320.91	-0.19%	-0.06%
Sum 24	224.18	226.50	2.32%	1.03%
Win 24	231.79	238.11	6.32%	2.73%
Sum 25	143.22	145.27	2.05%	1.43%
Win 25	157.48	156.39	-1.09%	-0.69%
Sum 26	122.74	124.79	2.05%	1.67%

UK Power - Winter Season



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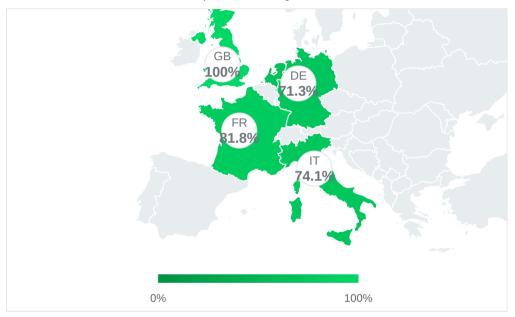
#### **UK Gas**

National Grid data shows a short system by 15mcm.

LNG nominations today are down to 26mcm compared to 31mcm yesterday. The Dragon LNG facility in Wales is shutdown today and tomorrow for maintenance. Five LNG cargoes are due to take berth in the UK during August. Four of them coming from Qatar and a relatively small cargo coming from Peru.

UK storage sites are currently 100%.

#### European Gas Storage Levels



#### **UK Power**

The UK power market further out on the curve is trading with limited liquidity today. The UK power market has been driven by concerns surrounding the reduction in Russian gas volumes to Europe via the NS1 pipeline. The expectations of tighter supply this winter continues to keep the Win 22 power contract above the £570/MWh mark.

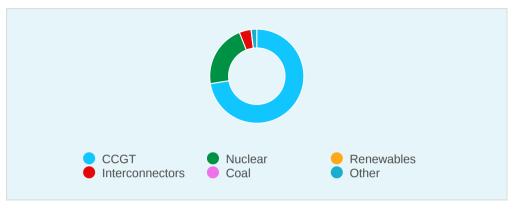
The UK continues to export electricity to France, via the IFA interconnectors. The French power price provides the UK power market with an incentive to export. French power prices continue to remain elevated with November prices over €1,000/MWh (100c/kWh) due to a large number of nuclear power plants being offline. EDF has revised its 2022 expectations of nuclear power production downwards to 90 TWh against a historical average of 310TWh.

#### Carbon

The EUA Dec-22 contract trades higher day-on-day and is valued at EUR 84.6/t. EU carbon prices have found some support from EUA supply tightening, due to a reduction in auction volumes in August. Moreover, low wind and hot weather boosted fossil generation and lent some support to EUA's. Hot temperatures are affecting nuclear output amid strong cooling demand.



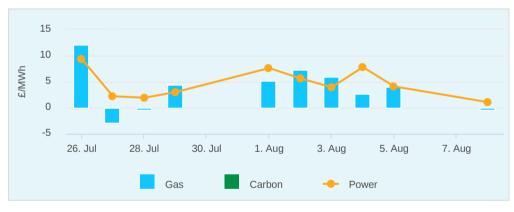
### **Electricity Generation Mix**



Total generation - 23.31 GW

The UK supply as a percentage of total generation

### **Power, Gas & Carbon Correlation**



Power Oct-21 Drivers

The above graph displays how the price of power has moved in relation to the cost of producing that energy. The lower the cost of gas and carbon, the lower the price of power.

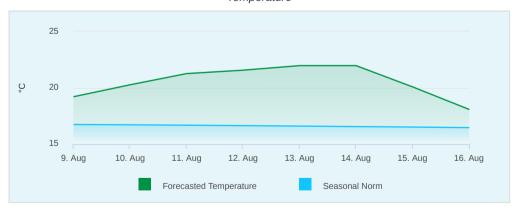


#### **Forecasts**

Wind and Solar Generation



Temperature









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