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Summary: We analyzed over one million transcripts and found that TV coverage of gas prices exhibits a negative news bias. TV coverage sharply ramps up when the nominal gas price hits \$3.50 per gallon. The ramp-up is steeper for cable than network outlets, and among cable outlets, steepest for Fox News. Because the \$3.50 threshold is stable in nominal terms, the real threshold at which the media ramps up their coverage of gas prices has decreased by one-third over time.

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