Energy Market Review

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Market Context

June was an extremely volatile month with price movement dominated by geopolitical events in the Middle East. Front season gas prices rose around 10% as tensions ratcheted up between Iran, Israel & the US. However, all of the value was lost in a single session once the ceasefire was announced, despite its shaky start.

- On the 13th June, Israel launched attacks on Iran to which Iran responded. The two sides then exchanged missile fire and drone attacks for several days.
- Markets rose sharply on the risk that oil and LNG supplies that pass through the Strait of Hormuz could be impacted by the conflict. Around one-fifth of global supplies pass-through the Strait so any disruption would cause a tightening of the global supply and demand balance.
- The US then launched a covert attack to destroy Iran's nuclear weapon making capability, but it is yet to be confirmed to what extent they were able to achieve their aims.
- A response that many believed was performative was carried out by Iran as they launched attacks on US Military bases in the region.
- Shortly after a ceasefire was announced which had a shaky start as Israel immediately accused Iran of breaking the agreement. However, it held, and markets responded bearishly retracing all the recent gains in a single trading session.
- Warm settled weather continued with the lack of wind generation creating high short term power prices.
- European storage levels ended the month just shy of 60% full against a five-year average of 65%.

In other news

The Government have stepped in to protect consumers with old energy meters.

A widespread switch-off of Radio Teleswitch Service (RTS) meters did not happen on 30th June as scheduled. Instead, the date will mark the start of a phase-out process with small numbers of homes and businesses in specific areas being targeted to ensure the process is smooth and working families are protected.

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Seasonal Prices



Price Table

After the sharp rises early in the month, most prices down the curve ended up roughly level to where they finished last month. Spot power prices saw a large increase due to reduced renewable generation off the back of low wind speeds towards the end of the month.

	Month End <u>Energy Only</u> Prices			
	Fuel	June-25 (p/kWh)	May-25 (p/kWh)	Month-on- Month Difference
Spot Prices	Gas (NBP)	2.61	2.70	-3%
	Power (UK Baseload)	9.1	5.95	53%
Front Month	Gas (NBP)	2.63	2.85	-8%
	Power (UK Baseload)	7.08	7.03	1%
Front Season	Gas (NBP)	3.05	3.11	-2%
	Power (UK Baseload)	8.15	8.32	-2%
Annual Price (Oct-25)	Gas (NBP)	2.96	2.99	-1%
	Power (UK Baseload)	7.62	7.74	-2%
Historical Comparison	2019 Average Front Season Price (p/kWh)		% Increase June-25	to
Gas (NBP)	1.64		86%	
Power (UK Baseload)	5.10		60%	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A

Outlook

Limited maintenance in Norway during July is forecast to lead to a comfortable supply position throughout the upcoming month. The current projections suggest that in most scenarios European storage will be adequately filled heading into Winter '25. As a result, prices over the coming months are likely to stabilise but geopolitical escalations or macro-economic risks remain present.



Bearish signals

- Low Norwegian maintenance scheduled for July.
- Further calming of situation in the Middle East.
- Continued strong storage injections.

Bullish signals

- Any reoccurrence of tensions in Middle East
- Any increase in Asian demand for LNG which is currently low vs last year.





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