

Road fuel consumption increases in 2016 (+3.0% vs. 2015), both gasoline (+2.3%) and road diesel (+3.2%)

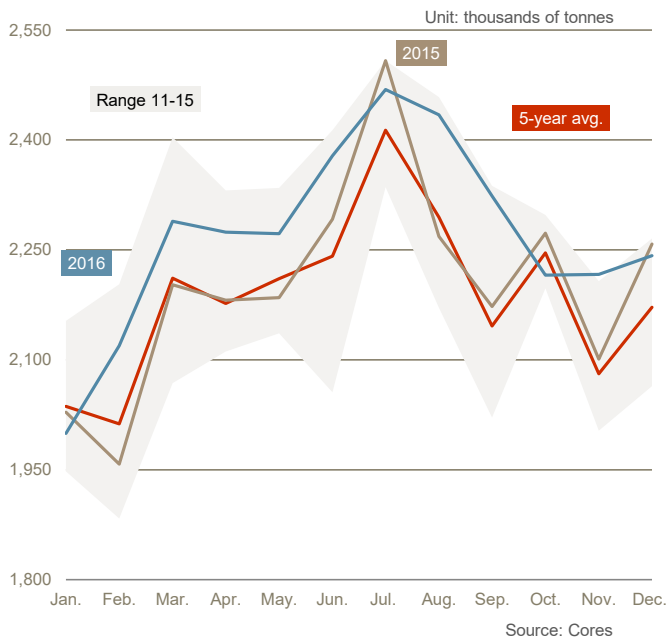
In December, there is a lower road fuel consumption (-0.7% vs December 2015), decreasing in both main fuels, road diesel (-0.5%) as well as gasoline (-1.5%). However, overall 2016 consumption rises for third consecutive year; road fuels (+3.0% vs. 2015), road diesel (+3.2%) and gasoline (+2.3%).

LPG and kerosene consumption increases, +19.8% and +15.5% respectively in December, whilst there is a decrease in gasoline (-1.5%), diesels (-0.8%) and fuel oil (-14.2%). Nevertheless, 2016 shows inter annual growth in every petroleum's product: LPG (+8.2%), gasoline (+2.3%), kerosene (+7.1%), gasoil (+1.6%) and fuel oil (+4.6%).

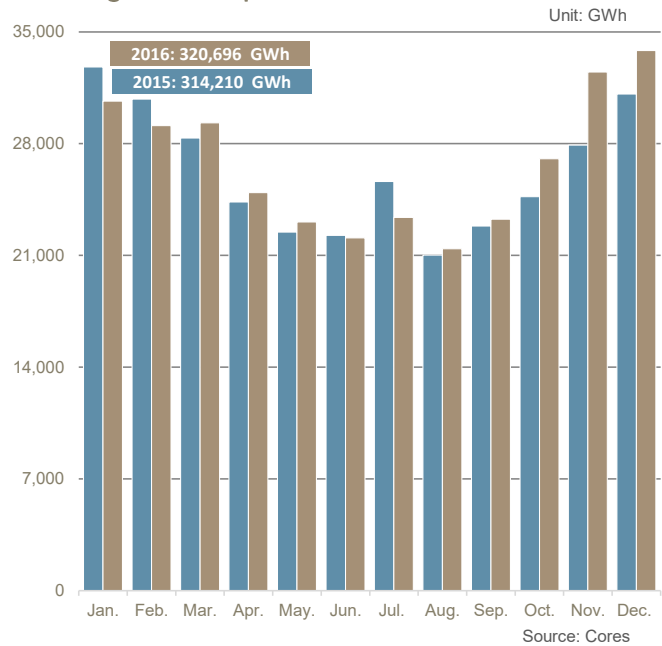
For the fifth consecutive month, natural gas consumption increases (+8.8% vs. December 2015), reaching 33,832 GWh (maximum record since December 2013). Natural gas power generation continues with its remarkable yearly growth (+18.7%), conventional and direct LNG consumption presents a more modest increment, +6.2% and +11.6% respectively.

Annual natural gas consumption maintains its recovery (+2.1% vs. 2015) started in 2014, boosted by conventional consumption (+3.1%) and direct GNL (+5.2%), while natural gas intended for power generation decreases (-2.6%).

Monthly consumption of road fuels



Natural gas consumption 2015 vs. 2016



Unit: thousands of tonnes

Petroleum Products	Consumption			Year-on-Year Variation Rates (%)		
	December 2016	Year-to-Date	Rolling Year	December 2016	Year-to-Date	Rolling Year
Road gasolines	392	4,752	4,752	-1.5%	2.3%	2.3%
Road diesel	1,850	22,481	22,481	-0.5%	3.2%	3.2%
Road fuels	2,242	27,234	27,234	-0.7%	3.0%	3.0%
LPG	245	2,031	2,031	19.8%	8.2%	8.2%
Gasolines*	392	4,756	4,756	-1.5%	2.3%	2.3%
Kerosene	440	5,894	5,894	15.5%	7.1%	7.1%
Gasoil*	2,644	30,273	30,273	-0.8%	1.6%	1.6%
Fuel oil	623	8,620	8,620	-14.2%	4.6%	4.6%

* Road products included in the corresponding product group

Source: Cores

Unit: GWh

Natural gas	Consumption			Year-on-Year Variation Rates (%)		
	December 2016	Year-to-Date	Rolling Year	December 2016	Year-to-Date	Rolling Year
Conventional consumption	25,719	251,246	251,246	6.2%	3.1%	3.1%
Electricity generation	7,237	59,512	59,512	18.7%	-2.6%	-2.6%
Direct consumption LNG	875	9,938	9,938	11.6%	5.2%	5.2%
Total Natural gas	33,832	320,696	320,696	8.8%	2.1%	2.1%

Source: Cores