

The national average at the gas pumps has increased in the past week to about 4 cents a gallon and in Michigan the statewide average has increased by 9 cents a gallon. Detroit has seen an 8 cent increase per gallon within the last week.

A lot of the increase comes from the slowdown from the outage at the Marathon refinery in Detroit which distributes about 144,000 barrels of gasoline a day.

On the brightside, we are paying less per gallon than we did this time last year.

Gregg Laskoski, senior petroleum analyst with GasBuddy thinks we have something to be grateful for.

“Even though prices are up compared to where we were a week ago we are still looking at average prices today that are 19 cent a gallon less than what we were paying a year ago. Nationwide we are looking at prices that are 40 cent less than where we were a year ago, so it’s still pretty good for consumers right now because we are still saving more money this year than we were last year”

GasBuddy has an app that will show consumers where they can save money at the pumps and be on the lookout for increases throughout the summer.