

# **Ethanol Market And Pricing Data**

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### **Ethanol, Fuels and Co-Product Pricing**

Comparative Pricing for Fuels and Co-Products - \$/Gallon					
Product	Current price	Prior week average	Previous year	% change (week over week)	% change (year over year)
Ethanol					
Ethanol (FOB Gulf)	\$1.694	\$1.648	\$2.450	2.8%	-30.9%
Anhydrous Ethanol (FOB Santos, Brazil)	\$2.092	\$2.075	\$2.113	0.8%	-1.0%
Hydrous Ethanol (FOB Santos, Brazil)	\$1.956	\$1.962	\$1.930	-0.3%	1.3%
Anhydrous - Hydrous Spread	\$0.136	\$0.113	\$0.183	20.8%	-25.5%
Gulf discount/premium from Santos	-\$0.398	-\$0.427	\$0.337	-6.6%	-218.2%
Ethanol (FOB PNW)	\$1.820	\$1.810	\$2.434	0.6%	-25.2%
Gasoline/Chemical components &					
additives					
MTBE (FOB Gulf)	\$2.100	\$2.343	\$3.060	-10.4%	-31.4%
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(FOB Gulf)	φυ.406	<b>Ф</b> 0.095	\$0.609	-13.2%	-0.5%
"Aromatic" Octane Enhancers (BTX)					
Benzene (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$3.030	\$3.050	\$4.103	-0.7%	-26.2%
Toluene NITN (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$3.040	\$3.128	\$3.514	-2.8%	-13.5%
Mixed Xylene (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$3.047	\$2.968	\$3.544	2.7%	-14.0%
Weighted Average Aromatic Price (BTX)	\$3.043	\$3.025	\$3.604	0.6%	-15.6%
Gasoline (FOB Gulf)	\$2.026	\$2.117	\$2.225	-4.3%	-8.9%
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Comparative Pricing for Fuels and Co-Products - \$/Liter					
Product	Current price	Prior week average	Previous year	% change (week over week)	% change (year over year)
Ethanol					
Ethanol (FOB Gulf)	\$0.447	\$0.435	\$0.647	2.8%	-30.9%
Anhydrous Ethanol (FOB Santos, Brazil)	\$0.553	\$0.548	\$0.558	0.8%	-1.0%
Hydrous Ethanol (FOB Santos, Brazil)	\$0.517	\$0.518	\$0.510	-0.3%	1.3%
Anhydrous - Hydrous Spread	\$0.036	\$0.030	\$0.048	20.8%	-25.5%
Gulf discount/premium from Santos	-\$0.105	-\$0.113	\$0.089	-6.6%	-218.2%
Ethanol (FOB PNW)	\$0.481	\$0.478	\$0.643	0.6%	-25.2%
Gasoline/Chemical components & additives					
MTBE (FOB Gulf)	\$0.555	\$0.619	\$0.808	-10.4%	-31.4%
MTBE Premium/Discount to Ethanol (FOB Gulf)	\$0.107	\$0.184	\$0.161	-13.2%	-0.5%
"Aromatic" Octane Enhancers (BTX)					
Benzene (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$0.800	\$0.806	\$1.084	-0.7%	-26.2%
Toluene NITN (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$0.803	\$0.826	\$0.928	-2.8%	-13.5%
Mixed Xylene (FOB U.S. Gulf)	\$0.805	\$0.784	\$0.936	2.7%	-14.0%
Weighted Average Aromatic Price (BTX)	\$0.804	\$0.799	\$0.952	0.6%	-15.6%
Gasoline (FOB Gulf)	\$0.535	\$0.559	\$0.588	-4.3%	-8.9%

FOB and Estimated CNF Ethanol Prices, \$/MT					
Product	Current price	Prior week average	Previous year	W/W % Change	Y/Y % Change
FOB Prices					
Ethanol, FOB U.S. Gulf	\$572.23	\$556.81	\$827.73	2.8%	-30.9%
Ethanol, FOB PNW	\$614.86	\$611.49	\$822.30	0.6%	-25.2%
Ethanol, FOB Brazil	\$660.83	\$662.87	\$652.13	-0.3%	1.3%
Estimated CNF Prices					
U.S. Gulf - EC Mexico	\$578.15	\$564.70	\$837.60	2.4%	-31.0%
U.S. Gulf - Brazil	\$604.80	\$588.85	\$864.53	2.7%	-30.0%
U.S. Gulf - Peru	\$614.07	\$600.23	\$880.36	2.3%	-30.2%
U.S. Gulf - W. Coast Cent. Am.	\$610.12	\$594.97	\$874.44	2.5%	-30.2%
U.S. Gulf - China	\$620.56	\$605.14	\$879.40	2.5%	-29.4%
U.S. Gulf - Europe	\$598.12	\$583.76	\$859.21	2.5%	-30.4%
U.S. Gulf - South Korea	\$624.73	\$610.14	\$903.56	2.4%	-30.9%
U.S. Gulf - Saudi Arabia	\$656.93	\$647.13	\$927.70	1.5%	-29.2%
U.S. Gulf - Philippines	\$658.44	\$643.93	\$926.64	2.3%	-28.9%
U.S. Gulf - Singapore	\$662.82	\$648.67	\$960.41	2.2%	-31.0%
U.S. Gulf - India	\$641.16	\$626.67	\$933.31	2.3%	-31.3%
U.S. Gulf - West Africa	\$598.17	\$583.77	\$859.70	2.5%	-30.4%
U.S. Gulf - Morocco	\$594.76	\$580.24	\$855.29	2.5%	-30.5%
U.S. Gulf - Algeria	\$597.06	\$582.63	\$858.10	2.5%	-30.4%
U.S. Gulf - Egypt	\$603.70	\$589.55	\$866.23	2.4%	-30.3%
U.S. PNW - Singapore	\$672.50	\$669.93	\$906.72	0.4%	-25.8%
U.S. PNW - S. Korea	\$661.99	\$659.35	\$890.36	0.4%	-25.6%
U.S. PNW - Philippines	\$674.12	\$671.67	\$907.88	0.4%	-25.7%
U.S. PNW - India	\$694.16	\$691.93	\$933.82	0.3%	-25.7%
Brazil - Singapore	\$702.17	\$704.21	\$696.33	-0.3%	0.8%
Brazil - Singapore Brazil - S. Korea	\$749.58	\$752.55	\$753.95	-0.4%	-0.6%
Brazil - G. Rorea Brazil - Europe	\$688.89	\$692.08	\$686.25	-0.4%	0.4%
Brazil - China	\$711.45	\$713.49	\$706.25	-0.3%	0.4%
Brazil - India	\$723.83	\$726.21	\$723.43	-0.3%	0.1%
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Source: World Perspectives, Inc.

Note: estimated cost and freight (C&F) prices are based on information believed to be reliable and accurate. Estimates for some routes may be based on mathematical inference and not actual market offers. Terms of trade and market conditions may cause actual prices to vary from these estimates.

**Market Outlook**: U.S. ethanol prices ended last week 1.3 percent higher and extended those gains in early week trading to rise 1.9 percent through Tuesday's close. Midwest wholesale rack ethanol prices were lower to end last week but were up 1.3 percent through Tuesday's market close to their last quote of 45.89 cents/liter (173.73 cents/gallon).

FOB Houston ethanol prices finished last week 1.6 percent lower but are up 2.6 percent through Tuesday's trading from Friday's close. FOB Houston ethanol prices are quoted at 44.75 cents/liter (169.38 cents/gallon). FOB Santos, Brazil anhydrous ethanol prices were lower last week; they are up in early week trading, rising 0.8 percent to 55.27 cents/liter (209.22 cents/gallon) through Tuesday's close.

The FOB Gulf-Santos, Brazil ethanol spread has narrowed from last week's close through Tuesday's trading and is currently at -10.52 cents/liter (-39.84 cents/gallon).

MTBE prices fell 10.4 percent last week and were sharply lower again in early week trading. MTBE prices fell 9.6 percent from Friday's close through Tuesday's trading. MTBE's premium to FOB Houston ethanol has decreased from last week's report and stands at 11.18 cents/liter (42.32 cents/gallon).

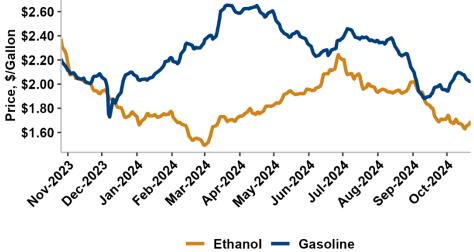
BTX component prices were mixed last week and continued that trend through Tuesday's market close: Benzene was down 0.8 percent while Toluene was down 2.4 percent, and Xylene was up 2.4 percent. The estimated weighted average aromatic price is currently 80.36 cents/liter (304.18 cents/gallon), up from last Friday's close. The BTX-Houston ethanol spread narrowed last week, and the weighted average BTX price is 35.61 cents/liter (134.8 cents/gallon) higher than the FOB Houston ethanol price.

Gasoline and petroleum products were lower last week but rallied in early week trade. RBOB futures are up 2.9 percent to start the week while 84 octane RBOB (Houston) and 87 octane CBOB (U.S. Gulf) gasoline prices are up 2.2 and up 1.6 percent, respectively. WTI futures are 3.9 percent higher at \$71.39/barrel while Brent futures are up 3.6 percent to \$75.7/barrel, from Friday through Tuesday's close.

Liquid tanker rates are 3 percent lower on average this week with offers for the U.S. Gulf to Brazil seeing the largest gains (up 2 percent). Freight from the U.S. Gulf to the East Coast of Mexico saw the largest declines and is down 25 percent from last week. On average, tanker freight from the U.S. Gulf is down 4 percent this week while freight from the PNW has posted a 1 percent decline. Liquid tanker freight rates from Brazil are down 1 percent, on average, this week. Freight rates across all origins are 20 percent lower than this same week in 2023.

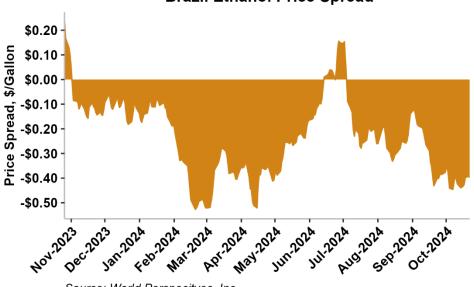
On a cost-and-freight (C&F) basis, offers are mostly higher this week as higher FOB offers for ethanol offset lower freight rates. Prices for ethanol C&F to Central America from the U.S. Gulf are up 2.4 percent this week and are down 30.5 percent from this same week in 2023. Values for PNW ethanol to Southeast Asia average \$669.54/MT this week, up 0.4 percent from the prior week but down 25.7 percent year-over-year. That compares to U.S. Gulf to Southeast Asia C&F prices that average \$648.67/MT and are up 2.3 percent from last week but are down 30.3 percent year-over-year. C&F prices for Brazilian ethanol to Southeast Asia are down 0.4 percent from last week.



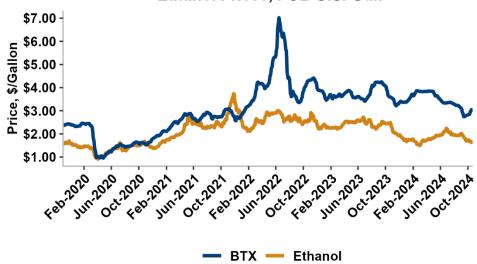


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Rolling 52-Week FOB Houston - FOB Santos, Brazil Ethanol Price Spread

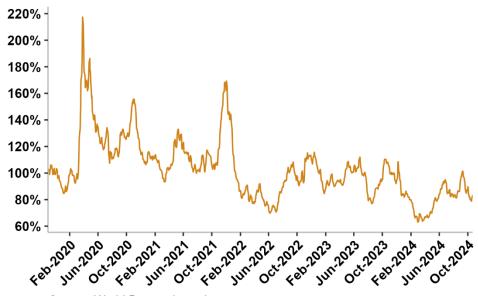


### Daily Weighted Average BTX and Ethanol Prices, FOB U.S. Gulf

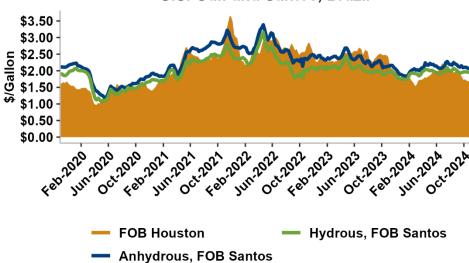


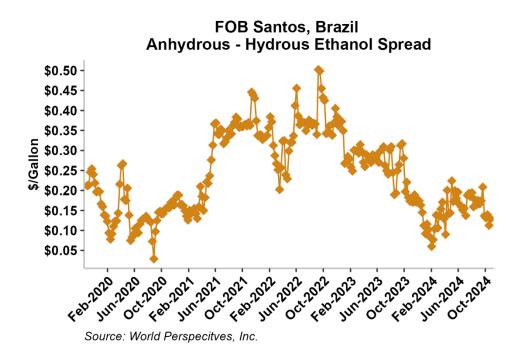
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#### Ethanol as % of Gasoline, FOB U.S. Gulf Prices

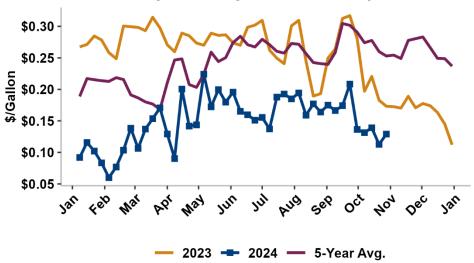


#### FOB Ethanol Prices, U.S. Gulf and Santos, Brazil



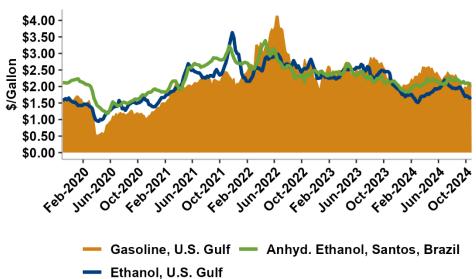


### Seasonal Trends in Brazil's Anhydrous - Hydrous Ethanol Spread

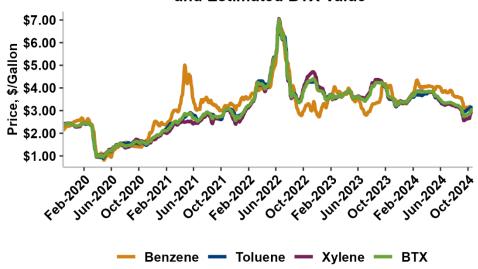


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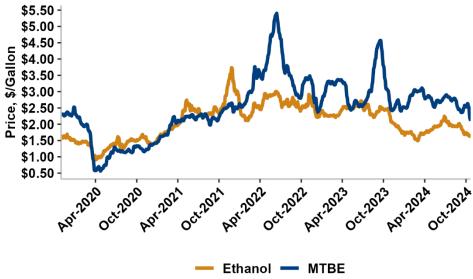


### U.S. Benzene, Toluene, and Xylene Prices and Estimated BTX Value

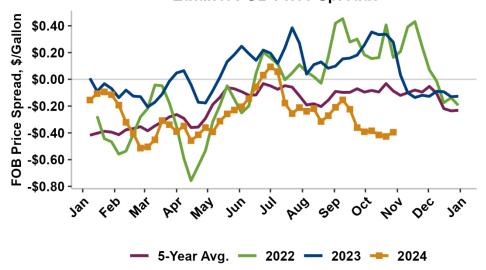


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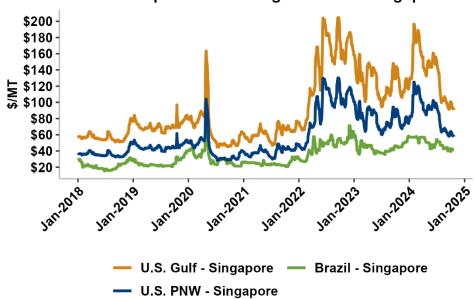


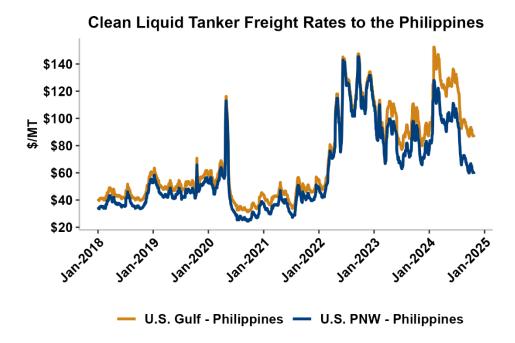
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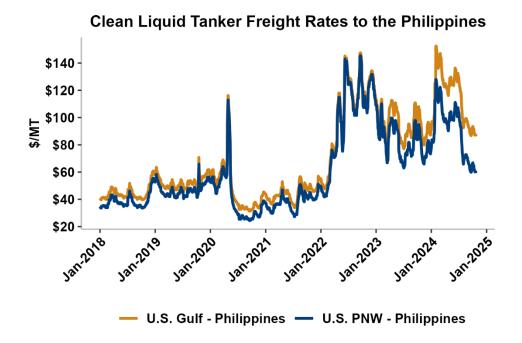


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### **Clean Liquid Tanker Freight Rates to Singapore**





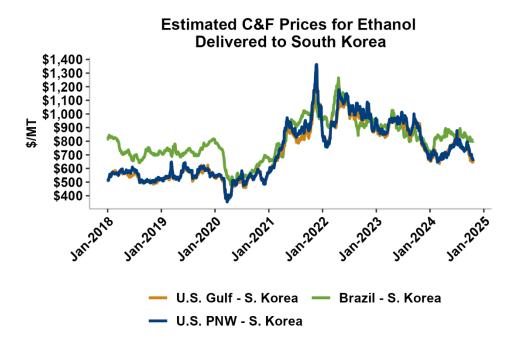


#### **Estimated C&F Prices for Ethanol Delivered to India**



## Estimated C&F Prices for Ethanol Delivered to Singapore





### **Tariff Rates**

HS Codes					
HS Code	Description				
2207106010	Ethyl alcohol, <i>undenatured</i> , of an alcoholic strength by volume of 80 percent or higher, <i>for fuel use.</i>				
2207200010	Ethyl alcohol and other spirits, <i>denatured</i> , of any strength, <i>for fuel use.</i>				

Global Tariff Rates on U.S. Ethanol					
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HS Code	General	Special	Notes		
Undenatured Denatured	55% 55%	15% VAT	Tariffs on ethanol were lowered from 60% in 2024		
Undenatured Denatured	18% 18%	- -			
Undenatured Denatured	- -	5% VAT	USMCA		
Undenatured	65%		40% MFN rate + 25% Section 301 tariff		
Denatured	70%	VAT on imports of 13%.	30% MFN rate + 15% Section 232 tariff + 25% Section 301 tariff. Starting 2 Mar. 2021, importers may apply for tariff exemptions.		
Undenatured	-	\$0.1997/gallon + 10% VAT	In January 2023, the Colombian Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism's (MINCIT) extended the 20-		
Denatured	-	\$0.1997/gallon + 10% VAT	cent CVD for 5 years.		
Undenatured	10%	Plus the larger of 150% or EGP15/L			
Denatured, for fuel use	10%	Plus the larger of 150% or EGP15/L	14% VAT		
Denatured, not for fuel	10%	-			
Undenatured	-		Erga Omnes tariffs, plus 21% VAT		
	-	EUR 0.192/L			
Denatured Denatured	20%	VAT on imports of 15%			
Undenatured	150%	_	Domestic ethanol supplied to OMC's for blending is subject to a combined Central and State GST of 5%. Ethyl alcohol for other/industrial uses		
Denatured	5%		is subject to a combined Central and State GST of 18%.		
Undenatured	30%	_	Plus Excise duty of 20,000 IDR per L & 14% VAT		
	30%		14% VA1		
Undenatured Denatured	-	– JPY38.1/L	Plus 10% excise duty		
Undenatured Denatured	35% 35%	-	Plus 16% VAT & the greater of 4% or KES 5,000		
Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 10%	KORUS		
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Global Tariff Rates on U.S. Ethanol, Continued					
Country	IIO Code	Rates of Duty			
Country	HS Code	General	Special	- Notes	
Mexico	Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 16%	USMCA	
Morocco	Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 20%	U.SMorocco Free Trade Agreement	
Nigeria	Undenatured Denatured	20% 10%	7.5% VAT on imports		
Oman	Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 5%	U.SOman FTA	
Peru	Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 18%	U.SPeru Trade Promotion Agreemer Iowered U.S. import duties to 3% (denatured) and 0% (undenatured). Denatured duty down to 0% in 2018.	
Philippines	Undenatured	-	-	1% additional duty imposed if importe ethanol is to be used for fuel-blending purposes under Philippine Fuel	
	Denatured	-	-	Ethanol Program.	
Saudi Arabia	Undenatured Denatured	5% 5%	VAT on imports of 15%	GCC common external tariff.	
Singapore	Undenatured Denatured	-	VAT on imports of 9%	SDG88/liter excise duty per L of pure alcohol.	
South Africa	Undenatured Denatured	-	ZAR3.17/L	Plus Excise duty of ZAR 274.39/L and 15% VAT	
Taiwan	Undenatured Denatured	20% 20%	5% VAT		
Turkey	Undenatured Extr. from ag products, bulk Extr. from ag products, in immediate pickings Other, ethyl alcohol, bulk	45% 50% -	- - TRY19.2 / hl	VAT on imports of undenatured ethanology of 20%	
Turkey	Denatured Extr. from ag products, bulk Extr. from ag products, in immediate pickings Other, ethyl alcohol, bulk	25% 30% -	- - TRY10.2 per % VOL per hl	Excise duty of TRY1,062.6209 / liter o pure alcohol on all denatured alcoho imports.	
United Arab Emirates	Undenatured Denatured	5% 5%	VAT on imports of 5%	GCC common external tariff.	
United Kingdom	Undenatured Denatured	- -	GBP 16 per HL GBP 8.5 per HL	VAT on imports of 20%	
Vietnam	Undenatured Denatured	10% 10%	-	Lowered from 15% on 15 July 2023 Lowered from 15% on 15 July 2023	

Note: Unit of Quantity for tariffs is \$/liter unless otherwise noted.

Tariff Rate Database: If you are interested in tariff rate data for U.S. export markets, click <a href="here">here</a>.

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Australia Biofuels Annual 2022 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Australia.
Brazil Biofuels Annual 2024 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Brazil.
Canada Biofuels Annual 2023 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Canada.
China Biofuels Annual 2024 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in China.
Colombia Biofuels Annual 2024 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Colombia.
Ethanol Industry Emerging in Ecuador (GAIN)	This report highlights Ecuador's emerging ethanol industry.
EU-27 Biofuels Annual 2024 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in the EU-27.
EU-27: Biofuel Mandates in the EU by Member State in 2022 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on the biofuel use mandates in the EU member states and supplements the EU-27 Biofuels Annual Report.
India Biofuels Annual 2024 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in India.
Indonesia Biofuels Annual 2023 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Indonesia.
Japan Biofuels Annual 2023 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Japan.
Malaysia Biofuels Annual 2023 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Malaysia.
New Zealand Proposes Biofuels Mandate 2021 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview of New Zealand's proposed biofuel regulations.
Peru Biofuels Annual 2023 (GAIN)	This report provides an overview on biofuel use in Peru.
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