

Winter 2017/18 Summary

As many forecasters predicted, the Midcontinent area (and U.S.) finally had a relatively “normal” winter. The winter seemed very harsh because it followed up two winters that were much warmer than normal. Not willing to give up yet, the winter weather lingers as we move into April.

Late Dec17 and most of Jan18 was a display of weather extremes! The U.S. reached a record daily gas demand on Jan 1st, 2018. During the Dec 22nd to Jan 2nd timeframe, Omaha weather was about 40% colder than normal.

Despite the harsh weather extremes, Encore Energy kept the gas flowing to all customers without any interruptions.

The chart below summarizes the heating degree day information for various locations across the Midcontinent.

17-18 Winter Heating Degree Day Summary

Omaha, NE			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	723	785	-7.90%
Dec-17	1,159	1,209	-4.14%
Jan-18	1,287	1,286	0.08%
Feb-18	1,141	1,033	10.45%
Mar-18	756	791	-4.42%
Total to Date	5,066	5,104	-0.74%

Louisville, KY			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	471	493	-4.46%
Dec-17	863	841	2.62%
Jan-18	993	933	6.43%
Feb-18	566	732	-22.68%
Mar-18	601	538	11.71%
Total to Date	3,494	3,537	-1.22%

Denver, CO			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	586	801	-26.84%
Dec-17	979	1,086	-9.85%
Jan-18	932	1,025	-9.07%
Feb-18	975	909	7.26%
Mar-18	684	763	-10.35%
Total to Date	4,156	4,584	-9.34%

Des Moines, IA			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	735	774	-5.04%
Dec-17	1,177	1,209	-2.65%
Jan-18	1,304	1,313	-0.69%
Feb-18	1,080	1,051	2.76%
Mar-18	813	796	2.14%
Total to Date	5,109	5,143	-0.66%

Dubuque, IA			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	879	851	3.29%
Dec-17	1,314	1,310	0.31%
Jan-18	1,413	1,427	-0.98%
Feb-18	1,213	1,156	4.93%
Mar-18	954	918	3.92%
Total to Date	5,773	5,662	1.96%

Kansas City, MO			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	599	642	-6.70%
Dec-17	1,011	1,040	-2.79%
Jan-18	1,126	1,122	0.36%
Feb-18	910	881	3.29%
Mar-18	655	646	1.39%
Total to Date	4,301	4,331	-0.69%

Minneapolis, MN			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	921	939	-1.92%
Dec-17	1,423	1,404	1.35%
Jan-18	1,491	1,531	-2.61%
Feb-18	1,367	1,236	10.60%
Mar-18	1,002	998	0.40%
Total to Date	6,204	6,108	1.57%

Duluth, MN			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	1,170	1,088	7.54%
Dec-17	1,683	1,556	8.16%
Jan-18	1,666	1,699	-1.94%
Feb-18	1,526	1,399	9.08%
Mar-18	1,197	1,210	-1.07%
Total to Date	7,242	6,952	4.17%

Chicago, IL			
Month	Actual HDD	Normal HDD	Percent Warmer / Colder than Normal
Nov-17	750	741	1.21%
Dec-17	1,165	1,155	0.87%
Jan-18	1,245	1,279	-2.66%
Feb-18	1,005	1,044	-3.74%
Mar-18	867	841	3.09%
Total to Date	5,032	5,060	-0.55%

If you would like more information, please contact your Sales Manager.