

Section: Appendix A
Lower and Higher Heating Values of Gas, Liquid and Solid Fuels

Fuels	Lower Heating Value (LHV) [1]			Higher Heating Value (HHV) [1]			Density
	Btu/ft ³ [2]	Btu/lb [3]	MJ/kg [4]	Btu/ft ³ [2]	Btu/lb [3]	MJ/kg [4]	grams/ft ³
Gaseous Fuels @ 32 F and 1 atm							
Natural gas	983	20,267	47.141	1089	22,453	52.225	22.0
Hydrogen	290	51,682	120.21	343	61,127	142.18	2.55
Still gas (in refineries)	1458	20,163	46.898	1,584	21,905	50.951	32.8
Liquid Fuels							
Crude oil	129,670	18,352	42.686	138,350	19,580	45.543	3,205
Conventional gasoline	116,090	18,679	43.448	124,340	20,007	46.536	2,819
Reformulated or low-sulfur gasoline	113,602	18,211	42.358	121,848	19,533	45.433	2,830
CA reformulated gasoline	113,927	18,272	42.500	122,174	19,595	45.577	2,828
U.S. conventional diesel	128,450	18,397	42.791	137,380	19,676	45.766	3,167
Low-sulfur diesel	129,488	18,320	42.612	138,490	19,594	45.575	3,206
Petroleum naphtha	116,920	19,320	44.938	125,080	20,669	48.075	2,745
NG-based FT naphtha	111,520	19,081	44.383	119,740	20,488	47.654	2,651
Residual oil	140,353	16,968	39.466	150,110	18,147	42.210	3,752
Methanol	57,250	8,639	20.094	65,200	9,838	22.884	3,006
Ethanol	76,330	11,587	26.952	84,530	12,832	29.847	2,988
Butanol	99,837	14,775	34.366	108,458	16,051	37.334	3,065
Acetone	83,127	12,721	29.589	89,511	13,698	31.862	2,964
E-Diesel Additives	116,090	18,679	43.448	124,340	20,007	46.536	2,819
Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)	84,950	20,038	46.607	91,410	21,561	50.152	1,923
Liquefied natural gas (LNG)	74,720	20,908	48.632	84,820	23,734	55.206	1,621
Dimethyl ether (DME)	68,930	12,417	28.882	75,610	13,620	31.681	2,518
Dimethoxy methane (DMM)	72,200	10,061	23.402	79,197	11,036	25.670	3,255
Methyl ester (biodiesel, BD)	119,550	16,134	37.528	127,960	17,269	40.168	3,361
Fischer-Tropsch diesel (FTD)	123,670	18,593	43.247	130,030	19,549	45.471	3,017
Renewable Diesel I (SuperCetane)	117,059	18,729	43.563	125,294	20,047	46.628	2,835
Renewable Diesel II (UOP-HDO)	122,887	18,908	43.979	130,817	20,128	46.817	2,948
Renewable Gasoline	115,983	18,590	43.239	124,230	19,911	46.314	2,830
Liquid Hydrogen	30,500	51,621	120.07	36,020	60,964	141.80	268
Methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE)	93,540	15,094	35.108	101,130	16,319	37.957	2,811
Ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE)	96,720	15,613	36.315	104,530	16,873	39.247	2,810
Tertiary amyl methyl ether (TAME)	100,480	15,646	36.392	108,570	16,906	39.322	2,913
Butane	94,970	19,466	45.277	103,220	21,157	49.210	2,213
Isobutane	90,060	19,287	44.862	98,560	21,108	49.096	2,118
Isobutylene	95,720	19,271	44.824	103,010	20,739	48.238	2,253
Propane	84,250	19,904	46.296	91,420	21,597	50.235	1,920
Solid Fuels							
Coal (wet basis) [6]	19,546,300	9,773	22.732	20,608,570	10,304	23.968	
Bituminous coal (wet basis) [7]	22,460,600	11,230	26.122	23,445,900	11,723	27.267	
Coking coal (wet basis)	24,600,497	12,300	28.610	25,679,670	12,840	29.865	
Farmed trees (dry basis)	16,811,000	8,406	19.551	17,703,170	8,852	20.589	
Herbaceous biomass (dry basis)	14,797,555	7,399	17.209	15,582,870	7,791	18.123	
Corn stover (dry basis)	14,075,990	7,038	16.370	14,974,460	7,487	17.415	
Forest residue (dry basis)	13,243,490	6,622	15.402	14,164,160	7,082	16.473	
Sugar cane bagasse	12,947,318	6,474	15.058	14,062,678	7,031	16.355	
Petroleum coke	25,370,000	12,685	29.505	26,920,000	13,460	31.308	

Source:

GREET, The Greenhouse Gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy Use In Transportation Model, GREET 1.8d.1, developed by Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, IL, released August 26, 2010.
<http://greet.es.anl.gov/>

Notes:

[1] The **lower heating value** (also known as net calorific value) of a fuel is defined as the amount of heat released by combusting a specified quantity (initially at 25°C) and returning the temperature of the combustion products to 150°C, which assumes the latent heat of vaporization of water in the reaction products is not recovered. The LHV are the useful calorific values in boiler combustion plants and are frequently used in Europe.

The **higher heating value** (also known as gross calorific value or gross energy) of a fuel is defined as the amount of heat released by a specified quantity (initially at 25°C) once it is combusted and the products have returned to a temperature of 25°C, which takes into account the latent heat of vaporization of water in the combustion products. The HHV are derived only under laboratory conditions, and are frequently used in the US for solid fuels.

[2] Btu = British thermal unit.

[3] The heating values for gaseous fuels in units of Btu/lb are calculated based on the heating values in units of Btu/ft³ and the corresponding

[4] The heating values in units of MJ/kg, are converted from the heating values in units of Btu/lb.

[5] For solid fuels, the heating values in units of Btu/lb are converted from the heating values in units of Btu/ton.

[6] Coal characteristics assumed by GREET for electric power production.

[7] Coal characteristics assumed by GREET for hydrogen and Fischer-Tropsch diesel production.