Oil and gas prices have been fueling political debates lately and have been a topic on the streets—not so much in Holyoke and the rest of Colorado, however.

Sure, gas prices have risen over the past few weeks, but Colorado is a state that should be thankful for where prices are—things could be worse.

The state average in Colorado Tuesday morning, March 6, for a gallon of gas was \$3.23. Colorado currently is ranked as having the second to lowest gas prices in the United States. Wyoming has the cheapest with \$3.20 per gallon.

In fact, three Colorado cities fill the top three spots for having the cheapest gas in the U.S. Fort Collins leads with an average of \$3.21, Denver \$3.217 and Colorado Springs \$3.219.

Hawaii is paying the most for a gallon of gas with an average of \$4.36. California is next on the list with \$4.34 per gallon. Rounding out the top five states are Alaska at \$4.08 and Connecticut and New York at \$3.98 per gallon.

Santa Barbara, Calif. is the city paying the most per gallon at \$4.60. Actually, California cities occupy 14 of the top 15 spots—all of which are paying over \$4.25 for a gallon of gasoline.

