

# SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

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(01-05 January)

***“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress;  
working together is success.”***

***Henry Ford, a business magnate, the founder of the Ford Motor Company  
(1863 –1947)***

## Introductory Note:

We consider the herein indicators valuable in decision making since shipping is a derived demand industry with many financial interactions. Turbulent global macro/micro-climate involving stock markets, currency exchanges and opportunity cost for alternative investments affect the shipping market.

In the previous years, as brokers we always faced the fact that the information that we wanted to combine with our gut feeling was never available at our finger tips.

This is our small contribution to yours and ours business.

COMMODITY FUTURES					
Commodity		Exchange – Currency& Unit	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
Crude Oil <sup>1</sup>	(Feb 18)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	61,44	1,69%	7,11%
Brent <sup>2</sup>	(Mar 18)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	67,62	1,35%	6,66%
Gas Oil <sup>3</sup>	(Jan 18)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	604,00	0,62%	6,95%
RBOB Gasoline <sup>4</sup>	(Feb 18)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	1,79	-0,74%	4,03%
Natural Gas <sup>5</sup>	(Feb 18)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	2,80	-5,35%	0,83%
Wheat <sup>6</sup>	(Mar 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	431,00	0,82%	2,86%
Corn <sup>7</sup>	(Mar 18)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	351,25	0,14%	3,31%
Rice (rough) <sup>8</sup>	(Mar 18)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	11,57	-0,98%	-4,14%
Soybeans <sup>9</sup>	(Mar 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	969,75	0,75%	-1,98%
Soybean Meal <sup>10</sup>	(Mar 18)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	315,80	1,02%	-4,30%
Sugar #11 <sup>11</sup>	(Mar 18)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	15,08	-0,53%	7,18%
Gold <sup>12</sup>	(Feb 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	1322,30	0,99%	5,92%
Silver <sup>13</sup>	(Mar 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	17,26	1,62%	8,72%
Copper <sup>14</sup>	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	7121,00	-1,74%	8,37%
Aluminium <sup>15</sup>	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	2202,00	-0,02%	9,52%

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USD LIBOR 12 months	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
	2,1490	-0,02%	6,88%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,2045	0,43%	2,58%
USD / INR	63,3823	-0,85%	-1,68%
USD / TRY	3,7456	-0,70%	-2,83%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	2743,15	2,60%	3,48%
USA	NASDAQ-100	6653,29	4,02%	4,87%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	79071	3,49%	8,72%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1219,89	2,51%	8,96%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	34153,85	0,28%	2,72%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	4138,75	0,24%	3,38%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	59717,2	1,04%	2,94%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	829,72	1,19%	12,02%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	2,476	2,95%	4,16%
Brazil	10,085	-1,22%	-1,13%
Russia	7,51	-1,05%	-1,18%
India	7,294	-0,33%	2,86%
China	3,935	0,51%	0,51%
S.Africa	8,55	-0,64%	-7,82%
Greece	3,746	-9,06%	-17,09%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	1371	-4,13%	-19,45%				
BCI	2791	-10,40%	-33,44%	BCI T/C Average	19115	-4,64%	-33,23%
BPI	1400	-3,11%	-11,84%	BPI T/C Average	11223	-3,11%	-11,70%
BSI	884	-4,43%	-6,26%	BSI T/C Average	10108	-4,73%	-6,40%
BHSI	600	-4,31%	-4,91%	BHSI T/C Average	8748	-4,33%	-5,16%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	IFO180	MGO
Fujairah	382,0	441,5	630,5
Houston	367,0	427,0	623,5
Rotterdam	367,5	403,5	582,0
Singapore	393,5	418,5	598,5



**Notes :**

1. Crude Oil - U.S. Dollars and Cents per barrel (contract of 1,000 barrels, 1 barrel = 42 us gallons = 158.98 litres = 0.13642565 metric tons)
2. Brent - U.S. Dollars and Cents per barrel (contract of 1,000 barrels, 1 barrel = 42 us gallons = 158.98 litres = 0.13642565 metric tons)
3. Gas Oil - U.S. Dollars and Cents per Metric Tonne (contract of 100 Metric Tonnes) (10ppm diesel, at a density of 0.845 kg/litre in vacuum at 15 Celsius)
4. RBOB Gasoline - U.S. Dollars and Cents per us gallon (contract of 42,000 us gallons = 136.42 metric tonnes)
5. Natural Gas - U.S. Dollars and Cents per 1 million BTU (contract of 10,000 million British Thermal Unit)
6. Wheat - Cents per bushel (contract of 5,000 bushels ~ 136 Metric Tons)
7. Corn - Cents per bushel (contract of 5,000 bushels ~ 127 Metric Tons)
8. Rice rough - U.S. Dollars and Cents hundredweight (contract of 2,000 hundredweights ~ 91 Metric Tons)
9. Soybeans - Cents per bushel (contract of 5,000 bushels ~ 136 Metric Tonnes)
10. Soybean Meal - U.S. Dollars and Cents per short ton (contract of 100 short tons ~ 91 Metric Tonnes)
11. Sugar #11 - U.S. Dollars and Cents per pound (contract of 112,000 pounds = 50.8023 Metric Tonnes)
12. Gold - U.S. Dollars and Cents per troy ounce (contract of 100 troy ounces, 1 troy ounce = 31,1034 grams )
13. Silver - U.S. Dollars and Cents per troy ounce (contract of 5,000 troy ounces, 1 troy ounce = 31,1034 grams )
14. Copper - U.S. Dollars and Cents per metric tonne, 3 months Buyer's price (contract of 25 metric tonnes)
15. Aluminium - U.S. Dollars and Cents per metric tonne, 3 months Buyer's price (contract of 25 metric tonnes)

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