



SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

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“Freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed.”

Martin Luther King, American Baptist minister and activist (1929 –1968)

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.

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COMMODITY FUTURES					
Commodity		Exchange – Currency& Unit	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
Crude Oil ¹	(Apr 18)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	63,55	3,03%	-3,92%
Brent ²	(May 18)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	67,31	3,81%	-4,55%
Gas Oil ³	(Mar 18)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	591,00	3,64%	-5,97%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(Apr 18)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	1,81	3,29%	-6,67%
Natural Gas ⁵	(Mar 18)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	2,63	2,62%	-25,11%
Wheat ⁶	(May 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	452,00	-1,31%	7,62%
Corn ⁷	(May 18)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	366,25	-0,34%	2,73%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(May 18)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	11,97	-0,42%	-3,00%
Soybeans ⁹	(May 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	1037,00	1,55%	5,17%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(May 18)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	375,50	0,59%	11,86%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(Mar 18)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	13,68	2,24%	2,32%
Gold ¹²	(Apr 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	1330,30	-1,91%	-1,46%
Silver ¹³	(Mar 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	16,48	-0,78%	-5,23%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	7095,00	-1,91%	0,14%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	2140,00	-3,08%	-5,18%

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USD LIBOR 12 months	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
	2,4597	2,89%	9,52%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,2299	-1,32%	-1,09%
USD / INR	64,8227	1,43%	2,09%
USD / TRY	3,7816	0,31%	1,19%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	2732,22	0,00%	-4,87%
USA	NASDAQ-100	6836,60	0,97%	-2,65%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	87293,24	3,28%	2,06%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1301,01	2,99%	1,11%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	34142,25	0,39%	-5,29%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	4071,09	2,62%	-7,08%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	58715,46	-0,69%	-4,68%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	844,12	-0,23%	-3,87%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	2,87	-1,38%	7,74%
Brazil	9,75	-1,27%	0,41%
Russia	7,05	0,14%	-4,99%
India	7,45	-2,85%	2,01%
China	3,90	-0,31%	-1,44%
S.Africa	8,03	-4,35%	-4,74%
Greece	4,42	3,41%	20,56%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	1185	9,32%	-2,79%				
BCI	1722	7,09%	-2,82%	BCI T/C Average	13524	9,10%	-3,79%
BPI	1481	16,34%	-0,74%	BPI T/C Average	11873	16,22%	-0,71%
BSI	892	6,57%	-0,89%	BSI T/C Average	10229	6,59%	-0,43%
BHSI	534	3,69%	-7,45%	BHSI T/C Average	7815	3,78%	-7,51%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	IFO180	MGO
Fujairah	377,5	432,5	672,5
Houston	361,0	423,0	599,0
Rotterdam	357,0	388,0	562,5
Singapore	374,0	399,5	593,0



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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