

SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

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“It had long since come to my attention that people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things.”

***Leonardo da Vinci, Italian polymath of the Renaissance
(1452 -1519)***

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	(Jul 18)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	67,88	-4,77%	-0,21%
Brent ²	(Jul 18)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	76,44	-2,64%	2,71%
Gas Oil ³	(Jun 18)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	679,75	-2,47%	3,94%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(Jul 18)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	2,18	-2,32%	2,56%
Natural Gas ⁵	(Jul 18)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	2,94	3,23%	6,06%
Wheat ⁶	(Jul 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	544,75	5,11%	10,05%
Corn ⁷	(Jul 18)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	406,50	0,99%	4,36%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(Jul 18)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	11,55	-6,90%	-9,88%
Soybeans ⁹	(Jul 18)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	1042,00	2,31%	-0,33%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(Jul 18)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	380,70	1,17%	-3,18%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(Jul 18)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	12,44	6,69%	10,87%
Gold ¹²	(Jul 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	1297,30	0,55%	-2,05%
Silver ¹³	(Jul 18)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	16,52	0,81%	0,30%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	6858,00	0,04%	0,90%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	2266,50	-0,15%	1,96%

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USD LIBOR 12 months	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
	2,7314	-1,21%	-1,76%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,1675	-0,90%	-3,27%
USD / INR	68,2600	0,44%	2,22%
USD / TRY	4,7292	5,72%	16,67%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	2721,33	0,31%	1,93%
USA	NASDAQ-100	6960,92	0,08%	4,58%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	78898,00	-7,47%	-8,73%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1169,93	-0,27%	0,24%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	35165,48	0,91%	0,56%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	3827,94	-1,92%	1,89%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	56916,97	-1,54%	-0,93%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	755,63	-3,47%	-11,02%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	2,98	-4,43%	0,61%
Brazil	10,96	5,39%	14,00%
Russia	7,31	-0,81%	0,69%
India	7,79	-0,52%	0,35%
China	3,69	-0,99%	0,88%
S.Africa	8,46	-1,97%	2,86%
Greece	4,40	-3,06%	14,44%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	1077	-15,40%	-20,87%				
BCI	1395	-32,05%	-38,03%	BCI T/C Average	11177	-28,86%	-36,90%
BPI	1187	-4,35%	-6,90%	BPI T/C Average	9572	-4,37%	-6,61%
BSI	1071	0,19%	2,78%	BSI T/C Average	11431	-0,50%	-0,66%
BHSI	587	-0,51%	-2,98%	BHSI T/C Average	8559	-0,52%	-3,30%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	IFO180	MGO
Fujairah	460,0	508,0	724,0
Houston	440,5	496,5	691,5
Rotterdam	436,0	468,5	664,0
Singapore	454,0	485,0	698,0



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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