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WEEK 31 - 2 August 2019

Spot Market	WS/LS	TCE	WS/LS	TCE
VLCC (13.0 Kts L/B)	Week Endi	ng 26-July	Week Endir	ng 2-August
AG>USG 280k	19.0		19.7	
AG>SPORE 270k	41.2	\$15,878	41.8	\$16,128
AG>JPN 265k	39.8	\$15,744	40.7	\$16,343
AG>CHINA 270k	42.7	\$15,041	43.7	\$15,762
WAFR>CHINA 260k	45.4	\$22,499	46.4	\$23,338
USG>SPORE 270k	\$4.36m	\$21,622	\$4.44m	\$22,244
AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG		\$30,982		\$32,135
VLCC Average Earnings		\$18,545		\$19,181
SUEZMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
WAFR>USG 130k	63.2	\$15,576	65.5	\$16,720
WAFR>UKC 130k	68.2	\$13,283	70.5	\$14,367
BSEA>MED 140k	71.5	\$15,648	72.5	\$16,424
CBS>USG 150k	55.0	\$11,191	58.5	\$13,637
USG>UKC 150k	43.0	\$4,271	46.5	\$6,501
CBS>USG/USG>UKC/WAFR		\$8,276		\$10,920
AG>USG 140k	37.5		33.5	\$4,409
USG>SPORE 130k	\$2.52m		\$2.98m	
AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG		\$17,954		\$21,593
Suezmax Average Earnings		\$13,216		\$14,085
AFRAMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
N.SEA>UKC 80k	85.1	\$6,752	82.6	\$4,863
BALT>UKC 100k	62.39	\$7,917	58.28	\$5,227
CBS>USG 70k	78.5	\$3,127	75.5	\$1,765
USG>UKC 70k	73.0		70.5	\$2,602
CBS>USG/USG>UKC/NSEA		\$13.528		\$11,966
MED>MED 80k	83.44	\$9,635	78.5	\$7,252
AG>SPORE 70k	108.0	\$16,327	110.0	\$16,718
Aframax Average Earnings		\$8,939		\$7,170
PANAMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
CBS>USG 50k	109.0	\$7,125	106.0	\$6,310
CONT>USG 55k	92.8	\$8,123	93.1	\$8,089
ECU>USWC 50k	155.0	\$18,817	155.0	\$18,642
Panamax Average Earnings		\$8,844		\$9,206
LR2 (13.0 Kts L/B)				
AG>JPN 75k	79.5	\$8,002	79.0	\$7,599
AG>UKC 80k	\$1.76m	\$10,071	\$1.695m	\$8,595
MED>JPN 80k	\$1.64m	\$7,890	\$1.739m	\$9,338
AG>UKC/MED>JPN/AG		\$13,475		\$13,570
LR2 Average Earnings		\$9,825		\$9,58
LR1 (13.0 Kts L/B)				
AG>JPN 55k	96.38	\$8,030	95.0	\$7,509
AG>UKC 65k	\$1.62m	\$11,295	\$1.639m	\$8,595
UKC>WAFR 60k	87.44	\$7,018	92.92	\$8,396
AG>UKC/UKC>WAFR/AG		\$14,281	\$15,141	\$15,141
LR1 Average Earnings		\$11,156	1 -7	\$11,325
MR (13.0 Kts L/B)		<i>\$.1,100</i>		ψ.1,02c
UKC>USAC 37k	102.5	\$4,639	104.5	\$4,959
USG>UKC 38k	79.5	\$1,448	83.0	\$2,039
USG>UKC/UKC>USAC/USG		\$11,201		\$12,012
USG>CBS (Pozos Colorados) 38k	\$398k	\$8,497	\$436k	\$10,942
USG>CHILE (Coronel) 38k	\$1.18m	\$14,119	\$1.19m	\$10,942
CBS>USAC 38k	118.5	\$9,860	115.0	\$9,082
WCIND>JPN/ROK>SPORE/WCIND	110.5			
		\$11,607		\$11,639
MR Average Earnings		\$9,490		\$9,952
Handy (13.0 Kts L/B)	107.04	¢10.0/0	100.0	#0.00
MED>EMED 30k	137.06	\$12,062	122.8	\$8,081
SPORE>JPN 30K	124.0	\$5,923	121.25	\$5,394
Handy Average Earnings		\$8,133		\$6,361

Average Earnings weighted proportionally to regional activity share of each size class' worldwide market (including routes not necessarily shown above).

Time Charter Market \$/day (theoretical)	1 Year	3 Years
VLCC	\$35,000	\$32,500
Suezmax	\$23,000	\$25,000
Aframax	\$20,000	\$21,500
LR 1	\$16,000	\$17,000
MR	\$14,500	\$16,000
Handy	\$14,000	\$13,500





SPOT MARKET SUMMARY

VLCC

The beginning of the week seemed to indicate more of the same low rates to which the market has become accustomed. Even on Wednesday, the AG appeared hopeless. But as the AG languished, things looked likely to jump in the US Gulf, and on Thursday the AG began to move higher. A flurry of cargoes in the latter part of the week drove all eastbound routes up a few ws points, with the benchmark TD3C route finishing at ws 46. This may not feel like much, but it returns over \$18,000/day, which is over 30% higher than what ships were earning at the beginning of the week. And there might be enough traction to carry into next week. Owners were, for a change, sitting in a position of strength.

Things moved up at a similar clip in WAF as cargoes appeared to move east and owners actually had some choices.

As mentioned above, the US Gulf continues to be a source of ton mile demand and the rates there moved up decently this week, reaching a rumored \$6 million for Korea discharge. The Atlantic basin could prove punchy enough to provide the necessary support for the AG, where another (at least) 40 cargoes are still to come for August.

Suezmax

The rate surge of last week broke upon the wall of ship supply. Rates began this week in the high ws70s in West Africa, but surrendered most of last week's gains during the course of a collapse on Thursday and Friday. The benchmark TD20 rate finished at around ws62.5, which returns around \$10,000/day. Seeing the V rates in WAF simultaneously tick up a bit makes one wonder if they poached a few Suez cargoes to get going.

The Suezmax routes elsewhere in the Atlantic basin experienced a similar decline, even if the Med and the US Gulf didn't experience quite the same surge last week as did the WAF market. Regardless, the Black Sea finished at ws70 and seems likely to drop back into the ws60s next week.

Aframax

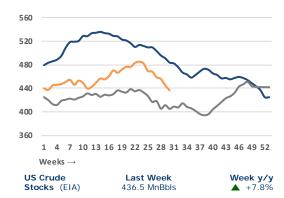
The Aframax markets continued to bleed this week, giving no hint of strength anywhere in the world. The Med and Black Sea region is now well below \$10,000/day, and the TD19 benchmark averaged ws78.5 for the week. There's very little to promise better for next week, but with the Vs starting to move a bit, perhaps it will trickle down. Whether that happens or not, it will take time because there's a fair bit of tonnage to work through.

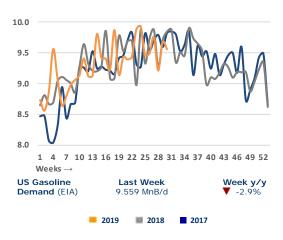
As we projected last week, the US Gulf found nothing to rally around. Rates languished even as the Vs began to push. The owners seemed apathetic as to next done, and are happy to fix last, or even slightly softer.

MR

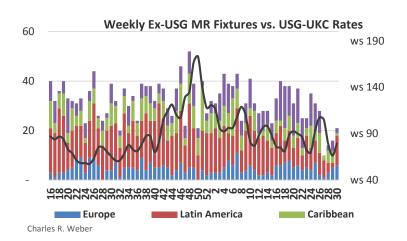
MR owners stuck in the US Gulf must have spent the last couple of days looking longingly at the performance of their compatriots in Europe. TC2 jumped at least ws10 points between Thursday and Friday and was rumored to have moved up to ws115 by the end of Friday. Owners were asking for north of ws122 but had yet to secure that move. It remains to be seen if things will remain firm but vessels discharging on the AC are increasingly looking back to the Cont as the best option.

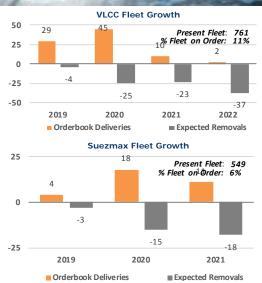
Indeed, the USG struggled mightily this week. But even as assessments got weaker for all routes there, owners were increasingly reluctant to fix at ever lower levels. Perhaps predictably, the charterers eventually lost patience and started picking off Handys and LR1s instead. That will either clean out the cargoes, further stranding the MRs in the Gulf, or it will leave owners in a strong position if more cargoes appear.

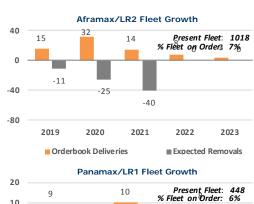


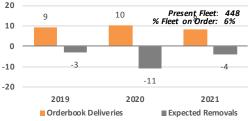


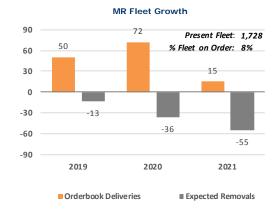
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REPORTED TANKER SALES

Victory I – 298,911/'01 – Daewoo -PNR to Royal Express Ship Management

New Breeze – 48,064/'10 – Iwagi Zosen -Sold at \$16.8 to Norden

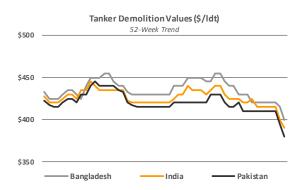
Pioneer Express – 47,370/'09 – Onomichi -Sold at \$16.5 to Premuda

Theoni – 47,198/'07 – Onomichi -Sold at \$5.5 to Marvel Maritime

Team Tarantella – 46,700/'02 – Brodotrogir -Sold around \$8.0 to unknown buyer

REPORTED TANKER DEMOLITION SALES

Nothing to Report



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