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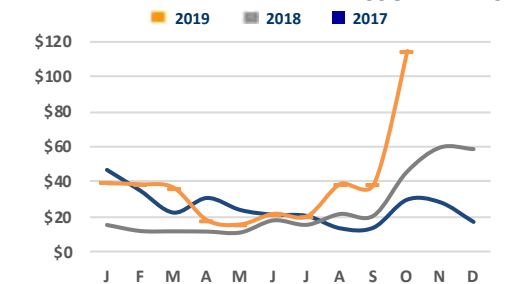
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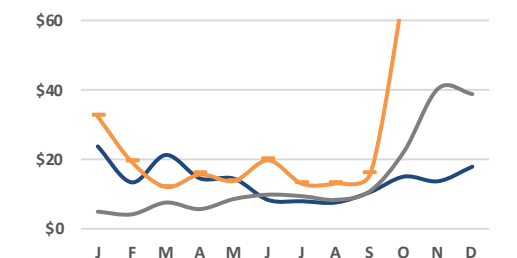
| Spot Market                     | WS/LS              | TCE       | WS/LS              | TCE       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| <b>VLCC</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)      | Week Ending 25-Oct |           | Week Ending 01-Nov |           |
| AG>USG 280k                     | 65.00              | --        | 60.80              | --        |
| AG>SPORE 270k                   | 101.50             | \$50,277  | 91.60              | \$75,151  |
| AG>JPN 265k                     | 99.00              | \$50,328  | 89.50              | \$76,243  |
| AG>CHINA 270k                   | 103.00             | \$52,795  | 92.00              | \$73,473  |
| WAFR>CHINA 260k                 | 102.50             | \$87,265  | 97.60              | \$81,681  |
| USG>SPORE 275k                  | 10.50m             | \$91,656  | 10.00m             | \$85,904  |
| AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG             | --                 | \$135,920 | --                 | \$126,895 |
| <b>VLCC Average Earnings</b>    |                    | \$67,131  |                    | \$81,636  |
| <b>SUEZMAX</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)   |                    |           |                    |           |
| WAFR>USG 130k                   | 155.50             | \$69,930  | 131.50             | \$56,209  |
| WAFR>UKC 130k                   | 160.50             | \$65,259  | 135.00             | \$51,354  |
| BSEA>MED 140k                   | 183.50             | \$101,266 | 159.50             | \$83,535  |
| CBS>USG 150k                    | 142.00             | \$76,928  | 133.00             | \$70,131  |
| USG>UKC 150k                    | 119.00             | \$57,505  | 108.00             | \$49,888  |
| CBS>USG/USG>UKC/WAFR            | --                 | \$73,298  | --                 | \$64,859  |
| AG>USG 140k                     | 115.50             | \$41,373  | 86.50              | \$43,473  |
| USG>SPORE 130k                  | 5.78m              | --        | 5.74m              | --        |
| AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG             | --                 | \$62,297  | --                 | \$73,284  |
| <b>Suezmax Average Earnings</b> |                    | \$65,354  |                    | \$54,863  |
| <b>AFRAMAX</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)   |                    |           |                    |           |
| N.SEA>UKC 80k                   | 165.00             | \$65,254  | 117.00             | \$30,080  |
| BALT>UKC 100k                   | 138.00             | \$56,265  | 103.70             | \$34,301  |
| CBS>USG 70k                     | 203.00             | \$49,340  | 176.00             | \$39,533  |
| USG>UKC 70k                     | 178.50             | \$40,764  | 158.00             | \$33,704  |
| CBS>USG/USG>UKC/NSEA            | --                 | \$72,895  | --                 | \$61,047  |
| MED>MED 80k                     | 157.50             | \$45,900  | 118.00             | \$27,660  |
| AG>SPORE 70k                    | 190.00             | \$23,499  | 173.00             | \$39,746  |
| <b>Aframax Average Earnings</b> |                    | \$50,843  |                    | \$37,349  |
| <b>PANAMAX</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)   |                    |           |                    |           |
| CBS>USG 50k                     | 209.00             | \$32,749  | 165.50             | \$21,899  |
| CONT>USG 55k                    | 164.00             | \$29,364  | 131.80             | \$20,260  |
| ECU>USWC 50k                    | 220.00             | \$32,340  | 220.00             | \$32,265  |
| <b>Panamax Average Earnings</b> |                    | \$30,028  |                    | \$21,332  |
| <b>LR2</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)       |                    |           |                    |           |
| AG>JPN 75k                      | 229.30             | \$35,959  | 169.70             | \$39,165  |
| AG>UKC 80k                      | 3.57m              | \$47,136  | 3.08m              | \$37,465  |
| MED>JPN 80k                     | 3.59m              | \$44,252  | 2.89m              | \$31,821  |
| AG>UKC/MED>JPN/AG               | --                 | \$54,128  | --                 | \$41,178  |
| <b>LR2 Average Earnings</b>     |                    | \$42,009  |                    | \$40,015  |
| <b>LR1</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)       |                    |           |                    |           |
| AG>JPN 55k                      | 178.13             | \$11,077  | 155.25             | \$23,939  |
| AG>UKC 65k                      | 2.42m              | \$28,624  | 2.19m              | \$24,029  |
| UKC>WAFR 60k                    | 152.38             | \$26,449  | 133.25             | \$21,118  |
| AG>UKC/UKC>WAFR/AG              | --                 | \$34,645  | --                 | \$29,131  |
| <b>LR1 Average Earnings</b>     |                    | \$22,861  |                    | \$26,535  |
| <b>MR</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)        |                    |           |                    |           |
| UKC>USAC 37k                    | 151.50             | \$14,935  | 153.50             | \$15,236  |
| USG>UKC 38k                     | 113.00             | \$9,083   | 94.00              | \$5,325   |
| USG>UKC/UKC>USAC/USG            | --                 | \$24,293  | --                 | \$21,030  |
| USG>CBS (Pozos Colorados) 38k   | 507k               | \$16,923  | 456k               | \$13,427  |
| USG>CHILE (Coronel) 38k         | 1.47m              | \$23,717  | 1.30m              | \$18,904  |
| CBS>USAC 38k                    | 132.00             | \$13,716  | 126.00             | \$12,396  |
| WCIND>JPN/ROK>SPORE/WCIND       | --                 | \$12,270  | --                 | \$21,659  |
| <b>MR Average Earnings</b>      |                    | \$17,767  |                    | \$17,667  |
| <b>Handy</b> (13.0 Kts L/B)     |                    |           |                    |           |
| MED>EMED 30k                    | 179.80             | \$25,038  | 170.70             | \$22,425  |
| SPORE>JPN 30K                   | 206.00             | \$6,123   | 183.00             | \$15,844  |
| <b>Handy Average Earnings</b>   |                    | \$12,932  |                    | \$18,213  |

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

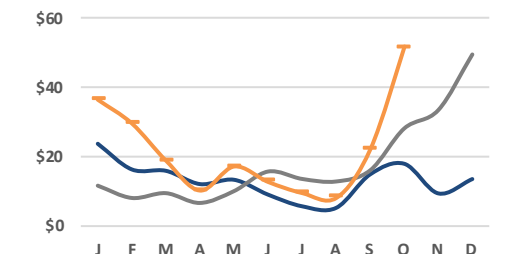
| Time Charter Market<br>\$/day (theoretical) | 1 Year   | 3 Years  |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| <b>VLCC</b>                                 | \$50,000 | \$37,000 |
| <b>Suezmax</b>                              | \$40,000 | \$30,000 |
| <b>Aframax</b>                              | \$27,000 | \$23,000 |
| <b>LR 1</b>                                 | \$18,000 | \$17,000 |
| <b>MR</b>                                   | \$17,000 | \$16,000 |
| <b>Handy</b>                                | \$15,000 | \$14,000 |



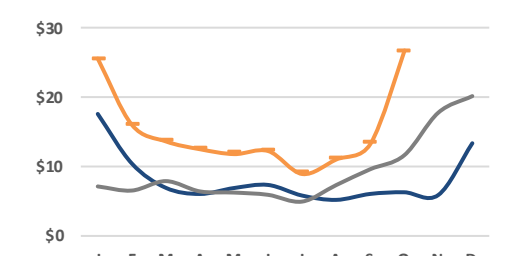
**VLCC Average Earnings** MTD Average ~\$81,636/Day Month y/y ▲ +149%



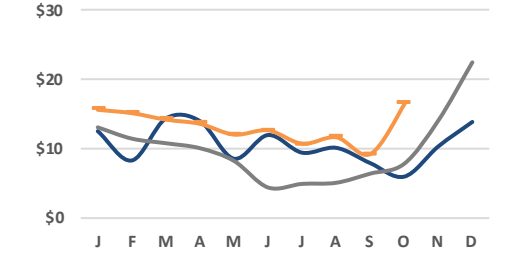
**Suezmax Average Earnings** MTD Average ~\$54,863/Day Month y/y ▲ +213%



**Aframax Average Earnings** MTD Average ~\$37,349/Day Month y/y ▲ +83%



**Panamax Average Earnings** MTD Average ~\$21,332/Day Month y/y ▲ +128%



**MR Average Earnings** MTD Average ~\$17,667/Day Month y/y ▲ +112%

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## SPOT MARKET SUMMARIES

### VLCC

#### The Arabian Gulf Oct 28 – Nov 1

Although we saw a moderate pace of activity this week, much of it was under the radar and made the inquiry seem more sluggish than it actually was. Those Charterers that did enter the market saw sufficient audiences and looked to push rates south. Despite the seemingly lethargic pace and sufficient avails, Owners showed a strong resistance to lower levels; minimizing any fall in rates. Additionally an uptick in Atlantic activity towards week's end further stabilized the sentiment.

Eastbound rates softened marginally, as TD3 dipped from the mid to low ws90's, the latest fixture at ws90 for China discharge on modern tonnage. This yields a tce of about \$72,000 per day. Activity on distressed tonnage was less active, but did see a ship with only a bunker SIRE fix a voyage to China at ws82.5.

Westbound business continued untested, but rates are arguably in the ws50's as triangulation still shows the highest possible returns, keeping the longer voyage in favor as a positioning voyage to get to the USG. AG to the USG followed by USG to Singapore (basis ws55 and \$10.0 mil) yields a tce of about \$120,000 per day.

#### Position list and Cargo Avails

There were 32 fresh fixtures to report this week, bringing the November cargo tally to 90, leaving some 5-10 cargoes to go through the first decade. This compares to a position list with some 30 available vessels over that same period.

### Suezmax

Suezmax rates continued their downward trend across the board off the back of slow demand and a bloated tonnage list. In West Africa, charterers continue to drip feed their 2nd decade programs while challenging last done levels with relative ease. TD20 route took a massive stumble this week down 37.5pts to ws110, which yields a TCE of roughly ~\$41,100.00/day, which is down ~\$20,000/day on the week. The Black Sea-Med market continues to limp along as lower demand have caused freight to slip 15pts points down on the week to 135k MT x ws140 - ~\$65,500/day. In the USG/CBS region, weaker demand for East allowed rates to slump lower down to the mid to high \$5's M (depending on load region) to Spore. The preferred USG/TA voyage also witnessed testing as 145k MT x ws90 was achieved to close the week out. BDTI – TD20 ended the week settling at 109.09 which is down (-38.64) from this time last week.

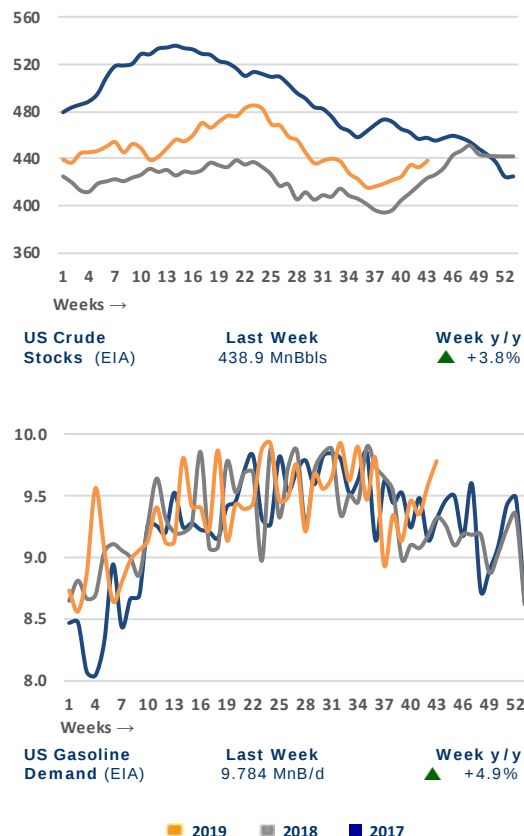
### Aframax

In the USG/Caribs markets, rates remained sideways through the week with TD9 trading at ws170 and TD25 trading at ws160. TCEs remain strong with ECMEX/USG voyages earning close to 40k USD/day and USG/Rotterdam earning nearly 70k USD/day on one way voyages. Despite the week finishing quietly, market sentiment remains poised as spot tonnage is lacking across the region. Next week should be a good indicator on where the market will move as additional tonnage is expected to open up over the weekend and if enquiry remains soft we could see rates take a slight hit early on.

European markets are on the same trend as previous weeks. The market continues to soften as enquiry fails to keep up with the growing lists. TCEs are fetching less than 20k USD/day for Cross Med and Baltic/UKC trades. North Sea/UKC trades saw some action this week after two days of busy fixing, however not enough to push the market in the other direction. Owners are remaining optimistic as the end of the year is in sight and are confident that rates will find some stability before the holiday season kicks in.

### MR

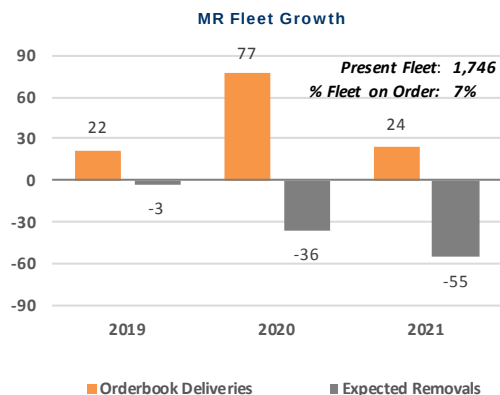
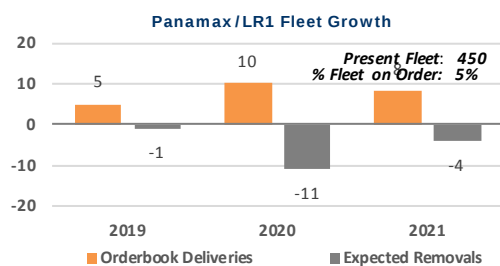
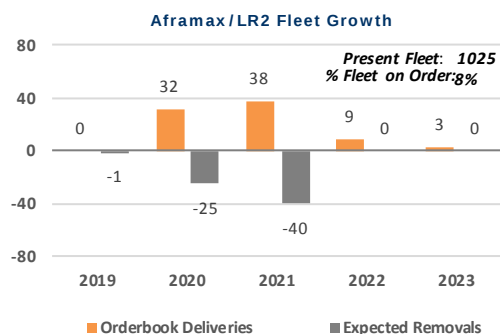
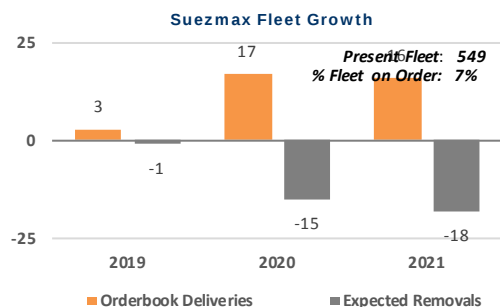
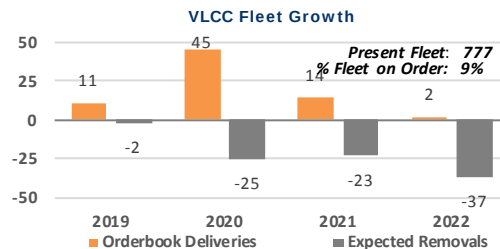
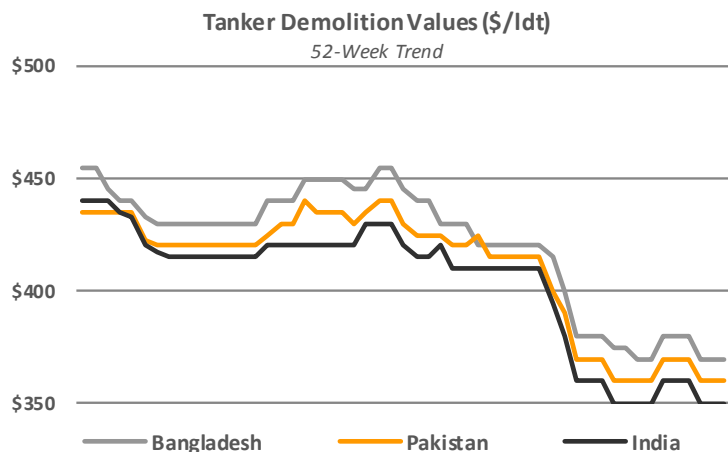
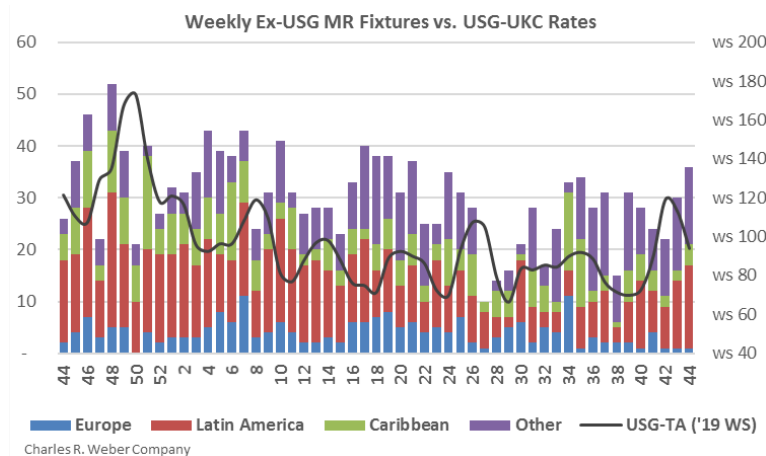
Positive gains in Europe based mainly on West African demand has helped tc2 rates hold steady at present 37 x ws 157.5 levels. Although the majority of the fixing took place earlier in the week, the solid sentiment should prevail with carryover until Monday. That being said, LR's in Europe have taken a "hit" which may lead to further



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competition for MRs and keep a lid on any further dramatic rise. The USG made some large strides as a tightening list combined with increased cargo flow following the end of refinery turnaround has kept sentiment firm. Tc14 benchmarks have jumped to 38 x ws 110, while south American bound cargoes have risen to 1.5 levels for Chile and an untested ws 175 for Brazil. Expectations are for rates to continue to climb particularly for longer haul voyages as we edge towards the end of the year.



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