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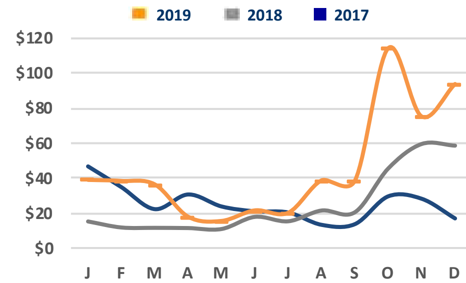
WEEK 50 – 13 December 2019 — **ISSUE 50 – 2019**

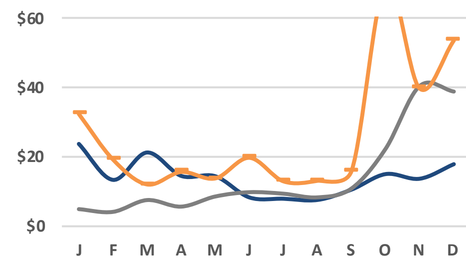
Spot Market	WS/LS	TCE	WS/LS	TCE
VLCC (13.0 Kts L/B)	Week Ending 6-Dec		Week Ending 13-Dec	
AG>USG 280k	58.00	--	61.00	--
AG>SPORE 270k	95.70	$84,914	108.50	$97,592
AG>JPN 265k	93.40	$86,078	106.00	$98,978
AG>CHINA 270k	95.70	$82,508	109.10	$96,109
WAFR>CHINA 260k	95.30	$81,617	105.50	$91,774
USG>SPORE 275k	9.95m	$87,872	10.21m	$89,955
AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG	--	$126 451	--	$130,950
VLCC Average Earnings		*$88,346*		*$98,988*
SUEZMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
WAFR>USG 130k	126.00	$54,672	137.00	$60,422
WAFR>UKC 130k	131.00	$50,672	142.00	$56,228
BSEA>MED 140k	141.00	$70,692	145.00	$73,273
CBS>USG 150k	144.00	$79,493	145.00	$79,880
USG>UKC 150k	107.50	$50,893	105.50	$49,176
CBS>USG/USG>UKC/WAFR	--	$68,640	--	$67,415
AG>USG 140k	63.00	$30,745	62.50	$30,510
USG>SPORE 130k	6.74m	--	5.75m	--
AG>USG/USG>SPORE/AG	--	$75,722	--	$66,202
Suezmax Average Earnings		*$51,970*		*$55,392*
AFRAMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
N.SEA>UKC 80k	167.00	$67,155	213.00	$100,720
BALT>UKC 100k	129.00	$50,976	181.70	$84,550
CBS>USG 70k	192.00	$46,404	201.00	$49,295
USG>UKC 70k	167.00	$37,911	190.50	$45,479
CBS>USG/USG>UKC/NSEA	--	$67,848	--	$77,556
MED>MED 80k	185.50	$59,849	178.50	$56,263
AG>SPORE 70k	173.00	$42,975	178.50	$43,990
Aframax Average Earnings		*$55,385*		*$63,042*
PANAMAX (13.0 Kts L/B)				
CBS>USG 50k	153.50	$19,945	200.00	$31,048
CONT>USG 55k	154.00	$27,407	174.50	$32,846
ECU>USWC 50k	244.00	$36,753	250.00	$38,389
Panamax Average Earnings		*$24,092*		*$31,291*
LR2 (13.0 Kts L/B)				
AG>JPN 75k	151.90	$36,849	152.70	$36,362
AG>UKC 80k	2.90m	$35,301	2.93m	$35,516
MED>JPN 80k	3.07m	$36,401	2.97m	$34,333
AG>UKC/MED>JPN/AG	--	$43,055	--	$42,010
LR2 Average Earnings		*$38,916*		*$38,242*
LR1 (13.0 Kts L/B)				
AG>JPN 55k	150.50	$25,524	154.50	$25,861
AG>UKC 65k	1.96m	$20,721	2.02m	$21,619
UKC>WAFR 60k	187.00	$36,703	176.88	$33,692
AG>UKC/UKC>WAFR/AG	--	$33,511	--	$32,856
LR1 Average Earnings		*$29,517*		*$29,359*
MR (13.0 Kts L/B)				
UKC>USAC 37k	163.75	$17,872	175.50	$19,971
USG>UKC 38k	115.00	$10,155	120.50	$10,986
USG>UKC/UKC>USAC/USG	--	$26,776	--	$29,051
USG>CBS (Pozos Colorados) 38k	531k	$19,180	487k	$16,036
USG>CHILE (Coronel) 38k	1.58m	$27,590	1.62m	$28,612
CBS>USAC 38k	152.50	$18,482	165.00	$20,797
WCIND>JPN/ROK>SPORE/WCIND	--	$26,073	--	$28,395
MR Average Earnings		*$22,765*		*$24,274*
Handy (13.0 Kts L/B)				
MED>EMED 30k	258.20	$47,151	263.40	$48,383
SPORE>JPN 30K	174.00	$16,517	177.00	$16,500
Handy Average Earnings		*$27,545*		*$27,978*

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

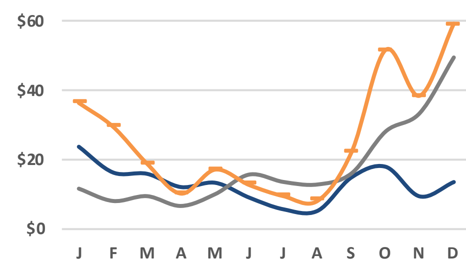
Time Charter Market $/day (theoretical)	1 Year	3 Years
VLCC	$48,000	$35,000
Suezmax	$38,000	$30,000
Aframax	$28,000	$22,000
LR 1	$17,500	$17,000
MR	$18,000	$17,000
Handy	$15,000	$14,000



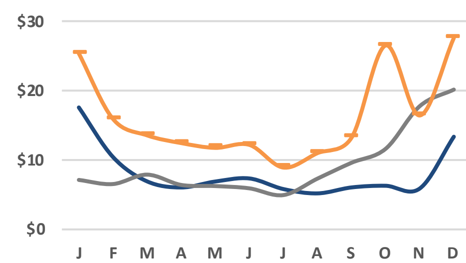
VLCC Average Earnings — **MTD Average** ~$98,988/Day — **Month y/y** ▲ +59%



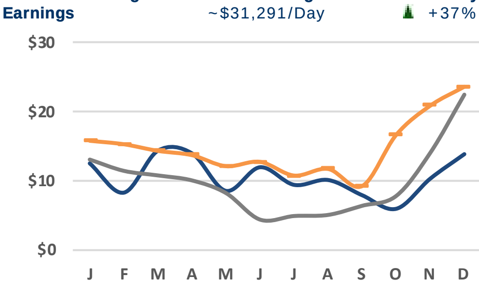
Suezmax Average Earnings — **MTD Average** ~$55,392/Day — **Month y/y** ▲ +37%



Aframax Average Earnings — **MTD Average** ~$63,042/Day — **Month y/y** ▲ +20%



Panamax Average Earnings — **MTD Average** ~$31,291/Day — **Month y/y** ▲ +37%



MR Average Earnings — **MTD Average** ~$24,274/Day — **Month y/y** ▲ +5%

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SPOT MARKET SUMMARYs

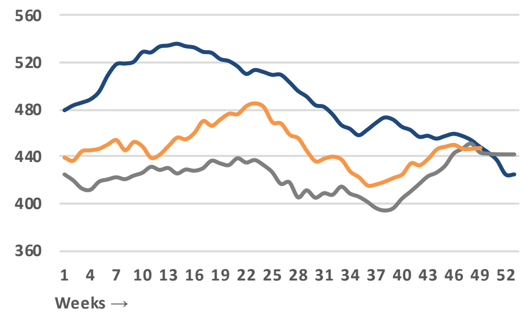
VLCC

With holiday parties in Houston this week it was another disjointed period with many travelling and led to a noticeable slower period in the VLCC sector. Charterers were slow to progress on their remaining stems for 2019 and Owners were quick to lock in still stout returns, even if slightly below last done levels. The sluggish pace did, however, pick up at week's end with an influx of inquiry in the Atlantic Basin. Several tenders from the USG coupled with the normal second half January cargoes coming into play put upward pressure on eastbound rates, yielding to returns increasing above levels from the AG, even taking into account the long ballast.

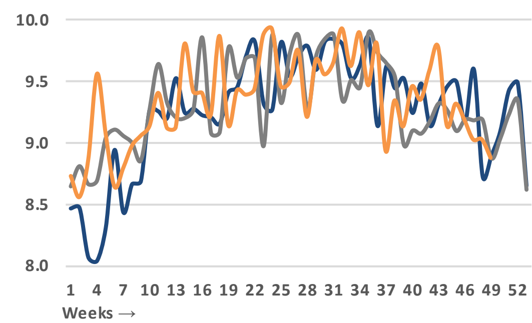
Next week marks the last full week of the year (as the final two weeks have the Christmas and New Year's holidays right at mid-week), and Owners expectations are for an uptick in activity ahead of that period.

Eastbound rates softened moderately through the week as Owners looked to lock in still quite stout returns. TD3 started the week in the low ws110's, but softened moderately; the latest fixture at ws100 on a larger cargo size (274,000 mt) for preferred business to Korea. Rates to China arguably stand at ws105 which yield a tce of about $75,700 per day. Westbound business was largely out of play, but held steady in the low ws60's. Strong export rates from the USG made the ballast directly there a more attractive alternative; keeping levels relatively steady.

There were 31 fixtures to report this week bringing the December cargo program near completion with 136 reported fixtures for the month. This compares to a position list that still shows some 20 vessels load-ready within December in the AG. However, with a few of those likely ballasting and a couple of more fixtures, the hangover will be one of the lowest of 2019.



US Crude Stocks (EIA)	Last Week	Week y/y
	447.9 MnBbls	▲ +1.1%



US Gasoline Demand (EIA)	Last Week	Week y/y
	8.882 MnB/d	▲ +0.1%

2019 2018 2017

Suezmax

West Africa demand was up significantly this week by over 50% with 17 fixtures concluded vs. 9 from the previous week. Despite the additional cargo flow, TD20 rates teetered in place holding around the ws140 barrier for much on the week mainly due to a balanced tonnage list. TD20 TCE remained relatively flat this week as expected holding around the around ~$55,000/day (IFO 380) / ~45,900/day (0.5%). The Black Sea / Mediterranean market did not receive the same boost in inquiry as in West Africa however, rates were held in check for both local and Far East voyages. The TD6 TCE is yields around ~$73,300/day (IFO 380) / ~$63,400/day (0.5%) to end the week and shows positive signs of improvement off the back of a rallying Aframax cross Mediterranean market. In the USG/CBS region, inquiry was steady however TA rates were successfully tested by charterers and shed 2.5pts off last done levels. Short local voyages on the other hand witnessed a boost off the back of the bullish Aframax sector pushing rates higher for both up coast and cross Caribbean voyages. USG / Far East voyages should see some improvement going into next week in order to keep pace with the firming VLCC market. DTI - TD20 ended the week settling at 140.45 which is up (+1.59) from this time last week.

Aframax

Rates are strong in the USG and Caribs region with T/A cargoes trading at ws215, up almost 50 points from the start of the week. A thinner list coupled with owners resistance were the main factors in keeping rates on the upward trend. Owners are now seeing TCEs earning upwards to 90k p/d on T/A voyages and over 50k p/d on EC Mexico voyages and with 2020 closing in, most owners are confident that the momentum will continue to roll in to the new year.

Similarly, the European markets saw a large jump in rates as well with the big winner being the Cross UKC market which closed at ws250, up 75 points from the start of the week. Baltic/Cont and Cross med topped off near ws195 and things seemed to start tapering off toward the end of the week. TCEs are earning near and over 100kp/d for Baltic UKC and Cross UKC cargoes.

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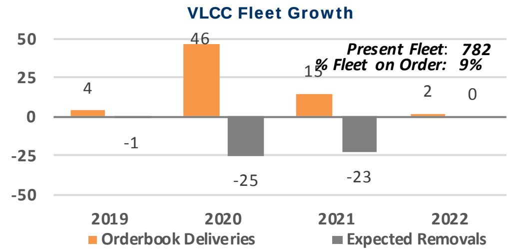
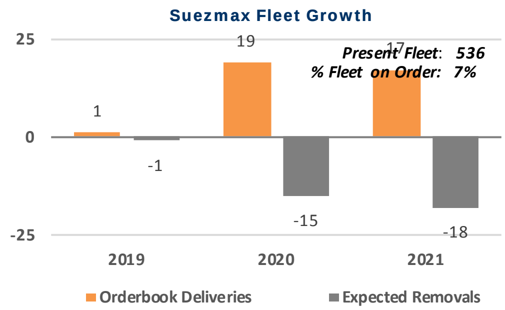
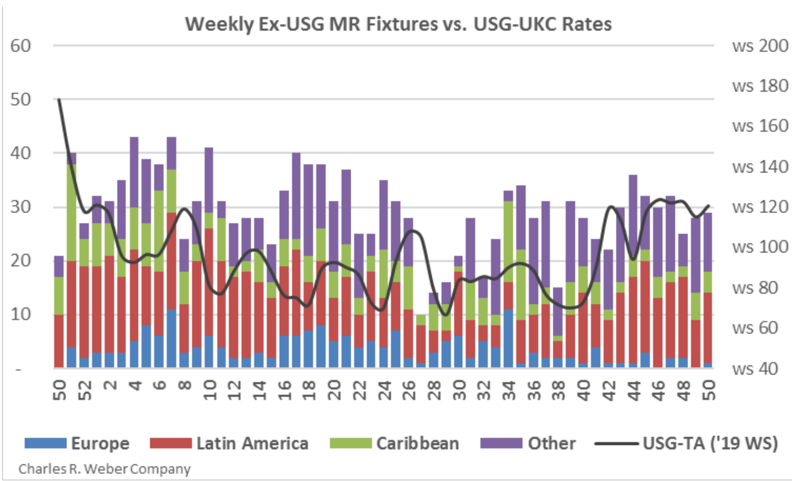
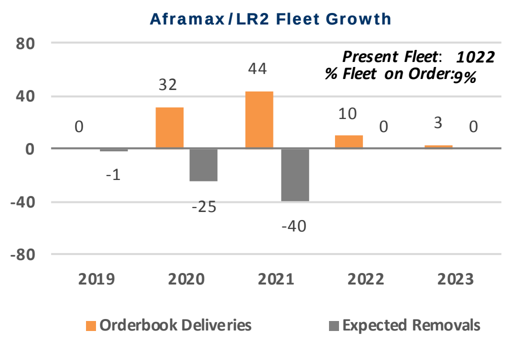


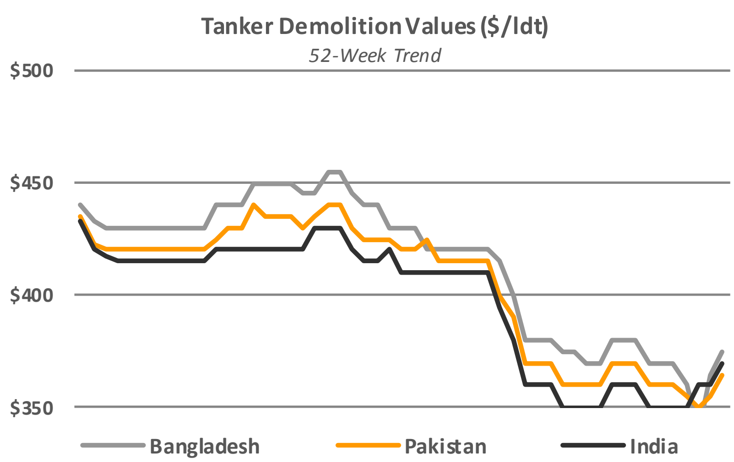
MR

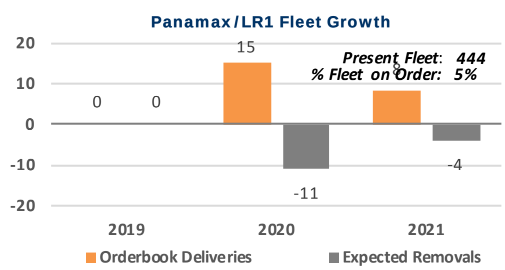
Rates in Europe encountered a sharp rise earlier in the week, only to retreat back down with a quieter end on Friday. After peaking in the ws 180's, tc2 levels have now softened closer to 37 x ws 170 and ws 190 for west Africa destinations. Despite a well-supplied list for the third decade of December, a combination of pre-holiday and end year fixing should keep rates somewhat stable. USG levels continued to pick up much expected steam for mid-December liftings as a lack of LRs and long haul demand both for Asia and Latin America helped absorb MR tonnage. USG/Asia now stands close to 1.8 m and usg/chile on the cusp of 1.7 m. Short hauls are also faring well and fetching over 600k for caribbean round destinations. Look for the fixing pace and firmer sentiment to continue as we edge close to Christmas break.

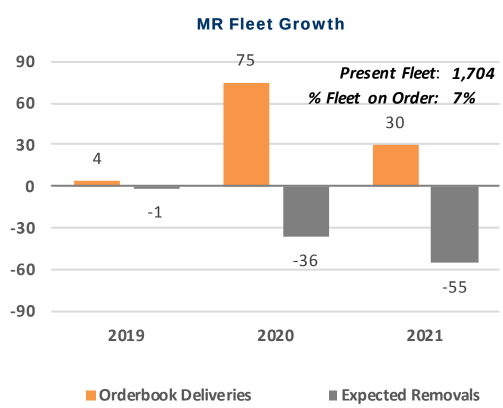












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