



SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

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"Success is most often achieved by those who don't know that failure is inevitable."

Gabrielle Bonheur "Coco" Chanel, French fashion designer, Nazi spy, and businesswoman. (1883-1971)

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	(Dec 19)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	60,07	1,47%	3,98%
Brent ²	(Dec 19)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	65,22	1,29%	2,89%
Gas Oil ³	(Jan 20)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	595,25	1,36%	2,15%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(Jan 20)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	1,6632	0,96%	-0,66%
Natural Gas ⁵	(Jan 20)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	2,296	-1,63%	-13,85%
Wheat ⁶	(Dec 19)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	533	1,57%	3,67%
Corn ⁷	(Dec 19)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	366,25	-0,07%	-0,68%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(Dec 19)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	12,515	1,67%	2,75%
Soybeans ⁹	(Dec 19)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	907,12	2,02%	1,25%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(Dec 19)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	296,6	-0,27%	-0,80%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(Mar 20)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	13,5	2,43%	5,22%
Gold ¹²	(Dec 19)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	1481,2	1,10%	0,73%
Silver ¹³	(Dec 19)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	17,012	2,51%	-0,79%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	6199	3,49%	5,88%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	1768	0,17%	1,67%

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USD LIBOR 12 months	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
	1,96388	2,12%	2,56%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,1174	0,72%	1,05%
USD / INR	70,798	-0,68%	-1,38%
USD / TRY	5,783	0,43%	1,42%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	3168,8	0,73%	1,88%
USA	NASDAQ-100	8487,71	1,08%	2,61%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	112565	1,29%	3,56%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1501,42	3,66%	3,16%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	41009,71	1,40%	1,61%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	3968,22	1,69%	3,07%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	56749,12	2,61%	-0,02%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	891,08	2,05%	-0,02%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	1,824	-0,98%	3,05%
Brazil	6,773	-0,16%	-0,76%
Russia	6,36	-0,47%	0,00%
India	6,78	1,80%	4,39%
China	3,203	-0,28%	0,47%
S.Africa	8,32	-1,07%	-1,07%
Greece	1,394	-10,76%	-2,65%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	1355	-13,03%	5,53%				
BCI	2455	-24,99%	-1,52%	BCI T/C Average	18002	-24,06%	-4,90%
BPI	1467	8,91%	29,94%	BPI T/C Average	11749	8,85%	29,57%
BSI	823	-1,44%	10,17%	BSI T/C Average	9430	-1,01%	10,98%
BHSI	509	0,39%	3,04%	BHSI T/C Average	7390	0,31%	2,95%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	IFO180	MGO
Fujairah	296	342	702
Houston	350	402	649
Rotterdam	270	303	571
Singapore	345	396	603

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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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