



SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

Week 10 / 2020
(02 – 06 March)

"It is during our darkest moments that we must focus to see the light"

Aristotle, Greek philosopher and polymath during the Classical period in Ancient Greece. (384-322 BC)

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	(Mar 20)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	41,28	-15,34%	-20,69%
Brent ²	(Mar 20)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	45,27	-10,39%	-21,02%
Gas Oil ³	(Apr 20)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	413,25	-6,29%	-19,68%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(Apr 20)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	1,39	-0,47%	-12,27%
Natural Gas ⁵	(Apr 20)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	1,71	1,43%	-7,02%
Wheat ⁶	(Mar 20)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	513,50	-2,24%	-5,71%
Corn ⁷	(Mar 20)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	383,65	4,68%	1,56%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(Mar 20)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	12,88	-4,70%	-3,38%
Soybeans ⁹	(Mar 20)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	890,00	-0,35%	-0,32%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(Mar 20)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	301,30	0,90%	3,50%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(May 20)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	13,53	-6,43%	-14,26%
Gold ¹²	(Mar 20)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	1672,40	6,75%	5,67%
Silver ¹³	(Mar 20)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	17,21	5,05%	-2,93%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	5607,00	-0,50%	-2,66%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	1685,00	-0,56%	-2,15%

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USD LIBOR	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
12 months	0,84563	-38,79%	-52,98%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,1336	3,27%	4,95%
USD / INR	74,004	2,02%	3,46%
USD / TRY	6,093	-2,31%	0,58%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	2972,37	0,61%	-10,95%
USA	NASDAQ-100	8530,34	0,81%	-9,70%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	97997	-5,93%	-13,80%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1257,96	-3,21%	-17,50%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	37576,62	-1,88%	-8,73%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	4138,51	5,04%	-0,26%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	52064,72	2,01%	-9,19%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	684,74	-4,94%	-23,32%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	0,767	-33,88%	-47,82%
Brazil	6,759	-0,31%	2,88%
Russia	6,46	-0,46%	7,67%
India	6,183	-2,91%	-3,69%
China	2,699	-3,43%	-8,07%
S.Africa	9,03	-0,93%	2,38%
Greece	1,452	7,16%	50,62%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	617	15,33%	45,18%				
BCI	-312	-4,88%	6,12%	BCI T/C Average	2542	11,79%	3,97%
BPI	1068	18,01%	67,92%	BPI T/C Average	9610	17,96%	67,89%
BSI	688	13,53%	46,38%	BSI T/C Average	7564	13,45%	46,28%
BHSI	350	8,02%	20,27%	BHSI T/C Average	6292	7,91%	20,21%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	VLSFO	MGO
Fujairah	292	422	588
Houston	317	441	474
Rotterdam	277	379	424
Singapore	287	416	447

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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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