

Weekly Market Report

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Market Insight

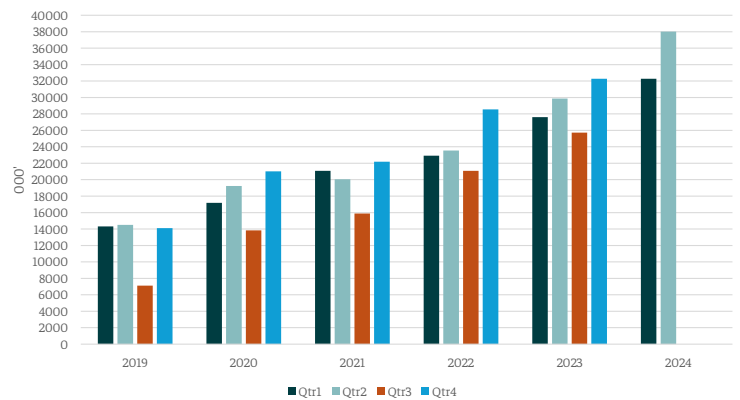
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During the second quarter, we have observed an unprecedented surge in bauxite exports from Guinea, reaching a new record high of 38.01 million tons. The majority of these exports are directed towards China, aligning with the robust production trends in the Chinese primary aluminium sector. China's primary aluminium production has also set a new record, achieving 17.77 million tons in the first five months of 2024, a 5.4% increase compared to the previous record set in 2023 for the same period.

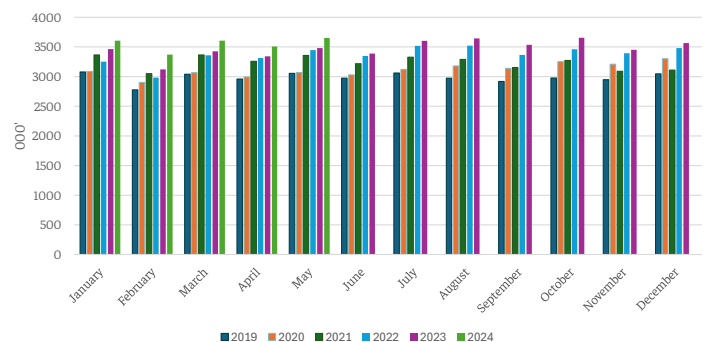
This increase is driven by strong demand from the solar power and NEV industries, which collectively account for 44% of aluminium usage. However, this is not the sole factor contributing to the heightened aluminium production. Yunnan, a major aluminium production hub in China and the second-largest province with installed hydropower capacity, significantly influences this trend. The reliance on hydropower generation in Yunnan is evident, as seen in the reduced aluminium production during the hydro-power shortages in the second half of 2022- 2023.

In late April and May, Yunnan experienced heavy rains, with precipitation levels in many areas expected to be 20 to 50 percent higher than average, potentially leading to more floods. Looking ahead to the third quarter of 2024, we anticipate a seasonal decline in Guinea's bauxite exports due to the rainy season. However, if hydropower generation remains strong in China, the demand for aluminium production could offset this decrease, providing additional support to Australian exports during the summer months, while, the latter part of the year could witness another surge in Guinea's bauxite exports, in line with the projected record volumes of aluminium production in China.

Guinea's Bauxite Exports



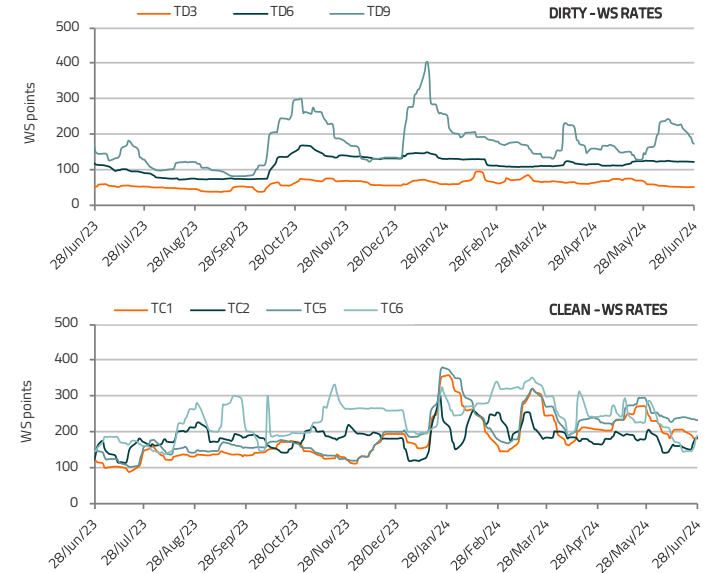
Chinese Primary Aluminium Production



Indicative Period Charters

Vessel	Routes	28/06/24		21/06/24		\$/day ±%	2023 \$/day	2022 \$/day
		WS points	\$/day	WS points	\$/day			
VLCC	265k MEG-SPORE	51	28,332	51	28,960	-2.2%	39,466	20,330
	260k WAF-CHINA	50	25,655	50	26,186	-2.0%	38,773	19,980
Suezmax	130k MED-MED	117	58,602	117	58,680	-0.1%	62,964	51,634
	130k WAF-UKC	121	47,214	122	48,459	-2.6%	25,082	11,031
	140k BSEA-MED	121	47,214	122	48,459	-2.6%	62,964	51,634
Aframax	80k MEG-EAST	186	44,944	193	48,076	-6.5%	44,757	27,224
	80k MED-MED	154	40,280	147	37,021	8.8%	49,909	46,679
	70k CARIBS-USG	172	37,701	215	54,517	-30.8%	46,364	43,030
Clean	75k MEG-JAPAN	180	41,737	198	48,373	-13.7%	32,625	35,326
	55k MEG-JAPAN	232	40,024	239	42,295	-5.4%	27,593	32,504
Dirty	37k UKC-USAC	183	19,796	152	13,972	41.7%	21,183	22,919
	30k MED-MED	189	22,166	145	10,503	111.0%	32,775	45,941
	55k UKC-USG	145	16,711	145	16,989	-1.6%	27,274	19,982
	55k MED-USG	145	16,934	145	17,204	-1.6%	27,060	21,231
50k ARA-UKC	177	16,207	165	13,165	23.1%	46,194	40,364	

Nothing to report this week



TC Rates

	\$/day	28/06/24	21/06/24	±%	Diff	2023	2022
VLCC	300k 1yr TC	52,000	52,000	0.0%	0	48,601	34,683
	300k 3yr TC	49,000	50,000	-2.0%	-1000	42,291	33,719
Suezmax	150k 1yr TC	45,750	46,500	-1.6%	-750	46,154	26,933
	150k 3yr TC	40,000	40,000	0.0%	0	35,469	23,758
Aframax	110k 1yr TC	50,750	51,000	-0.5%	-250	47,226	26,135
	110k 3yr TC	42,000	43,000	-2.3%	-1000	37,455	22,878
Panamax	75k 1yr TC	41,750	41,750	0.0%	0	37,769	25,163
	75k 3yr TC	36,000	36,000	0.0%	0	29,748	20,806
MR	52k 1yr TC	34,000	34,000	0.0%	0	30,452	21,313
	52k 3yr TC	28,000	28,000	0.0%	0	25,152	16,426
Handy	36k 1yr TC	28,000	28,000	0.0%	0	25,760	18,601
	36k 3yr TC	19,500	19,500	0.0%	0	18,200	14,585

Indicative Market Values (\$ Million) - Tankers

Vessel	5yrs old	Jun-24	May-24	±%	2023	2022	2021
		avg	avg				
VLCC	300KT DH	114.0	114.0	0.0%	99.5	80.2	69.7
Suezmax	150KT DH	82.0	82.0	0.0%	71.5	55.1	46.7
Aframax	110KT DH	72.0	72.0	0.0%	64.4	50.5	38.7
LR1	75KT DH	52.8	52.0	1.4%	49.2	38.6	31.2
MR	52KT DH	45.8	44.5	2.8%	41.4	34.8	27.6

Chartering

The tanker market was mixed last week with different performances on different sizes. The BDTI closed the week at 1150 or -4.56% lower, while the BCTI closed at 834 or 4.91% higher. The VLCC market had another bearish week, as the oversupply in the market is still on. Rates in the Middle East Guld remained flat, while the same occurred in West Africa, with the former standing at WS 49.55 and the latter at WS 55.39. The VLCC TCE stood on Friday at \$31,062/day or -2.89% on the week. On Suezmaxes, the market was quiet as well, with rates falling marginally. TD6 (BSea/Med) stood at WS 120.65 (-0.98%), TD20 (Waf/UKC) at WS 109.83 (-1.74%) and TD23 (MEG/Med) at WS 93.61 (-0.41%). The Suezmax TCE fell by almost 3% on the week and stood at \$44,866/day. The Aframax market was also slow this week, with rates falling across all relevant routes, with the exemption of TD19 (CrossMed) which ended the week at WS 153.61 or 4.81% higher. The Aframax TCE stood at \$40,930/day or -16.35% lower.

On the clean front, LR2 rates were softer with Middle East rates softening for the week. TC1 (MEG/Japan) was at WS 180 or -9.12%, while TC15 (Med/FarEast) stood at 3.7m or 5.34% higher on a lumpsum basis. The LR1 Market was mixed with TC8 (MEG/UKC) at WS 74.73 or 5.27% higher and TC5 (MEG/Japan) at WS 231.88 or -3.13% lower.

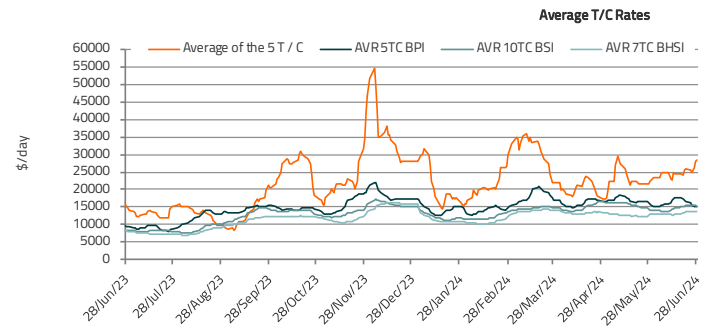
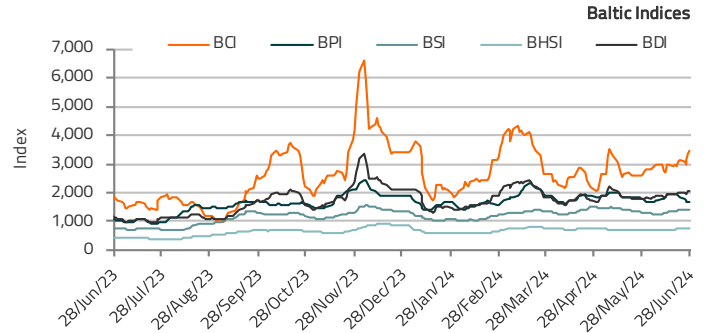
On MRs, the USG market was active with all rates rising. More specifically, TC21 (USG/Carib) rose by 40% standing at 1.4m lumpsum, while TC14 (USG/Cont) rose to WS 230 (+14.18%). Rates were higher on the opposite direction as well with TC2_37 (Cont/USAC) standing at WS 182.5, marking a 20% surge. Overall, the MR Atlantic TCE rose by 23.7% at \$44,403/day.

Baltic Indices

	28/06/24		21/06/24		Point Diff	\$ / day ±%	2023 Index	2022 Index
	Index	\$/day	Index	\$/day				
BDI	2,050		1,997		53		1,395	1,931
BCI	3,443	\$28,557	3,142	\$26,059	301	9.6%	2,007	1,955
BPI	1,667	\$15,007	1,827	\$16,441	-160	-8.7%	1,442	2,298
BSI	1,385	\$15,237	1,398	\$15,382	-13	-0.9%	1,031	2,006
BHSI	763	\$13,727	753	\$13,548	10	1.3%	586	1,181

Indicative Period Charters

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TC Rates

	\$/day	28/06/24	21/06/24	±%	Diff	2023	2022
Capesize	180K 1yr TC	27,500	28,000	-1.8%	-500	17,957	21,394
	180K 3yr TC	23,000	23,500	-2.1%	-500	16,697	18,894
Panamax	76K 1yr TC	15,750	15,750	0.0%	0	13,563	20,207
	76K 3yr TC	13,250	13,250	0.0%	0	11,827	14,885
Supramax	58K 1yr TC	16,000	16,500	-3.0%	-500	13,457	20,053
	58K 3yr TC	12,500	12,500	0.0%	0	11,981	15,005
Handysize	32K 1yr TC	12,500	12,500	0.0%	0	10,644	17,827
	32K 3yr TC	9,500	9,500	0.0%	0	9,510	12,322

Indicative Market Values (\$ Million) - Bulk Carriers

	Vessel 5 yrs old	Jun-24 avg	May-24 avg	±%	2023	2022	2021
Capesize Eco	180k	63.5	63.1	0.6%	48.8	48.3	43.1
Kamsarmax	82K	38.5	38.1	1.0%	32.0	34.1	29.8
Ultramax	63k	36.0	35.3	2.0%	29.5	31.5	26.4
Handysize	37K	28.5	28.0	1.8%	25.1	27.2	21.4

Chartering

The Baltic Dry Index (BDI) exceeded the 2,000-point threshold last week, reaching its highest level since May 10, 2024, and reflecting a 102% increase compared to the 1,068 points recorded on July 3, 2023. The Capesize sector leads this growth with a year-on-year increase of 129.6%, followed by the S10TC at 83.2%, the HS7TC at 71.5%, and the P5TC at 63.8%. Last week, the Capesize C5TC saw a substantial week-on-week rise of 9.6%, driven by robust Brazilian iron ore exports, with the C3 rate increasing to \$29.2 per ton, up \$1.83 per ton week-on-week. Panamax owners experienced reduced activity as charterers often held back to drive rates down. In the geared vessel segment, the market remained stable with a balance between available vessels and new inquiries observed last week.

Cape 5TC averaged \$ 26,607/day, up +6.5% w-o-w. The transatlantic earnings increased by \$ 4,250/day while transpacific ones rose by \$319/day, bringing transpacific earnings premium over transatlantic to \$2,262/day.

Panamax 5TC averaged \$ 15,389/day, down -10.2% w-o-w. The transatlantic earnings declined by \$ 1,730/day while transpacific earnings fell by \$2,054/day. As a result, the transpacific earnings premium to the transatlantic narrowed down to \$278/day.

Supramax 10TC averaged \$ 15,427/day up +2.07% w-o-w, while the Handysize 7TC averaged \$ 13,704/day, up +3.66% w-o-w.

Tankers

Size	Name	Dwt	Built	Yard	M/E	SS due	Hull	Price	Buyers	Comments
AFRA	PUSAKA JAVA	108,524	2018	TSUNEISHI, Japan	MAN-B&W	Jan-28	DH	\$ 69.0m	Singaporean (Eastern Pacific)	Eco, Scrubber fitted

Bulk Carriers

Size	Name	Dwt	Built	Yard	M/E	SS due	Gear	Price	Buyers	Comments
CAPE	IRON PHOENIX	180,643	2012	TSUNEISHI CEBU, Philippines	MAN-B&W	Nov-26		\$ 23.5m	Far Eastern	
POST PMAX	LOWLANDS HORIZON	93,478	2018	OSHIMA, Japan	MAN-B&W	Sep-28		\$ 36.0m	Greek	Eco, bss dely August in Far East
SUPRA	SUPRA ONIKI	57,022	2010	QINGSHAN, China	MAN-B&W	Jul-25	4 X 35t CRANES	\$ 13.0m	U.A.E based	
SUPRA	NORDIC STAVANGER	56,172	2011	NETSCAPE, Japan	MAN-B&W	Nov-26	4 X 30t CRANES	\$ 18.0m	undisclosed	bss prompt dely Atlantic
SUPRA	SPAR LYRA	53,565	2005	CHENGXI, China	MAN-B&W	Oct-24	4 X 36t CRANES	low-mid \$10.0m	Chinese	

The previous week saw a somewhat muted newbuilding market with only a few but significant orders being made. A total of 25 firm vessel were added to the orderbook. On Bulkers, CMES ordered two 210k dwt scrubber-fitted vessels from Qingdao Yangfan for 2027 delivery costing \$72.3m each. On smaller sizes, Industrial Holding Bulgaria ordered 3 firm and 1 optional Ultramaxes from New Dayang. The order costed \$36m each and delivery is expected in 2027, On Tankers, Eastern Pacific ordered a scrubber fitted LR2 from SWS for an undisclosed fee and

2026 delivery. Last, Adnoc made a big order for LNG tankers. The owner ordered eight firm and two optional 174k cbm vessels, equally split between Hanwha Ocean and Samsung HI, costing up to \$2.5bn or \$260m per vessel. All vessels will be on TC with parent company Adnoc Group.

Indicative Newbuilding Prices (\$ Million)

	Vessel		28-Jun-24	21-Jun-24	±%	YTD		5-year		Average		
						High	Low	High	Low	2023	2022	2021
Bulkers	Newcastlemax	205k	80.0	80.0	0.0%	80.0	70.0	80.0	49.5	66	66	59
	Capesize	180k	76.5	76.5	0.0%	76.5	67.5	76.5	48.5	63	63	56
	Kamsarmax	82k	37.5	37.5	0.0%	37.5	35.5	37.5	27.5	35	36	33
	Ultramax	63k	34.0	34.0	0.0%	34.0	33.0	35.5	25.5	33	34	30
	Handysize	38k	30.5	30.5	0.0%	30.5	30.0	31.0	23.5	30	30	27
Tankers	VLCC	300k	130.0	130.0	0.0%	130.5	128.0	130.5	84.5	124	118	98
	Suezmax	160k	89.5	89.5	0.0%	89.5	85.0	89.5	55.0	82	79	66
	Aframax	115k	77.5	77.5	0.0%	77.5	73.0	77.5	46.0	69	62	53
	MR	50k	51.5	51.5	0.0%	51.5	48.0	51.5	34.0	46	43	38
Gas	LNG 174k cbm		264.0	264.0	0.0%	265.0	264.0	265.0	180.0	259	232	195
	MGC LPG 55k cbm		94.0	94.0	0.0%	94.0	91.5	94.0	62.0	85	74	67
	SGC LPG 25k cbm		61.0	61.0	0.0%	61.0	58.0	61.0	40.0	56	51	45

Newbuilding Orders

Units	Type	Size		Yard	Delivery	Buyer	Price	Comments
2	Bulker	210,000	dwt	Qingdao Yangfan, China	2027	Chinese (CMES)	\$ 72.3m	scrubber fitted
3+1	Bulker	64,000	dwt	New Dayang, China	2027	Bulgarian (Industrial Holding Bulgaria)	\$ 36.0m	EEDI Phase III
1	Tanker	114,000	dwt	SWS, China	2026	Singaporean (Eastern Pacific)	undisclosed	scrubber fitted
4+1	LNG	174,000	cbm	Hanwha Ocean, S.Korea	2028	U.A.E based (Adnoc)	\$ 260.0m	TC to Adnoc Group
4+1	LNG	174,000	cbm	Samsung HI, S. Korea	2028	U.A.E based (Adnoc)	\$ 260.0m	TC to Adnoc Group
5	Container	16,000	teu	New Times, China	2027-2028	Bermuda based (SFL Corporation)	\$ 200.0m	LNG dual-fuel
2+2	ROPAX	1,500	pax	CMHI Jinling, China	2027	Swedish (Stena)	undisclosed	10 Yr charter to Attica Group, buy options
4	Methanol Bunkering	7,999	dwt	COSCO HI, China	2026	Singapore Based (Consort Bunkers)	undisclosed	

The robust freight market limited vessel recycling supply, hurting the demolition market this week. Economic uncertainty and regional post-Eid adjustments kept market sentiment low. In India, most steel goods fell in price, except for local steel plates, which stabilized late in the week. Secondary mills cut production due to weak steel product demand while ship recyclers offered somewhat lower pricing despite the poor availability of new tonnage. The next national budget is keenly anticipated and might change the market mood. Unprecedented lows also caused market volatility in the local currency. In Bangladesh, steel and scrap prices fell, after Eid, while at the same time, steel mill demand was minimal, so dealers waited. The central bank will review next year's monetary policy in July, with inflation a primary worry. Increased expenses and foreign exchange issues make ship recyclers' operations harder. As the Pakistani market largely reopened following Eid, demand began to rise. Steel demand was unclear, but new tax

restrictions to boost local steel pricing were encouraging. Ship recycler prices were constant with a minor weakening. As activities restart, the market should acquire direction in the following weeks. Turkey's market was solid but sluggish. The local currency fell against the USD, while scrap prices remained stable, while the only hope is tonnage increases to boost industry growth. Turkey's removal from the anti-money laundering grey list could boost foreign investment and the market. Demolition market outlook is bearish. Players actively watch economic policy and market trends, therefore new tonnage supply is projected to stay modest. Budget statements, particularly in India, may improve market conditions, but sentiment remains cautious amid economic concerns and uncertainty.

Indicative Demolition Prices (\$/ldt)

	Markets	28/06/24	21/06/24	±%	YTD				
					High	Low	2023	2022	2021
Tanker	Bangladesh	530	530	0.0%	530	490	550	601	542
	India	540	540	0.0%	540	490	540	593	519
	Pakistan	520	520	0.0%	525	520	525	596	536
	Turkey	370	360	2.8%	350	340	325	314	207
Dry Bulk	Bangladesh	520	520	0.0%	520	475	535	590	532
	India	520	520	0.0%	520	480	522	583	508
	Pakistan	500	500	0.0%	510	500	515	587	526
	Turkey	360	350	2.9%	350	330	315	304	276

Currencies

Markets	28-Jun-24	21-Jun-24	±%	YTD High
USD/BDT	117.51	117.48	0.0%	117.51
USD/INR	83.36	83.56	-0.2%	83.58
USD/PKR	278.20	278.00	0.1%	282.38
USD/TRY	32.65	32.83	-0.6%	32.63

Demolition Sales (\$ /ldt)

Name	Size	Ldt	Built	Yard	Type	\$/ldt	Breakers	Comments
APJ MAHAKALI	70,296	9,126	1996	SANOYAS HISHINO, Japan	BC	\$ 525.0m	Sri Lankan	
KMAX PRO	48,227	7,226	1997	OSHIMA, Japan	BC	undisclosed	Malaysian	

Market Data

	28-Jun-24	27-Jun-24	26-Jun-24	25-Jun-24	24-Jun-24	W-O-W Change %	
Stock Exchange Data	10year US Bond	4.343	4.288	4.316	4.238	4.248	2.0%
	S&P 500	5,460.48	5,482.87	5,477.90	5,469.30	5,447.87	-0.1%
	Nasdaq	19,682.87	19,789.03	19,751.05	19,701.13	19,474.62	-0.1%
	Dow Jones	39,118.86	39,164.06	39,127.80	39,112.16	39,411.21	-0.1%
	FTSE 100	8,164.12	8,179.68	8,225.33	8,247.79	8,281.55	-0.9%
	FTSE All-Share UK	4,451.92	4,460.27	4,480.66	4,493.07	4,514.76	-0.9%
	CAC40	7,479.40	7,530.72	7,609.15	7,662.30	7,706.89	-2.0%
	Xetra Dax	18,235.45	18,210.55	18,155.24	18,177.62	18,325.58	0.4%
	Nikkei	39,583.08	39,341.54	39,667.07	39,173.15	38,804.65	2.6%
	Hang Seng	17,718.61	17,716.47	18,089.93	18,072.90	18,027.71	-1.7%
DJ US Maritime	393.02	394.07	391.61	391.74	390.33	1.6%	
Currencies	€ / \$	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	0.2%
	£ / \$	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.27	1.27	0.0%
	\$ / ¥	160.83	160.74	160.79	159.69	159.59	0.7%
	\$ / NoK	10.66	10.62	10.68	10.61	10.54	1.0%
	Yuan / \$	7.27	7.27	7.27	7.26	7.26	0.1%
	Won / \$	1,380.73	1,386.35	1,392.90	1,390.44	1,386.37	-0.5%
	\$ INDEX	105.87	105.91	106.05	105.61	105.47	0.1%

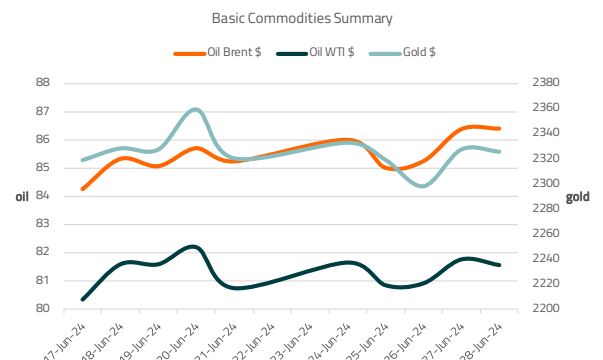
Bunker Prices

		28-Jun-24	21-Jun-24	Change %
MGO	Rotterdam	756.0	766.0	-1.3%
	Houston	581.0	588.0	-1.2%
	Singapore	758.0	741.0	2.3%
380cst	Rotterdam	503.0	511.0	-1.6%
	Houston	485.0	489.0	-0.8%
	Singapore	522.0	523.0	-0.2%
VLSFO	Rotterdam	570.0	576.0	-1.0%
	Houston	581.0	588.0	-1.2%
	Singapore	627.0	610.0	2.8%
OIL	Brent	86.4	85.2	1.4%
	WTI	81.5	80.7	1.0%

Maritime Stock Data

Company	Stock Exchange	Curr	28-Jun-24	21-Jun-24	W-O-W Change %
CAPITAL PRODUCT PARTNERS LP	NASDAQ	USD	17.03	17.29	-1.5%
COSTAMARE INC	NYSE	USD	16.43	16.85	-2.5%
DANAOS CORPORATION	NYSE	USD	92.36	92.05	0.3%
DIANA SHIPPING	NYSE	USD	2.86	2.83	1.1%
EUROSEAS LTD.	NASDAQ	USD	34.91	35.97	-2.9%
GLOBUS MARITIME LIMITED	NASDAQ	USD	1.88	1.94	-3.1%
SAFE BULKERS INC	NYSE	USD	5.82	5.79	0.5%
SEANERGY MARITIME HOLDINGS	NASDAQ	USD	9.87	10.58	-6.7%
STAR BULK CARRIERS CORP	NASDAQ	USD	24.38	24.10	1.2%
STEALTHGAS INC	NASDAQ	USD	7.35	7.39	-0.5%
TSAKOS ENERGY NAVIGATION	NYSE	USD	29.28	28.38	3.2%

Basic Commodities Weekly Summary



Macro-economic headlines

- In the euro area, the June Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose by 2.5% y-o-y .
- In Germany, May CPI increase by 0.3% m-o-m.
- In US, the June S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI rose to 51.6 up from 51.3 in May while the ISM Manufacturing PMI falls to 48.5 in June from 48.7
- In China, the Manufacturing PMI remained flat at 49.5 in June.

