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Week 05

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All data as of end of reporting week

MARKET COMMENTARY:

The start of 2025 has seen significant turbulence across • the global commodity markets, driven by shifting trade policies, supply constraints, and geopolitical maneuvering. China's iron ore and seaborne coal imports have started the year on a weak note, with January arrivals dropping to multi-month lows. However, the two commodities are experiencing diverging price trends—while iron ore remains stable, thermal coal has fallen to its lowest level in nearly four years. Iron ore imports are expected to reach 99.5 million metric tonnes in January 2025, down from 112.5 million tons in December 2024, though part of the decline may be due to the Lunar New

IN A NUTSHELL:

- In China, iron ore & thermal coal imports have declined due to seasonal effects & the Lunar New Year. (Page 1)
- Despite reduced import volumes, iron ore prices remain stable while the surplus in domestic coal production has led to a sharp drop in thermal coal prices . (Page 1)
- In response to U.S. sanctions, Iranian oil sellers are rerouting their shipments from Shandong province to alternative ports in southern and eastern China. (page 1)
- The U.S. administration has implemented new tariffs—25% on Canadian and Mexican oil imports, 10% on Canadian energy sources, and 10% on imports from China . (Page 1)

Year holiday pushing shipments into February 2025. Meanwhile, seaborne coal imports have plunged by 26% from December 2024 levels, marking a sharper drop than in previous years. The decline reflects both seasonal trends and rising domestic production, which reached 439 million tons in December, up 4.2% year-over-year. The surplus has led to weaker Chinese coal prices, dragging down prices for Indonesian and Australian coal. In contrast, iron ore prices have remained resilient, supported by optimism over Beijing's stimulus measures and their potential impact on steel demand. While China's coal imports face increasing pressure from rising domestic supply, iron ore continues to benefit from global market sentiment and expectations of economic stabilization.

Meanwhile, Iranian oil sellers have demonstrated remarkable adaptability in the face of U.S. sanctions, shifting their offloading operations from Shandong province to ports in southern and eastern China. The Shandong Port Group, which operates major terminals in Qingdao, Rizhao, Yantai, and Dongying, continues to enforce a ban on U.S.-sanctioned tankers. In response, traders have rerouted shipments to Huizhou and Zhejiang province, where storage tanks have reportedly been fully rented in anticipation of further deliveries. This workaround involves transferring Iranian crude via non-sanctioned vessels to reach Shandong buyers, increasing costs that must either be absorbed by sellers or passed on to refiners. As of late January multiple tankers have redirected to these alternative ports. Despite these efforts, Iranian crude arrivals in China are expected to decline by 277,000 barrels per day to 1.1 million barrels

per day in January due to logistical constraints. Floating storage of Iranian crude has surged to a 27-week high of 20.68 million barrels, with over 70% anchored in Malaysian and Singaporean waters. Additionally, Iranian sellers are mobilizing tankers to transport stranded oil from Dalian, where at vessels appear to be engaged in shifting Iranian crude further south. While the Biden administration has yet to impose stricter sanctions, Iran is taking advantage of this window to reorganize its fleet, offering a valuable precedent for Russian oil traders facing similar restrictions.

		Week	Week	±%	Ave	rage Indi	ces
		5	4	1/0	2025	2024	2023
	BDI	735	778	-5.5%	930	1,756	1,387
DRY	BCI	874	983	-11.1%	1,224	2,724	1,989
	BPI	800	774	3.4%	894	1,570	1,437
	BSI	603	639	-5.6%	744	1,243	1,029
	BHSI	377	411	-8.3%	463	704	582
WET	BDTI	876	845	3.7%	858	1,094	1,144
≷	BCTI	662	725	-8.7%	674	821	802

Adding to market uncertainty, U.S. oil trade policy remains in the spotlight as Trump administration has announced 25% tariffs on Canadian and Mexican imports, 10% tariff on Canadian energy sources and 10% tariff on imports from China. At the same time, U.S. crude stockpiles have surged by 3.5 million barrels, surpassing expectations, due in part to refiners cutting production amid severe winter storms. On the supply side, U.S. sanctions on Russian oil are beginning to bite, with crude exports from Russia's western ports expected to decline by 8% in February. Attention has now turned towards the OPEC+ meeting on February 3rd, where discussions may focus on Trump's push for lower oil prices and increased U.S. production.

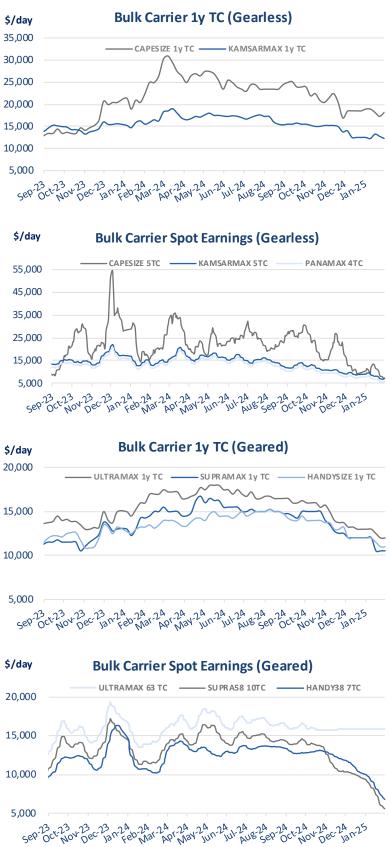


Capesize: The C5TC avg declined by USD 0.9/day, at USD 7,252/day. Continent to F.East is down by 3.2k/day at USD 25,375/day, Transatlantic R/V is lower by 1.8k/day at USD 7,429/day, & Bolivar to Rotterdam is lower by 1.7k/day at USD 13,779/ day, while Transpacific R/V is increased by 0.7k/ day at USD 4,227/day. Tubarao to Rotterdam is reduced by 1.7k/day at USD 3,976/day, China-Brazil R/V is higher USD 8,070/day, & trip from Saldanha Bay to Qinqdao is reduced by 1.7k/day at USD 3,976/day. Scrubber fitted Capesize 1y T/C rate is USD 20,250/day, while eco 180k Capesize is USD 18,450/day.

Kamsarmax/Panamax: P5TC avg is marginally up at USD 7,199/day. The P4TC avg is also shade up at USD 5,863/day. Skaw-Gib to F.East is softer at USD 12,705/day, Pacific Return Voyage is up at USD 5,817/day, while Transatlantic R/V is reduced at USD 6,630/day & Spore R/V via Atlantic is increased by 1k/day at USD 8,241/day. Skaw-Gibraltar transatlantic R/V (P1A_03) is softer by 0.3k/day at USD 5,346/day, Skaw-Gibraltar to Taiwan-Japan (P2A_03) is reduced at USD 11,216/ day, and Japan-S. Korea Transpacific R/V (P3A_03) is increased at USD 4,515/day. Kamsarmax 1y T/C is softer at USD 12,450/day, while for Panamax is also softer at USD 11,200/day.

Ultramax/Supramax: Ultramax S11TC avg closed the week at USD 15,856/day. Supramax S10TC avg is at USD 5,594/day. The Baltic Supramax Asia S3TC average closed the week lower at USD 5,633/day. N.China one Australian or Pacific R/V is declined at USD 6,457/day, USG to Skaw Passero is softer by 0.9k/day at USD 12,779/day. S.China trip via Indonesia to EC India is down at USD 5,579/day, trip from S.China via Indonesia to S.China pays USD 4,493/day, while Med/B.Sea to China/S.Korea is reduced by 0.4k/day at USD 12,200/day & 1y T/C rate Ultramax is softer at USD 12,200/day.

Handysize: The Handy index counts 64 negative consecutive sessions, since 28th Oct 2024. HS7TC average closed the week down by 0.6k/day at USD 6,780/day. Skaw-Passero trip to Boston-Galveston pays 0.3k/day less at USD 5,379/day, Brazil to Cont. pays 0.8k/day less at USD 11,167/day, S.E.



Asia trip to Spore/Japan 0.6k/day is softer at USD 6,088/day, China/S.Korea/Japan round trip is reduced by 0.7k/day at USD 6,006/day and trip from U.S. Gulf to Cont. is reduced by 0.7k/day at USD 9,886/day, while N.China—S.Korea-Japan trip to S.E.Asia is reduced by 1k/day at USD 5,031/day. 38K Handy 1y T/C rate is USD 11,000/day while 32k Handy 1y T/C is USD 9,800/day in Atlantic and USD 9,750/day in Pacific region.

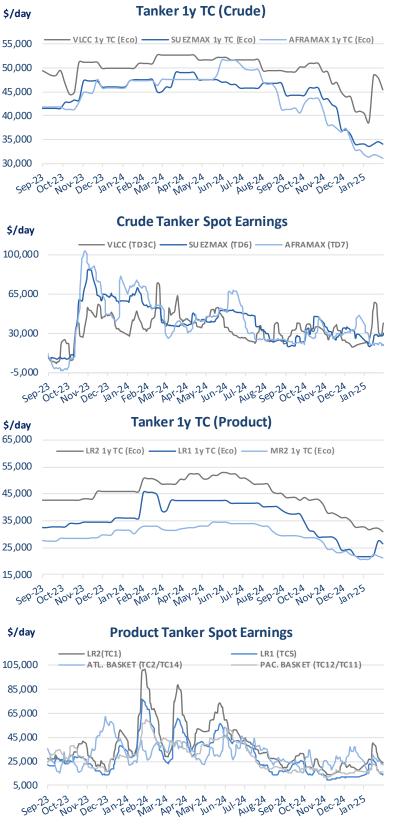


VLCC: avg T/CE ended the week up by 5.3k/day at USD 41,535/day. M. East Gulf to China trip is up by 9.8k/day at USD 38,973/day. West Africa to China trip is up by 4.7k/day at USD 40,315/day and US Gulf to China trip is up by 1.3k/day at USD 45,316/ day. 1y T/C Rate for 310k dwt D/H Eco VLCC is USD 2.5k/day lower, at USD 45,750/day.

Suezmax: avg T/CE closed the week firmer by 4.6k/ day at USD 32,225/day. West Africa to Continent trip is up by 7k/day at USD 34,455/day, Black Sea to Mediterranean is up by 2.3k/day at USD 29,994/ day, & M. East Gulf to Med trip is reduced by 3.2k/ day at USD 40,436/day, while trip from Guyana to ARA is improved by 4.5k/day at USD 28,095/day. 1y T/C Rate for 150k dwt D/H Eco Suezmax is USD 500/day lower since last week, at USD 34,250/day.

Aframax: avg T/CE closed the week higher by 0.8k/ day at USD 24,958/day. North Sea to Continent trip is down by 1.3k/day at USD 19,977/day, Kuwait to Spore is up at USD 31,978/day, while route from Caribbean to US Gulf trip is up by 2.6k/day at USD 18,611/day. Trip from S. East Asia to East Coast Australia is up by 0.9k/day at USD 22,425/ day & Cross Mediterranean trip is down by 2.7k/ day at USD 27,671/day. US Gulf to UK-Continent is improved by 4.5k/day at USD 26,775/day & the East Coast Mexico to US Gulf trip is up by USD 3.3k/day at USD 20,924/day. 1y T/C Rate for 110k dwt D/H Eco Aframax is USD 500/day lower since last week, at USD 31,250/day.

Products: The **LR2** route (TC1) M. East to Japan is this week lower by 4.1k/day at USD 23,725/day. Trip from (TC15) Med to Far East has increased by 1.3k/day at USD 12,039/day & (TC20) AG to UK Continent is down by 7.8k/day at USD 26,798/day. The LR1 route (TC5) from Middle East Gulf to Japan is down by 2.1k/day at USD 14,188/day, while the (TC8) Middle East Gulf to UK-Continent is down by 7.8k/day at USD 26,798/day & the (TC16) Amsterdam to Lome trip is improved by 1.3k/day at USD 22,062/day. The MR Atlantic Basket is decreased by 3.7k/day at USD 22,099/day & the MR Pacific Basket earnings are lower at USD 15,926/day. The MR route from Rotterdam to New York (TC2) is softer by 4.1k/day at USD 23,725/day,

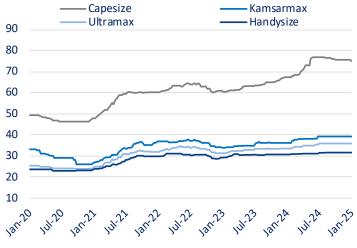


(TC6) Intermed (Algeria to Euro Med) earnings are softer by 2.1k/day at USD 14,188/day, (TC14) US Gulf to Continent is up by .1k/day at USD 8,207/day, (TC18) US Gulf to Brazil earnings are higher by 0.2k/day at USD 15,521/day, (TC23) Amsterdam to Le Havre is higher by 0.1k/day at USD 16,591/day while Yeosu to Botany Bay (TC22) is softer by 3.3k/ day at USD 24,128/day and ARA to West Africa (TC19) is down by 1.9k/day at USD 16,749/day. Eco LR2 1y T/C rate is lower at USD 31,250/day, while Eco MR2 1y T/C rate is decreased on a weekly basis at USD 21,500/day.



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Size	Jan	Feb	±%	Ave	rage Pri	ces	90	
3120	2025	2024	±70	2025	2024	2023	80	
Capesize	75.5	67.4	12%	75.5	73.2	63.0	70	
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Kamsarmax	39.0	36.0	8%	39.0	38.0	35.0	50	~
Ultramax	36.0	33.6	7%	36.0	35.1	32.8	40	
Handysize	31.5	30.6	3%	31.5	31.1	30.2	30	~~~
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Dry Newbuilding Prices (\$ mills)

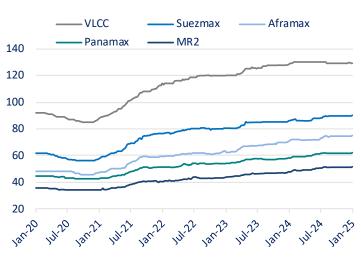


Above prices/trends refer to Chinese shipbuilding

Tanker Newbuilding Prices (\$ mills)

Size	Jan	Feb	+0/	Average Prices			
5120	2025	2024	±%	2025	2024	2023	
VLCC	129.2	129.0	0%	129.2	129.4	124.2	
Suezmax	89.6	86.3	4%	89.6	87.6	83.2	
Aframax	74.6	71.6	4%	74.6	72.7	66.5	
Panamax	61.6	58.4	6%	61.6	60.2	56.1	
MR2	51.7	48.4	7%	51.7	50.2	45.9	

Above prices/trends refer to S. Korean shipbuilding



Newbuilding Activity:

ТҮРЕ	UNITS	SIZE	YARD	BUYER	PRICE (\$ mills)	DELIVERY	COMMENTS
BC	2	64,000 DWT	OSHIMA	U-MING	N/A	2028	
CONTAINER	3	8,400 TEU	GSI	PETER DOEHLE	120	2027-2028	LNG DF, +2 OPTIONS
GC	1	8,500 DWT	JIANGSU SOHO MARINE	ARRIVA SHIPPING		2026	



	DRY SECON	NDHAN	ID PRIC	CES (\$ n	nills)			
		Jan 2025	Feb 2024	±%	Ave 2025	rage Pi 2024	rices 2023	N t
	Resale	75.0	74.2	1%	75.0	75.7	61.4	a I
Capesize	5 Year	61.7	58.8	5%	61.7	62.2	62.2	
Capesize	10 Year	42.5	38.4	11%	42.5	43.1	30.4	ι
	15 Year	26.3	24.8	6%	26.3	27.9	19.7	S
	Resale	39.4	40.2	-2%	39.4	41.8	37.9	- P
Kamsarmax	5 Year	33.8	34.6	-2%	33.8	36.5	36.5	h
Kamsaimax	10 Year	24.5	26.2	-6%	24.5	27.3	22.9	
	15 Year	14.8	16.7	-11%	14.8	18.1	15.2	h
	Resale	38.0	38.8	-2%	38.0	40.6	36.2	la
Ultramax	5 Year	31.3	32.0	-2%	31.3	34.4	34.4	0
	10 Year	22.7	25.5	-11%	22.7	26.0	19.6	b
Supramax	15 Year	14.5	15.1	-4%	14.5	15.9	14.4	S
	Resale	33.2	33.4	-1%	33.2	34.0	31.0	
Handysize	5 Year	25.6	26.8	-4%	25.6	27.3	27.3	
nanuysize	10 Year	17.4	18.7	-7%	17.4	19.8	17.2	
	15 Year	11.1	12.0	-8%	11.1	12.3	10.9	

Dry S&P Activity:

Newcastlemax and Capesize sectors saw strong activity this week, accounting for half of all sales. Seanergy acquired the Newcastlemax "*Berge Kita*" -208K/2013 Imabari for USD 39 mills. In the Capesize sector, the "*Cape Friendship*"-186K/2005 Kawasaki was sold for USD 16 mills, and the "*Gloriuship*"-171K/2004 Hyundai Samho found new owners for USD 15 mills. The Post-Panamax and Kamsarmax sectors were also active, having to report two vessels. The Post-Panamax "*Kambanos*"-87K/2010 Hudong Zhonghua changed hands for USD 12 mills. Chronos shipping sold their last Kamsarmax, the "*Patra*"-81K/2012 Universal, to Greek buyers close to USD 16 mills. Finally, Chinese buyers acquired the Supramax "*Orion*"-56K/2007 Mitsui for USD 10.5 mills.

BULK CARRIER SALES										
NAME	DWT YEAR	COUNTRY	YARD	YARD BUYERS		COMMENTS				
BERGE KITA	207,851 2013	JAPAN	IMABARI	SEANERGY	39					
CAPE FRIENDSHIP	185,879 2005	JAPAN	KAWASAKI	UNDISCLOSED	16					
GLORIUSHIP	171,314 2004	S. KOREA	HYUNDAI SAMHO	UNDISCLOSED	15					
KAMBANOS	87,328 2010	CHINA	HUDONG ZHONGHUA	UNDISCLOSED	12					
PATRA	80,596 2012	JAPAN	UNIVERSAL	GREEK	Close to 16					
ORION	56,071 2007	JAPAN	MITSUI	CHINESE	10.5					

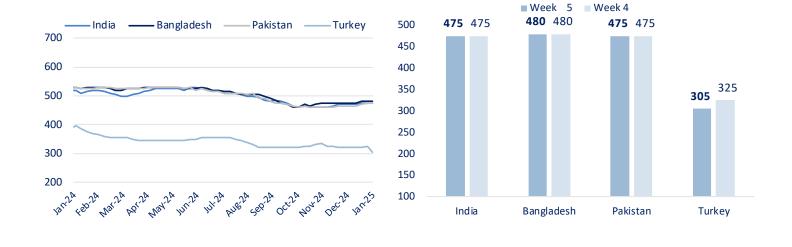


TANKER SECONDHAND PRICES (\$ mills)										
		Jan	Feb	10/	Ave	rage Pr	ices			
		2025	2024	±%	2025	2024	2023			
	Resale	148.0	138.6	7%	148.0	144.2	125.1			
VLCC	5 Year	114.0	109.4	4%	114.0	113.6	113.6			
VLCC	10 Year	84.0	80.8	4%	84.0	84.1	75.1			
	15 Year	53.0	57.1	-7%	53.0	57.1	58.6			
	Resale	96.0	97.6	-2%	96.0	98.4	88.5			
Suezmax	5 Year	76.0	82.5	-8%	76.0	81.7	81.7			
Suczinax	10 Year	58.8	66.4	-11%	58.8	66.3	56.3			
	15 Year	39.5	47.6	-17%	39.5	47.4	40.9			
	Resale	80.0	82.7	-3%	80.0	84.3	78.6			
Aframax	5 Year	64.4	71.6	-10%	64.4	71.2	71.2			
Апапал	10 Year	51.3	57.6	-11%	51.3	58.2	51.6			
	15 Year	35.0	40.5	-13%	35.0	41.6	38.1			
	Resale	51.3	53.0	-3%	51.3	54.3	49.6			
MR2	5 Year	41.4	45.2	-8%	41.4	45.9	45.9			
IVII\Z	10 Year	31.2	37.7	-17%	31.2	37.5	33.0			
	15 Year	21.5	26.4	-19%	21.5	26.5	23.2			

Tanker S&P Activity:

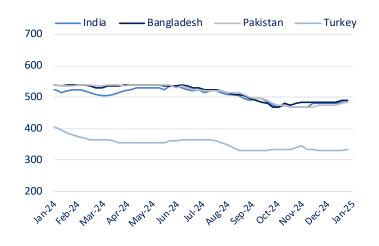
The VLCC sector saw very strong activity this week, with two sales reported. The Scrubber fitted VLCC "*Leicester*"- 301K/2017 SWS yard found new owners for 87 mills. The 20-year-old VLCC "*Gold Pearl*"-319K/2005 HHI was sold for USD 29.5 mills. The Aframax sector was also active, as the "*Sofia II*" - 105K/2008 Sumitomo was sold for excess USD 31 mills to Chinese buyers.

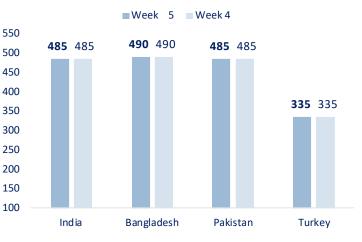
TANKER SALES										
NAME	DWT	YEAR	COUNTRY	YARD	BUYERS	PRICE (\$ mills)	COMMENTS			
LEICESTER	300,852	2017	CHINA	SWS	UNDISCLOSED	87	SCRUBBER FITTED			
GOLD PEARL	318,669	2005	S. KOREA	HHI	UNDISCLOSED	29.5	SS: 02/2025 - DD: 02/2025			
UMNENGA II	162,293	2006	S. KOREA	DAEWOO	UNDISCLOSED	36	ICE CLASS 1A, CPP			
SOFIA II	105,400	2008	JAPAN	SUMITOMO	CHINESE	EXCESS 31				



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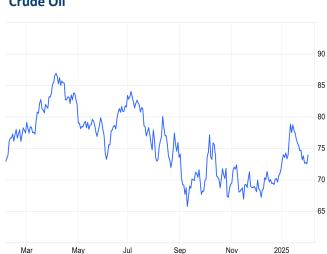
DEMO SALES									
NAME	ТҮРЕ	YEAR	DWT	LDT	COUNTRY	PRICE (\$/LDT)	BUYERS	COMMENTS	
NOLAN	TANKER	2000	299,543	41,554	S. KOREA	422	INDIA		
ULSAN GAS	LPG	1994	3,097	1,814	JAPAN	N/A	BANGLADESH		
KARAM 14	BC	1990	14,348	3,167	JAPAN	N/A	INDIA		
TASOS	BC	2000	75,100	10,738	JAPAN	476	BANGLADESH		
AK HAMBURG	GC	1982	8,828	2,600	JAPAN	440	INDIA		
ALEK	GC	1988	5,786	3,090	U.S.S.R	N/A	BANGLADESH		

COMMO	DITIES AND	O CURRENC	IES
Energy	Price	Weekly	ΥοΥ
Crude Oil	74.34	1.62%	3.68%
Brent	76.84	-0.25%	3.01%
Natural gas	3.31	1.88%	-8.78%
Gasoline	2.14	5.68%	6.40%
Heating oil	2.49	1.02%	7.38%
Ethanol	1.77	2.76%	4.59%
Naphtha	649.63	-0.42%	6.23%
Propane	0.90	-0.62%	15.41%
Uranium	71.35	-0.63%	-2.26%
Methanol	2,579	-1.04%	-6.79%
TTF Gas	54.43	13.63%	7.88%
UK Gas	132.74	9.96%	5.86%
Metals			
Gold	2800.24	2.14%	6.70%
Silver	31.27	3.66%	8.30%
Platinum	1006.40	6.13%	12.56%
Industrial			
Copper	4.21	0.16%	5.74%
Coal	118.50	1.85%	-5.39%
Steel	3306.00	-0.15%	-0.12%
Iron Ore	101.59	0.25%	-1.95%
Aluminum	2,575	-1.44%	0.90%
LithiumCNY/T	77,800	-0.06%	3.66%
Currencies			
EUR/USD	1.02	-2.30%	-1.04%
GBP/USD	1.23	-1.48%	-1.64%
USD/JPY	154.63	0.09%	-1.71%
USD/CNY	7.35	1.32%	0.14%
USD/CHF	0.92	1.56%	0.98%
USD/SGD	1.37	1.69%	0.15%
USD/KRW	1466.64	2.24%	-0.77%
USD/INR	87.17	0.90%	1.86%

Bunker Prices (in \$)	VLSFO	IFO380	MGO	Spread VLSFO- IFO380	Diff Spread w-o-w	% Spread w-o-w
Singapore	597.00	515.50	724.00	81.50	-10.5	-11.4%
Rotterdam	552.50	461.00	675.00	91.50	11.0	13.7%
Fujairah	585.50	484.00	772.50	101.50	-4.0	-3.8%
Houston	581.50	475.50	756.00	106.00	-10.0	-8.6%

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- In the U.S., the Dow Jones Industrial average increased by 0.3% at 44,545 points, S&P 500 went down by 1% at 6,041 points and NASDAQ fell by 1.64% at 19,627 points. The Euro Stoxx50 closed up by 1.29% at 5,287 points and Stoxx600 up by 1.78% at 540 points mark. In Asia, the Nikkei closed the week at 39,572, losing 0.9% on a weekly basis, while Hang Seng went up by 0.79% at 20,225 points mark and the CSI 300 index closed the week at 3,833 points, the same level with the previous week.
- WTI crude oil futures rose to around \$73.9 per barrel on Monday after U.S. President Donald Trump imposed tariffs on Canada, Mexico, and China, raising concerns about potential supply disruptions. The U.S. announced tariffs of 25% on goods from Canada and Mexico, and 10% on those from China, set to take effect on Tuesday. Canadian oil also faces a 10% tariff, while Mexican energy imports will be charged the full 25%, threatening higher costs for consumers.
- Newcastle coal futures were below \$115 per tonne, remaining close to the near-four-year-low of \$114 touched on January 10th amid soaring supply levels into the world's top consumers. The Chinese Coal Transportation and Distribution Association announced that output is set to expand 1.5% to 4.82 billion tons in 2025 following a record-setting 2024.







Crude Oil

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