



SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

Week 35 / 2020
(24 August– 28 August)

"Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated"

Confucius, Chinese philosopher and politician of the Spring and Autumn period. (551-479 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	(Aug 20)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	\$42,97	1,49%	6,70%
Brent ²	(Aug 20)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	\$45,05	1,58%	3,80%
Gas Oil ³	(Sep 20)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	\$365,50	1,53%	-1,42%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(Sep 20)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	\$1,32	2,45%	10,82%
Natural Gas ⁵	(Sep 20)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	\$2,66	8,54%	47,69%
Wheat ⁶	(Aug 20)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	\$539,00	-4,22%	1,51%
Corn ⁷	(Aug 20)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	\$346,00	5,81%	9,49%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(Aug 20)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	\$12,32	0,16%	6,25%
Soybeans ⁹	(Aug 20)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	\$951,88	5,34%	6,09%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(Aug 20)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	\$301,60	3,93%	4,25%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(Sep 20)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	\$12,60	-1,79%	-0,32%
Gold ¹²	(Aug 20)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	\$1.974,90	1,43%	0,05%
Silver ¹³	(Aug 20)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	\$27,79	3,96%	14,76%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	\$6.667,00	2,73%	3,96%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	\$1.800,00	1,98%	5,05%

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USD LIBOR	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
12 months	0,44525	0,96%	-0,75%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1,1915	1,24%	0,57%
USD / INR	73,114	-2,41%	-2,41%
USD / TRY	7,3182	1,24%	5,30%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	3508,01	3,26%	7,24%
USA	NASDAQ-100	11995,85	3,81%	9,99%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	102143	0,61%	-0,75%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1265,62	0,29%	2,53%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	39467,31	2,69%	4,95%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	4844,27	2,66%	3,18%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	56057,58	0,19%	0,60%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	534,47	-15,60%	-13,46%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	0,724	13,84%	35,83%
Brazil	6,36	-8,09%	0,95%
Russia	6,11	-1,93%	3,04%
India	6,097	-0,70%	4,45%
China	3,083	2,60%	3,70%
S.Africa	9,315	0,54%	0,76%
Greece	1,098	0,37%	0,64%

BALTIC EXCHANGE				BUNKERS			
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	1488	0,47%	10,22%				
BCI	2218	2,69%	0,54%	BCI T/C Average	\$18394	2,66%	0,54%
BPI	1617	-2,18%	31,78%	BPI T/C Average	\$14549	-2,20%	31,72%
BSI	958	-0,42%	10,11%	BSI T/C Average	\$10537	-0,46%	10,16%
BHSI	570	4,40%	20,25%	BHSI T/C Average	\$10258	4,32%	20,13%

Port	Grades		
	IFO380	VLSFO	MGO
Fujairah	281	336	459
Houston	278	321	373
Rotterdam	275	319	363
Singapore	292	345	378

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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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