



SNAPSHOT OF COMMERCIAL INDICATORS

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“When we are tired, we are attacked by ideas we conquered long ago.”

Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche, was a German philosopher, cultural critic and philologist whose work has exerted a profound influence on modern intellectual history. (1844-1900)

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 our business.

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COMMODITY FUTURES					
Commodity		Exchange – Currency& Unit	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
Crude Oil ¹	(May 22)	NYMEX - (USD/Barrel)	\$109.24	4.44%	9.71%
Brent ²	(May 22)	ICE EU - (USD/Barrel)	\$111.14	2.14%	6.27%
Gas Oil ³	(May 22)	ICE EU - (USD/MT)	\$1,107.52	-9.88%	2.17%
RBOB Gasoline ⁴	(May 22)	NYMEX - (USD/US Gallon)	\$3.62	4.77%	14.86%
Natural Gas ⁵	(May 22)	NYMEX - (USD/1 mio BTU)	\$8.05	11.81%	40.83%
Wheat ⁶	(May 22)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	\$1,108.66	4.78%	11.78%
Corn ⁷	(May 22)	CBOT - (USD/ Bushel)	\$784.26	-3.88%	6.54%
Rice (rough) ⁸	(May 22)	CBOT - (USD/Hundredweight)	\$17.03	-2.40%	6.55%
Soybeans ⁹	(May 22)	CBOT - (USD Cents/Bushel)	\$1,620.63	-3.76%	2.15%
Soybean Meal ¹⁰	(May 22)	CBOT - (USD/Short ton)	\$413.72	-5.77%	-8.45%
Sugar #11 ¹¹	(May 22)	ICE US - (USD/Pound)	\$19.13	-0.03%	-1.37%
Gold ¹²	(May 22)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	\$1,878.54	-1.52%	-2.31%
Silver ¹³	(May 22)	COMEX - (USD/Troy ounce)	\$22.40	-2.99%	-9.09%
Copper ¹⁴	(3 Months)	LME - (USD/MT)	\$9,414.50	-3.63%	-9.07%
Aluminium ¹⁵	(3 Months)	LME -(USD/MT)	\$2,841.85	-6.79%	-17.44%

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USD LIBOR	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
12 months	2.69471	2.52%	24.09%

EXCHANGE RATE	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
EUR / USD	1.057	0.28%	-4.36%
USD / INR	76.8568	2.14%	1.17%
USD / TRY	14.9247	0.76%	1.62%

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STOCK MARKETS		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	S&P 500	4,076	-1.51%	-10.35%
USA	NASDAQ-100	12,694	-1.25%	-14.59%
Brazil	IBOVESPA	104,882	-2.39%	-13.73%
Russia	RTSI INDEX	1,100	2.04%	6.49%
India	S&P BSE SENSEX	54,836	-3.90%	-7.49%
China	CSI 300 INDEX	3,906	-2.54%	-8.33%
S.Africa	FTSE/JSE Africa All Share Index	67,990	-6.08%	-10.23%
Greece	ATHENS INDEX COMPOS	872	-5.38%	-2.22%

10-YEAR BOND YIELD	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
USA	3.14%	6.94%	31.52%
Brazil	12.68%	3.97%	15.06%
Russia	10.21%	1.09%	-9.41%
India	7.45%	4.37%	8.88%
China	2.83%	-0.25%	0.82%
S.Africa	10.09%	1.36%	5.10%
Greece	3.54%	6.24%	32.10%

BALTIC EXCHANGE							
	Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly		Actual last	% weekly	% 4-weekly
BDI	2,718	13.06%	15.32%				
BCI	2,894	35.49%	55.26%	BCI T/C – 180.000 dwt	\$24,002	35.50%	55.25%
BPI	3,175	8.07%	3.32%	BPI T/C – 82.500 dwt	\$28,572	8.05%	3.30%
BSI	2,729	-0.18%	-0.94%	BSI T/C – 58.000 dwt	\$30,024	-0.17%	-0.91%
BHSI	1,640	2.95%	-3.24%	BHSI T/C – 38.000 dwt	\$29,516	2.92%	-3.26%

BUNKERS			
	Grades		
Port	IFO380	VLSFO	MGO
Fujairah	768	895	1374
Houston	740	857	1390
Rotterdam	644	829	1258
Singapore	750	880	1237

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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 =158.98litres = 0.13642565 metric tons)
2. Brent - U.S. Dollars and Cents per barrel (contract of 1,000 barrels, 1 barrel = 42 us gallons = 158.98litres= 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 5,000bushels ~ 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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