



European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	29625	27375	-7.6%
Cape Q222	28250	26250	-7.1%
Cape Cal 23	22000	21250	-3.4%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Pmx 1 month forward	27750	26925	-3.0%
Pmx Q1222	27625	26700	-3.3%
Pmx Cal 23	16250	16025	-1.4%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Smx 1 month forward	31750	30500	-3.9%
Smx Q2 22	30950	29900	-3.4%
Smx Cal 23	16075	15800	-1.7%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Brent	104.39	106.72	2.2%
WTI	99.27	102.4	3.2%
Iron ore	161.34	163.75	1.5%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

The Chinese are on holiday today and tomorrow, however the futures did move higher on light volume with the trend remaining technically bullish. As previously highlighted the current upside move is greater in time but weaker in price than the previous bull wave, leaving us concerned about the strength of the technical.

Copper

The daily trend remains bullish with price moving higher today. The intraday price is obviously also moving higher, but the moving average band remains compressed suggesting the intraday trend is not considered as stable. Upside moves above USD 10,520 will break fractal resistance, warning the USD 10,589 and USD 10,764 resistance levels could be tested. The futures are currently at USD 10,436, if we close above the USD 10,377 level it will further support a buyer's argument. Downside moves below USD 10,166 (low of the bullish support candle) will warn the futures could look to test the USD 9,820 fractal support. However, we have the moving average band (30-60) between USD 10,203 – USD 10,052, meaning downside moves will not be considered a technical sell.

Capesize

We noted last week that the futures were vulnerable to a test to the downside due to the carry over the index. Due to the lack of upside movement in the index (USD 564 lower at USD 14,896) we are seeing the May futures come under pressure with price USD 2,250 lower at USD 27,375, if we trade below USD 27,250 then we target the USD 24,500 level and potentially the USD 22,425 support levels. If we hold above the USD 27,250 level then we could see resistance levels be tested; however, with China also out tomorrow, momentum at this point is to the sell side, suggesting support levels will be broken in the morning.

Panamax

The index continues to weaken with price USD 525 lower at USD 25,799, the technical although bullish now has a neutral bias. The May futures came under pressure on the open with price trading below key support, meaning the futures also have a neutral bias. Price did stabilize for most of the day before selling back down to the lows into the close. The daily candlesticks are making lower lows, but price is still holding in the EMA support band, meaning the futures are not considered a technical sell at this point. The 3-year seasonality chart turns higher on the 8th, with price testing support downside moves could potentially be limited here.

Supramax

The index is bearish and continues to come under pressure with price USD 413 lower at USD 29,888, technically bearish but the RSI and its moving average are above 50, if they can hold above these levels then it is worth noting that the 3-year seasonality chart could soon start to base. The may futures have traded below the USD 30,575 support, meaning the intraday technical is neutral, key levels on the intraday to follow now are USD 29,750 and USD 26,750. We are bullish but with a neutral bias with price still in the EMA support band, if we start closing below and holding below the USD 29,900 level then the USD 26,750 support could be tested, at this point the futures although lower are not considered a technical sell.

Oil

Having come under pressure in recent days the futures are finding support in the EMA band, if we close today above USD 106.24 (currently 106.68) then we could see upside resistance levels be tested. We noted on the morning report that upside moves above USD 105.88 will target the USD 106.24 fractal resistance on the 1-hour chart which would take the intraday technical into bull territory. The futures are now bullish with price trading to a high of USD 108.68 before retreating. Technically bullish on the intraday we need to see a close above USD 106.24, otherwise support levels (USD 103.07 – USD 102.35) could be tested.

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