

FIS European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change		Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	22000	21300	-3.2%	Pmx 1 month forward	28500	26925	-5.5%
Cape Q322	35250	34875	-1.1%	Pmx Q322	28300	27350	-3.4%
Cape Cal 23	22000	21925	-0.3%	Pmx Cal 23	16425	16525	0.6%

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Smx 1 month forward	32950	31650	-3.9%	Brent	107.25	107.33	0.1%
Smx Q3 22	30500	29425	-3.5%	WTI	102.56	103.14	0.6%
Smx Cal 23	16500	16750	1.5%	Iron ore	150.78	151.47	0.5%

Iron ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore rose in China after global miners announced lower-than-expected shipments, even as virus lockdowns and the possibility of more curbs on steel production clouded the demand outlook. Futures of the steel-making material bounced back, with steel products also advancing. Dalian prices had their biggest increase in a week, following news that mining giants Vale SA and Rio Tinto had missed estimates for production and mining volumes (Bloomberg). 24 hours ago, the futures had looked vulnerable; however, the futures are on support with the RSI at 51 with the stochastic oversold, momentum is vulnerable to a test to the upside. A close above USD 156.45 will warn that the 158.40 and USD 168.00 resistance levels could be tested, due to the futures being on support, price is not considered a technical sell at these levels.

Copper

As noted yesterday, the futures were moving lower despite the supply disruption, warning there was technical weakness in the market, the inability to hold above the USD 10,500 level warned that market could potentially be preparing for a downside move. The futures are now testing the EMA support band indicating that the futures are not considered a technical sell at these levels. However, a close below USD 10,153 will warn that the USD 9,820 fractal support could be tested. The EMA support bands would suggest a stable trend however the rejection of the USD 10,500 level would imply that the trend is starting to look vulnerable. The technical is bullish but is not considered a technical buy.

Capsize

The index is USD 178 higher today at USD 11,305, indicating that the momentum is slowing down, a close above USD 11,620 would imply that momentum is aligned to the buy side. However, the disparity remains above USD 10,000, implying that the May futures remain vulnerable to a test to the downside, USD 20,000 is now the key focus for market sellers. As previously highlighted historical data would suggest that for the futures to go on a bull run this carry should be between 4-5k, otherwise it has the potential to fail. Seasonality does lean to the buyside; however, the disparity outweighs this at this point, leaving the futures and the USD 20,000 fractal support vulnerable.

Panamax

The index is only USD 65.00 higher at USD 26,444, indicating that we are seeing a momentum slow down in price, this is reflected in the May futures which are USD 1,575 lower at USD 26,444. The downside move in the futures means we have seen a close below the low of the high candle. warning the USD 24,750 fractal support could be tested. Upside moves that close above USD 29,375 would suggest the USD 30,750 fractal resistance could be tested. The trend is bullish, but price action is not, the longer – period EMA support band is being tested; however, the trend itself is not stable. The RSI at 49.5 with the stochastic overbought would suggest that momentum is vulnerable to tests to the downside. The technical is bullish, price action is not, the break of trend support of intraday technical is warning that support levels could be tested.

Supramax

The index is USD 596 higher at USD 28,551, as noted yesterday, the May futures had previously priced in this upside move resulting in the futures closing the day USD 1,300 lower at USD 31,650. The technical is bullish on the intraday but we are seeing a bearish close on the daily candle chart warning of further downside moves tomorrow. The carry has narrowed to around USD 3,000 however, sentiment in the futures is starting to weaken, warning the USD 28,250 fractal support could be tested. The RSI is currently at 52 with the stochastic in overbought territory, if the RSI moves below 50, then the futures will be vulnerable to a more sustained corrective phase. At this point, the downside move is just a correction, however the candlestick pattern is warning of a further downside moves tomorrow.

Oil

Oil fluctuated as traders weighed a sharp drop in U.S. crude inventories that compounded concerns about global supply against an uncertain demand outlook. West Texas Intermediate traded near \$101 after swinging between gains and losses. U.S. crude stockpiles fell 8.02 million barrels, the biggest draw since January 2021, according to an Energy Information Administration report. Russia's crude and condensate production from April 1 to 19 fell 8.2% from the March average. Though earlier this week hawkish comments from the US Federal Reserve and a downgraded growth forecast from the IMF muddled the outlook (Bloomberg). As noted in the morning technical the futures had looked vulnerable to attest to the downside, resulting in price dropping around USD 5.00. Price has moved higher on the back of the EIA figures with price holding above our USD 103.44 support. Upside moves above USD 109.00 will indicate that the futures have entered bull territory. Technically corrective the EIA numbers alongside the futures holding above the 200-period MA would suggest that upside resistance levels could be tested. Technically corrective but not considered technical sell at this point.

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