



European Close

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Cape 1 month forward	9375	12025	28.3%	Pmx 1 month forward	11275	12100	7.3%
Cape Q1 23	8375	9725	16.1%	Pmx Q1 23	11700	12100	3.4%
Cape Cal 23	12975	13700	5.6%	Pmx Cal 23	12687.5	12950	2.1%

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Smx 1 month forward	11500	11750	2.2%	Brent	79.8	79.26	-0.7%
Smx Q1 23	11450	11825	3.3%	WTI	75.19	75.13	-0.1%
Smx Cal 23	12737.5	12850	0.9%	Iron ore	107.57	109.31	1.6%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore rallied - after falling 3.3% Monday - as Chinese banks-maintained benchmark loan rates and steel activity data showed signs of ongoing consumption. The steel-making ingredient climbed as much as 2% in Singapore before paring some gains. China kept its one- and five-year loan prime rates unchanged, maintaining flat borrowing costs for businesses as the country embarks on its post-Covid Zero re-opening. That comes on top of previous moves during December to beef up liquidity and lending (Bloomberg). Nothing has changed on the technical in the Jan futures, price is bullish with the USD 115.15 upside target now below the rising trend resistance. However, the futures are now consolidating around the 34-period EMA.

Copper

The futures have moved higher today with price trading above the USD 8,405.50 resistance, meaning the intraday technical is bullish passed on price. Upside moves that fail at or below USD 8,486 will warn that the futures are in a complex corrective phase, we highlight this as the recent downside move consisted of 5-waves rather than three, warning this move may have been phase 1 of a 3-wave corrective pattern.

Capesize

A good index today with price USD 1,491 higher at USD 19,617. We might be coming into the holiday period, but we think there is reason to be a little excited about this move. I am not going to spoil your fun; I am going to make you read the report. Capesize Technical Report 20/12/22 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/FIS-CAPESIZE-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-20-12-22.pdf>

Panamax

The index continues to come under pressure with price USD 213 lower at USD 13,259. The Jan futures however have followed the Capesize higher with the futures moving USD 825 higher to close the day at USD 12,100. The technical is bullish with a neutral bias due to the depth of the recent pullback with the futures still trading below index values. Upside moves that fail at or below USD 12,510 will leave the futures vulnerable to further tests to the downside, above this level we target the USD 13,150 high. Bullish/neutral, we need to see the index turn, or the MA on the RSI to convince this move has legs. However, if the capes are as bullish as we think it could be, then this could change.

Supramax

The index is another USD 213 lower today at USD 13,259 and this is weighing heavily on the paper. The Jan futures are higher on the day by USD 250 at USD 11,750 but we are not seeing the same confidence as we are seeing in the larger vessels. This is an interesting one, the futures are discounted to the index, and we do not see the paper as a technical sell, suggesting we could be in for a jump if the physical turns. I appreciate it is coming into a holiday period, and this could flatline, but something to be mindful of.

Oil

Technically we remain bearish with the futures now consolidating for the second day, we maintain our view that upside moves should be considered as countertrend,

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