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Cape 1 month forward	5650	6675	18.1%	Pmx 1 month forward	9675	10875	12.4%
Cape Q2 23	12600	13550	7.5%	Pmx Q2 23	13125	14225	8.4%
Cape Cal 24	14750	15075	2.2%	Pmx Cal 24	12900	13375	3.7%

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Smx 1 month forward	11475	12925	12.6%	Brent	84.07	82.62	-1.7%
Smx Q2 23	13575	14300	5.3%	WTI	76.34	76.25	-0.1%
Smx Cal 24	13125	13525	3.0%	Iron ore	128.41	131.06	2.1%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Anglo American Plc's South African iron ore unit said rail and port bottlenecks mean stockpiles of the steelmaking ingredient are continuing to build at its mines. South Africa's state-owned rail operator Transnet SOC Ltd. is struggling to ship coal and iron ore as it is hit by maintenance backlogs, vandalism and a lack of capacity. Kumba Iron Ore Ltd.'s said its stocks surged 28% to 7.8 million tons by the end of December from a year earlier. That cost the company about 10 billion rand (\$549 million) in lost sales, mainly in the fourth quarter (Bloomberg). The futures opened supported with some silly high ticks on the SGX platform at USD 139.80 before closing the day at USD 129.65. From a technical perspective we remain bullish; however, the daily RSI is in divergence with the RSI, not a buy signal it does need to be monitored, as it is warning we have the potential to see a momentum slowdown.

Copper

Copper steadied near a three-week high as traders parsed European purchasing managers indexes ahead of similar data from the US. The metal came under pressure from the dollar Tuesday amid muted risk appetite across markets, after rallying in the previous session during a US holiday. European data showing the manufacturing sector stagnating also weighed on industrial metals after a day of broad gains (Bloomberg). A very mixed day in the futures with price moving higher in the Asian session before coming under pressure around 8.00 a.m. on the back of a negative divergence on the 1-hour technical. The futures have held the EMA support band resulting in price moving back to new highs; however, the 1-hour RSI remains in divergence, meaning we are a cautious bull at this point.

Capesize v Panamax Spread

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Capesize

The index is another USD 159 higher today at USD 2,513, suggesting we could be forming a base around these levels; however, market buyers will want to see price above USD 4,432 to confirm the technical is bullish. The March futures opened the day with buying support above the daily pivot point with price remaining bid for the rest of the session. This looks to be only the sixth bullish close in the last 26 days, only on one occasion have we seen two bullish closes back to back. The futures are now at the base of the Fibonacci resistance zone, with price still below the key USD 7,561 level, meaning we need to see more upside from the futures to truly convince that we are turning bullish. However, if we move higher for more than two days and trade above the USD 7,041 level, then this will be the strongest upside move in time and price since we sold off from the USD 12,000 level. This could be significant, as it would suggest there is a change in sentiment taking place.

Panamax

The index has turned today with price USD 308 higher at USD 6,249. For more information on the technical please click on the link. Panamax Technical Report 21/02/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/FIS-PANAMAX-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-21-02-23.pdf>

Supramax

A big index today with price rising USD 878 to USD 8,878. The March futures started the day strongly and remained supported all day with the futures closing USD 1,400 higher at USD 12,875. The technical is bullish with the RSI trading to new highs alongside price, suggesting downside moves should be considered as countertrend; key intraday support has not changed since the morning report with USD 11,668 the key level to follow, the futures are bullish above this level and neutral below.

Oil

Oil fell, reversing earlier gains, as economic data highlighted the toll that interest rate hikes are taking on the US economy. Sales of previously owned homes in the US fell for the 12th straight month and dropped more than economists expected, according to data released Tuesday. That sent crude prices down after signs of a recovering market in China pushed them up earlier in the session (Bloomberg). The futures rejected the 4-hour 200-period MA going into the close last night with price also below key resistance levels, resulting in a move lower today. Technically we are bearish, but we are not really in a trending environment at this point, if we trade below the USD 81.80 fractal support, then the USD 79.10 and USD 77.61 levels will be vulnerable. Likewise, upside moves above USD 86.95 will have bullish implication going forward, suggesting the USD 91.25 resistance could be vulnerable.

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