



European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	#N/A N/A	19425	#VALUE!
Cape Q2 23	#N/A N/A	18862.5	#VALUE!
Cape Cal 24	#N/A N/A	16200	#VALUE!

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Pmx 1 month forward	#N/A N/A	15700	#VALUE!
Pmx Q2 23	#N/A N/A	15662.5	#VALUE!
Pmx Cal 24	#N/A N/A	13275	#VALUE!

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Smx 1 month forward	#N/A N/A	14825	#VALUE!
Smx Q2 23	#N/A N/A	14633	#VALUE!
Smx Cal 24	#N/A N/A	13350	#VALUE!

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Brent	84.18	85.29	1.3%
WTI	79.74	81.25	1.9%
Iron ore	117.49	119.75	1.9%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore in Singapore rose, reversing a decline earlier on Tuesday, amid concerns that the world's largest bulk export port could be impacted by a severe cyclone this week. The steel-making raw material surged as much as 1.8% on concern that shipments from Port Hedland in Western Australia may be halted, tightening supplies at a time when China's peak construction period is underway. The port ships most of Australia's iron ore exports, including 10.7 million tons in the week to March 24. As Western Australia braces for possibly its largest cyclone in almost a decade, the Pilbara Ports Authority has sprung into action, stating it will start clearing vessels from 2 a.m. Wednesday local time (Bloomberg). Having been in divergence for the last few days futures moved higher this morning on the cyclone news. The May contract has come under pressure this afternoon with the futures trading at USD 118.20 going into the close, warning that the USD 115.35 fractal low is vulnerable. As noted on the morning report, a new low will suggest downside continuation within the wave C corrective phase. Key resistance remains unchanged at USD 123.03; the futures are bearish below this level and neutral above.

Copper

Copper rose for a third session as investors weighed the possibility of more stimulus in China, the world's top consumer. China's consumer inflation slowed in March, leaving room for the central bank to ease monetary policy to aid the recovery. While banks are cutting interest rates to depositors, new loans allocated in China soared in March. "This very strong loan growth indicates that banks could be under window guidance to grow more loans to support the economic recovery," Iris Pang, chief economist for Greater China at ING Group NV, said in an emailed note (Bloomberg). The futures have traded to a high of USD 8,920 with price trading at USD 8,878 going into the close. Key resistance is at USD 8,946, the futures remain vulnerable to further tests to the downside if the resistance level holds, if broken we have a neutral bias. We also have a consolidation phase above us suggesting USD 8,946 could be an area of interest for market sellers. Technically bearish with the RSI at 50 whilst the stochastic is in overbought territory, if the RSI moves below 50 then the futures could be vulnerable to a move lower. However, if the RSI moves above and holds above 50 then the overbought stochastic is considered as less relevant.

Capesize

The index is coming under pressure again with price USD 1,079 lower at USD 15,849 today. The May contract sold off on the open with price coming under pressure for the remainder of the session, for more information on the technical please click on the link. Capesize Technical Report 11/04/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/FIS-CAPESIZE-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-11-04-23.pdf>

Panamax

We are seeing a momentum slowdown in the index with price only USD 8.00 higher at USD 15,333 today. The May futures are USD 1,125 lower at USD 15,625, meaning the USD 15,869 support has been broken. The technical remains bullish but now has a neutral bias, the depth of the pullback is warning that the USD 14,900 fractal support is now vulnerable. If broken it will mean that we remain in a complex corrective phase, suggesting the USD 14,200 fractal support should in theory be tested and broken. The MA on the RSI has turned lower meaning momentum is weak at this point, again warning support levels are looking vulnerable at this point.

Supramax

Downside momentum in the index is picking up with price USD 329 lower at USD 12,444. Like the rest of the freight complex the May futures have come under pressure with price USD 675 lower at USD 14,825 going into the close. USD 14,778 is the key support to follow as below this level the pullback will be considered as deep, meaning the technical will have more of a neutral bias, warning the USD 14,200 fractal support could come under pressure. If broken it would suggest the corrective move is a complex one.

Oil

Oil rose above \$80 a barrel ahead of agency reports that will shed light on supply and demand trends following the announcement of surprise OPEC+ production cuts. Investors will get more insight into the state of the oil market later Tuesday when the US Energy Information Administration releases its short-term outlook. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and the International Energy Agency also are scheduled to issue monthly reports this week. "Energy traders are trying to get a sense of how much crude demand is going to return from China and how much of a slowdown is getting priced in from the US," said Ed Moya, a senior market analyst at Oanda (Blomberg). This is a market that really is in balance, we have moved higher on the OPEC cut but have since consolidated. If we trade above USD 86.44 it will suggest caution as the futures will be in divergence; however, above USD 86.75 the daily technical will be bullish, meaning the bearish Elliott wave cycle will have failed. The market needs news to give it a directional bias, as price is consolidating. The EIA short-term outlook could be the kickstart we need!

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