



European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change		Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	16875	16600	-1.6%	Pmx 1 month forward	10700	10550	-1.4%
Cape Q3 23	17725	17750	0.1%	Pmx Q3 23	11687.5	11550	-1.2%
Cape Cal 24	14600	14625	0.2%	Pmx Cal 24	11350	11250	-0.9%

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Smx 1 month forward	10025	9975	-0.5%	Brent	75.42	76.96	2.0%
Smx Q23 23	11475	11225	-2.2%	WTI	70.94	72.42	2.1%
Smx Cal 24	11375	11450	0.7%	Iron ore	112.9	110.95	-1.7%

Iron ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore fell with traders looking to Beijing for fresh stimulus to prop up tepid steel demand, as China's construction industry moves into its off-peak summer months. The steelmaking staple sank as much as 3% before paring losses, after ending Tuesday down 0.7%. Before that, it had five consecutive days of gains. Investors continue to seek signs that China will shore up the building sector as steel demand suffers a seasonal decline. Spot trading remained slow, with billet prices in Tangshan falling on Wednesday, according to a Mysteel report (Bloomberg). The futures remain bullish based on price; however, the move lower this morning has breached the USD 109.75 support, meaning we now have a neutral bias. Little price movement this afternoon as we approach the Dragon Boat holiday with the July contract closing the day at USD 110.90. We maintain a cautious view on upside moves.

Copper

As stated in the morning report, for the last couple of days, we remain technically bullish, but price is in divergence, suggesting caution on the upside move, as the futures are vulnerable to a technical pullback. The futures remain supported having moved sideways for the last few sessions; however, volume is dropping, warning buyside intensity has reduced, again suggesting caution. We continue to trade near the highs but have so far failed to trade above the USD 8,634 level.

Capesize

A good index today with price USD 1,581 higher at USD 14,350. A mixed day in the futures with the July contract trading at a high of USD 17,300 early on, before selling lower this afternoon to close at USD 16,700, down USD 175 on the day. This means we have a small rejection candle in play to counter the bullish close yesterday, normally we would have expected some near-term follow through; however, with China closed for the next few days we seem to have seen some profit taking in the market. Technically we remain unchanged and remain cautious on upside moves based on the Elliott wave cycle. Just a note of caution on the open tomorrow if we stay at these levels, as the pivot point looks like it will be around USD 16,850, if we open below the pivot we could potentially come under pressure.

Panamax

The index is USD 151 lower today at USD 9,081, meaning momentum based on price is aligned to the sell side. We maintain a cautious view on upside moves, for more information on the technical, please click on the link. Panamax Technical Report 21/06/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/FIS-PANAMAX-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-21-06-23.pdf>

Supramax

Buyside momentum is now starting to weaken with price only USD 21 higher today at USD 8,369. A very uninspiring day in the July futures, having come under pressure early on we are coming into the close USD 50 lower at USD 9,975. Technically bearish, the USD 9,150 low is starting to look vulnerable.

Oil

U.S. crude-oil inventories are expected to have decreased slightly from the previous week in data due Thursday from the Energy Department, according to a survey by The Wall Street Journal. The average of estimates from 11 analysts and traders showed U.S. commercial crude-oil stockpiles are projected to have declined by 100,000 barrels for the week ended June 16. Five analysts forecast a decline and six analysts predict an increase. Forecasts range from a decrease of 4.2 million barrels to an increase of 2.5 million barrels (Bloomberg). The futures had a positive day today with price USD 1.25 higher at USD 77.15. Technically we maintain a bearish view based on our Elliott wave analysis, but with a note of caution due to the support zone highlighted in the morning reports. The intraday 4-hour futures are showing a minor negative divergence with the RSI, not a sell signal it does warn that we have the potential to see a momentum slowdown and will need to be monitored. Ultimately, the futures are consolidating in a USD 7.50 range between USD 71.28 – USD 78.73.

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