



# European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	12825	13375	4.3%
Cape Q4 23	15450	15800	2.3%
Cape Cal 24	13500	13625	0.9%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Pmx 1 month forward	8050	8450	5.0%
Pmx Q4 23	9750	10250	5.1%
Pmx Cal 24	9950	10350	4.0%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Smx 1 month forward	9150	9250	1.1%
Smx Q4 23	10200	10450	2.5%
Smx Cal 24	10250	10475	2.2%

	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Brent	79.54	79.18	-0.5%
WTI	75.4	75.17	-0.3%
Iron ore	112.75	115.15	2.1%

Iron ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Industrial metals from copper to iron ore climbed after China said it would step up measures to boost its flagging economy in sectors including steel and automobile manufacturing. China's Communist Party and government issued a joint pledge late Wednesday to improve conditions for private businesses in a signal that Beijing wants to bolster corporate confidence as economic growth wanes. That followed an announcement from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, in which it said it was drafting plans to boost development in 10 key industries, including steel and autos (Bloomberg) The futures had already made their move higher before this announcement came out today, meaning the upside traction was limited today. August traded to a high of USD 115.30 meaning price is in divergence with the RSI, not a sell signal it is a warning that we could see a momentum slowdown. Having made a new high, we have seen a small pullback to USD 114.40. A cautious bull on the back of the divergence.

## Copper

On the back of the Chinese pledge to support the Auto and manufacturing sector we have seen the futures move higher today. We noted in the morning report that the futures were bullish but with a neutral bias, however, due to the sector support we highlighted that USD 8,580 was the key resistance to follow. The futures traded to a high of USD 8,581 before correcting with price trading at USD 8,500 into the close. The futures are technically neutral at this point.

## Capesize

The index is another USD 391 lower today at USD 11,787. In the August futures we have noted in recent days that the minimum requirement for phase cycle completion has been achieved with a potential downside target zone between 12,410 and USD 12,099. Having traded to a low of USD 12,450 the futures have found bid support today with price closing USD 550 at USD 13,375. Technically we remain bearish but maintain our view that we are no longer a technical sell due to price moving higher on the back of the positive divergence.

## Panamax

The index continues to come under pressure with price USD 437 lower at USD 7,167. Having traded to a new low yesterday the futures have found light bid support today on the back of the positive divergence with the RSI. We have achieved the minimum requirement phase/cycle completion on the Elliott wave, meaning we no longer consider the futures a technical sell. Based on the index move lower in the last two days, we may have one more move lower, but in terms of risk reward against trend exhaustion, we maintain the futures are not a TA sell at these levels.

## Supramax

The index continues to make small moves higher with price up USD 39 at USD 8,331 today. The August futures have tested but held the USD 9,000 fractal support with price moving slightly higher post index. For more information on the technical, please click on the link. Supramax Technical Report 20/07/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/FIS-SUPRAMAX-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-20-07-23.pdf>

## Oil

Technically bullish having broken the USD 80.56 resistance last night. We noted in the morning report that the futures will need to trade above the high of the intraday rejection candle highlighted last night (USD 80.93), if we did, it could create a short squeeze in the market, meaning the USD 81.75 fractal high could be tested. However, the upside move has failed to hold resulting in price moving lower into the close, if we trade below USD 78.19 it will warn that there is a larger corrective cycle in play.

This is the last report for a few weeks, as I am going on my summer vacation to Cornwall. Yep, rain is forecast once again!

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