

FIS European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change		Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	25725	25050	-2.6%	Pmx 1 month forward	14950	14950	0.0%
Cape Q3 24	26625	26300	-1.2%	Pmx Q3 24	14862.5	14925	0.4%
Cape Cal 25	22325	22375	0.2%	Pmx Cal 25	13650	13700	0.4%
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Smx 1 month forward	15125	15587.5	3.1%	Brent	85.45	85.29	-0.2%
Smx Q3 24	15137.5	15500	2.4%	WTI	82.41	82.43	0.0%
Smx Cal 25	13050	13275	1.7%	Iron ore	105.3	107.25	1.9%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore continued a volatile week of trading, with prices struggling to find direction amid mixed market signals ahead of next week's big political gathering in Beijing. The steelmaking material rallied as much as 3.6% in Singapore on Thursday, following days of fluctuations including a 4.1% slump on Wednesday. Prices are down by nearly a quarter this year, largely because of pessimism over demand from China's ailing construction sector. Sentiment in China is uncertain in the run-up to the Third Plenum, a meeting of China's Communist Party leadership next week to set broad policy priorities. They are expected to unveil a series of economic reforms, with property policies a key area of interest (Bloomberg). Technically bearish in the August futures this morning, we remained cautious on upside moves due to the RSI recently making new lows on multiple timeframes. However, we noted that the futures were at an inflection point as we were back trading on the 200-period MA. We have seen a small move lower in the Asian evening session meaning we are just below the average; we maintain a cautious view on upside moves.

Copper

Technically bearish this morning, we were cautious on upside moves due to the double top resistance, the 200-period MA and the divergence, the futures have sold USD 100 lower with price trading at USD 9,805. The MA on the RSI remains weak meaning support levels are vulnerable, we continue to have a cautious view on upside moves.

Capesize

We are starting to get a bit of random price movement in the index with price coming in USD 270 lower at USD 26,396. The August futures opened with bid support but sold USD 675 lower having rejected the 200-period MA, to close at USD 25,050. Near-term price action has weakened, meaning support levels are vulnerable, as we have failed to close above the high of the last dominant bear candle (USD 27,000). However, as noted previously, we remain cautious on downside moves as we approach the USD 22-674 - USD 22,083 support zone. The futures have closed outside of the USD 27,075 – USD 24,625 range on 5 occasions in the last 37 trading days, indicating price action is still neutral. Spread report today. Capesize Spread Report 11/07/24 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/FIS-Capesize-outright-Morning-Technical-11-07-24-1.pdf>

Panamax

The index continues to strengthen with price USD 530 higher today at USD 13,403. The upside move in the August futures means that the probability of price trading to a new low has started to decrease. A bearish candle but an unchanged close (USD 675) due to price gapping higher on the open this morning, warning we could be preparing for an intraday pullback. However, our intraday Elliott wave analysis suggests that the downside cycle looks like it may have completed, meaning our analysis now suggests that downside moves should be considered as countertrend.

Supramax

Another steady rise today with price USD 91 higher at USD 14,971. As noted in the morning report, downside moves in the August contract looked like they would be countertrend with resistance levels vulnerable. The move above USD 15,325 means that the technical is now bullish (daily/intraday) with price closing USD 462.5 higher at USD 15,587.5. We maintain our view that downside moves are countertrend, implying the USD 15,750 fractal resistance should be tested and broken.

Oil

Oil swung in a narrow range as traders weighed the International Energy Agency's estimate that demand growth is slowing against a US government report showing signs of strengthening fuel consumption after the Fourth of July holiday. West Texas Intermediate bounced between gains and losses around \$82 a barrel; near the middle of the roughly \$4 range it has been trading in for the past three weeks. Volumes for the commodity have remained muted, coming in below their 100-day moving average, signaling the low liquidity typical of summer trading (Bloomberg). Bearish this morning, we maintained a cautious view on upside moves as they looked like they could be countertrend. The futures have been rangebound for the session with price USD .23 higher at USD 85.31 into the close, our technical view remains unchanged.

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