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Cape 1 month forward	25300	24625	-2.7%	Pmx 1 month forward	14550	14125	-2.9%
Cape Q4 24	27000	26750	-0.9%	Pmx Q4 24	15125	14975	-1.0%
Cape Cal 25	21650	21700	0.2%	Pmx Cal 25	13450	13400	-0.4%
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Smx 1 month forward	15175	14850	-2.1%	Brent	76.11	78.34	2.9%
Smx Q4 24	15125	15000	-0.8%	WTI	72.96	75.2	3.1%
Smx Cal 25	13150	13175	0.2%	Iron ore	102.85	101.05	-1.8%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Technically bearish with the MA on the RSI indicating that we had light momentum weakness. The move in the September futures below the USD 100.75 support means that the probability of the futures trading to a new high has started to decrease. We have seen light bid support in the Asian evening session with price closing the day USD 1.10 higher than this morning at USD 101.75. If was close above the high of the last dominant bear candle (USD 102.25) it will warn that the USD 103.96 resistance could come under pressure. Above this level, the technical will be back in bull territory; however, a rejection of this level will warn that the USD 98.00 fractal low could be tested and broken.

Copper

Copper headed for its lowest close since March as stockpiles surged by the most in four years, underscoring weak demand in Asia. The 42,175-ton inflow took inventories on the London Metal Exchange to the highest level since 2019, with the material flooding into sheds in South Korea and Taiwan. That's a sign of tepid consumption in China, where the LME has no warehouses (Bloomberg). Technically bearish this morning, the futures were trading in a symmetrical triangle pattern, although neutral, we noted that we should in theory break to the downside. Our Elliott wave analysis also suggested that we should break to the downside, but due to the divergence in play, we were cautious on moves below USD 8,714, as they could be limited. We have broken to the downside but are yet to trade below the USD 8,714 fractal low, we close the day USD 169.5 lower at USD 8,759. We maintain our view that the fractal low is vulnerable but have a cautious view on downside breakouts.

Capesize

The index continues to find buyside support with price USD 591 higher at USD 20,509 today. The Sep futures opened higher with price testing the 200-period MA on the open (USD 25,546); however, we had a cautious view and noted that that it was an area where market longs could potentially lock in some profits, leaving the futures vulnerable to a technical pullback. We have seen the futures reverse early gains to close the day USD 675 lower at USD 24,625. We are technically bullish but have a dark cloud cover candle pattern on the daily chart. This is a warning that buyside pressure is weakening, whilst tomorrow's pivot level is looking like it will be at USD 25,041, meaning we could see further weakness on the open. If we close on the daily candle tomorrow, below the low of the last dominant bull candle (USD 24,000), it will suggest that we are entering a corrective phase on the higher timeframe. Conversely, if we close above and hold above the intraday 200-period MA, it will imply that buyside pressure is increasing.

Panamax

A slight acceleration to the downside today with the index coming in USD 241 lower at USD 13,525. We were bearish in the Sep futures this morning with the MA on the RSI implying that momentum was weak. We noted that the break in RSI support meant that the USD 13,875 fractal support was starting to look vulnerable, this also suggested that upside moves looked like they could be countertrend. We then went on to explain our view on how the Elliott wave cycle could be extending to the downside (see Panamax morning technical 07/08/24). The futures closed USD 425 lower on the day at USD 14,125 with the MA on the RSI continuing to warn of momentum weakness. We maintain our view that upside moves look like they will be countertrend, with the USD 13,875 fractal support still looking vulnerable.

Supramax

The index remains bearish and steady with price USD 121 lower at USD 14,397. The Sep futures continued to sell lower with upside moves looking like they could be countertrend, due to the daily RSI making new lows. The Intraday RSI is testing support, warning we are vulnerable to a move higher in the near-term. We close the day USD 325 lower at USD 14,850. For more information on the technical, please click on the link. Supramax Technical Report 07/08/24 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/FIS-SUPRAMAX-4-PAGE-TECHNICAL-REPORT-07-08-24.pdf>

Oil

Oil futures add to early gains after the EIA says U.S. crude stocks fell by 3.7 million barrels last week, a sixth consecutive decline and bigger than expected. "The report's definitely bullish," says Dennis Kissler of BOK Financial. Crude is recovering from an over-reaction to the stock selloff earlier in the week, when fears were that an economic downturn would bring demand destruction, he says. "Travel demand in the U.S. is still elevated, and I think it's still higher than what the market anticipated." Middle East geopolitical tensions are also supporting crude, Kissler adds. WTI is up 3.4% at \$75.66 a barrel and Brent is up 2.9% at \$78.71 a barrel (WSJ/Bloomberg). We were technically bearish this morning with upside moves considered as countertrend. However, we noted that we had a bullish rejection candle on the daily chart, intraday momentum support, whilst price and momentum aligned to the buy side. The technical warned that we could see an intraday move higher in the near term. The futures have moved higher throughout the session with price trading USD 1.84 higher on the day at USD 78.32, as of 18.20 BST. In theory, this upside moves continues to look like it could be countertrend; however, if we do trade above the USD 79.51 resistance, then the probability of the futures trading to a new low will start to decrease.

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