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Cape 1 month forward	29225	30700	5.0%	Pmx 1 month forward	12650	14250	12.6%
Cape Q4 24	28350	28800	1.6%	Pmx Q4 24	14175	14375	1.4%
Cape Cal 25	21900	22000	0.5%	Pmx Cal 25	12925	12925	0.0%
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Smx 1 month forward	14750	15050	2.0%	Brent	79.96	78.83	-1.4%
Smx Q4 24	14875	14800	-0.5%	WTI	76.02	73.98	-2.7%
Smx Cal 25	12950	12900	-0.4%	Iron ore	101.9	100.9	-1.0%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Bearish with a neutral bias in the September futures this morning, we remained cautious on upside moves due to an intraday negative divergence in play. The futures have seen little price movement during the evening session and close the week 15 cents higher than the morning report at USD 100.90. For more information on the technical, please click on the link. Iron Ore Sep 24 (rolling Front Month) 30/08/24 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/FIS-Iron-Ore-Technical-30-08-24.pdf>

Copper

BHP Group Ltd. is moving ahead with a major expansion of the Olympic Dam copper smelter and refinery in South Australia, with permit applications now before the state government. The world's biggest miner aims to increase yearly output from 322,000 tons of cathode to 500,000 tons in the early 2030s, according to a statement on Friday, with a possible further boost to 650,000 tons also under consideration. It comes as BHP prepares for increased ore production from the region (Bloomberg). Bullish with a neutral bias this morning, we remained cautious on upside moves as the MA on the RSI implied that momentum was weak, whilst the move below USD 9,233 previously meant that the probability of the futures trading to a new high had started to decrease. We did initially move higher with price trading above the USD 9,368 support, taking the technical back into bullish territory; however, the move has failed to hold, resulting in the futures trading only USD 23 higher on the day at USD 9,267, meaning we are 50 bucks lower than the morning report. We maintain our view that support levels look vulnerable as we close the week.

Capesize

The index turned today with price coming in USD 170 lower at USD 25,700. We were technically bullish in the October futures on the open, with downside moves considered as countertrend based on our Intraday Elliott wave analysis. A bearish belt-hold candle pattern on the intraday chart had warned that we could potentially be about to enter a corrective phase. However, the futures remained supported for the remainder of the session, to close the week at USD 30,700. We maintain our view that downside moves look like they will be countertrend at this point. Going into the close the 6-period RSI is at 90.53, since 2019 we have been higher than this on just 5 occasions (based on our data), with the futures seeing only seeing a substantial move higher in 2020. On the other occasions we held a maximum of 3 sessions, before seeing a technical pullback.

Panamax

We are starting to see a slowdown in the index; however, price is another USD 132 lower at USD 10,507. The futures gapped higher on the open due to the roll into the October contract. We were cautious on upside moves as the lower timeframe RSI was overbought, warning we could see a technical pullback. The futures have moved another USD 250 higher to close the week at USD 14,250, meaning that the carry is USD 3,750 over the index. We do have time on our side; however, we will need to see some big index moves soon, to avoid a substantial technical pullback in the futures.

Supramax

The index is USD 60 lower today at USD 14,369, meaning price we are closing the week just above the daily 200-period MA at USD 14,286. The roll into October resulted in a USD 225 gap higher on the open. Like the rest of the freight complex the futures have moved higher in the evening session to close the week at USD 14,250. Technically, upside moves look like they should be countertrend based on our Elliott wave analysis, making USD 15,099 the key resistance to follow. If broken, then the probability of the futures trading to a new high will start to decrease. Momentum suggests that we need to see some form of technical pullback; however, Capesize momentum has suggested this all week and remained bid!

Oil

OPEC+ is leaning toward reviving oil production as planned in October, according to delegates involved in the discussions. Led by Saudi Arabia and Russia, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies are due to add 180,000 barrels a day as they gradually restore output that's been halted since 2022. For now, there aren't any signs of postponement, several officials said, asking not to be identified because the talks are private. OPEC+ has warned repeatedly that it could "pause or reverse" the hikes if necessary, and with prices eroded by China's faltering economy, analysts from Citigroup Inc. to Rystad Energy predicted a delay (Bloomberg). Technically bullish this morning, the futures have rejected the intraday 200-period MA (USD 80.10) resulting in price selling USD 1.11 lower at USD 78.83. This is in line with the Elliott wave cycle on the daily technical. For more information, please click on the link. FIS Technical (Daily)– Brent Sep 24 30/08/24 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/FIS-Oil-Technical-Report-30-08-24.pdf>

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