



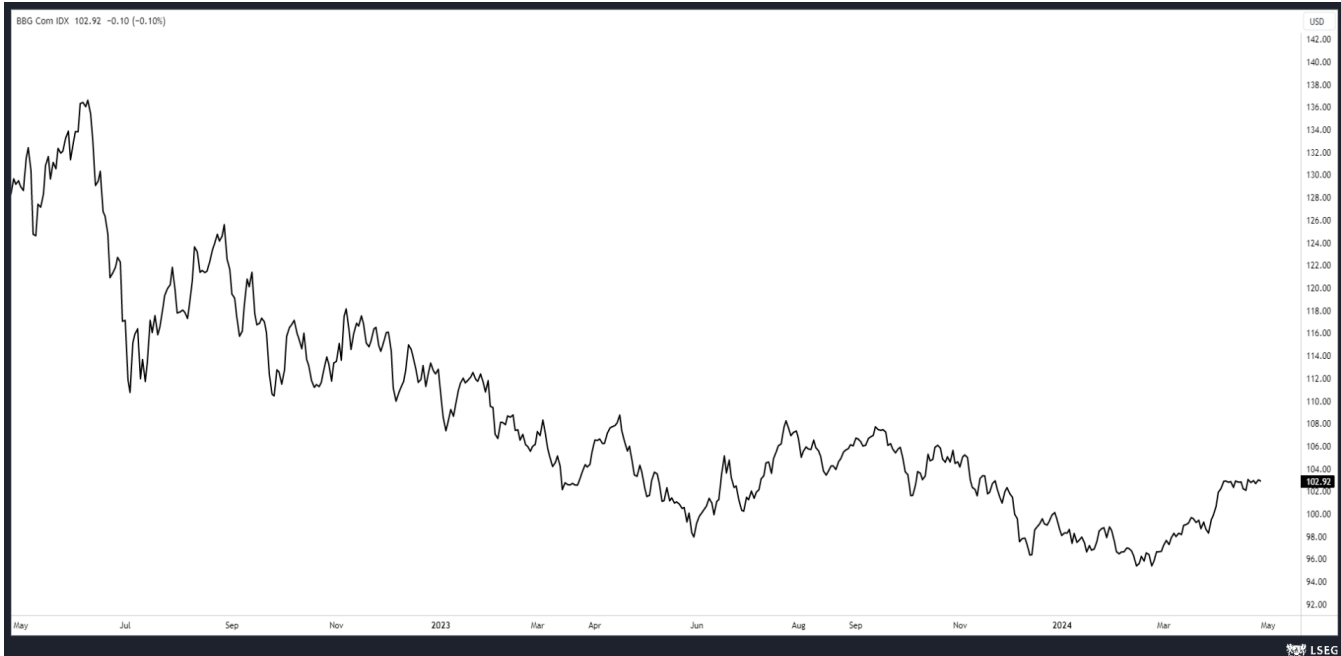
Commodities Weekly

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Bloomberg Commodity Index

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Components (BCOM Index):

Energy: (WTI Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Brent Crude Oil, Low Sulphur Gas Oil, RBOB Gasoline, ULS Diesel)

Grains: (Corn, Soybeans, Soybean Meal, Chicago Wheat, Soybean Oil, Kansas HRW Wheat)

Industrial Metals: (COMEX Copper, LME Zinc, LME Aluminium, LME Nickel)

Precious Metals: (Gold, Silver)

Softs: (Sugar, Coffee, Cotton)

Livestock: (Live Cattle, Lean Hogs)

S&P GSCI

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Components of S&P Goldman Sachs Commodity Index (GSCI):
Energy: (Crude Oil, Natural Gas)
Grains: (Corn, Soybeans, Wheat)
Industrial Metals: (Aluminum, Copper, Zinc, Nickel, Lead)

Precious Metals: (Gold, Silver, Platinum)
Softs: (Sugar, Coffee, Cotton, Cocoa)
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Weekly Snapshot

Objective: Recent increase in commodity import and volatility in global market raised the concern for proper management of commodity prices. BRAC Bank Ltd. has always been highly active in introducing different hedging products as well as informing clients with latest market trends. In light of this we are issuing this commodity update to inform our clients about the latest trend and updates in global commodity market.

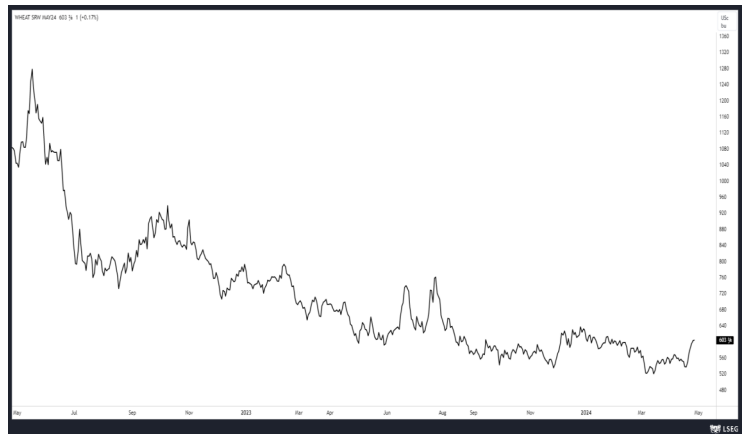
Commodity	Unit	Closing Price	% Δ Weekly	% Δ MoM	% Δ YoY	YTD High	YTD Low
Wheat	\$c/BSH	603.25	▲ 9.63%	▲ 7.68%	▼ -2.66%	628.75	519.50
Sugar	\$c/LBS	19.40	▼ -1.67%	▼ -13.85%	▼ -28.12%	24.62	19.17
Soybean	\$c/BSH	1,159.50	▲ 0.78%	▼ -2.69%	▼ -19.72%	1,289.50	1,115.00
Palm Oil	\$/Ton	817.63	▼ -0.43%	▼ -7.93%	▲ 9.20%	929.30	754.44
Cotton	\$c/LBS	79.40	▲ 0.90%	▼ -13.11%	▲ 0.47%	107.25	77.41
Brent Crude	\$/BBL	89.50	▲ 2.53%	▲ 2.31%	▲ 12.52%	92.18	74.79
LNG	\$/MMBTU	10.20	▲ -2.86%	▲ 7.37%	▼ -11.30%	11.20	8.30
Steel	\$/Ton	821.00	▼ -2.61%	▼ -4.53%	▼ -23.20%	1,135.00	780.00
SHFE Zinc	\$/Ton	3,136.73	▲ 0.74%	▲ 8.49%	▲ 1.75%	3,193.24	2,769.22
Indonesian Coal*	\$/Ton	109.77	0.00%	▼ -12.78%	▼ -61.22%	125.85	109.77
Australian Coal	\$/Ton	237.00	▲ -1.66%	▼ -13.90%	▼ -11.99%	336.00	277.50
Gold	\$/Ozs	2,337.72	▲ -2.21%	▲ 4.72%	▲ 17.49%	2,431.29	1,984.09

*Price published monthly once by Indonesian Govt

Wheat

Last Price USc **603.25**/BSH

CBOT wheat futures climbed for a seventh trading day on Friday, with the most active contract [Wv1](#) setting the largest weekly advance since the start of the Russia-Ukraine war. CBOT July wheat [WN24](#) settled up 1-3/4 cents at \$6.22-1/4 per bushel, closing higher for a seventh straight session. For the week, the most-active contract on a continual chart [Wv1](#) rose 55-1/2 cents per bushel, or 9.79% - the largest weekly move since February 2022. K.C. July hard red winter wheat [KWN24](#) ended the session up 13-1/4 cents at \$6.53-3/4 a bushel, while MGEX July spring wheat [MWEN24](#) settled up 5-1/4 cents to finish at \$7.03-1/2 a bushel.



Technical:

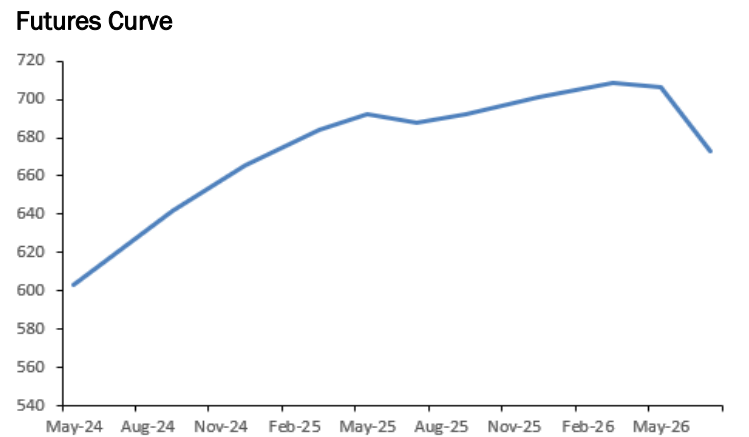
Wheat sets biggest weekly advance since start of Russia-Ukraine war. Next level to watch 577.75.

Support:

577.75 = Mar 2024 High
488.00 = Aug 2020 Low

Resistance:

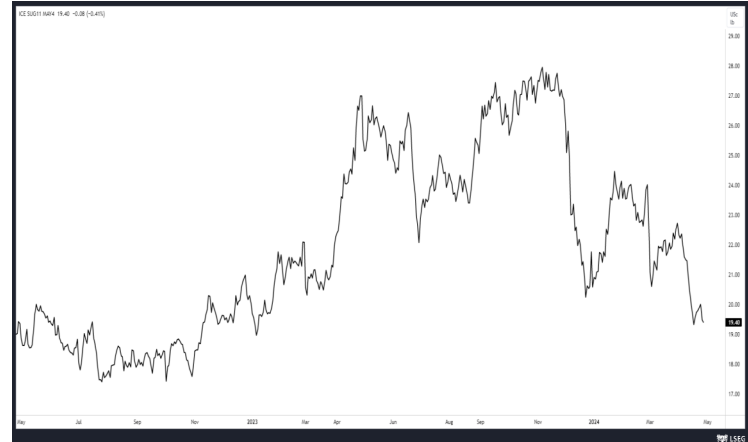
628.75 = Jan 2024 High
684.00 = Aug 2023 High



Sugar

Last Price USc **19.40**/LBS

Raw sugar futures on ICE turned lower on Friday, weighed down by stronger-than-expected sugar production in Brazil's key Centre-South region. May raw sugar [SBC1](#) was 0.15% lower at 19.45 cents per lb at 1511 GMT, with prices well below the day's high of 20 cents. Sugar production in [Centre-South Brazil](#) was 710,00 metric tons in early April, up 30.97% from the same period a year earlier. The expiry of the May contract on Tuesday was likely to provide a major short-term focus early next week. About 1 million tons of sugar was expected to be delivered against the contract. August white sugar [LSUc1](#) was down 0.1% at \$563 a ton.



Technical:

Raw sugar turns lower as Brazil sugar production climbs, next level to watch 20.60.

Support:

19.29 = Jan 2022 High

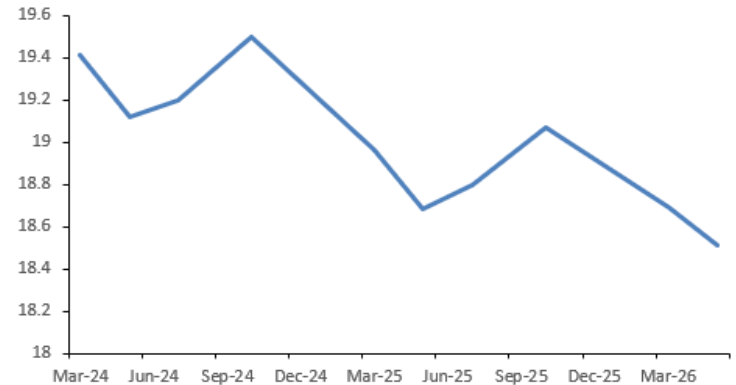
18.92 = Jan 2023 Low

Resistance:

20.60 = Jan 2024 Low

21.88 = Mar 2024 High

Futures Curve



Soybean

Last Price

USc **1,159.50**/BSH

CBOT soybean futures eased on Friday, pressured by continued competition from cheaper South American supplies and the potential of planting delays in the U.S. Midwest ahead of wet weather forecasts. Argentina's soybean harvest continues to progress and plentiful supplies from South America make U.S. soy less competitive globally. Soybean futures also faced pressure from a strengthening U.S. dollar [.DXY](#), bolstered in part by U.S. inflation data that showed no signs of easing. A stronger dollar also can make U.S. soy less competitive globally. CBOT July soybean futures [SN24](#) settled 2 -1/2 cents lower, at \$11.77-1/4 per bushel. But for the week, the most-active soybean contract on a continuous chart [Sv1](#) settled up 14-3/4 cents, or 0.99% higher-marking its first weekly advance since the week of March 11.

Technical:

Soybeans fall on wet weather, export competition, next level to watch 1,120.00.

Support:

1,094.00 = Oct 2020 High

1,042.00 = Nov 2020 Low

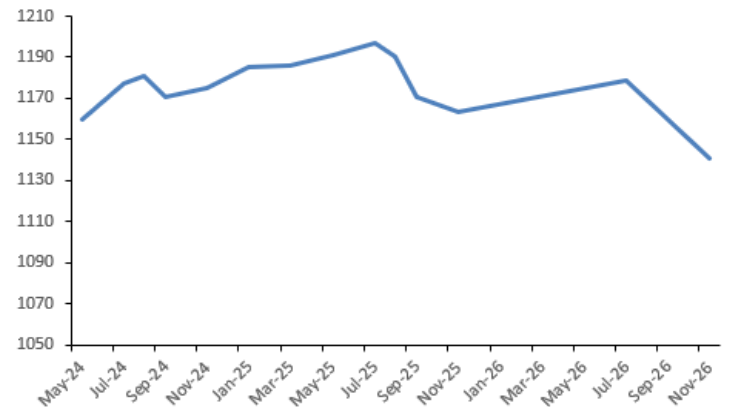
Resistance:

1,221.75 = Feb 2024 High

1,262.50 = Oct 2021 High



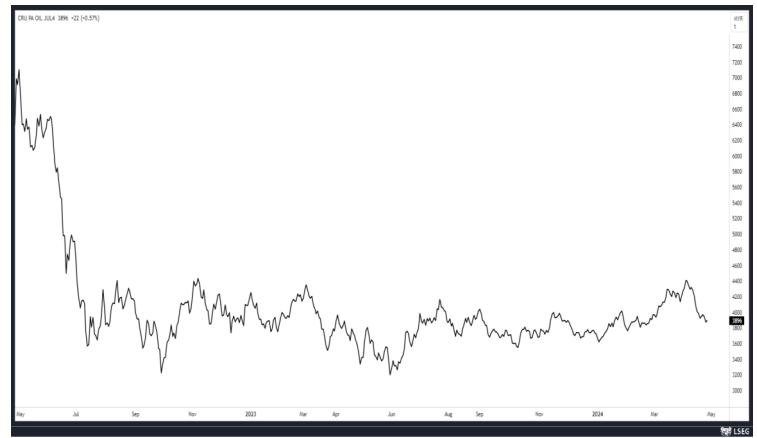
Futures Curve



Palm Oil

Last Price USD **817.63**/Ton

Malaysian palm oil futures rebounded from a two-day fall on Friday amid declining yields and ample domestic demand, while higher oil prices also supported, although the contract still closed lower for the week. The benchmark palm oil contract [FCPOc3](#) for July delivery on the Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Exchange closed up 22 ringgit, or 0.57%, to 3,896 ringgit (\$817.63) a metric ton. The contract lost 0.76% week-on-week. Palm oil is affected by price movements in related oils as they compete for a share in the global vegetable oils market. Oil prices rose on Friday, on track to end higher this week after two straight weeks of losses, after a top U.S. official expressed optimism over economic growth and as supply concerns lingered due to conflicts in the Middle East.



Technical:

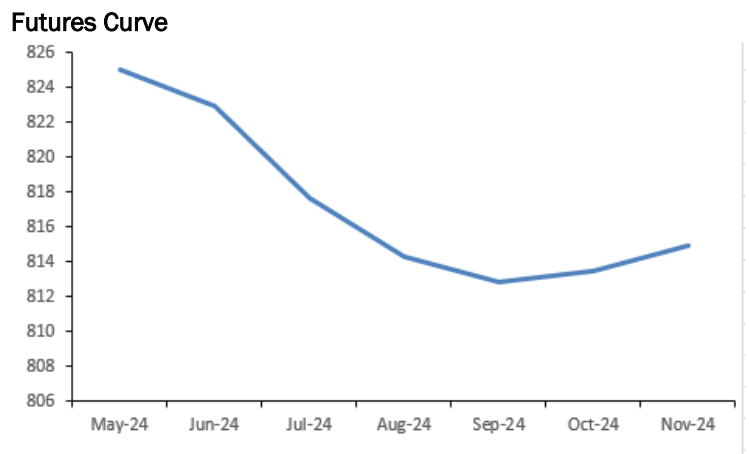
Palm oil rebounds from two day fall but still down weekly, next level to watch 900.00.

Support:

803.60 = Oct 2023 High
 787.87 = Jul 2021 Low

Resistance:

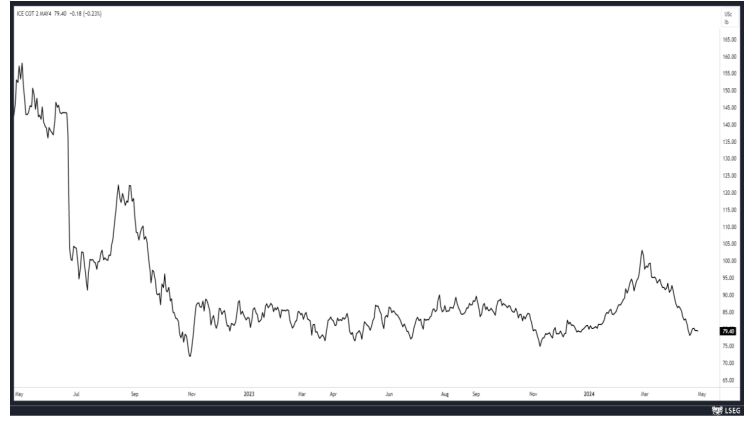
903.20 = Dec 2021 High
 931.58 = Mar 2023 High



Cotton

Last Price USc **79.40**/LBS

ICE cotton futures edged up on Friday as gains in oil and financial markets offset pressure from a stronger dollar and sluggish demand outlook. Cotton contracts for July [C1c2](#) rose 0.2 cent, or 0.3%, to 81.28 cents per lb. Wall Street's main indexes advanced on Friday as most megacap growth stocks rose after robust quarterly results from Alphabet pushed its market value over \$2 trillion. Oil prices edged up slightly, boosted by worries about geopolitical tensions but still under pressure from U.S. data showing inflation rose moderately in March, dampening hopes the Federal Reserve would cut interest rates soon. [O/R](#) Higher oil prices make cotton-substitute polyester more expensive. Limiting gains, the U.S. dollar gained 0.5%, making cotton more expensive, especially for overseas buyers.



Technical:

Cotton firms as oil, wider markets lend support. Next level to watch 88.00.

Support:

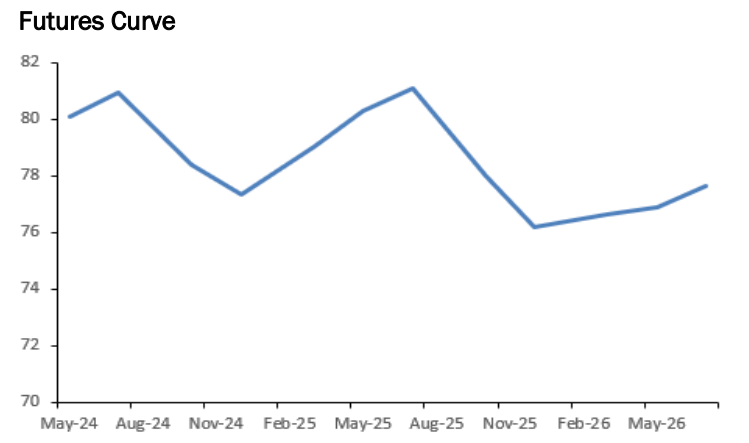
72.00 = Nov 2022 Low

63.69 = Mar 2020 High

Resistance:

88.88 = Jan 2023 High

100.00 = Jun 2022 Low

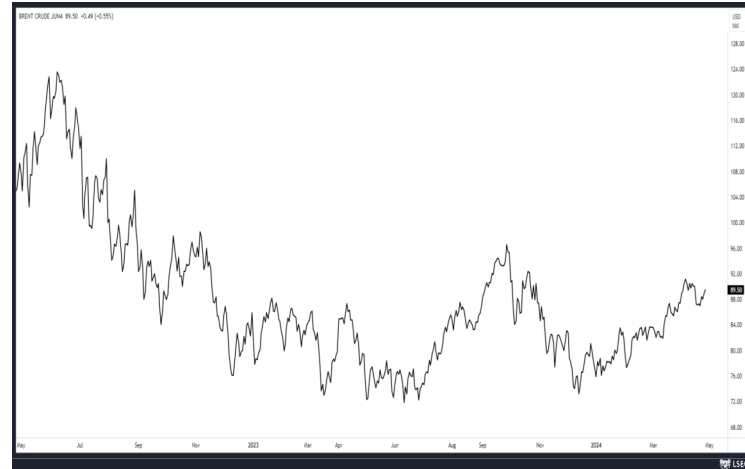


Brent Crude

Last Price

USD **89.50**/BBL

Oil prices settled higher on Friday, garnering support from tensions in the Middle East, but a strong dollar and U.S. inflation data quashed hopes that the Federal Reserve would cut interest rates soon, giving prices a ceiling. Brent crude futures [LCOc1](#) settled up 49 cents, or 0.55%, to \$89.50 a barrel. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures [CLc1](#) settled up 28 cents, or 0.34%, to \$83.85 a barrel. Supply concerns supported prices as tensions continue in the Middle East. The Fed has a 2% inflation target. The U.S. central bank is expected to leave rates unchanged at its policy meeting next week. Meanwhile, the dollar soared to a fresh 34-year high against the yen on Friday, bolstered in part by the U.S. inflation data.



Technical:

Oil settles higher on supply concerns in the Mideast, economic woes subdue gains, next level to watch 91.70.

Support:

76.60 = Nov 2023 Low

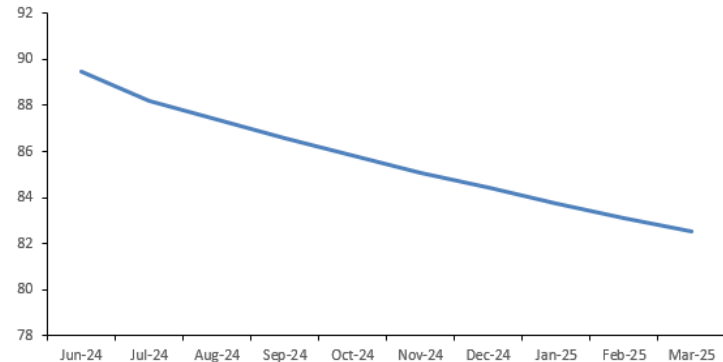
74.79 = Jan 2024 Low

Resistance:

91.70 = Jan 2022 High

93.79 = Oct 2023 High

Futures Curve



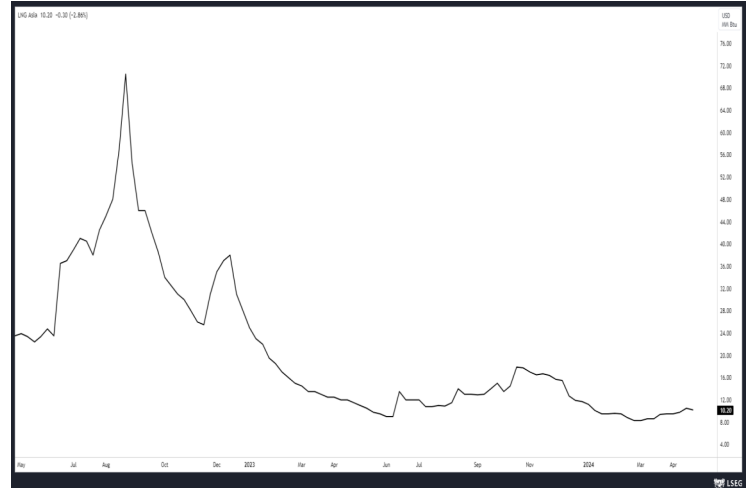
LNG

Last Price

USD **10.20**/MMBTU

Asian spot liquefied natural gas (LNG) prices dropped slightly for the first time in more than two months this week over expectations of weak demand, amid easing concerns around supply due to tensions in the Middle East.

The average LNG price for June delivery into north-east Asia [LNG-AS](#) rose to \$10.20 per million British thermal units (mmBtu), falling off the over three month-highs it hit last week. Asia LNG prices, which scaled a 15-week high this month, have either been largely flat or increased week-over-week since March. The rally in LNG prices has curbed Asian buyers' demand for spot cargoes. S&P Global Commodity Insights assessed its daily North West Europe LNG Marker (NWM) price benchmark for cargoes delivered in June on an ex-ship (DES) basis at \$9.252/mmBtu on April 25, a \$0.15/mmBtu discount to the gas price at the Dutch TTF hub.



Technical:

Asia spot LNG prices fall for first time in over two months. Next level to watch 10.90.

Support:

8.85 = Apr 2021 High

8.10 = Dec 2020 Low

Resistance:

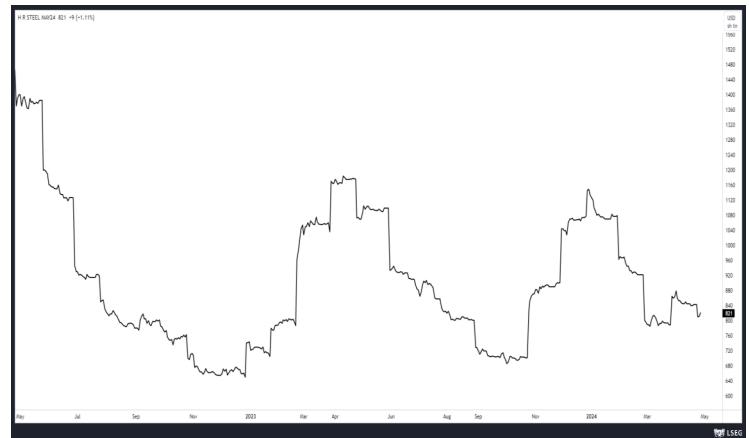
10.90 = Aug 2023 Low

11.20 = Jan 2024 High

Steel (HRC)

Last Price USD **821.00**/ tons

Iron ore futures prices ticked down on Friday, pressured by higher portside inventories in top consumer China. Prices of the key steelmaking ingredient, however, are heading for a third weekly gain on the back of improved demand and stimulus hopes. The most-traded September iron ore contract on China's Dalian Commodity Exchange (DCE) [DCIOcv1](#) ended morning trade 0.62% lower at 878.5 yuan a metric ton, but posted a 1.3% rise week-on-week. The benchmark May iron ore [SZZFK4](#) on the Singapore Exchange was 0.46% lower at \$117.75 a ton. Other steelmaking ingredients on the DCE gained, with coking coal [DJMcv1](#) and coke [DCJcv1](#) up 0.36% and 0.92%, respectively. Rebar [SRBcv1](#) inched 0.08% lower, hot-rolled coil [SHHCcv1](#) dipped 0.18%, wire rod [SWRCv1](#) fell 2.51% while stainless steel [SHSScv1](#) added 0.49%.



Technical:

Iron ore falls on higher China portside stocks, but heads for third weekly gain. Next level to watch 780.00.

Support:

783.00 = Mar 2024 Low

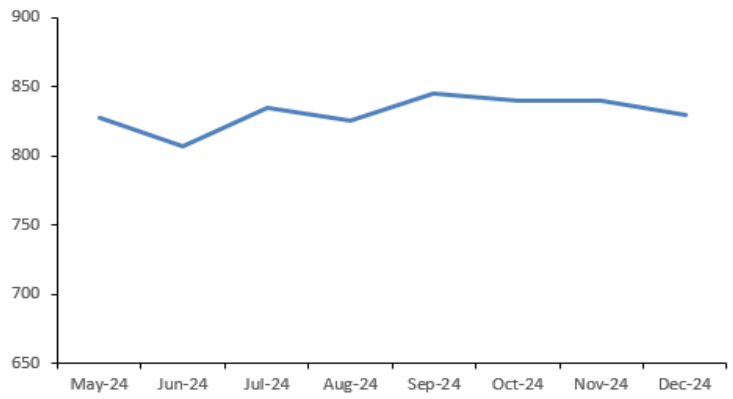
765.00 = Sep 2022 Low

Resistance:

848.00 = Aug 2022 High

885.00 = Oct 2023 High

Futures Curve of SHFE Steel Futures

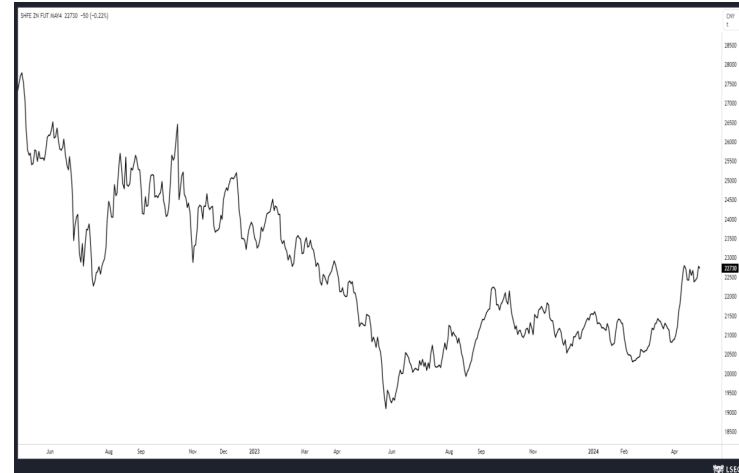


SHFE Zinc

Last Price USD **3,136.73**/Tons

Last evening, LME zinc prices opened at \$2790/mt and went up to close at \$2849.5/mt, up \$55/mt or 1.97%, with the high-end of \$2893.5/mt. LME zinc inventory dropped by 600 mt or 0.24% to 254500 mt. The U.S. GDP data for the first quarter was significantly lower than expected, dragging the U.S. dollar index downward. Non-ferrous metals were boosted.

The most active SHFE 2406 zinc opened at 23000 yuan/mt and rose 115 yuan/mt or 0.51% to close at 22665 yuan/mt last evening, with the high-end of 23010 yuan/mt and the low-end of 22620 yuan/mt. Although the domestic zinc concentrate TC was lowered again to provide bottom support for zinc prices, weak consumption dragged down the trend of SHFE zinc.



Technical:

Hawkish speed of the fed and weak domestic consumption weighed on SHFE zinc, next level to watch 2,970.00.

Support:

3,066.17 = Oct 2023 High

2,991.59 = May 2023 High

Resistance:

3,262.99 = Mar 2023 High

3,367.95 = Jul 2022 High

SHFE Zinc Forward Curve



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