



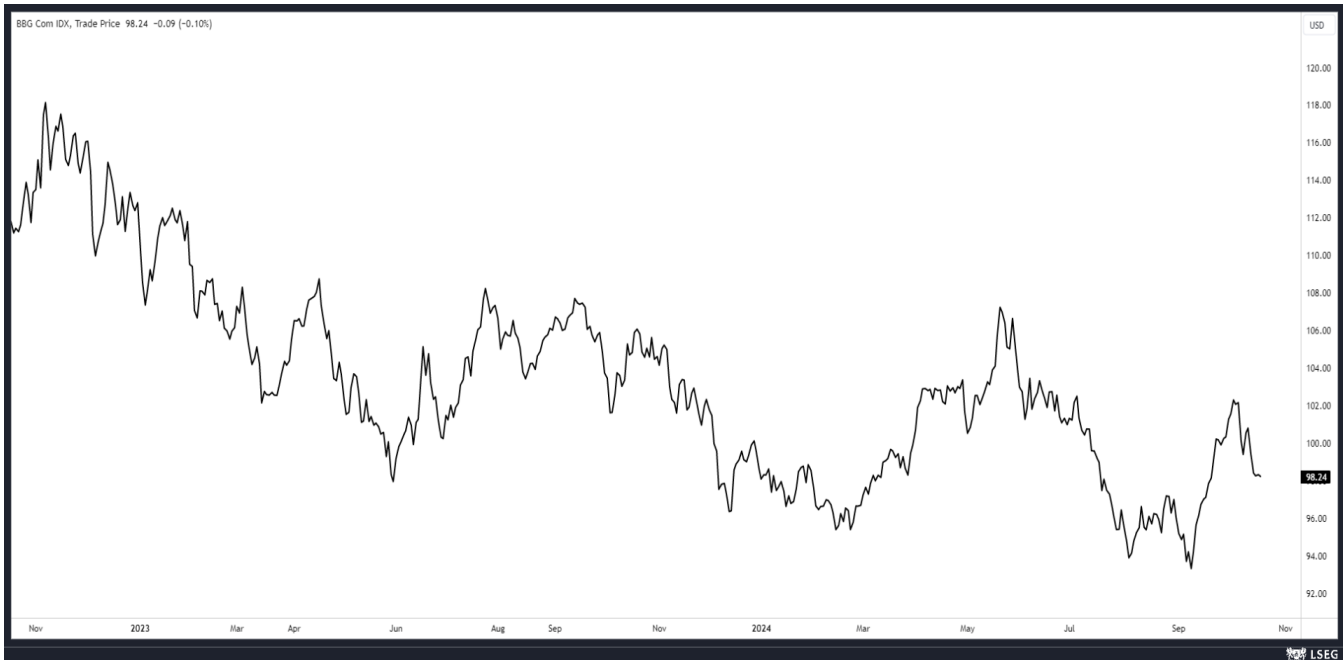
Commodities Weekly

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Bloomberg Commodity Index

98.24 ▼



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

425.6834 ▼



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)
Livestock: (Cattle, Hogs)

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	572.75	▼ -4.38%	▼ -1.93%	▲ 2.97%	720.00	493.50
Sugar	\$c/LBS	22.18	▼ -0.27%	▼ -2.16%	▲ -18.12%	24.62	17.52
Soybean	\$c/BSH	970.00	▼ -3.53%	▼ -8.23%	▼ -24.63%	1,289.50	936.25
Palm Oil	\$/Ton	989.07	▼ -2.59%	▲ 2.03%	▲ 28.02%	1,114.34	872.09
Cotton	\$c/LBS	70.99	▼ -1.69%	▼ -3.49%	▼ -12.60%	107.25	65.30
Brent Crude	\$/BBL	73.06	▼ -7.57%	▲ 1.80%	▼ -16.42%	92.18	68.68
LNG	\$/MMBTU	13.50	▲ 3.05%	▲ 3.05%	▼ -23.94%	14.10	8.30
Steel	\$/Ton	705.00	0.00%	▼ -4.08%	▼ -19.06%	1,135.00	654.00
SHFE Zinc	\$/Ton	3,542.91	▼ -1.49%	▼ -1.12%	▲ 22.29%	3,608.62	2,859.79
Indonesian Coal*	\$/Ton	125.15	▲ 8.55%	▼ -4.06%	▲ 6.62%	130.44	109.77
Australian Coal	\$/Ton	203.00	▼ -4.02%	▲ 8.62%	▼ -42.55%	336.00	176.00
Gold	\$/Ozs	2,720.25	▲ 2.42%	▲ 3.26%	▲ 37.20%	2,722.54	1,984.09

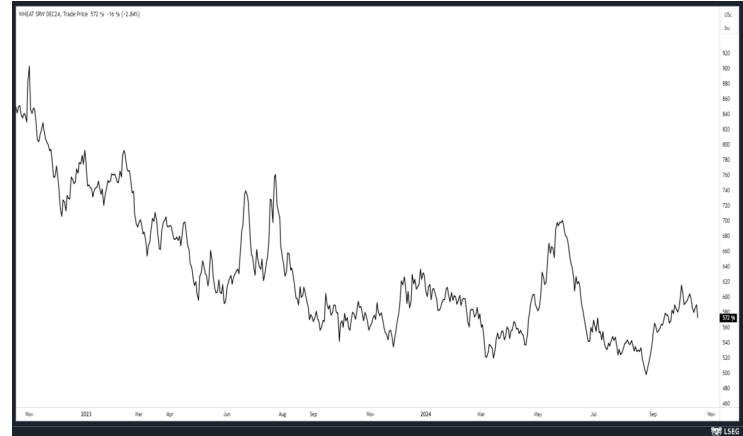
*Price published monthly once by Indonesian Govt

Wheat

Last Price

USc **572.75**/BSH

CBOT wheat futures fell nearly 3% on Friday as forecasts called for beneficial rains in crop areas of the U.S. Plains and Russia, and on uncertainty about shifting export policies in Russia, the world's biggest wheat exporter. CBOT December soft red winter wheat [WZ24](#) settled down 16-3/4 cents at \$5.72-3/4 per bushel after dipping to \$5.70-1/4, its lowest since Sep. 23. For the week, the CBOT December contract fell 26-1/4 cents per bushel or 4.4%. K.C. December hard red winter wheat [KWZ24](#) ended down 15-1/4 cents at \$5.80-3/4 a bushel and MGEX December spring wheat [MWEZ24](#) fell 12-1/4 cents to finish at \$6.16-1/2 a bushel. Russian grain exporters will [sell directly](#) to sovereign buyers, while non-Russian winners of international tenders will receive Russian grain only if they have long-term offtake agreements with Russian firms.



Technical:

Wheat sags on forecasts for rains in Russia, US plains. Next level to watch 550.00.

Support:

555.25 = Feb 2024 Low

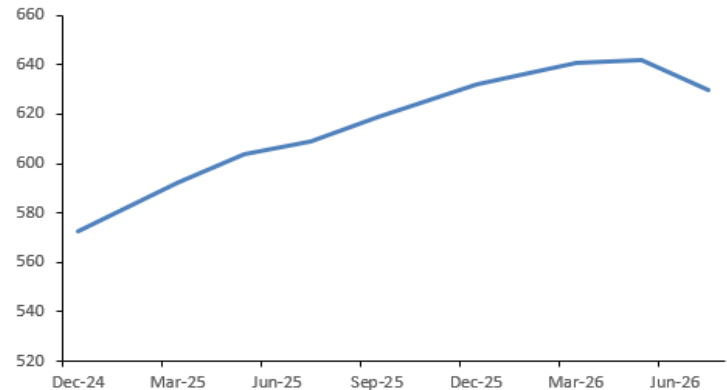
519.50 = Mar 2024 Low

Resistance:

614.50 = Apr 2024 High

639.75 = Nov 2023 High

Futures Curve

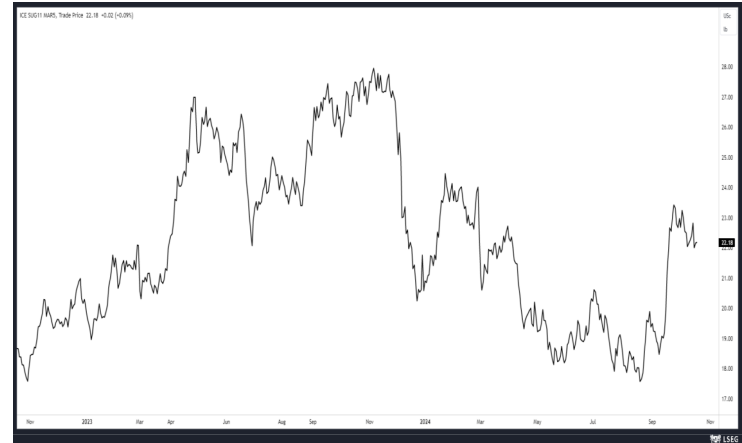


Sugar

Last Price USc **22.18**/LBS

March raw sugar [SBc1](#) was little changed at 22.18 cents per lb, but still above the prior session's four-week low of 21.71 cents. The contract fell 0.3% in the week.

December white sugar [LSUc1](#) rose 0.2% at \$566.60 a ton.



Technical:

Raw sugar stayed almost unchanged, next level to watch 23.50.

Support:

22.11 = Feb 2024 Low

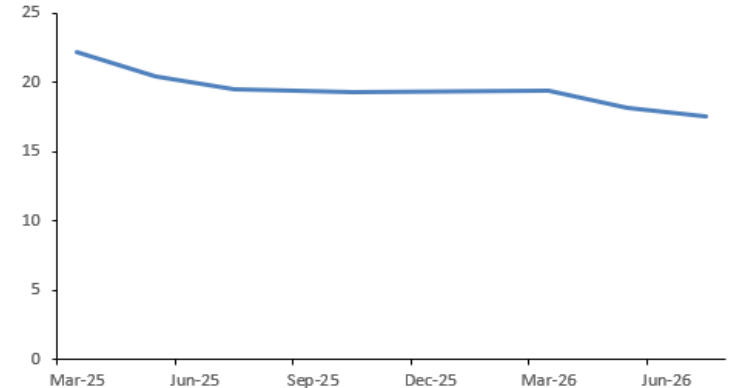
21.82 = Jan 2023 High

Resistance:

22.78 = Jul 2023 Low

23.45 = Oct 2024 High

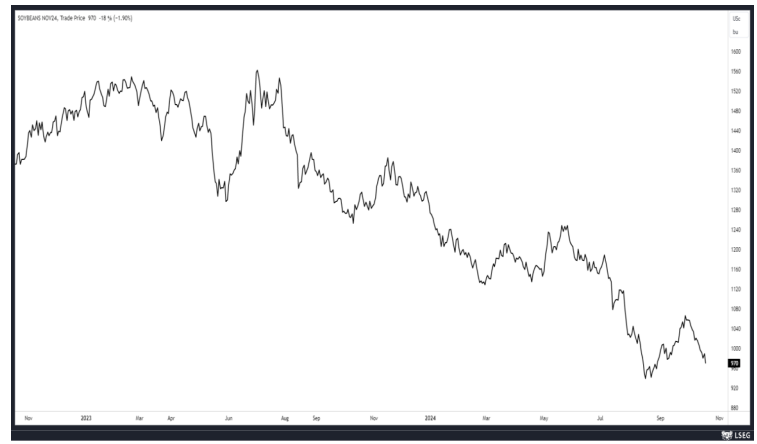
Futures Curve



Soybean

Last Price USc **970.00**/BSH

CBOT soybean futures ended lower on Friday on improving planting weather in Brazil, hedge-related selling as the U.S. harvest winds down and spillover pressure from wheat. CBOT November soybeans [SX24](#) settled down 18-3/4 cents at \$9.70 per bushel. However, for the week, the November contract fell 35-1/2 cents a bushel or 3.5%. CBOT December soy meal [SMZ24](#) ended down \$2.50 on Friday at \$315.60 per short ton and December soy oil [BOZ24](#) fell 0.77 cent to finish at 41.82 cents per pound. Widespread rains in central Brazil this week were expected to improve soy planting prospects. Meanwhile, forecasts called for favorably dry weekend weather for field work in most of the U.S. Midwest, where farmers are finishing the soybean harvest and moving on to corn.



Technical:

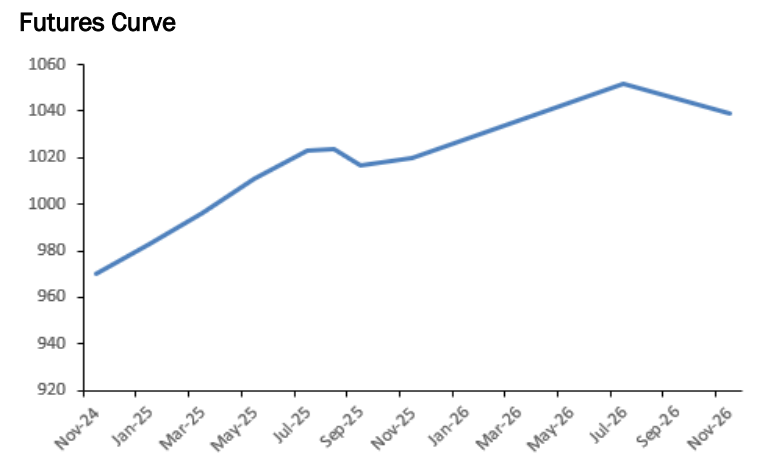
Soybeans end lower on Brazil rains, spillover weakness from wheat, next level to watch 1,000.00.

Support:

936.25 = Aug 2024 Low
 910.00 = Jul 2020 High

Resistance:

1,020.50 = Jul 2024 Low
 1,065.50 = Oct 2024 High



Palm Oil

Last Price USD **989.07**/Ton

Malaysian palm oil futures booked a weekly loss on Friday due to profit-taking, though traders expect the Malaysian 2025 budget announcement and export data to support the market. The benchmark palm oil contract [FCPOc3](#) for January delivery on the Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Exchange fell 21 ringgit, or 0.49%, to 4,257 ringgit (\$989.54) a metric ton at the close. The contract declined 2.14% this week, breaking a four-week session of gains. Dalian's most-active soyoil contract [DBYcv1](#) fell 0.46%, while its palm oil contract [DCPcv1](#) shed 0.96%. Soyoil prices on the Chicago Board of Trade [BOcv1](#) were down 0.45%. Palm oil tracks price movements of rival edible oils, as they compete for a share of the global vegetable oils market.



Technical:

Palm falls on profit taking, breaks four consecutive weekly gains, next level to watch 1,030.00.

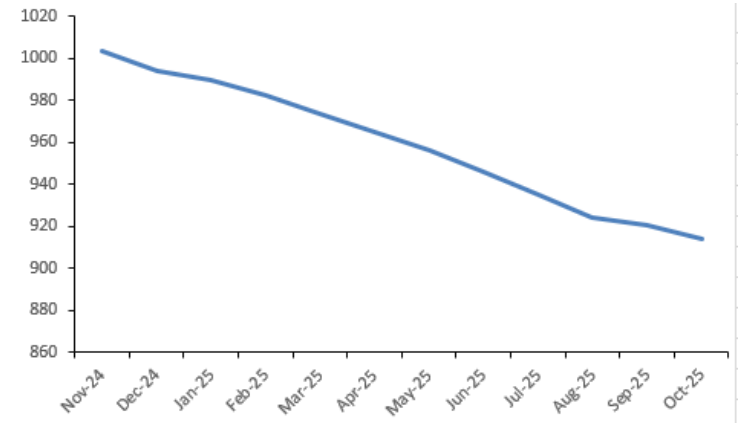
Support:

- 970.69 = Mar 2024 Low
- 945.74 = Jul 2024 Low

Resistance:

- 1,034.40 = Nov 2022 High
- 1,066.86 = Mar 2024 High

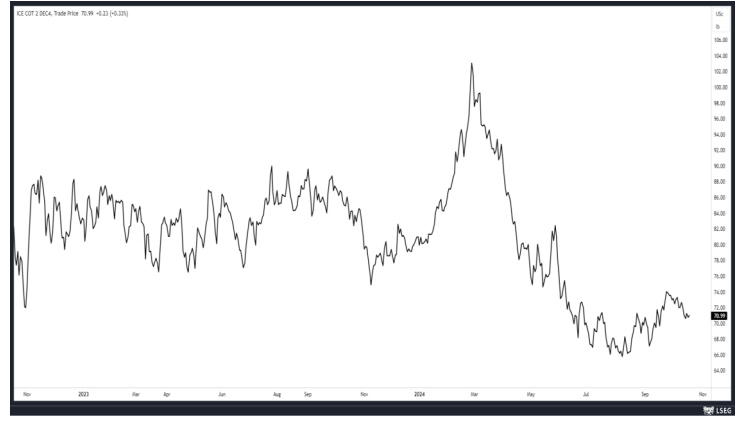
Futures Curve



Cotton

Last Price USc **70.99**/LBS

ICE cotton futures rose on Friday after a federal weekly export sales report highlighted strong buying activity for the natural fiber, while a weaker U.S. dollar also extended support. Cotton contracts for December [CTZ4](#) rose 0.23 cent, or 0.3% to 70.99 cents per lb at 12:05 p.m. ET (1605 GMT). However, the contract was headed for a weekly loss. The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) weekly export sales report showed net sales of upland cotton totaling 159,800 running bales (RB) for 2024/2025, up 78% from the previous week and up 68% from the prior 4-week average. Exports of 12,300 RB, a marketing-year high, were up 90% from the previous week. The U.S. dollar fell, taking a breather after five straight days of gains, making cotton less expensive for overseas buyers.



Technical:

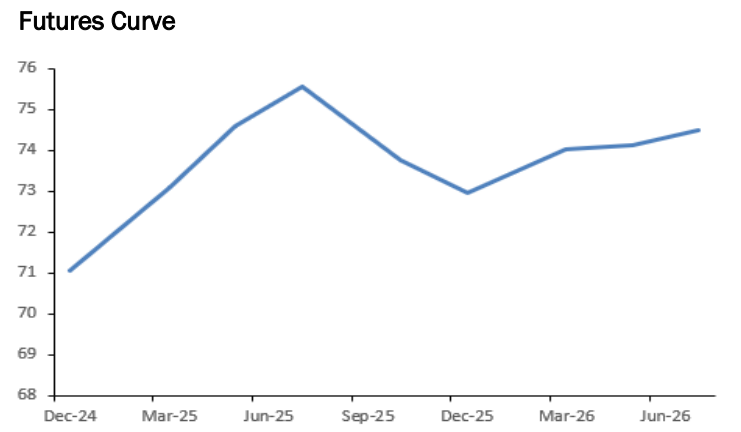
Cotton climbs on strong export sales data, softer dollar. Next level to watch 74.00.

Support:

66.93 = Sep 2024 Low
 65.30 = Aug 2024 Low

Resistance:

74.58 = Sep 2024 High
 76.53 = Jun 2024 High

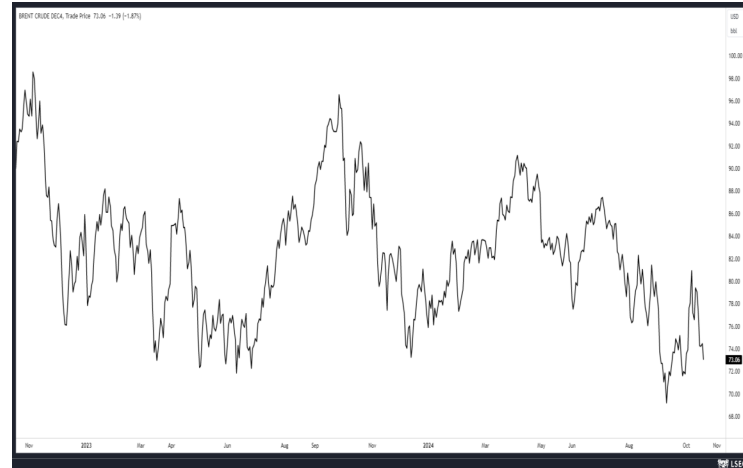


Brent Crude

Last Price

USD **73.06**/BBL

Oil futures fell on Friday, declining more than 7% on the week after data showed China's economic growth slowed and investors digested a mixed Middle East outlook. Brent crude futures [LCOc1](#) fell \$1.39, or 1.87%, to \$73.06 a barrel. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude [CLc1](#) settled at \$69.22 a barrel, down \$1.45 or 2.05%. Brent settled more than 7% lower this week, while WTI lost around 8%, marking their biggest weekly declines since Sept. 2, when OPEC and the International Energy Agency cut their forecasts for global oil demand in 2024 and 2025. In China, the world's top oil importer, the economy grew at the [slowest pace](#) since early 2023 in the third quarter, though September consumption and industrial output beat forecasts.



Technical:

Oil prices fall, weekly 7% drop on China demand woes, mixed Mid-east outlook, next level to watch 78.50.

Support:

68.68 = Sep 2024 Low

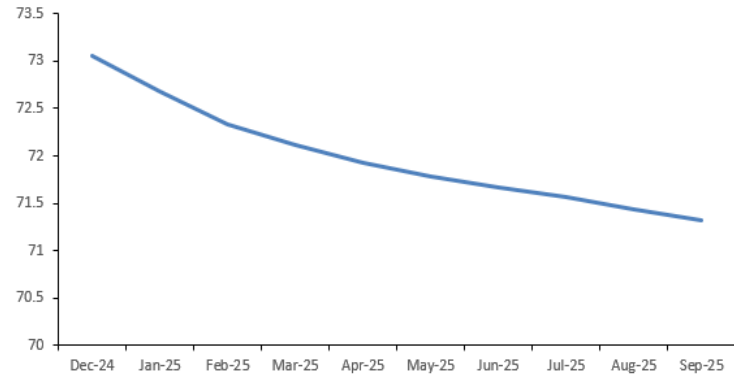
64.60 = Aug 2021 Low

Resistance:

78.73 = Jun 2023 High

79.30 = Oct 2024 High

Futures Curve

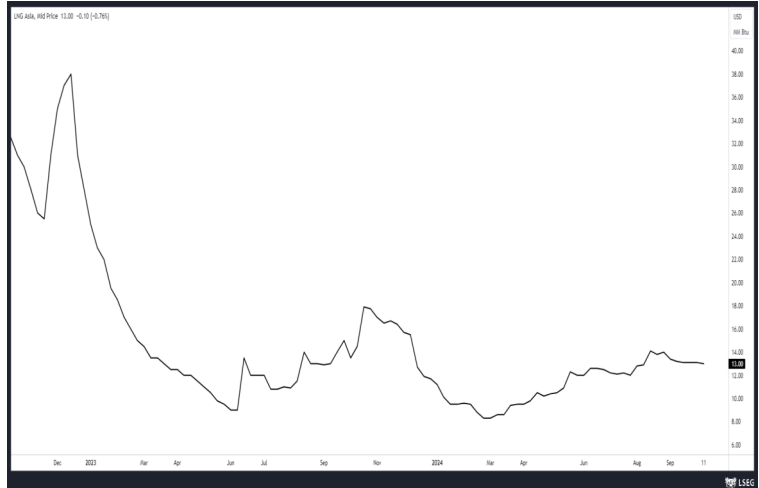


LNG

Last Price

USD **13.50**/MMBTU

Asian spot liquefied natural gas (LNG) gained for the first time since end-August this week, supported by emerging spot demand across the region. The average LNG price for December delivery into north-east Asia [LNG-AS](#) rose to \$13.50 per million British thermal units (mmBtu), industry sources estimated, its first weekly gain in six weeks. In Europe, S&P Global Commodity Insights assessed its daily North West Europe LNG Marker (NWM) price benchmark for cargoes delivered in December on an ex-ship (DES) basis at \$12.539/mmBtu on Oct. 17, a \$0.175/mmBtu discount to the December gas price at the Dutch TTF hub. In LNG freight, Atlantic prices dropped to \$26,750/day on Friday, its largest week-on-week drop since January.

**Technical:**

Asian spot LNG prices inch up amid emerging demand. Next level to watch 14.00.

Support:

12.60 = Jun 2024 High

12.00 = Jun 2024 Low

Resistance:

15.00 = Sep 2023 High

15.70 = Dec 2023 High

Steel (HRC)

Dalian iron ore futures prices fell on Friday to close the week lower, weighed by data showing continued weakness in China's economy and steel market, although news of fresh measures from the top consumer's central bank limited losses. The most-traded January iron ore contract on China's Dalian Commodity Exchange (DCE) [DCIOcv1](#) ended morning trade 1.55% lower at 760.5 yuan (\$106.95) a metric ton. It lost 3.12% for the week. The benchmark November iron ore [SZZFX4](#) on the Singapore Exchange was 1.79% higher at \$101.4 a ton. It was down 6.2% this week. On Friday, the People's Bank of China kicked off two [funding schemes](#) and [urged](#) swift adoption of financial policies to support capital markets, boosting [investor sentiment](#). Meanwhile, China's crude steel [output](#) in September slid for a fourth consecutive month, dropping by 1.1% from August and 6.1% from a year before, missing expectations for a rebound.

Technical:

Iron ore falls on Chinese economic woes, posts weekly loss. Next level to watch 760.00.

Support:

650.00 = Dec 2022 Low

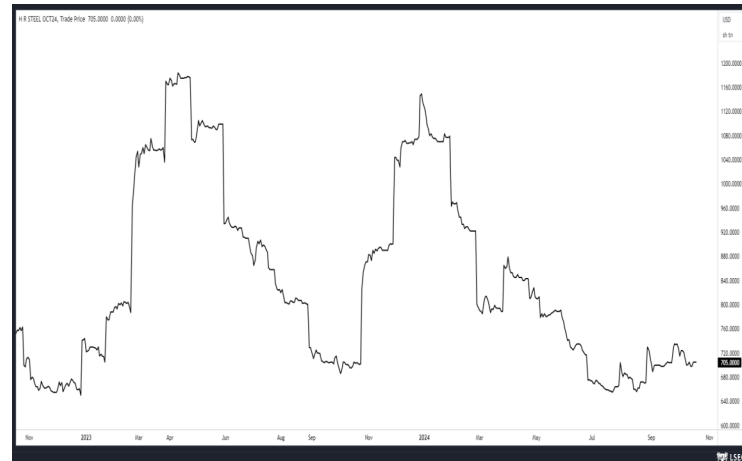
645.00 = Nov 2022 Low

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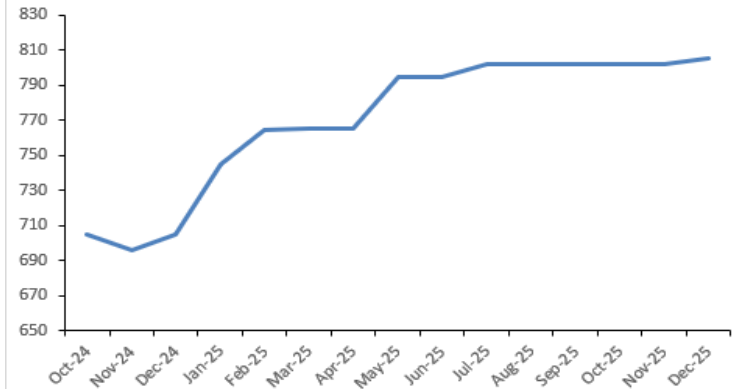
765.00 = Sep 2022 Low

783.00 = Mar 2024 Low

Last Price USD **705.00**/ tons



Futures Curve of SHFE Steel Futures



SHFE Zinc

Last Price USD **3,542.91**/Tons

The most-traded SHFE zinc 2411 contract opened at 24,630 yuan/mt, initially dipped to 24,625 yuan/mt, then rose all the way to a high of 25,075 yuan/mt. Near the end of the session, SHFE zinc maintained a fluctuating trend, finally closing up at 24,950 yuan/mt, up 405 yuan/mt, an increase of 1.65%. Trading volume decreased to 96,774 lots, and open interest decreased by 242 lots to 96,305 lots. Overnight, SHFE zinc recorded a bullish candlestick, with the 5-day moving average forming resistance. Driven by the overseas market trend and supported by weak supply, SHFE zinc rose all the way, recovering part of the previous losses. US September retail sales data growth slightly exceeded expectations, reinforcing market expectations for a 25 basis point interest rate cut by the US Fed, and market sentiment recovered somewhat, leading to a rebound in zinc during the session.

Technical:

Zinc rose during the night session, next level to watch 3,600.00

Support:

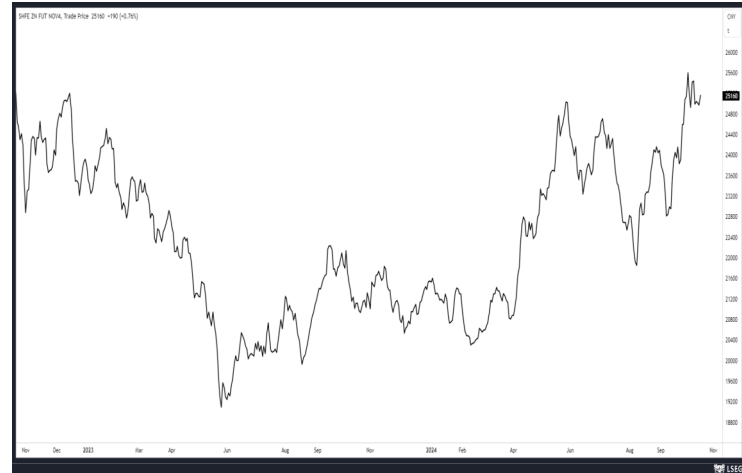
3,485.95 = Feb 2022 Low

3,415.34 = Jan 2022 Low

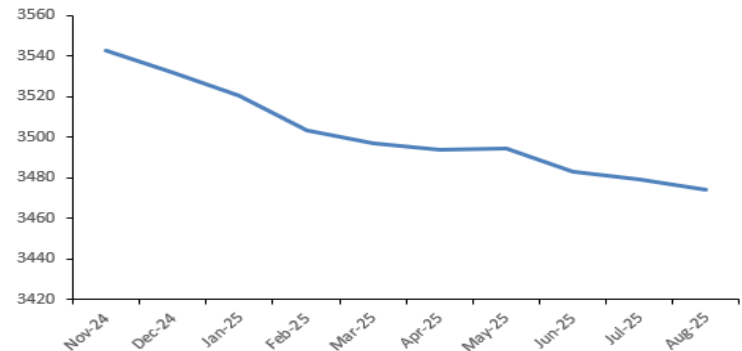
Resistance:

3,608.61 = May 2024 High

3,651.40 = Jan 2022 High



SHFE Zinc Forward Curve



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