



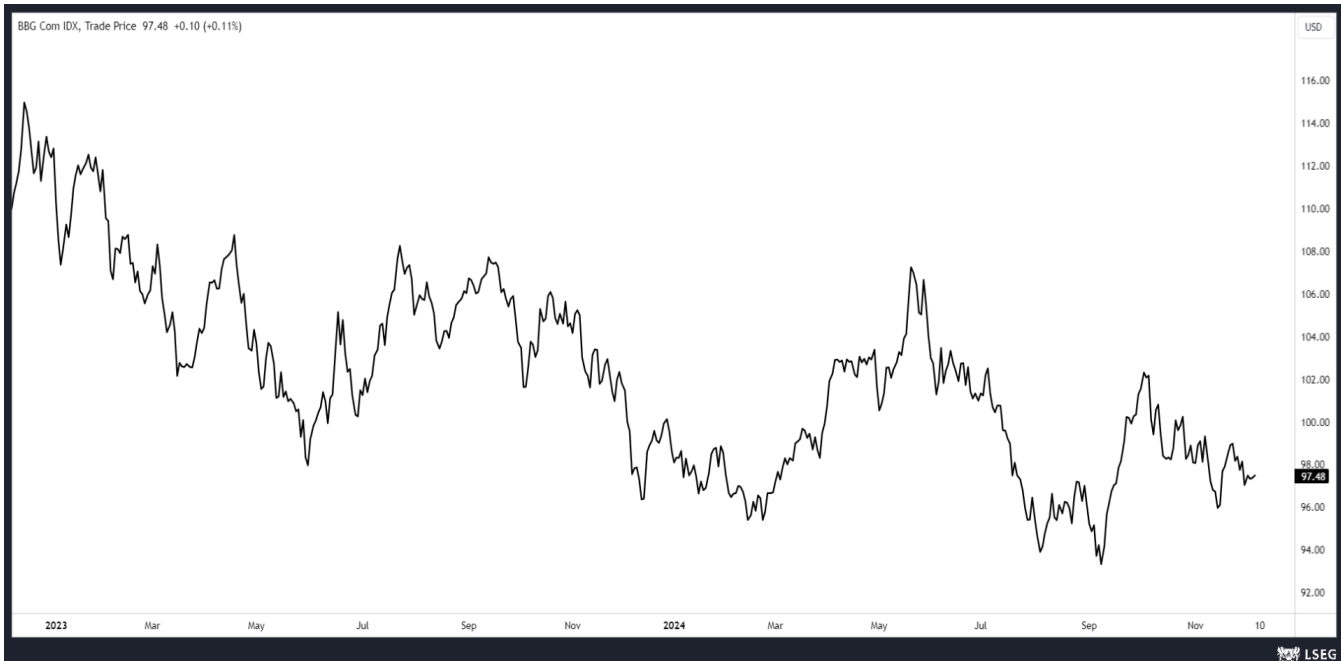
# Commodities Weekly

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# Bloomberg Commodity Index

97.48 ▼



## 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

419.8034 ▼



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
<a href="#">Wheat</a>	\$c/BSH	<b>542.50</b>	▲ 1.93%	▼ -4.91%	▼ -4.87%	<b>720.00</b>	<b>493.50</b>
<a href="#">Sugar</a>	\$c/LBS	<b>21.81</b>	▲ 3.46%	▼ -4.09%	▼ -16.24%	<b>24.62</b>	<b>17.52</b>
<a href="#">Soybean</a>	\$c/BSH	<b>993.75</b>	▲ 0.43%	▲ 1.15%	▼ -25.99%	<b>1,289.50</b>	<b>936.25</b>
<a href="#">Palm Oil</a>	\$/Ton	<b>1,160.97</b>	▲ 2.15%	▲ 8.16%	▲ 38.81%	<b>1,165.30</b>	<b>872.09</b>
<a href="#">Cotton</a>	\$c/LBS	<b>70.10</b>	▼ -4.43%	▲ 0.76%	▼ -11.71%	<b>107.25</b>	<b>65.30</b>
<a href="#">Brent Crude</a>	\$/BBL	<b>71.12</b>	▼ -2.50%	▼ -2.79%	▼ -14.14%	<b>92.18</b>	<b>68.68</b>
<a href="#">LNG</a>	\$/MMBTU	<b>15.00</b>	▼ -0.66%	▲ 8.70%	▼ -8.54%	<b>15.10</b>	<b>8.30</b>
<a href="#">Steel</a>	\$/Ton	<b>689.00</b>	▼ -1.57%	▼ -3.64%	▼ -34.00%	<b>1,135.00</b>	<b>654.00</b>
<a href="#">SHFE Zinc</a>	\$/Ton	<b>3,538.51</b>	▼ -1.51%	▼ -0.37%	▲ 19.14%	<b>3,699.10</b>	<b>2,859.79</b>
Indonesian Coal*	\$/Ton	<b>114.43</b>	0.00%	▼ -12.76%	▼ -18.15%	<b>131.17</b>	<b>109.77</b>
Australian Coal	\$/Ton	<b>205.00</b>	▲ 0.30%	▼ -0.73%	▼ -36.10%	<b>336.00</b>	<b>176.00</b>
Gold	\$/Ozs	<b>2,632.91</b>	▼ -0.78%	▼ -4.04%	▲ 2.68%	<b>2,790.15</b>	<b>1,984.09</b>

\*Price published monthly once by Indonesian Govt

# Wheat

Last Price

USc **542.50**/BSH

CBOT wheat futures eased on Friday on technical selling and profit taking ahead of the weekend after gaining nearly 2% in the prior session. Traders assessed news from top exporter Russia where winter crops are off to a poor start but export prices have flattened despite looming export curbs. Chicago Board of Trade March soft red winter wheat [WH25](#) settled a penny lower at \$5.57-1/4 a bushel. The contract hit overhead technical resistance at its 20-day moving average and the previous session's high. CBOT March wheat was up 1.7% in the week. K.C. March hard red winter wheat [KWH25](#) last traded down 1/4 cent at \$5.52-1/4 a bushel. Minneapolis March spring wheat [MWEH25](#) ended down 2 cents at \$5.96-1/2 a bushel.

## Technical:

Wheat eases on technical as traders assess Russia winter crop. Next level to watch 596.00.

## Support:

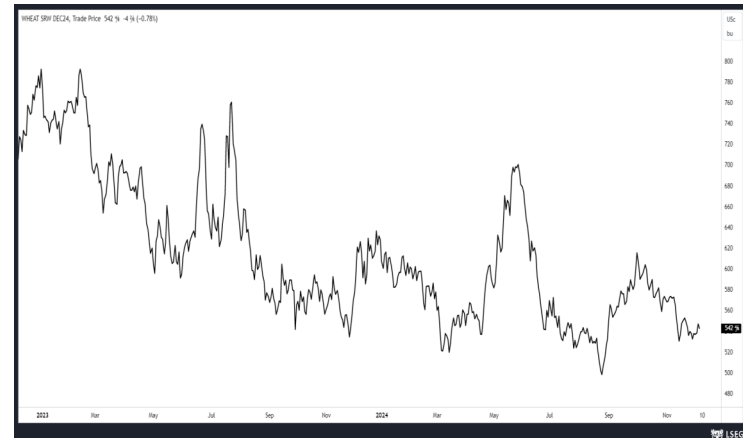
519.50 = Mar 2024 Low

493.50 = Aug 2024 Low

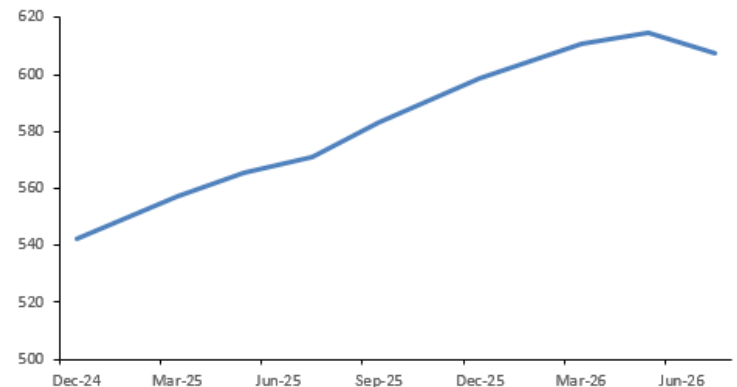
## Resistance:

596.25 = Sep 2024 High

614.50 = Apr 2024 High



## Futures Curve



# Sugar

Last Price USc **21.81**/LBS

March raw sugar [SBC1](#) rose 0.6% to 21.81 cents per lb, having hit its lowest in more than two months on Monday.

Brazil exported 3.39 million tons of sugar in November down from 3.64 million a year ago, government data showed.

Lower supply from Brazil has not prevented the sugar price from falling. Lower oil prices are likely to have been a headwind. March white sugar [LSUc1](#) was little changed at \$550.40 a ton.



**Technical:**

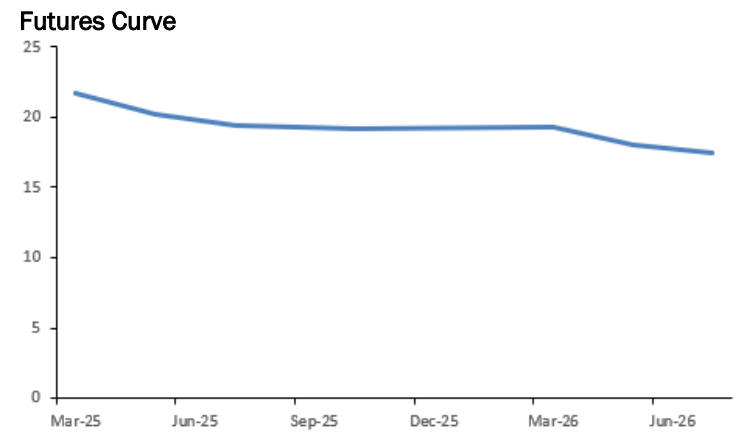
Raw sugar rises, next level to watch 22.11.

**Support:**

21.55 = Oct 2024 Low  
20.78 = Jul 2024 High

**Resistance:**

22.11 = Feb 2024 Low  
22.78 = Jul 2023 Low



# Soybean

Last Price USc **993.75**/BSH

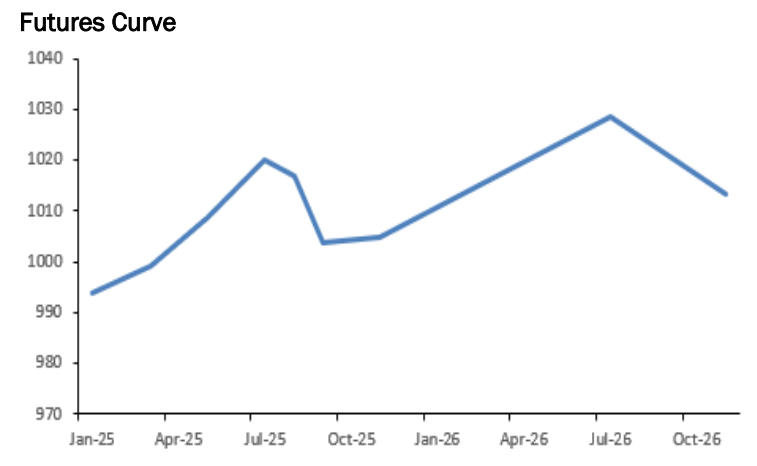
CBOT soybean futures ended mixed on Friday as strength in vegetable oil prices, but the market remained anchored by big global supplies and trade tensions between the United States and China. CBOT January soybeans [SF25](#) were unchanged at \$9.93-3/4 a bushel, down 0.4% in the week. The actively traded contract hit overhead chart resistance at its 20-day moving average. CBOT January soymeal [SMF25](#) closed \$3.70 lower at \$287.40 per short ton. CBOT January soyoil [BOF25](#) rose 0.66 cent to 42.97 cents per pound. Soybeans drew strength from rising global vegetable oils values, particularly canola [O#RS](#), which has surged more than 5% in two days following a lower-than-expected Canadian crop forecast. [GRA/W](#) Favorable crop weather in South America bolstered harvest prospects in Brazil and Argentina, capping soy gains.



**Technical:**  
 Soybeans end mixed on big supply, stronger vegoils prices, next level to watch 1,020.00.

**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 **1,160.97**/Ton

Malaysian palm oil futures declined on Friday on easing supply concerns, as weather improved in the world's second-largest producer Malaysia; however, the contract rose for a second week. The benchmark palm oil contract [FCPOc3](#) for February delivery on the Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Exchange lost 3 ringgit, or 0.06%, to 5,132 ringgit (\$1,161.87) a metric ton at closing. The contract rose 2.29% for the week. A devastating [flood](#) hit Malaysia last week following heavy rain in late November and the country's meteorological department earlier this week forecast monsoon surge from Dec. 8 to 14, which could bring continuous rain to the east coast of Malaysia's peninsular and parts of Sabah and Sarawak states on Borneo island. Malaysia's palm oil inventories are expected to have fallen in November for a second consecutive month as torrential rains disrupted production.

## Technical:

Palm falls as weather improves in Malaysia; gains for a second week, next level to watch 1,181.80.

## Support:

970.69 = Mar 2024 Low

945.74 = Jul 2024 Low

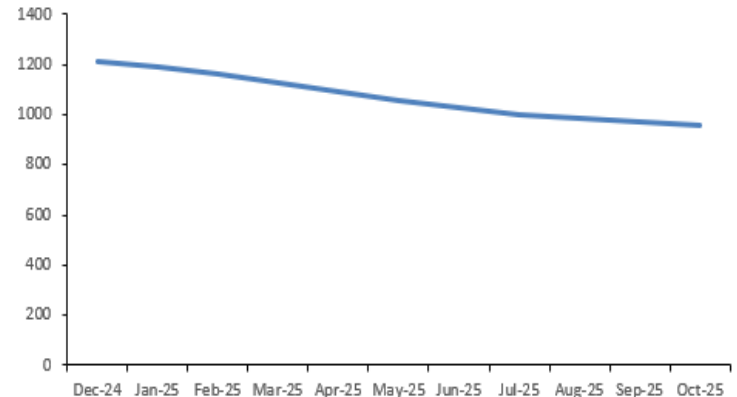
## Resistance:

1,181.80 = Oct 2021 High

1,301.37 = Jan 2022 High



## Futures Curve



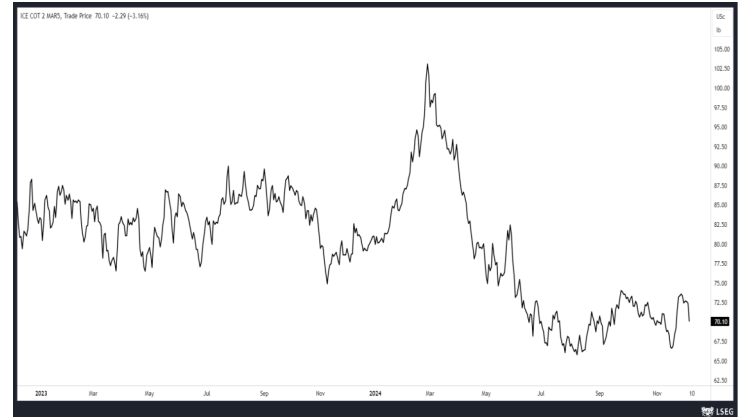


# Cotton

Last Price

USc **70.10**/LBS

ICE cotton futures fell over 1% on Friday, dragged down by a stronger dollar, while downbeat sentiment in the oil and grains markets further added to pressure on the natural fiber. Cotton contracts for March [CTc2](#) fell 0.81 cent, or 1.14%, to 70.10 cents per lb. The contract was down 4.3% for the week so far. The U.S. dollar [.DXY](#) rose 0.3%, making greenback-priced cotton more expensive for buyers holding other currencies. [USD/](#) Oil prices fell over 1% on Friday and were headed for a weekly loss, making cotton-substitute polyester less expensive. The United States Department of Agriculture's weekly export sales report on Thursday showed net sales of upland cotton for 2024/2025 were down 47% from the previous week, whereas export sales were up 21% on a week-on-week basis.



### Technical:

Cotton falls on dollar strength, weakness in wider commodity market. Next level to watch 75.00.

### Support:

65.30 = Aug 2024 Low

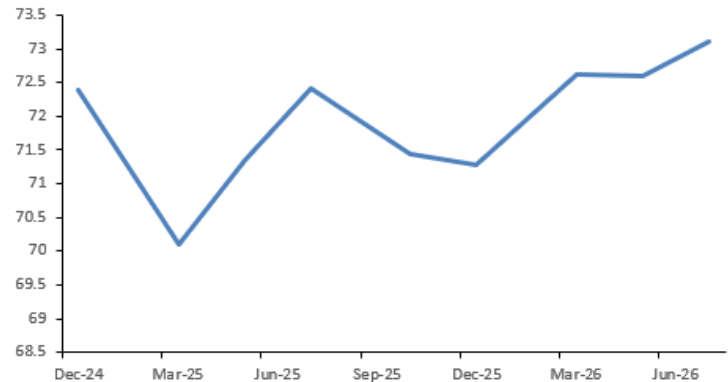
57.26 = Jun 2020 Low

### Resistance:

74.58 = Sep 2024 High

76.53 = Jun 2024 High

### Futures Curve



# Brent Crude

Last Price

USD **71.12**/BBL

Oil prices fell by more than 1% on Friday and cemented weekly losses as analysts projected a supply surplus next year on weak demand despite an OPEC+ decision to delay output hikes and extend deep production cuts to the end of 2026. Brent crude futures [LC0c1](#) settled at \$71.12 a barrel, shedding 97 cents, or 1.4%. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures [CLc1](#) settled at \$67.20 a barrel, falling \$1.10, or 1.6%. For the week, Brent prices lost more than 2.5%, while WTI saw a drop of 1.2%. Brent has largely stayed in a tight range of \$70-\$75 per barrel in the past month, as investors weighed weak demand signals in China and heightened geopolitical risk in the Middle East. Also pressuring prices was the U.S. rig count, which grew for the first time in eight weeks. A mixed U.S. jobs [report](#), which showed a strong rebound in hiring but also a slight rise in the unemployment rate, extended oil's losses.



## Technical:

Oil prices fall on supply gut fears despite OPEC+ output cut extension, next level to watch 80.00.

## Support:

68.68 = Sep 2024 Low

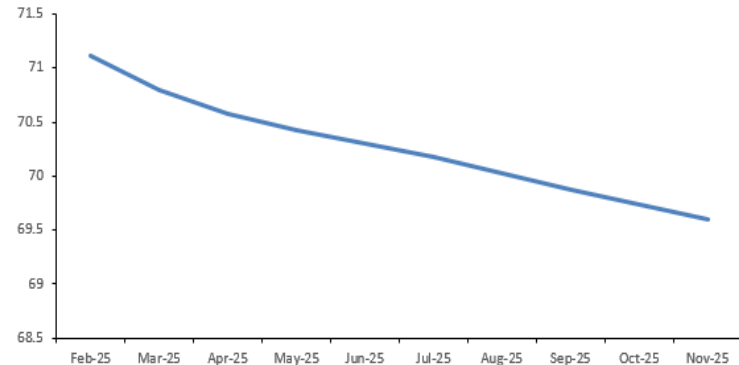
64.60 = Aug 2021 Low

## Resistance:

78.73 = Jun 2023 High

79.30 = Oct 2024 High

## Futures Curve



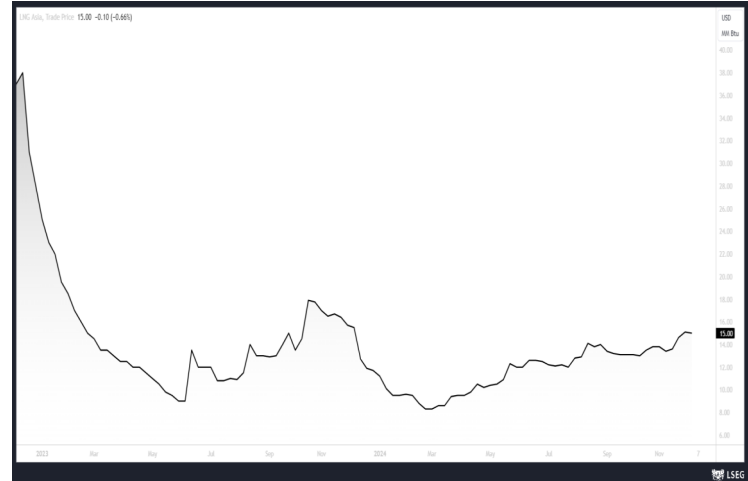
# LNG

Last Price

USD **15.00**/MMBTU

Asian spot liquefied natural gas (LNG) prices edged down this week as high inventories depressed demand, but prices remained near their highest level this year, tracking European gas prices which have risen on supply concerns.

The average LNG price for January delivery into north-east Asia [LNG -AS](#) was at \$15.00 per million British thermal units (mmBtu), slightly lower than \$15.10/mmBtu last week. In Europe, [gas prices were firm](#) amid colder weather this week and faster gas storage withdrawal. In LNG freight, Atlantic rates have rose for the second week running to \$22,000/day on Friday, while Pacific rates steadied at \$23,750/day.



## Technical:

Asian spot LNG remains near highest level this year. Next level to watch 15.10.

## Support:

14.10 = Aug 2024 High

12.60 = Jun 2024 High

## Resistance:

15.70 = Dec 2023 High

17.00 = Nov 2023 High

# Steel (HRC)

Last Price USD **689.00**/ tons

Iron ore futures prices slid and headed for a weekly loss on Friday, as the wave of restocking for seaborne cargoes from steelmakers in top consumer China receded and high portside stocks as well as falling steel margins weighed. The most-traded January iron ore contract on China's Dalian Commodity Exchange (DCE) [DCl0cv1](#) ended daytime trading 0.93% lower at 797.5 yuan (\$109.90) a metric ton, representing a weekly fall of 0.5%. The benchmark January iron ore <SZZFF5> on the Singapore Exchange was 0.29% lower at \$103.7 a ton, a decline of 0.9% so far this week. Other steelmaking ingredients on the DCE lost ground, with coking coal [DJMcv1](#) and coke [DCJcv1](#) down 1.68% and 1.2%, respectively. Most steel benchmarks on the Shanghai Futures Exchange retreated. Rebar [SRBcv1](#) shed 1.36%, hot-rolled coil [SHHCcv1](#) declined 0.97%, stainless steel [SHSScv1](#) lost 0.58%, while wire rod [SWRcv1](#) added 0.14%.

## Technical:

Iron ore set for weekly loss as Chinese steelmakers' holiday restocking ebbs. Next level to watch 750.00.

## Support:

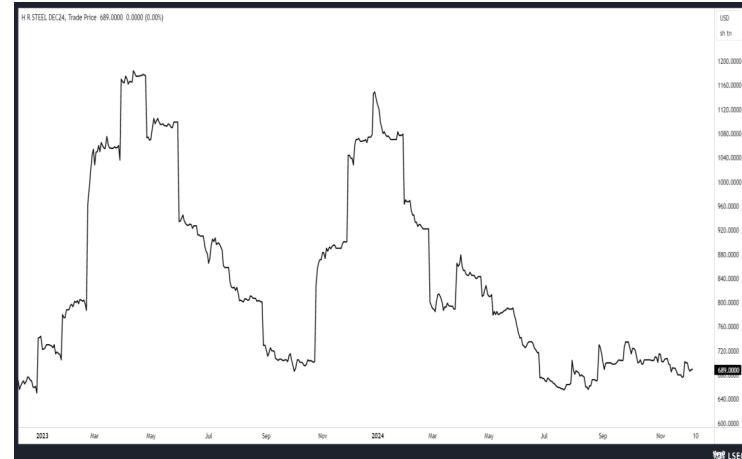
650.00 = Dec 2022 Low

645.00 = Nov 2022 Low

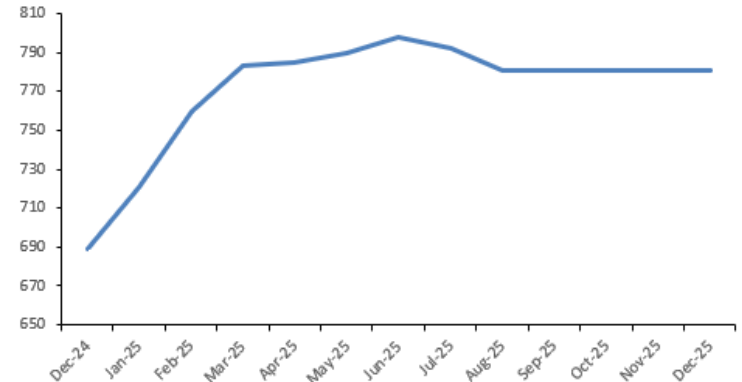
## Resistance:

765.00 = Sep 2022 Low

783.00 = Mar 2024 Low



Futures Curve of SHFE Steel Futures



# SHFE Zinc

Last Price USD **3,538.51**/Tons

The most-traded SHFE zinc 2501 contract opened at 25,600 yuan/mt. At the beginning of the session, SHFE zinc mainly fluctuated along the daily moving average, dipping to a low of 25,530 yuan/mt. Later, as bulls increased their positions towards the end of the session, SHFE zinc fluctuated upward to a high of 25,700 yuan/mt. However, lacking upward momentum, it fell back to near the daily moving average and finally closed up at 25,625 yuan/mt, an increase of 75 yuan/mt or 0.25%. Trading volume decreased to 85,496 lots, and open interest increased by 1,823 lots to 133,000 lots. Overnight, SHFE zinc recorded a small bullish candlestick. Social inventory continued to destock, while consumption remained resilient, and open interest remained at a high level, providing support for SHFE zinc.



## Technical:

Zinc price moves down, next level to watch 3,700.00

## Support:

3,361.27 = Aug 2024 High

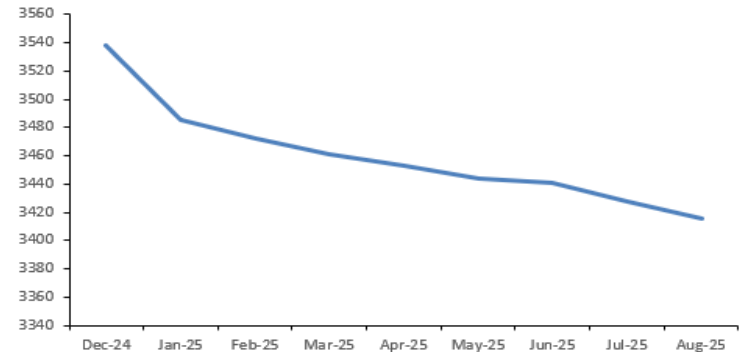
3,268.61 = Apr 2022 High

## Resistance:

3,699.10 = Nov 2024 High

3,735.00 = Oct 2022 High

## SHFE Zinc Forward Curve



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