

Thursday, March 26, 2020

SHIPPING RATES & BUNKERS (9:30 am ET)

Spot TCE earnings for vessels using compliant fuel (no scrubbers)

DIRTY TANKER (KT - \$/day)	Voyage	Spot TCE earnings	2020 avg. rate	10 day trend
VLCC, 270	AG-FE	117,700	70,000	
Suezmax, 130	WAF-UKC	61,200	47,200	
Aframax, 70	CAR-USG	29,100	59,500	
Panamax, 50	CAR-USG	41,400	50,200	
CLEAN TANKER (KT - \$/day)	Voyage	Spot TCE earnings	2020 avg. rate	10 day trend
MR, 37	UKC-USAC	26,200	21,000	
MR, 38	USG-UKC	15,200	15,100	
LR1, 55	AG-FE	40,000	16,200	
LR2, 75	AG-FE	51,000	23,800	
TIME CHARTER (KDWT)	1yr eco vessel rate (\$/day)	Yearly trend	Newbuild price (\$M)	Secondhand 5yr old price (\$M)
VLCC, 200+	57,500		92.0	77.5
Suezmax, 130-200	39,000		61.0	54.5
Aframax, 80-130	32,000		51.0	42.0
LR2, 80-130	32,000		53.0	44.0
LR1, 60-80	19,500		43.0	32.0
MR, 42-60	16,750		35.0	30.0
Handymax, 30-42	16,500		33.0	24.0
US FLAG (KT - \$/day)	Voyage	Weekly spot rate	2020 avg. rate	10 week trend
Handy, 38	USG-USAC	68,166	68,289	
LNG (\$/day) as of 20-March-2020	Weekly spot rate	Sentiment	Current month rate	2020 avg. rate
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (West)	47,000	Increasing	40,333	63,083
138-150M3 Steam turbine (West)	39,000	Increasing	33,000	49,833
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (East)	42,000	Increasing	38,667	56,917
138-150M3 Steam turbine (East)	34,000	Increasing	31,333	44,167
LPG (KT)	Spot rate (\$/mt)	Spot TCE rate (\$/day)		
VLGC, 44 (AG-Japan)	57.60	49,292		
BUNKERS (\$/mt)	VLSFO	10 day trend	HSFO	MGO
US Gulf	246.0		179.0	340.0
Rotterdam	236.5		174.0	298.5
Singapore	281.5		193.0	308.5

DEVELOPMENTS

Oil falls as sinking demand outweighs stimulus hopes. Oil prices fell on Thursday, after three sessions of gains, as plunging demand due to restrictions on movement worldwide to contain the coronavirus overshadowed expectations that a \$2 trillion U.S. stimulus package will bolster economic activity.

Reuters March 26, 2020

U.S. Department of Energy ditches plans to buy oil for strategic reserve. The U.S. Department of Energy said on Thursday it has ditched plans to purchase crude for the nation's emergency reserve due to a lack of funding from Congress, dealing a blow to President Donald Trump's plan to give relief to energy companies amid the global oil market collapse.

Reuters March 26, 2020

China's Jan-Feb LNG import growth slows to 2% on year amid slower demand. China's LNG import growth slowed to 2.3% over January-February, compared with around 19% seen in the same period last year, as domestic natural gas demand took a hit due to the outbreak of COVID-19, market sources told S&P Global Platts.

Hellenic Shipping News March 26, 2020

Argentina Taking Advantage of Cheap LNG in Preparation for Southern Cone Winter. Despite growing domestic gas production from its Vaca Muerta formation and plans to develop large-scale liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities, Argentina has ordered 11 LNG cargoes for the upcoming Southern Cone winter as prices for the super-chilled fuel continue to suffer from the demand shock of the coronavirus.

Natural Gas Intel March 26, 2020

LNG cargo cancellations likely in coronavirus hit market. US and other producers may shut-in and cancel LNG cargoes this year as the coronavirus-hit market deals with lower than expected demand.

TradeWinds News March 26, 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS

The safety of our clients and employees is of the utmost importance, so we have decided to postpone event participation due to the public gathering risks associated with Covid-19. Please watch our social media channels for further updates.

COMMODITIES, (8:30 am CT)

CRUDE	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
Brent	ICE	\$/bbl	27.32	↓ -0.07
WTI	NYMEX	\$/bbl	23.52	↓ -0.97
PRODUCTS	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
RBOB Gasoline	NYMEX	¢/gal	57.50	↑ 2.82
Heating Oil	NYMEX	¢/gal	107.15	↓ -2.63
NATURAL GAS	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
US Henry Hub	NYMEX	\$/MMBtu	1.65	↓ -0.01
UK National Balancing Point	ICE	\$/MMBtu	2.40	↓ -0.05
NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS	Source	Last Price (¢/gal)	Last Price (\$/mt)	Δ Prior day close (¢/gal)
US Mont Belvieu Propane (Spot)	NYMEX	28.84	150.28	↑ 0.00
PRICE SPREADS (\$/bbl)	Source	Last price	Δ Prior day close	
ICE RBOB Gasoline/Brent Crack Spread	ICE	-1.10	↑ 0.86	

MARKETS, (8:30 am CT)

EQUITIES	Region/Country	Last value	Δ Prior day close
S&P 500	United States	2,554.49	↑ 78.93
FTSE 100	United Kingdom	5,685.35	↓ -2.85
DAX	Germany	9,825.35	↓ -48.91
SH Composite	China	2,764.91	↓ -16.68
CURRENCIES	Region/Country	Last value	Δ Prior day close
£/\$	United Kingdom	1.20	↑ 0.01
€/\$	European Union	1.10	↑ 0.01
\$/JPY ¥	Japan	109.81	↓ -1.38
\$/CNY ¥	China	7.07	↓ -0.04

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