

Wednesday, March 4, 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	31,200	46,100	
Suezmax, 130	WAF-UKC	25,400	40,700	
Aframax, 70	CAR-USG	29,500	66,700	
Panamax, 50	CAR-USG	38,100	52,700	
CLEAN TANKER (KT - \$/day)	Voyage	Spot TCE earnings	2020 avg. rate	10 day trend
MR, 37	UKC-USAC	24,800	19,300	
MR, 38	USG-UKC	14,700	14,100	
LR1, 55	AG-FE	16,300	11,000	
LR2, 75	AG-FE	22,500	16,500	
TIME CHARTER (KDWT)	1yr eco vessel rate (\$/day)	Yearly trend	Newbuild price (\$M)	Secondhand 5yr old price (\$M)
VLCC, 200+	38,000		92.0	76.5
Suezmax, 130-200	32,500		61.0	53.0
Aframax, 80-130	24,500		51.0	41.0
LR2, 80-130	24,500		53.0	43.0
LR1, 60-80	19,500		43.0	32.0
MR, 42-60	17,000		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	65,186	68,676	
LNG (\$/day) as of 28-Feb-2020	Weekly spot rate	Sentiment	Current month rate	2020 avg. rate
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (West)	38,000	Decreasing	49,000	70,667
138-150M3 Steam turbine (West)	30,000	Decreasing	37,500	55,444
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (East)	37,000	Decreasing	45,500	63,000
138-150M3 Steam turbine (East)	28,000	Decreasing	34,000	48,444

DEVELOPMENTS

Oil rises \$1 as OPEC, allies work on big output cut. Brent oil prices rose on Wednesday on expectations that major producers have moved closer to an agreement to enact deeper output cuts aimed at offsetting the slump in demand caused by the coronavirus outbreak.

Reuters March 4, 2020

U.S. crude stocks rise modestly; exports crack 4 million bpd. U.S. crude stocks rose modestly in the latest week, while U.S. oil exports surged to more than 4 million barrels a day for the first time, just four years after the nation ended a 40-year ban on the practice.

Reuters March 4, 2020

Multibillion LNG projects set for delays as negotiations hit wall. The decision by the government of Papua New Guinea (PNG) to halt talks with ExxonMobil about the state's share of revenues from the planned P'nyang gas field development is set to delay two key LNG projects that would double the country's gas output, Rystad Energy estimates show.

LNG Industry March 4, 2020

Wartsila to supply cargo handling system for LNG bunker vessel. Technology group Wartsila announced that it will supply a cargo handling system for a new 18,000 cu m LNG bunkering vessel being built for Korea Line at Hyundai Mipo Dockyard (HMD) in South Korea.

Seatrade Maritime News March 4, 2020

China's stimulus takes shape – but no large, immediate benefits for shipowners. While China has started to present some stimulus measures for shipping and the wider economy, some industry observers warn it could be months before freight markets feel any positive impact, if ever.

TradeWinds March 4, 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 9-11: OPES 2020

COMMODITIES, (8:30 am CT)

CRUDE	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
Brent	ICE	\$/bbl	52.25	↑ 0.39
WTI	NYMEX	\$/bbl	47.76	↑ 0.58
PRODUCTS	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
RBOB Gasoline	NYMEX	¢/gal	155.89	↑ 2.76
Heating Oil	NYMEX	¢/gal	154.56	↑ 1.26
NATURAL GAS	Source	Unit	Last price	Δ Prior day close
US Henry Hub	NYMEX	\$/MMBtu	1.82	↑ 0.02
UK National Balancing Point	ICE	\$/MMBtu	2.92	↓ -0.01
NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS	Source	Last Price (¢/gal)	Last Price (\$/mt)	Δ Prior day close (¢/gal)
US Mont Belvieu Propane (Spot)	Reuters	40.38	210.38	↓ -0.12
PRICE SPREADS (\$/bbl)	Source	Last price	Δ Prior day close	
ICE RBOB Gasoline/Brent Crack Spread	ICE	12.76	↑ 0.67	

MARKETS, (8:30 am CT)

EQUITIES	Region/Country	Last value	Δ Prior day close
S&P 500	United States	3,052.12	↑ 48.75
FTSE 100	United Kingdom	6,787.52	↑ 69.32
DAX	Germany	12,069.41	↑ 84.02
SH Composite	China	3,011.67	↑ 18.77
CURRENCIES	Region/Country	Last value	Δ Prior day close
£/\$	United Kingdom	1.28	↑ 0.00
€/\$	European Union	1.11	↓ 0.00
\$/JPY ¥	Japan	107.26	↑ 0.14
\$/CNY ¥	China	6.92	↓ -0.03

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