

Flat Price

The Brent futures flat price for the Jun contract steadily slipped from above the \$89/bbl mark in the morning to a low of \$87.96/bbl at 15:35 BST, before recovering its losses and reaching \$88.87/bbl at 16:35 BST. Rosneft and Indian Oil Crop are yet to renew an oil supply deal that expired in March, with the Indian refiner turning its attention to the spot markets. OPEC produced 27mbbls of crude a day in March, almost unchanged from the previous month. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait followed protocol, yet, Iraq, UAE and Gabon pumped way above their agreed quotas. Despite stricter enforcement of the US sanctions against Russian oil exports, some tankers loaded with Russian Sokol crude grade are near India and signalling the nations ports as their destination. According to the Panama Canal Authority, the water deficit is so severe that it will take months of precipitation to fully recover, although La Niña is expected to provide a great amount of rain in the coming weeks. The front and six-month Brent futures spreads are at \$1.02/bbl and \$5.29/bbl, respectively.

Crude

A strong afternoon in Dated, outperforming futures with Dated-to-leads rallying. Jun DFL was strong throughout the afternoon trading \$1.07/bbl last, whilst there was some sticky buying of May/Jun Dtd even throughout the afternoon as structure softened a touch, trading around \$1.06/bbl throughout the afternoon. In the NS window, the physical saw a trade sharply bidding for forties across the strip alongside lifting a Midland and Brent cargo, causing the physical diff to rally. With this, we saw Dated go very well bid, with Apr DFL gapping up to \$1.11/bbl, and May trading to highs of \$1.27/bbl. In the window, we saw rolls also well bid, with 29-3/5 v Cal May lifted at \$0.65/bbl by a major. CFD's were bid in the window, with 8-12's lifted from \$0.85/bbl to \$1/bbl with trade houses and refiners both seen buyside and no real sell side interest.

15-19's saw a similar price action, with the same buyers paying up from \$0.90/bbl and closing the window bid at \$1.05/bbl.

Fuel Oil

In HSFO, Chinese were buyers of Sep and Jan'25 380 FP which supported the front 380 E/W buying up from \$2.50/mt to \$3.50/mt in May. 380 spreads were initially well bid by majors, with May/Jul trading at \$4/mt and Jul/Sep trading at \$12.50/mt, but quickly got sold by market makers. Then, 380 spreads were a touch softer after buying interests gone, with Apr/May trading down to \$0.25/mt. We saw Apr barge cracks selling by trade houses in the early afternoon, selling down from -\$13.15/bbl to -\$13.25/bbl which also put pressure on May barge cracks, trading down from -\$11.40/bbl to -\$11.55/bbl. Apr/May barge spreads traded at -\$5/mt. Barge cracks collapsed in the window with little buying interests, with May barge cracks gapping down to -\$11.90/bbl before trading up to -\$11.80/bbl at the end of the window. Barge spreads were weakened, with May/Jun trading down from -\$1.50/mt to -\$2/mt and Jun/Jul selling at \$3/mt on screen.

In VLSFO, Jul Sing FP were bid by Chinese, with May Sing cracks trading from \$11.85/bbl up to \$12/bbl. We saw Jul Sing cracks selling on screen at \$12/bbl in decent volume, but quickly absorbed by the markets. Sing spreads were stable, with May/Jun Sing trading at \$4.50/mt for the whole afternoon and Jun/Aug Sing selling at \$14.50/mt. European structures were strengthened, with May/Jun Euro buying from \$6.25/mt up to \$6.75/mt. Euro cracks were well bid, with May trading up from \$5.20/bbl up to \$5.40/bbl in large size during the window. Apr/May Euro bought up to \$6.75/mt at the end of the window. 0.5 E/W came under pressure, with May trading down to \$41.50/mt.

Distillates

ICE gasoil spreads continued to strengthen in the afternoon, with the Apr/May spread trading up to highs of \$10.75/mt at the end of the window before retracing back to \$9.75/mt. The May/Jun spread traded up to \$7.25/mt, a 2 dollar increase from the opening lows of \$5.25/mt. ICE gasoil cracks traded higher on the back of a weaker crude in the afternoon, with the May crack trading up to \$23.50/bbl from \$22.95/bbl. The Q3 crack traded up to highs of \$24.75/bbl before retracing back to \$24.60/bbl. The European jet diff remained rangebound for the afternoon, with the May diff trading between \$53/mt and \$54/mt, currently indicated at \$53.50/mt. Little interest was seen in the deferred tenors. The HOGOs slightly softened into the afternoon on a stronger ICE, with the May swap at 4.20c/gal and the Q4 swap at 9.90c/gal.

This afternoon in Sing gasoil, we saw the front spreads trading more rangebound following a mixed morning. The Bal Apr/May spread traded between -\$0.18/bbl and -\$0.21/bbl, while the May/Jun spread traded between \$0.18/bbl and \$0.22/bbl. Further down the curve, the Jun/Jul spread saw buying interest and was lifted on screen up to \$0.40/bbl from \$0.30/bbl this morning. The E/W continued to weaken, with Apr E/W trading down to -\$41/mt and currently indicated at -\$40.50/mt, having opened at -\$35.50/mt. The May E/W experienced volatility throughout the afternoon, rallying up to -\$30.75/mt from -\$33.50/mt, but has since retraced back to -\$32.50/mt. Interest was noted in the deferred tenors, with Q1'25 trading at -\$20.50/mt. A mixed afternoon for regrades, as the May regrade traded down to lows of -\$2.10/bbl before rallying back to -\$1.95/bbl. However, the Jun regrade continued lower from the morning, trading down to -\$1.60/bbl, and the Q3 traded lower at -\$1.30/bbl. The May/June kero spread continued trending lower, being hit down to -\$0.30/bbl on screen from -\$0.25/bbl.

Gasoline

This afternoon in gasoline, we saw cracks trade at the end of the afternoon window around \$21.65/bbl in May EBOB. RBBRs in Jun ticked up to \$25.10/bbl handles, before ticking down to \$24.80/bbl in the Euro window. In the afternoon, we saw arbs go better offered, in May and Jun, from real players at 10.10c/gal and 10.30c/gal respectively, and later in the afternoon selling of Sep arbs at -5c/gal. We saw some offers on EBOB spreads this afternoon, with Aug/Sep at \$24.25/mt and Jun/Jul offered at \$18.75/mt from trade. The Bal spread was offered down to \$5.75/mt post-window, where we saw bids come in. We saw strong liquidity in the May/Q3 and Jun/Q3 crack rolls, going offered from trade and majors at \$3.75/bbl and \$2.94/bbl respectively. In the Euro window, we saw real players selling the front EBOB cracks, at the \$21.65/bbl mark (May). Gasnaphs were well offered again this afternoon, trending up from naphtha weakness. Real players offered gasnaphs up to \$231/mt in May and \$111/mt in Q4. In the East, gasnaphs continued to be offered at \$19.75/bbl in Q3 and \$23.30/bbl in May. E/W saw buying again down at -\$9.15/bbl in May, from derivs and also in Q4 this afternoon at -\$1.30/bbl. The Aug/Sep crack roll was well offered by a major this afternoon at \$1/bbl, and we saw majors on the sell side of cracks in the front in May 92, post Euro window, at \$12.50/bbl.

Naphtha

A strongly offered afternoon in naphtha which saw various players stopping out of crack length, leaving the front crack to plummet to -\$11.20/bbl end window after initially opening the day at -\$9.85/bbl. The phys window only saw offers, reflecting the paper market with cracks gapping down from -\$10.60/bbl to -\$11/bbl at the start of the window. May cracks fell further to -\$11.40/bbl post-window with market makers, banks and funds joining in stopping out of length. Q3 cracks similarly saw exit selling by trade from -\$10/bbl in the afternoon down to -\$10.75/bbl post-window and Q4 found buying post-window at -\$10/bbl, with -\$0.80/bbl implied on the Q3/Q4 crack roll.

Spreads were well offered with crack weakness, May/Jun selling down to \$7/mt and the pricing spread falling to \$9.50/mt. E/W was left undefined after the crack move in Europe, last trading at \$12.50/mt with May/Jun offered down to \$6.50/mt.

NGLs

On NGLs this afternoon, physical offers were lifted at the US open but outright levels remained low; as a result LST flat price was well-offered in the paper and arbs were offered in line. The May/Jun LST spread traded at 0.375c/gal and the Balmo spread traded at 0.5c/gal. The LST/FEI arb continued to weaken down to -\$183/mt in May and Q3 traded to -\$180/mt. In the second half of the afternoon, however, naphtha sold off aggressively with trade houses and funds stopping out; as a result pronap levels rose with Q4 FEI/MOPJ trading from -\$40/mt to -\$33/mt pre window and May NWE pronap trading at -\$157/mt. With pronaps at these high levels, international LPG bids were hit, international spreads softened with Jun/Jul CP trading to \$10.50/mt, and the LST/FEI arb went better bid as a result retracing to -\$178/mt in Jun.