

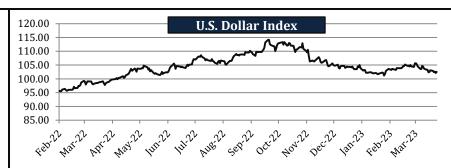
# **Weekly Market Update**

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#### **Currency Exchange Rate**

Curroncy	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	ages	We	ekly Avera	ges	Last Week	Last	2008-	2023
Currency	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/- %	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
US Dollar Index	95.81	92.51	103.99	102.58	108.26	108.16	102.73	103.67	103.77	104.00	102.91	102.52	-0.38%	102.51	114.11	70.70
EUR To USD	1.142	1.183	1.054	1.065	1.007	1.022	1.078	1.071	1.072	1.068	1.079	1.085	0.52%	1.087	1.604	0.959
GBP To USD	1.284	1.376	1.237	1.256	1.176	1.175	1.224	1.208	1.214	1.214	1.226	1.233	0.62%	1.234	2.040	1.070
USD To JPY	106.75	109.88	131.55	129.86	138.42	141.22	130.29	133.10	133.63	133.14	131.30	132.12	0.62%	132.78	150.13	75.58







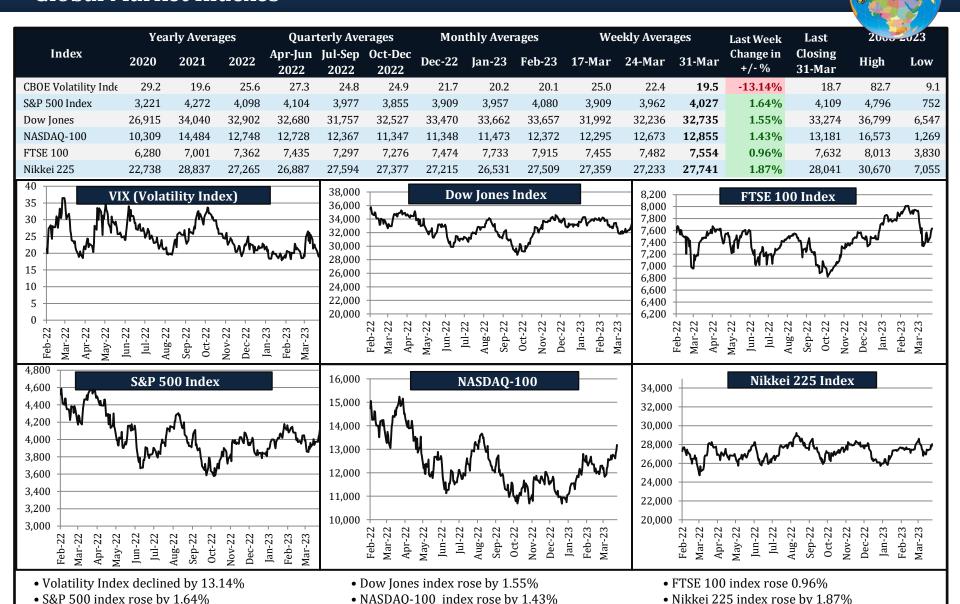
#### USD INR EUR JPY **GBP** CAD AUD AED 1.095 0.008 0.742 0.670 0.272 USD 1.000 1.248 0.012 0.913 1.000 0.678 0.612 0.249 0.011 0.007 **EUR** 1.140 131.280 143.739 1.000 163.851 97.454 87.971 35.762 1.602 JPY 1.000 0.801 0.877 0.006 0.595 0.537 0.218 **GBP** 0.010 1.347 1.475 0.010 1.000 0.903 0.367 CAD 1.681 0.016 **AUD** 1.492 1.634 0.011 1.863 1.108 1.000 0.406 0.018 3.673 2.727 4.021 0.028 4.583 2.468 1.000 0.045 **AED** 82.010 89.793 0.624 102.299 60.863 54.922 22.354 1.000 **INR**

**Currency Cross Rates** 

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- US Dollar index declined by 0.38% last week
- USD declined against EUR by 0.52%
- USD declined against GBP by 0.62%
- USD rose against JPY by 0.62%

#### **Global Market Indexes**



#### **U.S. Treasury Bond Rates**

U.S. Treasury	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	rages	We	ekly Avera	iges	Last Week	Last	2000	2023
Bond	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/-%	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
US 3-MO Yield in %	0.334	0.044	2.076	1.091	2.696	4.175	4.694	4.764	4.799	4.718	4.690	4.770	1.69%	4.739	5.036	(0.036)
US 2-YR Yield in %	0.367	0.261	2.994	2.721	3.382	4.392	4.195	4.553	4.317	4.041	3.932	4.062	3.31%	4.062	5.066	0.113
US 5-YR Yield in %	0.515	0.845	3.007	2.952	3.225	3.996	3.621	3.950	3.831	3.650	3.543	3.642	2.77%	3.611	4.450	0.200
US 10-YR Yield in %	0.873	1.432	2.955	2.925	3.097	3.830	3.513	3.751	3.664	3.525	3.473	3.541	1.95%	3.492	4.230	0.498
US 30-YR Yield in %	1.551	2.051	3.114	3.040	3.257	3.888	3.649	3.803	3.770	3.686	3.683	3.752	1.86%	3.689	4.850	0.938
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- 3 month US treasury yield rose by 1.69%
- 2 year US treasury yields rose by 3.31%
- 5 year US treasury yields rose by 2.77%
- 10 year US treasury yields rose by 1.95%
- 30 year US treasury yields rose by 1.86%







## **Commodity Price Summary**

	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	ages	We	ekly Avera	iges	Last Week	Last	2008-	2023
Commodity	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/-%	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
Thermal Coal	62	134	358	365	417	380	365	221	179	177	175	177	0.89%	177	458	49
Coking Coal Aus	123	226	358	450	259	289	318	354	329	332	320	303	-5.47%	302	672	72
Coking Coal China	136	339	379	463	337	309	346	384	327	318	301	283	-5.93%	282	615	106
Crude oil, Brent	43.3	70.8	99.0	112.0	97.6	88.6	84.0	83.5	79.2	75.9	75.3	78.8	4.62%	79.8	146	19
Crude oil, WTI	39.5	68.0	94.4	108.7	91.6	82.5	78.3	76.8	73.4	69.8	69.4	73.8	6.32%	75.7	145	(38)
Copper	6,178	9,315	8,817	9,538	7,750	8,025	8,971	8,955	8,835	8,648	8,845	8,966	1.36%	8,933	10,845	2,790
Iron ore	107	160	122	142	106	100	122	127	128	133	125	125	0.32%	127	220	37
Gold	1,771	1,799	1,802	1,873	1,727	1,732	1,899	1,854	1,915	1,929	1,971	1,969	-0.12%	1,970	2,056	713
Silver	20.5	25.1	21.8	22.6	19.3	21.4	23.8	21.9	22.0	21.9	22.8	23.6	3.21%	24.1	48.5	9.0
Palladium	2,199	2,397	2,103	2,096	2,080	1,915	1,735	1,544	1,426	1,438	1,417	1,448	2.16%	1,490	3,000	404
Steel Scrap	287	466	442	484	374	365	416	442	448	447	437	437	-0.09%	438	710	182
Panamax	1,103	2,969	2,298	2,957	1,901	1,764	1,154	963	1,627	1,732	1,623	1,597	-1.64%	1,635	9,999	282
Supramax	746	2,424	2,006	2,627	1,789	1,327	741	753	1,261	1,285	1,333	1,299	-2.57%	1,332	6,918	243
Panamax	9,927	26,738	20,679	26,609	17,111	15,874	10,385	8,667	14,650	15,589	14,627	14,372	-1.74%	14,718		
Supramax	8,073	26,656	22,062	28,901	19,679	14,594	8,154	8,279	13,876	14,131	14,666	14,290	-2.56%	14,657		

Please see below price changes last week compared to the week before,

- Thermal Coal price rose by 0.89% last week
- Coking Coal Australia price declined by 5.47%
- Coking Coal China price declined by 5.93%
- Crude Oil Brent price rose by 4.62%
- Crude Oil WTI rose by 6.32%
- Copper price rose by 1.36%
- Iron Ore price rose by 0.32%
- Gold price declined by 0.12%.
- Silver price rose by 3.21%.
- Palladium price rose by 2.16%
- Steel scrap price almost steady last week
- Panamax shipping rates declined by 1.64%
- Supramax shipping rates declined by 2.57% last week

#### **Commodity Price - Coal**

	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	rages	We	ekly Avera	iges	Last Week	Last	2008-	2023
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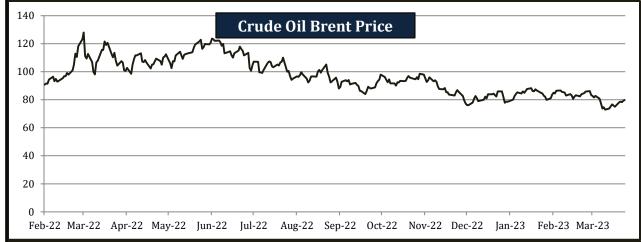


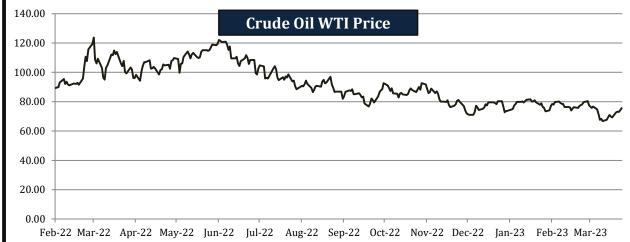
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Thermal coal price rebounded to \$198 per tonne after lingering near the 14-month low of since mid-March amid renewed expectations of lower supply. New legislation passed by Australia to cap greenhouse gas emissions required national coal mines to cut output by 5% per year, pressuring supply from the key exporter. The move added to concerns of export disruptions following heavy rains in the coal-mining states of Queensland and New South Wales, as well as the closure of a key railway line after a collision. Still, prices remain 50% lower year-to-date due to warm winters in the global north and the sharp pullback in natural gas prices. Data from top producer China showed coal output rose by 9% to 5.9 billion tonnes in 2022.

## **Commodity Price - Crude Oil**

Commodity	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	ages	We	ekly Avera	ges	Last Week	Last	2000	-023
Commodity	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/- %	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
Crude oil, Brent	43.3	70.8	99.0	112.0	97.6	88.6	84.0	83.5	79.2	75.9	75.3	78.8	4.62%	79.8	146	19
Crude oil, WTI	39.5	68.0	94.4	108.7	91.6	82.5	78.3	76.8	73.4	69.8	69.4	73.8	6.32%	75.7	145	(38)





- Crude Oil Brent price rose by 4.62%
- Crude Oil WTI price rose by 6.32%

## **Commodity Price - Copper & Iron Ore**

	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	ages	We	ekly Avera	ges	Last Week	Last	2000	2023
Commodity	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/- %	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
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- Copper price rose by 1.36%
- Iron Ore price rose by 0.32%

## **Commodity Price - Gold & Silver**

Commodity	Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	ages	We	ekly Avera	ges	Last Week	Last	2000	2023
Commodity	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/- %	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
Gold	1,771	1,799	1,802	1,873	1,727	1,732	1,899	1,854	1,915	1,929	1,971	1,969	-0.12%	1,970	2,056	713
Silver	20.5	25.1	21.8	22.6	19.3	21.4	23.8	21.9	22.0	21.9	22.8	23.6	3.21%	24.1	48.5	9.0





- Gold price declined by 0.12%.
- Silver price rose by 3.21%.

## **Commodity Price - Steel Scrap & Palladium**

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Commodity	2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/- %	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
Palladium	2,199	2,397	2,103	2,096	2,080	1,915	1,735	1,544	1,426	1,438	1,417	1,448	2.16%	1,490	3,000	404
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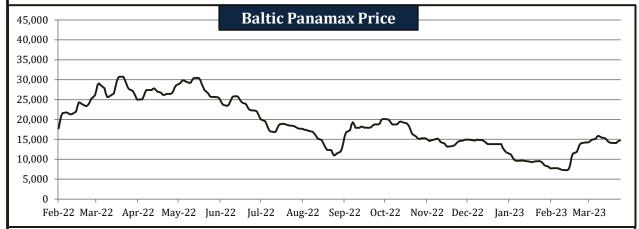




- Palladium price rose by 2.16%
- Steel scrap price almost steady last week

#### **Baltic Shipping Rates**

Yea	rly Avera	ges	Quar	terly Ave	rages	Mon	thly Aver	rages	We	ekly Avera	ges	Last Week	Last	2008-	2023
2020	2021	2022	Apr-Jun 2022	Jul-Sep 2022	Oct-Dec 2022	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	Change in +/-%	Closing 31-Mar	High	Low
1,103	2,969	2,298	2,957	1,901	1,764	1,154	963	1,627	1,732	1,623	1,597	-1.64%	1,635	9,999	282
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#### Panamax shipping rates declined by 1.64%

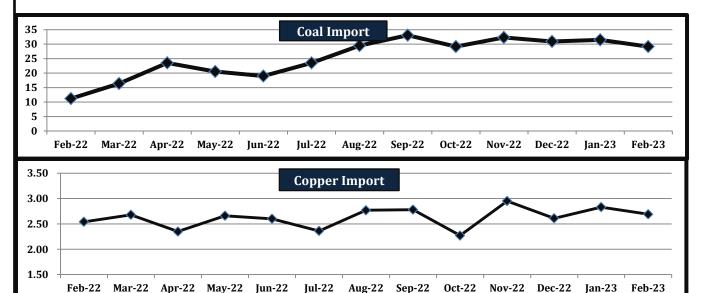
A volatile week for the Panamax market, with the market trend and direction altering its course. The Atlantic saw improved demand ex NC and EC South America with end April arrival dates experiencing enhanced rates midweek. A \$18,250 +\$825,000 delivery aps load port was perhaps the highlight. The north Atlantic returned a confusing week with some voyage fixtures returning lower than index equivalents, whilst other tonnage tightness ex Continent and Mediterranean added support to rates. It proved to be a puzzling and tumultuous market in Asia this week. This was somewhat highlighted by the distinction in rates for grain clean and non-grain clean tonnage. Excess of \$15,000 was paid several times for NoPac grain tonnage on good types. Meanwhile, the mineral round trips achieved distinctively lower rates despite the support afforded ex EC South America. It was an active week for period deals, with a host concluded - including an 82,000-dwt delivery China achieving \$17,250 for eight to 10 months trading.

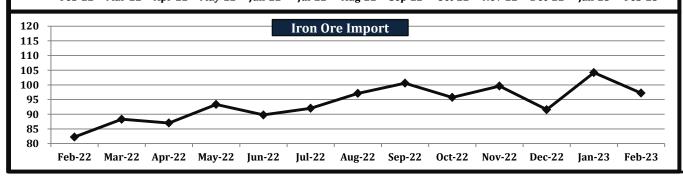
#### • Supramax shipping rates declined by 2.57%

A poor week for the sector across most areas. The Atlantic saw little excitement with the US Gulf and South America seeing tonnage availability grow and limited fresh cargo appearing. A similar situation from Asia, with little fresh Indonesian coal. This led to downward rate pressure for tonnage open. Period activity remained behind the scenes and a 61,000-dwt open Mediterranean fixed at around \$20,250 for three to five months. From the Atlantic, a 58,000-dwt open West Africa fixed a trip to India at around \$20,000. Further north, a 57,000-dwt fixed a scrap run from the North Continent to East Mediterranean at \$13,000.

#### **Chinese Major Dry Bulk Import Statistics**

Commodity	Unit					2022							20	23	changes
Commodity	Ullit	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	in +/- %
Coal and lignite		11.23	16.42	23.55	20.55	18.98	23.52	29.46	33.05	29.18	32.31	30.91	31.48	29.17	-7.3%
Copper ores and concentrates	on	2.08	2.18	1.88	2.19	2.06	1.90	2.27	2.27	1.87	2.41	2.10	2.36	2.28	-3.4%
Unwrought copper and copper products		0.46	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.54	0.46	0.50	0.51	0.40	0.54	0.51	0.47	0.41	-12.9%
Products, of steel or iron	E C	0.95	1.01	0.96	0.81	0.79	0.79	0.89	0.89	0.77	0.75	0.70	0.60	0.63	5.0%
Iron ores and concentrates		81.30	87.28	86.06	92.52	88.97	91.24	96.21	99.71	94.98	98.85	90.86	103.60	90.59	-12.6%





China imported 29.17 million tonnes of coal and lignite in February 2023, Which is 7.3% up from January 2023.

The Chinese copper import in February 2023 is 2.69 million tonnes which is 4.9% down from January 2023 and 5.9% up from February 2022.

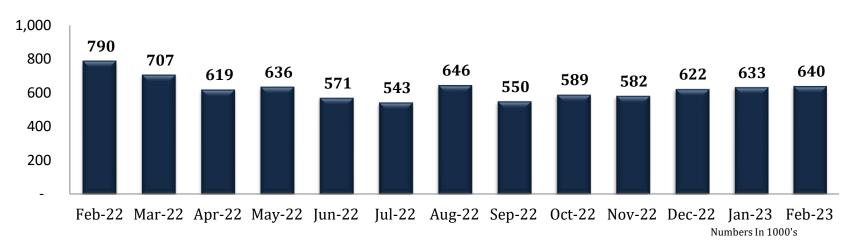
Copper includes (Copper ores, concentrates, unwrought copper and copper products)

China brought 90.59 million tonnes of Iron ores and concentrates in February 2023 which is 12.6% down from January 2023 and 11.4% up from February 2022.

#### **US New Home Sale Data**

Sales Data	Unit	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Change on Last Month in +/- %
New Home Sale in US	In 1000's	790	707	619	636	571	543	646	550	589	582	622	633	640	1.1%

#### **US New Home Sale Data in Last 12 Months**



Sales of new single-family houses in February 2023 were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 640,000, according to estimates released jointly by the U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This is 1.1 percent above the revised January 2023 rate of 633,000, but is 19 percent below the January 2022 estimate of 790,000.





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