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#### **Market Summary**

#### A paroxysm of horror for the shorts

The ever-cunning Trafigura are at it again, resolutely munching through any seller who dare raise its head and offer. Total offered a CIF Rots cargo of Forties at Dated Brent plus \$2.70/bbl, which Trafigura found irresistible and lifted it. Trafigura was also bidding for a FOB Forties July 7-24 at Dated plus \$1.50/bbl. And prices are up again!

The tradehouse has been buying EFP's, leaving the sellers with delivery obligations into expiration. The hapless shorts if they have no physical will need to buy back tomorrow at the expiry. The long, presumably, can sit back while the short does the work and wait for good bids. But we saw some selling by Trafigura when it sold 1st week CFDs to BP at +40 cts.

And of course, markets are connected and too much heavy physical partying leads to drinks spilled over the fence into the futures side. This was very evident from 08:00 BST, when the Aug/Sep Brent spread started to widen in a hurry. August Brent futures jumped to \$86.22/bbl, up \$1.63 in 24 hours. Maybe time for Mr. Anduran to shed the slippers, the hot cocoa and join the party. Prompt spreads rallied from \$0.72/bbl at 8:00 BST up to \$0.98/bbl at the close of the European window. (See figure 1 in the details)

In the US, the macro picture continues to dim. Investment in capital stock is in decline, PMI data from earlier in the month printed contractionary and the unemployed are finding increasingly difficult to get a job. The focus will now be on the PCE inflation print on Friday (the Federal Reserves preferred measure of inflation). Consensus is for a 0.4% increase m-o-m. Importantly, the Fed's mandate not only includes inflation targeting, but also maintaining full employment. So a weak PCE outturn tomorrow would certainly help justify cuts later in the year.

Weakness in US data has softened the dollar global index, easing to 105.71 as at 14:30 BST, from previous highs over 106. Positive consequence for oil, not so much for everyone long dollar.

But more importantly, enjoy the overnight Biden/Trump slugfest and don't groan too much.

See 'In Detail' section overleaf.

Summary				
Physical and Futures		27-Jun-24	1-Day Change	7-Day Change
Brent Aug (fut)	(\$/bbl)	86.220	+1.630	+0.890
WTI Aug (fut)	(\$/bbl)	81.800	+1.480	+0.910
Dubai Aug (phys)	(\$/bbl)	85.290	+0.405	+0.540
Crude Swaps Jul				
Brent	(\$/bbl)	85.220	+1.410	+0.710
DFL	(\$/bbl)	0.650	+0.170	-0.170
WTI	(\$/bbl)	81.520	+1.430	+0.860
Dubai	(\$/bbl)	85.420	+1.410	+0.820



#### In detail

As at 16:30 BST, August WTI and Brent futures closed at \$81.80 and \$86.22/bbl, respectively. Against the same time yesterday, the Brent front month futures contract rallied by \$1.63/bbl, the WTI contracts increased by slightly less, gaining \$1.48/bbl over the last 24 hours. The M1/M2 spreads for Brent futures increased by 12 cts compared with yesterday's close, to 98 cts/bbl. My goodness, markets can be so deliciously generous when you are long, and nevermind the fundamentals.

ARA international oil inventories posted gains in gasoline, naphtha and fuel oil, whilst inventories of gasoil and jet fuel declined. Notably gasoline increased by 96kmt and naphtha gained 98kmt. Building gasoline inventories is evidently not localised to the US, and neither is driving season. It's feels very hard to be optimistic about demand anywhere in Western economies.

This afternoon saw further weak macro prints out of the US. Durable goods orders printed a 0.1% m-o-m increase for May, ahead of market consensus of at 0.1% decrease. This follows a downwardly revised 0.2% increase in April. The majority of this was driven by defence aircraft and parts (+22.6%), whilst machinery (-0.5%) and capital goods (-0.5%) both decreased. The growth in defence offers little reassurance for the US macro picture, primarily reflecting increased government contracts. Core capital goods shipments which is used for calculation of equipment investment in GDP, fell by 0.5%, the most in 3 months. GDP growth for Q1 was also confirmed at 1.4%, in line with market consensus, and 10 bps above last month's estimate of the same period.

Continued jobless claims increased to the highest level since November 2021 in the week ending the June 15, at 1.839 million (+18k). This reflects increased persistence in unemployment, as those already unemployed struggle to regain jobs. US pending existing-home sales for May also fell against expectations to the lowest level on record. The Average 30 year fix is currently hovering around 7%. No wonder prospective homeowners are choosing to hold

off.



Figure 1: Brent Futures Aug/Sep spreads (Onyx Flux)

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Front Month Ou	trights			
July Swaps		27-Jun-24	1-Day Change	7-Day Change
Crude				
Brent	(\$/bbl)	85.220	+1.410	+0.710
WTI	(\$/bbl)	81.520	+1.430	+0.860
Dubai	(\$/bbl)	85.420	+1.410	+0.820
Distillates				
Gasoil 0.1 NWE	(\$/mt)	792.420	+12.350	+11.100
NWE Jet	(\$/mt)	848.420	+11.350	+7.600
Singapore 10ppm	(\$/bbl)	102.640	+1.590	+1.390
Sing Kero	(\$/bbl)	101.160	+1.590	+1.360
Gasoline				
RBOB	(c/gal)	254.055	+4.710	+5.980
EBOB	(\$/mt)	840.710	+12.560	+10.210
Singapore 92	(\$/bbl)	91.780	+1.760	+1.300
Singapore 95	(\$/bbl)	96.280	+1.760	+1.600
Naphtha				
US C5 ENT	(c/gal)	157.080	+2.350	+2.400
NWE Naphtha	(\$/mt)	689.660	+11.570	+13.530
MOPJ Naphtha	(\$/mt)	706.500	+11.590	+12.710
Fuel Oil				
3.5% barges	(\$/mt)	485.840	+9.460	+0.450
Singapore 380	(\$/mt)	504.840	+6.960	+0.260
Singapore 180	(\$/mt)	508.770	+5.890	-1.560
0.5% barges	(\$/mt)	561.660	+7.810	+10.350
Singapore 0.5%	(\$/mt)	610.550	+8.440	+15.750
NGLs				
US Propane LST	(c/gal)	83.960	+2.650	+3.910
NWE Propane	(\$/mt)	561.430	+10.300	+14.370
Saudi Propane CP	(\$/mt)	588.430	+7.300	+2.870
Asian Propane FEI	(\$/mt)	638.430	+10.300	+2.420
US Butane ENT	(c/gal)	99.460	+2.650	+2.920
Saudi Butane CP	(\$/mt)	573.430	+9.300	+8.920



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Long Tenor S	Swaps	S						
		Balmo	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Q3-24	Q4-24
Crude								
Brent	(\$/bbl)	85.745	85.220	84.485	83.845	83.265	84.517	82.73
WTI	(\$/bbl)	81.795	81.520	80.655	79.920	79.225	80.698	78.59
Dubai	(\$/bbl)	85.320	85.420	84.760	84.060	83.370	84.747	82.72
Distillates								
Gasoil 0.1 NWE	(\$/mt)	794.375	792.420	790.690	790.375	786.550	791.162	780.82
NWE Jet	(\$/mt)	848.380	848.420	846.690	846.380	843.050	847.163	837.32
Singapore 10ppm	(\$/bbl)	102.590	102.640	102.720	102.500	102.100	102.620	101.56
Sing Kero	(\$/bbl)	101.060	101.160	101.350	101.240	101.090	101.250	100.77
Gasoline								
RBOB	(c/gal)	255.835	254.055	250.350	231.055	224.935	245.153	221.62
EBOB	(\$/mt)	840.210	840.710	839.960	825.710	779.960	835.460	761.46
Singapore 92	(\$/bbl)	91.280	91.780	91.680	90.930	90.100	91.463	89.32
Singapore 95	(\$/bbl)	95.080	96.280	95.980	95.180	94.100	95.813	93.27
Naphtha								
US C5 ENT	(c/gal)	156.080	157.080	157.460	157.960	158.580	157.500	158.33
NWE Naphtha	(\$/mt)	700.160	689.660	678.160	669.660	664.910	679.160	659.91
MOP-Japan Naphtha	(\$/mt)	714.500	706.500	695.500	686.750	681.000	696.250	675.58
Fuel Oil								
3.5% barges	(\$/mt)	489.590	485.840	482.590	475.590	466.840	481.340	461.75
Singapore 380	(\$/mt)	507.340	504.840	497.090	485.840	475.090	495.923	470.25
Singapore 180	(\$/mt)	509.770	508.770	504.520	495.520	487.270	502.937	483.10
0.5% barges	(\$/mt)	562.410	561.660	558.660	554.910	550.160	558.410	545.99
Singapore 0.5%	(\$/mt)	613.050	610.550	601.800	595.050	590.300	602.467	586.30
NGLs								
US Propane LST	(c/gal)	82.710	83.960	84.580	84.830	85.580	84.457	85.79
NWE Propane	(\$/mt)	568.430	561.430	558.930	558.930	561.930	559.763	563.59
Saudi Propane CP	(\$/mt)	588.430	588.430	588.430	591.930	600.930	589.597	607.09
Asian Propane FEI	(\$/mt)	642.430	638.430	636.430	638.930	643.930	637.930	645.59
US Butane ENT	(c/gal)	98.960	99.460	99.840	99.720	100.840	99.673	100.96
Saudi Butane CP	(\$/mt)	573.430	573.430	573.430	585.430	594.930	577.430	601.43



Front Month S	produc			
July/Aug		27-Jun-24	1-Day Change	7-Day Change
Crude				
Brent	(\$/bbl)	0.735	+0.135	+0.050
WTI	(\$/bbl)	0.865	+0.130	+0.095
Dubai	(\$/bbl)	0.660	+0.070	-0.020
Distillates				
Gasoil 0.1 NWE	(\$/mt)	1.730	+0.690	+0.690
NWE Jet	(\$/mt)	1.730	+0.190	-0.310
Singapore 10ppm	(\$/bbl)	-0.080	+0.010	-0.130
Sing Kero	(\$/bbl)	-0.190	-0.020	-0.050
Gasoline				
RBOB	(c/gal)	3.705	+0.535	+0.485
EBOB	(\$/mt)	0.750	-1.250	-2.500
Singapore 92	(\$/bbl)	0.100	+0.080	+0.050
Singapore 95	(\$/bbl)	0.300	+0.080	+0.150
Naphtha				
US C5 ENT	(c/gal)	-0.380	+0.000	+0.120
NWE Naphtha	(\$/mt)	11.500	+1.500	+3.000
MOP-Japan Naphtha	(\$/mt)	11.000	+1.250	+2.750
Fuel Oil				
3.5% barges	(\$/mt)	3.250	+0.750	-0.500
Singapore 380	(\$/mt)	7.750	-0.250	-2.000
Singapore 180	(\$/mt)	4.250	-0.750	-2.750
0.5% barges	(\$/mt)	3.000	+0.250	+0.250
Singapore 0.5%	(\$/mt)	8.750	+0.750	+3.250
NGLs				
US Propane LST	(c/gal)	-0.620	+0.130	+0.130
NWE Propane	(\$/mt)	2.500	-0.500	+1.000
Saudi Propane CP	(\$/mt)	0.000	+0.000	-6.000
Asian Propane FEI	(\$/mt)	2.000	+1.000	-1.500
US Butane ENT	(c/gal)	-0.380	+0.000	+0.120
Saudi Butane CP	(\$/mt)	0.000	+0.000	-0.500



Front Month Cracks and Diffs			
July	27-Jun-24	1-Day Change	7-Day Change
Crude			
Brent/Dubai (\$/bbl)	-0.180	+0.010	-0.100
WTI/Brent (\$/bbl)	-3.700	+0.020	+0.160
Distillates			
Gasoil 0.1 NWE crack (\$/bbl)	21.130	+0.230	+0.770
NWE Jet crack (\$/bbl)	22.430	+0.010	+0.250
NWE Jet Diff (\$/mt)	56.000	-1.000	-3.500
Gasoil E/W (\$/bbl)	-27.750	-0.500	-0.750
Regrade (Sing Kero vs Sing 10ppm) (\$/bbl)	-1.480	+0.000	-0.030
Gasoline			
TA Arb (RBOB vs EBOB) (c/gal)	13.750	+1.150	+3.050
EBOB crack (\$/mt)	15.680	+0.080	+0.500
Singapore 92 crack (\$/bbl)	6.530	+0.340	+0.570
Gasoline E/W (Sing 92 vs EBOB) (\$/bbl)	-9.150	+0.250	+0.070
European Gasnaph (EBOB vs Naphtha) (\$/mt)	151.020	+0.960	-3.350
Asian Gasnaph (Sing 92 vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	58.030	+3.340	-1.880
Naphtha			
US C5 ENT vs WTI Crack	-15.570	-0.460	+0.120
NWE Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	-7.750	-0.100	+0.800
MOPJ Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	-5.870	-0.130	+0.690
Naphtha E/W (NWE vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	16.750	-0.250	-1.000
Fuel Oil			
3.5% barges crack (\$/bbl)	-8.750	+0.050	-0.670
Singapore 380 crack (\$/bbl)	-5.760	-0.350	-0.710
Singapore 180 crack (\$/bbl)	-5.130	-0.500	-0.990
Visco (180-380) (\$/mt)	4.000	-1.000	-1.750
HSFO E/W (380 vs 3.5% barges) (\$/mt)	19.000	-2.500	-0.250
0.5% barges crack (\$/bbl)	3.200	-0.200	+0.900
Singapore 0.5% crack (\$/bbl)	10.900	-0.100	+1.750
VLSFO E/W (Sing 0.5% vs 0.5% barges) (\$/mt)	48.900	+0.640	+5.400
European Hi5 (0.5% barges vs 3.5% barges) (\$/mt)	75.890	-1.580	+9.980
Asian Hi5 (Sing 0.5% vs 380) (\$/mt)	105.780	+1.550	+15.620
0.5% barges/gasoil (\$/mt)	-230.920	-4.700	-0.780
Sing 0.5% vs Sing 10ppm (\$/mt)	-154.270	-3.560	+5.240
NGLs			
US Propane LST vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	-124.000	+3.500	+6.000
US Propane LST vs Asian Propane FEI (\$/mt)	-201.000		+18.000
Asian Propane FEI vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	77.000		-12.000
Asian Propane FEI vs Saudi Propane CP (\$/mt)	50.000		-0.500
European Pronap (NWE Propane vs NWE Naphtha ) (\$/mt)	-128.410		+0.610
Asian Pronap (FEI vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	-118.160	-4.290	-9.890



Long Tenor Cracks / Diffs							
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	Balmo	Ju1-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Q3-24	Q4-24
Crude							
Brent/Dubai (\$/bbl)	0.440	-0.180					0.020
WTI/Brent (\$/bbl)	-3.940	-3.700	-3.840	-3.930	-4.050	-3.823	-4.143
Distillates							
Gasoil 0.1 NWE crack (\$/bbl)	20.88	21.13	21.63	22.23	22.30	21.66	22.06
NWE Jet crack (\$/bbl)	21.91	22.43	22.95	23.55	23.71	22.98	23.51
NWE Jet Diff (\$/mt)	54.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.50	56.00	56.50
Gasoil E/W (\$/bbl)	-30.08	-27.75	-25.43	-26.58	-25.58	-26.59	-23.93
Regrade (Sing Kero vs Sing 10ppm) (\$/bbl)	-1.53	-1.48	-1.37	-1.26	-1.01	-1.37	-0.79
Gasoline							
TA Arb (RBOB vs EBOB) (c/gal)	15.680	13.750	10.270	-4.950	2.020	6.357	3.987
EBOB crack (\$/mt)	15.100	15.680	16.330	15.260	10.350	15.757	8.660
Singapore 92 crack (\$/bbl)	5.510	6.530	7.160	7.050	6.800	6.913	6.547
Gasoline E/W (Sing 92 vs EBOB) (\$/bbl)	-9.590	-9.150	-9.160	-8.190	-3.530	-8.833	-2.090
European Gasnaph (EBOB vs Naphtha) (\$/mt)	140.020	151.020	161.770	156.020	115.020	156.270	101.520
Asian Gasnaph (Sing 92 vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	45.870	58.030	68.200	70.700	69.620	65.643	68.543
Naphtha							
US C5 ENT vs WTI Crack	-16.260	-15.570	-14.530	-13.580	-12.620	-14.560	-12.103
NWE Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	-7.090	-7.750					-8.610
MOPJ Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	-5.490	-5.870					-6.860
Naphtha E/W (NWE vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	14.250	16.750	17.250	17.000	16.000		15.583
Fuel Oil							
3.5% bgs crack (\$/bbl)	-8.690	-8.750	-8.530	-8.990	-9.790	-8.757	-10.060
Singapore 380 crack (\$/bb1)	-5.890	-5.760					-8.717
Singapore 180 crack (\$/bb1)	-5.490	-5.130					-6.677
Visco (180-380) (\$/mt)	2.500	4.000					12.917
HSFO E/W (380 vs 3.5% bgs) (\$/mt)	17.750	19.000					
0.5% bgs crack (\$/bbl)	2.790	3.200					
Singapore 0.5% crack (\$/bbl)	10.770	10.900					
VLSFO E/W (Sing 0.5% vs 0.5% bgs) (\$/mt)		48.900					
European Hi5 (0.5% bgs vs 3.5% bgs) (\$/mt)		75.890	76.140	79.390			84.307
Asian Hi5 (Sing 0.5% vs 380) (\$/mt)						106.613	
0.5% bgs/gasoil (\$/mt)						-233.060	
Sing 0.5% vs Sing 10ppm (\$/mt)						-162.227	
	131.330	134.270	103.010	100.000	170.040	102.227	170.433
NGLs US Propane LST vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	-137.51	-124	-118.27	-116.97	-116 06	-119.747	-116 613
US Propane LST vs Asian Propane FEI (\$/mt)		-201				-119.747	
Asian Propane FEI vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	-211.51 74	-201 77		-196.97 80	-198.06 82		-198.613
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Asian Propane FEI vs Saudi Propane CP (\$/		_129_41					38.5
European Pronap (\$/mt)	-131.91	-128.41		-110.91		-119.577	-96.493
Asian Pronap (FEI vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	-126.16	-118.16	-107.16	-94.91	-80.16	-106.743	-68.577



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Inter-month Crack Spreads			
July/Aug	27-Jun-24	1-Day Change	7-Day Change
Crude			
Brent/Dubai (\$/bbl)	0.080	+0.060	+0.070
WTI/Brent (\$/bbl)	0.140	+0.010	+0.060
Distillates			
Gasoil 0.1 NWE crack (\$/bbl)	-0.500	-0.040	+0.050
NWE Jet crack (\$/bbl)	-0.520	-0.120	-0.090
NWE Jet Diff (\$/mt)	0.000	-0.500	-1.000
Gasoil E/W (\$/bbl)	-2.320	-0.610	-1.660
Regrade (Sing Kero vs Sing 10ppm) (\$/bbl)	-0.110	-0.030	+0.080
Gasoline			
TA Arb (RBOB vs EBOB)(c/gal)	3.480	+0.890	+1.200
EBOB crack (\$/mt)	-0.650	-0.280	-0.350
Singapore 92 crack (\$/bbl)	-0.630	-0.050	+0.010
Gasoline E/W (Sing 92 vs EBOB) (\$/bbl)	0.010	+0.230	+0.350
European Gasnaph (EBOB vs Naphtha) (\$/mt)	-10.750	-2.750	-5.500
Asian Gasnaph (Sing 92 vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	-10.170	-0.580	-2.340
Naphtha			
US C5 ENT vs WTI Crack	-1.040	-0.150	-0.060
NWE Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	0.560	+0.040	+0.290
MOPJ Naphtha Crack (\$/bbl)	0.500	+0.000	+0.270
Naphtha E/W (NWE vs MOPJ) (\$/mt)	-0.500	-0.250	-0.250
Fuel Oil			
3.5% barges crack (\$/bbl)	-0.220	-0.010	-0.120
Singapore 380 crack (\$/bbl)	0.490	-0.170	-0.350
Singapore 180 crack (\$/bbl)	-0.070	-0.250	-0.490
Visco (180-380) (\$/mt)	-3.500	-0.500	-0.750
HSFO E/W (380 vs 3.5% barges) (\$/mt)	4.500	-1.000	-1.500
0.5% barges crack (\$/bbl)	-0.260	-0.090	-0.010
Singapore 0.5% crack (\$/bbl)	0.640	-0.010	+0.450
VLSFO E/W (Sing 0.5% vs 0.5% barges) (\$/mt)	5.750	+0.500	+3.000
European Hi5 (0.5% barges vs 3.5% barges) (\$/mt)	-0.250	-0.500	+0.750
Asian Hi5 (Sing 0.5% vs 380) (\$/mt)	1.000	+1.000	+5.250
0.5% barges/gasoil (\$/mt)	1.530	-0.180	-0.180
Sing 0.5% vs Sing 10ppm (\$/mt)	9.340	+0.670	+4.210
NGLs			
US Propane LST vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	-5.730	+1.170	-0.320
US Propane LST vs Asian Propane FEI (\$/mt)	-5.230	-0.330	+2.180
Asian Propane FEI vs NWE Propane (\$/mt)	-0.500	+1.500	-2.500
Asian Propane FEI vs Saudi Propane CP (\$/mt)	2.000	+1.000	+4.500
European Pronap (NWE Propane vs NWE Naphtha ) (\$/mt)	-9.000	-2.000	-2.000