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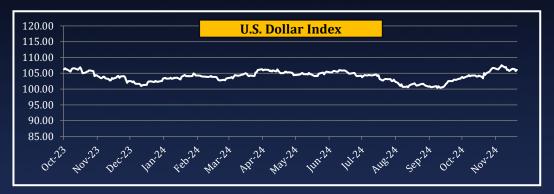
CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	dy Average	es Price	Month	ly Average	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023
Currency	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low
US Dollar Index	92.51	103.99	103.43	103.54	105.18	102.67	102.17	101.05	103.31	107.55	105.74	106.06	0.30%	114.11	70.70
EUR To USD	1.183	1.054	1.082	1.086	1.077	1.098	1.102	1.111	1.090	1.042	1.058	1.058	-0.04%	1.604	0.959
GBP To USD	1.376	1.237	1.244	1.268	1.262	1.300	1.295	1.322	1.304	1.253	1.273	1.274	0.09%	2.040	1.070
USD To JPY	109.88	131.55	140.52	148.42	155.83	149.24	146.29	143.13	149.88	154.77	149.75	149.97	0.15%	161.59	75.58





- US Dollar index rose by 0.30% last week
- USD rose slightly against EUR by 0.04%



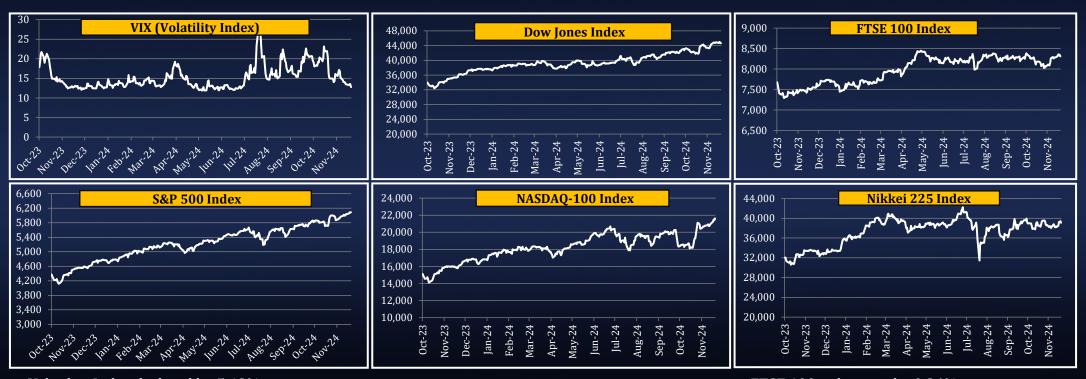
Currency Cross Rates

	USD	EUR	JPY	GBP	CHF	CAD	AUD	HKD
USD	-	1.058	0.007	1.278	1.138	0.708	0.645	0.129
EUR	0.945		0.006	1.207	1.075	0.669	0.609	0.122
JPY	150.400	159.168	1	192.181	171.143	106.403	96.978	19.346
GBP	0.783	0.828	0.005	-	0.891	0.554	0.505	0.101
CHF	0.879	0.930	0.006	1.123	•	0.622	0.567	0.113
CAD	1.414	1.496	0.009	1.806	1.608	-	0.911	0.182
AUD	1.551	1.641	0.010	1.982	1.765	1.097		0.200
HKD	7.774	8.227	0.052	9.934	8.846	5.500	5.013	-

- USD declined slightly against GBP by 0.09%
- USD rose slightly against JPY by 0.15%

GLOBAL MARKET INDEXES

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	rly Average	es Price	Month	ly Average	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023
Index	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Sep-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low
CBOE Volatility Index	19.6	25.6	16.8	13.7	14.0	16.9	18.9	17.7	20.0	15.2	13.5	12.8	-5.48%	82.7	9.1
S&P 500 Index	4,272	4,098	4,284	4,990	5,251	5,547	5,478	5,623	5,792	5,969	6,032	6,090	0.96%	6,090	752
Dow Jones	34,040	32,902	34,128	38,512	38,827	40,597	40,311	41,494	42,494	44,297	44,911	44,643	-0.60%	45,014	6,547
NASDAQ-100	14,484	12,748	14,188	17,604	18,500	19,454	19,070	19,441	19,063	20,776	20,930	21,622	3.31%	21,622	1,269
FTSE 100	7,001	7,362	7,617	7,672	8,174	8,238	8,244	8,266	8,267	8,262	8,287	8,309	0.26%	8,446	3,830
Nikkei 225	28,837	27,265	30,659	37,510	38,693	38,121	36,789	37,293	38,843	38,284	38,208	39,091	2.31%	42,224	7,055



- Volatility Index declined by 5.48%
- S&P 500 index rose by 0.96%

- Dow Jones index declined by 0.60%
- NASDAQ-100 index rose by 3.31%

- FTSE 100 index rose by 0.26%
- Nikkei 225 index rose by 2.31%

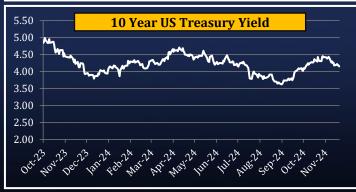
US TREASURY BOND RATES

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	dy Average	es Price	Month	ly Average	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023
U.S. Treasury Bond	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low
US 3-MO Yield in %	0.044	2.076	5.207	5.387	5.434	5.134	5.183	4.857	4.627	4.540	4.496	4.413	-1.85%	5.520	(0.04)
US 2-YR Yield in %	0.261	2.994	4.598	4.491	4.830	4.062	3.978	3.646	3.979	4.369	4.163	4.098	-1.56%	5.220	0.113
US 5-YR Yield in %	0.845	3.007	4.059	4.118	4.546	3.809	3.716	3.507	3.911	4.298	4.055	4.036	-0.47%	4.960	0.200
US 10-YR Yield in %	1.432	2.955	3.956	4.151	4.444	3.958	3.871	3.729	4.093	4.410	4.178	4.151	-0.65%	4.990	0.498
US 30-YR Yield in %	2.051	3.114	4.091	4.327	4.576	4.229	4.154	4.049	4.377	4.595	4.366	4.331	-0.80%	5.100	0.938











- 3 Month US treasury yield declined by 1.85%
- 2 Year US treasury yields declined by 1.56%
- 5 Year US treasury yields declined by 0.47%
- 10 Year US treasury yields declined by 0.65%
- 30 Year US treasury yields declined by 0.80%

COMMODITY PRICE SUMMARY

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	ly Average	es Price	Monthl	y Average	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023		Avg
Commodity	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low	Unit	Production Cost In U\$
Thermal Coal	134	358	175	127	138	140	146	140	147	141	139	132	-4.68%	458	49	\$/t	53/t
Coking Coal Aus	226	358	293	303	255	214	210	191	218	226	205	205	0.12%	672	72	\$/t	85/t
Coking Coal China	339	379	291	307	258	222	218	204	223	218	223	234	4.93%	615	106	\$/t	
Crude oil, Brent	70.84	99.02	82.07	81.61	84.95	78.59	78.65	72.78	75.31	75.17	72.38	71.12	-1.74%	145.60	19.30	\$/bbl	
Crude oil, WTI	67.99	94.38	77.53	76.81	80.55	75.23	75.36	69.41	71.40	71.24	69.63	67.20	-3.49%	145.30	(37.60)	\$/bbl	
Copper	9,315	8,817	8,479	8,443	9,745	9,207	8,968	9,254	9,543	8,829	8,878	9,039	1.81%	10,857	2,790	\$/t	4674/t
Iron ore	160	122	120	125	110	101	100	93	106	102	102	104	1.63%	220	37	\$/t	55/t
Manganese Ore	5.08	4.85	4.44	4.12	5.17	4.61	4.62	4.34	4.28	4.04	4.04	4.02	-0.43%	7.45	2.81	\$/dmtu	1.41/dmtu
Lithium	19,872	73,234	36,657	14,072	14,548	11,051	10,644	10,331	10,398	10,916	10,799	10,574	-2.09%	84,427	5,721	\$/t	3,565/t
Gold	1,799	1,802	1,943	2,073	2,338	2,477	2,471	2,571	2,692	2,716	2,658	2,633	-0.92%	2,785	713	\$/oz	1,276 /oz
Silver	25.12	21.80	23.40	23.37	28.86	29.46	28.55	30.04	32.49	31.34	30.61	30.95	1.11%	48.50	9.00	\$/oz	10.88/oz
Palladium	2,397	2,103	1,335	980	972	970	932	1,019	1,070	1,021	983	967	-1.63%	3,000	404	\$/oz	\$814/oz
Steel Scrap	466	442	397	400	384	375	367	370	383	352	340	340	0.00%	710	182	\$/t	
Panamax Index	2,969	2,298	1,440	1,722	1,822	1,547	1,531	1,418	1,319	1,083	1,018	1,067	4.81%	9,999	282	Index	
Supramax Index	2,424	2,006	1,030	1,184	1,365	1,320	1,312	1,280	1,251	984	980	974	-0.61%	6,918	243	Index	
Panamax Price	26,738	20,679	12,967	15,496	16,398	13,915	13,778	12,766	11,875	9,747	9,161	9,606	4.86%			\$/day	
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Please see below price changes last week compared to the week before,

- Thermal Coal price declined by 4.68%
- Coking Coal Australia price rose slightly by 0.12%
- Coking Coal China price rose by 4.93%
- Crude Oil Brent price declined by 1.74%
- Crude Oil WTI declined by 3.49%
- Copper price rose by 1.81%
- Iron Ore price rose by 1.63%

- Manganese Ore price declined by 0.43%
- Lithium price declined by 2.09%
- Gold price declined by 0.92%.
- Silver price rose by 1.11%
- Palladium price declined by 1.63%
- Steel scrap price was steady last week
- Panamax shipping rates rose by 4.81%
- Supramax shipping rates declined by 0.61% last week

COMMODITY PRICE - COAL

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	ly Average	es Price	Monthl	y Average	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023		Avg
Commodity	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low	Unit	Production Cost In U\$
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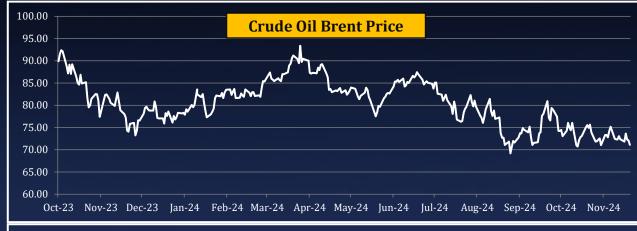


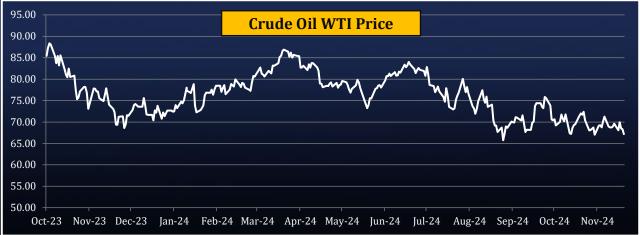
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Thermal coal price were below \$140 per tonne, their lowest level since July amid ample supply from China and higher availability of alternative power sources. The latest data showed that Chinese coal production rose by 4.6% from the previous year in October as the end of safety inspections in major mines allowed producers to increase capacity. Additionally, ample rainfall in the country's Yunnan region raised hydroelectric power generation, taking a larger share of utility generation. Still, robust demand for coal power this year kept futures 25% higher than this year's low point of March. Thermal power generation in China rose by nearly 10% from the previous year in September, despite increasing concerns about macroeconomic headwinds in the country. The greater demand was underscored by a 13% increase in imports during the period to a record high of 47.6 tonnes.

COMMODITY PRICE – CRUDE OIL

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	ly Average	es Price	Month	y Average	s Price	Weel	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023	
Commodity	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low	Unit
Crude oil, Brent	70.84	99.02	82.07	81.61	84.95	78.59	78.65	72.78	75.31	75.17	72.38	71.12	-1.74%	145.60	19.30	\$/bbl
Crude oil, WTI	67.99	94.38	77.53	76.81	80.55	75.23	75.36	69.41	71.40	71.24	69.63	67.20	-3.49%	145.30	(37.60)	\$/bbl





- Crude Oil Brent price declined by 1.74%
- Crude Oil WTI price declined by 3.49%

Crude Oil price declined on last week as expects a supply surplus next year on weak demand despite an OPEC+ decision to delay output hikes and extend deep production cuts to the end of 2026. A rising number oil and gas rigs deployed in the United States this week, pointing to rising production from the world's biggest crude producer, also pushed prices lower.

COMMODITY PRICE - COPPER & IRON ORE

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Copper	9,315	8,817	8,479	8,443	9,745	9,207	8,968	9,254	9,543	8,829	8,878	9,039	1.81%	10,857	2,790	\$/t	4674/t
Iron ore	160	122	120	125	110	101	100	93	106	102	102	104	1.63%	220	37	\$/t	55/t





- Copper price rose by 1.81%
- Iron Ore price rose by 1.63%

Copper price rose last week, approaching four-week highs, driven by expectations that Chinese authorities may announce additional policy support measures during key political meetings this month. The Politburo's decision to forgo a readout of its regular November meeting has fueled speculation that stimulus could be forthcoming, as China, the world's second-largest economy, faces growing uncertainties, including the return of US President-elect Donald Trump. Trump recently issued two tariff threats, including a warning to impose a 100% tariff on BRICS nations if they create a currency to rival the US dollar. Meanwhile, recent data indicated that Chinese manufacturing activity expanded for the second consecutive month in November, further strengthening the demand outlook for copper.

COMMODITY PRICE - MANGANESE & LITHIUM

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	ly Average	es Price	Monthl	y Average:	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-2	2023		Avg
Commodity	2021	2022	2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Apr-Jun 2024	Jul-Sep 2024	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	22-Nov	29-Nov	6-Dec	Change in +/- %	High	Low	Unit	Production Cost In U\$
Manganese Ore	5.08	4.85	4.44	4.12	5.17	4.61	4.62	4.34	4.28	4.04	4.04	4.02	-0.43%	7.45	2.81	\$/dmtu	1.41/dmtu
Lithium	19,872	73,234	36,657	14,072	14,548	11,051	10,644	10,331	10,398	10,916	10,799	10,574	-2.09%	84,427	5,721	\$/t	3,565/t



- Manganese Ore price declined by 0.43% last week
- Lithium price declined by 2.09%

COMMODITY PRICE - GOLD & SILVER

	Yearly	Averages	Price	Quarter	rly Average	es Price	Monthl	y Average:	s Price	Week	dy Closing	Price	Last Week	2008-	2023		Avg
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Silver	25.12	21.80	23.40	23.37	28.86	29.46	28.55	30.04	32.49	31.34	30.61	30.95	1.11%	48.50	9.00	\$/oz	10.88/oz





- Gold price declined by 0.92%.
- Silver price rose by 1.11%.

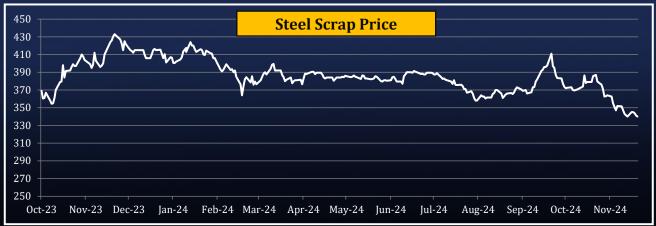
Gold price down nearly 1% per ounce on lastweek, driven by its safe-haven appeal amid renewed geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, as well as the resumption of gold purchases by China. On Sunday, rebel forces in Syria have ousted President Bashar al-Assad, marking an end to the Assad family's 50-year rule and raising concerns about a new wave of instability in the region. Additionally, China's central bank resumed buying gold for its reserves in November after a six-month pause, providing further support for the yellow metal. Moreover, Friday's US jobs report indicated a gradual easing in labor market conditions, allowing the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates again. According to the CME FedWatch tool, markets are now pricing in an 83% chance of a 25bps cut at the Fed's final meeting of the year. This would reduce the opportunity cost of holding the non-interest-paying asset, making it more attractive to buyers.

COMMODITY PRICE - STEEL SCRAP & PALLADIUM

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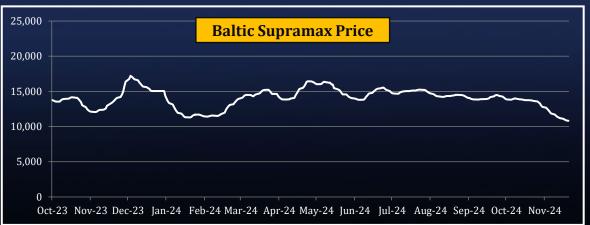
- Palladium price declined by 1.63%
- Steel scrap price steady last week



BALTIC SHIPPING RATES

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• Panamax price rose by 4.81% last week

Mid-week saw life injected into the market across most areas of the Atlantic. Decent levels of both grain and mineral demand added some impetus to a stagnant market and small gains were witnessed. A mini-rally emerged ex South America with improved offers being hit for end December arrival dates in which many felt would seep into January arrival rates but has yet to be fully tested, with \$14,500+\$450,000 delivery load port arguably the highlight this week on a decent spec 82,000-dwt for end December arrival. From Asia, little excitement as limited fresh enquiry from both Australia and NoPac came into play, but the market was said to have found something a floor as the week concluded. An 82,000-dwt delivery Korea was reported fixed at \$11,000 for a NoPac round trip with grains. Period action was limited, although reports emerged of a new building 82,000-dwt delivery ex yard China fixing at \$14,250 basis 10/15 months.

• Supramax price declined by 0.61% last week

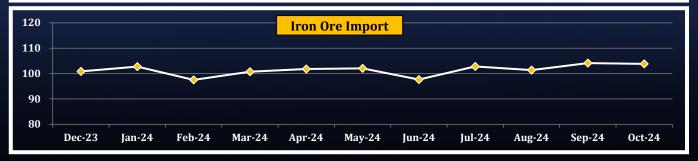
Another rather protracted week for the sector as rates across most areas struggled to gain any positive momentum. In the Atlantic, both the north and south lacked much fresh impetus. Brokers said little demand was seen from the south however there was a plentiful supply on tonnage. From the US Gulf a rather uneventful week, a 56,000-dwt was fixed delivery Port Arthur for a short trip to Spain at \$20,000. Demand from the Mediterranean waned, a 63,000-dwt fixing delivery Damietta redelivery EC South America at \$6,000. From the Asian arena, it is a similar story as vessel availability was easily sufficient to keep up with demand. From the north, a 64,000 fixed delivery CJK for a NoPac round redelivery Philippines at \$11,000. Further south, a 56,000-dwt fixed delivery Singapore via Indonesia redelivery SE Asia at \$12,000. The Indian Ocean was described as positional, a 64,000-dwt fixed delivery Chittagong trip via EC India redelivery China at \$10,000. With the festive season fast approaching it will be interesting to see what happens next.

CHINESE MAJOR DRY BULK IMPORT STATISTICS

Commodity	Unit	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Changes in +/- %
Coal and lignite	on es	35.99	43.51	47.30	40.77	33.75	41.38	45.25	43.82	44.60	46.21	45.84	47.59	46.25	-2.8%
Copper ores and concentrates	illion	2.31	2.44	2.48	2.46	2.20	2.33	2.35	2.26	2.31	2.17	2.57	2.44	2.31	-5.0%
Iron ores and concentrates	M L	99.38	102.74	100.86	111.94	97.51	100.72	101.82	102.03	97.61	102.81	101.39	104.13	103.84	-0.3%







China imported 46.25 million tonnes of coal and lignite in October 2024, Which is 2.8% down from September 2024 and 28.5% up from October 2023.

The Chinese copper import in October 2024 is 2.31 million tonnes which is 5.0% down from September 2024 and 0.2% up from October 2023.

China brought 103.84 million tonnes of Iron ores and concentrates in October 2024 which is 0.3% down from September 2024 and 4.5% up from October 2023.

US NEW HOME SALE DATA

Sales Data	Unit	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Change on Last Month in +/- %
New Home Sale in US	In 1000's	673	611	654	664	643	683	736	672	672	707	690	738	610	-17.3%



Sales of new single-family houses in US in October 2024 were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 610,000, according to estimates released jointly the U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This is 17.3 percent below the revised September rate of 738,000 and is 9.4 percent below the October 2023 estimate of 673,000.

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