



# EUROPEAN WINDOW

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## FLAT PRICE

After initial strength this afternoon, the Jan'25 Brent futures contract ultimately saw weakness this afternoon, moving from \$72.45/bbl at 12:00 GMT up to \$73.20/bbl 14:20 GMT down to \$72.05/bbl at 17:45 GMT (time of writing). EIA data released today at 16:00 GMT for the week to 8 Nov showed a build of 2.09mb in US crude oil inventories, with US gasoline inventories falling to their lowest levels since Nov 2022. In the news today, according to a Reuters report, a senior Lebanese official Ali Hassan Khalil said Lebanon was ready to implement UN Security Council resolution 1701, which ended a 2006 war between Israel and Hezbollah. Channel 12 has reported that a response from Lebanon to a ceasefire proposal sent to Beirut from the US could come within the next 24 hours. Meanwhile, Eli Cohen, Israel's energy minister, told Reuters "we are at a point that we are closer to an arrangement than we have been since the start of the war". In other news, Norway's oil investment has hit an all-time high, estimated at \$22.9 billion for this year compared to the previous record of \$20.4 billion in 2014, Statistics Norway stated in its Q4'24 survey of companies' investment plans. At the time of writing, the Jan/Feb'25 and Jan/Jul'25 Brent futures spreads stand at \$0.30/bbl and \$1.14/bbl, respectively.

## CRUDE

This afternoon in Dated, we saw the Balmo DFL bid up from \$1.05/bbl to \$1.15/bbl and Dec DFL traded from \$0.40/bbl to highs of \$0.45/bbl pre-window. Dec/Jan DFL traded up to \$0.37/bbl. In structures, we saw buy-side interest in the 25-29 Nov Cal Jan roll which traded up to \$1.37/bbl and the 16-20 Dec 1 week roll was offered down from \$0.22/bbl to \$0.19/bbl. In the physical window, we saw an American major bidding Midland but the physical diff was left unchanged. Paper was also quiet, with the Dec DFL offered down to \$0.38/bbl and the 16-20 Dec 2 week roll traded at \$0.35/bbl. In CFDs, we saw the 16-20 Dec CFD trade at \$0.20/bbl and the 2-6 vs Cal Dec CFD at \$0.70/bbl. The 25-29 Nov CFD traded from \$0.77/bbl up to \$0.60/bbl. Post-window, we saw the 25-29 Nov Cal Jan trade at \$1.37/bbl and Dec DFL traded down to \$0.37/bbl.

This afternoon in Dubai, Brent/Dubai traded slightly higher. Dec and Jan Brent/Dubai are currently trading at \$0.79/bbl and \$0.86/bbl, respectively, trading in thin ranges and on low volume in contrast to a busier morning. We observed some selling interest in the Dec/Jan Brent/Dubai box which traded at -\$0.07/bbl. Furthermore, we saw buying interest in Dubai spreads, notably in the Dec/Jan and Jan/Feb spreads, trading in ranges of \$0.30/bbl to \$0.32/bbl and \$0.27/bbl to \$0.28/bbl, respectively, and are currently trading at \$0.30/bbl and \$0.27/bbl. We finally observed buying interest in Full Nov/Dec Dubai.

## FUEL

In VLSFO, buying continued on deferred Sing spreads this afternoon, however this buying did not translate into strength at the front. The Dec Sing crack was a bit mixed, with the Dec Sing crack trading between \$11.80/bbl and \$11.90/bbl without a clear axe in the market. Structure closer to the front was also fairly rangebound, with Dec/Jan Sing trading at \$7.50/mt on fairly thin liquidity. It was a similar story on Euro 0.5, with the liquidity low on Euro structure. The Dec/Jan Euro traded at \$4.25/mt throughout the afternoon with the Dec Euro crack trading between \$4.65/bbl and \$4.70/bbl without a clear axe in the market.

In HSFO, there was mixed action on 380 flat price this afternoon, however we saw selling on both the front crack as well as spreads. The Dec 380 crack sold down to -\$5.50/bbl from -\$4.95/bbl. The front spread also came under pressure, selling down to \$9.50/mt from \$10.00/mt. The barge crack was weaker as a result of the 380 sell off, with the Dec barge crack selling down to -\$7.50/bbl from -\$7.15/bbl. The front spread also came under pressure, trading down to \$6.25/mt from \$6.50/mt. Interest in the 380 E/W remained muted, with Dec trading down to \$13.25/mt from \$14.00/mt due to relative weakness on the 380 crack



## DISTILLATES

This afternoon in distillates, the Dec/Jan Sing gasoil spread turned better bid, getting lifted on screen to \$0.40/mt post-window as the Jan/Mar rallied to \$0.28/mt. The Dec E/W was rangebound, trading between -\$20.75/mt and -\$20.50/mt as the Q2'25 E/W continued to be supported, trading at -\$18.00/mt. Dec regrade traded up to \$0.78/bbl before getting hit to \$0.77/bbl as the deferred saw interest, the Q4'25 trading at -\$0.16/bbl. In kero spreads, the Dec/Jan and Jan/Feb rallied to \$0.64/mt and \$0.45/mt, respectively.

The ICE gasoil spreads continued to rally, the Dec/Jan to highs of \$13.00/mt, driven by the Dec/Jan which rallied to highs of \$5.50/mt as the front crack ticked up to \$18.00/bbl. The European jet diffs came off across the curve, the Dec and Q1'25 to \$49.25/mt and \$51.25/mt, respectively. Heating oil spreads were rangebound as the HOGOs continued to come off, the Q1'25 to 9.1c/gal.

## GASOLINE

This afternoon in gasoline, we saw flat price trade at the end of the window equivalent to \$6.85/bbl on a crack basis in Dec EBOB as MOC was offered. Dec EBOB cracks strengthened from \$6.30/bbl to \$6.90/bbl as Q1'25 cracks traded up to \$7.40/bbl. Dec/Jan EBOB saw buying up to \$3.25/mt in the window on stronger front cracks before softening to \$3/mt with Jan/Mar strengthening from -\$9.50/mt to -\$9/mt. Dec arbs traded from 6.90c/gal to 7.20c/gal as Jan RBBRs strengthened from \$9.01/bbl pre-stats to \$9.56/bbl at end of window. Dec E/W came off to -\$1.15/bbl with Q1'25 offered from -\$1.00/bbl to -\$1.15/bbl on stronger EBOB cracks as Dec 92 cracks traded from \$5.35/bbl to \$5.60/bbl with Dec/Jan bid up to -\$0.03/bbl and Jan/Feb offered at -\$0.13/bbl.

## NAPHTHA

This afternoon in naphtha, we saw flat price trading end of window at -\$3.80/bbl on a crack equivalent. Naphtha was weak this afternoon with the prompt crack trading down to -\$3.90/bbl with majors on the sell-side pre-window where it saw refiner buying to trade back up to -\$3.75/bbl post-window. Deferred cracks were also well offered this afternoon with Q2'25 trading at -\$5.40/bbl pre stats; down from highs of -\$4.87/bbl this morning. Scaleback refiner gasnaph selling provided some support to the prompt this afternoon with the Dec'24 gasnaph trading at \$50/mt end of window. Spreads were still weak but Dec/Jan remained well bid in the curve with value firming at \$3.75/mt in the window despite prompt weakness. E/W recovered from earlier lows of \$18.75/mt to get lifted up to \$19.50/mt pre-window as well as Jan at highs of \$19.50/mt. We saw limited action in MOPJ this afternoon but saw the Balmo spread sold down to \$1.25/mt by majors and trade houses.

## NGLS

This afternoon in NGLs, pre-stats LST was initially softer on a crude percentage basis with prompt spreads slightly stronger with Dec/Jan trading to -0.25c/gal and deferred well supported with Q1/Q2'25 trading at 4.875c/gal. EIA stats showed a 2.1m draw in Propane/Propylene stocks, beyond expectations with OPIS survey predicting between -1.35m to +1.35 build. Post-stats, prompt was well supported at the same levels with Dec/Jan at -0.25c/gal whilst deferred strengthened with Q1/Q2'25 trading to 5.125c/gal and Jun/Sep'25 at -0.75c/gal. Butane opened weak this afternoon pre stats with Dec/Jan trading down from 1.25c/gal all the way to 0.75c/gal; C4/C3 weakened with Dec and Q1'25 trading down to 26.50c/gal and 22c/gal, respectively. Post-stats, butane was rangebound at the same levels with Dec/Jan trading at 0.75c/gal, whilst C4/C3 continued to weaken with Dec implied at 25.5c/gal. Arbs strengthened throughout the afternoon with Dec trading from -\$207/mt to -\$203/mt post window. FEI spreads were better bid post stats with Dec/Jan trading to \$5/mt, whilst FEI/CP was weak pre-stats with Dec trading at -\$3.50/mt then post stats strengthened owing to crude and FEI with Dec trading at -\$3/mt. EW was slightly implied lower with Dec implied at \$66/mt, owing to NWE being better bid. Europe was better bid in the prompt post stats with Dec/Jan trading up to \$12/mt.



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