



# EUROPEAN WINDOW

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## FLAT PRICE

Mar'25 Brent futures saw oscillating price action this afternoon, increasing from \$81.20/bbl at 1230 GMT to nearly \$82.00/bbl at 1425 GMT, before falling to \$80.45/bbl at 1630 and recovering to \$81.45/bbl at 1745 GMT (time of writing). In the news today, a strategic cooperation agreement between Russia and Iran will not include a mutual defence clause like those Russia has signed with North Korea and Belarus, according to TASS citing an Iranian envoy. In other news, advisers to President-elect Donald Trump are readying a wide-ranging sanctions strategy to facilitate Russia-Ukraine diplomacy in coming months while at the same time squeezing Iran and Venezuela, Bloomberg reported. One set of policy recommendations suggested good-faith measures to benefit sanctioned Russian oil producers, on the condition that an end to the Ukraine war is in sight. Meanwhile, a second recommendation proposed to ramp up pressure by building on the sanctions. In addition, Scott Bessent said the US is poised to increase sanctions on Russian oil companies to force them to the negotiating table with Ukraine, according to Financial Times. Finally, BP plans to cut some 4,700 jobs and 3,000 contractor roles this year to reduce costs, the supermajor told Reuters. These cuts would be equal to around 5% of the global workforce of around 90,000 employees at BP, aiming to cut at least \$2 billion in costs by 2026. At the time of writing, the Mar/Apr'25 and Mar/Sep'25 Brent futures spreads stand at \$1.40/bbl and \$5.72/bbl, respectively.

## CRUDE

This afternoon in Dated, we initially saw spreads rally with continued buying of the Feb-Dec strip up to \$0.78/bbl from \$0.74/bbl. The Feb DFL rallied up to \$1.65/bbl and the March DFL up to \$1.31/bbl. We also saw continued strength in the Feb/Mar DFL up to \$0.35/bbl. In structures, the 27-31 1w roll traded at \$0.58/bbl and the 3-7 Feb Cal March at \$2.23/bbl. Spreads then started to come with offers coming in for the Feb DFL down to \$1.42/bbl and the Bal-Jan DFL hit down to \$1.48/bbl. Pre-window, the 3-7 Feb 3w roll traded down to \$1.21/bbl and there was Geneva trade selling of the 27-31 Jan vs 4-10 March roll at \$2.30/bbl. In the physical window, there were no bids or offers. The paper window was more sell-side with the 3-7 Feb 3w roll offered down to \$1.25/bbl and the 20-24 Jan 1w roll trading \$1.20/bbl. DFLs also went offered with Bal-Jan trading down to \$1.40/bbl and Feb trading down to \$1.45/bbl. In CFDs, the 3-7 Feb CFD was offered down to \$1.95/bbl and the 20-24 Jan CFD down to \$1.45/bbl. Post-window, spreads started to pick up again with the Feb DFL bid back up to \$1.52/bbl.

This afternoon, Brent/Dubai was relatively quiet and range bound, with Feb Brent/Dubai trading between -\$1.08/bbl and -\$1.18/bbl. The buyer of Apr ICE vs Mar Dubai was back, with major on the bid, which traded at \$0.70/bbl. Boxes and spreads also remained range bound with Feb/Apr spreads trading between \$3.14/bbl and \$3.23/bbl, and the Mar/Apr box trading between -\$0.36/bbl and -\$0.37/bbl.

## FUEL

In HSFO this afternoon, Chinese arbiters and physical players were sellers of 380 flat price, and Mar 380 crack was also offered. We then saw buying from majors in Q2'25 380 E/W at \$10.00/mt to \$10.50/mt, this supported the front 380 E/W. This in combination with outright buying in front E/W caused it to rally from \$22/mt to \$23/mt. As a result, deferred barge cracks came off under pressure. Barge structure was better bid going into the window, with Feb/Mar trading from \$0.75/mt to \$1/mt. Front barge crack was trading rangebound in the window, and finished the day at -\$7.90/bbl.

In VLSFO this afternoon, we initially saw buy-side interests in front Sing spreads, with Feb/Mar at \$7.25/mt, but front Sing crack remained stable for the whole afternoon at around \$10.80/bbl. Front Euro crack was supported by Sing spreads buying and was a touch stronger trading from \$4.30/bbl to \$4.40/bbl, with Feb/Mar Euro was trading up to \$9.50/mt from \$9/mt as a result. As the afternoon progressed, we saw buy-side interest in Mar 0.5% E/W at \$42.75/mt, which put pressure on the front Euro spreads, as Feb/Mar saw sell-side interest going into the window at \$9.50/mt to \$9.00/mt. The Feb 0.5% Euro crack closed the day at \$4.40/bbl from \$4.30/bbl due to MOC hedging.





## DISTILLATES

This afternoon in distillates, the Feb/Mar Sing gasoil spread continued to be bid up to highs of \$1.30/bbl, before getting sold down on screen to \$1.21/bbl post-window as the Mar/Jun similarly rallied to \$3.18/bbl before coming before coming back off to \$3.05/bbl. The Feb E/W was hit down to -\$26.25/mt before rallying back to -\$23.00/mt post-window as ICE gasoil came off. The prompt regrade was sold down to -\$1.90/bbl as the Feb/Mar continued to see buying, rallying to \$0.95/bbl.

ICE gasoil spreads continued to rally, the Feb/Jun to highs of \$44.25/mt before tanking in the window to \$34.75/mt and retracing post-window to \$37.00/mt as the cracks came off, the Q1'25 to \$20.95/bbl. NWE jet diffs continued to see strength down the curve as the Feb traded up to \$41.00/mt and the Cal'26 ticked up to \$52.75/mt. Heating oil spreads rallied into the afternoon as did the HOGOs, the Q1'25 to 16c/gal.

## GASOLINE

This afternoon in gasoline, we saw Feb EBOB flat price valued at \$725/mt at the end of the window equivalent to \$7.75/bbl on a crack basis. Feb EBOB cracks were offered from \$7.95/bbl to \$7.65/bbl pre-window where buying came in as Q2'25 cracks saw buying at \$15.05/bbl before going offered at \$15.20/bbl levels. Feb/Mar traded between -\$6.25/mt and -\$6/mt with Mar/Apr initially coming off to -\$35/mt and then seeing bids back to -\$34.50/mt. Arbs were offered with Feb trading from 6.85c/gal to 6.10c/gal in the window as Mar RBBRs weakened from \$9.80/bbl early afternoon to \$8.80/bbl. E/W was bid in Feb strengthening to -\$2/bbl from -\$2.30/bbl and Q4'25 saw selling at -\$0.50/bbl as Feb 92 cracks came off to \$5.70/bbl with Q2'25 cracks valued at \$8/bbl. Eastern spreads continued to weaken as Feb/Mar traded down to flat before seeing some bids back up to \$0.04/bbl and Mar/Apr coming off to \$0.22/bbl.

## NAPHTHA

This afternoon in naphtha, we saw flat price trade at the end of window at -\$5.90/bbl on a crack equivalent. The front crack price action this afternoon was highly crude dependent, with the crack weakening to lows of -\$6.50/bbl pre-window. As crude came off we saw the NWE crack trade up to -\$5.80/bbl during the window but end up trading post-window around -\$6.10/bbl on higher crude. In deferred, there was predominantly selling in summer cracks from trade houses, with Q3'25 valued at -\$5.70/bbl during the window. Spreads were stronger on deferred selling and strong Brent spreads with Feb/Mar trading up to \$5.50/mt during the window from \$5/mt and Apr/May valued at \$7.25/mt. E/W came off as well in the afternoon with the front trading at \$20.25/mt during the window as well as strong selling in Q2'25 down to \$19.50/mt. Eastern cracks saw little interest in the afternoon but spreads continued to be well offered down the curve with the front spread supported at \$6.25/mt but Q2/Q4'25 well offered at \$35/mt.

## NGLS

This afternoon in NGLs, LST initially weaker on a crude basis at the US open while prompt LST spreads were weaker as Feb/Mar traded down to 4.25c/gal, Mar/Apr at 4.875c/gal, and Apr/May at 2.875c/gal. However, LST regained its strength relative to crude later in the afternoon as crude sold off, while LST spreads also went better bid with Feb/Mar trading up to 4.75c/gal, Mar/Apr at 5.5, and May/Jun at 1.875c/gal. Butane remained volatile, with Feb C4/C3 trading at 20.5c/gal but implied down to 19.5c/gal post-Euro window. Butane spreads were initially well offered with Feb/Mar trading down to \$6.5/mt and Mar/Apr at \$6/mt, but the spreads recovered later in the afternoon with Feb/Mar trading back up to \$7/mt. In internationals, FEI prompt spreads slightly weaker as Feb/Mar traded down to \$14/mt and Mar/Apr at \$15.5/mt, though more deferred spreads broadly unchanged as Feb/Dec still implied around \$45.50/mt. In arbs, prompt arbs initially weakened at US open alongside LST but rebounded back with Feb LST/FEI implied at -\$141/mt while Feb LST/NWE traded at -\$86/mt. E/W was quieter, trading only for 2kt at \$57/mt in Feb during the afternoon but implied lower. Deferred arbs saw better buying again, with -\$170/mt in 2h and Q4'25, while Cal'26 arbs traded up from -\$156.5/mt to -\$155/mt. FEI/CP quieter, implied around -\$1/mt in Feb.



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