

The Morning Email: Oil

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ENERGY MATRIX - NYMEX PRODUCTS

NYMEX	Last	NET	High	Low	Open	Volume	Yest. Vol	SYM Name
CLA	48.66	0.15	49	47.96	48.24	20,981	413,130	WTI Crude
HOA	134.73	1.57	134.86	133.1	133.16	1,873	87,236	Heating Oil
RBA	141.61	0.42	142.12	140.27	140.94	1,364	77,140	Unleaded Gas
NGA	35.56	0.16	35.6	35.38	35.6	839	115,007	Natural Gas

All contracts quoted are electronic.

All contracts are coded for lead volume month. Meaning, whatever month has the most volume, that's the month quoted in the matrix above, for all contracts.

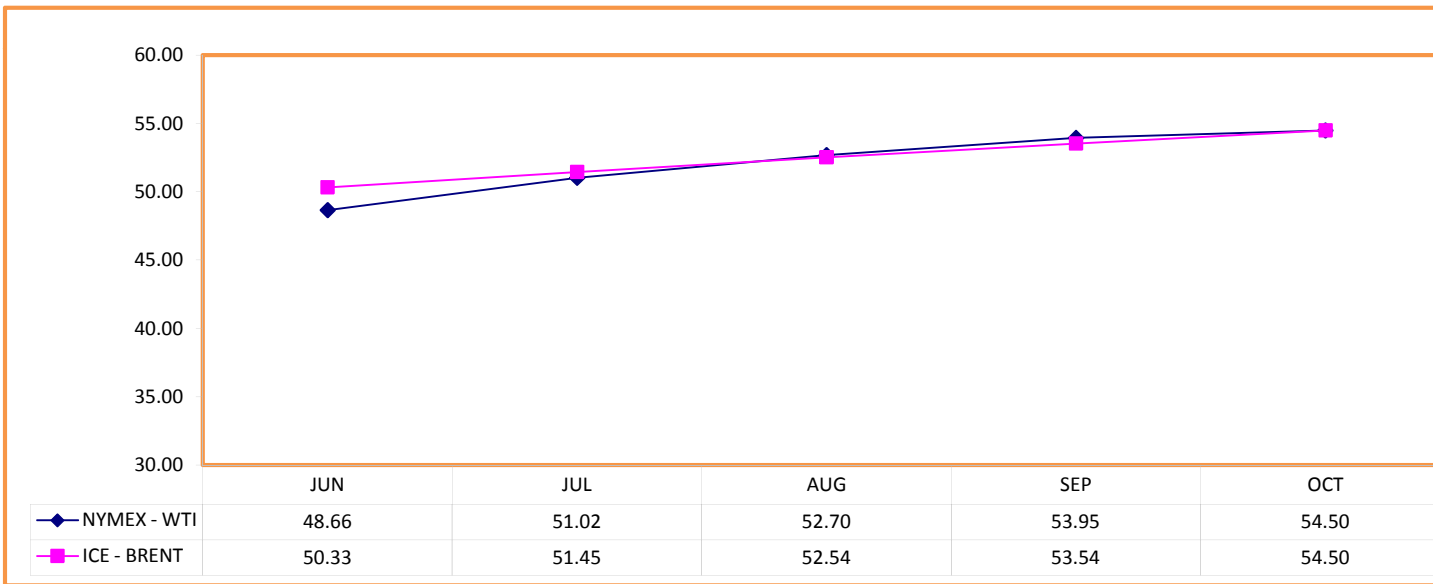
Economic Release Estimates, from Bloomberg

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1) Custom Calendars		2) Options		3 Economic Calendars			
Region	North America	Country	United States	Type	Energy / Commodities		
Date	04/21/09		05:13:15	United States: Energy / Commodities			
Date	Time A M	Event	Period	Survey	Actual	Prior	Revised
30)	04/20 08:00	Haliburton Executives Review Results: Teleconf.					
31)	04/21 15:30	API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	APR 17	- -	- -	6509K	- -
32)	04/21 15:30	API U.S. Gasoline Inventories	APR 17	- -	- -	-613K	- -
33)	04/21 15:30	API U.S. Distillate Inventory	APR 17	- -	- -	87K	- -
34)	04/22 09:30	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	APR 17	2400K	- -	5671K	- -
35)	04/22 09:30	DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	APR 17	-800K	- -	-944K	- -
36)	04/22 09:30	DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	APR 17	-900K	- -	-1170K	- -
37)	04/22 09:30	DOE U.S. Heat Oil Inventories	APR 17	- -	- -	- -	- -
38)	04/22 09:30	DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization	APR 17	0.55%	- -	-1.47%	- -
39)	04/22 09:30	DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	APR 17	- -	- -	-742K	- -
40)	04/22 09:30	DOE Crude Oil Implied Demand	APR 17	- -	- -	14063	- -
41)	04/22 09:30	DOE Gasoline Implied Demand	APR 17	- -	- -	9089.0	- -
42)	04/22 09:30	DOE Distillate Implied Demand	APR 17	- -	- -	4262.0	- -
43)	04/23 09:30	EIA Natural Gas Storage Change	APR 17	- -	- -	21	- -
44)	04/24 12:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	APR 24	- -	- -	975	- -
45)	04/28 15:30	API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	APR 24	- -	- -	- -	- -
46)	04/28 15:30	API U.S. Gasoline Inventories	APR 24	- -	- -	- -	- -
47)	04/28 15:30	API U.S. Distillate Inventory	APR 24	- -	- -	- -	- -
48)	04/29 09:30	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	APR 24	- -	- -	- -	- -

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NYMEX - WTI						ICE - BRENT				
	Last	Yest. Open Int	Yest. Volume	Today's Volume	Contract Month	Last	Yest. Open Int	Yest. Volume	Today's Volume	Contract Month
F.CLAK09	45.98	na	89,895	1,978	MAY	F.QOK9	#VALUE!			
F.CLAM09	48.66	na	255,098	15,594	JUN	F.QOM9	50.33	155,555	22,193	JUN
F.CLAN09	51.02	na	61,548	3,912	JUL	F.QON09	51.45	112,393	51,140	JUL
F.CLAQ09	52.70	na	18,405	700	AUG	F.QOQ09	52.54	0	18,651	AUG
F.CLAU09	53.95	na	10,520	264	SEP	F.QOU09	53.54	0	7,314	SEP
F.CLAV09	54.50	na	6,444	225	OCT	F.QOV09	54.50	0	4,454	OCT
F.CLAX09	55.35	na	3,773	353	NOV	F.QOX09	55.42	0	3,601	NOV
F.CLAZ09	56.76	na	18,258	650	DEC	F.QOZ09	56.37	0	11,165	DEC



Contango IF: front months lower than back months.

IF Contango, then: It pays more to store crude. Carry cost is positive.

Also, It pays to keep crude stored, pump prices rise, and so do oil company profits

Backwardation: Opposite of Contango

"Never sell a backwardation market". Backwardation tends to coexist with rising prices

Crack Spreads relative to Crude:

If crack spread weak then less incentive to store crude.

That's bearish for crude.

IF Contango and price is rallying, then 'long only' funds are buying.

That's because it's the only thing that makes sense due to the fact, funds do not incur carrying charges.

Contango is bearish for price.