

The Morning Email: Oil

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ENERGY MATRIX - NYMEX PRODUCTS

NYMEX	Last	NET	High	Low	Open	Volume	Yest. Vol	SYM Name
CLA	64.78	1.22	64.9	63.22	63.38	26,334	515,214	WTI Crude
HOA	168.17	4.07	168.17	163.75	163.75	1,208	83,918	Heating Oil
RBA	179.53	2.54	179.6	175.16	175.55	936	75,467	Unleaded Gas
NGA	37.58	0.89	37.74	36.11	37	3,681	213,978	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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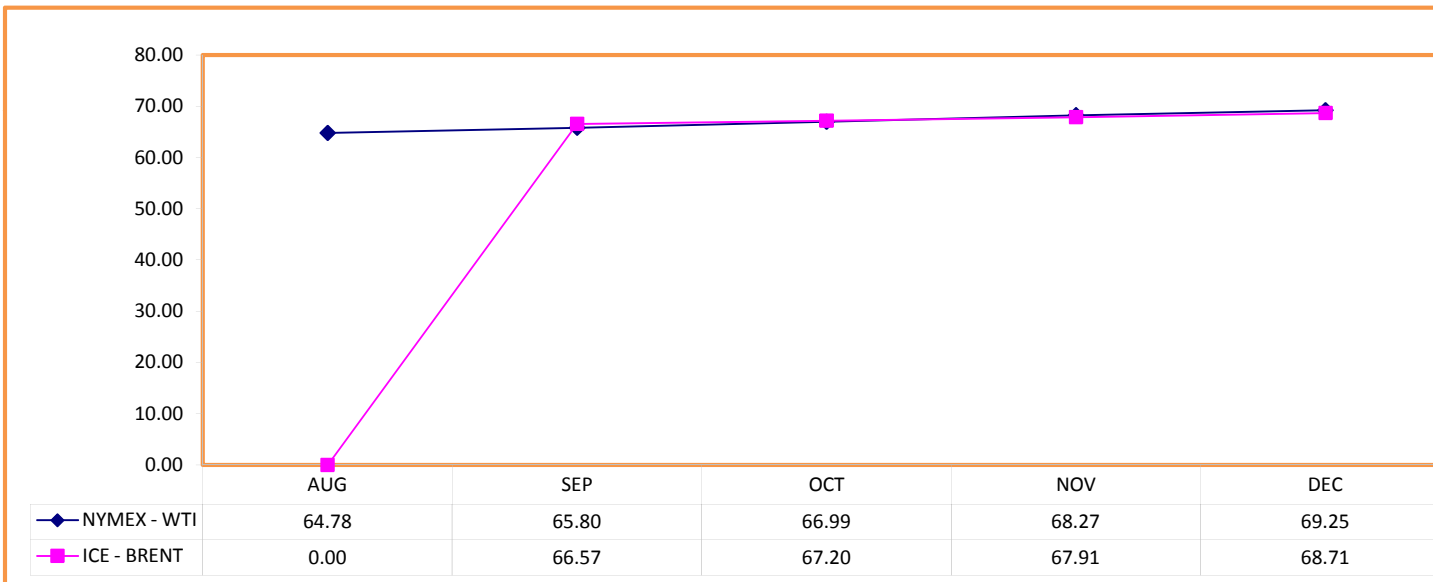
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Region North America Country United States Type Energy / Commodities 
 Date 07/17/09 05:18:41 United States: Energy / Commodities

	Date	Time A M	Event	Period	Survey	Actual	Prior	Revised
26)	07/17	12:00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	JUL 17	--	--	916	--
27)	07/21	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	-1158K	--
28)	07/21	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Gasoline Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	-69K	--
29)	07/21	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Distillate Inventory	JUL 17	--	--	656K	--
30)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	-2813K	--
31)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	1438K	--
32)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	JUL 17	--	--	553K	--
33)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE U.S. Heat Oil Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	517K	--
34)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization	JUL 17	--	--	1.07%	--
35)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	JUL 17	--	--	619K	--
36)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE No.2 Heat Oil Inventories	JUL 17	--	--	45835K	--
37)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE Crude Oil Implied Demand	JUL 17	--	--	15122	--
38)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE Gasoline Implied Demand	JUL 17	--	--	9318.0	--
39)	07/22	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DOE Distillate Implied Demand	JUL 17	--	--	4114.0	--
40)	07/23	09:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EIA Natural Gas Storage Change	JUL 17	--	--	90	--
41)	07/24	12:00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	JUL 24	--	--	--	--
42)	07/28	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	JUL 24	--	--	--	--
43)	07/28	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Gasoline Inventories	JUL 24	--	--	--	--
44)	07/28	15:30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> API U.S. Distillate Inventory	JUL 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.CLAQ09	64.78	na	186,315	6,472	AUG	F.QOQ09	#VALUE!				
F.CLAU09	65.80	na	191,848	8,955	SEP	F.QOU09	66.57	143,739	117,528	21,731	SEP
F.CLAV09	66.99	na	40,387	1,358	OCT	F.QOV09	67.20	111,078	53,339	8,543	OCT
F.CLAX09	68.27	na	15,430	395	NOV	F.QOX09	67.91	36,004	30,955	4,582	NOV
F.CLAZ09	69.25	na	39,123	228	DEC	F.QOZ09	68.71	100,787	33,645	6,768	DEC
F.CLAF10	69.18	na	4,997	39	JAN	F.QOF10	69.41	25,009	7,963	1,741	JAN
F.CLAG10	69.54	na	3,041	29	FEB	F.QOG10	70.09	16,248	3,346	748	FEB



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.