

## The Morning Email: Oil

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## ENERGY MATRIX - NYMEX PRODUCTS

| NYMEX | Last     | NET     | High   | Low    | Open   | Volume | Yest. Vol | SYM Name     |
|-------|----------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------------|
| CLA   | 39.15    | -0.87   | 40.39  | 39.08  | 40.01  | 11,344 | 247,967   | WTI Crude    |
| HOA   | 130.1900 | -0.6900 | 130.77 | 127.85 | 130.68 | 1,768  | 54,190    | Heating Oil  |
| RBA   | 91.28    | -0.57   | 92.04  | 90.19  | 91.25  | 721    | 51,329    | Unleaded Gas |
| NGA   | 60.7     | -0.1400 | 61.8   | 60.55  | 60.65  | 680    | 100,889   | 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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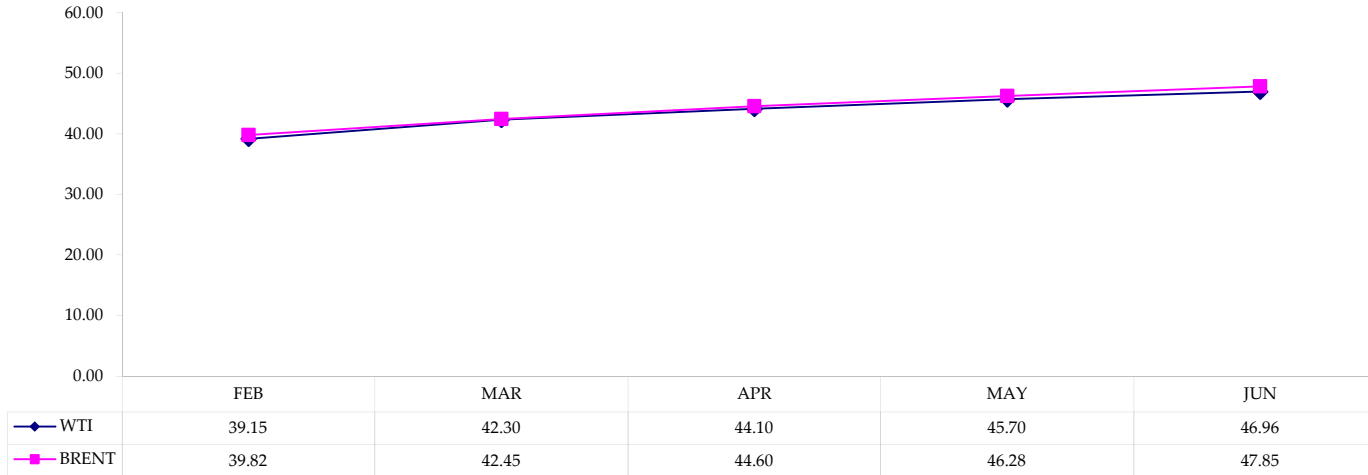
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|-----|-------|-------|-----|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 22) | 12/30 | 13:00 |     | ☒ Spending Pulse Gas Demand    | DEC 26 | --     | --     | 9.41   | --      |
| 23) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories | DEC 26 | -500K  | --     | -3101K | --      |
| 24) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories  | DEC 26 | 1500K  | --     | 3336K  | --      |
| 25) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory  | DEC 26 | 1500K  | --     | 1814K  | --      |
| 26) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization  | DEC 26 | 0.50%  | --     | 0.56%  | --      |
| 27) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory | DEC 26 | --     | --     | 1173K  | --      |
| 28) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories | DEC 26 | --     | --     | -4201K | --      |
| 29) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | API U.S. Gasoline Inventories  | DEC 26 | --     | --     | 1714K  | --      |
| 30) | 12/31 | 09:35 | ☒   | API U.S. Distillate Inventory  | DEC 26 | --     | --     | -667K  | --      |
| 31) | 12/31 | 11:00 | ☒   | EIA Natural Gas Storage Change | DEC 26 | --     | --     | -147   | --      |
| 32) | 01/02 | 12:00 | ☒   | Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count    | JAN 2  | --     | --     | 1721   | --      |
| 33) | 01/06 | 13:00 | ☒   | Spending Pulse Gas Demand      | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 34) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 35) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories  | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 36) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory  | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 37) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization  | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 38) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 39) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | API U.S. Crude Oil Inventories | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |
| 40) | 01/07 | 09:30 | ☒   | API U.S. Gasoline Inventories  | JAN 2  | --     | --     | --     | --      |

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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.CLAF09    | 36.00 |                |              |                |                | F.QOF09     | #VALUE! |                |              |                |                |
| F.CLAG09    | 39.15 | 0.00           | 132,103      | 8,166          | FEB            | F.QOG09     | 39.82   | 110,741        | 64,310       | 11,146         | FEB            |
| F.CLAH09    | 42.30 | 0.00           | 38,846       | 2,008          | MAR            | F.QOH09     | 42.45   | 117,753        | 33,883       | 7,405          | MAR            |
| F.CLAJ09    | 44.10 | 0.00           | 132,103      | 8,166          | APR            | F.QOJ09     | 44.60   | 110,741        | 64,310       | 11,146         | APR            |
| F.CLAK09    | 45.70 | 0.00           | 7,773        | 281            | MAY            | F.QOK9      | 46.28   | 20,408         | 4,219        | 1,230          | MAY            |
| F.CLAM09    | 46.96 | 0.00           | 11,355       | 392            | JUN            | F.QOM9      | 47.85   | 39,051         | 64,310       | 1,282          | JUN            |
| F.CLAN09    | 47.98 | 0.00           | 5,325        | 14             | JUL            | F.QON09     | 48.30   | 18,182         | 1,281        | 353            | JUL            |
| F.CLAQ09    | 48.00 | 0.00           | 1,355        | 0              | AUG            | F.QOQ09     | 49.47   | 10,385         | 1,365        | 180            | AUG            |
| F.CLAU09    | 50.56 | 0.00           | 782          | 3              | SEP            | F.QOU09     | 50.57   | 14,096         | 1,213        | 136            | SEP            |
| F.CLAV09    | 51.53 | 0.00           | 549          | 3              | OCT            | F.QOV09     | 51.51   | 9,039          | 1,104        | 0              | OCT            |
| F.CLAX09    | 52.16 | 0.00           | 519          | 0              | NOV            | F.QOX09     | #VALUE! | 11,377         | 1,299        | 0              | NOV            |
| F.CLAZ09    | 52.90 | 0.00           | 4,732        | 28             | DEC            | F.QOZ09     | 53.90   | 51,492         | 5,690        | 468            | 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.