

## The Morning Email: Oil

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## **ENERGY MATRIX - NYMEX PRODUCTS**

NYMEX	Last	NET	High	Low	Open	Volume	Yest. Vol	SYM Name
CLA	141.31	0.34	142.45	141.1	141.44	12,486	373,393	WTI Crude
HOA	395.3900	1.0400	397.24	394.64	394.91	690	116,105	Heating Oil
RBA	352	0.66	354	351.34	351.55	273	131,536	Unleaded Gas
NGA	136.56	1.5100	136.9	135.8	135.8	1,199	220,554	Natural Gas

All contracts quoted are electronic.

All contraces 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.

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## **Economic Release Estimates, from Bloomberg**



**NYMEX - WTI** 

		Yest.	Yest.	Today's	Contract	
	Last	Open Int	Volume	Volume	Month	
F.CLAQ08	141.31	0.00	458,145	10,310	AUG	F.Q
F.CLAU08	141.90	0.00	132,910	2,440	SEP	F.Q
F.CLAV08	142.33	0.00	55,010	458	OCT	F.C
F.CLAX08	143.10	0.00	31,583	162	NOV	F.C
F.CLAZ08	142.87	0.00	66,690	297	DEC	F.C
F.CLAF09	143.21	0.00	6,448	13	JAN	F.C

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

**ICE - BRENT** 

		Yest.	Yest.	Today's	Contract
	Last	Open Int	Volume	Volume	Month
F.QOQ08	141.40	78,149	84,337	12,143	AUG
F.QOU08	142.16	113,570	46,403	6,779	SEP
F.QOV08	142.87	48,960	24,360	3,011	OCT
F.QOX08	143.46	24,417	10,802	1,388	NOV
F.QOZ08	143.90	60,201	14,274	1,216	DEC
F.QOF09	144.51	25,080	3,086	195	JAN

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.

