Dan-Bunkering
Ride the Next Wave

Weekly Market Report

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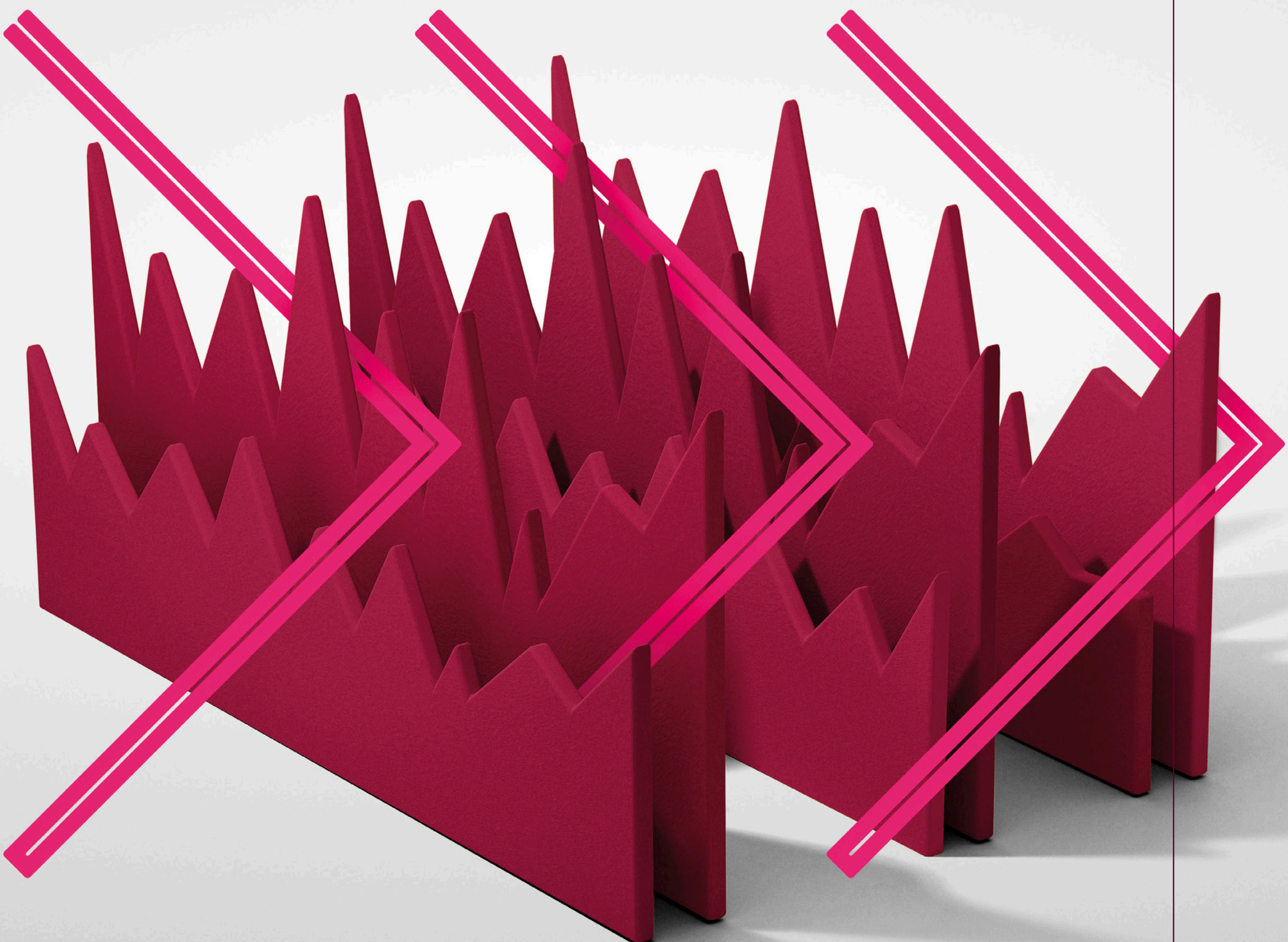

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Bunker Port Brief

Singapore

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability	■■■□□	■■■□□	■■■□□
Days of notice	10	10	10
Demand	■■■□□	■■■□□	■■■□□

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	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability	■■■□□	■■■□□	■■□□□
Days of notice	5-7	7-10	5-7
Demand	■■■□□	■■□□□	■■■■□

Antwerp strikes continuing to impact existing and future deliveries. Hsfo we anticipate getting tighter as Shell and Vitol are both reported to be giving back storage in Rotterdam.

Fujairah

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability	■■■□□	■■□□□	■■■■□
Days of notice	6	8	3
Demand	■■□□□	■■□□□	■■□□□

Port of Fujairah bunker sales in Sept dropped to a 3 month low with HSFO increasing market share to 36%.

HSFO tightness has eased but at least 7 working days notice required for inquiries to ensure market coverage and avoid prompt premiums.

VLSFO premiums have reduced from last week with some suppliers reloading barge avails.

Houston

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability	■■■■■	■■■□□	■■■■■
Days of notice	5	7	3-5
Demand	■■□□□	■■□□□	■■□□□

Demand is extremely weak accross all grades, but especially so for 0.5 VLSFO. Accordingly, VLSFO premiums have continued to fall. Spot VLSFO premiums have turned flat to negative to their respective indices . HSFO-VLSFO spread is below $50/mton. "Normal Premium is 90-100/mton. Weather. Some systems of cooler air have moved into the Houston area. Cool fronts bring increased winds offshore and at Bolivar Roads. No major delays thus far but something to consider was we move to the end of the year and cooler months.

New York

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	4	7	1
Demand			

Demand on contract is steady for HS and .5. Still seeing some seasonal demand on spot south of Philly.

Panama

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	4-5	5-6	3-5
Demand			

Demand low today.

Gibraltar

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	7	7	7
Demand			

Malta

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	6	6	6
Demand			

Port Louis

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	7-10	7-10	3-5
Demand			

Tight avails in PL as some suppliers await new cargoes. Higher premiums seen due to this.

Durban

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	4-6	4-6	4-8
Demand			

Another quiet week in Durban sees the suppliers dropping prices for any volume seen. Port Elizabeth has seen regular volume for bunkers only, however the weather the last week has been difficult to effect supplies.

Walvis Bay

	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Availability			
Days of notice	5-8	6-9	3-5
Demand			

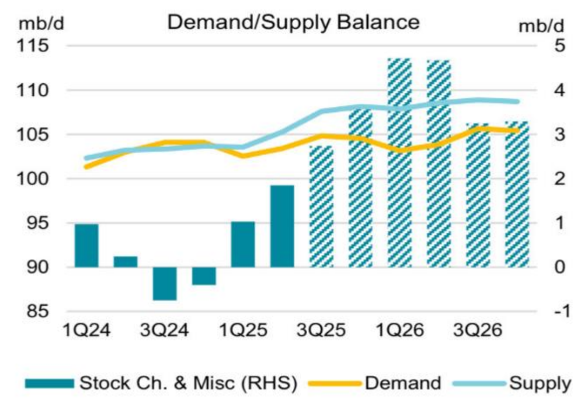
Weather appears to be easing in the region, with some supplies now beginning offshore.

Double-whammy for oil and full contango moving closer

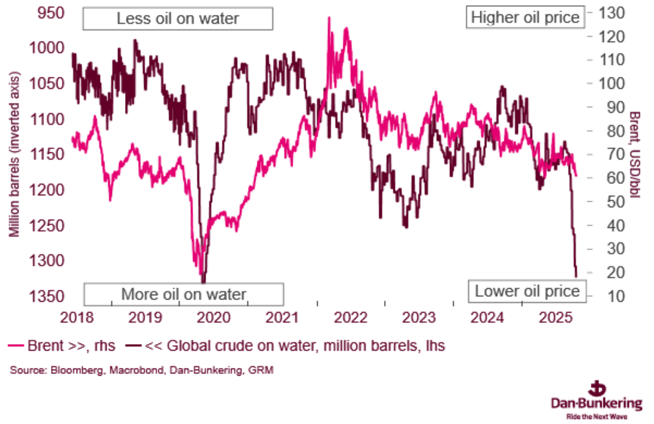
Over the last two weeks, the oil market has seen a double whammy.

First, fundamentals are weakening, OPEC+ is producing too much oil, and "oil on water" has already spiked. Earlier this week, the IEA warned that the market could see a surplus of 4 million barrels per day next year.

IEA forecasts an enormous surplus of crude oil, mb/d. Source: IEA



Spike in "oil on water". It adds short-term downside risks to Brent



Secondly, the geopolitical premium has fallen after Trump's two-hour phone call with Putin last week. The two presidents now appear to be "best friends" again. The pressure Trump had said he would put on Putin now seems illusory.

It is no longer likely that Ukraine will receive the long-desired Tomahawk missiles that could have struck where it hurts Putin and Russia the most – namely, oil facilities. There will therefore be no new wave of effective Ukrainian attacks or fresh US sanctions. This was confirmed on Friday at the Zelensky-Trump meeting at the White House. Trump is planning a one-to-one meeting with Putin, and new US sanctions in Congress are officially on hold.

The market had begun to price in the possibility that Russia's oil exports could face greater obstacles, partly due to mounting pressure on India. However, the situation now bears resemblance to the Alaska meeting in August. As we all recall, it merely led to a continuation of the war and an escalation of Russian attacks. Back then, Trump also talked about a "deal" with Putin.

Brent is below fair value when in trades at USD 60

However, the oil price seems to be trading below fair value. We have a daily updated model based on other financial variables correlating with the oil price. The model indicates that the fair value for Brent oil is closer to USD 64 than USD 60. Hence, it seems that the market has undershot on the downside. We often see that happening when a barrage of bearish news hits the market.

We also continue to see several supportive factors for oil prices. OPEC's compensation cuts from overproducing members will limit the effective supply increase in the coming quarters. Additional spare capacity is concentrated mainly in Saudi Arabia and the UAE, with some contribution from Iraq.

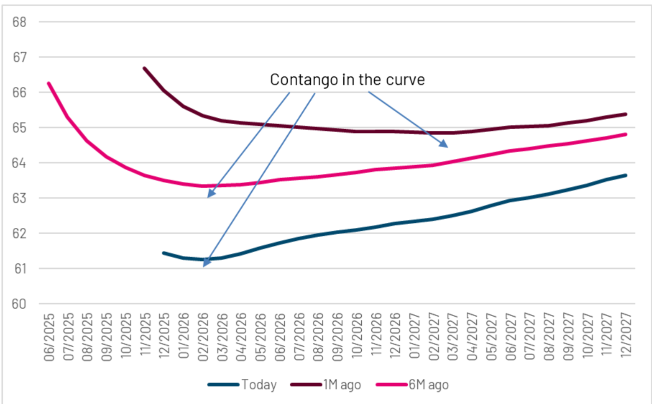
Meanwhile, China continues to build its strategic oil reserves, adding approximately 150 million barrels over the past six months – a trend that will likely continue. In the United States, production growth remains constrained at the current price level, reinforcing the view that future supply growth will be limited.

Another essential thing to know is that the Brent curve has moved towards full contango (forwards above spot). There is now contango between February 26 and March 26 Brent contracts.

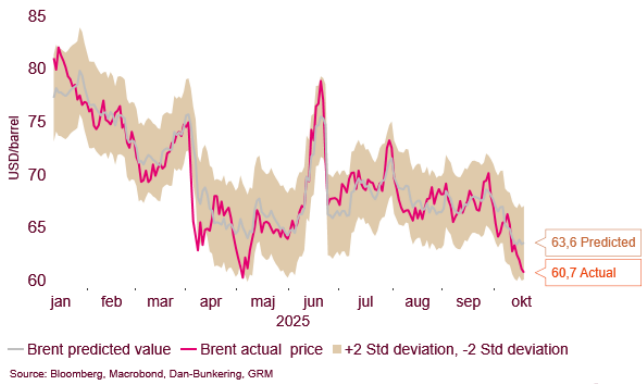
The contango reflects the market prices in a "glut of oil" hitting the market over the next six months. Contango is the market's reaction to an oversupplied physical market. The spot price is pushed lower until someone buys the oil for storage. However, the oil will not be stored until the curve moves sufficiently into contango to cover storage and financing costs when the price risk is hedged. Unlike during the pandemic, tanker rates are now higher – and, importantly, funding costs are much higher as USD rates were close to zero back then.

Hence, we are moving towards a situation where spot prices may still face downward pressure. However, there are significant mitigating factors, as discussed above. The oil curve could move further into contango. Consumers hedging 2026 exposure should not expect Cal-26 and Cal-27 prices to follow the spot if the spot drops further. In fact, the risk may increasingly be to the upside for forward prices.

Brent curve moving towards full contango, USD/bbl.



Our Short-Term Fair Value Model (predicted value) points to an oversold Brent spot (actual value), USD/bbl.

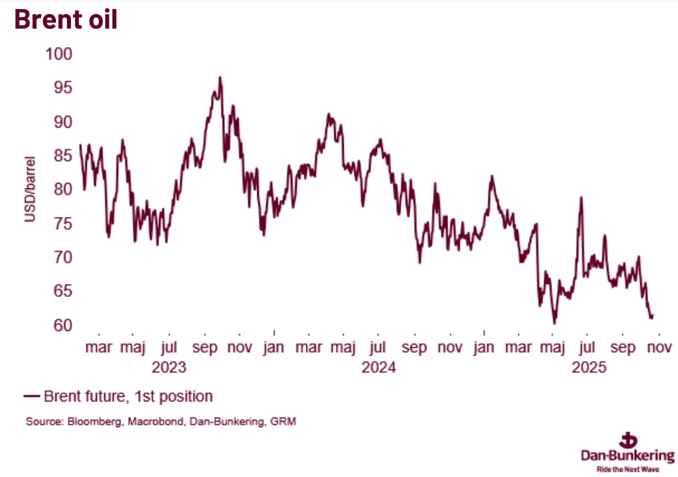


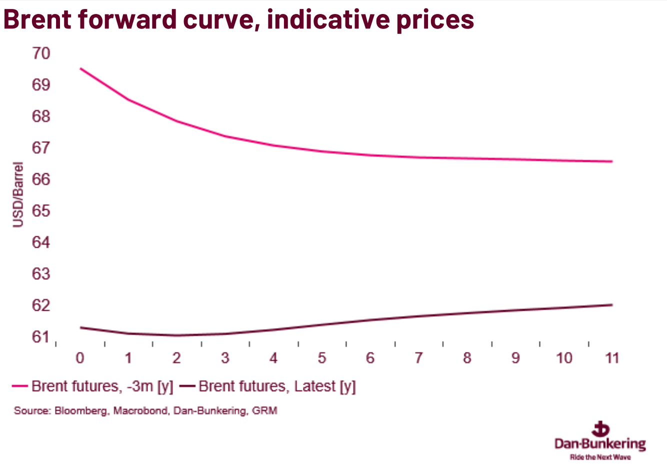
Price forecasts

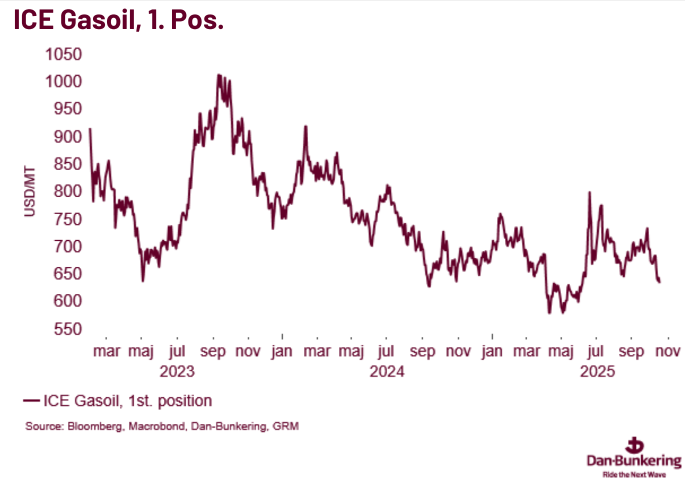
	Spot	Q4 2025	Q1 2026	Q2 2026	Q3 2026	Q4 2026	avg. 2025	avg 2026
Brent, USD/bbl	61,4	62	64	67	69	69	68	64
ICE Gasoil, USD/MT	644	680	715	723	738	715	678	694
HSFO (1M 3.5% Rotterdam Barge), USD/MT	369	370	368	387	400	400	406	378
VLSFO (1M 0.5% Rotterdam Barge), USD/MT	400	415	425	451	464	464	460	423

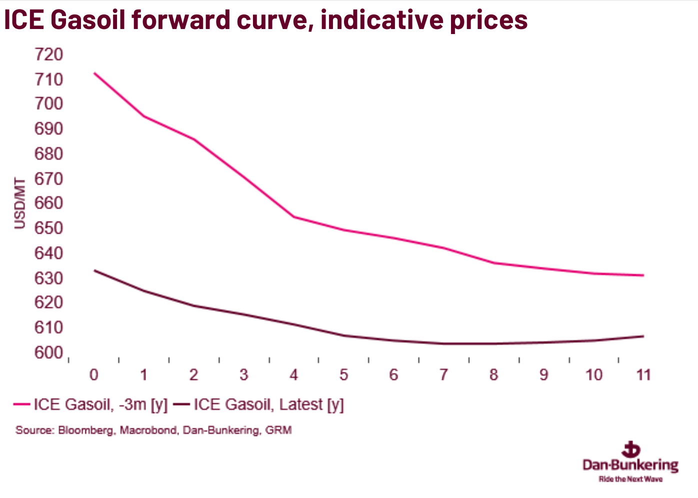
Source: Dan-Bunkering, indicative spot-prices based on Bloomberg 1M fair-value

Overview Charts:

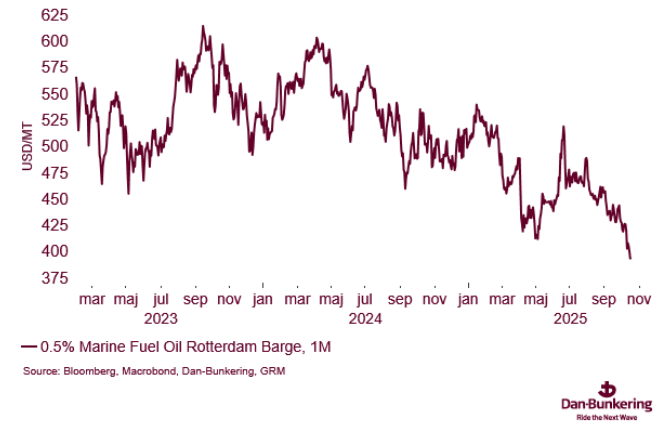




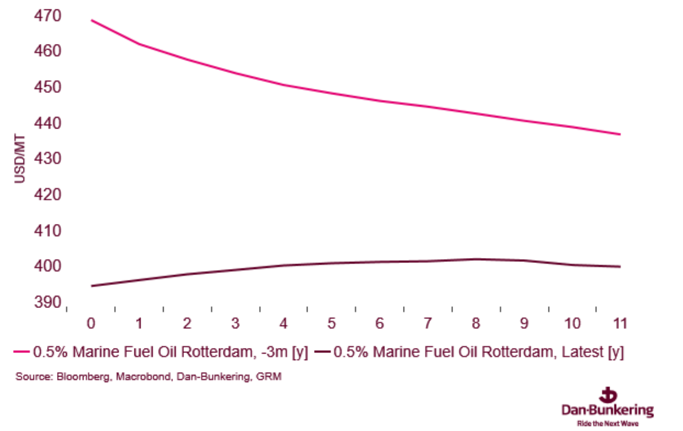




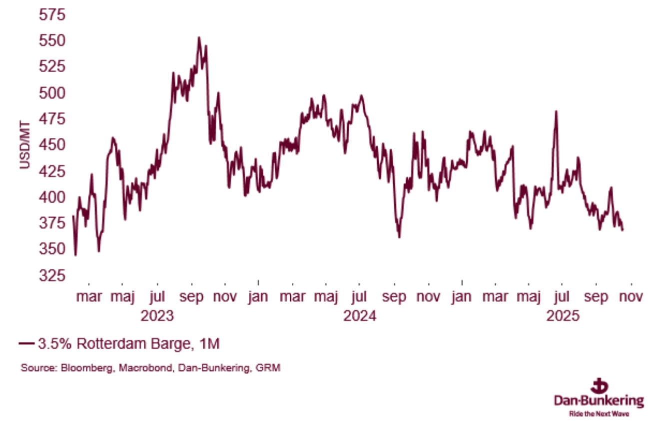
0.5% Marine Fuel Oil Rotterdam Barge, M1



0.5% Marine Fuel Oil Rotterdam Barge Forward Curve, indicative prices



Rotterdam 3.5% Barge



Rotterdam 3.5% Barge forward curve, indicative prices