

The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report:

24 May 2021 – 28 May 2021

Note: Japan April jobless rate +0.2 at 2.8% while May Consumer Price Index (CPI) -0.2% year on year.

Rubber Futures Report:

Rubber Futures prices closed the week mostly higher in generally tight trading range. There were new speculative buying out on the SHFE and OSE markets while liquidation and short coverings were seen on the INE and SGX SICOM markets. Rubber prices traded quietly but in steady sentiment in the early part of the week as crude oil and most commodities traded higher. By mid-week, the Vesak Day holidays in major rubber producing countries also kept market sentiment quietly steady. The positive sentiment was further boosted after IRSG Secretary General S. Pinizzotto said in a report that rubber consumption will be increased by 7% in 2021 after declining 8.1% in 2020. The continued shortages of raw materials in Thailand and Indonesia also help futures prices stayed firmer. In other major & economic news, US 2Q GDP was reported +6.4% while Jobless claims at 406,000 was at a 14-month low. Most commodity prices were higher led by crude oil, grains & coffee prices due to severe drought in Brazil. Global equities surged as 10Y Bond yield at 1.58%. Iran has followed China in banning trading on crypto currencies. US Memorial Day on Monday

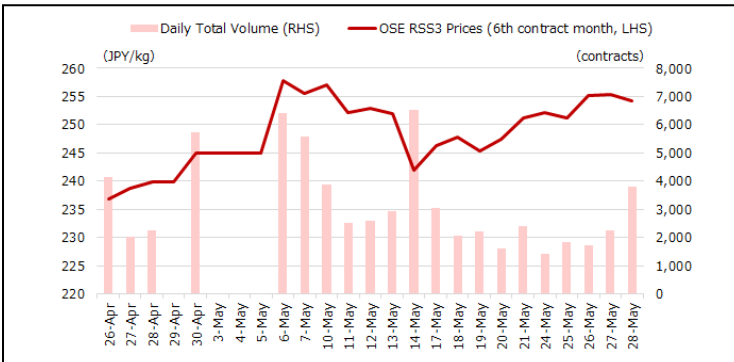
OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (USC)	Net	TFEX	Last (THB)	Net
Jun 21	256.8	-4.6	SCR/RSS Sep 21	13,740	+230	Jun 21	171.0	+3.8	RSS3 Sep 21	72.90	+1.10
Jul 21	256.8	-3.6	SCR/RSS Jan 22	14,905	+275	Jul 21	170.2	+2.3	RSS3 Oct 21	72.90	+1.15
Aug 21	256.1	-1.8	Total Vol.	2,988,825	+200,696	Aug 21	170.9	+2.1	JRF Oct 21	254.6	+3.1
Sep 21	254.9	+2.9	Total OI	304,324	+13,976	Sep 21	171.8	+2.2	JRF Nov 21	254.7	New
Oct 21	254.1	+2.8	INE TSR Jul 21	11,140	+250	Oct 21	172.5	+2.1	ICEX	Last (INR)	Net
Nov 21	254.3	New	INE TSR Aug 21	11,285	+245	Nov 21	173.0	+1.5	RSS4 Jun 21	17,448	-7
Total Vol.	11,072	-265	Total Vol.	155,752	+16,011	Total Vol.	22,693	-4,050	MCX	Last (INR)	Net
Total OI	11,766	+211	Total OI	43,207	-8,419	Total OI	37,664	-467	RSS4 Jun 21	17,250	-381

Source: JPX

Source: SHFE, INE

Source: SGX

Source: TFEX, ICEX, MCX



Source: JPX

Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 20 May)	9,044	+796
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 28 May)	179,866	+910
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 28 May)	60,773	+726
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 30 Apr)	2,251,792	-273,899
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 30 Apr)	1,704,040	-170,271
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 30 Apr)	547,752	-103,628
US Unemployment Rate (% Apr)	6.1%	+0.1
US Non-Farm Payroll (Apr)	266,000	-544,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (% Apr)	2.8	+0.2
Japan PMI (Apr)	53.3	+0.6
Japan Tankan Large Manufacturing (31/3)	+5	+15
China PMI (Apr)	51.1	-0.8
China GDP 1Q (%)	+18.3	+11.8

Source: JPX, SHFE, Bloomberg

FOREX	Last	Net
USD/JPY	109.85	+0.89
EUR/USD	1.2192	+0.0010
GBP/USD	1.4188	+0.0038
USD/CHF	0.8999	+0.0020
AUD/USD	0.7712	-0.0020
USD/CNY	6.3685	-0.0655
USD/INR	72.4362	-1.4019
USD/SGD	1.3228	-0.0092
USD/MYR	4.1330	-0.0075
USD/THB	31.251	-0.134
USD/IDR	14,285	-70
USD/VND	23,039	-13

Source: Bloomberg

Stock Index	Last	Net
NK225 Japan	29,149.41	+831.58
TOPIX Japan	1,947.44	+42.75
Dow Jones US	34,529.45	+321.61
S&P 500 US	4,204.11	+48.25
Nasdaq US	13,748.74	+277.75
CSI 300 China	5,321.09	+181.94
Shanghai China	3,600.78	+114.22
HSI Hong Kong	29,124.41	+665.97
STI Singapore	3,178.55	+60.66
KLCI Malaysia	1,594.44	+32.27
SET Thailand	1,581.98	+29.54
IDX Indonesia	5,848.62	+75.50
VSE Vietnam	1,320.46	+36.53

Source: JPX, Bloomberg

JPX Derivatives	Last	Net
JPX NK225 Jun 21	29,120	+770
JPX TOPIX Jun 21	1,948.0	+40.5
JPX NK 400 Jun 21	17,625	+430
JPX TSE REIT Jun 21	2,073.0	+23.5
JPX NK 225 VI Jun 21	19.0	-2.3
JPX JGB 10 Year Jun 21	151.43	+0.02
JPX Gold 1 Kg Apr 22	6,681	+126
JPX Mini Gold 100g Apr 22	6,681	+126
JPX Gold Rolling Spot	6,670	+116
JPX Silver Apr 22	97.8	+1.1
JPX Platinum Apr 22	4,160	-60
JPX Palladium Apr 22	9,930	+30
JPX Corn May 22	33,840	-40

Source: JPX

Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis (OSE Nov Rubber):

The new OSE Nov futures came on board and settled at 254.3. The short-term outlook remains steady and support is seen at 247.4 (50-day MA) and further support at 241.0/241.2. Prices remain within the sideways trend between 222.0 and 293.0. The double tops at 293 proved to be major resistance levels, while major support at 222.0 are short term double bottoms. RSI is at 57.5% which either way has plenty of room. Nov futures looks overall positive and upside potential remains intact.



Source: Bloomberg

Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis (SICOM Aug Rubber):

SICOM Aug futures rallied to close the gap at 172.4 on Friday after it touched the high at 173.3. The closing at 170.9 was quite encouraging as it stayed about the 170.0 mark. RSI was pretty neutral at 54%. A new trading band could emerge between 169.0 and 176.0 if Aug futures can stay above the 169/170 levels next week. Any close below 169.0 will fall back to renew weakness again. Resistances next week are 173.5 and 176.5 while supports are seen at 169.0 and then 166/165 levels.



Source: Bloomberg

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