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The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report:

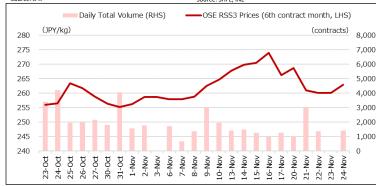
20 Nov –24 Nov 2023

Japan: National CPI 3.3% and Core CPI 2.9% in October, Manufacturing PMI lower at 48.1 in November

Rubber Futures Report:

Global rubber futures closed the week with mixed results, with more pronounced selling on RSS3 prices than the TSR20. Prices declined across most major exchanges, with OSE rubber futures dropping 1.2%, while SHFE and INE rubber fell by 3.1% and 3.0%, respectively. In contrast, SICOM TSR closed 0.7% higher. The market exhibited some physical and arbitrage buying, likely influenced by seasonal year-end rubber demand. Despite mixed and unclear market sentiment, an anticipation of consolidation in the next few weeks with a potential upside bias prevails. In other rubber news, Korea's Hankook Tyres decided to invest nearly EUR 540 mil in a plant in Hungary for truck and bus tires by 2027. Meanwhile, as part of a restructuring, US Goodyear Tire will close two German plants in Fulda and Fuerstenwalde, affecting 1,750 jobs. In other news, Global stock markets closed with mixed performances amid Japan and the US market holidays. Japan's stock market reached a 33-year high this week, driven by robust corporate earnings and strong buying flows from offshore investors, with the Nikkei 225 index hitting 33,845.25. China maintained its key interest rate of the PBOC loan prime rate at 3.45%. In the Middle East, a positive turn occurred as Qatar brokered a deal for a 4-day cease-fire, allowing for hostage exchange and humanitarian aid to Gaza. The USD softened slightly, and the JPY strengthened, closing the week at 149.44 after reaching 147.15.

OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (US¢)	Net	TFEX JRF	Last (THB)	Net
Nov 23	257.0	-23.0	SCR/RSS Jan 24	13,920	-445	Dec 23	146.7	+0.1	Mar 24	262.9	-0.7
Dec 23	258.0	-1.6	SCR/RSS May 24	14,120	-400	Jan 24	150.0	+0.8	Apr 24	265.4	-0.3
Jan 24	259.5	-3.5	Total Vol.	1,959,387	-119,793	Feb 24	151.2	+1.0	SHFE BR	Last (CNY)	Net
Feb 24	259.0	-2.7	Total OI	274,023	-9,963	Mar 24	151.8	+1.0	Jan 24	12,205	-230
Mar 24	260.3	-3.1	INE TSR Jan 24	10,590	-325	Apr 24	152.5	+1.2	Feb 24	12,230	-155
Apr 24	262.9	-3.3	INE TSR Feb 24	10,770	-265	May 24	153.1	+0.9	Mar 24	12,245	-120
Total Vol.	6,770	+356	Total Vol.	402,398	+8,992	Total Vol.	66,303	-4,776	Total Vol.	360,723	+17,593
Total OI	7,395	-48	Total OI	142,819	+2,797	Total OI	80,407	+1,408	Total OI	101,826	-14,989
Source: JPX Source: SHEF, INF						Source: SGX Source: TEEX. ICEX. MCX					



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Stock Index

	Source: HEA, HEA, HEA,								
		Importa	int D	ata / Stock levels	Last	Net			
	Jap	an OSE Rubber	Stoc	3,692	-483				
	Sha	anghai SHFE Ru	bber	140,756	-113,748				
	Sha	anghai INE Rub	ber S	99,106	+2,822				
	Chi	na Vehicle Tota	al Sal	2,852,570	-5,664				
	Chi	na Passenger C	ar Sa	2,487,873	+599				
	Chi	na Commercia	Car	Sales (unit, 31 Oct 23)	364,697	-6,263			
	US	Unemploymen	t Rat	3.9	+0.1				
	US	Non-Farm Pay	oll (0	150,000	-149,000				
	Jap	an Unemployn	nent	2.6	-0.1				
	Japan Manufacturing			MI (Oct)	48.5	+0.0			
	Jap	an Tankan Larg	ge Ma	+9.0	+0.4				
	Chi	na Manufactur	ing P	MI (Oct)	49.5	-0.7			
	Chi	na GDP 3Q 202	3 (%)	4.9	-1.4				
Source: JPX, SHFE, Bloomberg									
		Net		JPX Derivatives	Last	Net			
25	+40.33			JPX NK225 Dec 23	33.600	+0			

USD/JPY	149.44	-0.19		NK225 Japan	33,625.53	+40.33		JPX NK225 Dec 23	33,600	+0
EUR/USD	1.0940	+0.0025		TOPIX Japan	2,390.94	-0.11		JPX TOPIX Dec 23	2,388.5	-7.0
GBP/USD	1.2603	+0.0141		Dow Jones US	35,390.15	+442.87		JPX NK 400 Dec 23	21,595	-15
USD/CHF	0.8830	-0.0027		S&P 500 US	4,559.34	+45.32		JPX TSE REIT Dec 23	1,832.0	+1.0
AUD/USD	0.6585	+0.0070		Nasdaq US	14,250.86	+125.38		JPX NK 225 VI Dec 23	18.15	-0.85
USD/CNY	7.149	-0.0653		CSI 300 China	3,538.01	-30.06		JPX JGB 10 Year Dec 23	145.66	-0.07
USD/INR	83.375	+0.105		Shanghai China	3,040.97	-13.40		JPX Gold 1 Kg Oct 24	9,562	-42
				HSI Hong Kong	17,559.42	+105.23		JPX Platinum Oct 24	4,349	+63
USD/SGD	1.3401	-0.0034		STI Singapore	3,094.81	-29.86		JPX Silver Oct 24	115.3	+0.0
USD/MYR	4.6853	+0.0048		KLCI Malaysia	1,453.92	-6.75		JPX Palladium Oct 24	5,000	+100
USD/THB	35.392	+0.286		SET Thailand	1,397.43	-18.35		JPX TSR20 Feb 24	223.0	-4.0
USD/IDR	15,565	+72.5		IDX Indonesia	7,009.63	+31.96		JPX Corn Nov 24	39,650	+330
USD/VND	24,267.3	-4.1		VSE Vietnam	1,095.61	-5.58		JPX Dubai Crude Apr 24	73,510	+2,380
Source: Bloomberg Source: JPX, Bloomberg Source: JPX										

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Technical Analysis on the OSE Apr-2024 Contract:

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OSE's active Apr-2024 contract closed JPY 3.3 lower at 262.9 in quiet trading. Trading activities were generally subdued, with an increase in trading volume by 356 lots, while open interest fell by 48 lots. Prices are congested and will likely move within 260.0-269.0 levels in sideways trading. Anticipated support levels are 260.0 and 257.0, while resistance levels are 269.0 and 272.0. The 14-day RSI stands at 58.7%. RSS3 prices faced more selling pressure than TSR20 prices last week, narrowing the RSS-TSR price spreads.



Technical Analysis on the SGX SICOM Feb-2024 Contract:

SICOM's active Feb-2024 contract inched up 1 cent to close at 151.2 in moderately active trading. Despite a decrease in trading volume by 4,776 lots from the previous week, open interest rose by 1,408 lots, indicating renewed buying interest. The firmer closing prices suggest potential support in the coming weeks. The next significant resistance levels are anticipated at 153.5 and 155.5, while support levels are 148.0 and 146.0. The 14-day RSI stands at 59.1%. With technical indicators portraying a positive stance and considering the seasonal year-end demand, prices are likely to maintain firmness.



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