

# The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report: 14 Feb 2022 – 18 Feb 2022

Note: Japan 4Q GDP +1.3% on quarter, +5.4% on year, Dec Ind. Production -1.0%, Jan National CPI +0.5% on year.

### Rubber Futures Report:

Rubber Futures prices closed the week mixed with Japan OSE and SICOM rubber futures closing higher while China SHFE and INE both closed lower. Trading was active with all exchange volumes soared. On the OSE market, commodity funds was rumoured to have purchased rubber futures while fresh speculative interest were selling in both the Chinese exchanges. On SGX SICOM, there were both speculative buying and strong profit taking seen. OSE July futures was +1.5% while SHFE and INE were -3% and -1.1% respectively. Rubber warehouse stocks on SHFE was down marginally at 160 tonnes while INE reported an increase of 3,297 tonnes for the week. China Automotive sales in Jan +0.9% at 2.53 million units was a positive news after falling for eight consecutive months. On Global news, tension at the Ukraine border remains very high after Russian increase its troops to about 190,000 strong. US President Biden warned that invasion by Russia can be at any moment. US Secretary of State Antony Blinken is to meet Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov next week in Europe. Fed impending rate hike of 0.25-0.5% is also causing jitters in the global markets.

OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (US¢)	Net
Feb 22	253.0	+15.5	SCR/RSS May22	14,200	-455	Mar 22	179.2	+1.1
Mar 22	252.2	+11.6	SCR/RSS Sep22	14,405	-445	Apr 22	179.9	+1.7
Apr 22	253.9	+11.0	Total Vol.	1,416,823	+309,363	May 22	180.4	+1.3
May 22	255.6	+8.7	Total OI	356,163	+16,184	Jun 22	180.8	+0.9
Jun 22	255.7	+5.3	INE TSR Apr 22	11,820	-125	Jul 22	181.9	+1.5
Jul 22	257.6	+3.8	INE TSR May 22	11,930	-95	Aug 22	182.0	+0.9
Total Vol.	14,739	+3,913	Total Vol.	295,169	+114,086	Total Vol.	54,731	+21,110
Total OI	9,570	+322	Total OI	72,121	+7,425	Total OI	54,085	-273
Source: JPX			Source: SHFE, INE	·		Source: SGX	·	•

TFEX	Last (THB)	Net	
RSS3 Jun 22	67.65	-0.9	
RSS3 Jul 22	67.75	-0.95	
JRF Jun 22	255.6	+6.6	
JRF Jul 22	256.8	+4.5	
ICEX	Last (INR)	Net	
RSS4 Mar 22	16,481	-334	
MCX	Last (INR)	Net	
RSS4 Feb 22	16,220	-262	
Source: TFEX, ICEX, MCX			

OSE RSS3 Prices (6th contract month, LHS) Daily Total Volume (RHS) (JPY/ka) 10,000 270 265 9,000 260 8,000 255 7,000 250 6,000 245 5.000 240 4,000 235 3,000 230 2,000 225 1,000 0

Source: Sox	,	
Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 10 Feb)	8,130	-182
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 18 Feb)	247,845	-160
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 18 Feb)	91,920	+3,297
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 31 Dec)	2,785,918	+264,327
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 31 Dec)	2,421,558	+229,605
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 31 Dec)	364,360	+34,722
US Unemployment Rate (%, Jan)	4.0	+0.1
US Non-Farm Payroll (Jan)	467,000	-43,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (%, Dec)	2.7	-0.1
Japan Manufacturing PMI (Jan)	55.4	+1.1
Japan Tankan Large Manufacturing (4Q)	+18	+0
China Manufacturing PMI (Jan)	50.1	-0.2
China GDP 4Q (%)	+4.0	-0.9
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Source: JPX, SHFE, Bloomberg

FOREX	Last	Net
USD/JPY	115.01	-0.41
EUR/USD	1.1322	-0.0028
GBP/USD	1.3589	+0.0025
USD/CHF	0.9215	-0.0044
AUD/USD	0.7177	+0.0040
USD/CNY	6.3256	-0.0290
USD/INR	74.6625	-0.7163
USD/SGD	1.3460	-0.0011
USD/MYR	4.1858	-0.0039
USD/THB	32.129	-0.609
USD/IDR	14,327	-20
USD/VND	22,832	+137

Source: JP)

Source: Bloomberg

Stock index	Last	net	
NK225 Japan	27,122.07	-574.01	
TOPIX Japan	1,924.31	-38.30	
Dow Jones US	34,079.18	-658.88	
S&P 500 US	4,348.87	-69.77	
Nasdaq US	13,548.07	-243.09	
CSI 300 China	4,651.24	+49.84	
Shanghai China	3,490.76	+27.81	
HSI Hong Kong	24,327.71	-578.95	
STI Singapore	3,428.90	-0.05	
KLCI Malaysia	1,603.05	+24.16	
SET Thailand	1,713.20	+14.0	
IDX Indonesia	6,892.82	+77.21	
VSE Vietnam	1,504.84	+3.13	
Source: JPX, Bloomberg			

JPX Derivatives	Last	Net
JPX NK225 Mar 22	27,090	-610
JPX TOPIX Mar 22	1,921.0	-45.0
JPX NK 400 Mar 22	17,345	-360
JPX TSE REIT Mar 22	1,895.0	-28.0
JPX NK 225 VI Mar 22	23.00	+1.50
JPX JGB 10 Year Mar 22	150.03	-0.04
JPX Gold 1 Kg Dec 22	6,993	+185
JPX Platinum Dec 22	3,991	+204
JPX Silver Dec 22	88.1	+1.6
JPX Palladium Dec 22	8,700	0
JPX TSR20 Jun 22	202.4	-5.6
JPX Corn Mar 23	42,730	New
JPX Dubai Crude Oil Jul 22	59,750	-900
Source: IDY		

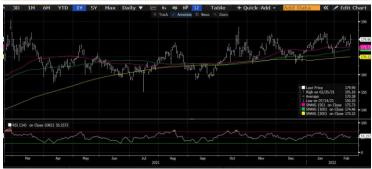
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## Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis OSE July Rubber futures:

OSE July active futures closed +3.8 at JPY 257.6 in active trading. July touched a high of 259.8 on some overseas funds buying on early week then began to consolidate (trade sideways) in the next few sessions. Prices remains uptrend and likely to continue. Support is expected at 250.1 followed by stronger support at 241.3 (50 days Average). Resistance is seen at 259.8 then 261/262. A close above 161.0 is a very bullish market. RSI 14 days is at 61.5% and buying on dip is suggested.

## Rubber Trading – SGX SICOM April Futures Technical Analysis:

SICOM April futures began the week trading lower but staged a strong rally on Friday and closed in the mid-price at 179.9 +1.7 cents. The gradual up-trend continues and touched a high at 182.7 before profit taking retreated to close lower. Support is expected at 176.7 followed by stronger support at 174.2. Resistance is seen at 183.0 then 185.5. 14 days RSI is at 55.1% and still have upside potential and April futures likely range next week is 176-183. A close above 182.5 signal a bullish market.



Source: Bloomberg

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