

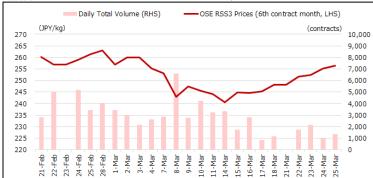
The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report: 21 Mar 2022 – 25 Mar 2022

Note: Tokyo Mar CPI +1.3%, Core CPI (exclude Food + Energy) +0.8%, Jibun Japan Mar Manufacturing PMI 53.2

Rubber Futures Report:

Rubber futures prices closed this week generally higher in all major exchanges. Trading activities were down with lack of clear direction as the market were in tight trading range all week. Trading volumes of all exchanges decreased sharply as traders closed positions and that lead to the drop of open interest. However, tight physical markets and a wintering season in the Northern Hemisphere keep prices steady in recent weeks despite strong selling at the Chinese markets. OSE rubber futures gained +3.3% reflecting on weak JPY as the USD surged on impeding higher rates by the US Federal Reserve. Fed Chairman Powell said the central bank "may need to move more quickly" and many analysts are now expecting a 0.5% hike after the next FOMC meeting on 4 May. On the global news, the war in Ukraine continues into the second month as leaders of the G7 met in Brussels to put more pressure on President Putin and discussed more sanctions. President Biden even suggested that Russia be removed from the G20 but was disagreed by the G20 Chairman Mr. Jokowi from Indonesia. China Eastern flight crashed in Guangxi with 132 on board lost their lives.

OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (US¢)	Net	TFEX	Last (THB)	Net
Mar 22	258.0	+10.5	SCR/RSS May22	13,480	+100	Apr 22	172.8	+0.4	RSS3 Jul 22	68.25	+0.25
Apr 22	257.5	+10.5	SCR/RSS Sep22	13,695	+75	May 22	172.4	+0.9	RSS3 Aug 22	68.25	+0.25
May 22	258.0	+10.5	Total Vol.	1,366,845	-141,242	Jun 22	172.3	+0.4	JRF Jul 22	256.2	+8.2
Jun 22	258.0	+11.3	Total OI	339,393	-16,343	Jul 22	172.8	+0.1	JRF Aug 22	255.6	+7.8
Jul 22	255.6	+8.3	INE TSR May 22	11,185	+90	Aug 22	173.1	-0.2	ICEX	Last (INR)	Net
Aug 22	256.3	+8.2	INE TSR Jun 22	11,305	+115	Sep 22	173.3	-0.3	RSS4 Apr 22	17,320	0
Total Vol.	6,207	-3,659	Total Vol.	177,115	-37,671	Total Vol.	22,050	-30,918	MCX	Last (INR)	Net
Total OI	7,840	-530	Total OI	70,023	-3,781	Total OI	38,877	-547	RSS4 Mar 22	16,990	+149
Source: JPX Source: SHFE, INE						Source: SGX Source: TFEX, ICEX, MCX					



Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 10 Mar)	7,974	-239
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 25 Mar)	257,653	+4,090
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 25 Mar)	103,481	+2,399
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 28 Feb22)	1,737,386	-793,198
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 28 Feb22)	1,487,442	-698,902
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 28 Feb22)	249,944	-94,296
US Unemployment Rate (%, Feb)	3.8%	-0.2
US Non-Farm Payroll (Feb)	678,000	+197,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (%, Jan)	2.8	+0.1
Japan Manufacturing PMI (Feb)	52.7	-2.7
Japan Tankan Large Manufacturing (4Q)	+18	+0
China Manufacturing PMI (Feb)	50.2	+0.1
China GDP 4Q (%)	+4.0	-0.9

Source: JPX

FOREX	Last	Net		Stock Index	Last	Net	JPX Derivati	ves	Last	Net
USD/JPY	122.05	+2.88		NK225 Japan	28,149.84	+1,322.41	JPX NK225 Jun 22		27,910	+1,180
EUR/USD	1.0983	-0.0068		TOPIX Japan	1,981.47	+72.20	JPX TOPIX Jun 22		1,963.0	+65.0
GBP/USD	1.3182	+0.0004		Dow Jones US	34,861.24	+106.31	JPX NK 400 Jun 22		17,710	+620
USD/CHF	0.9300	-0.0018		S&P 500 US	4,543.06	+79.94	JPX TSE REIT Jun 2	2	1,950.0	+31.0
AUD/USD	0.7515	+0.01		Nasdaq US	14,169.30	+275.46	JPX NK 225 VI Apr	22	23.20	-0.60
USD/CNY	6.3662	+0.0050		CSI 300 China	4,174.57	-91.33	JPX JGB 10 Year Ju	n 22	149.48	-0.59
USD/INR	76.2063	+0.4013		Shanghai China	3,212.24	-38.83	JPX Gold 1 Kg Feb	23	7,652	+291
				HSI Hong Kong	21,404.88	-7.52	JPX Platinum Feb	23	3,959	+111
USD/SGD	1.3581	+0.0015		STI Singapore	3,413.69	+83.06	JPX Silver Feb 23		100.5	+4.4
USD/MYR	4.2095	+0.0142		KLCI Malaysia	1,603.30	+12.04	JPX Palladium Feb	23	10,100	+400
USD/THB	33.586	+0.251		SET Thailand	1,676.80	-1.71	JPX TSR20 July 22		207.0	+4.0
USD/IDR	14,346	+6		IDX Indonesia	7,002.53	+47.56	JPX Corn Mar23		50,680	+2,070
USD/VND	22,871	+7.2		VSE Vietnam	1,498.50	+29.40	JPX Dubai Crude A	ug 22	76,220	+5,760
Source: JPX, Bloomberg Source: JPX, Bloomberg						Source: JPX				

Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis OSE Aug Futures:

OSE Aug futures settled at 256.3 (+8.2). Prices had been firmer all week partly due to the weak JPY against the USD which touched a high of 122.43. Volume was low also due to a public holiday on Monday. Aug support is seen at 251.0 followed by 247.0 while resistance is at 263.0 and 265.0. RSI is now at 59% and prices are likely to continue to trade higher. Moving averages are all pointing to higher prices. Buy on dips is suggested with sell stops below 245.0. Sept will be new active month.



Rubber Trading – SGX SICOM June Futures Technical Analysis:

SICOM June active month settled at 172.3 (+0.4) as prices recovered after breaking below the 170.0 level. Although it had broken an important support line, prices did not follow through as volume was light. June futures is now trading below the resistance at 175/176 levels, it has to close above 175 to regain its strength. Congestion between 170 and 175 is keeping prices sideways for a while and must break either way to a clearer direction. 14 days RSI is at 40%.



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