



The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report:

22 Mar. 2021 – 26 Mar. 2021

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Rubber Futures Report:

Rubber Futures prices closed the week lower about 4-6% down across all exchanges. There were lots of long liquidation and stop-loss selling. The stronger USD is putting lots of pressure on commodity prices and we saw profit taking and long liquidation in many commodities from Sugar to Copper, CPO and Grains products. The rising yield on the 10Year (1.67%) is causing the USD to strengthen is putting a toll on commodities. Weakness and persistent selling on the SHFE all week had put constant pressure on both the OSE and SICOM rubber prices. On the physical market, tight supplies persist with high raw material prices are putting off some sellers as factories weather the wintering season. On Global markets, new virus variant is putting new lockdowns in parts of Europe while IMF is creating a \$650B to help developing nations to cope the pandemic. N. Korea fired its test ballistic missiles after a while is again bringing new attention to world leaders. Dallas Fed President Robert Kaplan said Fed may hike interest rate in 2022 & he sees 10Y yield 1.75-2.00%. Japan reported a stronger Mar PMI 52.0 after Feb 51.4 is a positive sign. Good Friday on 2 April.

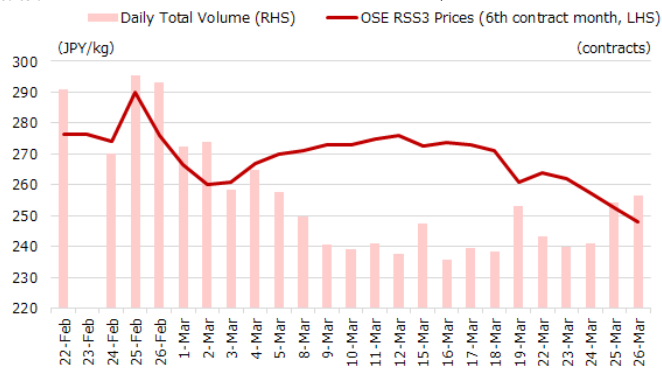
OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (USC)	Net	TFEX	Last (THB)	Net
Apr 21	248.0	-12.5	SCR/RSS May 21	14,020	-730	Apr 21	169.3	-7.6	RSS3 Jul 21	70.55	-0.95
May 21	245.1	-12.9	SCR/RSS Sep 21	14,280	-695	May 21	169.2	-5.5	RSS3 Aug 21	70.50	-1.0
Jun 21	246.6	-12.4	Total Vol.	2,837,119	-931,851	Jun 21	169.1	-5.8	JRF Aug 21	248.7	-11.6
Jul 21	245.4	-15.6	Total OI	300,984	-10,812	Jul 21	169.4	-6.2	JRF Sep 21	249.5	New
Aug 21	247.1	-13.9	INE TSR May 21	11,160	-780	Aug 21	170.0	-6.6	ICEX Last (INR)	Net	
Sep 21	248.0	New	INE TSR Jun 21	11,285	-755	Sep 21	170.7	-6.8	RSS4 Apr 21	16,951	-46
Total Vol.	13,514	+2,133	Total Vol.	164,834	-46,742	Total Vol.	36,532	-6,911	MCX Last (INR)	Net	
Total OI	11,184	-232	Total OI	49,842	-5,055	Total OI	45,120	-812	RSS4 Apr 21	16,937	+17

Source: JPX

Source: SHFE, INE

Source: SGX

Source: TFEF, ICEX, MCX



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Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 10 Mar)	6,740	+1,230
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 26 Mar)	175,902	+900
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 26 Mar)	62,093	+1,279
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 28 Feb)	1,455,000	-1,048,168
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 28 Feb)	1,156,000	-888,769
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 28 Feb)	299,000	-159,399
US Unemployment Rate (% Feb)	6.2	-0.1
US Non-Farm Payroll (Feb)	+379,000	+330,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (% Jan)	2.9	0
Japan PMI (Mar)	52.0	+0.6
Japan Tankan Large Manufacturing (31/12)	-10	+17
China PMI (Feb)	50.6	-0.7
China GDP 4Q (%)	+6.5	+1.6

Source: JPX, SHFE, Bloomberg

FOREX	Last	Net
USD/JPY	109.64	+0.76
EUR/USD	1.1794	-0.0110
GBP/USD	1.3789	-0.0083
USD/CHF	0.9391	+0.0103
AUD/USD	0.7637	-0.0105
USD/CNY	6.5411	+0.0321
USD/INR	72.5163	0.0000
USD/SGD	1.3456	+0.0034
USD/MYR	4.1470	+0.0370
USD/THB	31.102	+0.289
USD/IDR	14,417.5	+10
USD/VND	23,076	+13

Source: Bloomberg

Stock Index	Last	Net
NK225 Japan	29,176.70	-615.35
TOPIX Japan	1,984.16	-28.05
Dow Jones US	33,072.88	+444.91
S&P 500 US	3,974.54	+61.44
Nasdaq US	13,138.73	-76.51
CSI 300 China	5,037.99	+30.90
Shanghai China	3,418.33	+13.67
HSI Hong Kong	28,336.43	-654.51
STI Singapore	3,157.95	+23.41
KLCI Malaysia	1,601.42	-24.77
SET Thailand	1,574.86	+10.90
IDX Indonesia	6,195.56	-160.60
VSE Vietnam	1,162.21	-31.84

Source: JPX, Bloomberg

JPX Derivatives	Last	Net
JPX NK225 Jun 21	29,100	-390
JPX TOPIX Jun 21	1,973.0	-10.5
JPX NK 400 Jun 21	17,825	-90
JPX TSE REIT Jun 21	1,990.5	+24.5
JPX NK 225 VI Apr 21	20.70	-1.80
JPX JGB 10 Year Jun 21	151.36	+0.38
JPX Gold 1 Kg Feb 22	6,071	-17
JPX Mini Gold 100g Feb 22	6,071	-17
JPX Gold Rolling Spot	6,071	-11
JPX Silver Feb 22	90.0	-2.5
JPX Platinum Feb 22	4,076	-133
JPX Palladium Feb 22	9,265	+281
JPX Corn Mar 22	29,620	-100

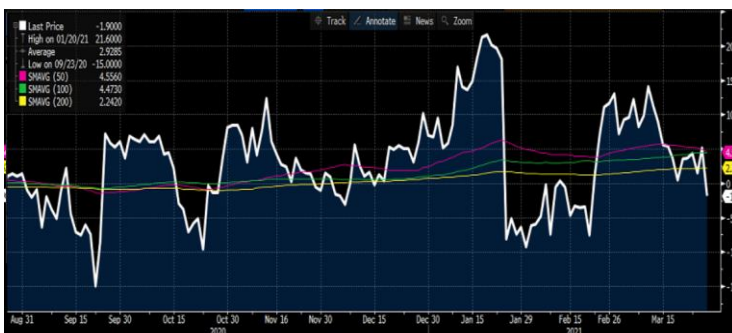
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Rubber Trading – Calendar Spread Analysis:

On the OSE April/May and June contracts, The spreader who initiated the bear spread + the bull spread which resulted in the Short Butterfly at +12 some 3 weeks ago is delighted that the spread had resulted into par (0) in the middle of the week and the spreader had closed his position at +2 making a decent 10 ticks gain. The spreader cancelled his buy stop order at +16 and he now look for other spreading opportunities.

Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis:

The technician saw strong selling last week and June SICOM Futures challenged the critical support at 169-170 level and hovered and closed at 169.1. This is a trend-line support and a close below 168.0 is probably seeing a new bear trend emerging. The technician advocate longs to sell-stops at 168.0 and below, while a rebound may be imminent and hopeful, there is a gap at 178-180 need to be covered. RSI is not oversold yet but is hovering at 38%



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