

The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report:

08 Mar. 2021 – 12 Mar. 2021

Rubber Futures Report:

Rubber Futures prices closed the week slightly higher in moderate trading. Trading was mostly sideways in tight trading range but moved higher on Friday on the back of stronger equity markets and speculative buying. There was a lack of fresh news, but physical demand and wintering may have kept traders mostly on the long side and kept market sentiment positive. Report on China Feb wholesale passenger car sales rose 410% to 1.16m units on year may had encouraged some buying as well. Crude oil prices WTI spike to a high of \$67.98 after Yemen rebels attacked oil facilities in Saudi Arabia but no significant damaged reported. On Global news, President Biden signed the \$1.9T stimulus relief bill after the House gave its final approval on Tues, US stocks rallied with Dow Jones and S&P 500 indexes hitting new records despite concern of rising Bond yield at 1.625%.

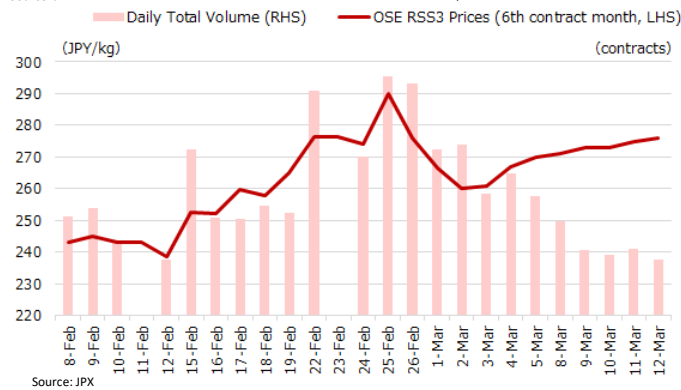
OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net	SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net	SICOM TSR20	Last (USC)	Net	TFEX	Last (THB)	Net
Mar 21	273.9	+5.9	SCR/RSS May 21	15,375	+220	Apr 21	178.2	+2.3	RSS3 Jul 21	74.85	+1.35
Apr 21	274.3	+6.3	SCR/RSS Sep 21	15,560	+270	May 21	178.0	+1.4	RSS3 Aug 21	74.90	+1.35
May 21	267.5	+8.3	Total Vol.	3,914,462	-192,269	Jun 21	179.1	+2.0	JRF Jul 21	273.0	+3.1
Jun 21	269.7	+7.7	Total OI	290,556	+936	Jul 21	180.0	+2.2	JRF Aug 21	271.8	-0.5
Jul 21	273.7	+5.7	INE TSR May 21	12,155	+410	Aug 21	181.2	+2.5	ICEX	Last (INR)	Net
Aug 21	276.0	+6.1	INE TSR Jun 21	12,265	+435	Sep 21	181.9	+3.1	RSS4 Apr 21	16,645	New
Total Vol.	15,713	-7,001	Total Vol.	232,730	-4,222	Total Vol.	49,876	+16154	MCX	Last (INR)	Net
Total OI	12,010	-309	Total OI	58,674	+3,346	Total OI	47,437	-1,626	RSS4 Mar 21	16,900	+427

Source: JPX

Source: SHFE, INE

Source: SGX

Source: TFEX, ICEX, MCX



Source: JPX

Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 28 Feb)	5,510	+567
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 12 Mar)	175,162	+78
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 12 Mar)	60,762	+303
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 31 Jan)	2,503,168	-328,077
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 31 Jan)	2,044,769	-330,332
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 31 Jan)	458,399	+2255
US Unemployment Rate (% Feb)	6.2	-0.1
US Non-Farm Payroll (Feb)	+379,000	+330,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (% Jan)	2.9	0.0
Japan PMI (Feb)	51.4	+0.8
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	109.03	+0.72
EUR/USD	1.1953	+0.0038
GBP/USD	1.3924	-0.0017
USD/CHF	0.9302	+0.0010
AUD/USD	0.7764	+0.0078
USD/CNY	6.5084	+0.0114
USD/INR	72.7875	-0.24
USD/SGD	1.3449	+0.0028
USD/MYR	4.1185	+0.0438
USD/THB	30.708	+0.182
USD/IDR	14,385	+85
USD/VND	23,046	+11

Source: Bloomberg

Stock Index	Last	Net
NK225 Japan	29,717.83	+853.51
TOPIX Japan	1,951.06	+54.88
Dow Jones US	32,778.64	+1,281.34
S&P 500 US	3,943.34	+101.40
Nasdaq US	13,319.86	+399.71
CSI 300 China	5,146.38	-116.42
Shanghai China	3,453.08	-48.91
HSI Hong Kong	28,739.72	-358.57
STI Singapore	3,095.22	+81.37
KLCI Malaysia	1,615.69	+15.57
SET Thailand	1,568.19	+24.08
IDX Indonesia	6,358.21	+99.46
VSE Vietnam	1,181.56	+12.87

Source: JPX, Bloomberg

JPX Derivatives	Last	Net
JPX NK225 Jun 21	29,590	+1,030
JPX TOPIX Jun 21	1,936.0	+61.5
JPX NK 400 Jun 21	17,500	+535
JPX TSE REIT Jun 21	1,928.5	+43.0
JPX NK 225 VI Apr 21	22.65	-2.50
JPX JGB 10 Year Jun 21	150.99	-0.34
JPX Gold 1 Kg Dec 21	5,997	+88
JPX Mini Gold 100g Dec 21	5,997	+88
JPX Gold Rolling Spot	6,012	+96
JPX Silver Dec 21	91.6	+2.6
JPX Platinum Dec 21	4,172	+294
JPX Palladium Feb 21	8,122	+90
JPX Corn Mar 22	29,950	+470

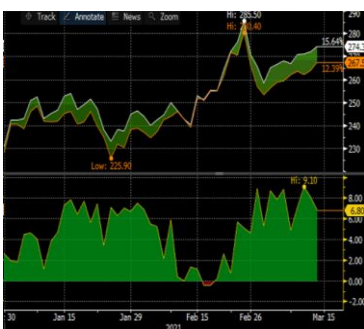
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Rubber Trading – Calendar Spread Analysis:

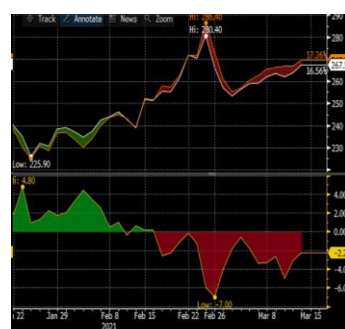
The spreader who exited the June/July spread is now looking at OSE April/May/June futures. The spreader has shorted the Apr/May spread and at the same time long the May/June spread resulting in a short butterfly at +12 last week. Based on Friday's DSP at Apr 274.3, May 267.5 and June 269.7 the Butterfly in indicating at +9 (274.3-267.5)-(267.5-269.7) and the spreader is seeing some small gain. The spreader will exit the spread at the level of +2 to Par level and with a Stop at +16.

Rubber Trading – Technical Analysis:

The OSE Aug futures continues to hold steady in tight trading range last week. Despite its ability to close the gap and trend up slightly the Aug futures will need to close above 280.0 in the near term to see further upside momentum. The week's low at 264.0 is well within the crucial support at 260.0-265.0 where the analyst advocates a buy with stops below the 250.0 level. Relative strength (RSI) at 58% is a rather healthy level where either side move is possible and has a long way to go.



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