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Transportation and Export Report for 21 November 2019

Ocean Freight Insights and Comments:

I have been using the term "Sliding lower" recently to describe Dry-Bulk markets. Some Freight publications have stated that the markets are "tumbling down". However you want to describe it; markets have certainly gone in the opposite direction from what is desired and needed by vessel owners and operators. Every time the market tries to rally, it is met with selling pressure. As the old saying goes "something's got to give". The freight charts do look over sold and the downward slide is slowing; maybe to a stop? IMO2020 is quickly approaching and operating cost vis a vis fuel cost will jump 15-30% depending on whose analysis you follow. Dry-Bulk Panamax daily hire rates have dropped to \$9,500-\$9,800/day for Q1 2020. On the container freight side of things Shipping companies are imposing Fuel adjustment charges.

Malaysia has banned the use of Open Loop scrubbers in the country's waters and the dumping of scrubber wastewater. China, Singapore, Fujairah, Panama, California, Connecticut and Hawaii have also placed a ban on the same. DNV data shows that open-loop scrubbers account for about 80% of all the scrubber installations to date.

BALTIC DRY-BULK PANAMAX INDEX CHANGES

Panamax Ocean Freight Indices								
21-Nov-19	This	Last		Percent				
	Week	Week	Difference	Change				
P2A : Gulf/Atlantic - Japan	16518	17200	-682	-4.0%				
P3A - PNW/Pacific - Japan	8146	7964	182	2.3%				
S1C -USGULF-China-So.Japan	20886	20033	853	4.3%				
P7- Trial- Miss. River - Qingdao	42950	43327	-377	-0.9%				
P8- Trial- Santos - Qingdao	31096	31872	-776	-2.4%				

Recent history of freight values for Capesize vessels of Iron-Ore from West Australia to South China:

Four weeks ago: \$8.80-\$9.05
Three weeks ago: \$9.00-\$9.20
Two weeks ago: \$8.85 -\$9.25
One week ago: \$8.35-\$8.85
This week \$8.65-\$8.80

US Vessel Line-Ups/Estimated vessel berthing delays at U.S. Export Grain Elevators:

Mississippi River: (10 elevators) 2-9 days (2 facilities not currently operating)

Miss. River Mid-Stream loaders: (6+ Rigs) 0-2 days
Texas Gulf (5 elevators) 0-1 days
Pacific Northwest: (9 elevators) 2-10 days

Panamax Market Spreads to Asia -China							
21-Nov-19	PNW	GULF	Bushel Spread	MT Spread	Advantage		
CORN	1.12	0.63	0.49	\$19.29	PNW		
SOYBEANS	1.00	0.65	0.35	\$13.78	PNW		
OCEAN FREIGHT	\$24.00	\$44.50	.5256	\$20.50	December		

Recent Reported Vessel Fixtures:

Soybean Panamax USG to Spain is running \$20.00/mt. Soybean Brazil to Spain at about \$22.75/mt.

30,000 mt Corn Northern Brazil to Vera Cruz, Mexico \$18.50-\$19.00/mt .To U.S. E/C about \$21.50-22.00/mt

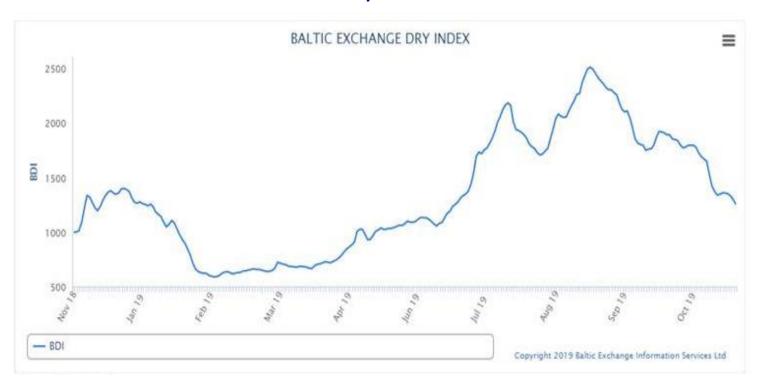
Route and Vessel Size	Current Week USD/MT	Change from previous week	Remarks
55,000 U.S. Gulf-Japan	\$46.25	Down \$0.25	Handymax \$47.00 mt
55,000 U.S. PNW- Japan	\$24.75	Unchanged	Handymax \$26.75 mt
66,000 U.S. Gulf – China PNW to China	\$44.50 \$24.00	Down \$0.50 Unchanged	North China
25,000 U.S. Gulf- Veracruz, México	\$17.50	Unchanged	3,000 MT daily discharge rate
30-36,000+ U.S. Gulf- Veracruz, México	\$14.75	Unchanged	Deep draft and 6,000 MT per day discharge rate.
30-38,000 U.S. Gulf- <u>East Coast Colombia</u> From Argentina	\$19.00 \$39.00	Unchanged	West Coast Colombia at \$31.50 USG to E/C 50,000 mt at \$17.25
43-45,000 U.S. Gulf - Guatemala	\$28.75	Unchanged	Acajutla/Quetzal - 8,000 out
26-30,000 U.S. Gulf – Algeria	\$34.00 \$35.00	Down \$0.25	8,000 mt daily discharge 3,000 mt daily discharge
26-30,000 US Gulf-Morocco	\$35.00	Down \$0.25	5,000 discharge rate
55-60,000 U.S. Gulf –Egypt PNW to Egypt	\$27.75 \$28.25	Down \$0.25	60,000 -55,000 mt Romania- Russia- Ukraine \$15.00 -\$15.00 -\$15.50 (France \$17.50-\$18.00)
60-70,000 U.S. Gulf – Europe – Rotterdam	\$18.50	Unchanged	Handymax at +\$1.75 more
Brazil, Santos – China Brazil, Santos – China Itaqui-Port Northern Brazil	\$34.00 \$33.50 \$34.75	Down \$0.50	54-59,000 Supramax-Panamax 60-66,000 Post Panamax 60-66,000 mt
56-60,000 Argentina/Rosario- China Deep Draft	\$36.75	Down \$0.50	Upriver with BB Top Off \$40.50

[•] The above rate estimates reflect the 30-45-day forward ocean freight markets.

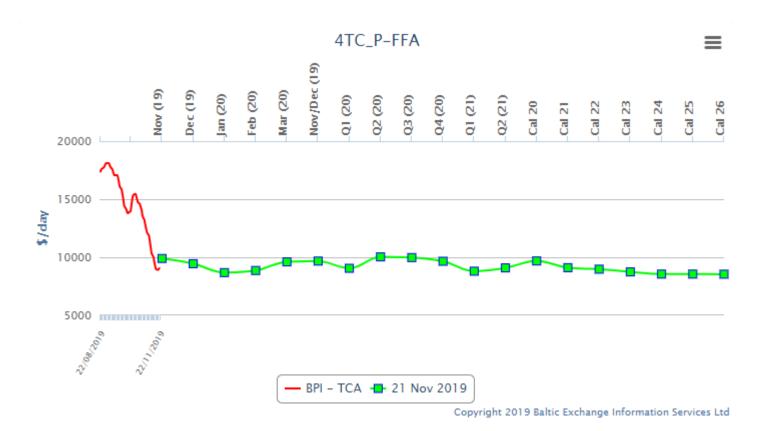
Nautical Miles: To Xiamen China (South China)

US Gulf (NOLA) (via Panamá Canal) – 10,232 nautical miles (32 days) Santos Brazil (via Cape of Good Hope) - 10,441 nautical miles (33 days)

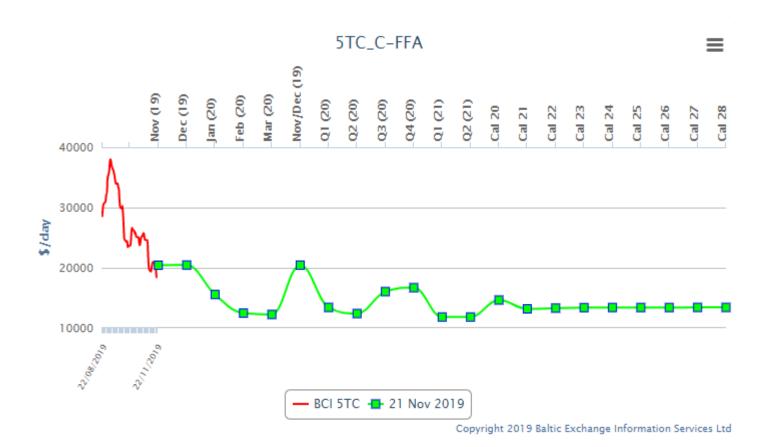
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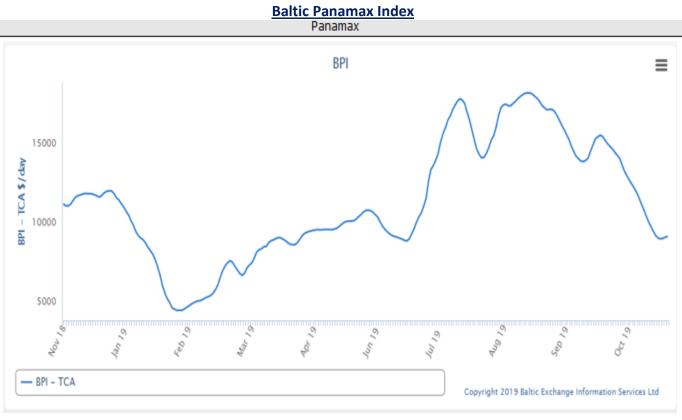


Baltic Panamax Forward Curve Chart

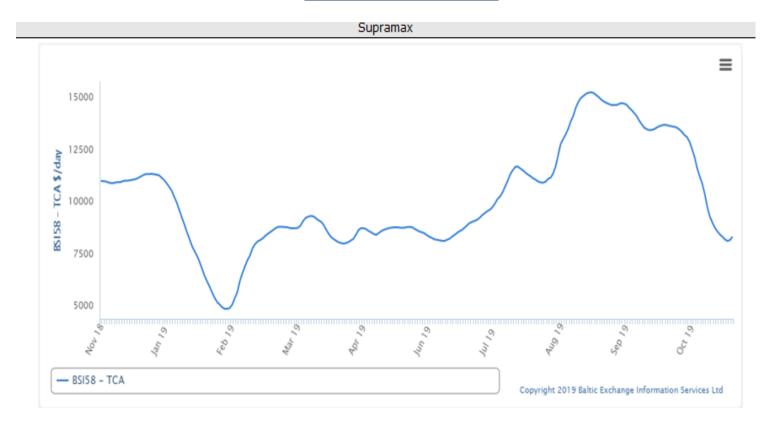


Baltic Capesize Forward Curve Chart

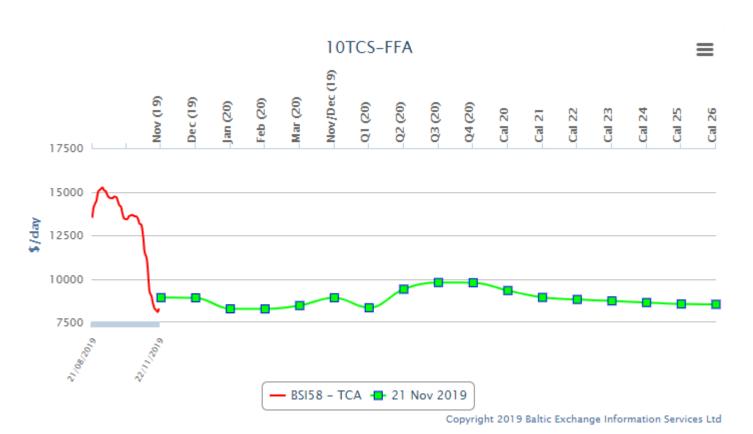




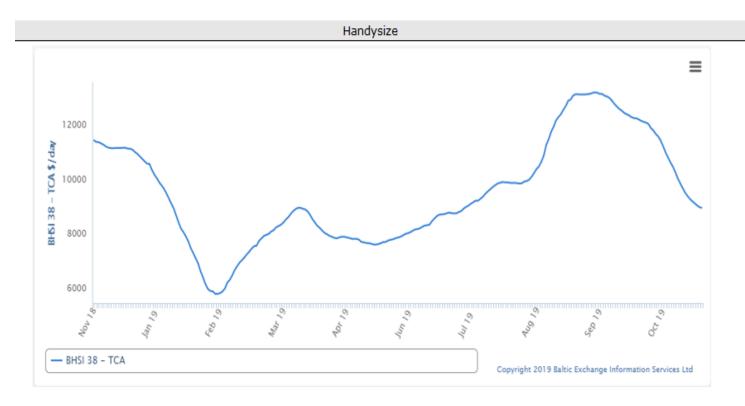
Baltic Supramax Vessel Index



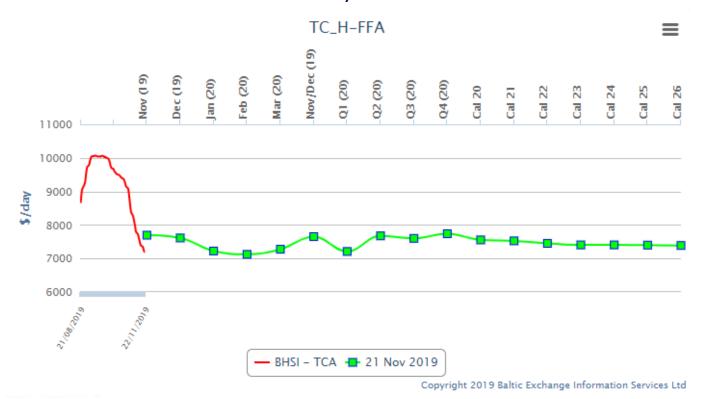
Supramax Dry-Bulk Forward Curve



Baltic Handy Size Vessel Index



Baltic Handy Size Forward Curve







China Import Dry Bulk Freight Index 2019-11-21								
Size MT	Cargo/Vessel Size	Unit	Rate	Change				
		Point	911.98	3.2				
		Point	946.44	4.95				
170000/10%	Iron ore	\$/ton	8.714	0.038				
		Point	986.64	-1.6				
60000/10%	Soybean	\$/ton	33.271	-0.135				
60000/10%	Soybean	\$/ton	23.921	0.015				
66000/10%	Soybean	\$/ton	44.292	0.02				
55000/10%	Soybean	\$/ton	46.62	0.07				
	2019-1: Size MT 170000/10% 60000/10% 66000/10%	2019-11-21 Size MT Cargo/Vessel Size 170000/10% Iron ore 60000/10% Soybean 60000/10% Soybean 66000/10% Soybean	Size MT Cargo/Vessel Unit	Size MT Cargo/Vessel Unit Rate				

21 November 2019 U.S. FOB Vessel Export Market Values:

U.S. Yellow Corn (USD/MT) FOB Vessel								
#2 YC	GUL	F # 2 YC	PNW	# 3 YC				
Max. 14.5% moisture	BASIS	FLAT PRICE	BASIS	FLAT PRICE				
Dec.	0.63	\$169.87	1.12	\$189.16				
Jan.	0.61	\$173.22	1.08	\$191.72				
Feb.	0.65	\$174.79	1.11	\$192.90				
Mar.	0.67	\$175.58	1.13	\$193.69				
April	0.64	\$176.56	1.10	\$194.67				
May	0.66	\$177.35	1.12	\$195.46				

The Gulf spread between #2 & #3 YC is currently about .03 cents per bushel (1.18/mt)

SORGHUM (USD/MT) FOB VESSEL								
#2 YGS Fob Vessel	N	IOLA	TEXAS					
Max. 14.0% moisture	BASIS	FLAT PRICE	BASIS	FLAT PRICE				
Dec.	0.98	\$182.47	0.80	\$176.56				
Jan.	0.95	\$186.60	0.75	\$178.73				
Feb.	0.95	\$186.60	0.75	\$178.73				
Mar.	0.95	\$186.60	0.78	\$179.91				
April	0.95	\$188.77	0.75	\$180.90				

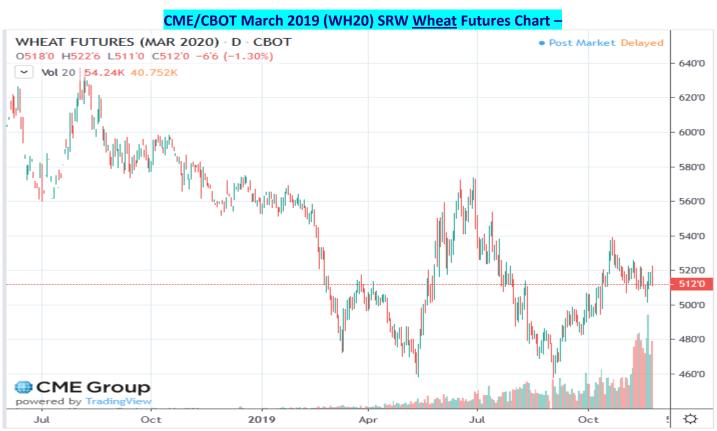
Fob vessel Texas Gulf #2 Sorghum is about 104 % the value of #2 Yellow Corn at NOLA.

U.S. SRW Wheat Fob Vessel at the Center U.S. Gulf

SRW Wheat	USD/MT	Fob Vessel	US Gulf	
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
FOB U.S. GULF	\$229.28	\$230.38	\$232.22	\$234.06
Basis	1.15	1.15	1.20	1.25
WZ	5.0900			
WH	5.1200			
WK	5.1575			

21-Nov-19	Close	T	his Week	La	st Week.	Last Week.	La	st Week		
CME Corn Futures	Bushel		MT.		Bushel	Bu. Diff.		MT	M	T Diff.
Dec.	\$ 3.6850	\$	145.07	\$	3.7525	(0.0675)	\$	147.73	\$	(2.66)
Mar.	\$ 3.7900	\$	149.20	\$	3.8375	(0.0475)	\$	151.07	\$	(1.87)
May	\$ 3.8450	\$	151.37	\$	3.9100	(0.0650)	\$	153.93	\$	(2.56)
July	\$ 3.9000	\$	153.53	\$	3.9775	(0.0775)	\$	156.59	\$	(3.05)
Sept.	\$ 3.8975	\$	153.44	\$	3.9475	(0.0500)	\$	155.40	\$	(1.97)
Dec.	\$ 3.9400	\$	155.11	\$	3.9950	(0.0550)	\$	157.27	\$	(2.17)





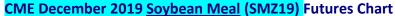
U.S. Soybean and SBM Markets Fob Vessel:

U.S. Ye	U.S. Yellow Soybeans (USD/MT) FOB Vessel								
# 2 YSB	U.S. Gu	olf #2 YSB	PNW	/ #2 YSB					
14.0 % Moisture	Basis	Flat Price	Basis	Flat Price					
Dec.	0.65	\$360.18	1.00	\$373.04					
Jan.	0.65	\$360.18	1.00	\$373.04					
Feb.	0.56	\$361.74	0.93	\$375.33					
Mar.	0.60	\$363.21	0.96	\$376.44					
April	0.53	\$364.95	0.88	\$377.81					
Soybean Futures									
Jan	\$ 9.0100								
Mar.	\$ 9.1525								
May	\$ 9.2850								
July	\$ 9.4025								
Aug.	\$ 9.4400								
Sept.	\$ 9.4225								

U.S. SBM (USD/MT) FOB Vessel							
Fob U.S. Gulf Port	47.5 1	47.5 Pro. SBM					
max 12.5 % moisture	Basis		Flat Price				
Dec.	9.00	\$	347.84				
Jan.	11.00	\$	346.41				
Feb.	10.00	\$	348.17				
Mar.	10.00	\$	348.17				
April	9.00	\$	350.48				
SBM Futures							
SMZ	306.50						
SMF	303.20						
SMH	305.80						
SMK	308.90						
SMN	312.10						
SMQ	313.10						

CME January 2019 Soybean (SF20) Futures Chart:







U.S. EXPORT STATISTICS: Report Activity as of Week Ending 07 November 2019 Thursday-Weekly U.S. Export Sales

Commodity	New Sales (000 MT)	YTD Export Commitments **(000 MT)	Total Projected Export Program for Year (000 MT)	Percent of Export Projection	Total Sales for Next Marketing Year '20- 21 (000 MT)
Corn	599.8	12,474.6	46,990	27%	218.8
Sorghum	282.7	819.0	2,790	29%	0.0
Soybeans	1395.2	22,274.7	48,310	46%	6.0
Wheat	259.3	15,177.0	25,860	59%	8.9
Barley	0.1	58.6	70	84%	0.0

U.S. EXPORT INSPECTIONS:

Monday's report 18 November 2019 for the Export week ending 14 November 2019

	Export Inspections				2019/20 YTD as	
	This Week	Previous Week	Current Market Year YTD	Previous Year to Date	Percent of 2018/19 YTD	
Corn	637,397	581,856	4,980,464	11,984,297	42%	
Sorghum	44,647	25,486	445,663	228,573	195%	
Soybeans	1,532,991	1,347,115	12,435,954	11,089,344	112%	
Wheat	449,304	539,724	11,919,986	9,819,275	121%	
Barley	0	3,593	15,401	5,751	268%	

For further Export Sales details: http://www.fas.usda.gov/export-sales/esrd1.html

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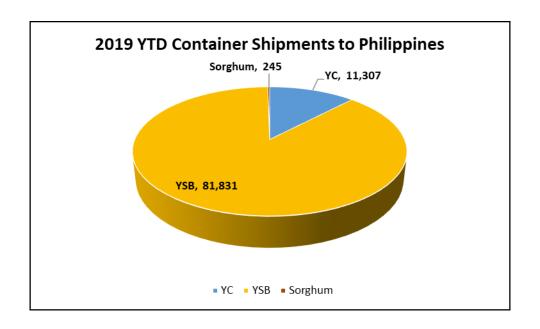
Last Week								
(Metric Tons)	YC	%	WC	%	Sorghum	%	Soybeans	%
Lakes	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Atlantic	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	12,538	1%
Gulf	376,349	62%	23,080	78%	25,780	58%	864,969	56%
PNW	27,983	5%	0	0%	0	0%	526,397	34%
Interior Export Rail	203,598	33%	6,387	22%	18,867	42%	129,087	8%
Metric Tons	607,930		29,467		44,647		1,532,991	

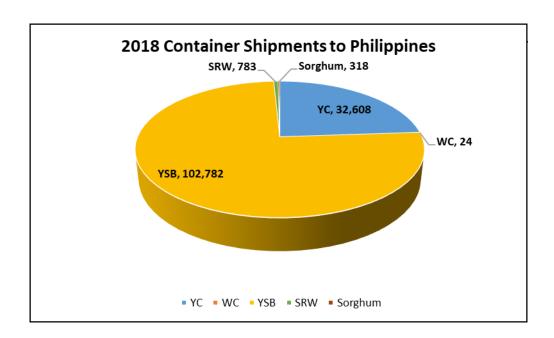
Sorghum Shipments:	metric tons	_	White Corn	metric tons	
	25,780	Japan	Shipments:	16,716	Colombia
	18,867	Mexico	·	6,364	Guatemala
	44,647	Total		6,387	Mexico
			-	29,467	Total

Export Inspection Highlights

<u>Data sheet below:</u> USDA weekly export inspections report with corrections to the last three weeks' grain export inspections reports. (This usually covers a 2-5-week prior time frame).

	CONTAINER SHIPMENTS of GRAIN									
USDA Grain Inspection	ns Report:		14-Nov-							
Loot Wools	matria tana								MT	
Last Week	metric tons	wc	YSB	SRW	NS	SWH	HRW	Sorghum	MT TOTAL	
China Main	10	****	100	OIXV	140	34411	1111/44	30i gilaili	0	
China T	8,789		24,822						33,611	
Hong Kong	1,419		2-1,022						1,419	
Costa Rica	1,713								0	
Indonesia			19,077						19,077	
French Poly			13,077						0	
Japan			1,100						1,100	
Korea Republic	1,102		1,591						2,693	
Nepal	1,102		2,964						2,093	
Malaysia			6,612						6,612	
Jordan			0,012						0,012	
Philippines			1,224						1,224	
Thailand										
Panama			10,557						10,557	
									0	
Nicaragua									0	
Bangladesh									0	
Burma			F 024						0	
Vietnam	44.040		5,924	0	0	0			5,924	
Sub total	11,310	0	73,871	0	0	0	0	0	79,257	
LICDA Commontingo/An	lditions to pro	, ious ron	n who :							
USDA Corrections/Ad China T		vious repo							2.011	
	96		2,915						3,011	
China Main									0	
Hong Kong									0	
Korea Rep.			10						0	
Singapore			49						49	
Japan									0	
Philippines									0	
Indonesia			0.40						0	
Malaysia			343						343	
Thailand			784						784	
Vietnam			392						392	
Canada						72			72	
Bangladesh					_		_		0	
Sub total	96	0	4,483	0	0	72	0	0	4,651	
					_		_			
Mt. Grand Total	11,406	0	78,354	0	0	72	0	0	83,908	
Number of containers	496	0	3,407	0	0	3	0	0		





Grain Inspections for Export by U.S. Port Regions: U.S. Gulf and Pacific Northwest 2018 YTD vs. 2019 YTD

PORT LOADINGS US Gulf				
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL
GULF				
2018 YTD	30,827	23,060	6,068	59,955
2019 YTD	19,119	24,889	9,749	53,757
2019 as % of 2018	62%	108%	161%	90%

PORT LOADINGS US PNW				
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL
PNW				
2018 YTD	17,959	7,391	11,206	36,556
2019 YTD	6,922	9,315	12,134	28,371
2019 as % of 2018	39%	126%	108%	78%

PORT LOADINGS GULF v	s. PNW			
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL
2019 Gulf YTD	19,119	24,889	9,749	53,757
2019 PNW YTD	6,922	9,315	12,134	28,371
TOTAL	26,041	34,204	21,883	82,128
Gulf Percentage	73%	73%	45%	65%
PNW Percentage	27%	27%	55%	35%

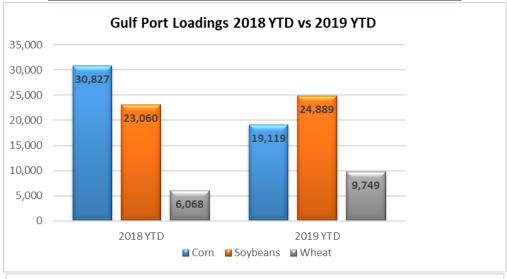


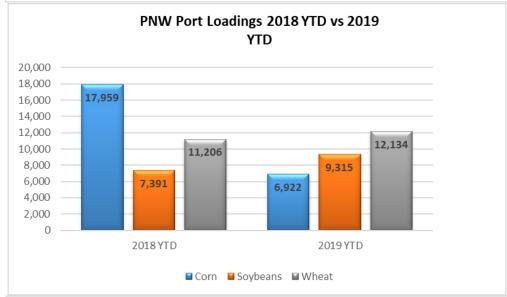
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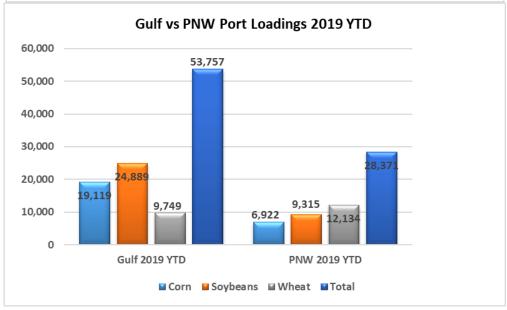
#Shipping New orders of vessels plunge 40% in 2019 - This is not a onetime event. New regulation such as "ESG" means that no-one knows which vessels will be obsolete in a decade, why ordering now? Fundamentals are extremely strong. #STNG

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Grain Inspections for Export by U.S. Port Regions (1,000MT): U.S. Gulf and Pacific Northwest 2018 YTD vs. 2019 YTD

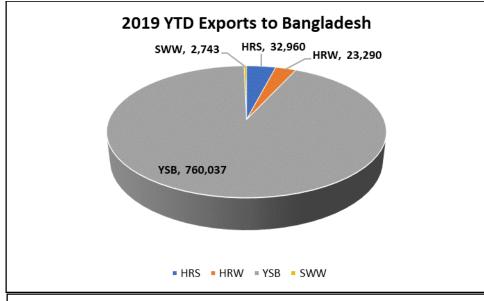


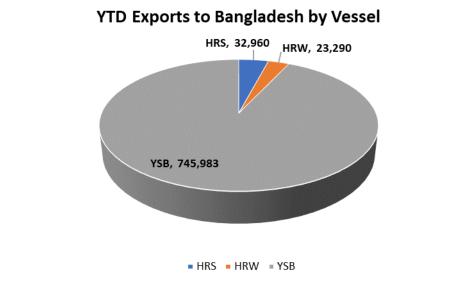


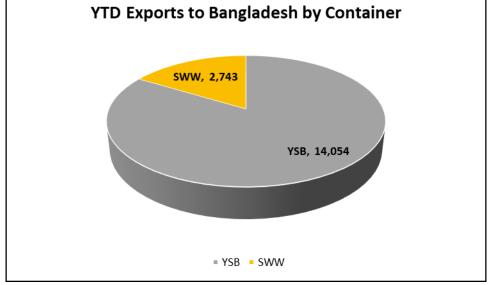


Source: USDA-data

2019 YTD Total Grain Exports reported by USDA (in MT)







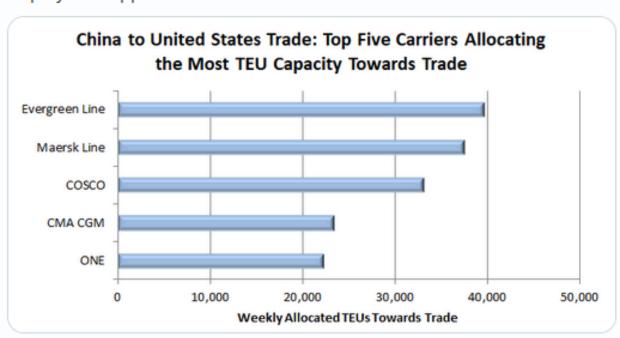
^{*}Please keep in mind that USDA does not report DDGS sales

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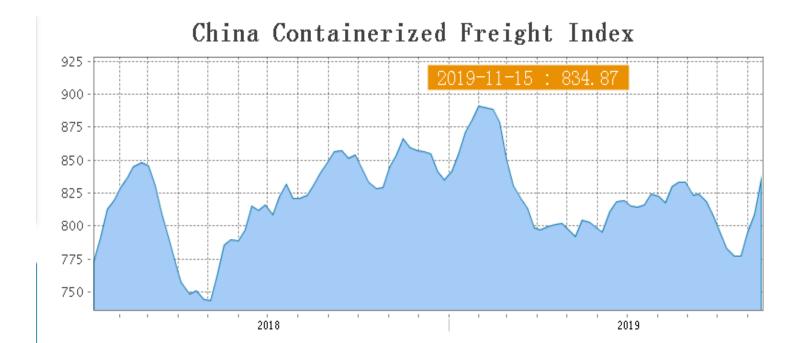
Of the 16 container carriers allocating TEU capacity on the #China to #US trade, Evergreen Line takes the lead, BlueWater's Carrier Trade Route Deployment app shows.











<u>U.S. RIVER BARGE FREIGHT</u> Current Barge Freight for Placement Last Half December 2019

Placement LH December 2019	% of		Corn	Soybeans-Wheat
	Tariff	MT	BU	BU
Upper Mississippi	Closed	\$ -	0.00	0.00
Illinois River (Pekin and South)	380	\$20.15	0.51	0.55
Mid-Mississippi	Closed	\$ -	0.00	0.00
Lower Ohio	265	\$13.03	0.33	0.35
St. Louis	265	\$11.66	0.30	0.32

Secondary Rail Car Market for car placement period: Last Half December 2019.

Secondary Rail Car Market Placement LH. December 2019	BID USD		ASK USD		BID BU.		ASK BU.		BID MT		ASK MT	
BNSF Shutle Trains	\$	(150.00)	\$	(100.00)	\$ (0	0.04)	\$ ((0.03)	\$	(1.48)	\$	(0.98)
UPRR Shuttle Trains	\$	(300.00)	\$	(200.00)	\$ (0	(80.0	\$ ((0.05)	\$	(2.95)	\$	(1.97)

Best Regards,

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