Transportation and Export Report for 13 July 2017

Ocean Freight Insights and Comments:

I searched far and wide to come up with something new and interesting to say about these freight markets but I fear that simply does not exist.

Last week I stated that "The market continues to steam in circles"; last week freight markets were down \$.50-0.75/mt and this week most are back up the same amount. The only exception is down in South America where the vessel line-ups continue to grow and the grain freight rates are up \$1.50-\$2.00/mt from the previous week. We are in the process of finishing up the U.S.HRW wheat harvest and find that that did not really have much impact on rates from the U.S. Gulf. Now we will want to see what happens with the Oct.-Nov. Corn and Soybean harvest exports. It is interesting to see the very wide spread in the Fob vessel values of U.S, Sorghum and Corn. Sorghum values are at +95 CZ while Corn sits at +29 CZ for August shipment

BALTIC DRY-BULK PANAMAX INDEX CHANGES

Panamax Ocean Freight Indices							
13-Jul-17 This Last Percent							
	Week	Week	Difference	Change			
P2A : Gulf/Atlantic - Japan	15295	14459	836	5.8%			
P3A - PNW/Pacific - Japan	8682	8089	593	7.3%			
S1C -USGULF-China-So.Japan	18983	18381	602	3.3%			

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

Four weeks ago: \$ 5.00-\$5.90 Three weeks ago: \$ 4.85-\$5.45 Two weeks ago: \$ 4.55-\$5.25 One week ago: \$ 4.55-\$5.20 This week \$ 4.30-\$4.65

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

Mississippi River: (10 elevators) 3-8 days Miss. River Mid-Stream loaders: (6+ Rigs) 0-3 days Texas Gulf (6 elevators) 0-2 days Pacific Northwest: (9 elevators) 6-11 days

Panamax Market Spreads to Asia -China						
13-Jul-17	Jul-17 PNW GULF Bushel Spread MT Spread Advantage					
CORN	0.51	0.29	0.22	\$8.66	PNW	
SOYBEANS	0.72	0.42	0.30	\$11.81	PNW	
OCEAN FREIGHT	\$18.50	\$36.25	.4548	\$17.75	August	

Recent Reported Vessel Fixtures:

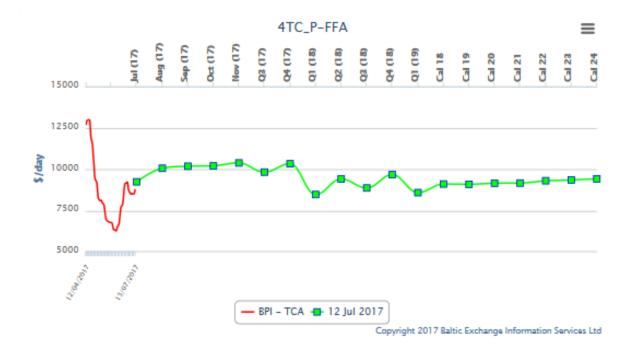
60,000 mt HSS Brazil to China August 1-10 at \$27.35 fio 8000shex/8000shex – ADMI

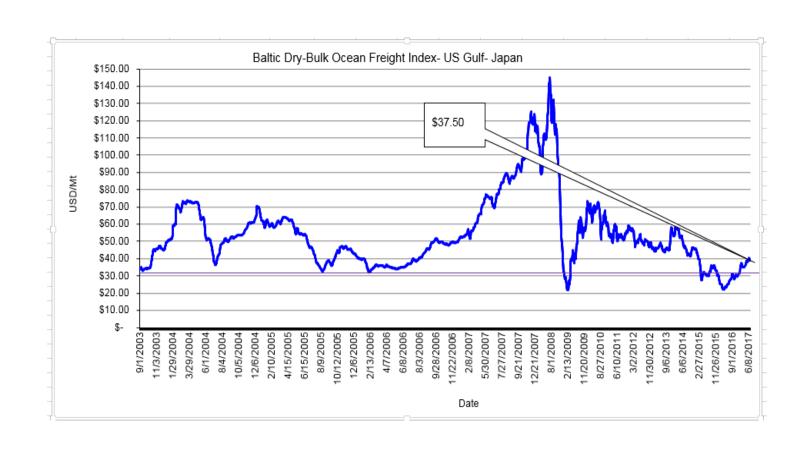
Route and Vessel Size	Current Week USD/MT	Change from previous week	Remarks
55,000 U.S. Gulf-Japan	\$37.50	Up \$0.50	Handymax at \$38.00 mt
55,000 U.S. PNW- Japan	\$19.25	Up \$0.25	Handymax at \$19.75 mt
55,000 U.S. Gulf – China PNW to China	\$36.25 \$18.50	Up \$0.75 Up \$0.25	North China
25,000 U.S. Gulf- Veracruz, México	\$14.50	Up \$0.25	3,000 MT daily discharge rate
35-40,000 U.S. Gulf- Veracruz, México	\$12.50	Up \$0.25cfd	Deep draft and 6,000 MT per day discharge rate.
25/35,000 U.S. Gulf- East Coast Colombia From Argentina	\$17.50 \$26.00	Up \$0.25	West Coast Colombia at \$25.75
40-45,000 U.S. Gulf - Guatemala	\$25.50	Up \$0.50	Acajutla/Quetzal - 8,000 out
26-30,000 U.S. Gulf – Algeria	\$26.00 \$29.00	Up \$0.50	8,000 mt daily discharge 3,000 mt daily discharge
25-30,000 US Gulf-Morocco	\$25.00	Up \$0.50	5,000 discharge rate
55,000 U.S. Gulf –Egypt PNW to Egypt	\$22.50 \$22.50	Up \$0.50	55,000 -60,000 mt St. Lawrence to Egypt \$22.75
60-70,000 U.S. Gulf – Europe – Rotterdam	\$13.00	Down \$0.25	Handymax at +\$1.50 more
Brazil, Santos –China Itacoatiara Port up River Amazonia - China	\$28.00 \$27.00 \$31.00	Up \$2.00	54-58,000 Supramax-Panamax 60-66,000 Post Panamax
56-60,000 Argentina-China Up River with Top Off	\$34.50	Up \$1.50	

Nautical Miles: To Xiamen China (South China)

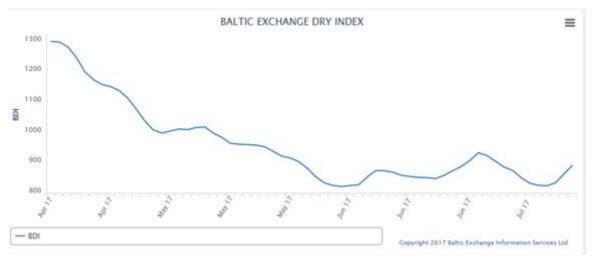
US Gulf (NOLA) (via Panamá Canal) – 10,232 nautical miles (32 days) Santos Brazil (via Cape of Good Hope) - 10,441 nautical miles (33 days) Rasario Argentina (via Cape Horn) - 10,751 nautical miles (34 days)

Forward Curve for Baltic BPI Panamax Vessel Freight

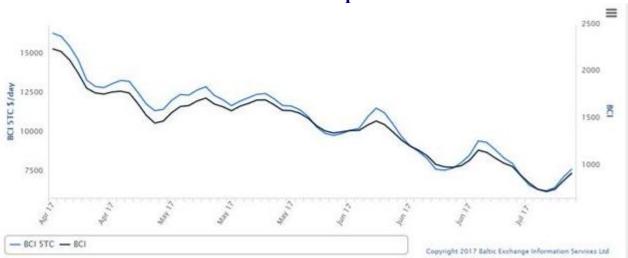




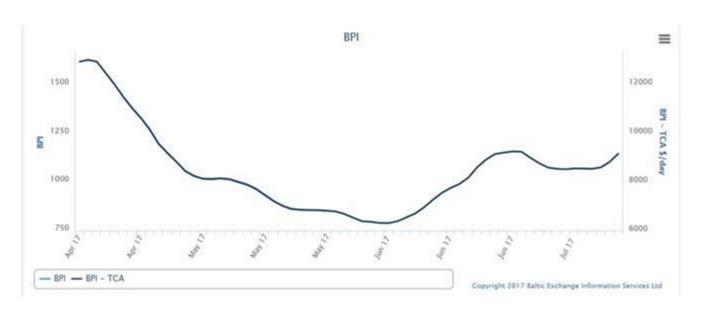
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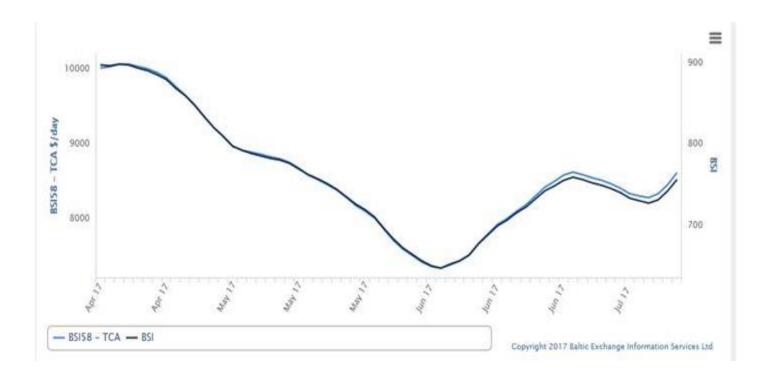
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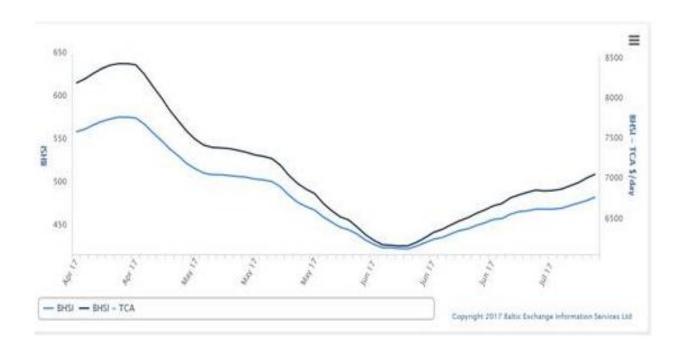
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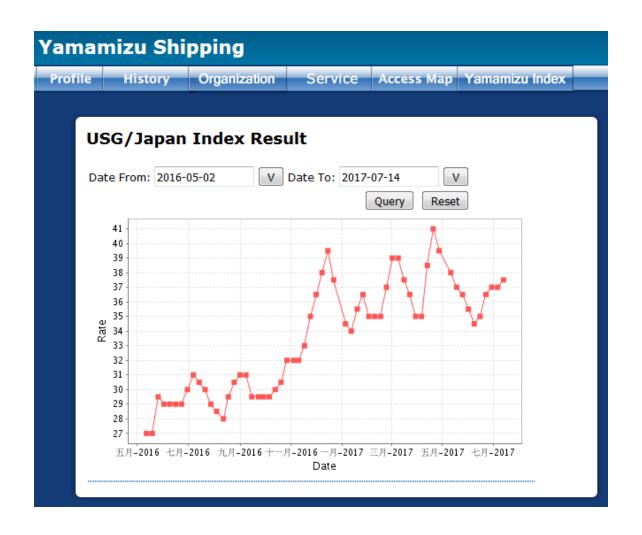


Baltic Supramax Vessel Index



Baltic Handy Size





China Import Dry Bulk Freight Index(CDFI) 2017-07-13								
Index/Routes	Charterparty type	Cargo/Vessel type	Dwt/Cargo Capacity	Unit	Index/Rate	Change		
Comp	Point	694.54	33.77					
V	'C Index			Point	643.83	27.74		
TO	CT Index			Point	770.61	42.82		
Santos(Brazil)— North China	VC	Soybean	60000/10%	\$/ton	26.882	0.259		
Tacoma(West America)—North VC Soybean 60000/10%				\$/ton	18.173	0.1		
Mississippi(US Gulf) —North China	VC	Soybean	55000/10%	\$/ton	36.541	0.173		

13 July 2017 FOB Vessel Export Market Values:

U.S. Yellow Corn (USD/MT) FOB Vessel							
# 2 YC	U.S. G	Gulf #2 YC	P	NW #2 YC			
15.0 % Moisture	Basis	Flat Price	Basis	Flat Price			
Aug.	0.29	\$156.98	0.51	\$165.64			
Sept.	0.35	\$159.34	0.60	\$169.18			
Oct.	0.40	\$166.53	0.68	\$177.55			
Nov.	0.43	\$167.71	0.70	\$178.34			
Dec.	0.47	\$169.28	0.73	\$179.52			
Jan.	0.43	\$171.84	0.69	\$182.08			

The Gulf spread between #2 and #3 YC is currently about 02 cents per bushel (0.80 per MT)

SORGHUM (USD/MT) FOB VESSEL						
#2 YGS Fob Vessel	N	OLA	TE	EXAS		
Max. 14.0% moisture	BASIS	FLAT PRICE	BASIS	FLAT PRICE		
Aug. (Z)	1.00	\$190.15	0.95	\$188.18		
Sept. (Z)	1.00	\$190.15	0.95	\$188.18		
Oct.	1.00	\$190.15	0.95	\$188.18		
Nov.	1.00	\$190.15	0.95	\$188.18		
Dec.	1.00	\$190.15	0.95	\$188.18		

Fob vessel Texas Gulf #2 Sorghum is about 116 % 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	
	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
FOB U.S. GULF	\$208.24	\$210.08	\$213.11	\$214.58
Basis	0.55	0.60	0.45	0.49
WN	4.9550			
WU	5.1175			
WZ	5.3500			

	CME CORN FUTURES MARKET CLOSE- Thursday							
CBOT		Friday	Friday					
CORN	Futures	Close	Close	La	st week	Last Week	Difference	
Month	Symbol	Bushel	MT.	Е	Bushel	MT.	Bushel	
July	CN	\$3.6100	\$142.12	\$	3.8025	\$149.70	(\$0.1925)	
Sept.	CU	\$3.6975	\$145.56	\$	3.9050	\$153.73	(\$0.2075)	
Dec.	CZ	\$3.8300	\$150.78	\$	4.0275	\$158.55	(\$0.1975)	
Mar.	CH	\$3.9350	\$154.91	\$	4.1225	\$162.29	(\$0.1875)	
May	CK	\$3.9875	\$156.98	\$	4.1725	\$164.26	(\$0.1850)	

CME/CBOT Dec. 2017 (CZ7) Corn Futures Chart -





Soybean and SBM Markets Fob Vessel:

U.S. Yel	U.S. Yellow Soybeans (USD/MT) FOB Vessel						
# 2 YSB	U.S. Gu	df #2 YSB	PN	W #2 YSB			
14.0 % Moisture	Basis	Flat Price	Basis	Flat Price			
Aug.	0.42	\$373.86	0.72	\$384.89			
Sept.	0.45	\$374.97	0.85	\$389.66			
Oct.	0.51	\$381.58	0.85	\$394.07			
Nov.	0.58	\$384.15	0.90	\$395.91			
Dec.	0.60	\$384.89	0.93	\$397.01			
Soybean Futures							
July	\$ 9.7250						
Aug.	\$ 9.7550						
Sept.	\$ 9.7875						
Nov.	\$ 9.8750						
Jan.	\$ 9.9600						
Mar.	\$ 9.9950						

U.S. SBM (USD/MT) FOB Vessel						
Fob U.S. Gulf Port	47.5 Pro. SBM					
max 12.5 % moisture	Basis	Flat Price				
Aug.	3.00	\$ 353.79				
Sept.	3.00	\$ 356.00				
Oct.	4.00	\$ 359.30				
Nov.	5.00	\$ 363.94				
Dec.	5.00	\$ 363.94				
SBM Futures						
SMN	316.80					
SMQ	317.90					
SMU	319.90					
SMV	321.90					
SMZ	325.10					
SMF	327.00					

CME Nov. 2017 Soybean (SX17) Futures Chart





U.S. EXPORT STATISTICS: Report Activity as of Week Ending 29 June 2017 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 '17- 18 (000 MT)
Corn	265.0	55,602.5	56,520	98%	3,021.5
Sorghum	74.6	4,503.1	5,720	79%	0.0
Soybeans	489.0	59,726.6	55,790	107%	3,515.8
Wheat	434.0	8,392.5	27,220	31%	0.0
Barley	0.6	29.9	110	27%	0.0

U.S. EXPORT INSPECTIONS:

Monday's report 10 July 2017 for the Export week ending 06 July 2017

	Export Inspections		C AM LA	D • V	404 (Y/WD - D
	This Week	Previous Week	Current Market Year YTD	Previous Year to Date	2016 YTD as Percent of 2015
Corn	1,010,889	1,139,584	49,752,410	36,418,865	137%
Sorghum	112,046	16,183	5,136,986	7,696,430	67%
Soybeans	475,157	281,038	52,996,826	45,012,465	118%
Wheat	533,872	518,499	3,340,523	2,657,584	126%
Barley	2,295	0	5,221	7,082	74%

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

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Monday's report 10 July 2017 for the Export week ending 06 July 2017

Last Week								
(Metric Tons)	YC	%	WC	%	Sorghum	%	Soybeans	%
Lakes	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	14,114	3%
Atlantic	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	6,684	1%
Gulf	619,641	63%	21,882	100%	56,502	50%	359,642	76%
PNW	182,755	18%	0	0%	49,016	44%	12,600	3%
Interior Export Rail	186,611	19%	0	0%	6,528	6%	82,117	17%
Metric Tons	989,007		21,882		112,046		475,157	

Sorghum metric Shipments: metric tons White Corn tons China 100,518 Main 21,882 Mexico Shipments: 21,882 5,000 Djibouti Total 6,528 Mexico

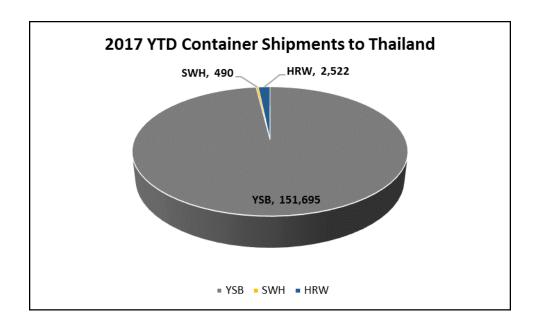
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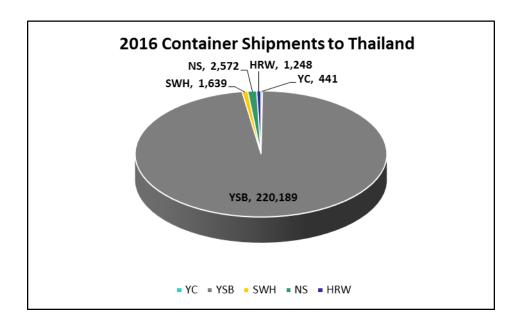
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Export Inspection Highlights

<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).

		C	CONTAINER S	SHIPMENT	rs of GF	RAIN			
USDA Grain Inspec	ctions Report:		6-Jul-2	2017					
Last Week	metric tons								МТ
Last Week	YC	wc	YSB	SRW	NS	sww	HRW	Sorghum	TOTAL
China Main			3,526	_					3,526
China T	5,510		3,085						8,595
Hong Kong	758		,						758
Costa Rica									0
Indonesia	122		21,889						22,011
French Polynesia									0
Japan			294						294
Korea Republic	514								514
Dominican Rep.									0
Malaysia			2,962						2,962
Honduras			,						0
Philippines	294		514						808
Thailand			6,218						6,218
Bangladesh	294		465						759
El Salvador									0
Vietnam			3,598						3,598
Sub total	7,492	0	42,551	0	0	0	0	0	45,686
USDA Corrections/	Additions to pro	evious rep							
China T			464						464
China Main			1,077						1,077
Hong Kong									0
Korea Rep.									0
Jordan									0
Japan									0
Philippines									0
Indonesia			318						318
Malaysia			3,940						3,940
Thailand									0
Vietnam									0
Bangladesh									0
Canada						348			348
Sub total	0	0	5,799	0	0	348	0	0	6,147
Mt. Grand Total	7,492	0	48,350	0	0	348	0	0	51,833
Number of containe	er: 326	0	2,102	0	0	15	0	0	



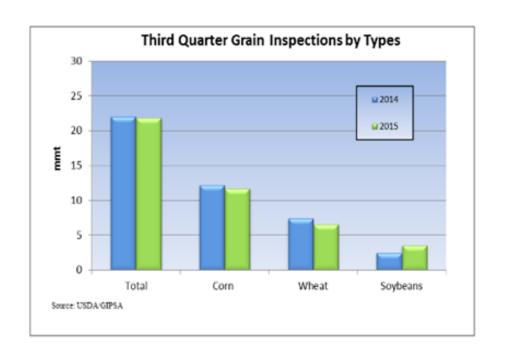


Grain Inspections for Export by U.S. Port Regions: U.S. Gulf and Pacific Northwest 2016 YTD vs. 2017 YTD

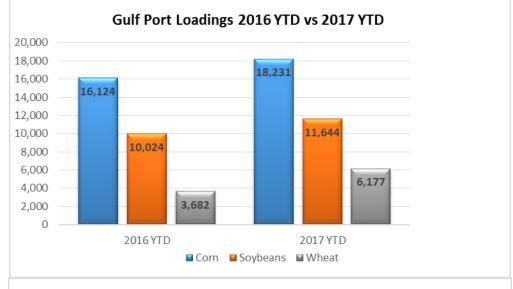
PORT LOADINGS US Gulf				
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL
GULF				
2016 YTD	16,124	10,024	3,682	29,830
2017 YTD	18,231	11,644	6,177	36,052
2017 as % of 2016	113%	116%	168%	121%

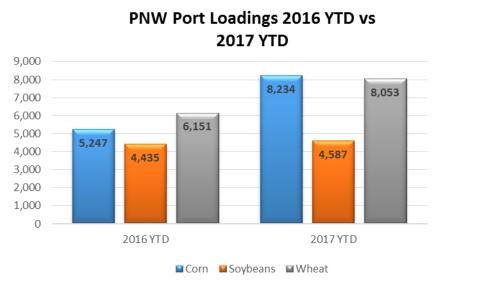
PORT LOADINGS US PNW				
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL
PNW				
2016 YTD	5,247	4,435	6,151	15,833
2017 YTD	8,234	4,587	8,053	20,874
2017 as % of 2016	157%	103%	131%	132%

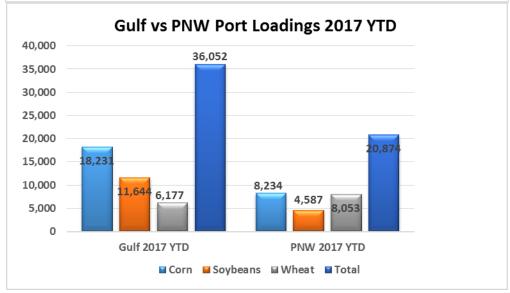
PORT LOADINGS GULF vs. PNW											
(1,000 MT)	CORN	SOYBEANS	WHEAT	TOTAL							
2017 Gulf YTD	18,231	11,644	6,177	36,052							
2017 PNW YTD	8,234	4,587	8,053	20,874							
TOTAL	26,465	16,231	14,230	56,926							
Gulf Percentage	69%	72%	43%	63%							
PNW Percentage	31%	28%	57%	37%							



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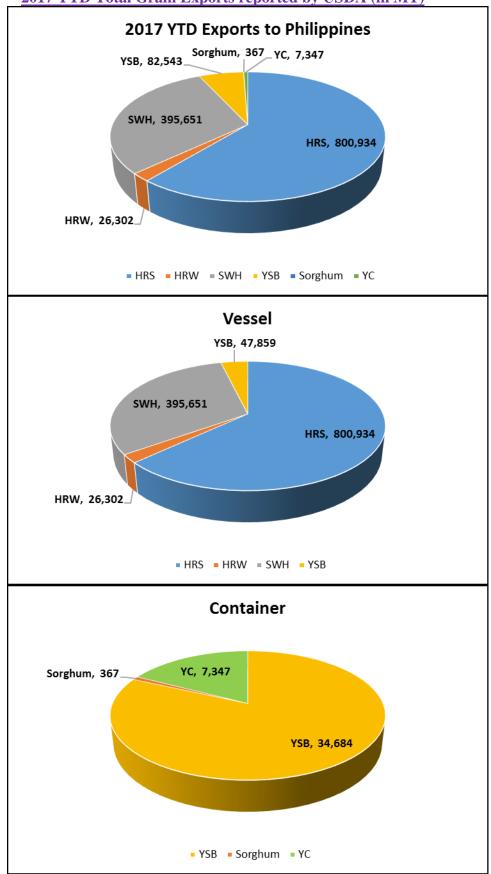






Source: USDA-data

2017 YTD Total Grain Exports reported by USDA (in MT)



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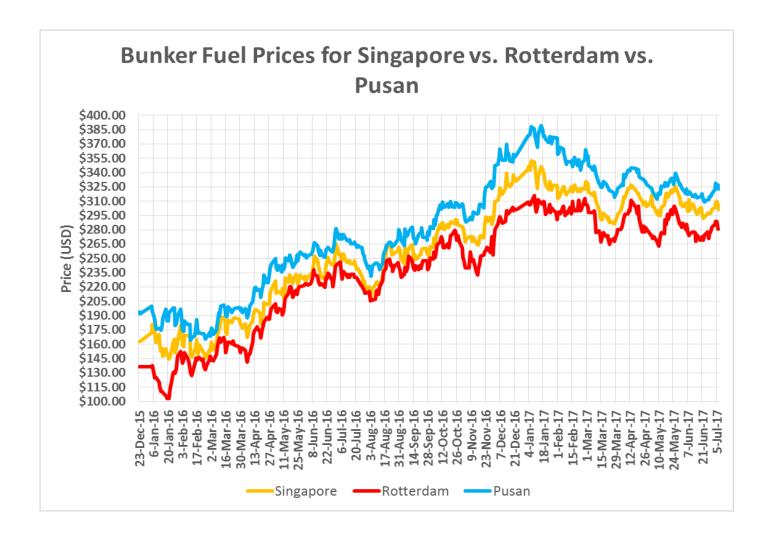
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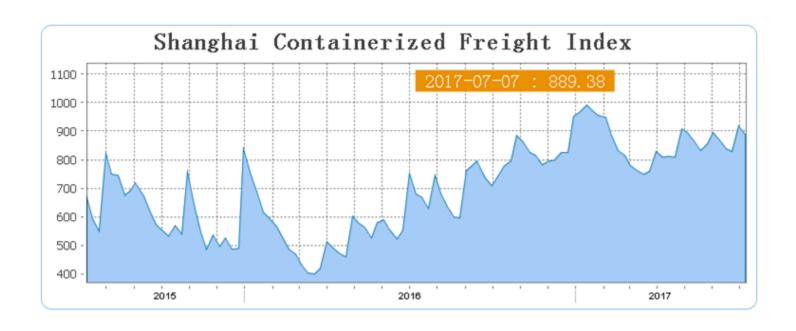
FFA Capesize for the 4 time charter routes



FFA SUPRAMAX 58 for the 5 time charter routes







U.S. RIVER BARGE FREIGHT

Current Barge Freight for Placement Last Half August 2017

Placement LH August 2017	% of		Corn	Soybeans-Wheat
	Tariff	MT	BU	BU
Upper Mississippi	350	\$23.88	0.61	0.65
Illinois River (Pekin and South)	330	\$17.50	0.44	0.48
Mid-Mississippi	330	\$19.35	0.49	0.53
Lower Ohio	290	\$14.26	0.36	0.39
St. Louis	245	\$10.78	0.27	0.29

Secondary Rail Car Market for car placement period: Last Half August 2017.

Secondary Rail Car Market	BID		ASK		BID		ASK		BID		,	ASK
Placement LH August 2017	USD		USD		BU.		BU.		MT		MT	
BNSF Shutle Trains	\$	(200.00)	\$	(75.00)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(1.97)	\$	(0.74)
UPRR Shuttle Trains	\$	(200.00)	\$	(100.00)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(1.97)	\$	(0.98)

Best Regards,

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