

**Fundamentals:**

Oil prices edged down on Friday and posted a third straight weekly loss as investors weighed OPEC+ reassurances against the latest U.S. jobs data that lowered expectations that the Federal Reserve will cut interest rates soon.

Brent crude futures settled 25 cents lower at \$79.62 a barrel, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures fell 2 cents to \$75.53.

Data showed U.S. jobs growth accelerated far more than expected in May, keeping the Fed on track to hold off starting to cut interest rates until September at the earliest.

The European Central Bank went ahead with its first interest rate cut since 2019 on Thursday, despite an increasingly uncertain inflation outlook.

High borrowing costs can slow economic activity and dampen demand for oil.

"The jobs report indicated higher rates for longer," said Andrew Lipow, president of Lipow Oil Associates. "That tends to dampen enthusiasm on the oil markets."

The dollar rallied 0.8% to a more than one-week high shortly after the release of the jobs report.

However, oil prices have been buttressed by support from OPEC+ members Saudi Arabia and Russia, indicating readiness to pause or reverse oil output increases.

Still, crude was headed for its third straight weekly loss on demand concerns. For the week, Brent was on track to fall about 2.5% and WTI was on course for a 1.9% loss.

Oil slipped earlier this week after analysts saw Sunday's OPEC+ meeting as an indication of rising supply, which is bearish for prices.

U.S. energy firms this week cut the number of oil and natural gas rigs operating to the lowest since January 2022, energy services firm Baker Hughes said in its closely followed report on Friday.

The oil and gas rig count, an early indicator of future output, fell by six to 594 in the week to June 7, decreasing for the second time in three weeks.

Meanwhile, in China, data showed that although exports grew for a second month in May, crude oil imports fell, signalling demand concerns in the world's largest crude oil buyer.

"Exports handsomely beat expectations," said Tamas Varga of oil broker PVM. "But worryingly for oil, overall imports were again down."

In Russia, the operations of the Novoshakhtinsk oil refinery in southern Rostov region suffered significant disruptions after a fire following a drone attack on Thursday.

U.S. natural gas futures climbed by about 3% to a 21-week high on Friday on recent declines in daily output and forecasts that power generators will burn a lot more gas in late June to meet rising electric use as homes and businesses crank up their air conditioners to escape an expected heat wave.

(Source: Reuters)

**Energy Table**

Contract	Sett	Chg	High	Low	
Nymex Crude Oil	JUL 24	75.53	-0.24	76.25	75.21
Natural Gas	JUL 24	2.918	0.118	2.967	2.791
RB Gasoline	JUL 24	238.26	-1.97	241.50	237.41
Heating Oil	JUL 24	235.17	-0.27	237.47	234.55
Brent Fin Last Day	AUG 24	79.40	-0.47	80.38	79.33
US Dollar Index		104.93	0.829	104.942	103.999

**Bloomberg Survey on U.S. Total Change in Inventories**

Date	Crude Oil		Gasoline		Crude Oil	
	Actual	Survey	Actual	Survey	Production	Inventory
20/10/2023	1372	-450	156	-1266	13200	421120
13/10/2023	-4491	-550	-2370	-100	13200	419748
6/10/2023	10176	-1400	-1313	-1000	13200	424239
29/9/2023	-2224	50	6481	-300	12900	414063
22/9/2023	-2169	-900	1027	-500	12900	416287
15/9/2023	-2136	-1700	-831	1100	12900	418456
8/9/2023	3955	-2481	5561	-850	12900	420592
1/9/2023	-2666	-2000	-2666	-1000	12800	416637
25/8/2023	-10584	-2191	-214	-1250	12800	422944
18/8/2023	-6134	-3000	1468	-481	12800	433528
11/8/2023	-5960	-2500	-262	-1100	12700	439662
4/8/2023	5851	2300	-2661	-200	12600	445622

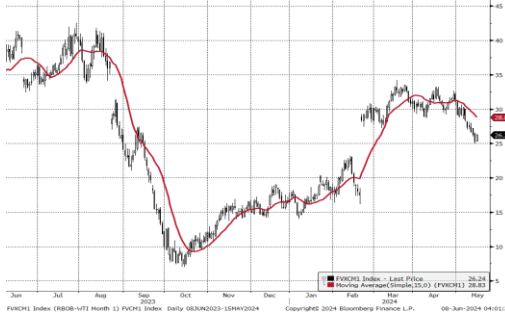
**Fundamental Data:**

Event	Period	Avg Survey	Actual	Prior	
06/08/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	Jun-07	--	594	600
06/08/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs	Jun-07	--	98	100
06/08/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs	Jun-07	--	492	496
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	Jun-07	--	--	1233k
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	Jun-07	--	--	854k
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	Jun-07	--	--	2102k
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	Jun-07	--	--	3197k
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization	Jun-07	--	--	1.10%
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE Crude Oil Implied Demand	Jun-07	--	--	19952
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE Gasoline Implied Demand	Jun-07	--	--	9837.4
06/12/2024 22:30	DOE Distillate Implied Demand	Jun-07	--	--	4746.3
06/13/2024 22:30	EIA Natural Gas Storage Change	Jun-07	--	--	98
06/13/2024 22:30	EIA Working Natural Gas Implied Flow	Jun-07	--	--	98
06/15/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	Jun-14	--	--	594
06/15/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs	Jun-14	--	--	98
06/15/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs	Jun-14	--	--	492

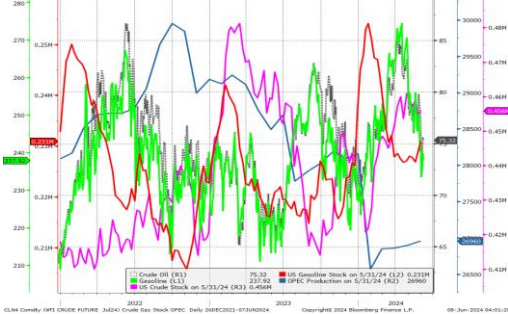
**U.S. Oil Rig Count vs Nymex Crude Oil & Gasoline Price**



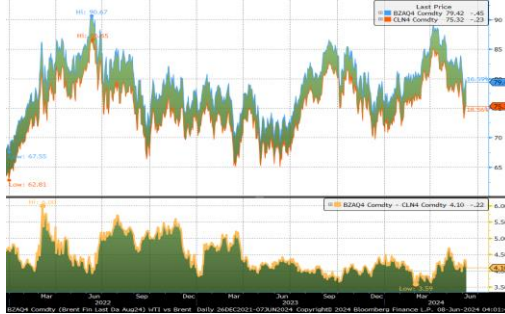
**Normalized RBOB Gasoline minus Nymex Crude Oil Price**



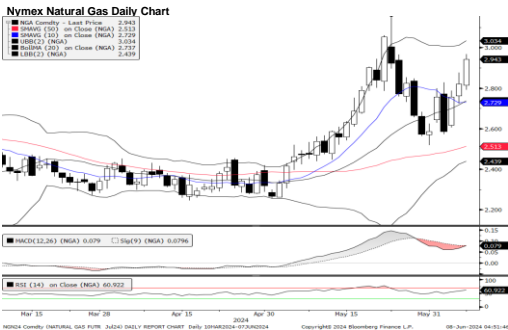
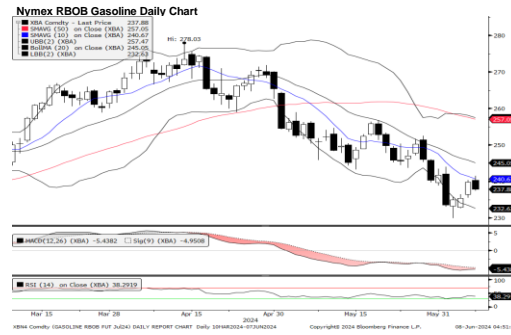
**Total OPEC Crude Oil Production vs Nymex Crude Oil & Gasoline Price & Inventory**



**WTI-Brent Spread**



Source: Bloomberg



**Technical Analysis**

<b>Crude Oil</b>		<b>Natural Gas</b>		<b>Gasoline</b>	
1st Resistance:	76.66	1st Resistance:	2.962	1st Resistance:	241.83
1st Support:	74.40	1st Support:	2.874	1st Support:	234.69
MACD:	-1.327	MACD:	0.079	MACD:	-5.439
MACD DIFF:	-0.252	MACD DIFF:	-0.001	MACD DIFF:	-0.488
RSI:	40.540	RSI:	60.859	RSI:	38.285
<b>Heating Oil</b>		<b>Brent Fin Last Day</b>			
1st Resistance:	238.70	1st Resistance:	80.59	1st Resistance:	81.78
1st Support:	231.64	1st Support:	78.21	1st Support:	77.02
MACD:	-5.203	MACD:	-1.333	MACD:	-1.333
MACD DIFF:	-0.608	MACD DIFF:	-0.249	MACD DIFF:	-0.249
RSI:	38.518	RSI:	39.970	RSI:	39.970

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