ENERGY FUTURES
DAILY PREVIEW

Fundamentals: Oil dropped by about 2% on Friday, logging a second weekly decline, due to concern about weakened demand in China and further increases to U.S. interest rates.

Brent crude settled at \$87.62 a barrel, falling \$2.16, or 2.4%. U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude settled at \$80.08 a barrel, losing \$1.56, or 1.9%.

Both benchmarks posted weekly losses, with Brent down about 9% and WTI roughly 10%.

A stronger U.S. dollar, which makes oil more expensive to non-American buyers, pushed down crude prices.

The market structure of both oil benchmarks shifted in ways that reflect dwindling supply concerns. Crude came close to record highs earlier this year as Russia's invasion of Ukraine added to those wornes. In addition, the front-month futures contract soared to a gigantic premium over later-dated contracts, a signal that people were worried about the immediate availability of oil and were willing to pay handsomely to secure supply.

Those supply concerns are waning. The current WTI contract is now trading at a discount to the second month, a structure known as contango, for the first time since 2021, Refinitiv Eikon data showed.

Brent was still in the opposite structure, backwardation, though the premium of nearby Brent over barrels loading in six months fell as low as \$3 a barrel, the lowest since April.

China, which sources say is looking to slow crude imports from some sources, has seen a rise in COVID-19 cases while hopes for less aggressive U.S. rate hikes have been dented by remarks from some Federal Reserve officials.

As the European Union's ban on Russian crude looms on Dec. 5, the prospect of more barrels from Russia pressuring the spot crude oil market also weighed on futures prices.

Recession concerns have dominated this week even with a tightening of supply by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and its allies, together known as OPEC+.

The Fed is expected to raise rates by a smaller 50 basis points (bps) at its Dec. 13-14 policy meeting after four consecutive hikes of 75 bps, a Reuters poll showed.

OPEC+, which began a new round of supply cuts in November, holds a policy meeting on Dec. 4. U.S. natural gas futures eased 1% on Friday, paring losses of more than 5% earlier in the session, after Freeport LNG said it expects to restart its liquefled natural gas (LNG) export plant in Texas in December.

Freeport LNG said it was targeting a mid-December restart for its export plant, which has been shut for six months after a fire.

Futures prices were down much earlier in the day on forecasts for warmer weather that will reduce heating demand in late November and early December.

Front-month gas futures fell 6.6 cents, or 1.0%, to settle at \$6.303 per mmBtu. The contract was down over 5% earlier in the day.

That put the front-month up about 7% for the week after it lost about 8% last week.



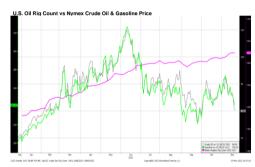
Bloomberg Survey on U.S. Total Change in Inventories

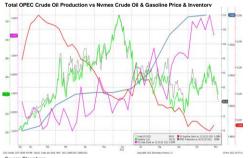
ed RBOB Gasoline minus Nymex Crude Oil Price

	Crude Oil		Gasolir	ne .	Crude Oil			
Date	Actual	Survey	Actual	Survey	Production	Inventory		
11/11/2022	-5400	-1900	2207	200	12100	435355		
04/11/2022	3925	250	-900	-1450	12100	440755		
28/10/2022	-3115	-200	-1257	-1000	11900	436830		
21/10/2022	2588	1500	-1478	-1500	12000	439945		
14/10/2022	-1725	2500	-114	-2000	12000	437357		
07/10/2022	9879	1000	2022	-2000	11900	439082		
30/09/2022	-1356	1800	-4728	-1100	12000	429203		
23/09/2022	-2422	2000	-2422	500	12000	430559		
16/09/2022	1141	2200	1570	-450	12100	430774		
09/09/2022	2442	1850	-1768	-1600	12100	429633		
02/09/2022	8845	-1900	333	-1900	12100	427191		
26/08/2022	-3326	-950	-1172	-1000	12100	418346		

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Event		Period	Avg Survey	Actual	Prior
11/19/2022 02:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	Nov-18	-	782	779
11/19/2022 02:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs	Nov-18		157	155
11/19/2022 02:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs	Nov-18		623	622
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	Nov-18			-5400k
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	Nov-18			-1624k
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	Nov-18			2207k
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	Nov-18			1120k
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization	Nov-18			0.80%
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE Crude Oil Implied Demand	Nov-18			18430
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE Gasoline Implied Demand	Nov-18		-	9669.1
11/23/2022 23:30	DOE Distillate Implied Demand	Nov-18			5047
11/24/2022 01:00	EIA Natural Gas Storage Change	Nov-18		-	64
11/24/2022 01:00	EIA Working Natural Gas Implied Flow	Nov-18			64













Technical Analysic Crude Oil 1st Resistance: 1st Support: MACD: MACD DIFF: RSI:	81.28 78.88 -0.686 -0.946 38.313		nd Resistance: nd Support:	82.48 77.68	Natural Gas 1st Resistance: 1st Support: MACD: MACD DIFF: RSI:	6.398 6.208 -0.135 0.082 50.170		Resistance: Support:	6.492 6.114	1 1 N	Gasoline Ist Resistance: Ist Support: MACD: MACD DIFF: RSI:	245.71 238.45 -0.377 -2.751 40.346		2nd Resistance: 2nd Support:	249.34 234.82	
Heating Oil 1st Resistance: 1st Support: MACD: MACD DIFF: RSI:	357.09 346.53 0.077 -3.147 44.494		nd Resistance: nd Support:	362.36 341.26	Brent Fin Last D 1st Resistance: 1st Support: MACD: MACD DIFF: RSI:	89.20 86.56 -0.129 -0.853 39.642		Resistance: Support:	90.52 85.24							
Strategy  Crude Oil  Natural Gas Gasoline Heating Oil	av.	Long: 78.88 6.208 238.45 346.53	Profit target: 79.67 6.271 240.83 350.00	Stop-loss: 78.48 6.177 237.26 344.80	Long: 77.68 6.114 234.82 341.26	6.175 237.17 344.67	Stop-loss: 77.29 6.083 233.64 339.55			80.47 6.334 243.25 353.52	Stop-loss: 81.69 6.430 246.94 358.87		Short: 82.48 6.492 249.34 362.36	Profit target: 81.66 6.427 246.85 358.74	Stop-loss: 82.89 6.525 250.59 364.18	

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