

Fundamentals:

Oil prices settled down about 1% to a one-week low on Monday as Hurricane Beryl shut U.S. refineries and ports along the Gulf of Mexico, and on hopes a possible ceasefire deal in Gaza could reduce worries about global crude supply disruptions.

Brent futures fell 79 cents, or 0.9%, to settle at \$85.75 a barrel, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude fell 83 cents, or 1.0%, to settle at \$82.33.

Hurricane Beryl lashed Texas with strong winds and heavy rain as it churned inland. Oil ports closed, hundreds of flights were canceled and over 2.7 million homes and businesses lost power.

Texas produces the most oil and natural gas of any U.S. state.

"Some de-risking flows this morning are partially responsible for the move down, as hedges placed ahead of Beryl's landfall were unwound due to crude oil facilities sustaining relatively little damage in affected areas," analysts at energy consulting firm Gelber and Associates said in a note.

In the Middle East, talks over a U.S. ceasefire plan to end the nine-month-old war in Gaza are under way and being mediated by Qatar and Egypt.

"The complex is starting the week out under significant downside price pressure prompted by optimism regarding a Gaza ceasefire as ongoing negotiations appear to be seeing progress," analysts at energy advisory firm Rutterbusch and Associates said in a note.

Elsewhere, investors were watching for how elections in the UK, France and Iran over the past week would affect geopolitics and energy policies.

The French left said it wanted to run the government but conceded talks would be tough and take time, after Sunday's election thwarted the far right's quest for power and delivered a hung parliament.

In the U.S., President Joe Biden said he would not abandon his reelection campaign as he sought to stave off a possible revolt from fellow Democrats who worry the party could lose the White House and Congress in the Nov. 5 U.S. election.

In Asia, imports of crude oil ticked lower in the first half of 2024 from the same period last year, due largely to lower arrivals in China, the world's biggest oil importer.

In India, the world's third biggest oil consumer, fuel consumption rose by 2.6% year-on-year to 19.99 million metric tons in June from a year earlier.

In Germany, exports fell more than expected in May due to weak demand from China, the U.S. and European countries.

In Kazakhstan, the energy ministry said it will compensate for oil output exceeding its OPEC+ quota in the first half of this year by September 2025.

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) along with its allies, a group known as OPEC+, has already extended most of its oil output cuts into 2025.

Those output cuts have led analysts to forecast supply deficits in the third quarter as transportation and demand for air-conditioning during the summer eat into fuel stockpiles.

U.S. natural gas futures climbed about 2% on Monday on forecasts for more demand next week than previously expected as a brutal heat wave continues to blanket much of the country, forcing power generators to burn more gas to produce electricity to keep air conditioners humming.

(Source: Reuters)

Energy Table

Contract		Sett	Chg	High	Low
Nymex Crude Oil	AUG 24	82.33	-0.94	83.32	82.08
Natural Gas	AUG 24	2.366	0.051	2.390	2.268
RB Gasoline	AUG 24	253.79	-2.33	257.40	252.55
Heating Oil	AUG 24	257.91	-2.90	261.75	256.50
Brent Fin Last Day	SEP 24	85.66	-0.88	86.91	85.55
US Dollar Index		105.02	0.142	105.034	104.801

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

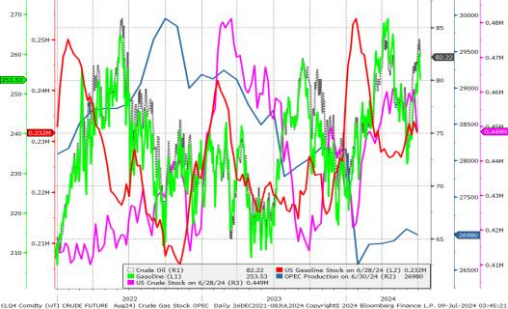
Fundamental Data:

Event	Period	Avg Survey	Actual	Prior	
07/06/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	Jul-05	--	585	581
07/06/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs	Jul-05	--	101	97
07/06/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs	Jul-05	--	479	479
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	Jul-05	--	--	-12157k
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	Jul-05	--	--	345k
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	Jul-05	--	--	-2214k
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	Jul-05	--	--	-1535k
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE U.S. Refinery Utilization	Jul-05	--	--	1.30%
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE Crude Oil Implied Demand	Jul-05	--	--	21484
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE Gasoline Implied Demand	Jul-05	--	--	10394.4
07/10/2024 22:30	DOE Distillate Implied Demand	Jul-05	--	--	5,419
07/11/2024 22:30	EIA Natural Gas Storage Change	Jul-05	--	--	32
07/11/2024 22:30	EIA Working Natural Gas Implied Flow	Jul-05	--	--	32
07/13/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	41091	--	--	585
07/13/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs	41091	--	--	101
07/13/2024 01:00	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs	41091	--	--	479

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



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

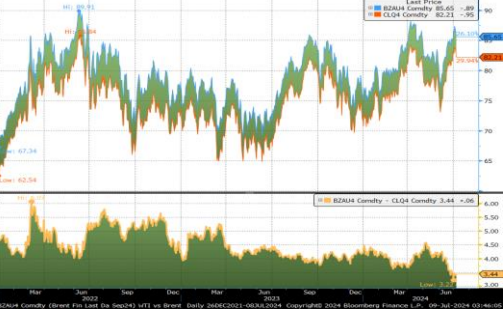


Source: Bloomberg

Normalized RBOB Gasoline minus Nymex Crude Oil Price



WTI-Brent Spread



Nymex Crude Daily Chart



Nymex Natural Gas Daily Chart



Nymex Brent Last Day Daily Chart



Nymex RBOB Gasoline Daily Chart



Nymex Heating Oil Daily Chart



Technical Analysis

Crude Oil

1st Resistance:	83.56	2nd Resistance:	84.80
1st Support:	81.10	2nd Support:	79.86
MACD:	1.360		
MACD DIFF:	0.262		
RSI:	58.494		

Heating Oil

1st Resistance:	261.78	2nd Resistance:	265.65
1st Support:	254.04	2nd Support:	250.17
MACD:	3.727		
MACD DIFF:	0.959		
RSI:	56.650		

Natural Gas

1st Resistance:	2.401	2nd Resistance:	2.437
1st Support:	2.331	2nd Support:	2.295
MACD:	-0.110		
MACD DIFF:	-0.069		
RSI:	35.003		

Brent Fin Last Day

1st Resistance:	86.94	2nd Resistance:	88.23
1st Support:	84.38	2nd Support:	83.09
MACD:	1.174		
MACD DIFF:	0.251		
RSI:	57.511		

Gasoline

1st Resistance:	257.60	2nd Resistance:	261.40
1st Support:	249.98	2nd Support:	246.18
MACD:	3.226		
MACD DIFF:	1.164		
RSI:	56.502		

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