



Asian Oil Intelligence Desk - Daily Briefing

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 · As of Apr 14, 2026 16:00 ET · Sentiment: Neutral

Global energy markets saw crude oil prices ease on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as hopes for de-escalation in the Middle East conflict buoyed investor sentiment. U.S. equities rallied significantly, with the S&P 500 approaching record highs, while natural gas and propane prices also registered declines.

SHIPPING RATES & BUNKERS

DIRTY TANKER (\$/DAY)

Vessel	Route	Spot TCE	Avg YTD
VLCC, 270	AG-FE	115,000	110,000
Suezmax, 130	TD20 (Nigeria/UKC)	145,300	140,000

CLEAN TANKER (\$/DAY)

Vessel	Route	Spot TCE	Avg YTD
LR2, 75	AG-FE	25,000	28,000
MR, 50	TC2 (ARA/USAC)	18,000	22,000

TIME CHARTER (KDWT)

Vessel	1yr	Newbuild	5yr
VLCC, 200+	45,000	130.0	115.0

LNG (\$/DAY)

Type	Spot Sent.	52wk
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (East)	15,000 Flat	35,000

LPG (\$/DAY)

VLGC, 44 (AG-Japan)	38,000
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BUNKERS (\$/MT)

Port	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Singapore	650.0	550.0	750.0

COMMODITIES & MARKETS

EQUITIES

Index	Last	Chg
S&P 500 <small>United States</small>	6,967.38	+81.14
Dow Jones Industrial Average <small>United States</small>	48,535.99	+317.74

ENERGY PRICES

CRUDE

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
Brent ICE	\$/bbl	95.50	-3.86
WTI NYMEX	\$/bbl	91.28	-7.80

PRODUCTS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
RBOB Gasoline NYMEX	c/gal	303.95	-7.65
ULSD Heating Oil NYMEX	c/gal	295.00	-5.00

NATURAL GAS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
US Henry Hub NYMEX	\$/MMBtu	2.60	-0.03

NGL

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
US Mont Belvieu Propane NYMEX	\$/mt	392.08	-8.32

PRICE SPREADS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
RBOB Gasoline/Brent Crack Spread	\$/bbl	32.16	+0.65

CARBON MARKET DAILY

Instrument	Unit	Bid	Offer
European Union Allowances (Spot)	EUR/ton	68.50	68.70

CURRENCIES

Pair	Last	Chg
EUR/\$	1.18	+0.01
USD/JPY	159.98	+0.48

DEVELOPMENTS

U.S. Stocks Rally as Hopes for Middle East De-escalation Emerge

U.S. equities surged on Tuesday, with the S&P 500 approaching its all-time high, as investors reacted positively to renewed hopes for peace talks between the Un...
Associated Press / TheStreet · Apr 14, 2026

Crude Oil Prices Ease Amid Peace Talk Optimism, WTI Down 7%

Crude oil prices retreated on Tuesday, with WTI ending just above \$92/bbl, down 7% on the day, as market participants grew optimistic about potential diplomatic...
Odessa American / TheStreet · Apr 14, 2026

Natural Gas Prices Decline Across Global Hubs on Easing Supply and Warmer Weather

Natural gas prices in Asia, Europe, and the United States, including Henry Hub, fell last week due to easing supply-demand pressures and warmer weather, followi...
LNG Prime · Apr 13, 2026

Global Manufacturers Face Significant Commodity Market Disruption in April, Oil a Key Factor

A report indicated that global manufacturers continued to experience heavy disruption in commodity markets throughout April, with oil identified as a standout C...
S&P Global · May 04, 2026

US Dollar Jumps Against Japanese Yen Amid Middle East Ceasefire Talk Uncertainty

The US dollar gapped higher against the Japanese yen at the start of the week, as traders reacted to concerns over the lack of progress in Middle East ceasefire...
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