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Friday, June 19, 2026 · As of Jun 19, 2026 17:00 ET · Sentiment: Neutral

Energy markets on Friday, June 19, 2026, were largely influenced by the formal signing of a US-Iran memorandum of understanding, which is expected to facilitate the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz. Crude oil prices saw gains, recovering from earlier volatility, while product tanker markets softened despite a firmer tone in crude tankers. US equity markets were closed for the Juneteenth holiday.

SHIPPING RATES & BUNKERS

DIRTY TANKER ($/DAY)

Vessel	Route	Spot TCE	Avg YTD
VLCC, 270	AG-FE	42,000	39,000
Suezmax, 130	WAFR-UKC	30,000	28,000
Aframax, 80	Med-Med	22,000	23,000

CLEAN TANKER ($/DAY)

Vessel	Route	Spot TCE	Avg YTD
LR2, 75	AG-FE	19,500	25,000
MR, 37	TC2 (Cont-USAC)	18,000	20,000

TIME CHARTER (KDWT)

Vessel	1yr	Newbuild	5yr
VLCC, 200+	49,000	127.0	112.0

LNG ($/DAY)

Type	Spot	Sent.	52wk
160M3 Tri-fuel diesel electric (East)	13,000	Flat	30,231

LPG ($/DAY)

VLGC, 44 (AG-Japan)	34,643

BUNKERS ($/MT)

Port	VLSFO	HSFO	MGO
Singapore	663.0	550.0	750.0

COMMODITIES & MARKETS

EQUITIES

Index	Last	Chg
S&P 500 United States	7,500.58	0.00

ENERGY PRICES

CRUDE

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
Brent ICE	$/bbl	80.38	+1.03
WTI NYMEX	$/bbl	77.54	+1.98

PRODUCTS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
RBOB Gasoline NYMEX	c/gal	213.67	+1.50

NATURAL GAS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
US Henry Hub NYMEX	$/MMBtu	3.12	+0.09

NGL

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
US Mont Belvieu Propane NYMEX	$/mt	377.48	+2.10

PRICE SPREADS

Instrument	Unit	Last	Chg
RBOB Gasoline/Brent Crack Spread	$/bbl	23.00	-0.50

CARBON MARKET DAILY

Instrument	Unit	Bid	Offer
European Union Allowances (Spot)	EUR/ton	69.80	70.20

CURRENCIES

Pair	Last	Chg
EUR/$	1.15	+0.00

DEVELOPMENTS

US-Iran Deal Signed, Strait of Hormuz Reopening Expected to Ease Oil Supply Concerns

A memorandum of understanding between the US and Iran was formally signed, with provisions aimed at restoring normal shipping through the Strait of Hormuz, a ke...

Vantage Markets/Affinity Shipping · Jun 19, 2026

Crude Oil Prices Show Mixed Reaction Amid Geopolitical Tensions and Hormuz Agreement

Brent and WTI crude oil prices saw gains on Friday, recovering from earlier dips, as markets weighed the positive impact of the Hormuz reopening against renewed...

ARMENPRESS/Vantage Markets · Jun 19, 2026

US Equity Markets Closed for Juneteenth Holiday; S&P 500 Holds Strong Gains from Prior Session

US stock exchanges, including the NYSE and Nasdaq, were closed on Friday, June 19, 2026, in observance of the Juneteenth federal holiday. The S&P 500's last clo...

Meta Trading Club/S&P Global · Jun 19, 2026

US Crude Oil Inventories Decrease, Refineries Operate at High Capacity

For the week ending June 19, 2026, US commercial crude oil inventories decreased by 6.1 million barrels, falling below the five-year average. US refineries proc...

EIA/FXStreet · Jun 24, 2026

Product Tanker Markets Softer, Crude Tankers Show Gradual Strengthening

The product tanker market experienced a softer week, particularly for LR2s in the Arabian Gulf, due to logistical constraints. In contrast, crude tanker markets...

Affinity Tanker Weekly · Jun 19, 2026

US Natural Gas Inventories Rise, LNG Exports Remain Robust

US natural gas inventories for the week ended June 19 rose by 76 billion cubic feet, keeping stockpiles above seasonal norms. Despite this, strong LNG export fu...

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