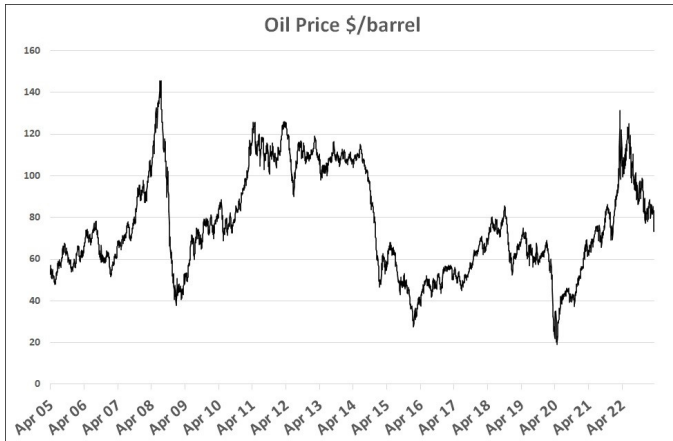


Energy Market Snapshot

17th March 2023

Oil:



Oil prices started to ease on Monday following the announcement that two major US banking institutes collapsed.

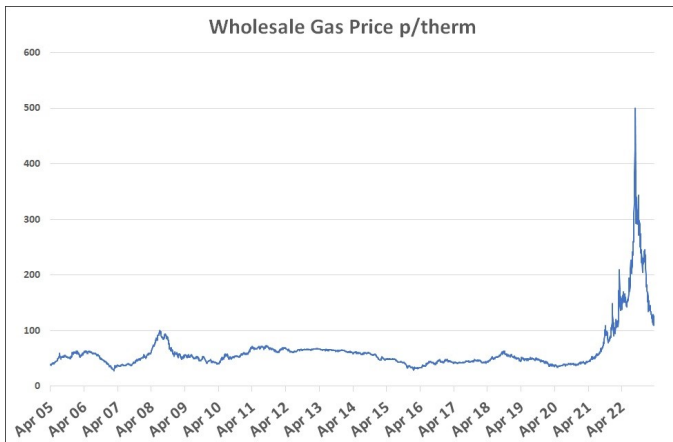
Rising US inflation and the impact of the banking collapses weighed down on prices throughout Tuesday. Front month Brent lost \$1.85/barrel day on day.

Brent fell \$6.68/barrel on Wednesday largely due to ongoing turmoil in the financial sector. The weekly EIA reported an increase in stocks of 1.6M barrels from the previous which further pressured prices lower.

Prices ticked upwards on Thursday as Russia and Saudi Arabia met to discuss production cuts.

Last night, front month Brent closed at \$73.47/barrel, down \$8.39/barrel compared to last Friday.

Gas:



As temperature forecasts were revised upwards, Wind generation increased and demand reduced, all Gas contracts fell on Monday. Near-term contracts fell around 10p/therm whilst longer-dated contracts shed between 3-7p/therm.

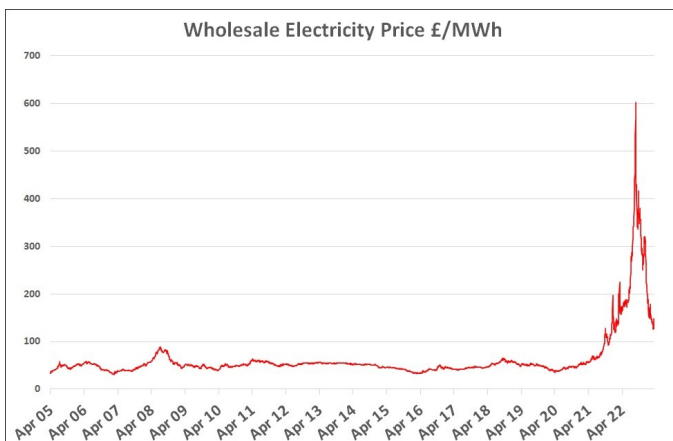
Prices continued to ease on Tuesday. Demand was down from both heating demand as temperatures were above the seasonal norm as well as reduced CCGT demand as Wind generation was 20% above the seasonal norm.

All contracts fell again on Wednesday on average 3p/therm. LNG supply is still healthy with 13 vessels due to arrive in the UK by the end of March.

Although there was no change in fundamentals prices increased on Thursday which was reported as possibly due to key support levels being reached.

Last night, all contracts closed lower compared to last Friday. Near-term contracts lost around 23p/therm whilst Winter 23 lost around 20p/therm, a 16% and 13% loss respectively.

Electricity:



Power prices eased on Monday, taking direction from falling Gas, however the losses were not as significant as those seen in Gas.

Prices continued to fall on Tuesday as wider commodities eased.

Contracts fell around £4.5/MWh on Wednesday fuelled by losses on Carbon and Gas.

In line with Gas, all Power contracts rose on Thursday.

Last night, all contracts still closed down compared to last Friday, losing on average £18/MWh.