





# Burning Economic Issues



- Brent up 0.04% (\$78.31pb) on declining US crude inventories and ease of fears of a global financial crisis-*Reuters* 
  - Global stock markets rally as fears of a banking crisis recede
- LNG prices plunged 1.92% (\$1.99/bushel) owing to ample gas inventories and weak demand from Europe
- Cocoa prices fell 0.24% (\$2,894.00/mmt) in spite of supply tightness in Ivory Coast-*Reuters*
- Sugar prices lost 0.84% (\$21.13/Pound) despite tight global supply-*Reuters*
- Naira depreciates 0.27% in the parallel market to close at N747/\$ and traded flat in the I & E window at N462/\$
- NGX gained 0.20% to close at 53,603.80pts buoyed by stability in the global financial markets.



#### The Downers



## Impact

- Lower LNG prices could worsen the country's trade balance.
- A decline in cocoa prices would decrease government revenue and farmers' income.

### The Goodies



- A rise in oil prices would bolster export earnings and fiscal revenue.
- A drop in the price of sugar could reduce the nation's import bill and inflationary pressures.



## Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Commodities	Previous Month Prices	Current Prices	Directional Change
Garri (50kg) Yellow	N16,000	N20,000	1
Rice (50kg) short grain	N40,000	N40,000	$\Leftrightarrow$
Flour (50kg)	N29,000	N29,000	$\Leftrightarrow$
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N42,000	N56,000	1
Cement (50kg)	N4,300	N4,300	$\Leftrightarrow$
Tomatoes (50kg)	N15,000	N19,000	1
Pepper (bag)	N17,000	N15,000	•
Onions (bag)	N35,000	N32,000	1

• Food prices will begin to taper as transport costs fall.



## Domestic Commodities Price Movement

### Relatively Elastic Products

Commodities	Previous Month Prices	Current Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm Oil (25l)	N27,500	N18,000	•	N9,000	N27,500
Semovita (10kg)	N6,700	N6,800		N2,800	N6,800
New Yam (medium size)	N1,700	N1,800	1	N400	N2,000
Sugar (50kg)	N35,000	N35,000	$\Leftrightarrow$	N13,000	N35,000









# Consumer Goods — Current price



Goods	Street price	Supermarket price	% difference
		price	
Pepsi (50cl)	N200	N200	0%
Heineken beer (60cl)	N600	N630	-5.00%
Bread Loaf	N900	N900	-00.0%
Indomie (1 carton)	N4,000	N4,100	-2.50%
Gala (big size)	N100	N100	0%







# Stock Market

NSE ASI 1 0.20% to close at 53,603.80pts on March 29<sup>th</sup> 2023

	Share Price (₦)	es	Daily % Change (March 29 <sup>th</sup> )	e	YTD (% Change)
Nestle	1080.30	<b>(+)</b>	0.00	•	1.79
Honeywell	2.22	$\leftrightarrow$	0.00	1	5.13
Flour Mills	31.00	<b>\ \</b>	0.00		9.15
Cadbury	11.30	$\Leftrightarrow$	0.00	1	5.04
Dangote Sugar	16.70	•	0.60	1	4.05
Unilever	14.00	$\Leftrightarrow$	0.00	1	20.69
Ikeja Hotels	1.11	1	7.77	1	5.71



# Oil Markets Today

#### **COMMODITY**

DAILY CHANGE
March 29<sup>th</sup> - March 30<sup>th</sup>

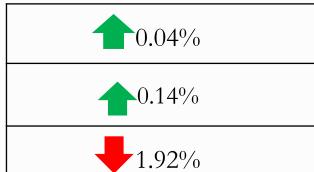
YTD

CURRENT PRICE

**BRENT** 

WTI

NATURAL GAS









\$78.31pb

\$73.07pb

\$1.99MMBtu







### Oil Prices



- Brent rose 0.04% to \$78.31pb
- WTI rose 0.14% to \$73.07pb
- Oil prices rose due to an unexpected drop in US crude stockpiles of 7.5 million barrels.



# Agricultural Commodities

#### Wheat



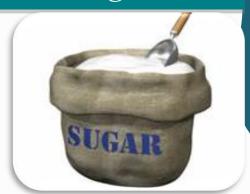
#### Corn



#### Cocoa



#### Sugar

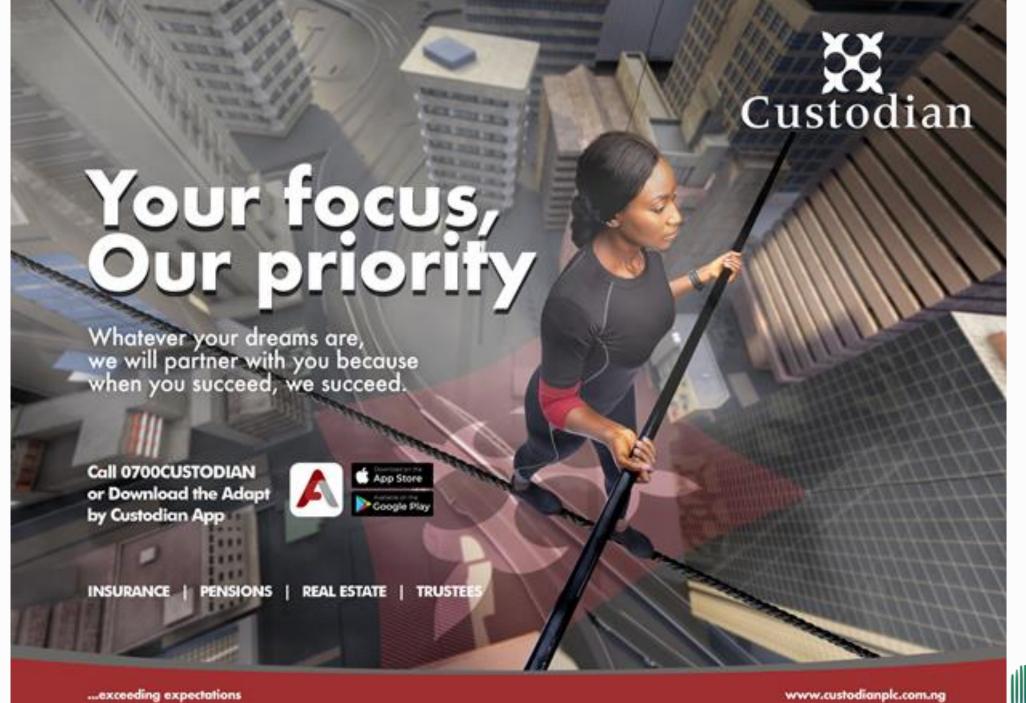


Rose 2.54% to 717.50/bushel, as top commodities trader Cargill Inc. plans to stop exporting from Russia. Up 0.81% to \$652.50/bushel, as market awaits Friday's annual U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) report.

Dropped 0.24% to \$ 2,894.00/mt, despite reduced supply from Ivory Coast, top grower.

Down 0.84% to \$21.13/Pound, despite tight global supply.







# Outlook - Oil Prices

Oil prices are expected to maintain an upward trend owing to supply concerns and an ease in global banking jitters.





# Outlook – Agricultural Prices



#### **GRAINS**

- Wheat prices are expected to increase due to uncertainties about Black Sea supply.
- Strong Chinese demand will support corn prices in the near term.

### SOFTS

- Cocoa prices will rise in the near term owing to tight supply in Ivory Coast.
- Reduced global production estimates will put pressure on sugar prices.



