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TOP 10 DAILY NEWS DIGEST

- 1. CHINA H1 CRUDE OIL IMPORTS DOWN 3%
- 2. OPEC+ YET TO MAKE PROGRESS IN RESOLVING IMPASSE
- 3. US MARGINS TREND HIGHER AFTER GASOLINE DEMAND ROSE
- 4. US OIL MERGERS SURGE AS ENERGY, SHARE PRICES RECOVER
- 5. G20 OFFER FIRST TENTATIVE SUPPORT FOR CARBON PRICING
- 6. EVEN GOLDMAN CAN'T FIGHT THE TIDE ON PAY
- 7. NASDAQ, S&P 500 SCALE NEW PEAKS AS FOCUS TURNS TO EARNINGS
- 8. US SENATE FACES 'HELL OF A FIGHT'
- 9. EIA: SHALE OIL OUTPUT EXPECTED TO RISE 42,000 BPD TO 7.907MN BPD
- 10. OIL CLIMBS ON EXPECTED FURTHER DRAW IN US CRUDE INVENTORIES

RECOMMENDED VIDEOS & REPORTS

- ENERGY EXECUTIVES DOMINATE HOUSTON'S HIGHEST EARNERS LIST
- INDIA IS PROPOSING A 2-CHILD POLICY TO KEEP ITS POPULATION UNDER CONTROL
- IHS MARKIT GLOBAL BUSINESS OUTLOOK
- WHAT IS HAPPENING IN CUBA? PROTESTS & UNREST EXPLAINED
- FUJAIRAH SAW RECORD THROUGHPUT MONTH-ON-MONTH IN FIRST HALF OF 2021

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morning at \$75.55/bl, up 0.39/bl. WTI is trading up 0.40/bl at \$74.50/bl. Well, London is flooded, torrential rains for most of the day vesterday. echoing the tears that just about everyone in the city wept the day before. Congratulations to Italy, a much-deserved victory and I will be making no more football references. On to the reality of normal life if anyone remembers



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is holding on to \$75/bl like an Italian goalkeeper with a football. Stubborn. Why are we dancing around this \$75 number? Well,

there are several reasons but let's discuss a couple, shall we? We have the short-term argument from the II Toro corner that because OPEC+ has not come to an agreement, there will be no additional barrels put back into the market in August. This will mean that global oil stocks will draw down as demand continues on its upward trajectory. This is an argument I agree with. Then we have the chat from the orsi where they are looking at several factors, rising

cases from the Covid-19 delta variant, and the sporadic lockdowns that are associated. In addition, there is a general concern that barrels could come back quickly from certain OPEC+ members if an agreement is not reached soon. This push and pull are increasing volatility in the Brent markets. I think until we hear from OPEC+ on an accord, the market will be entro i limiti around \$75/bl on Brent in the hope that things will be managed properly. Good day, and week to all.

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what that is? And the oil

market is much the same,

dealing with reality. Brent













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What's the state of play with improvement in Venezuela's oil production?

PDVSA has been able to lift its oil production rate up a little, but it hasn't even reached 500,000 barrels a day. This still pales in comparison to the 3.5-3.8 million bd reached in the period before 2004. PDVSA can't recover its production unless there's massive investment and this won't happen for another two years or so. US sanctions will stay in place for another six months, and at least until we see the outcome of municipal elections in November. The result of these will be crucial; the Maduro government has been promoting new political measures and trying to push the new Biden administration to lift sanctions. The US meanwhile is waiting to see visible change in the political arena.

Outlook for South American economies emerging from the impact of Covid?

South America is in a very problematic situation because of Covid and low vaccination rates. We already had political unrest before the pandemic in 2019 in several countries in the region and we now have further upheaval. The most recent protests in Cuba demanding better recovery plans and the killing of Haiti's President, will be watched closely by the US government as well as ours in Venezuela.

*Paraphrased comments

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