International Coal Report

AUGUST 2018



INTERNATIONAL OVERVIEW

- August 2018 saw volumes drop over a slow summer, with a total of 27,841,000 metric tonnes traded at CME on both the coal futures and options markets.
- > 21,871,000 metric tonnes were in the futures contracts.
- > Open Interest dropped slightly and sat at a total of 46,986,000 metric tonnes across all contracts.
- > The biggest trade day was on 23rd August with a total of 2,685,000 m/t traded.

International Coal (lots) Futures and Options						
August 2018						
	Monthly Volume	Previous Month	ADV	Previous Month	Open Interest (end of month)	Previous Month
API2 cif ARA	25,010	30,755	1,087	1,465	41,228	42,747
API4 fob Richards Bay	2,606	3,043	113	145	5,498	5,771
API 5 fob Newcastle	15	30	1	1	40	35
ICI4 Indonesian Coal	210	240	9	11	220	215
Total	27.841					

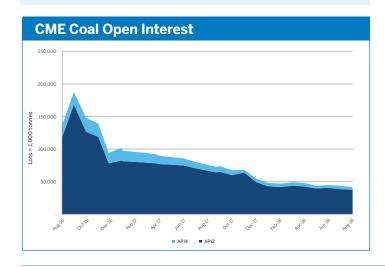
^{*}lots = 1,000 metric tonnes

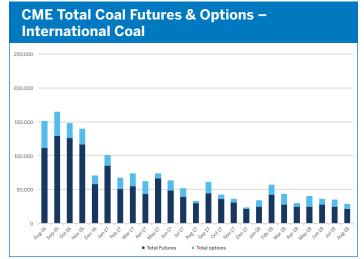
Coal (ICI 4) Indonesian Coal Index (Argus/Coalindo) Futures

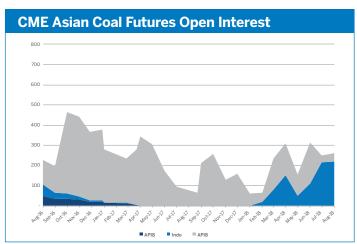
A total of 210 lots traded over the period.

ICI 4 is a new financial futures contract covering the most widely traded Indonesian coal grade. This contract is cash settled to the ICI 4^{TM} index price published in the Argus/Coalindo Indonesian Coal Price Index Report.

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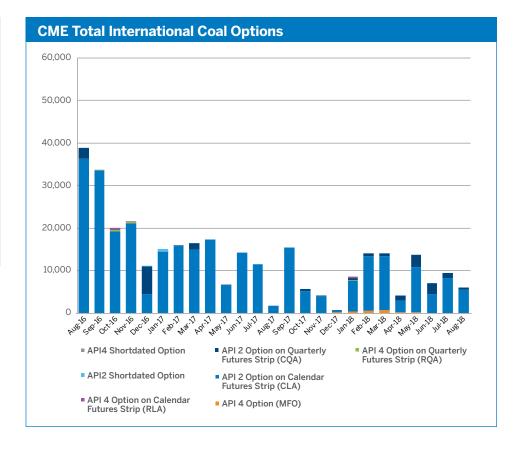






OPTIONS HIGHLIGHTS

- > CME options volumes declined in August, with a total of 5,970,000 m/t traded.
- This equated to 21% of the overall coal volume traded at CMF
- > 100% of the volume was in API2 options contracts.
- Our highest options day was on the 23rd August with 1,650,000 m/t traded.



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