

Dry Bulk Market – Waves and Swells

Vancouver 21 November 2024



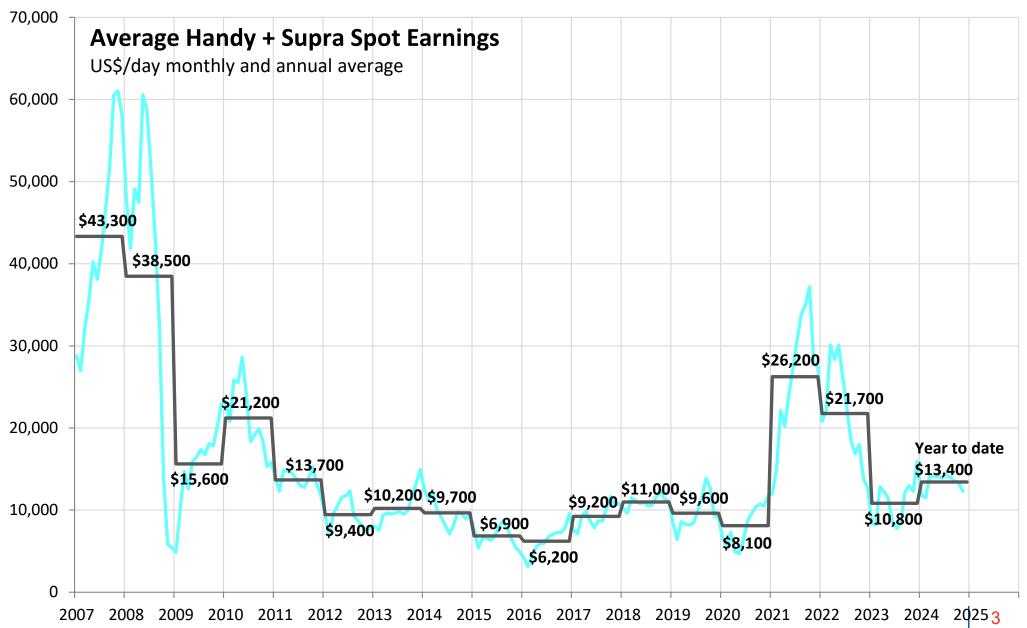


Intro

- In addition to the ongoing war in Ukraine, the market in 2024 had to manage restrictions for Panama Canal passages (now reverting to normal) as as well as the avoidance of the Red Sea
- The dry bulk freight market for geared vessel in 2024 has seen reduced seasonal volatility with the Pacific performing comparatively better while the Atlantic basin has held a larger share of the fleet
- Yard deliveries have remained moderate while scrapping has been near non-existent and dry bulk vessel speed has continued to decline
- Cargo distance from load to discharge has continued to increase
- China's import of dry bulk commodities has remained high despite much negativity around the Chinese economy

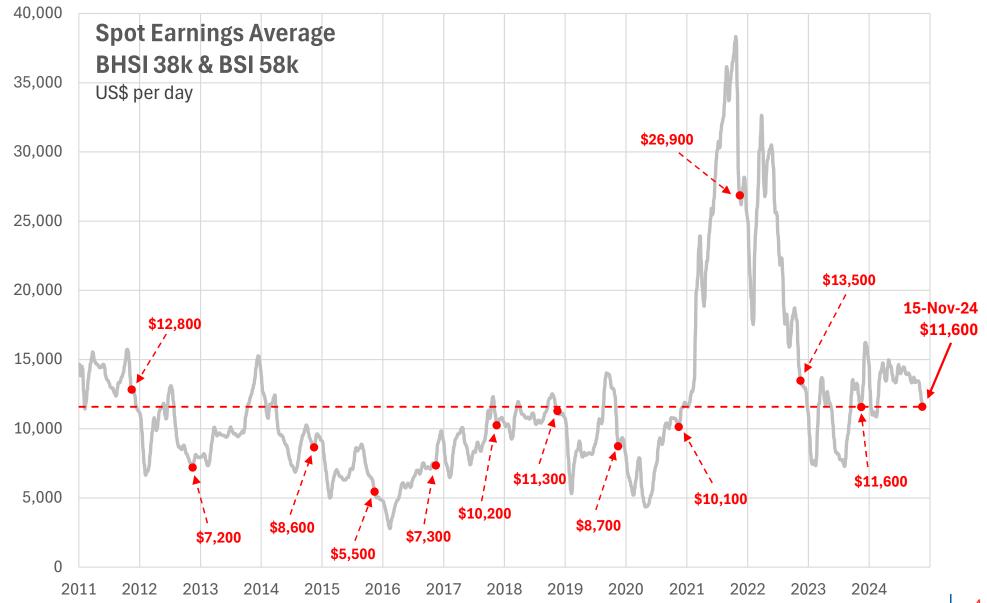


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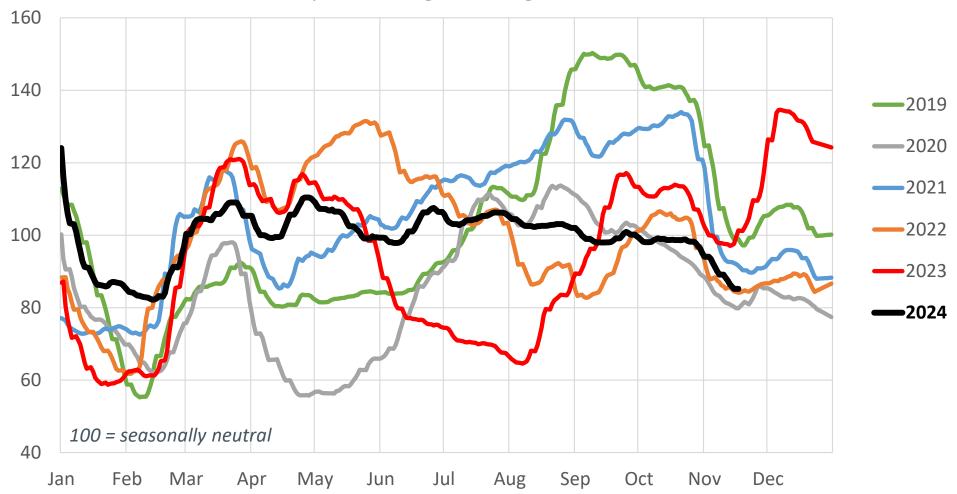
How do earnings on today's date (15 November) compare to the last 12 years? Not so bad!





A seasonal view for earnings shows that 2024 has been remarkably steady

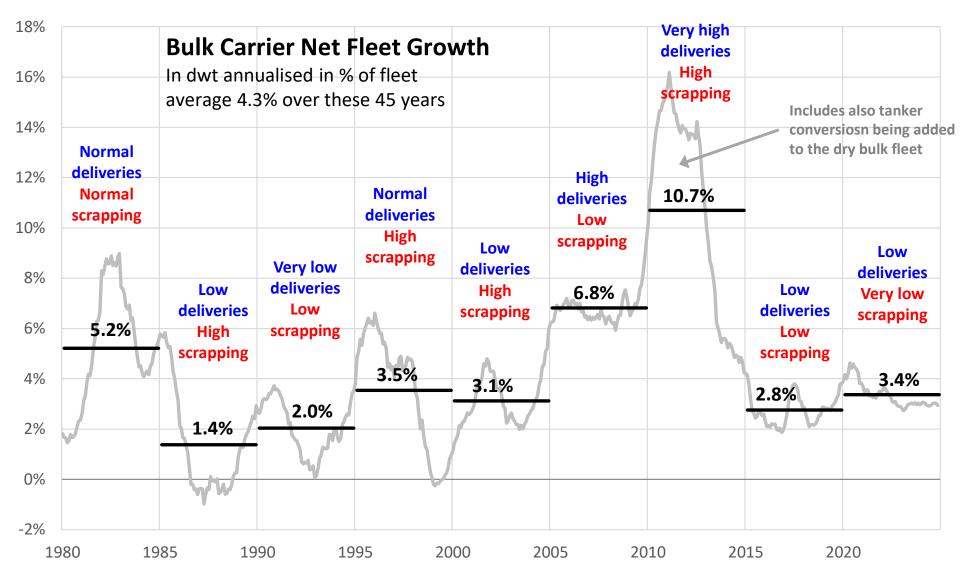
Seasonality for average earnings of BSI 58k & BHSI 38k



Seasonal chart showing how daily spot average earnings for BHSI 38k & BSI 58k compare to a 12 month moving average. A reading above/below 100 illustrates seasonal strength/weakness.

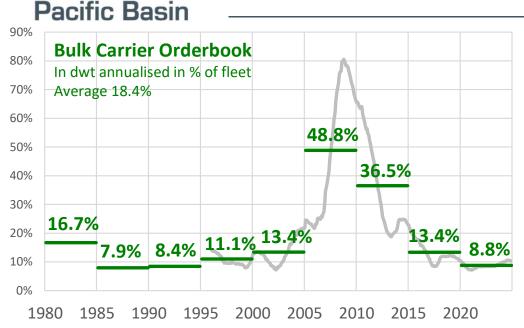


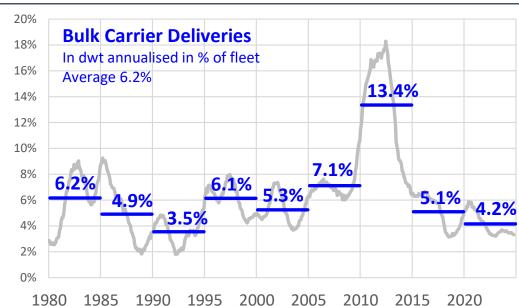
Net dry bulk fleet growth over the long term

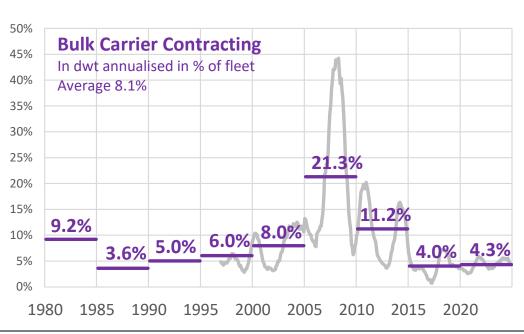


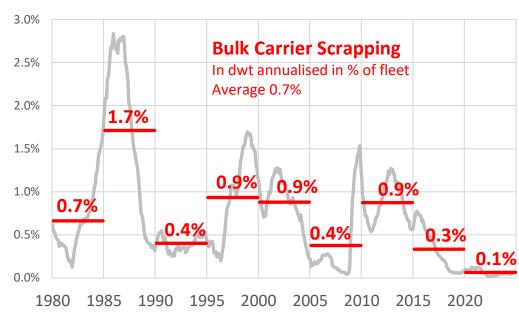


Four input factors for dry bulk fleet growth



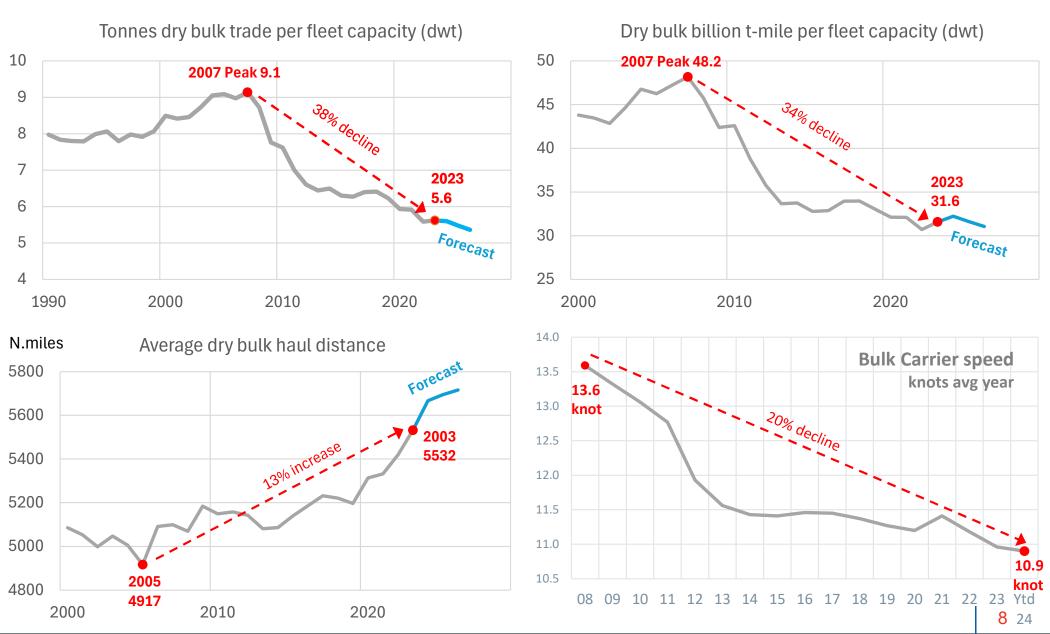






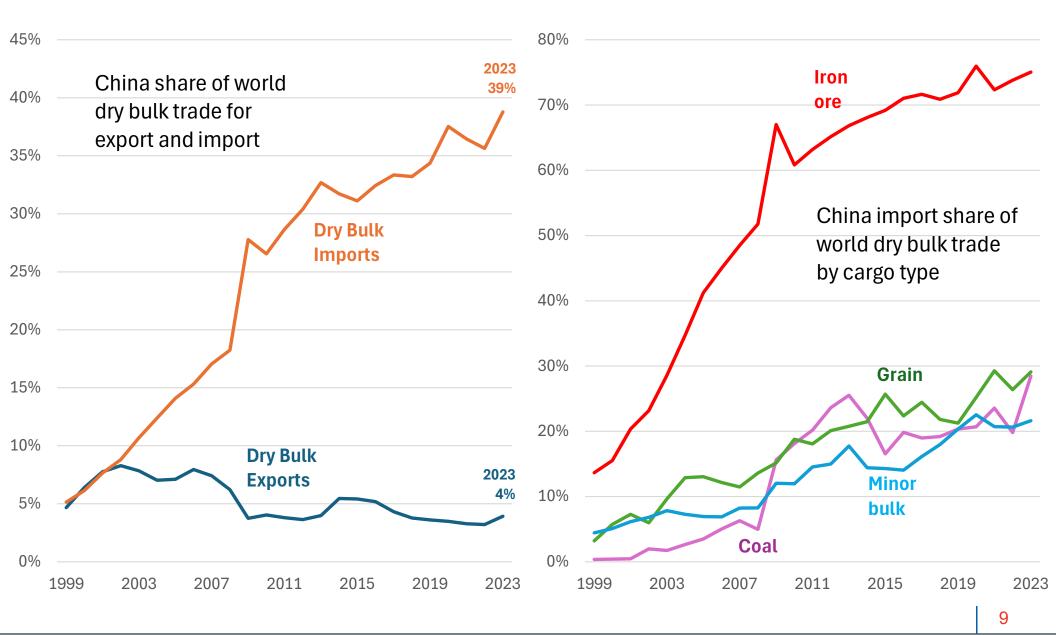


Declining dry bulk fleet efficiency





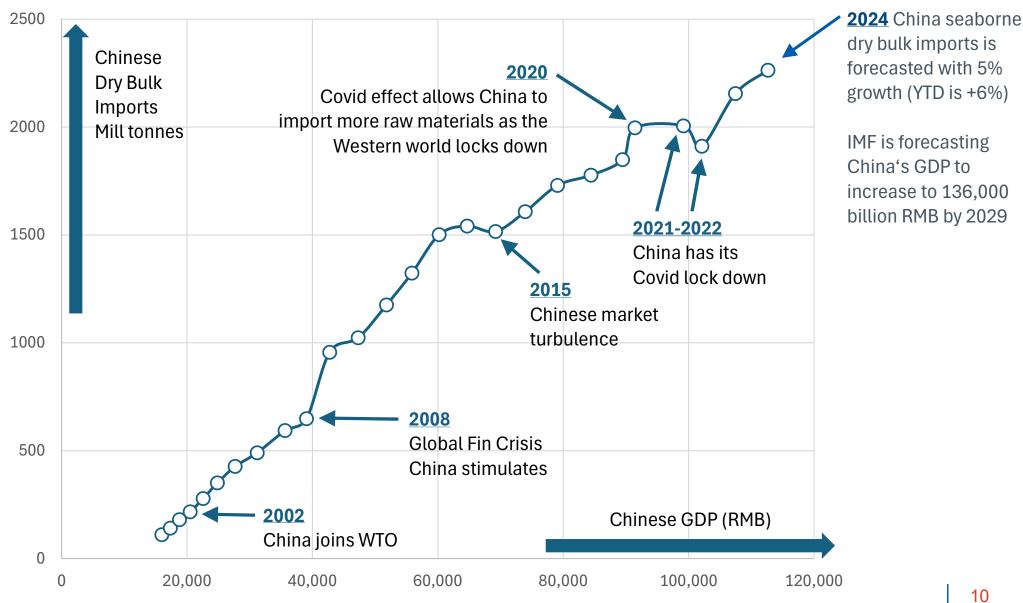
China's foot print for world dry bulk trade is increasing and dominated by imports





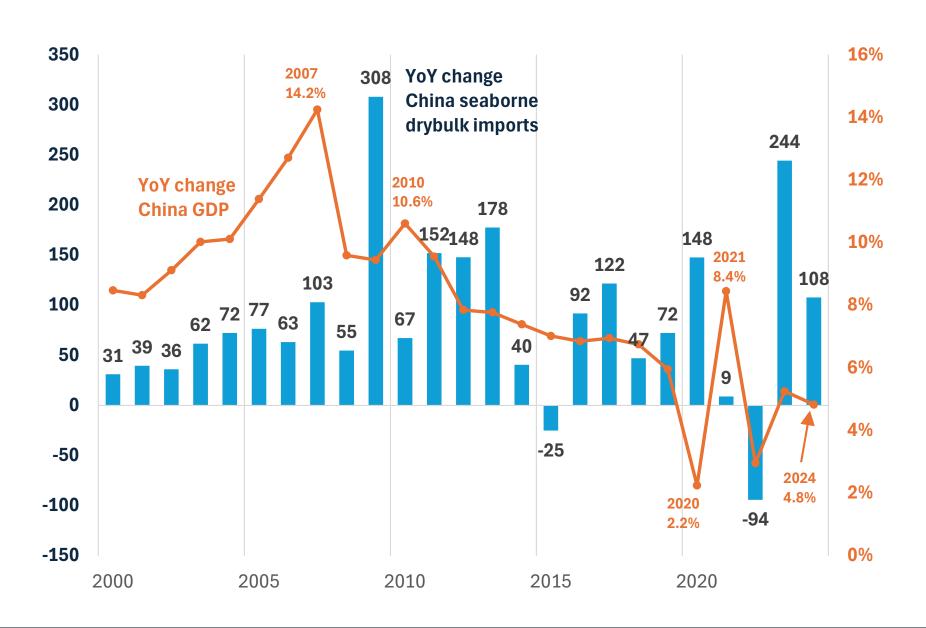
Source: Clarksons Research & IMF

China's GDP development vs its seaborne dry bulk imports since 1999





China's GDP growth vs its growth in seaborne dry bulk imports





The End

- We leave 2024 with more uncertainty than when we began
- Dry Bulk Supply side development remains benign and will stay this way for the foreseeable future
- Dry Bulk Demand hangs in the balance between economic growth and international trade being in the cross hair of politicians
- In the longer term, shipping will be under increasing pressure to shift towards low emission fuels and this has the potential to disrupt shipping in ways that are impossible to predict today beyond the realisation that the cost to move cargo will have to increase to accommodate such a shift
- Transport of dry bulk commodity is cheap and to prove this we apply an alternative measure of freight cost that is both inflation- and currency-neutral....by measuring freight rates in units of beer!



The Beer Index – a currency and inflation neutral way to measure dry bulk freight rates

