

# FX SENTIMENT REPORT

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## SENTIMENT FOR COMMODITY CURRENCIES IS SHIFTING

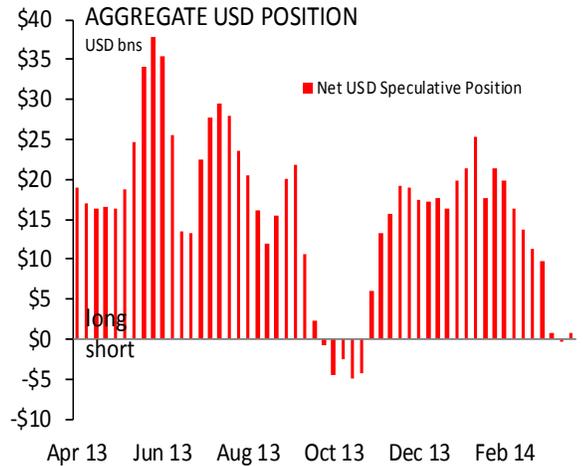
Data in this report cover up to Tuesday Apr 1 & were released Friday Apr 4.

- On a year-to-date basis the USD has weakened against all of the primary currencies (with the exception of CAD) accordingly long USD positions have been frustrating. The net USD position is now flat. A neutral position in S&P and a large net short in copper suggest a market that has been caught wrong footed in several asset classes – see page 5.
- The outlook for the growth and commodity currencies is shifting into a more favourable light; on the back of this bearish AUD and CAD sentiment has faded; however CAD is still held net short - \$3.4bn, while the AUD position is essentially flat (net short - \$0.5bn) and MXN has shifted to a net long position.
- Although EUR remains the largest held net long currency at \$5.7bn, bullish sentiment has moderated for the second consecutive week and is beginning to fade the prior six weeks' gain. EUR bears remain reluctant to act, and so it is a thinning in the ranks of EUR bulls that has provided for the shift in sentiment—highlighting a nascent source of downside EUR risk if bears find some resolve.
- The largest w/w build in bearish JPY positions since November 2012 has been responsible for this week's \$2.3bn widening in the net short position to \$10.7bn, suggesting that investors are responding to a shifting outlook for growth and risk.

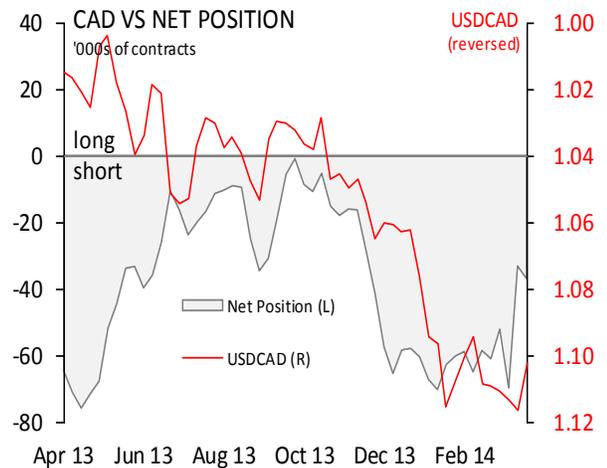
	Sentiment		\$mns		
	1-Apr	Bias	Trend	Position	w/w chg.
CAD		<b>bearish</b>	increasing	-3,356	-381
AUD		neutral	neutral	-451	1,430
NZD		<b>bullish</b>	neutral	1,596	34
MXN		<b>bullish</b>	increasing	835	898
EUR		<b>bullish</b>	decreasing	5,731	-1,119
GBP		<b>bullish</b>	increasing	3,489	419
CHF		<b>bullish</b>	neutral	2,013	-85
JPY		<b>bearish</b>	increasing	-10,690	-2,269
Gold		<b>bullish</b>	decreasing	12,808	-2,574
Total USD pos'n (excluding gold)				832	1,074

### CAD — NON-COMMERCIAL POSITIONING

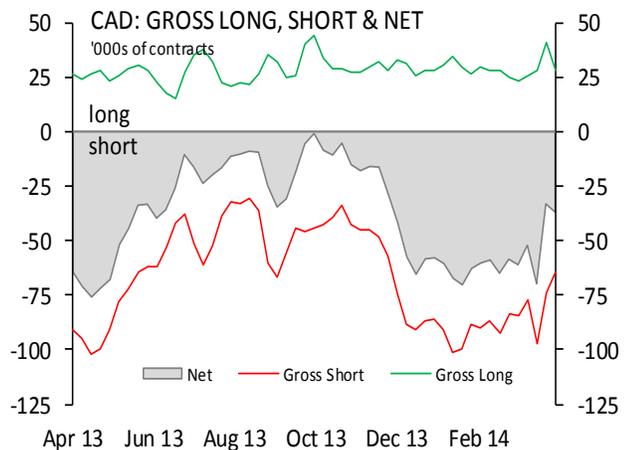
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 100,000 CAD				Open Int.
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	
1-Apr	-3,356	27,549	64,543	-36,994	-3,779	117,966
25-Mar	-2,974	40,441	73,656	-33,215	36,590	133,246
18-Mar	-6,269	27,751	97,556	-69,805	-17,614	186,782
11-Mar	-4,699	25,180	77,371	-52,191	8,905	153,639



Source: Scotiabank FX Strategy, Bloomberg & CFTC

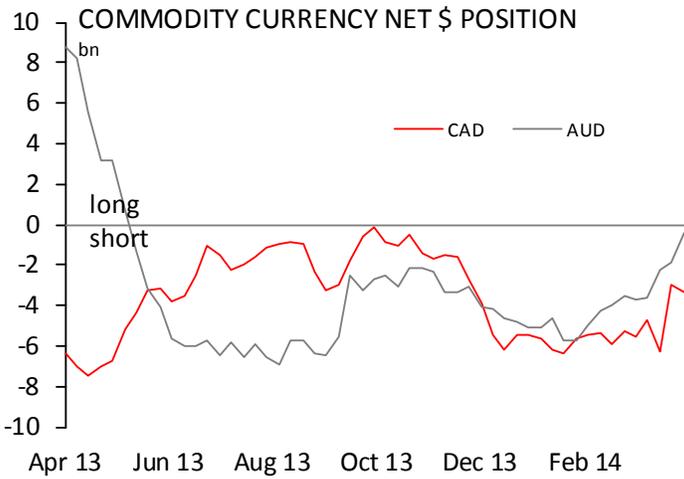


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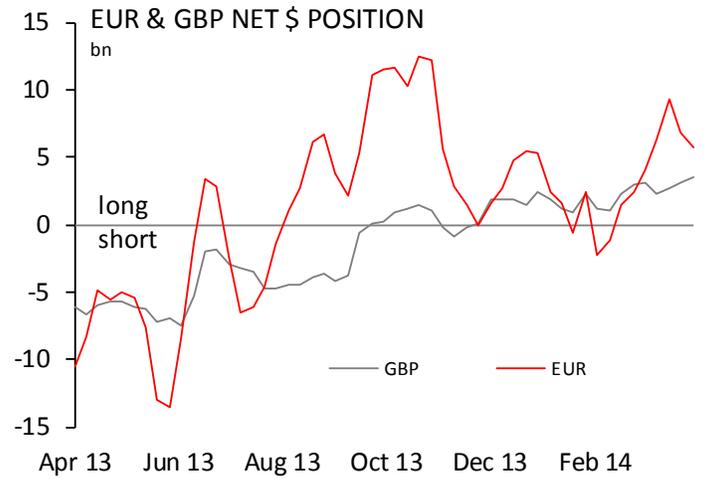


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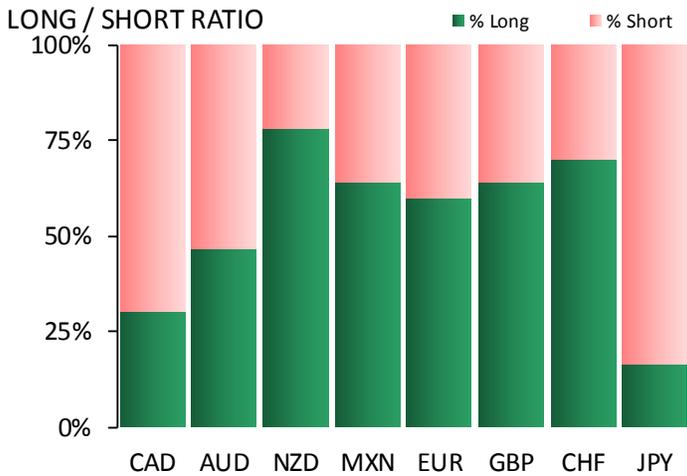
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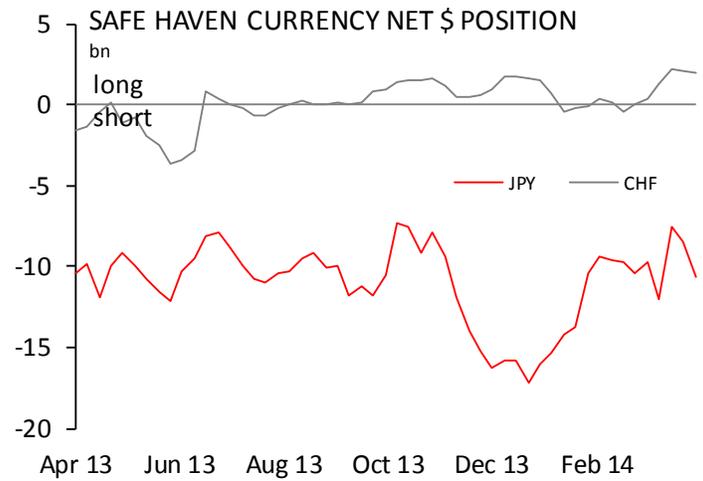
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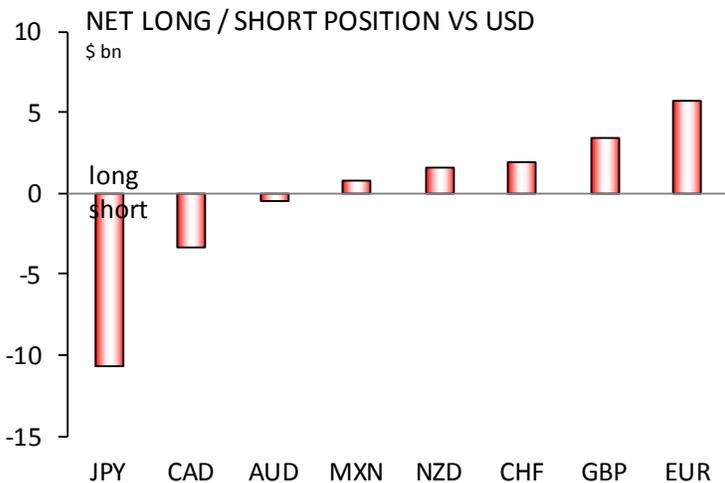
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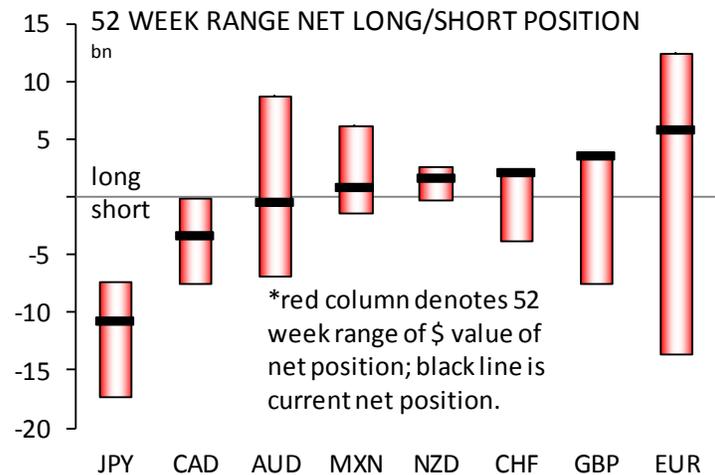
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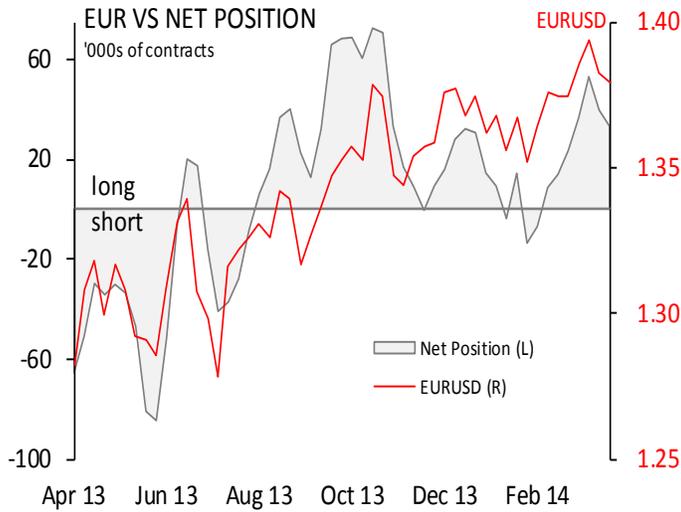
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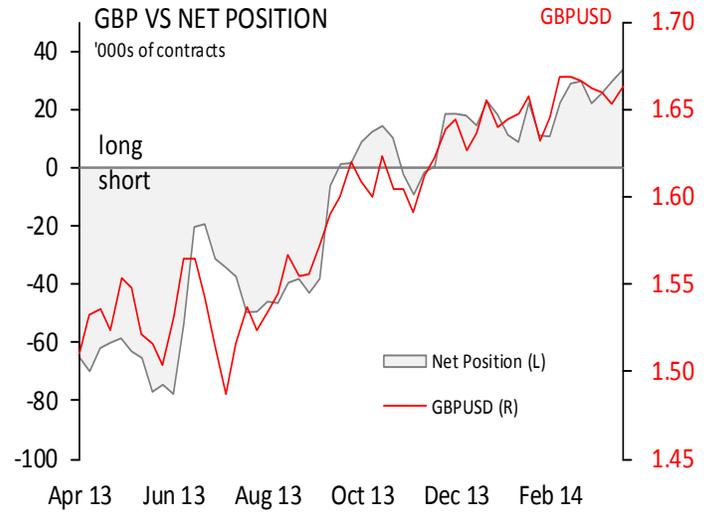
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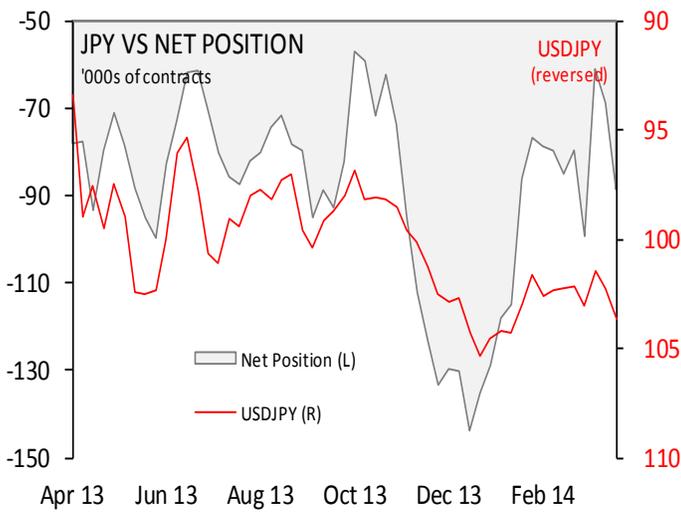
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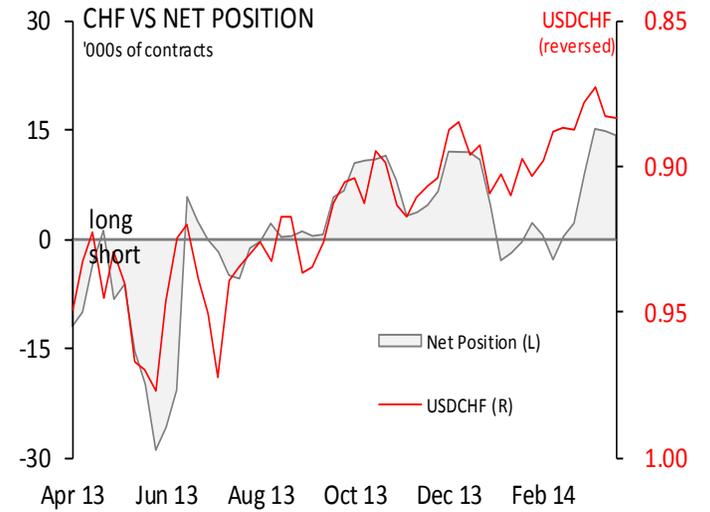
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 125,000 EUR				
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
1-Apr	5,731	101,849	68,611	33,238	-6,396	260,075
25-Mar	6,850	106,914	67,280	39,634	-13,357	262,179
18-Mar	9,230	117,819	64,828	52,991	16,606	264,443
11-Mar	6,304	110,103	73,718	36,385	12,933	322,020

**GBP — NON-COMMERCIAL POSITIONING**

Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 62,500 GBP				
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
1-Apr	3,489	75,969	42,397	33,572	3,848	211,437
25-Mar	3,071	66,751	37,027	29,724	4,188	202,115
18-Mar	2,648	64,141	38,605	25,536	3,537	208,961
11-Mar	2,285	64,553	42,554	21,999	-7,606	250,867



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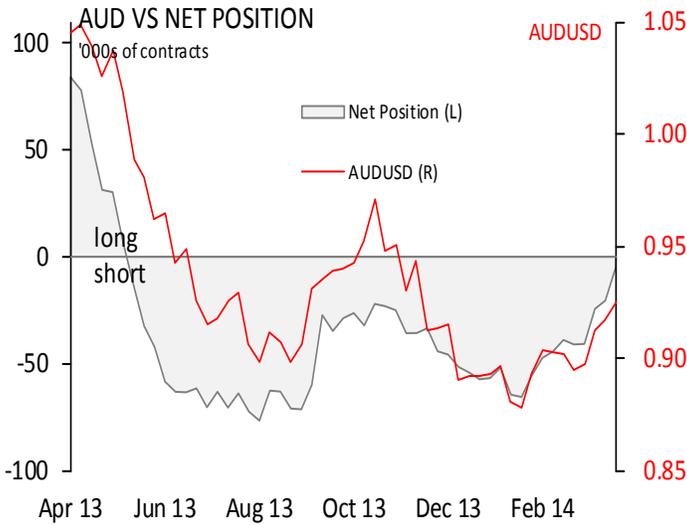
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**JPY — NON-COMMERCIAL POSITIONING**

Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 12.5MM JPY				
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
1-Apr	-10,690	22,162	110,800	-88,638	-19,751	188,464
25-Mar	-8,421	17,600	86,487	-68,887	-7,788	158,280
18-Mar	-7,529	24,144	85,243	-61,099	38,257	156,922
11-Mar	-12,055	15,726	115,082	-99,356	-19,647	242,170

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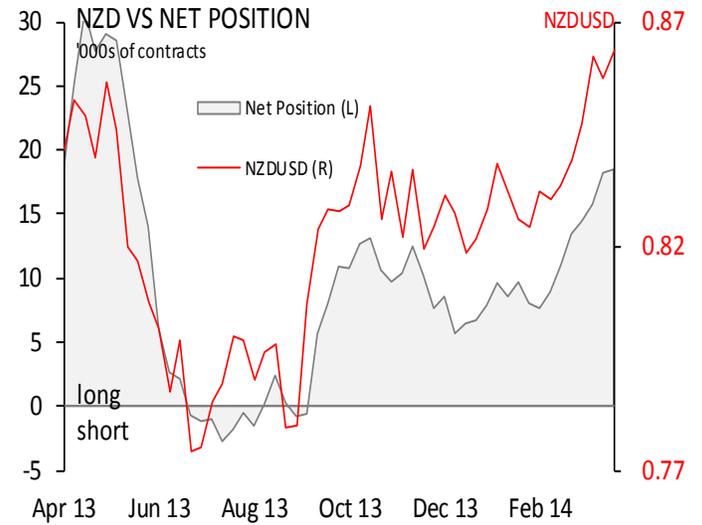
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 125,000 CHF				
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
1-Apr	2,013	24,800	10,569	14,231	-588	47,228
25-Mar	2,099	25,037	10,218	14,819	-297	47,353
18-Mar	2,164	25,311	10,195	15,116	6,159	49,391
11-Mar	1,275	23,097	14,140	8,957	6,789	66,889



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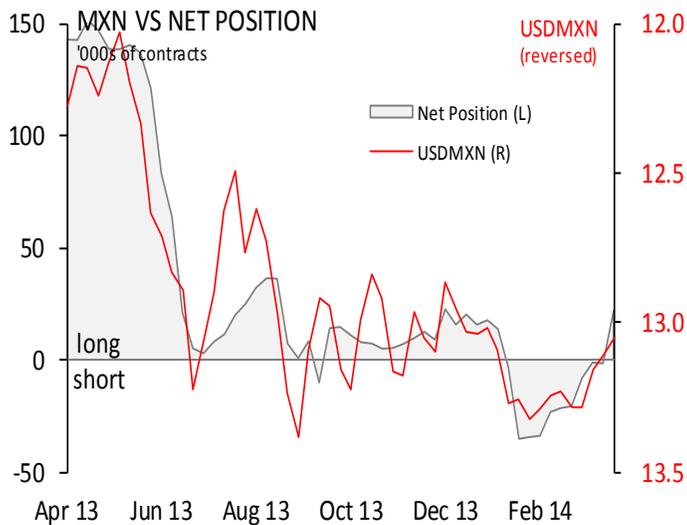
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 100,000 AUD				Open Int.
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	
1-Apr	-451	35,398	40,278	-4,880	15,647	93,999
25-Mar	-1,882	24,387	44,914	-20,527	3,936	84,232
18-Mar	-2,233	21,577	46,040	-24,463	16,387	81,737
11-Mar	-3,667	8,627	49,477	-40,850	258	122,241



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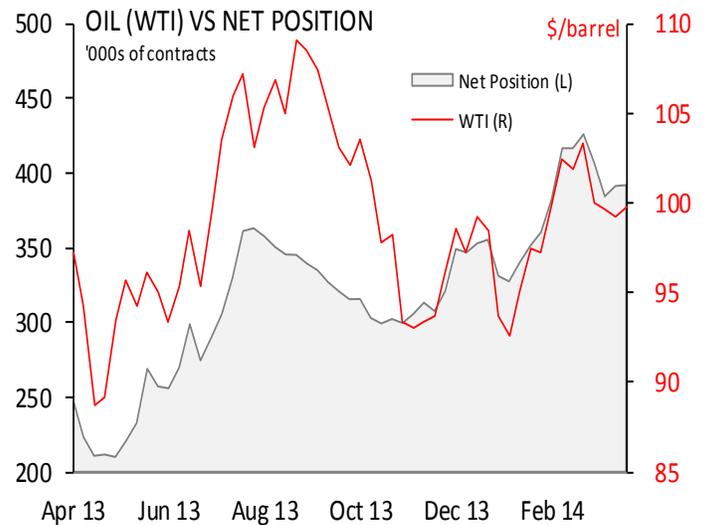
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 100,000 NZD				Open Int.
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	
1-Apr	1,596	25,765	7,285	18,480	267	32,313
25-Mar	1,562	26,243	8,030	18,213	2,462	32,748
18-Mar	1,358	24,645	8,894	15,751	1,302	31,463
11-Mar	1,224	21,155	6,706	14,449	1,017	31,905



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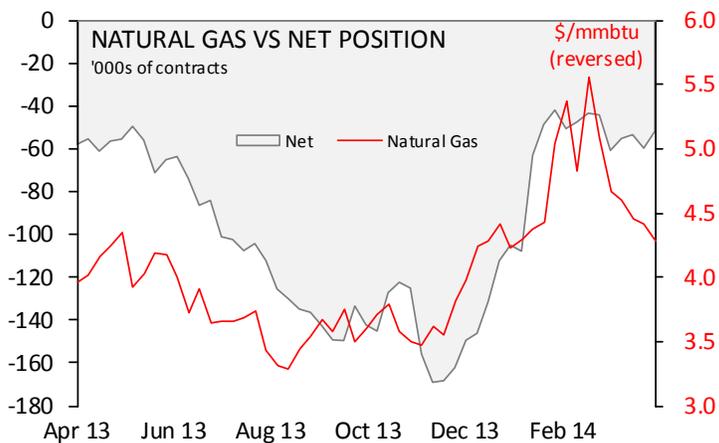
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 100,000 AUD				Open Int.
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	
1-Apr	835	49,893	28,109	21,784	23,438	145,270
25-Mar	-63	22,769	24,423	-1,654	-384	115,858
18-Mar	-48	19,320	20,590	-1,270	6,977	111,057
11-Mar	-310	12,739	20,986	-8,247	12,503	166,949



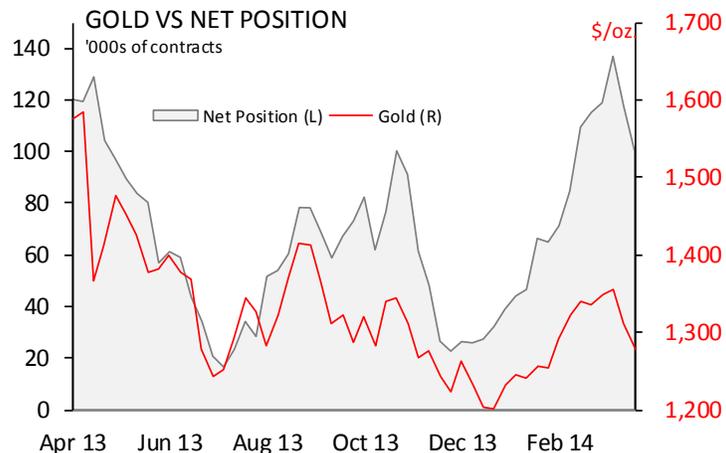
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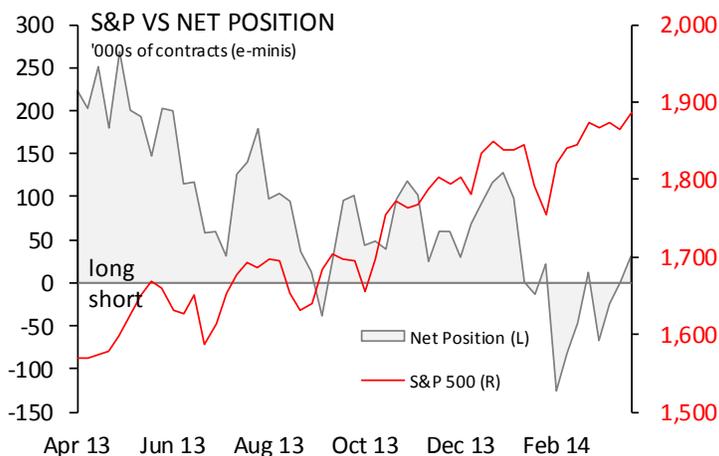
Date	(\$MM)	Position - Contracts of 1000 barrels				Open Int.
	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	
1-Apr	39,076	502,389	110,606	391,783	609	1,644,507
25-Mar	38,801	498,080	106,906	391,174	6,889	1,604,566
18-Mar	38,313	492,620	108,335	384,285	-22,547	1,623,266
11-Mar	40,695	511,076	104,244	406,832	-18,986	1,697,240



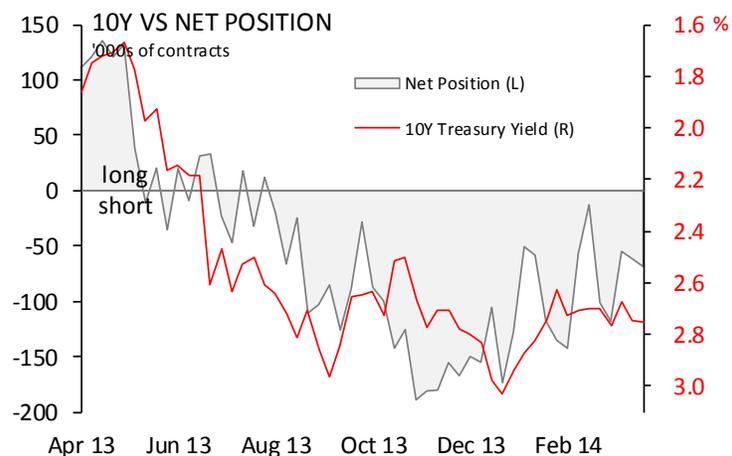
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