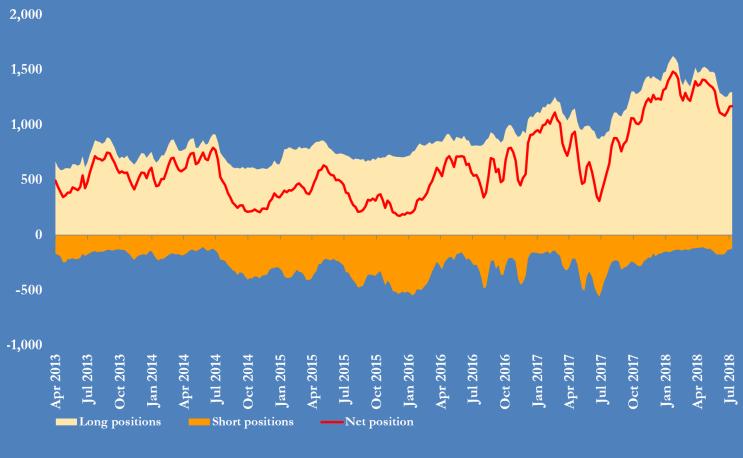
# CFTC and ICE commitments of traders reports Selected indicators

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Data for the week ending 10 Jul 2018

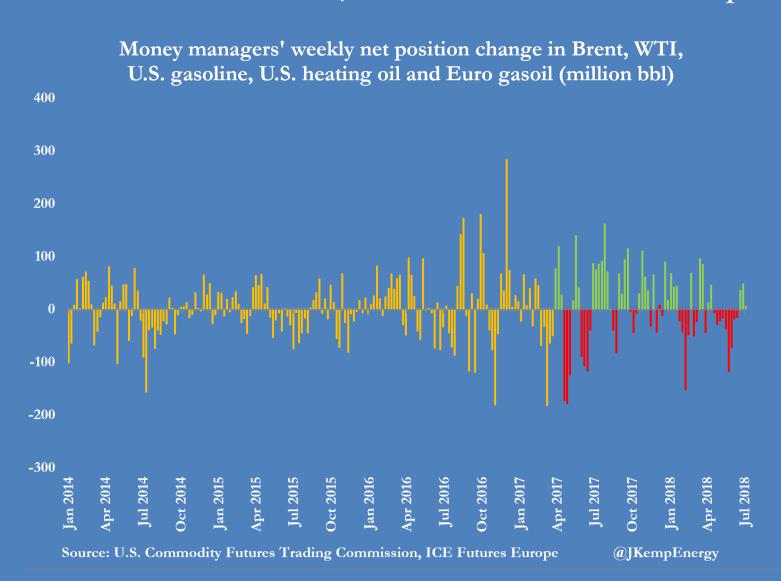
Hedge funds raised net long position in petroleum complex by +6 million bbl to 1,170 million bbl (longs +1mn, shorts -5mn)

Money managers' total long and short positions in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and European gasoil (million bbl)



Source: U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, ICE Futures Europe

Hedge funds raised net long position in petroleum by +6 million bbl, third consecutive increase, but much smaller than in two prior weeks



### Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in petroleum rose to 10.35 from 9.95 the prior week but still well below record 13.95 on Apr 17

Ratio of money manager long to short positions in petroleum (Brent+WTI+gasoline+heating oil+ gasoil) (log-scale)



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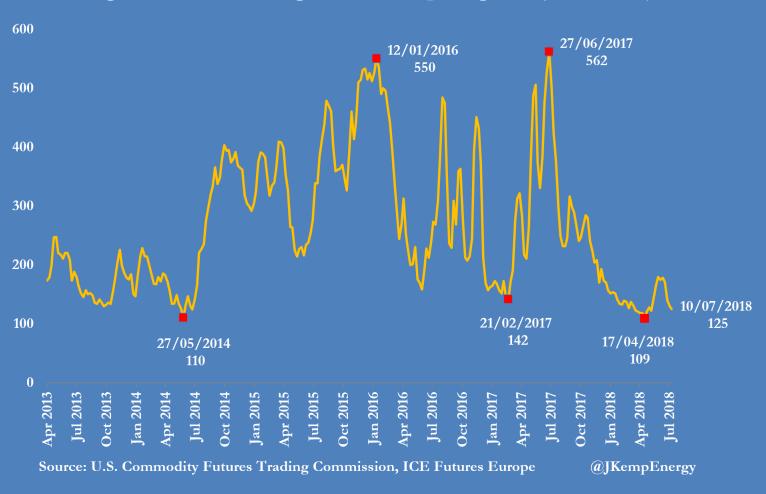
#### Hedge funds raised total long positions in petroleum by +1 million bbl to 1,295 million bbl

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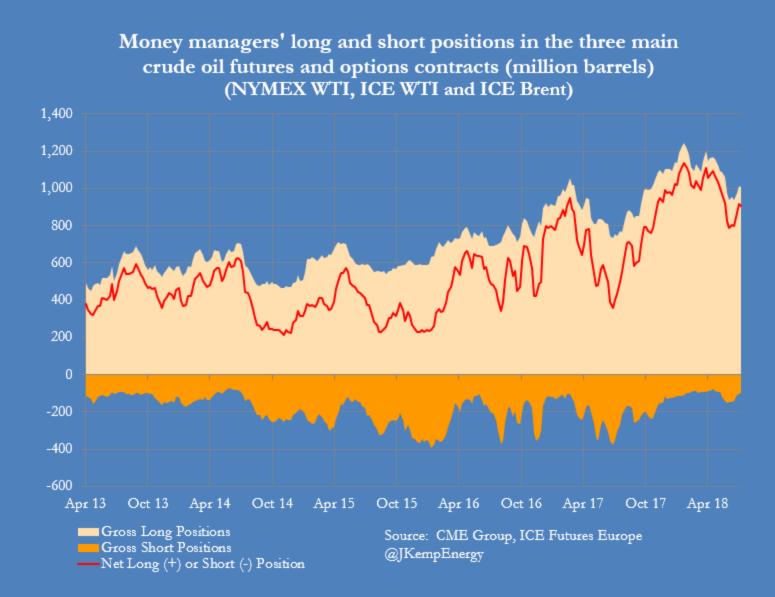


Hedge funds cut short positions in petroleum complex by -5 million bbl to 125 million

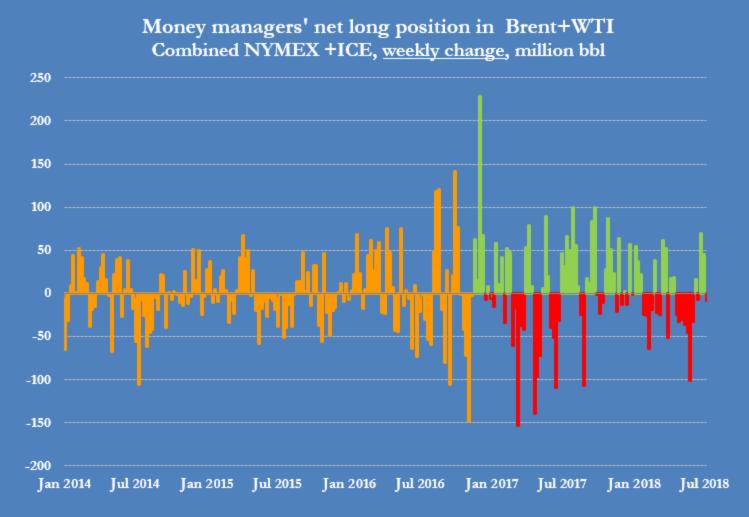
Money managers' total short positions in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and European gasoil (million bbl)



### Hedge funds cut combined net long position in Brent+WTI by -9 million bbl to 906 million (longs -10mn, shorts -1mn)

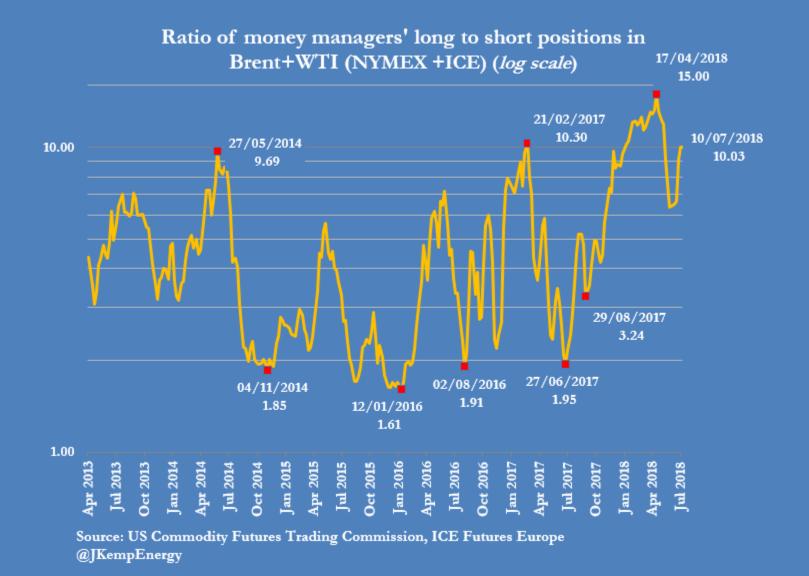


Hedge funds cut Brent+WTI net long position by -9 million bbl after raising it by +115 million bbl in two previous weeks

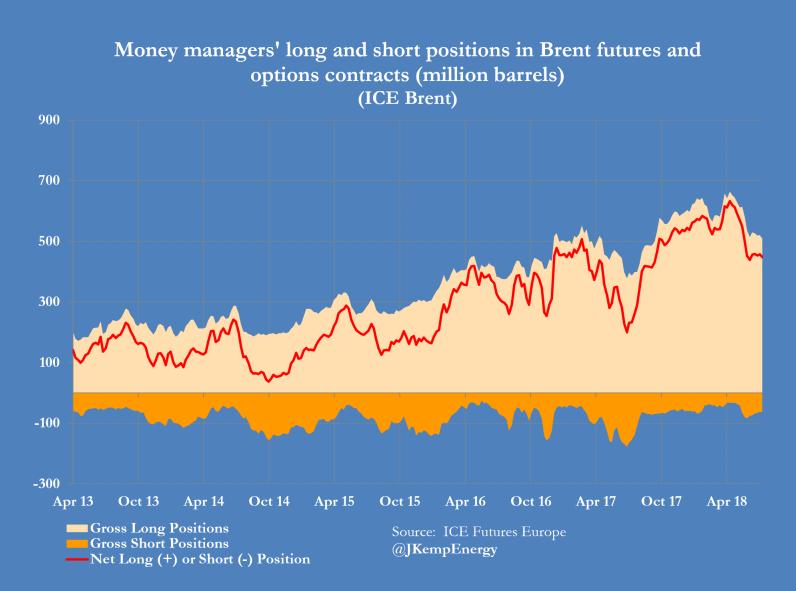


Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission, ICE Futures Europe @JKempEnergy

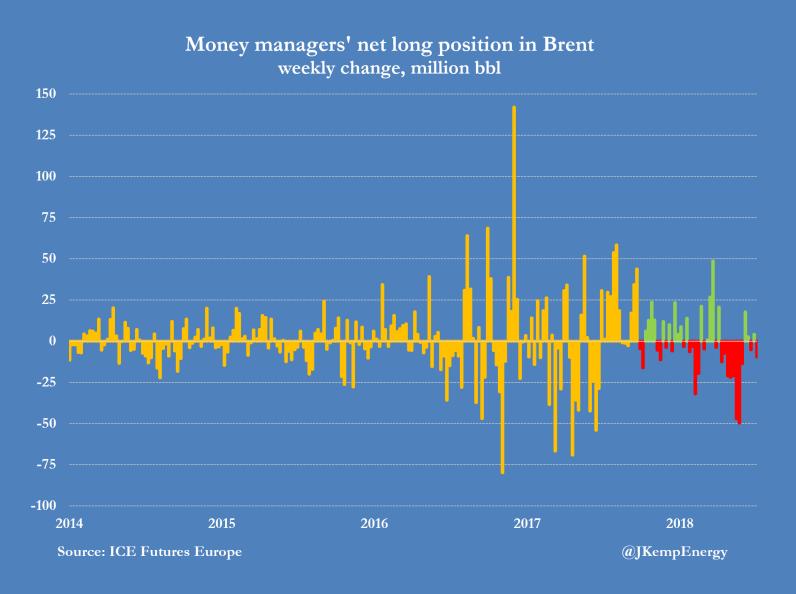
Hedge funds' ratio of long to short positions in Brent+WTI edged down to 10.03 from 10.04 prior week and still well below record 15.00 on Apr 17



# Hedge funds cut net long position in ICE Brent by -10 million bbl to 448 million bbl (longs -11mn, shorts -1mn)



# Hedge funds' cut net position in Brent by -10 million bbl in week to Jun 10 and have reduced net position in 10 of last 13 weeks



# Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in Brent continues to creep higher on light short covering

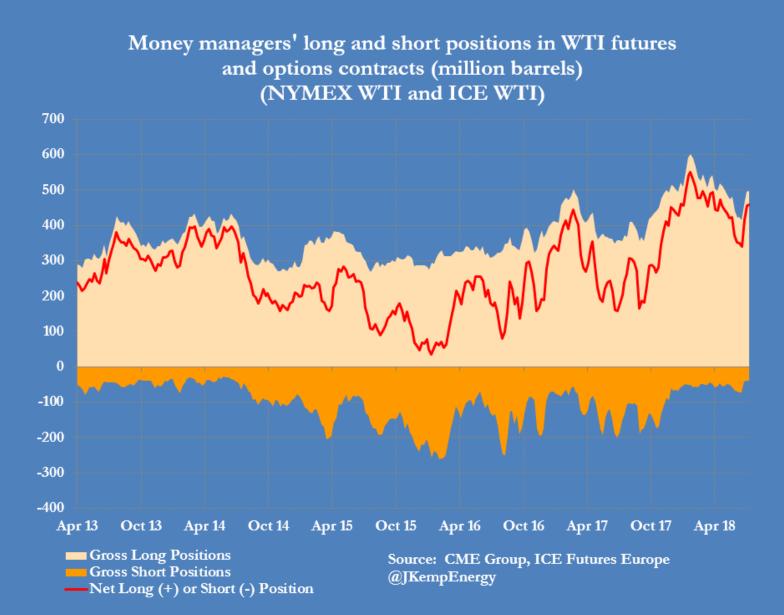




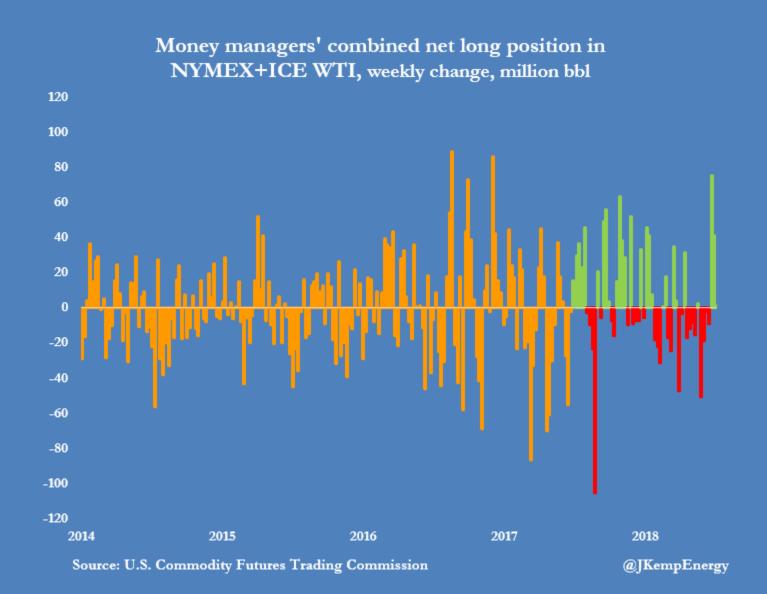
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Hedge funds raised net long position in NYMEX+ICE WTI by +1 million bbl to 458 million (longs +1mn, shorts +1mn)

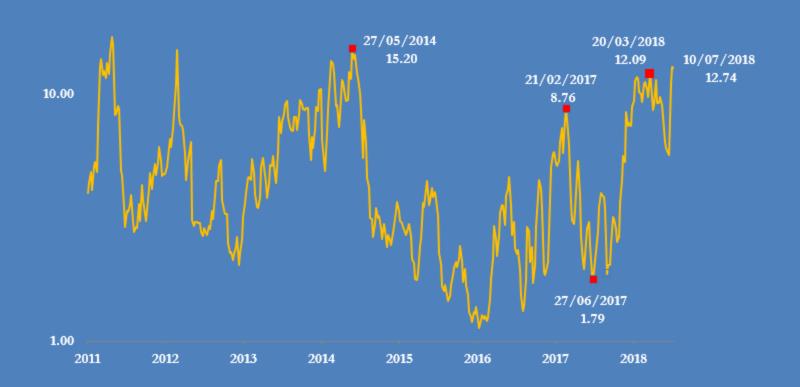


### Hedge funds have raised net long position in NYMEX+ICE WTI by +117 million bbl in the last three weeks



Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in NYMEX+ICE WTI edged down to 12.74 from 12.88 the prior week, which was highest since 2014

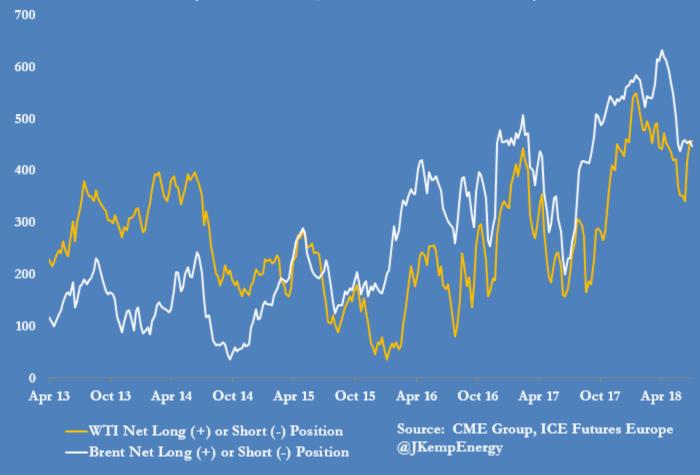
> Ratio of money managers' long to short positions in NYMEX and ICE WTI (log scale)



Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Hedge funds now have larger net long position in WTI than Brent for first time since Jun 2015

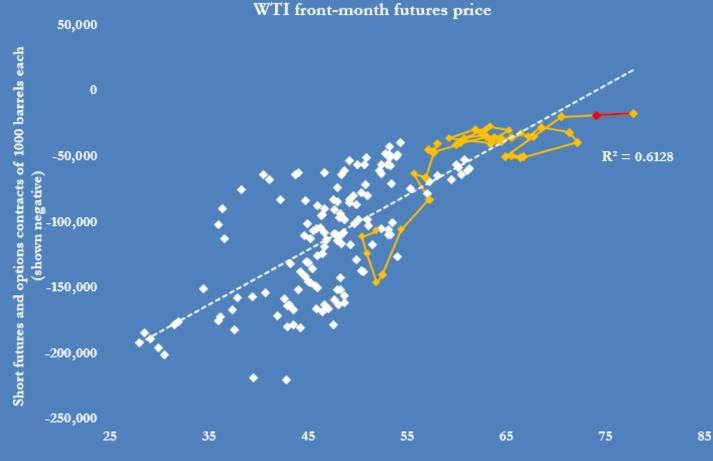
Money managers' net long (+) or short (-) positions in WTI and Brent futures and options (million barrels)
(NYMEX WTI, ICE WTI and ICE Brent)



# Hedge funds raised short positions in NYMEX WTI by +1 million bbl to 18 million bbl, still lowest since Feb 2012

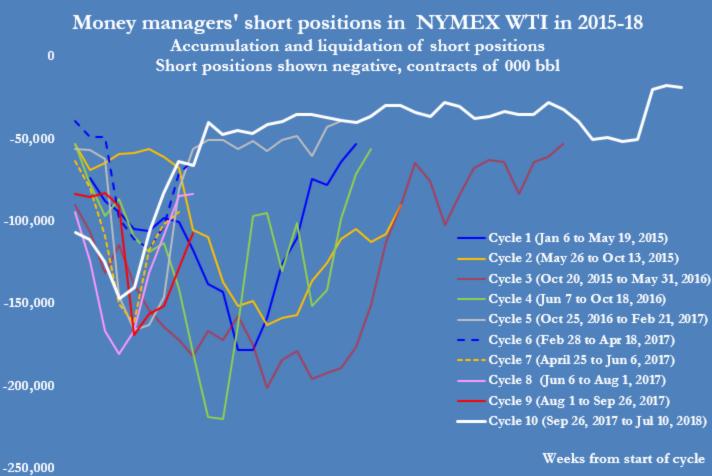
US\$/bbl





Sources: CFTC, NYMEX, @JKempEnergy Current value highlighted in red, prior value in orange

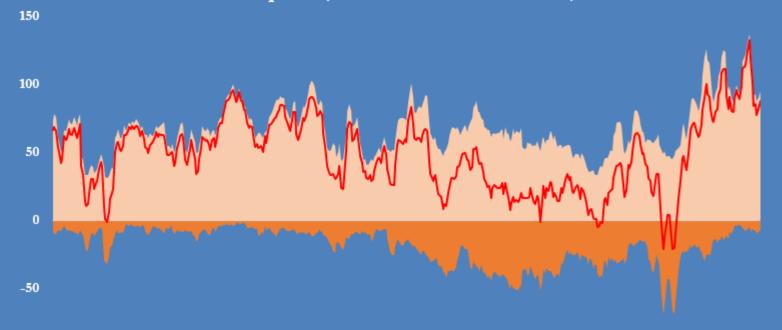
### Hedge funds have reduced short positions in NYMEX WTI to lowest level for over six years



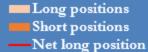
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Source: U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission @JKempEnergy Hedge funds raised net long position in NYMEX gasoline by +6 million bbl to 88 million bbl (longs +5mn, shorts -1mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in New York gasoline futures and options, NYMEX RBOB contract, million barrels



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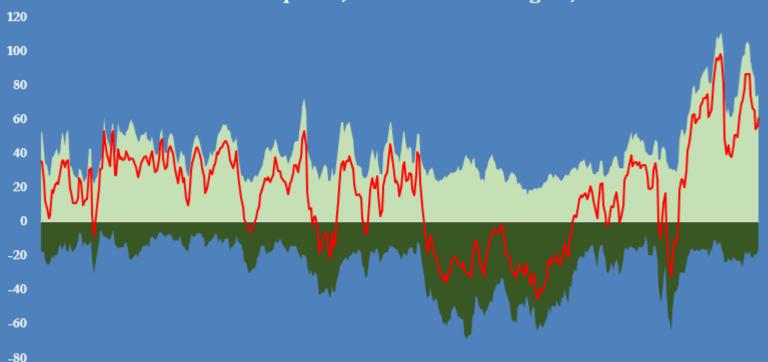
Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in gasoline rose to 13.19 from 10.75 prior week but well below recent high of 29.67 on May 22

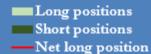


### Hedge funds raised net long position in NYMEX heating oil by +5 million bbl to 61 million bbl (longs +2mn, shorts -3mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in New York heating oil futures and options, NYMEX #2 heating oil, million barrels



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Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in heating oil rose to 5.05 from 4.15 the prior week and a recent low of 3.79 on Jun 26

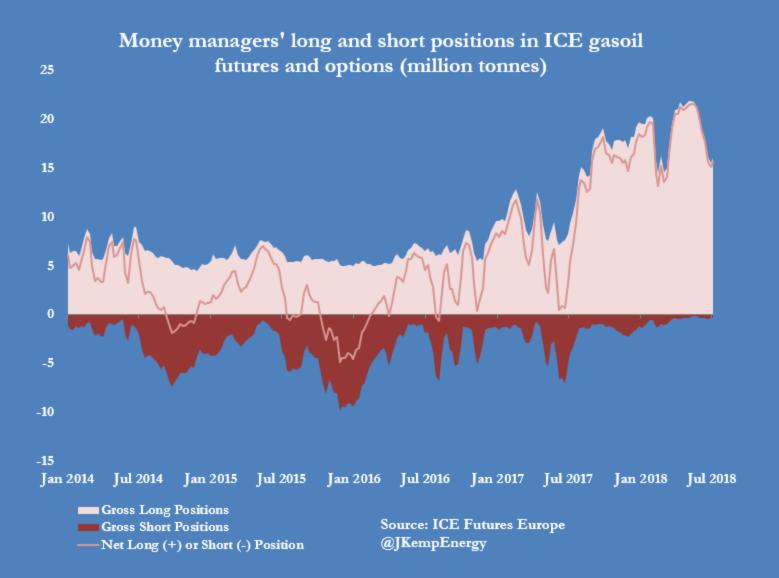
Ratio of money managers' long to short positions in New York #2 heating oil futures and options (log scale)



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Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission @JKempEnergy

Hedge funds raised net long position in ICE gasoil by +0.53 million tonnes to 15.65 million tonnes (longs +0.52mn, shorts -0.01mn)



Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in gasoil rose to 43.91 from 41.31 the prior week but still far below record 128.78 on May 22

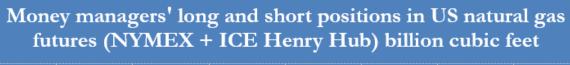
Ratio of money managers' long and short positions in ICE gasoil futures and options (log scale)

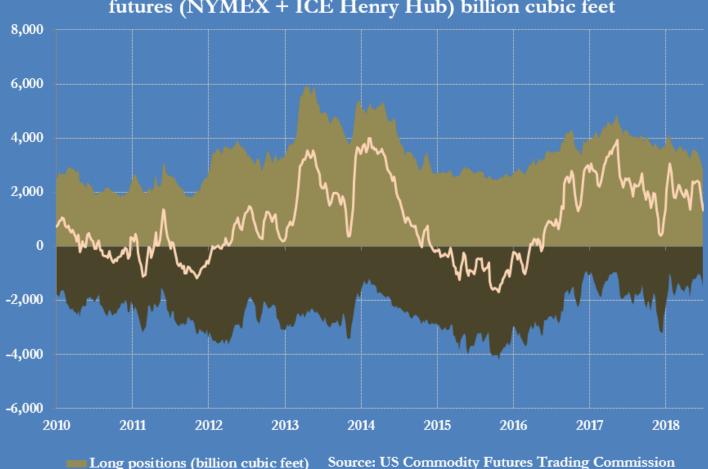


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Source: ICE Futures Europe

Hedge funds cut combined net long position in NYMEX+ICE U.S. gas by -367 bcf to 1,337 bcf (longs -153 bcf, shorts +214 bcf)





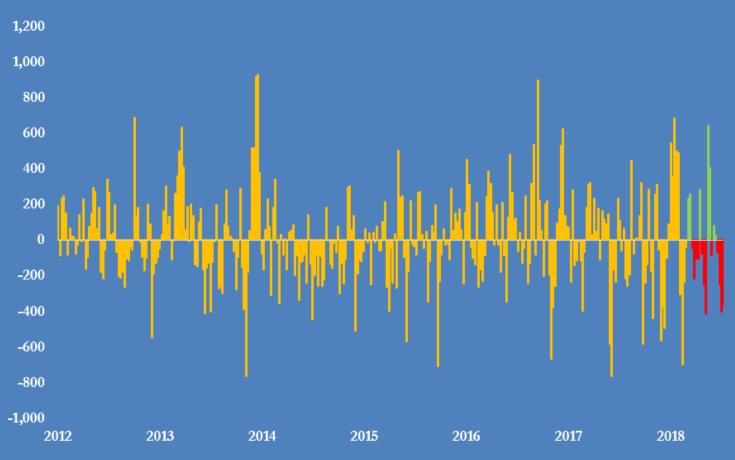
Long positions (billion cubic feet)
Short positions (billion cubic feet)

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-Net position (billion cubic feet)

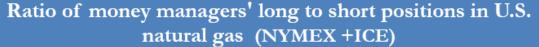
Hedge funds have cut net long position in U.S. natural gas by -1,087 bcf in four most recent weeks

Money managers' net long position in U.S. natural gas Combined NYMEX + ICE contracts, weekly change, billion cubic feet



Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission @JKempEnergy

Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in U.S. gas fell to 1.89 from 2.33 the prior week and recent high of 3.31 on Jun 19





Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission @JKempEnergy