

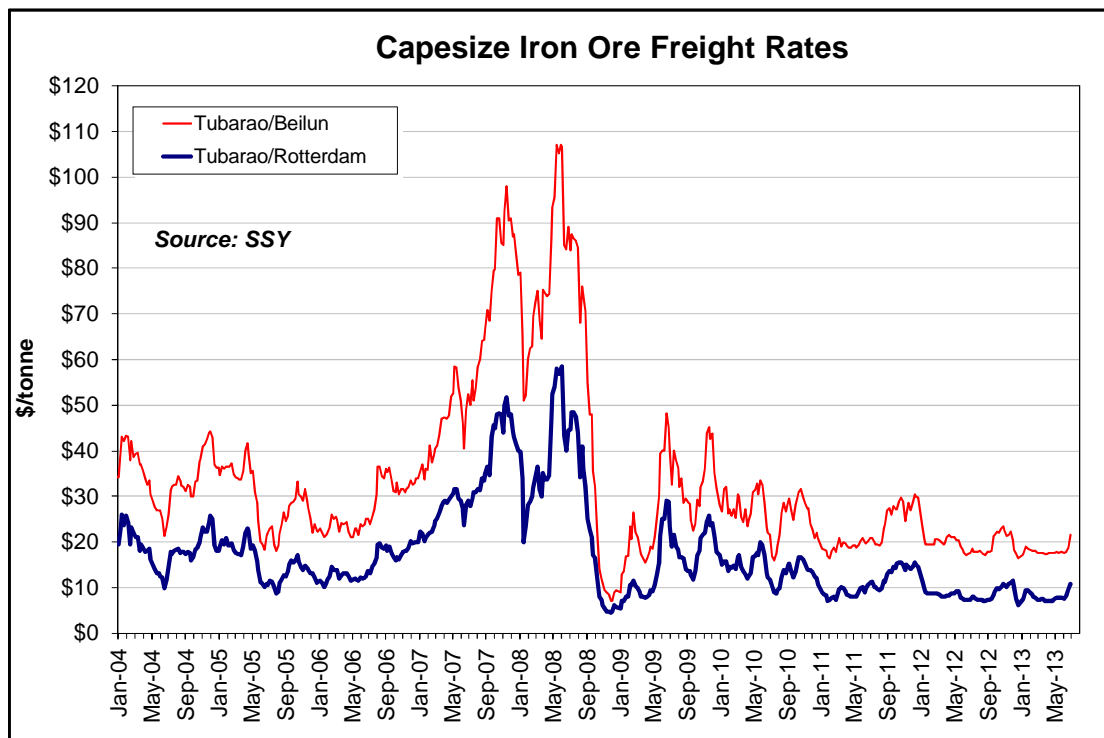
## CAPE SIZE/PANAMAX MARKET UPDATE (1 July 2013)

Average earnings for Capesize vessels climbed above \$15,000/day for the first time since early December 2012, having been below \$6,000/day as recently as 11 June. This is also a marked contrast from this point last year when the average was just under \$4,000/day.

Capesize chartering activity has been concentrated in the Atlantic, with the highest number of fixtures since November 2012 involving iron ore shipments from Brazil into Asia reported to the Baltic Exchange in June. Due to their long duration these voyages are particularly beneficial to Capesize tonne-mile demand. This activity has been supplemented by spot iron ore fixing from Western Australia and coal chartering from Australia's East Coast as well as from South Africa.

Cape spot voyage rates from Tubarao to Rotterdam and Qingdao both rose to their highest levels since December last year, standing at \$10.90/t and \$18.80/t, respectively.

Upward momentum has also returned to the Panamax sector, albeit at a far more moderate pace. Average vessel earnings have risen to a two-month high of \$8,064/day. Spot coal rates from Colombia to Rotterdam finished the week \$0.40/t higher at \$13.85/t.



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