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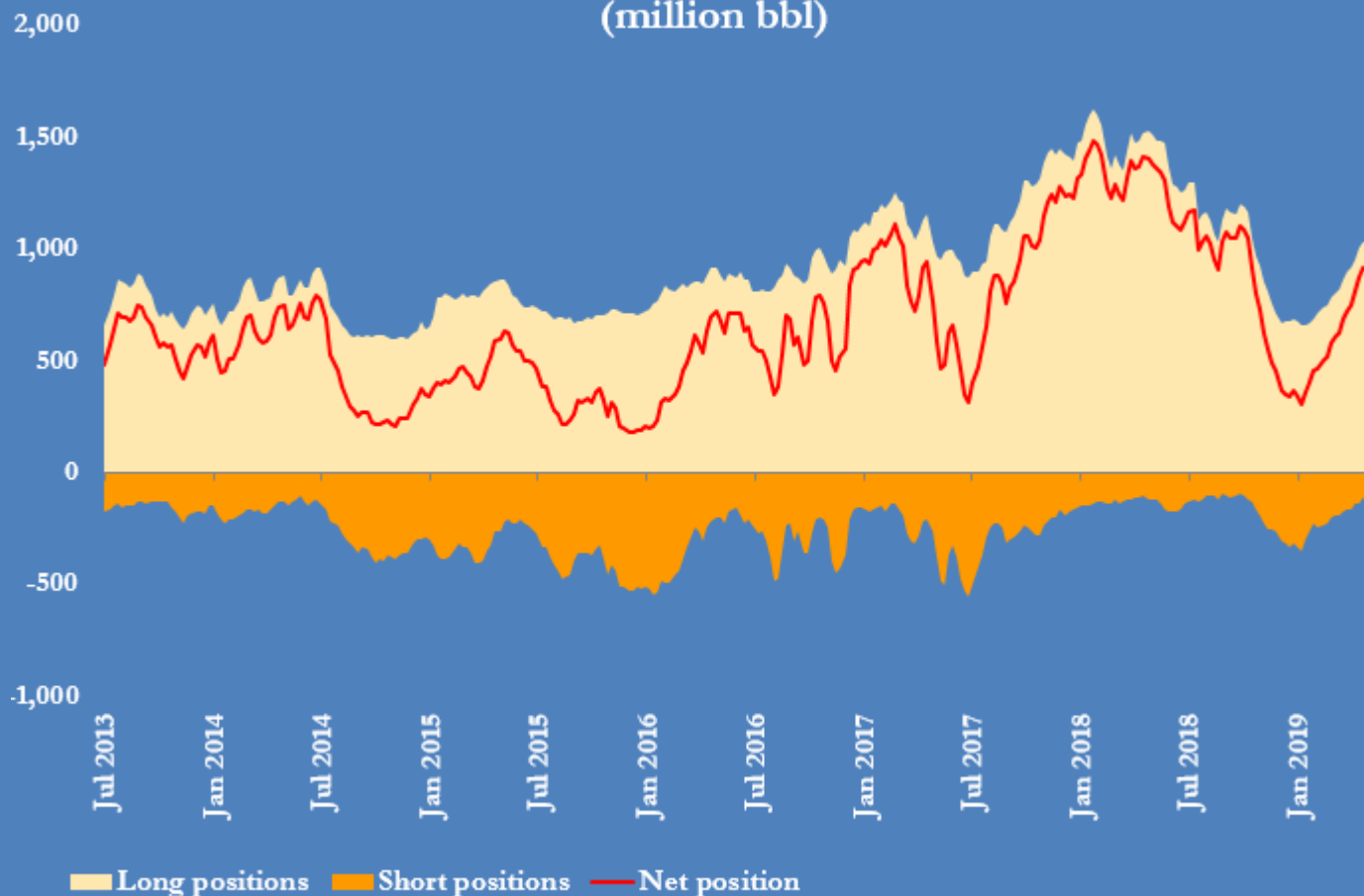
Selected indicators

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Data for the week ending 7 May 2019

Hedge funds cut net long position in petroleum complex by -25 million bbl to 869 million bbl (longs -15mn, shorts +10mn)

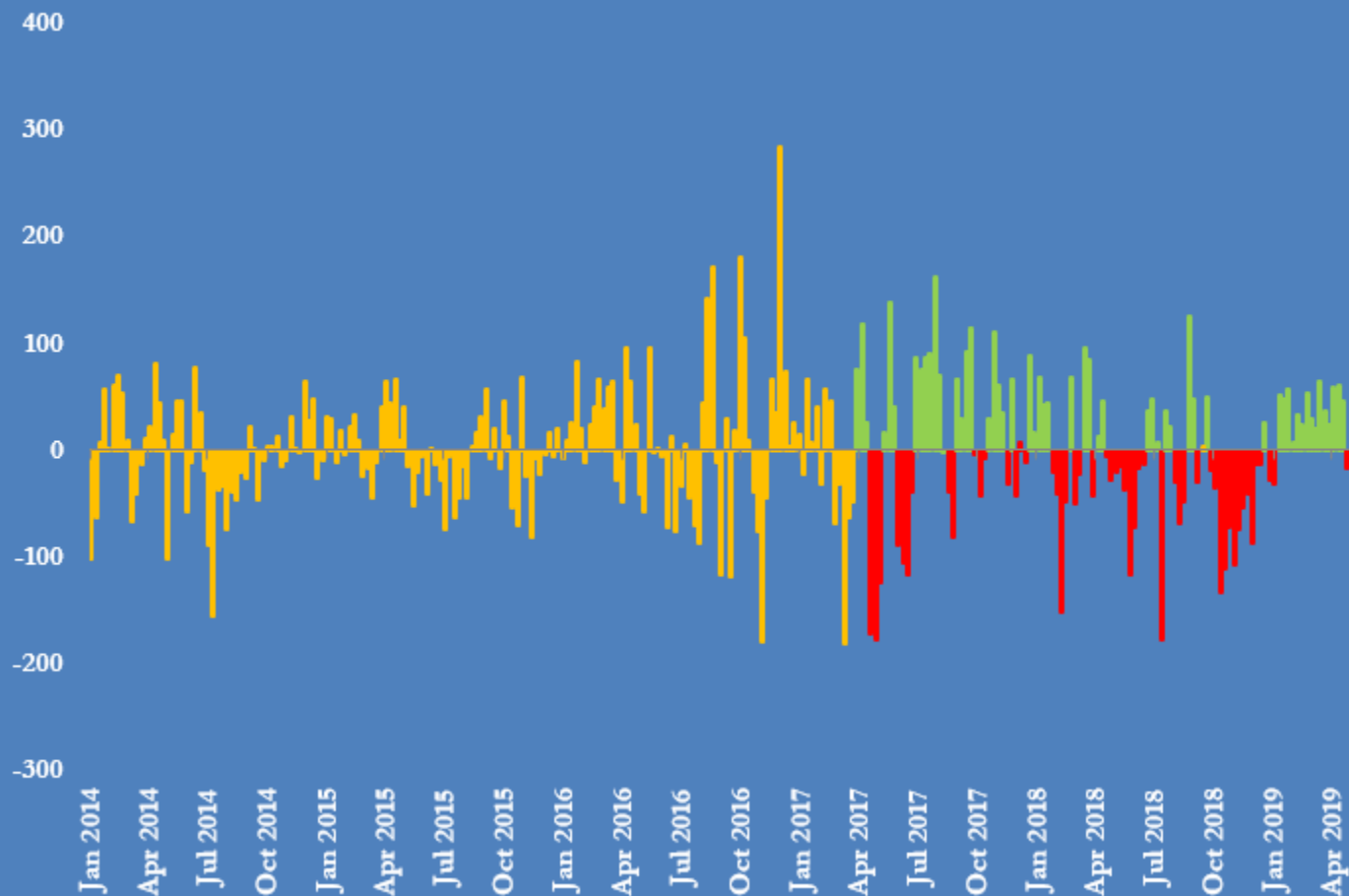
Money managers' total long and short positions in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and European gasoil (million bbl)



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

Hedge funds have cut net long position in petroleum by -42 million bbl in last two weeks after raising it +609 million bbl in previous 15 weeks

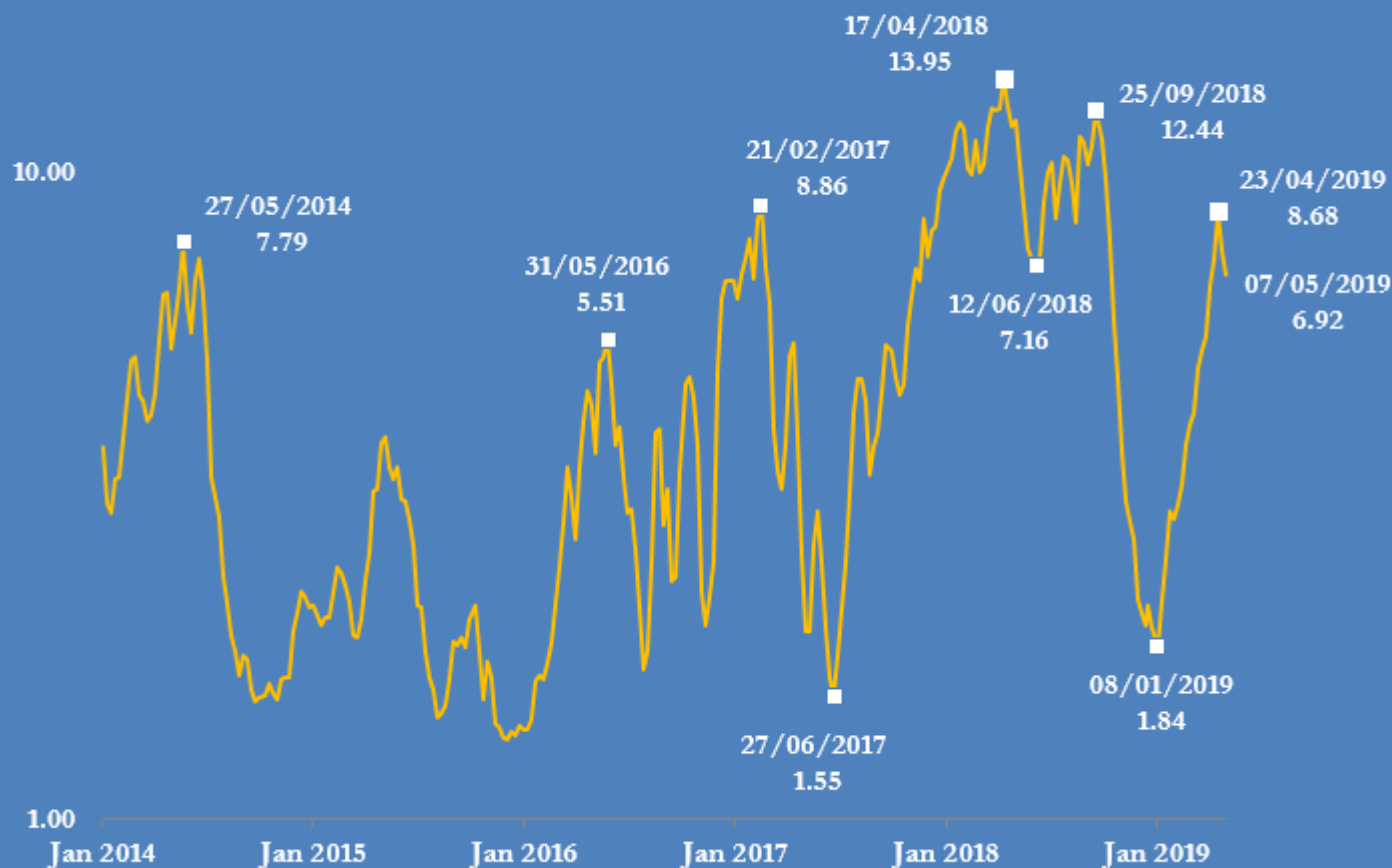
Money managers' weekly net position change in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and Euro gasoil (million bbl)



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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in petroleum fell to 6.92 from 7.55 the prior week and a recent high of 8.68 on Apr 23

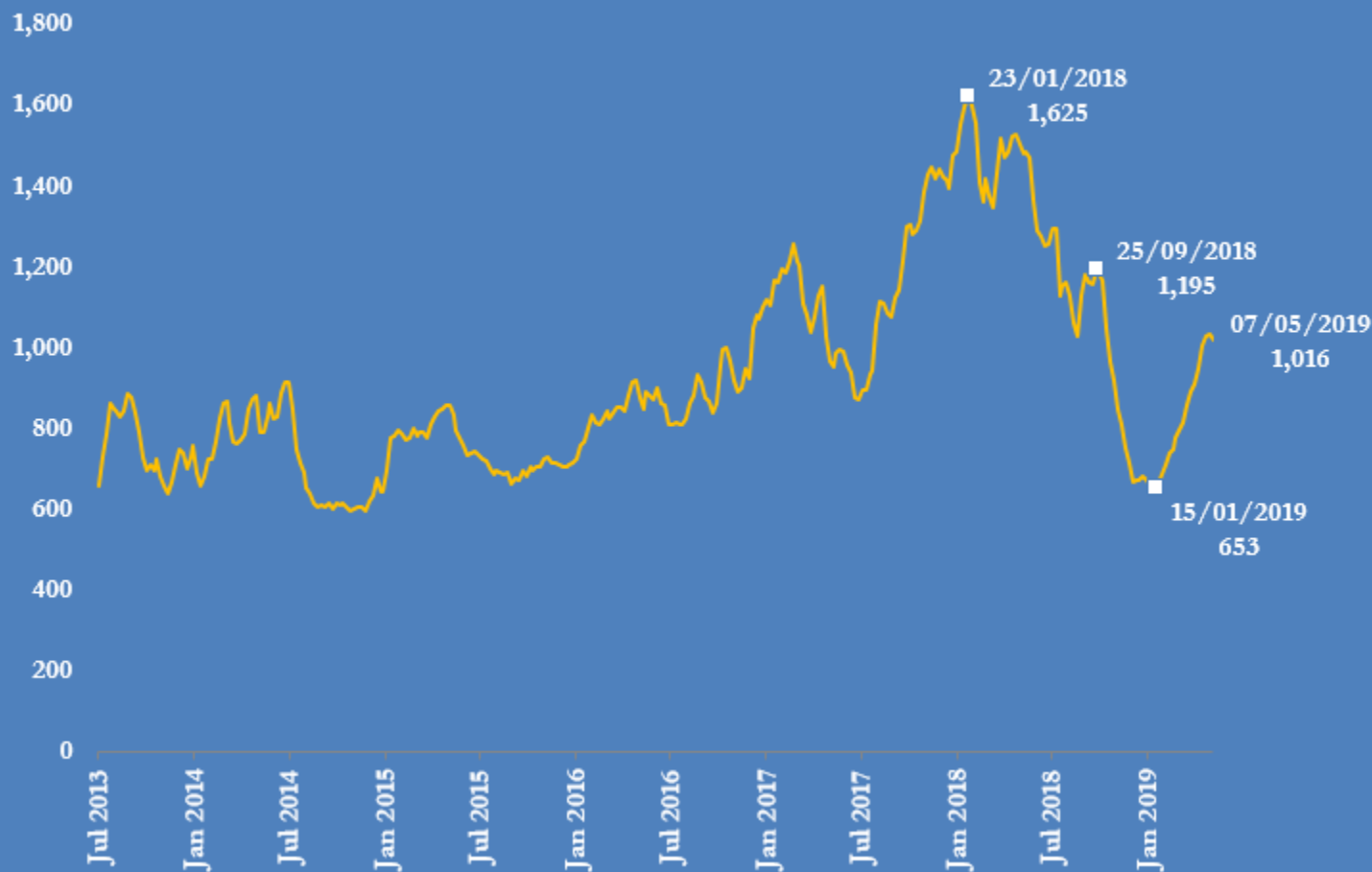
Ratio of money manager long to short positions in petroleum
(Brent+WTI+gasoline+heating oil+ gasoil) (*log-scale*)



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Hedge funds cut total long positions in petroleum by -15 million bbl to 1,016 million bbl

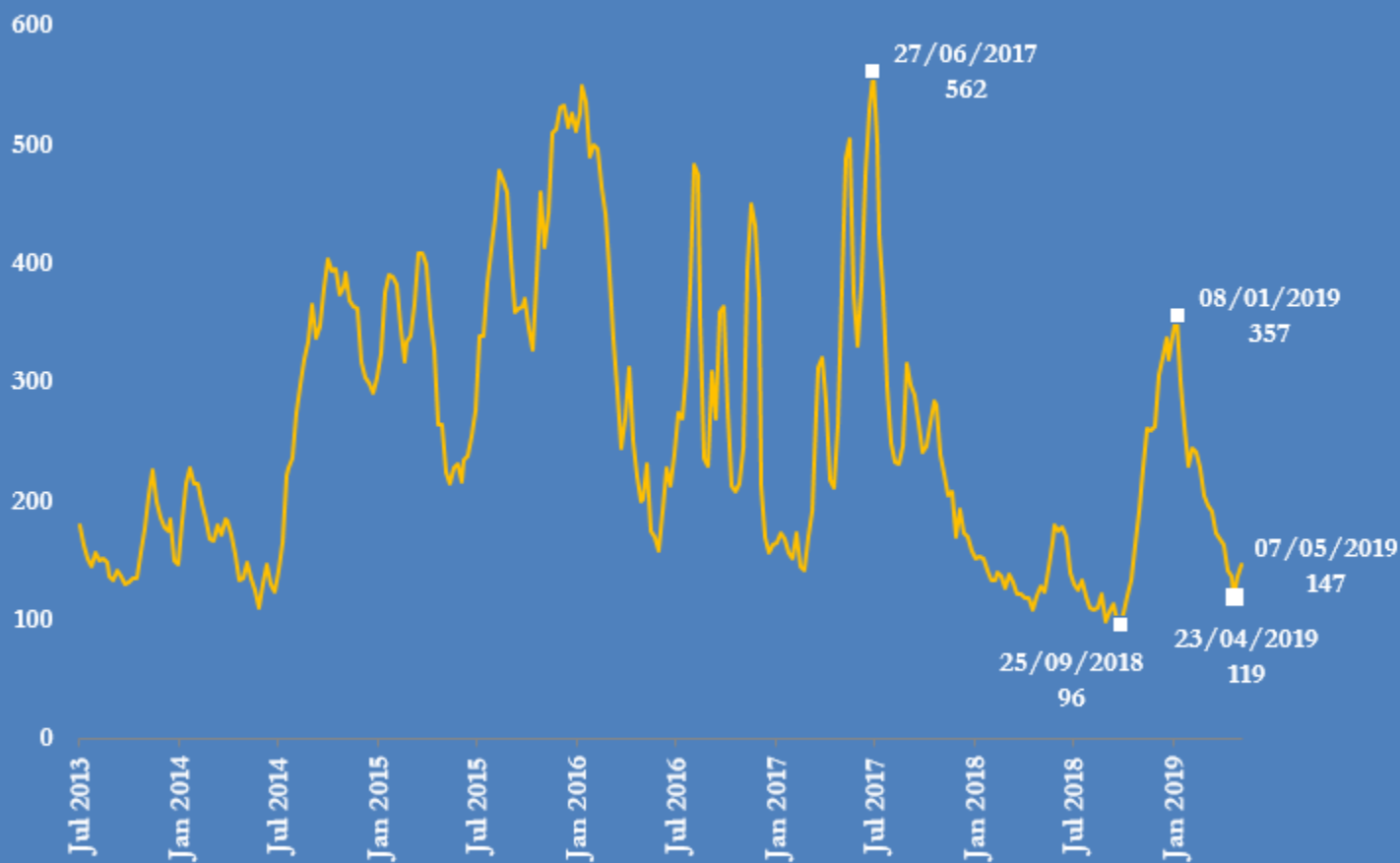
Money managers' total long positions in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and European gasoil (million bbl)



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Hedge funds raised short positions in petroleum complex to 147 million bbl from a recent low of 119 million bbl on Apr 23

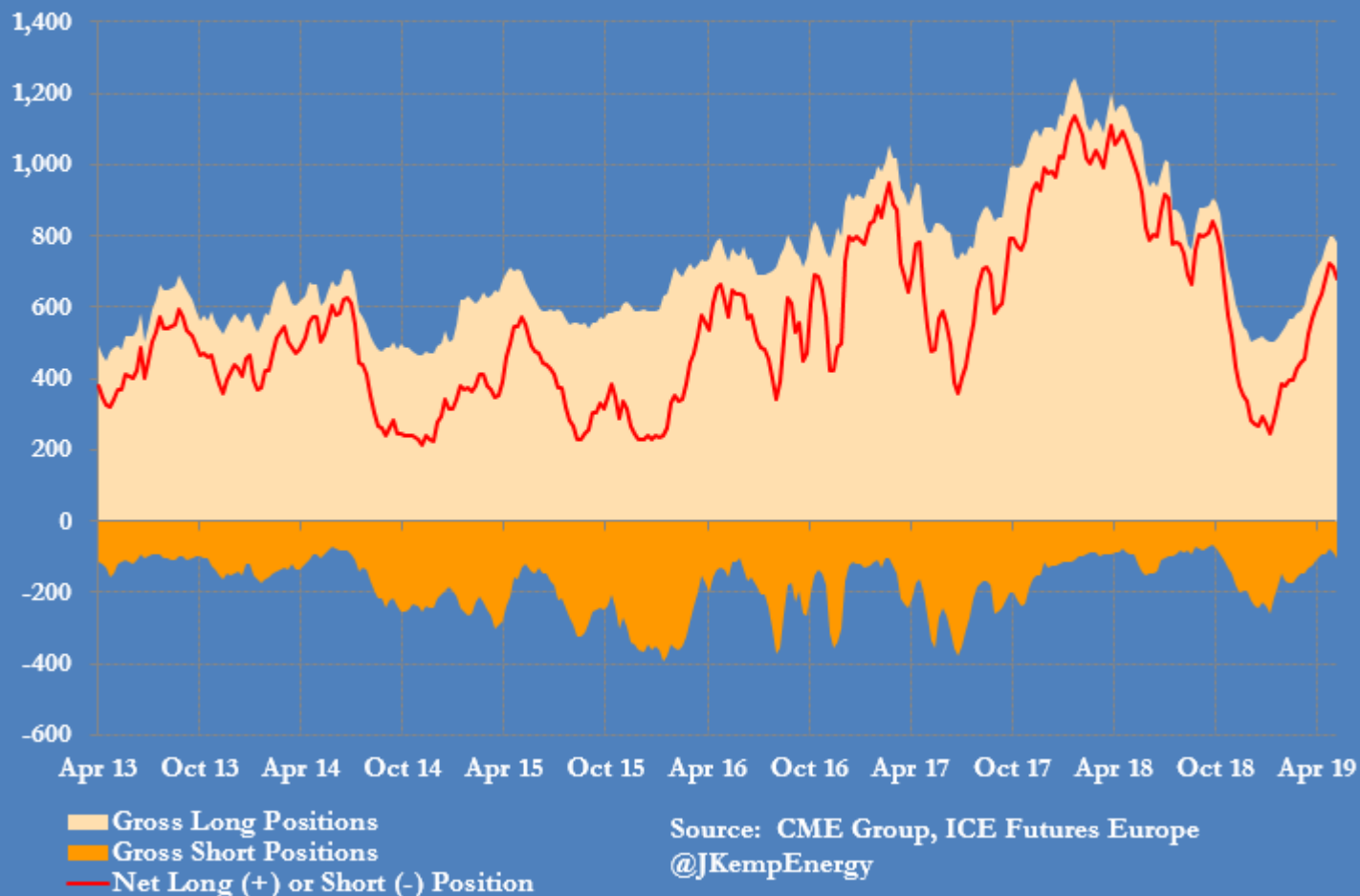
Money managers' total short positions in Brent, WTI, U.S. gasoline, U.S. heating oil and European gasoil (million bbl)



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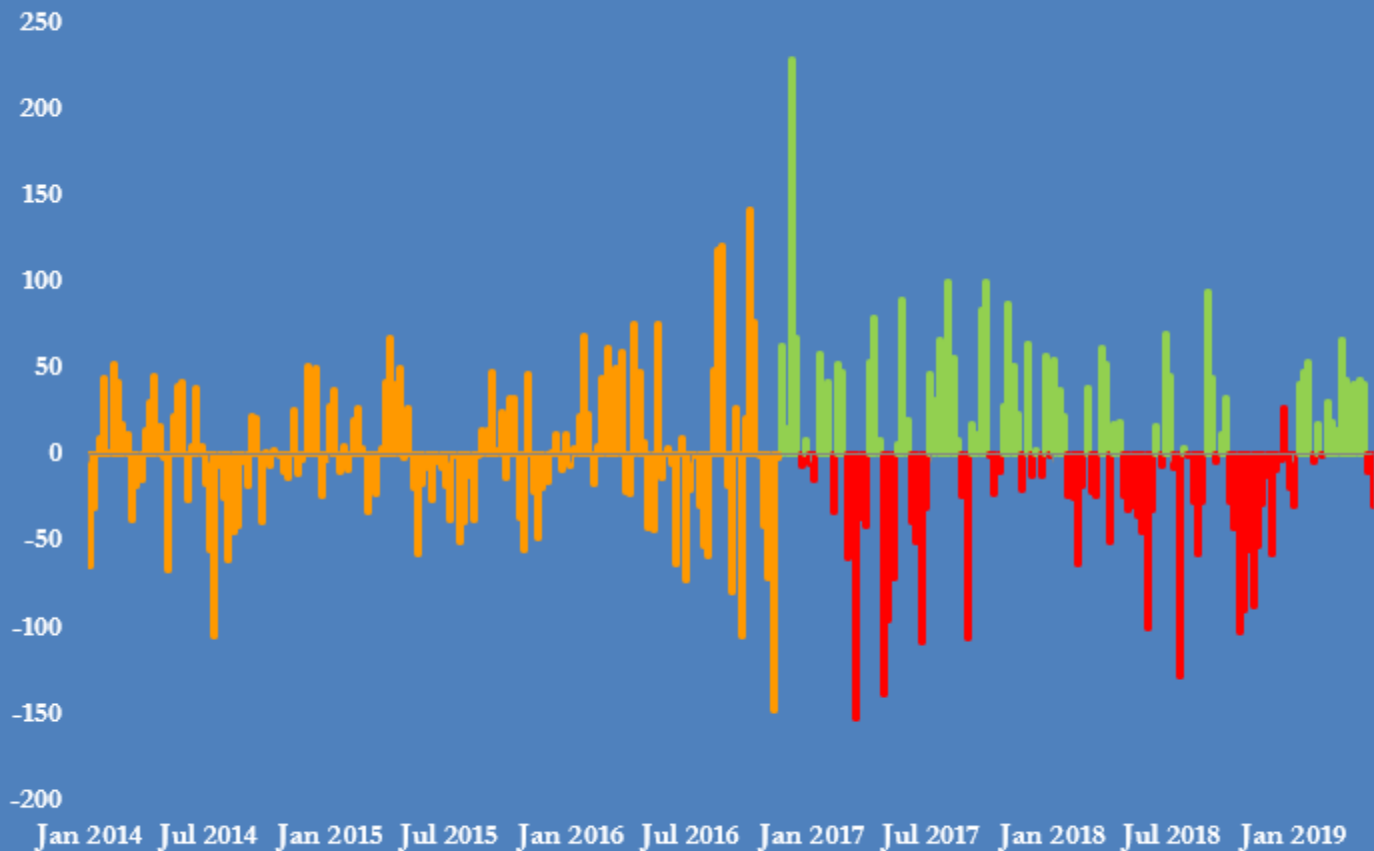
Hedge funds cut combined net long position in Brent+WTI by -31 million bbl to 682 million bbl (longs -16mn, shorts +15mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in the three main crude oil futures and options contracts (million barrels)
(NYMEX WTI, ICE WTI and ICE Brent)



Hedge funds have cut Brent+WTI net long position by -41 million bbl in last two weeks, after raising it by +480 million bbl over prior 15 weeks

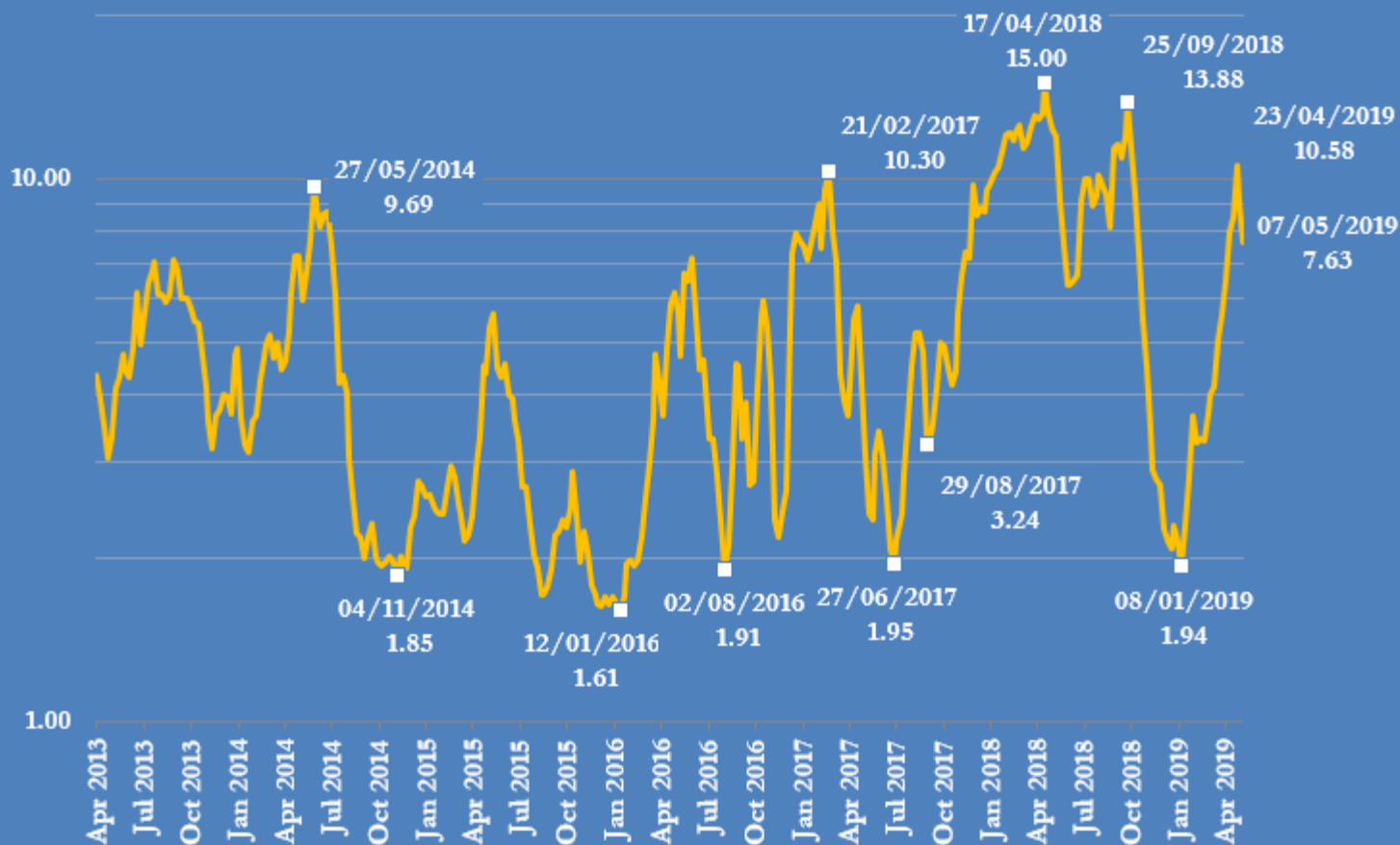
Money managers' net long position in Brent+WTI
Combined NYMEX +ICE, weekly change, million bbl



Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission, ICE Futures Europe
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Hedge funds' ratio of long to short positions in Brent+WTI fell to 7.63 from 9.08 the previous week and a recent high of 10.58 on Apr 23

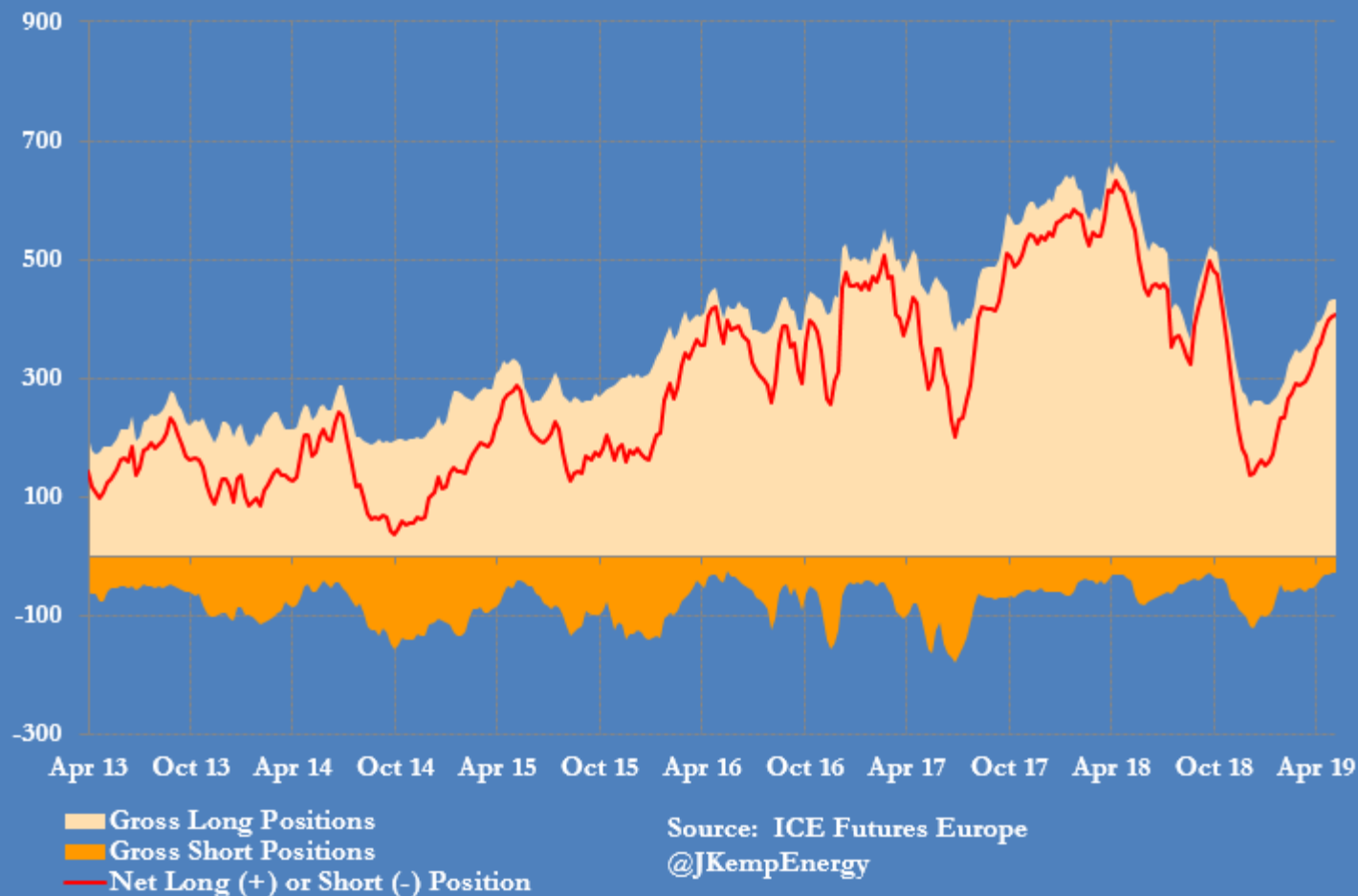
Ratio of money managers' long to short positions in Brent+WTI (NYMEX +ICE) (*semi-log scale*)



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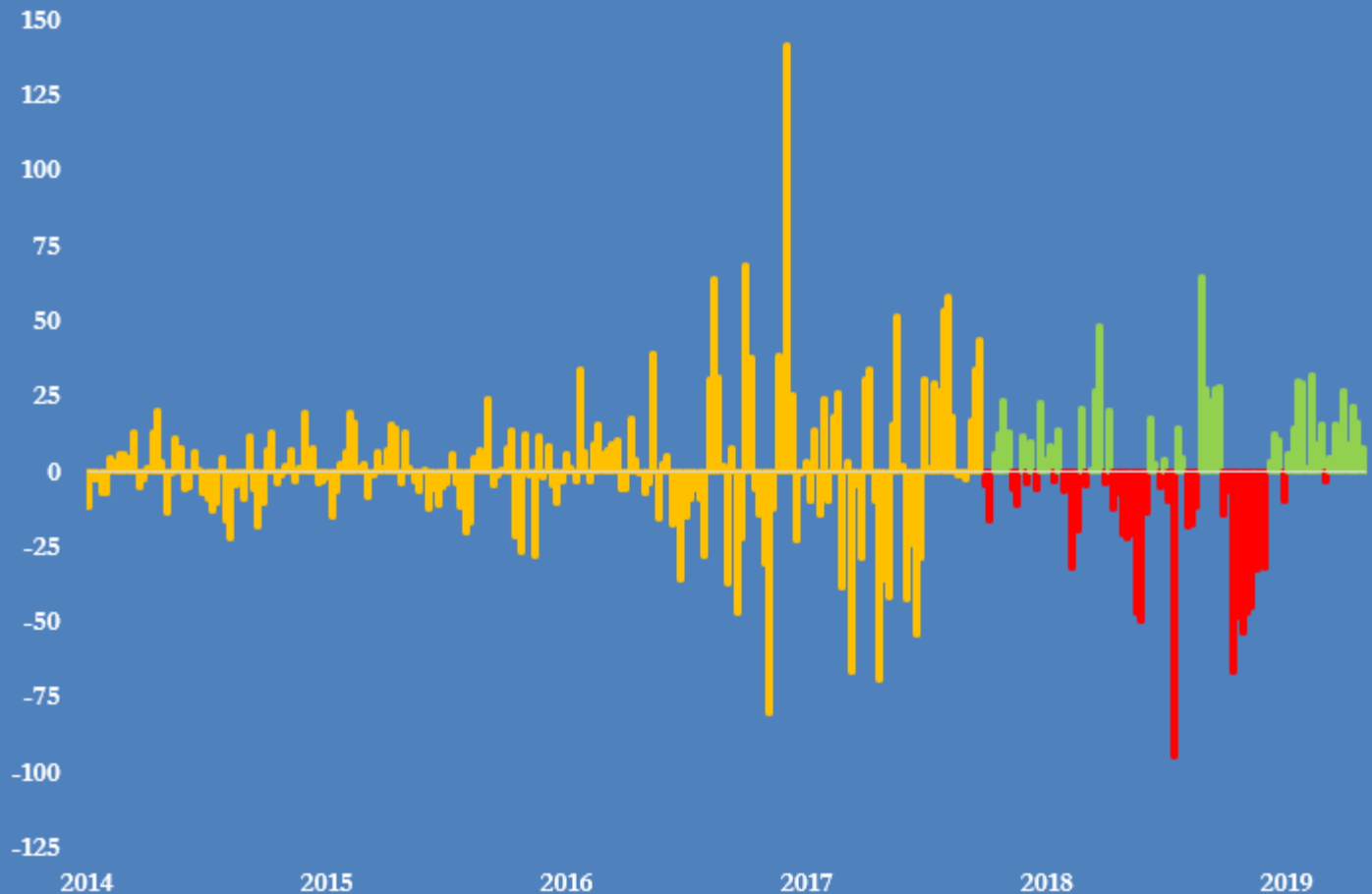
Hedge funds raised net long position in ICE Brent by +2 million bbl to 406 million bbl (longs unchanged, shorts -1mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in Brent futures and options contracts (million barrels)
(ICE Brent)



Hedge funds have raised net long position in Brent in 20 out of the last 22 weeks by a total of +270 million bbl since Dec 11

Money managers' net long position in Brent
weekly change, million bbl



Source: ICE Futures Europe

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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in Brent rose to 15.55 from 14.84 the prior week and a recent low of just 2.15 on Dec 11

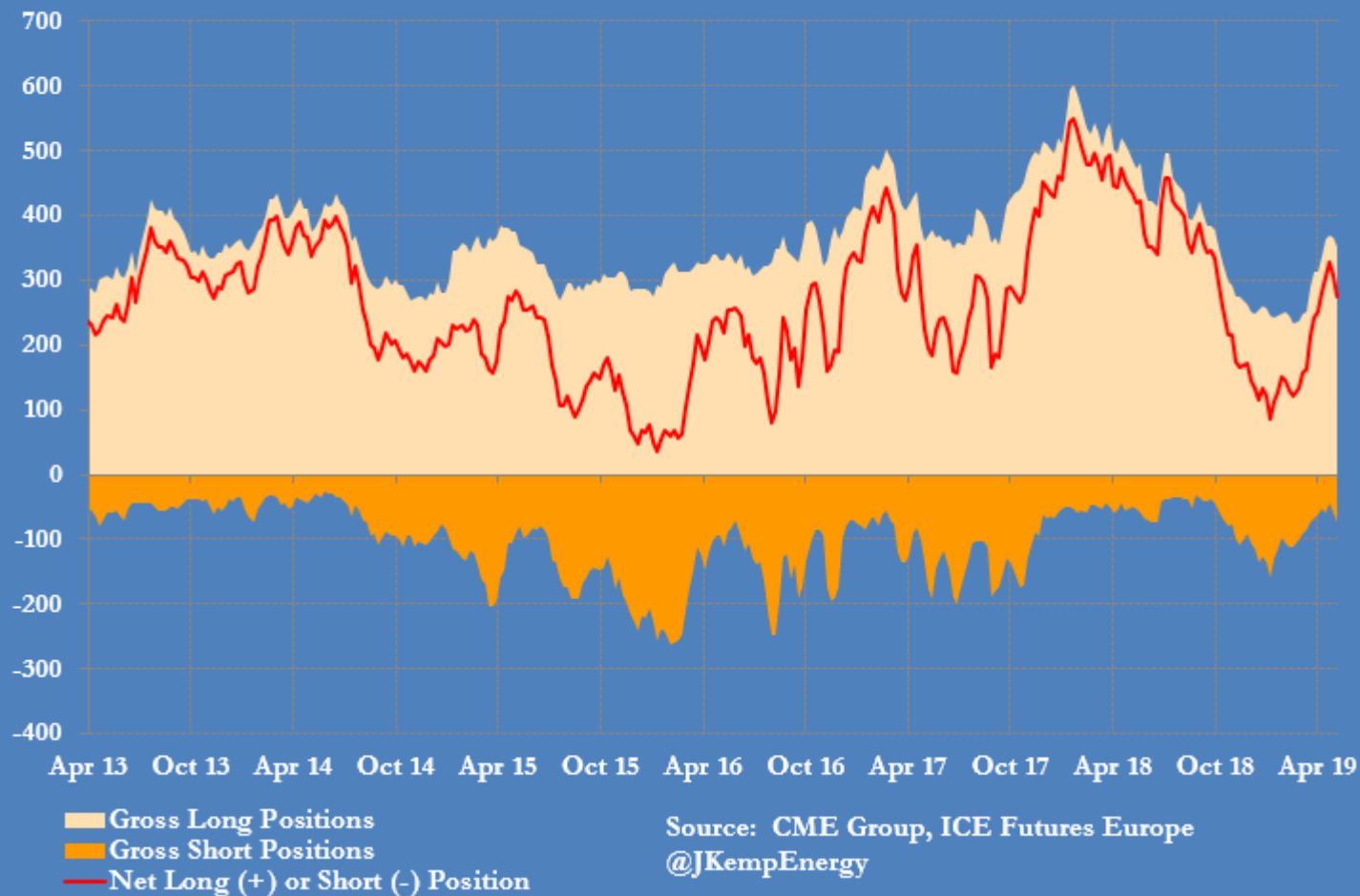
Ratio of money managers' long to short positions
in ICE Brent (*semi-log scale*)



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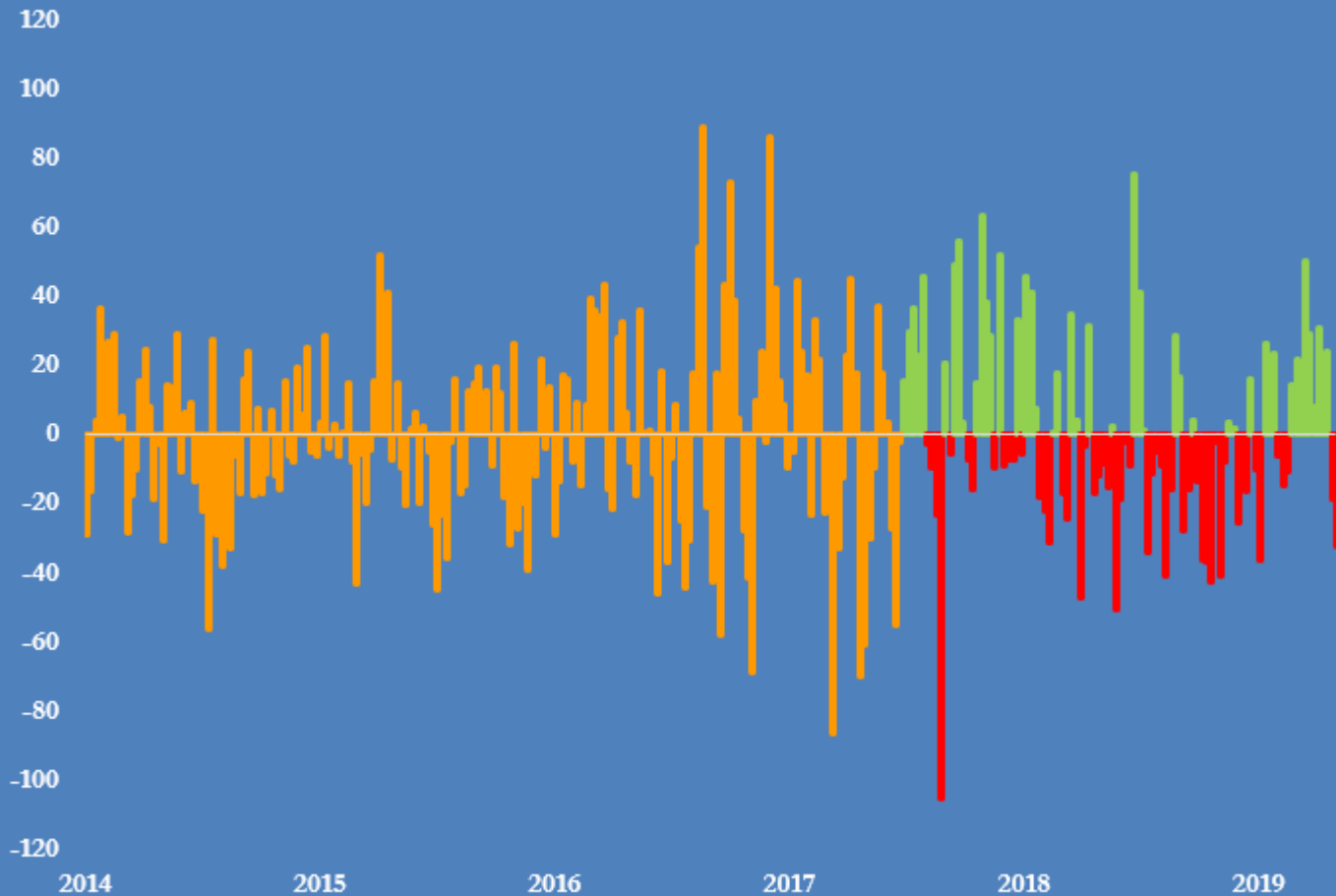
Hedge funds cut net long position in NYMEX+ICE WTI by -32 million bbl to 276 million (longs -16mn, shorts +16mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in WTI futures and options contracts (million barrels)
(NYMEX WTI and ICE WTI)



Hedge funds have cut net long position in NYMEX+ICE WTI by -51mn bbl in last two weeks, after increasing it by +242 million bbl since Jan 8

Money managers' combined net long position in NYMEX+ICE WTI, weekly change, million bbl

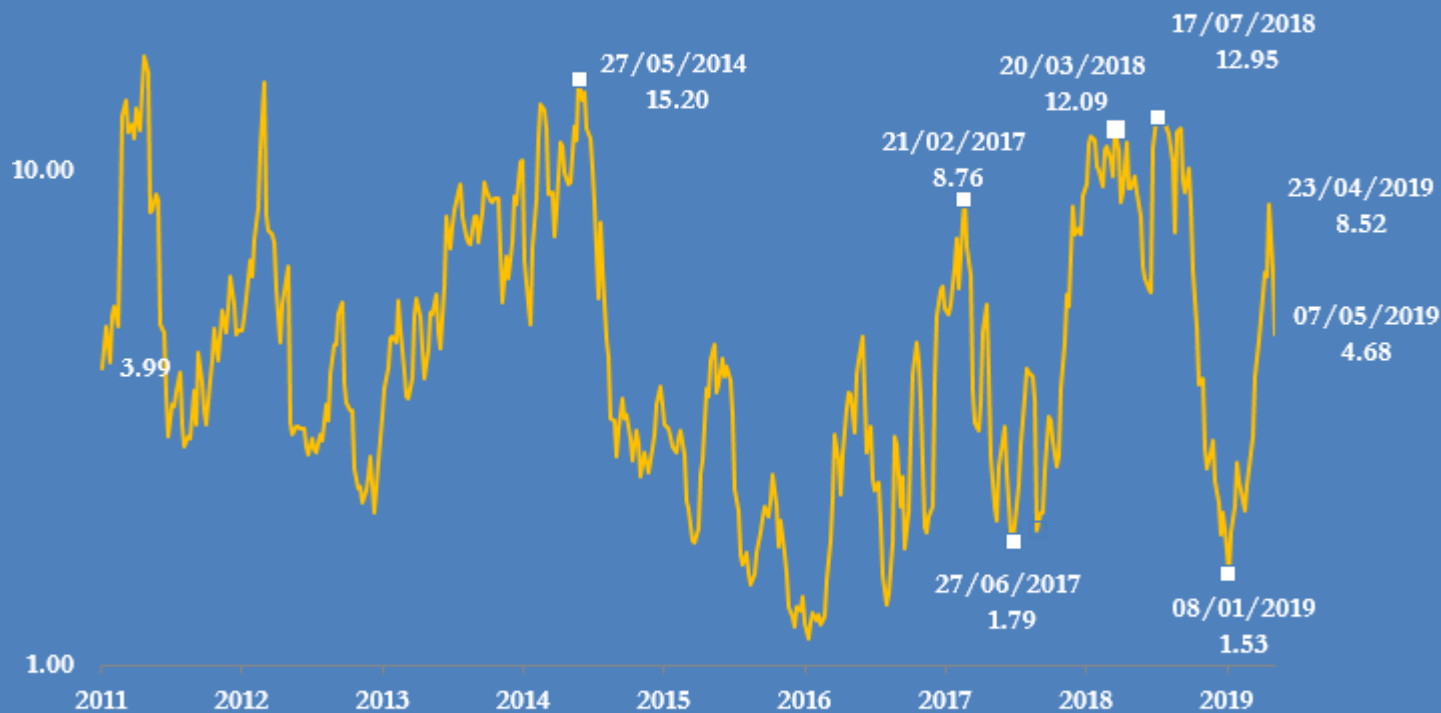


Source: U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission

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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in NYMEX+ICE WTI fell to 4.68 from 6.23 the prior week and recent peak of 8.52 on Apr 23

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



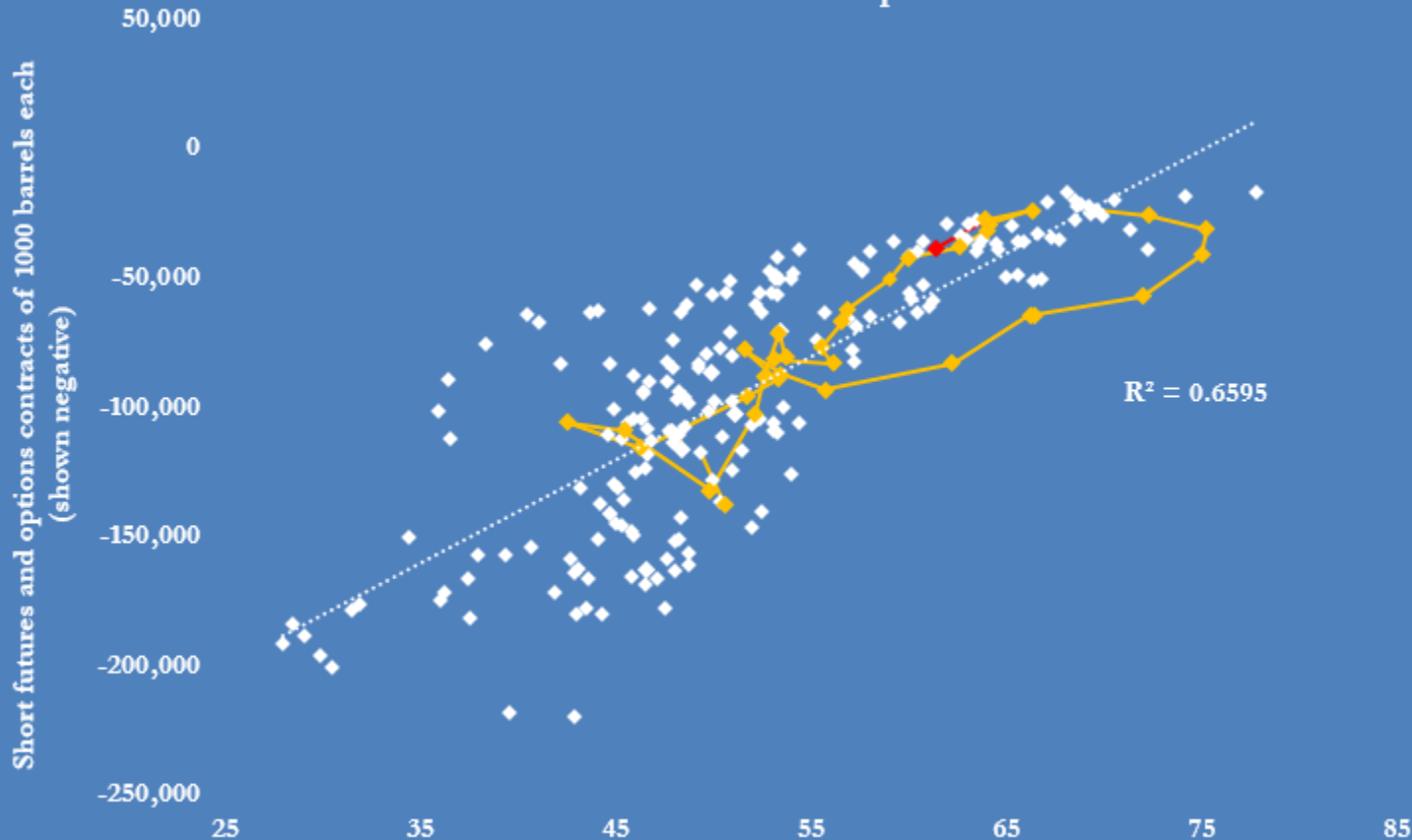
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Hedge funds raised short positions in NYMEX WTI to 39 million bbl from a low of 24 million on April 23

Money managers' short positions and US oil prices in 2015-19

Gross short position in main NYMEX light sweet crude contract

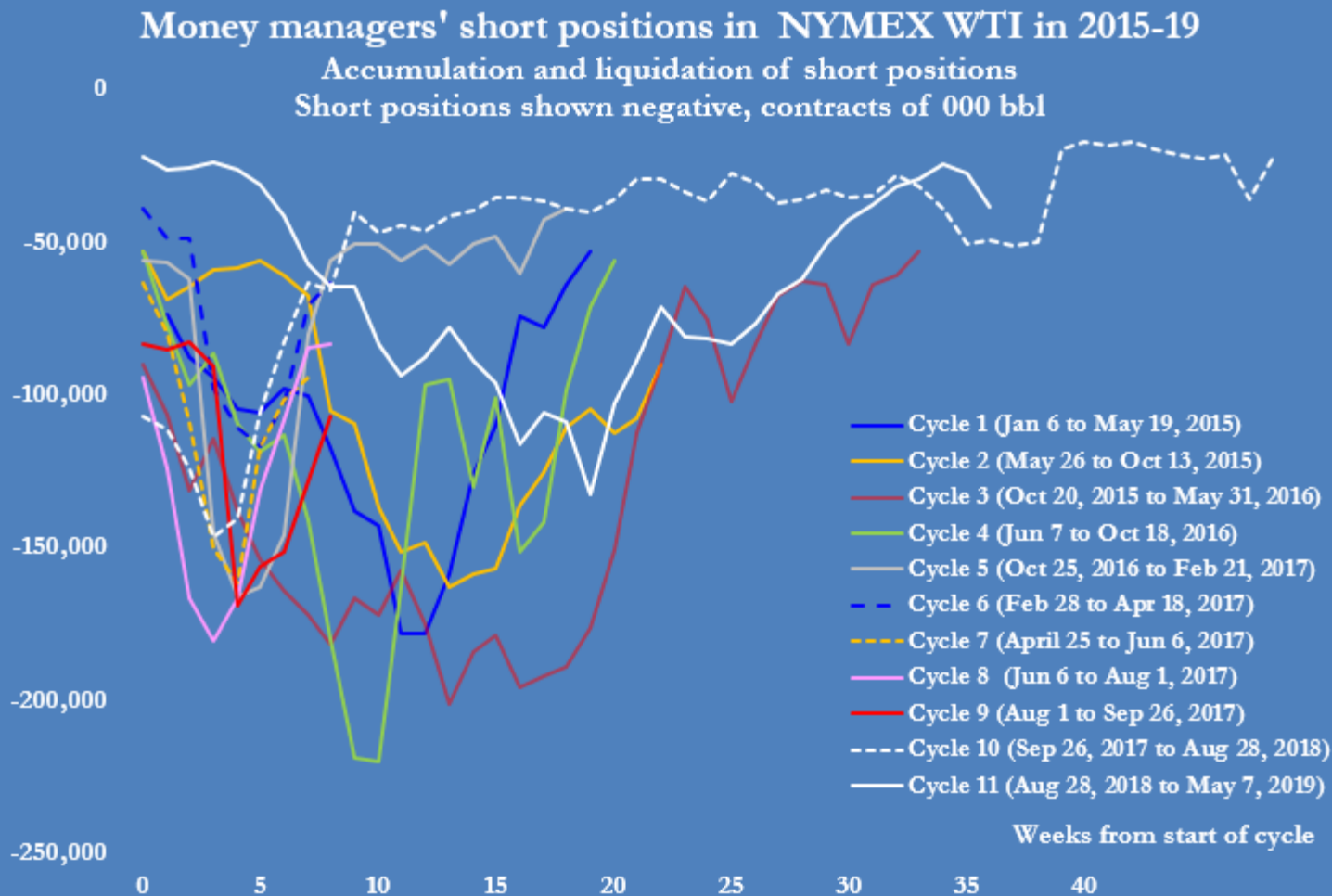
WTI front-month futures price



Sources: CFTC, NYMEX, @JKempEnergy

Current value highlighted in red, prior value in orange

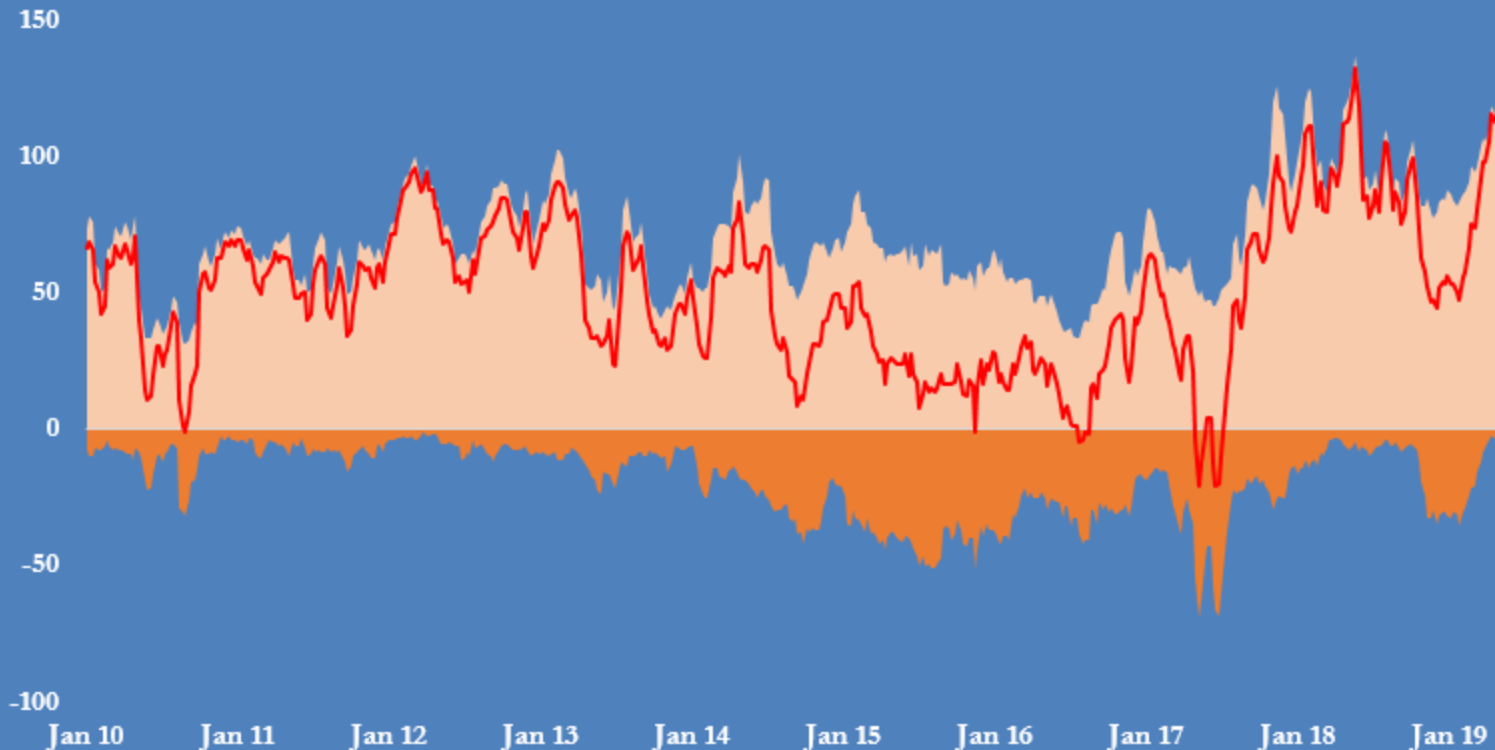
Hedge funds may be initiating a new cycle of short-selling in NYMEX WTI but too early to tell for certain (potential cycle #12?)



Source: U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Hedge funds cut net long position in NYMEX gasoline by -8 million bbl to 107 million bbl (longs -8mn, shorts unchanged)

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

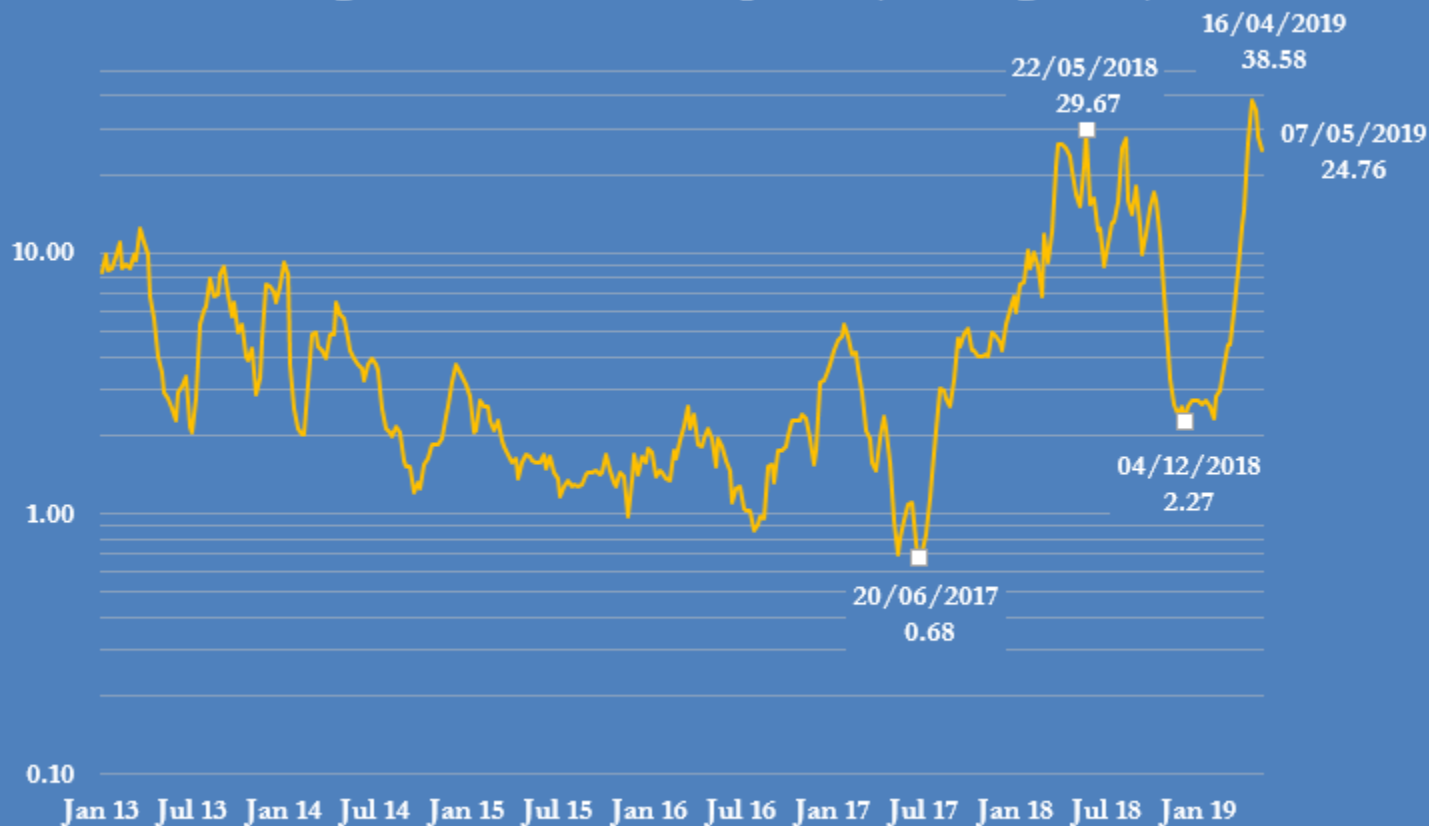


Long positions
Short positions
Net long position

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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in gasoline fell to 24.76 from 27.95 the previous week and a record high of 38.58 on Apr 16

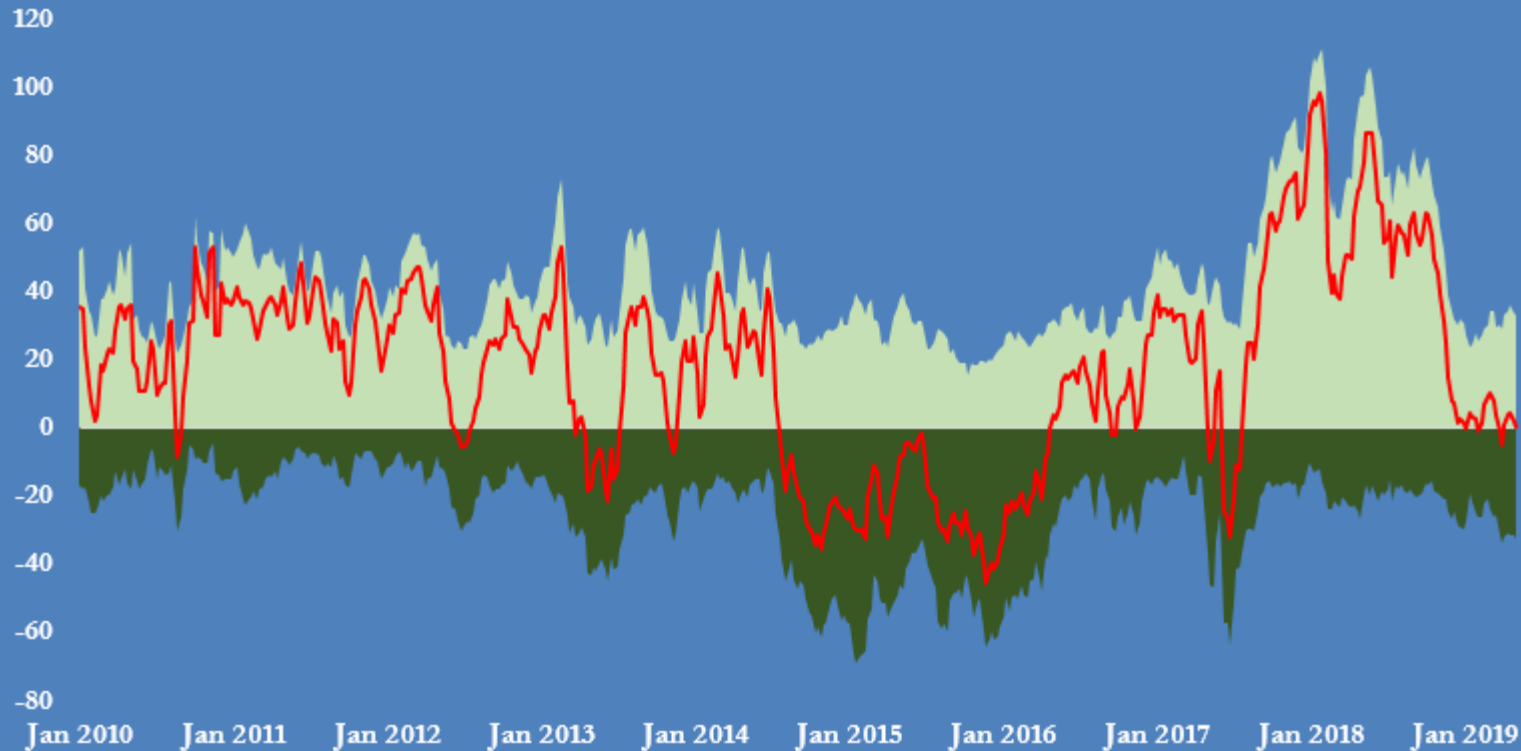
Ratio of money managers' long to short positions in New York gasoline futures and options (*semi-log scale*)



Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Hedge funds cut net long position in NYMEX heating oil by -2 million bbl to zero (longs unchanged, shorts +1mn)

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

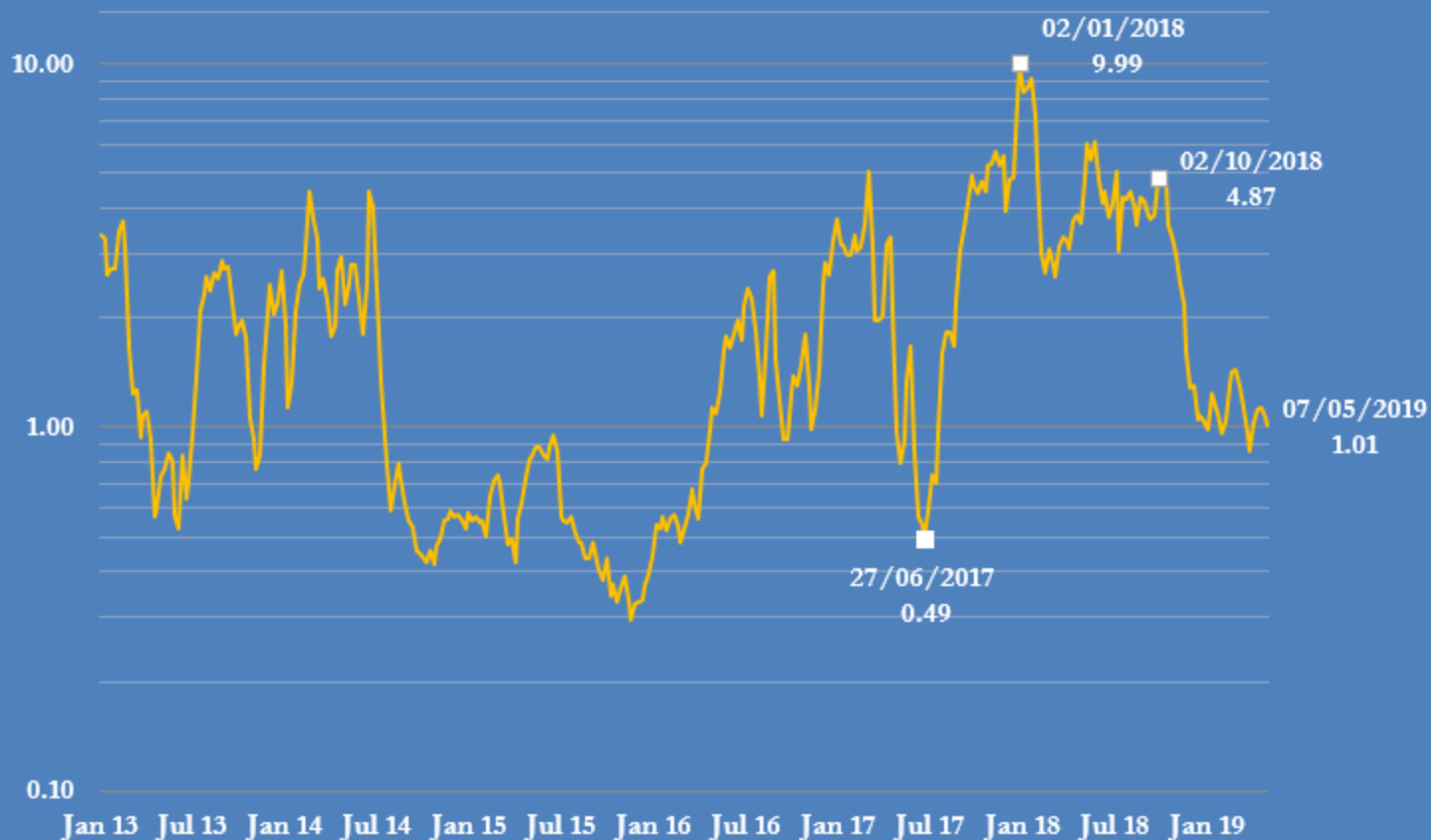


Long positions
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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in heating oil fell to 1.01 from 1.06 the previous week

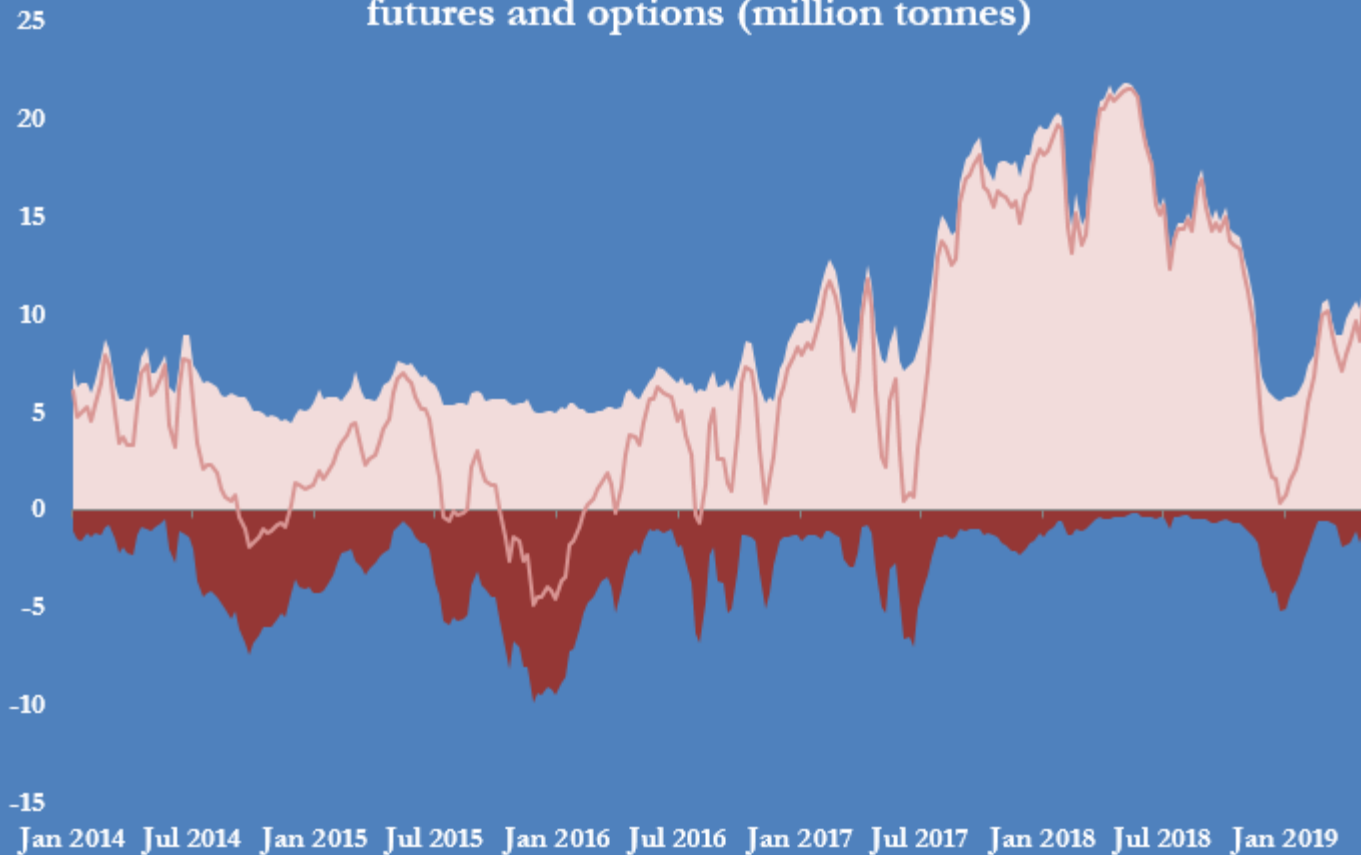
Ratio of money managers' long to short positions in New York #2 heating oil futures and options (log scale)



Source: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Hedge funds raised net long position in ICE gasoil by +2.08 million tonnes to 10.70 million tonnes (longs +1.27mn, shorts -0.81mn)

Money managers' long and short positions in ICE gasoil futures and options (million tonnes)

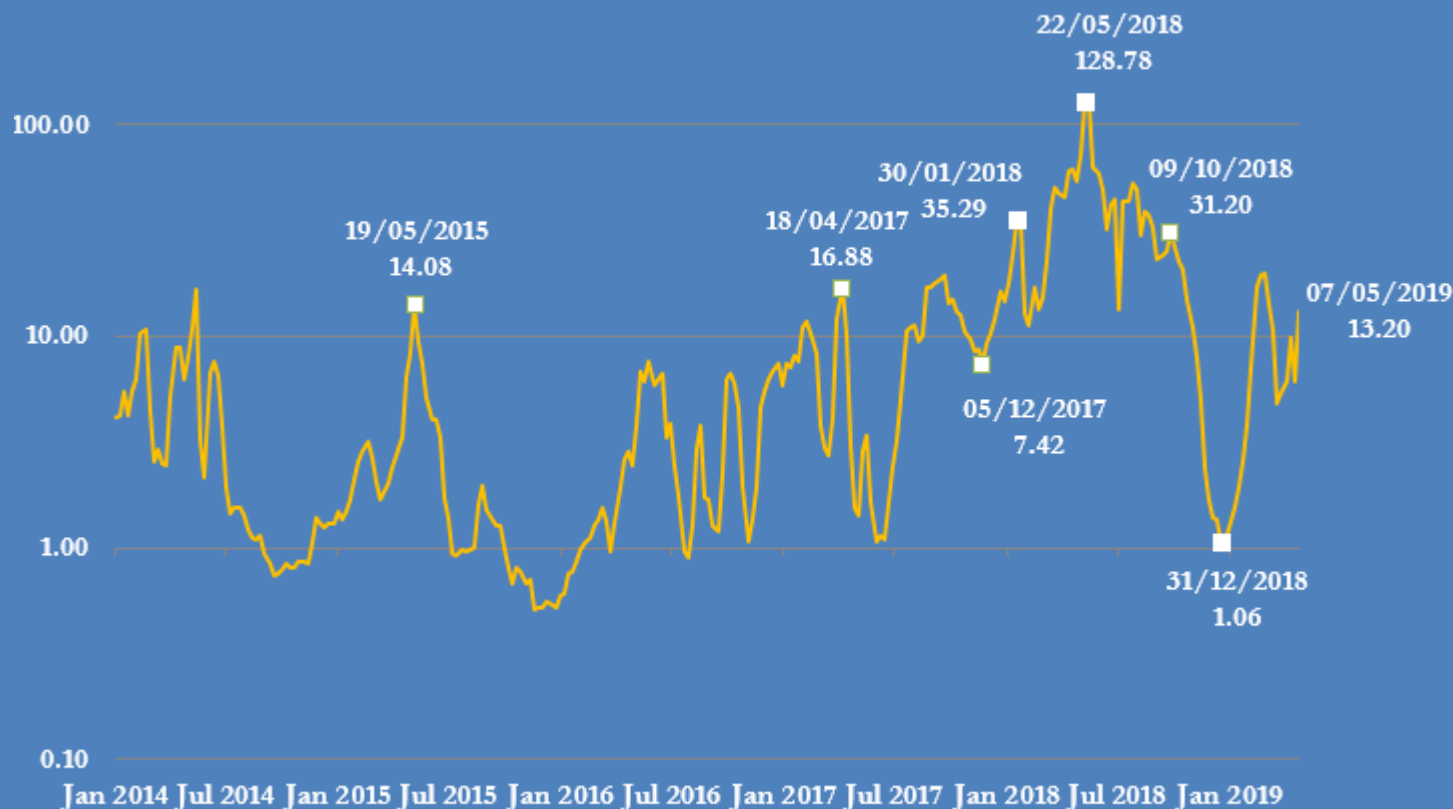


■ Gross Long Positions
■ Gross Short Positions
— Net Long (+) or Short (-) Position

Source: ICE Futures Europe
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Hedge fund ratio of long to short positions in gasoil rose to 13.20 from 6.09 the prior week but down from a recent high of 19.97 on Mar 12

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



Source: ICE Futures Europe
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