Week 30

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The Commodity Specialist Guide

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Summary – Commodity Specialist

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+ Brent Crude Oil	**Stay BULLISH**	deep pullback paused (Sep-14)
+ Natural Gas	**Stay BEARISH**	price drops through 76.4% level (Sep-14)
+ Heating Oil	**Stay SQUARE**	pullback supported by rising support line (Sep -14)

Metals

+ Gold	**Stay SQUARE**	rebound faltered (Aug-14)
+ Silver	**Stay SQUARE**	s/term pullback underway (Sep-14)
+ High Grade Copper	**Stay BULLISH**	price continues firm (Sep-14)

Grains and Softs

+ Soybeans	**Stay BEARISH**	Jan low recently breached (Nov-14)
+ Wheat	**Stay BEARISH**	downmove violated Jan low area (Sep-14)
+ Sugar 11	**Stay BEARISH**	prices dropped through range base (Oct-14)
+ Cocoa	**Stay BULLISH**	chart remains firm (Sep-14)
+ Coffee	**Stay BEARISH**	bears favoured (Sep14)
+ Cotton No.2	**Stay BEARISH**	after Nov-13 low violated (Oct-14)

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+ Carbon Emissions	**Stay SQUARE**	resistance under pressure again (Dec-14)
+ CRB Index	**Stay SQUARE**	Index in pullback mode

Energy

Brent Crude has been weak, on the verge of leaving behind a false bull break. **Heating Oil** has found support towards the base of its earlier range. **Natural Gas** has slipped further, through a 76.4% retracement.

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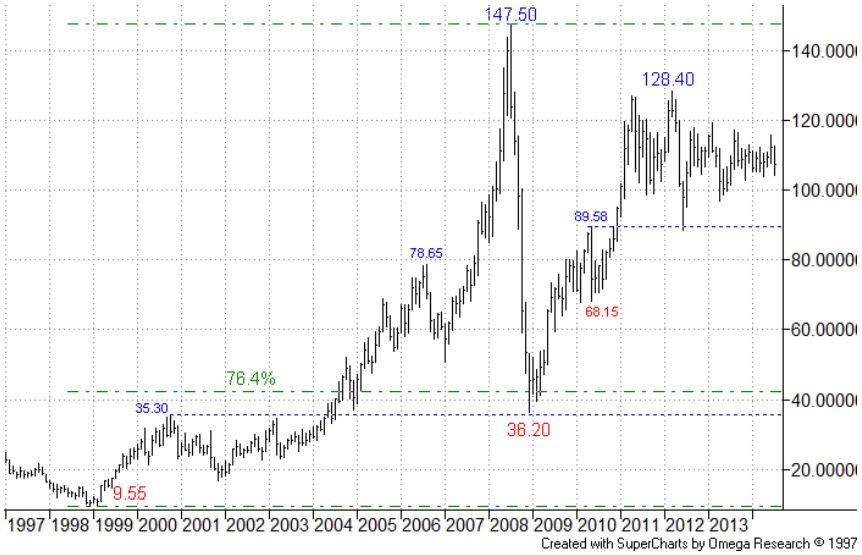

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

Price action continues in consolidative mode for now, but see below.

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Weekly Chart – Continuation:

There was a clear bull break earlier, but a deep pullback has ensued, increasing uncertainty.

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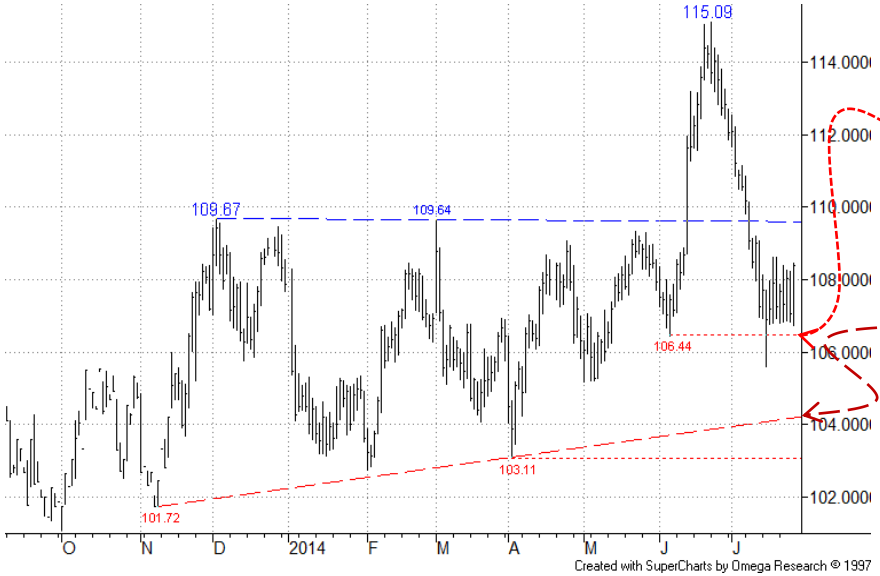

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

The deep pullback has paused after finding support from the 106.44 05-Jun low area. As before, this needs to hold else all bulls would sideline. This would leave behind a false bull break and increase the chances of a breach of rising support, just above 104.00 currently.

We maintain a bull stance for now, but ready to sideline.

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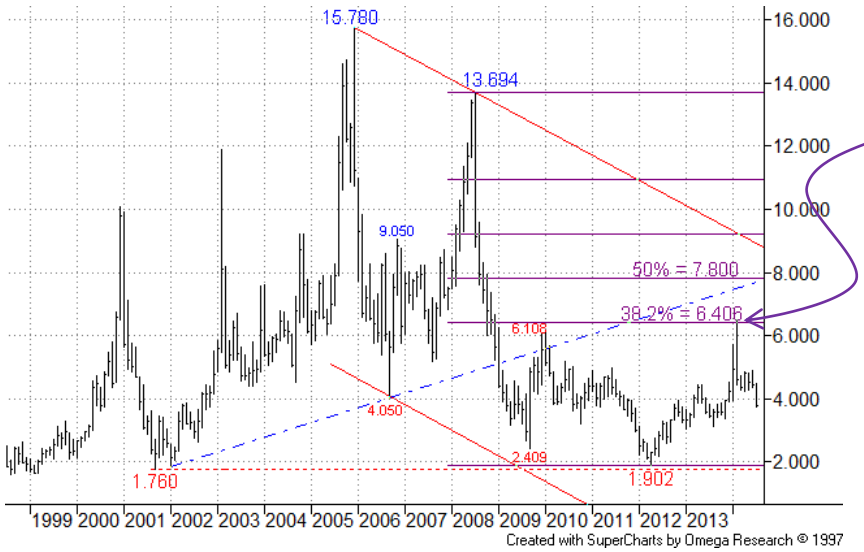
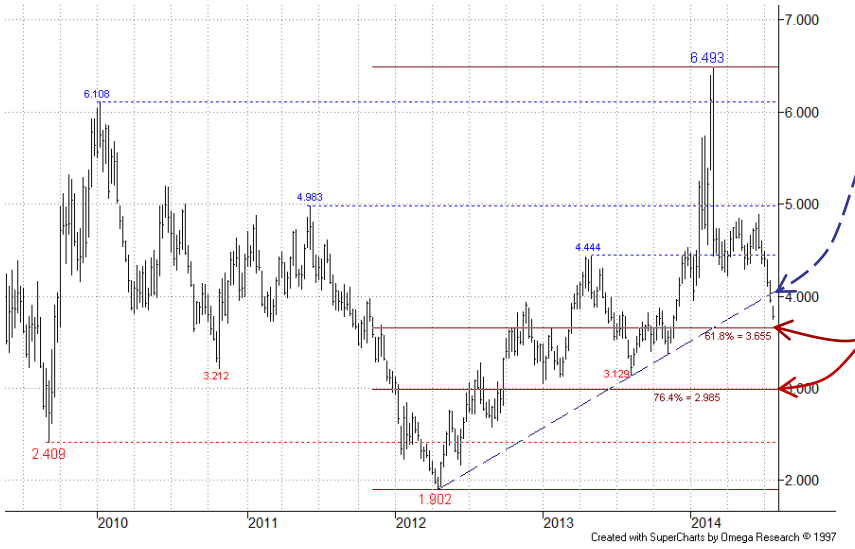


Monthly Chart – Continuation:

The recovery earlier tested the 38.2% retracement, where clear resistance emerged.



Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The next downleg has now seen violation of the rising support line, with price closing in on the 61.8% pullback level.
However, the power could well be there to extend lower, towards the 76.4% level just below 3.000.

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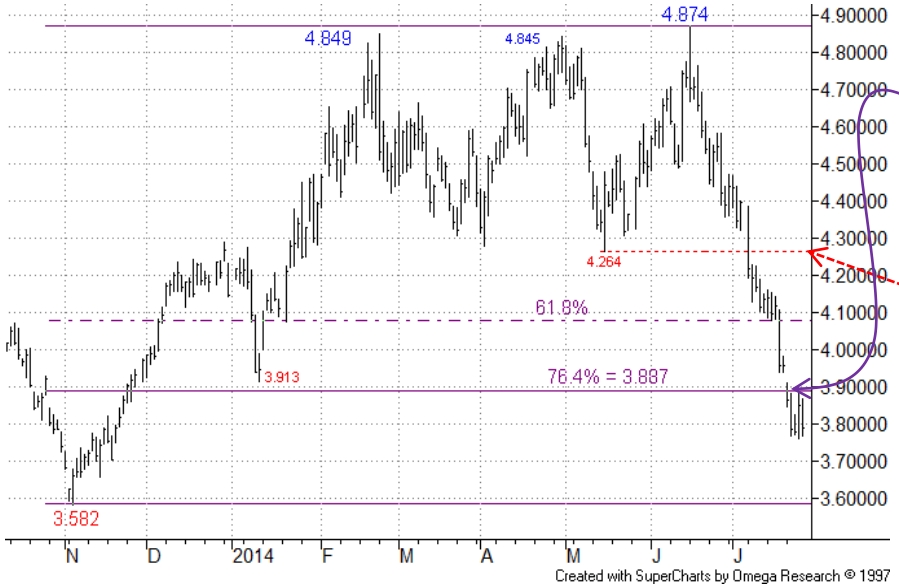

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

Price has now dropped through the 76.4% level, with little in the way of a return to the 3.582 Nov low area and little suggesting bear fatigue.

Resistance is offered by the 4.264 15-May low.

We maintain a bear stance here.

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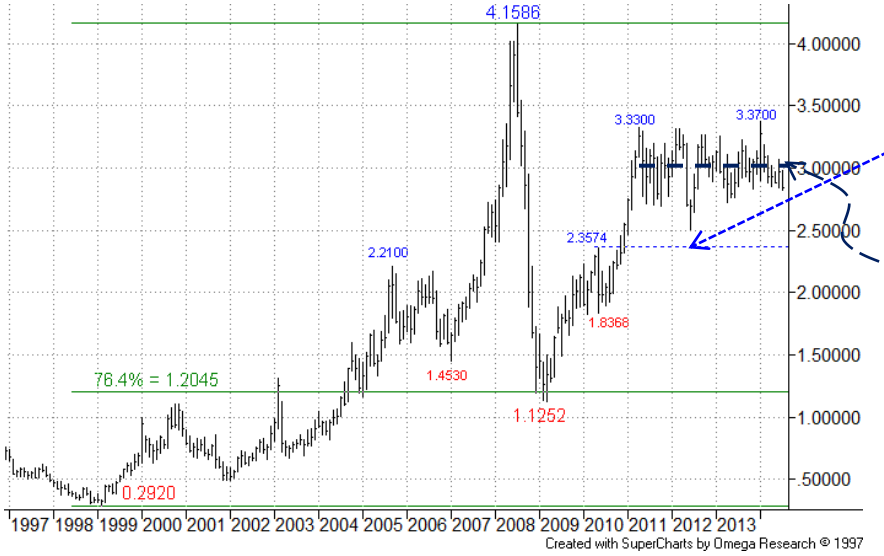

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

After an earlier dip stopped short of the 2.3574 May-10 high area subsequent recovery stopped short of the 2011 high. Prices remain in a congestion area that centres on 3.0000.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The market earlier briefly breached the falling resistance line, due to a former front-month squeeze. Otherwise this resistance remains nicely in place.

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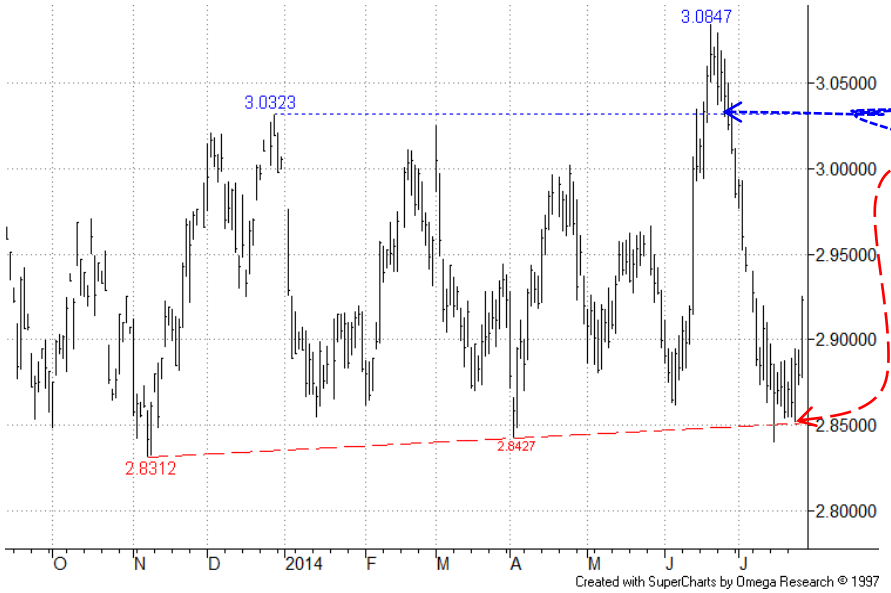

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

Recent deep pullback, after the brief violation of the 3.0403 Dec-13 high, brought price back to rising support (effective s/term) and the bottom of the previous multi-month range.

A drop below this support should be enough to give the bears a boost and invite lower targets.

We remained sidelined for now.

Metals

Gold's rebound from a 76.4% level is over for now. **Silver** prices have also slipped back after earlier strength. **Copper** has stayed firm after a s/term slip.

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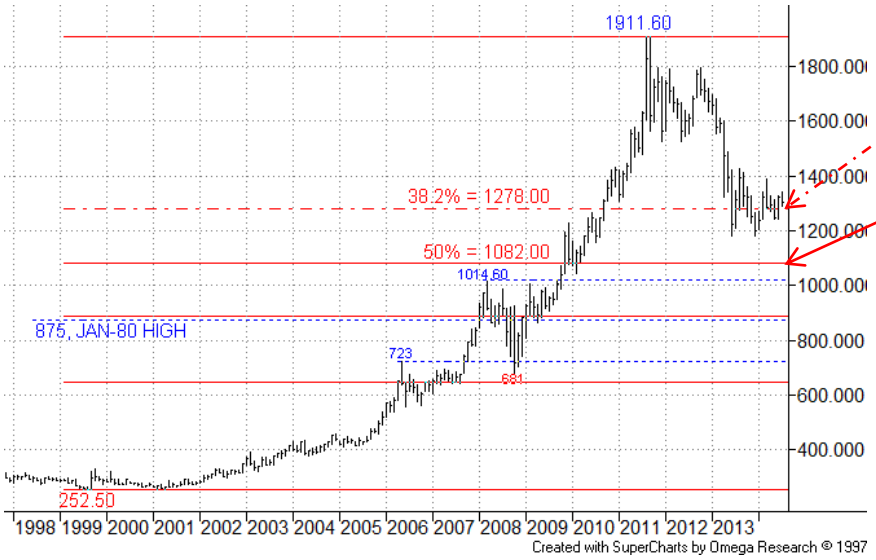

Monthly Chart - Continuation:

The 38.2% retracement was earlier breached, opening the way towards the 1082.00 50% level.

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Weekly Chart – Continuation:

So far the long term 61.8% retracement has supported price dips.

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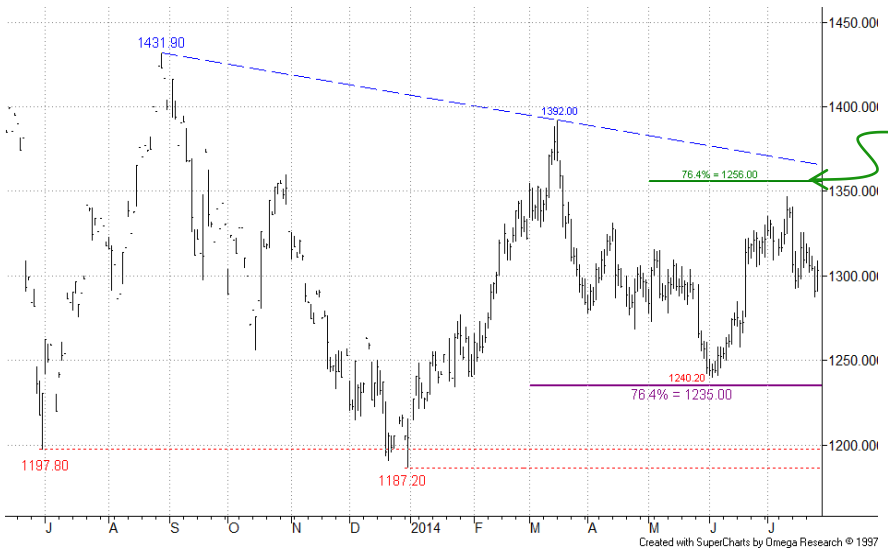

Daily Chart – Aug-14:

Price is still easing after earlier recovery that stopped short of the 76.4% rebound level.

As before, we wait to see if this is merely a temporary bounce.

We remain on the sidelines for now.

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Metals: Silver (COMEX)

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

The market has found further support from the 18.40 76.4% retracement.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The long term 76.4% retracement has provided good support, but recovery attempts from this have been disappointing to date.

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Metals: Silver (COMEX)

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

Prices remain in s/term pullback mode for now, following earlier recovery.
Support is possible at the 20.00 area and the falling return line around 19.60.
The 22.160 Feb high, next resistance, stays intact for now.

We stay on the sidelines here.

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Metals: High Grade Copper (COMEX)

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

The 2.9365 50% pullback level came under threat recently, but still holds currently.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

After bulls' failure at the rising old support/ return line the market returned to the 2011/13 lows around 3.0000, but support was effective here.

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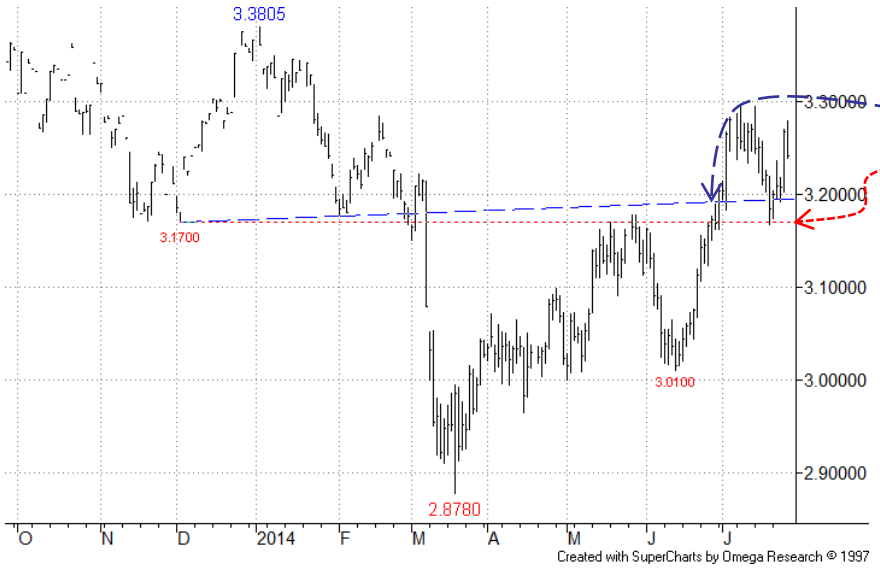

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

Following breach of resistance from the rising return line price fell back, finding good support from the 3.1700 area, Dec-13 low and May high.
The chart could still be on course to close in on the 3.3805 Jan high.

We maintain a shorter term bull stance for now.

Grains and Softs

Soybeans remain on the weak side after recently violated their Jan low. **Wheat** also violated its Jan low and is heading lower. **Sugar** recently fell through the base of its multi-month range. **Cocoa** has continued to firm. **Coffee's** pullback recently eroded a 50% support area. **Cotton** has stayed weak after earlier breach of its Nov-13 low.

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Monthly Chart - Continuation:

Support from the long term rising support line has now been clearly violated, a long term 50% retracement now under scrutiny

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Weekly Chart – Continuation:

Further losses recently saw a breach of the 76.4% support, with focus now on the 1094.25 2011 low and bear channel base just above.

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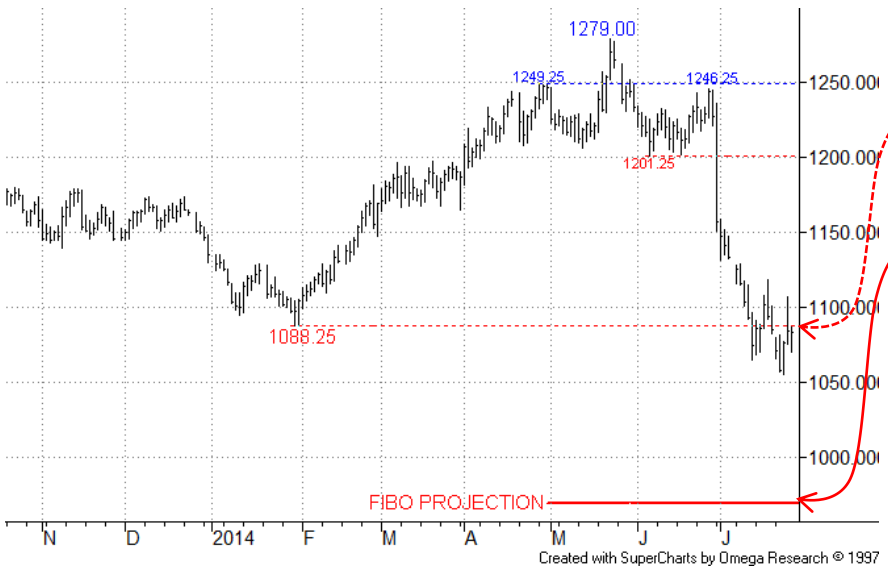

Daily Chart – Nov-14:

Weakness recently saw a violation of the 1088.25 Jan low, with little sign of bear fatigue at present. Shorter term attention remains on a Fibo projection at **970.00** a potential target now.

We maintain a bear stance here.

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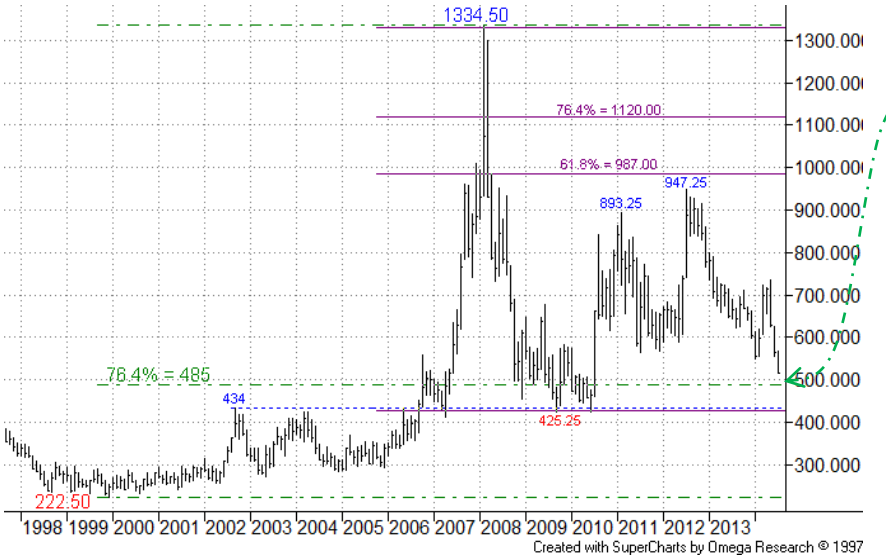

Monthly Chart - Continuation:

The old 76.4% level is coming into view again.

Weekly Chart - Continuation:

The long term 76.4% support has now yielded. Thoughts turn towards the 425.00 area now.

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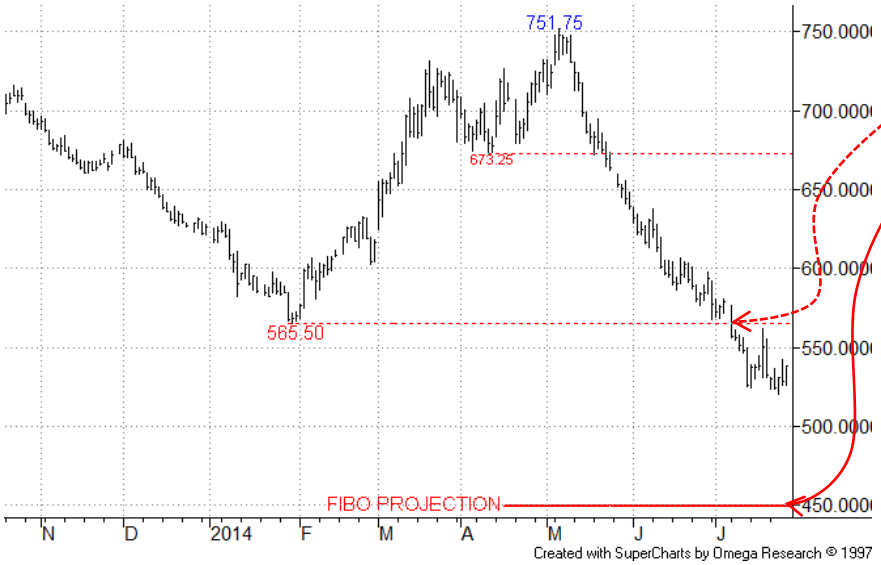

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

After breach of the Jan 565.50 low the next target on this chart remains the Fibo projection at **450.00,** slightly above the 2009 low.

We maintain a bear stance here.

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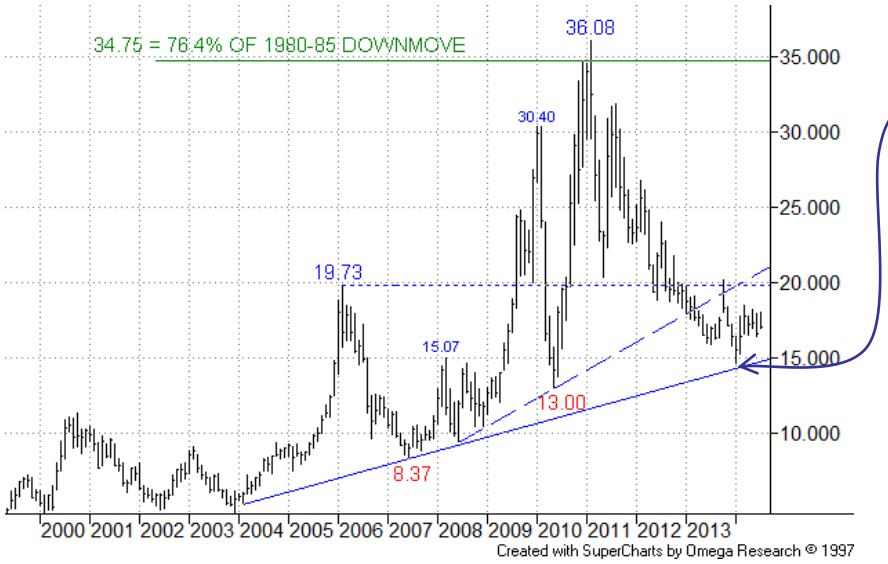

Monthly Chart - Continuation:

The rising support line has provided support.

Weekly Chart - Continuation:

The market earlier recovered from the falling support line.

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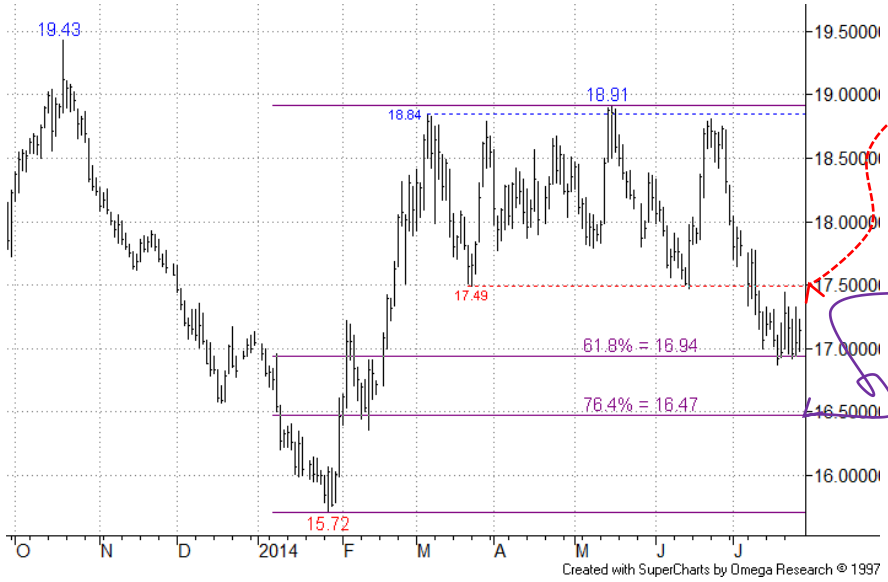

Daily Chart – Oct-14:

The multi-month range base was recently breached, with support from the 61.8% pullback level holding s/term.

However, the power should be there to slip towards the 16.47 76.4% retracement.
The 17.50 area now offers first, potentially tough, resistance.

We maintain a shorter term bear stance here.

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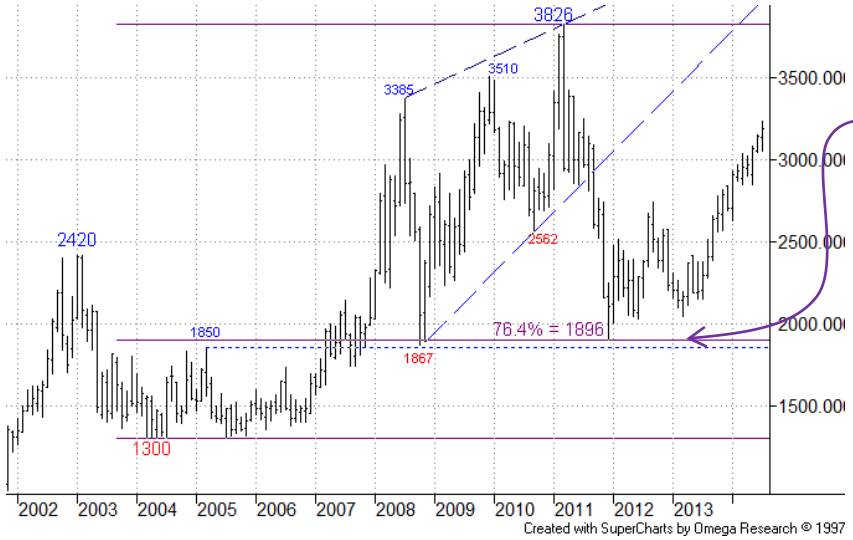
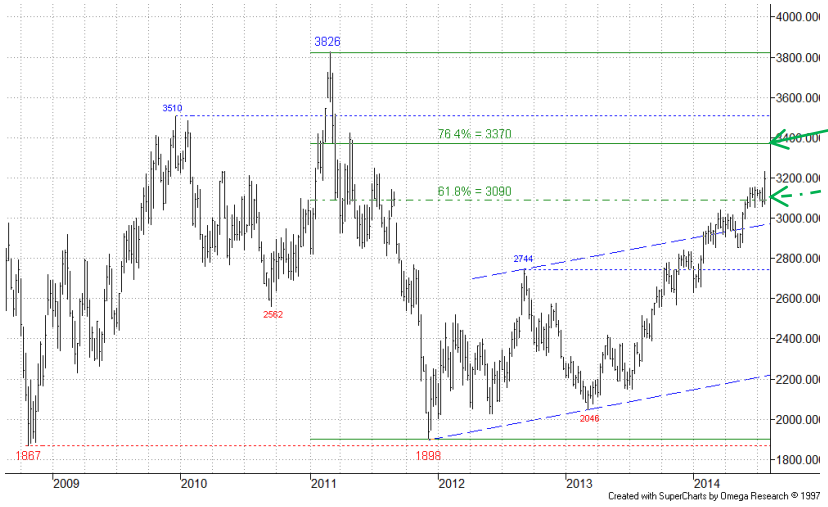


Monthly Chart – Continuation:

The last slip back held above the long term 76.4% level just below 1900, which provided previous support.



Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The recovery has pushed through the 61.8% level, eyes now on the 3370 76.4% level.

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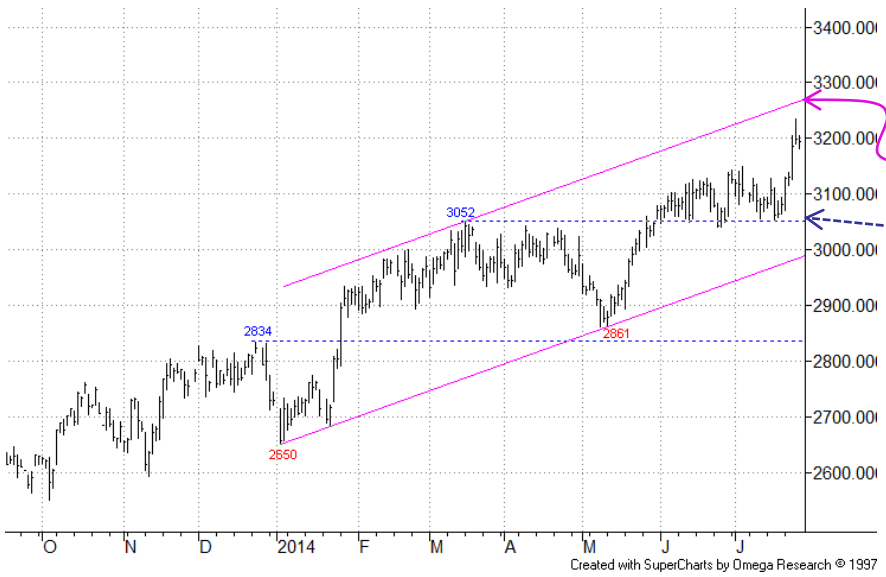

Daily Chart – Sep-14:

The market remains firm, prices now approaching next possible resistance from a channel top, around 3270 currently.
S/term support remains from the 3052 Mar high.

Interest as much in the longer term charts at present.

We maintain a bull stance here.

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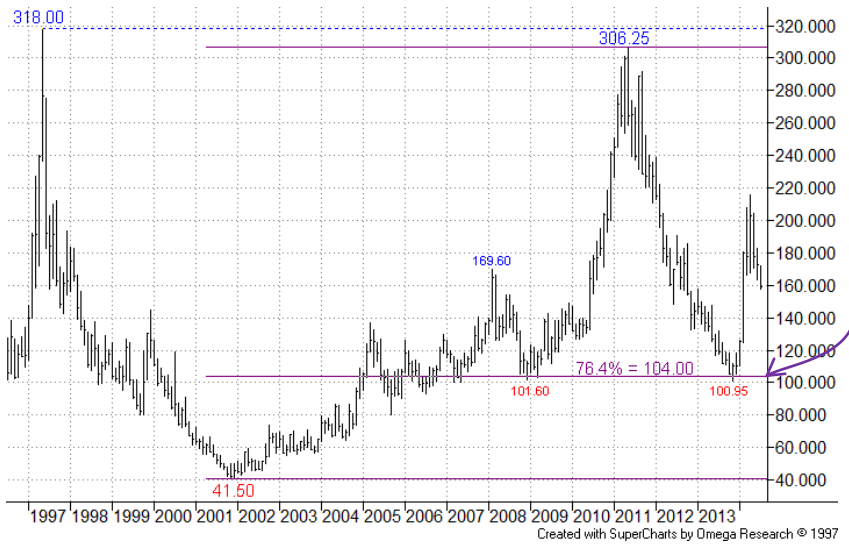

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

Recovery from the 76.4% retracement area remains paused for now.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The pullback recently violated support from near the old Feb-08 high, but no follow-through as yet.

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Daily Chart – Sep-14:

S/term recovery is in progress after recent violation of the 50% retracement area. The lower 61.8%/76.4% retracements keep out of reach for now.

First notable resistance is offered by the old channel base just above 190.00.

We maintain a bear stance here.

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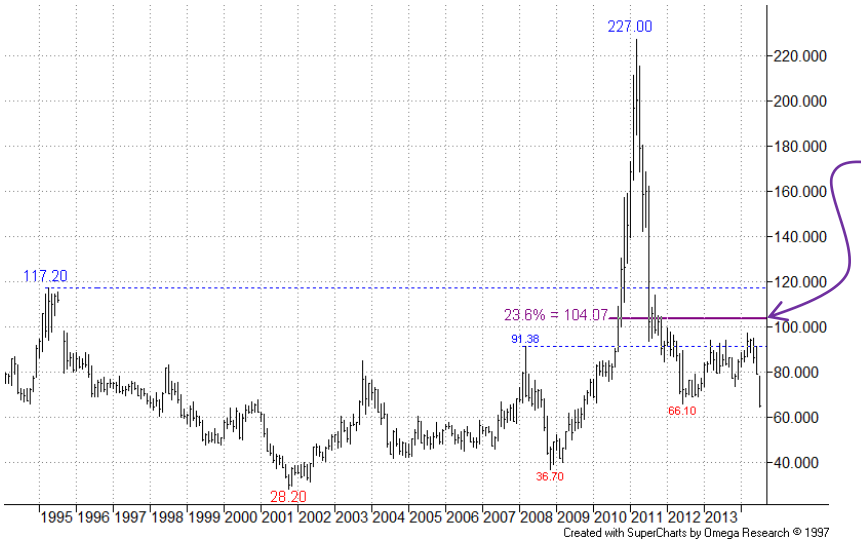

Monthly Chart – Continuation:

Note first interesting resistance here doesn't come until the 23.6% rebound level just above 104.00.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

Resistance from the area of the Mar-08 high stayed intact. Weakness is now seeing erosion of the 66.10 2012 low.

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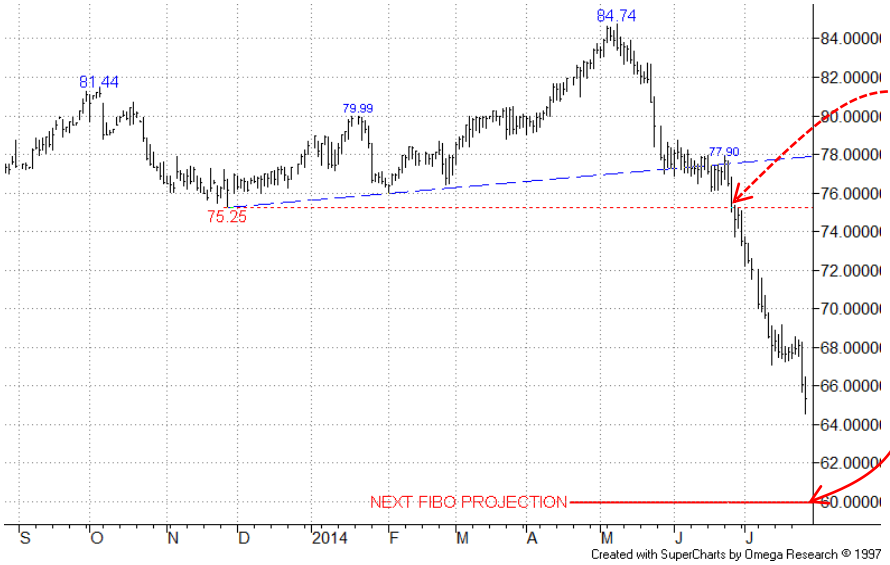
Grains and Softs: Cotton No.2 (ICE)



Daily Chart – Oct-14:

Price has continued weak following earlier violation of the 75.25 Nov-13 low. The next Fibo projection lies at **59.90,** with little bear fatigue apparent yet.

We maintain a bear stance here.

Other

In **EUA (Carbon Emissions)** recovery remains paused for now. The **CRB Index** has paused after its recent slip back.

Summary

Energy
+ Brent Crude Oil
+ Natural Gas
+ Heating Oil

Metals
+ Gold
+ Silver
+ High Grade Copper

Grains and Softs
+ Soybeans
+ Wheat
+ Sugar 11
+ Cocoa
+ Coffee
+ Cotton No.2

Other
+ Carbon Emissions
+ CRB Index

Other: EUA – Carbon Emission Allowances (ICE ECX)

Monthly Chart - Continuation:

Recovery has so far been thwarted by the old 8.00 floor area.

More

Summary

Energy
+ Brent Crude Oil
+ Natural Gas
+ Heating Oil

Metals
+ Gold
+ Silver
+ High Grade Copper

Grains and Softs
+ Soybeans
+ Wheat
+ Sugar 11
+ Cocoa
+ Coffee
+ Cotton No.2

Other
+ Carbon Emissions
+ CRB Index

Other: EUA – Carbon Emission Allowances (ICE ECX)

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

Recovery earlier stalled ahead of the 8.47 38.2% retracement.

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Summary

Energy
+ Brent Crude Oil
+ Natural Gas
+ Heating Oil

Metals
+ Gold
+ Silver
+ High Grade Copper

Grains and Softs
+ Soybeans
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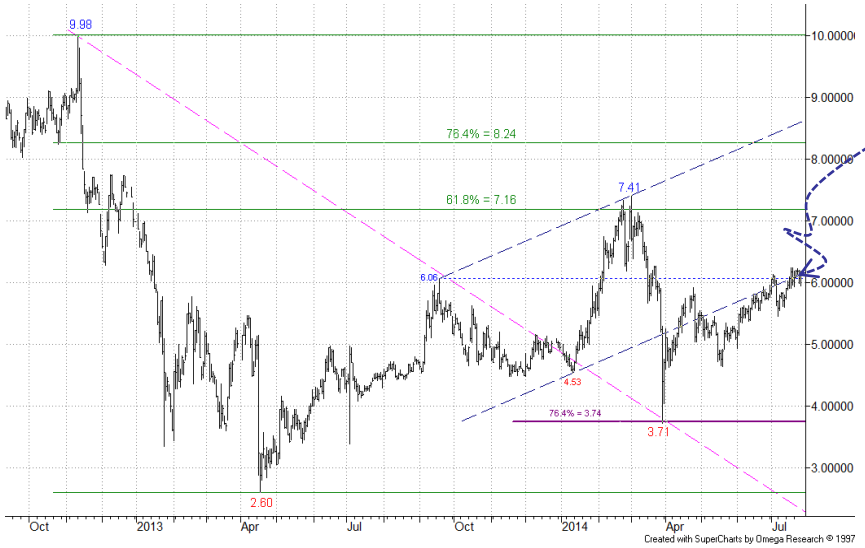

Daily Chart – Dec-14:

The market has continued firm, retesting resistance from the old 6.06 Sep-13 high area. Bulls would receive a boost if this was overcome.

We maintain a sidelined stance for now.

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Summary

Energy
+ Brent Crude Oil
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+ Heating Oil

Metals
+ Gold
+ Silver
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Grains and Softs
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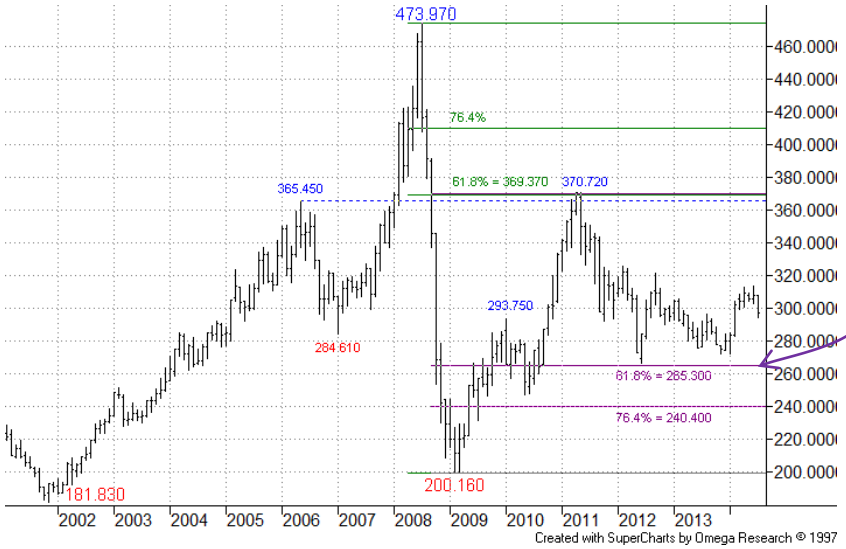
Other: CRB Index (CBOT)



Monthly Chart – Continuation:

The Index has again found support from near the 61.8% retracement.

Weekly Chart – Continuation:

The Index is falling, ahead of the 50% retracement.

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Summary

Energy
+ Light Crude Oil
+ Natural Gas
+ Heating Oil

Metals
+ Gold
+ Silver
+ High Grade Copper

Grains and Softs
+ Soybeans
+ Wheat
+ Sugar 11
+ Cocoa
+ Coffee
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Other
+ Carbon Emissions
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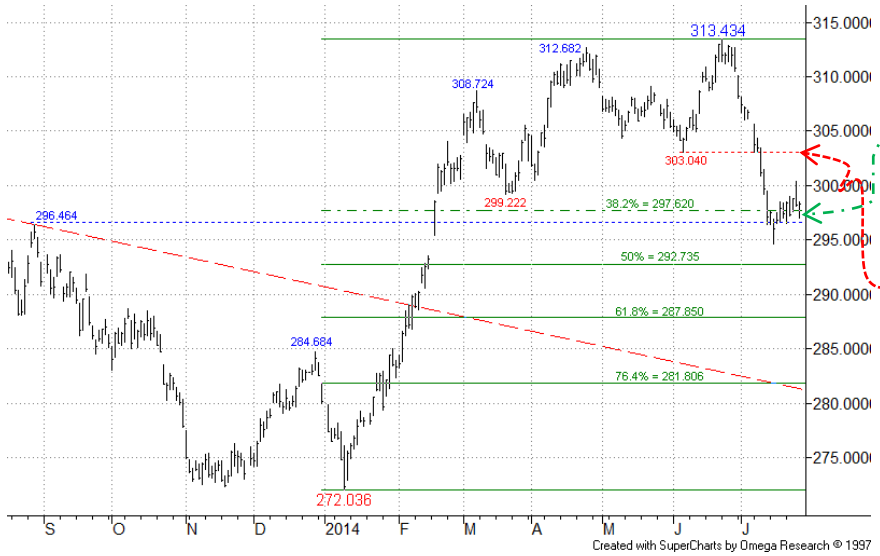
Other: CRB Index (CBOT)



Daily Chart

S/term support has emerged in the area of the 38.2% pullback and 296.464 Aug-13 high, although further downside looks likely in due course.

First resistance comes from the 303.040 05-Jun low.

We stay on the sidelines for now.

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