

# **US Futures Daily Report**

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#### **PIVOT POINTS**

Contract	2 <sup>nd</sup> Support	1 <sup>st</sup> Support	Neutral Pivot Zone	1 <sup>st</sup> Resistance	2 <sup>nd2</sup> Resistance
ES M6	1987.50	1996.75	2004.25-2006.00	2013.50	2021.00
NQ M6	4311.75	4333.50	4351.25-4355.25	4373.00	4390.75
TF M6	1048.3	1054.1	1060.00-1064.7	1070.6	1081.3
CL J6	35.54	36.21	36.64-36.89	37.31	37.74
GC 16	1222.1	1227.4	1233.1	1238.4	1244.1
6E M6	1.1076	1.1103	1.1129	1.1156	1.1182
ZB M6	160′15	161'03	161'24-161'27	162'15	163'07
ZN M6	127′305	128'055	128'130-128'160	128'230	129'015

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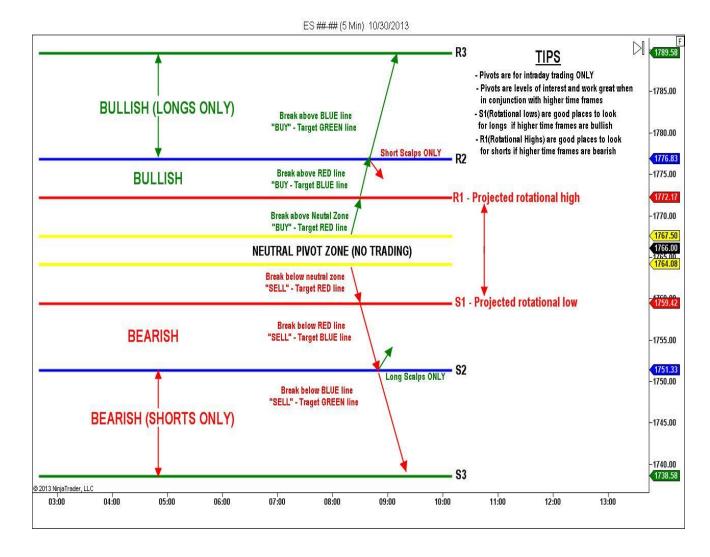
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## Pivot Points Explained

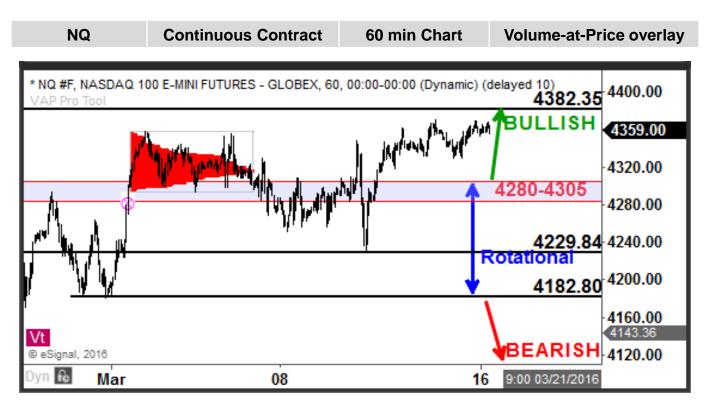
Pivot points are used by traders as a predictive indicator and denote levels of technical significance. When used in conjunction with other technical indicators such as support and resistance or Fibonacci, pivot points can be an effective trading tool. Pivot points are calculated using the high, low and close prices of a previous day, week or month. Three different levels of support and resistance are calculated above and below the pivot point. The three levels of resistance are referred to as R1, R2, and R3 while the three levels of support are referred to as S1, S2, and S3. When the current price is trading above the daily pivot point, this serves as an indication to initiate long positions. Conversely, when the current price is trading below the daily pivot point, this serves as an indication to initiate short positions. The support and resistance levels are used primarily as trade exits. For example, if the market price breaks above the pivot point, R1 and R2 may be used as trade targets. Should the market move to R3, traders may consider exiting the long position and even reversing the position if other technical indicators show a strong reversal trend.



**S&P 500 E-mini** We favor a pause or pullback from the 2006 area. Intraday support is 1988. We favor further bullish action while above this level targeting 2037/2058.



**Nasdaq-100 E-mini** We favor a further move higher above 4305 targeting 4382 with intraday resistance at 4346-49 and then 4367.





**The Euro** has finally bounced at the bottom of the 1.0825-1.0979 zone and has breached the 1.1087 which shifts higher as support. Near-term resistance is now 1.1254.



**Crude Oil** has broken back below the 37.31-38.23 zone, which if held as resistance would indicate a near-term top and favor a pullback into lower support levels.



**Gold** has breached 1245 and trend line support, which if held as resistance, favors a further pullback into 1186-1202. The 1245 level shifts lower as resistance.



**30-yr Bonds** We favor a further decline now that 165'00 has been breached targeting 161'18(hit)/159'20. Intraday resistance shifts lower to 161'18.



**Ten-year Notes** have broken support at 129'305-130'115 which favors a further drop into 129'035(hit)/128'1055 as the near-term bias shifts to bearish.



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