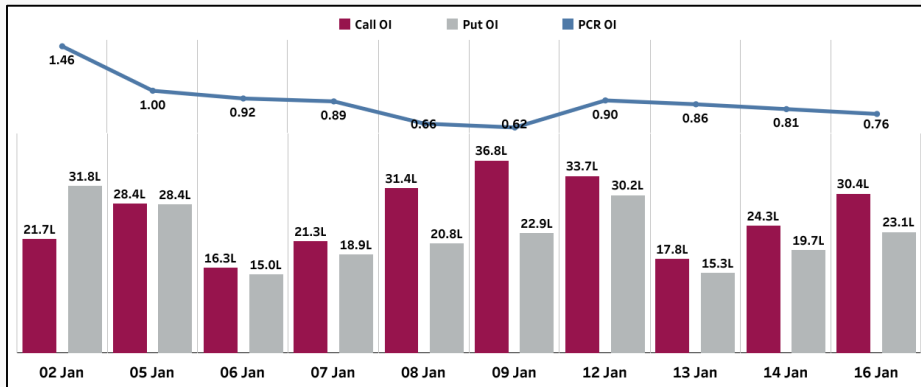


The Week That Was:

- **Nifty futures** closed at 25,751.5, down 36.8 points (0.1%) with open interest easing 0.18 lakh to 189.39 lakh, indicating long unwinding and reflecting cautious sentiment.
- **Bank Nifty futures** settled at 60,194.4, rising 653 points (1.1%) with open interest up 6.4% to 14.70 lakh after an addition of 0.87 lakh contracts, signaling long build-up and reflecting strong bullish sentiment.
- **India VIX** rose 4.0%, climbing from 10.93% to 11.37%, signaling a mild uptick in volatility expectations and suggesting a cautious undertone in market sentiments.
- **FII Long-Short** ratio rose to 0.10 from 0.08, as heavy short additions outpaced long positions nearly twofold, underscoring aggressive bearish sentiment and strong downside conviction among institutional traders.

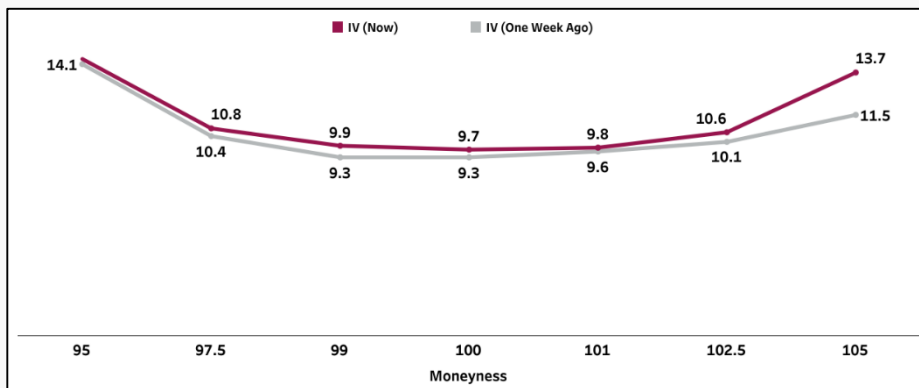
Nifty Open Interest Put-Call Ratio



Current	Previous	High	Low
0.76	0.62	0.90	0.62

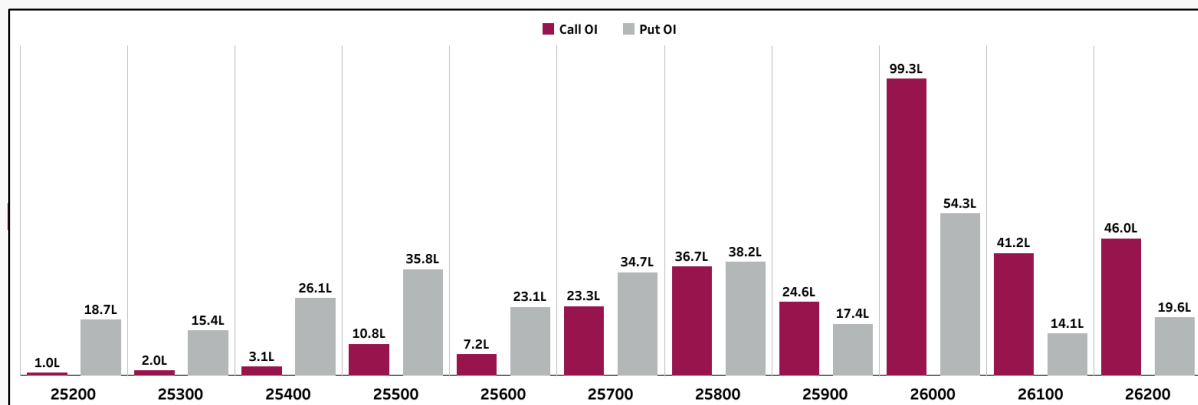
- **Nifty Put-Call Ratio (PCR)** rose 0.14 over the week as call OI declined and put OI increased, with puts outpacing calls indicating a tilt toward cautious, bearish sentiment.

Volatility Analysis

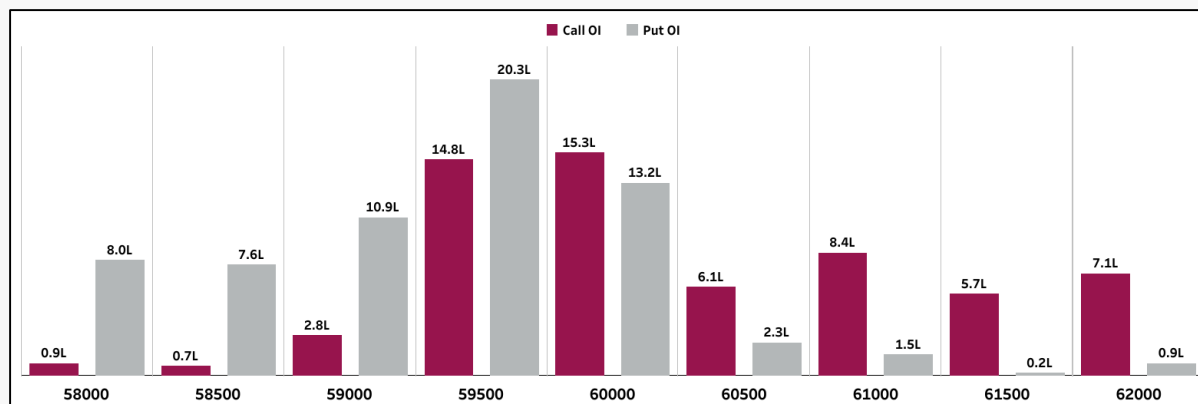


- The week-over-week spike in implied volatility across out-of-the-money strikes suggests that the market is pricing in a significant expansion of realized volatility.
- The volatility term structure is steepening and widening, signaling a heightened sensitivity to tail risk. This shift has triggered a surge in demand for downside protection and a broad de-risking of leveraged positions as participants brace for a more volatile environment.

Nifty Open Interest Concentration (Monthly)

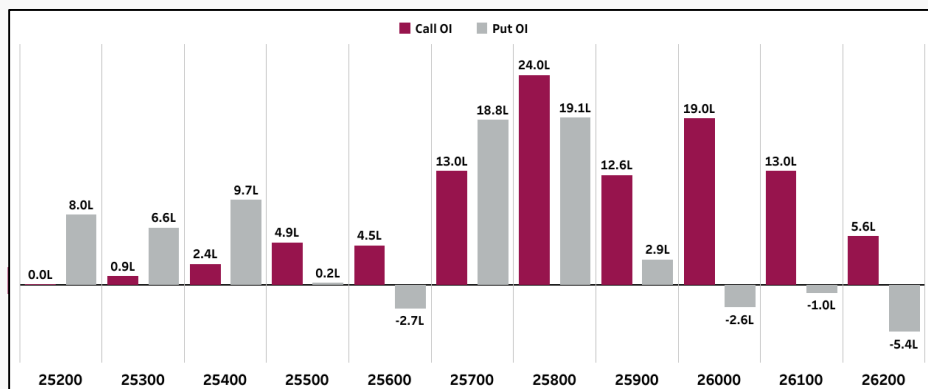


Bank Nifty Open Interest Concentration (Monthly)



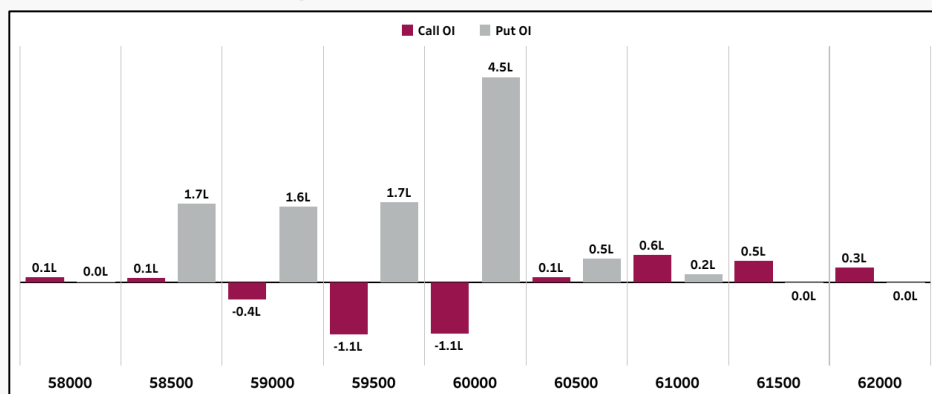
- For the current monthly expiry, Nifty resistance has tightened as Call concentration shifted lower from 27,000 to 26,500, signaling a descending ceiling. Meanwhile, the support floor remains robust at 26,000 and 25,000. This compression indicates a narrowing trading range with a growing bearish bias on upside recovery.
- Speaking of open interest changes, the 26,500-strike Call and 25,800 strike Put saw the maximum addition.
- Based on the data, we project the Nifty futures to trade between 25,500 and 26,000 in the week ahead.**
- For the current monthly expiry, Bank Nifty support has strengthened as Put concentration climbed from 59,000 to 60,000, mirroring the Call resistance at the same level. This massive build-up at 60,000 on both sides indicates a major psychological tug-of-war and a potential breakout or pin risk near this strike.
- Speaking of open interest changes, the 60,100-strike Call and 60,000 strike Put saw the maximum addition, alongside the 60,700 strike Call and 59,800 strike Put.
- Based on the data, we project the Bank Nifty to trade between 59,500 and 61,000 in the coming week.**

Nifty Change in Open Interest (Monthly)



- For Nifty in the current **monthly expiration** cycle, notable **addition** in **calls** was seen at the following strikes - 25,700 (13.1 Lc), 25,800 (24 Lc), and 26,000 (19 Lc), respectively. There was no significant **unwinding** observed at any strike.
- Coming to **puts**, the 25,800 (19.1 Lc), 25,700 (18.8 Lc), and 25,400 strikes (9.7 Lc) saw considerable **addition** in open interest. There was notable **Unwinding** witnessed at 26,300 & 26,200 strike.

Bank Nifty Change in Open Interest (Monthly)



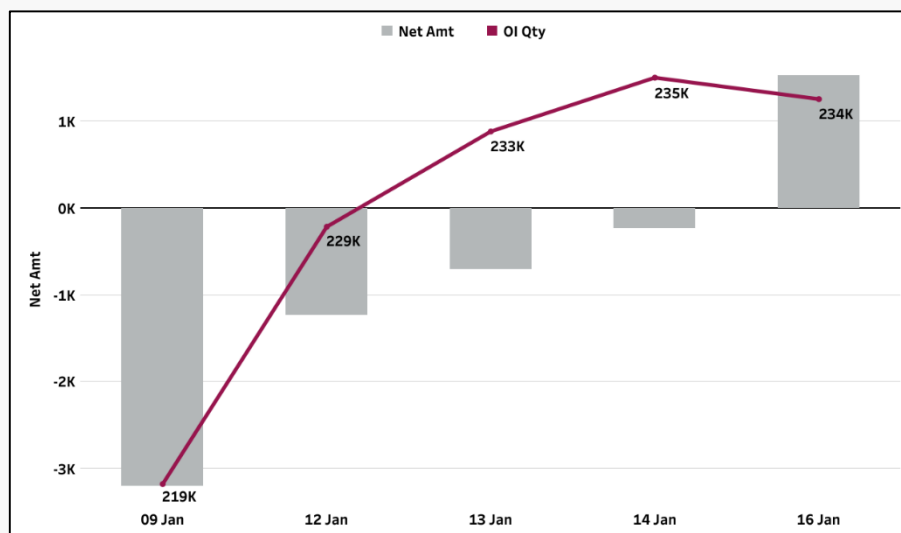
- For the Bank Nifty based on the current **monthly expiration** cycle - notable **addition in calls** was seen at the following strikes - 60,100 (1.8 Lc), 60,700 (1.6 Lc), and 61,000 (0.6 Lc), respectively. There was **unwinding** observed at 59,500 & 60,000 strike.
- Coming to **puts**, the 60,100 (2.1 Lc), 60,000 (4.5 Lc), and 59,800 strikes (2.2 Lc) saw considerable **addition** in open interest. There was no significant **unwinding** observed at any strike.

Weekly Participant-wise Open Interest (contracts)

Participant	Long Index	Change	Short Index	Change
Client	2,07,613	4,948	68,886	-5,534
DII	77,882	1,051	36,365	-2,320
FII	21,814	5,314	2,12,189	9,626
Pro	54,980	-7,146	44,849	2,395

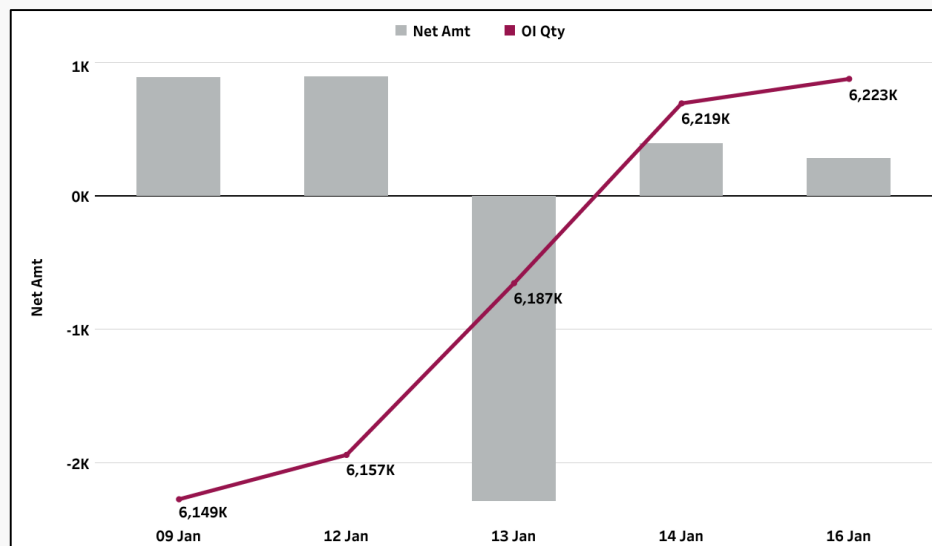
Participant	Long Stock	Change	Short Stock	Change
Client	29,90,191	57,528	3,29,786	14,353
DII	2,51,907	44,099	48,58,241	86,568
FII	38,28,614	31,297	23,94,779	43,114
Pro	9,32,953	89,898	4,20,859	78,787

Index Futures

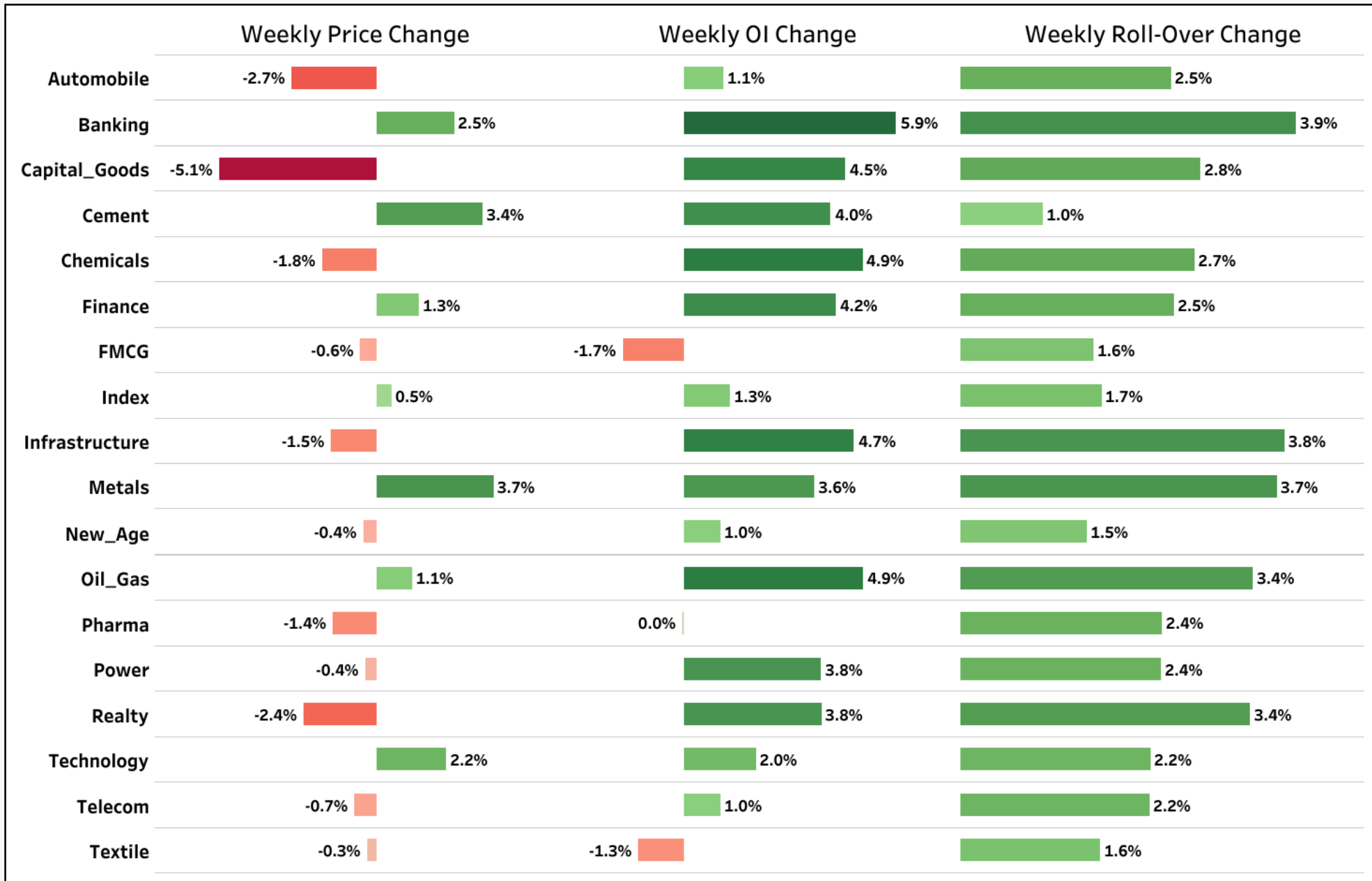


- FII's total open interest in Index Futures is at Rs 39,405 , which on weekly basis has increased by Rs 2,524 Crs.
- Foreigners had 2,34,003 Index futures contracts open, adding 14,940 contracts from the previous week, with Nifty futures witnessed added 11544 contracts and Bank Nifty futures added 2065 contracts.
- In Nifty options, they finished the week with 23,53,224 contracts which has reduced by 2,57,564 contracts and in Bank Nifty it has added 39,039 contracts and ended the week with 2,40,740 contracts.
- **FIIs are demonstrating a cautiously bullish outlook by aggressively expanding long futures positions while simultaneously streamlining their options exposure.**

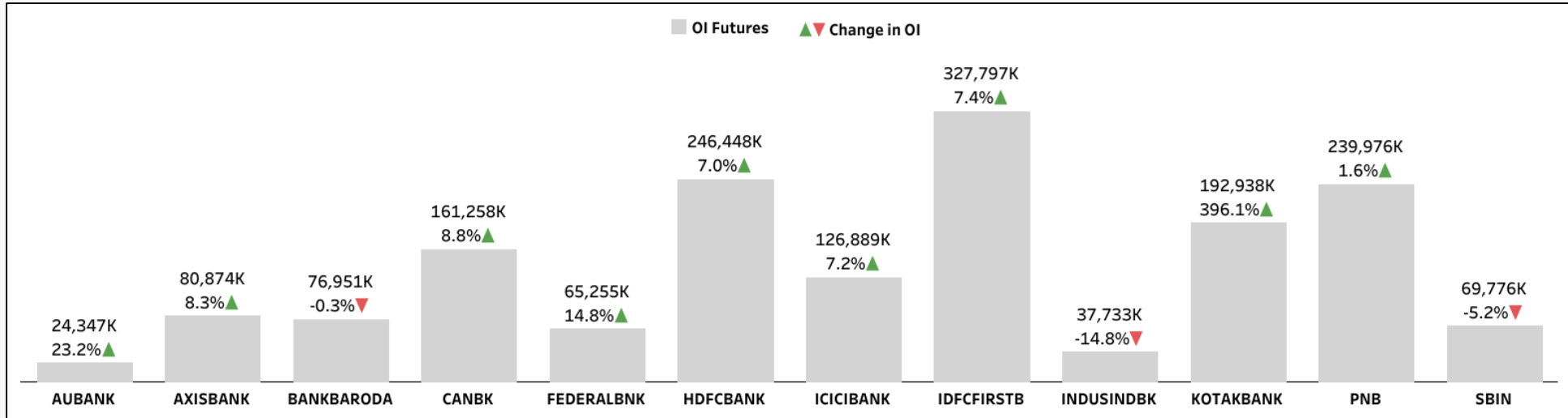
Stock Futures



- Coming to Stock Futures, open interest was at Rs 4,20,361 which on weekly basis have increased by Rs 6,225 Crs.
- The total number of Stock Futures contracts stood at 62,23,393 adding 74,411 contracts over the previous week.
- For Stock Options, open interest was at 7,82,851 contracts, adding 2,28,698 contracts on the week.
- **FIIs are exhibiting an aggressively optimistic stance by significantly expanding their individual stock holdings while utilizing a massive surge in options for tactical leverage.**



Stock Futures With Highest Open Interest (Contracts)



Weekly Open Interest Gainers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
AUBANK	1,029.4	2.6%	2,43,47,000	23.2%
FEDERALBNK	271.1	5.8%	6,52,55,000	14.8%
CANBK	156.7	3.9%	16,12,57,500	8.8%

Weekly Open Interest Losers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
INDUSINDBK	950.5	7.5%	3,77,32,800	-14.8%
SBIN	1,042.0	3.8%	6,97,75,500	-5.2%
BANKBARODA	308.3	2.1%	7,69,50,900	-0.3%

Weekly Price Gainers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
PNB	132.7	7.6%	23,99,76,000	1.6%
INDUSINDBK	950.5	7.5%	3,77,32,800	-14.8%
FEDERALBNK	271.1	5.8%	6,52,55,000	14.8%

Weekly Price Losers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
IDFCFIRSTB	83.8	-2.9%	32,77,97,050	7.4%
HDFCBANK	934.3	-0.9%	24,64,48,400	7.0%

Weekly Open Interest Gainers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
BAJAJHLDNG	10691.0	-3.5%	2,38,200	49.5%
POWERINDIA	16287.0	-9.1%	4,35,200	34.0%
SWIGGY	340.5	-3.2%	2,87,95,000	33.8%
KFINTECH	1053.4	1.2%	68,90,500	33.4%
NHPC	80.5	-2.6%	7,91,36,000	25.9%

Weekly Open Interest Losers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
INDUSINDBK	950.5	7.5%	3,77,32,800	-14.8%
HCLTECH	1698.4	2.6%	1,66,70,150	-12.0%
LODHA	1071.2	0.8%	1,11,61,800	-10.2%
COFORGE	1730.9	2.8%	1,45,79,625	-8.5%
MAXHEALTH	1037.3	1.9%	2,02,98,600	-6.7%

Weekly Price Gainers

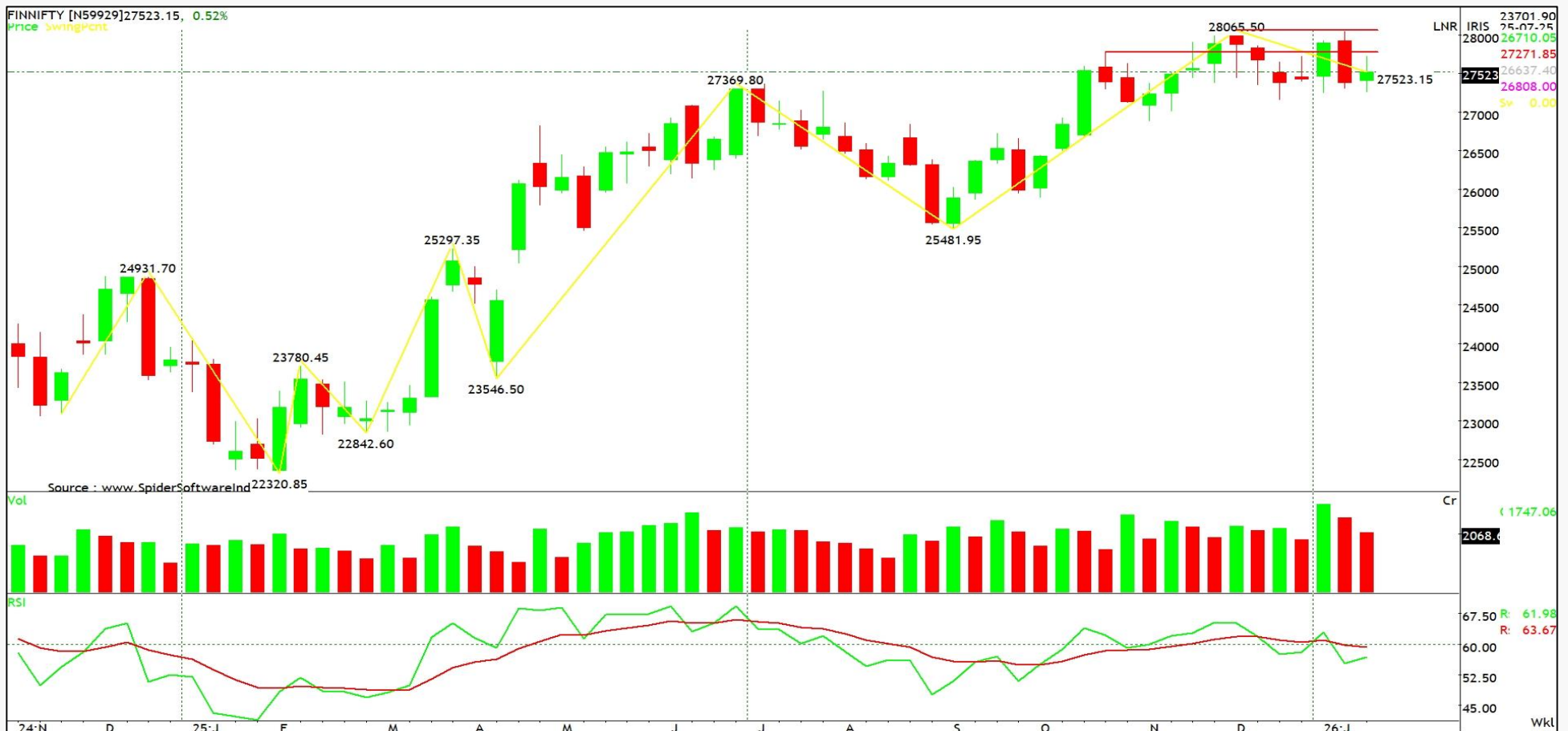
Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
ANGELONE	2737.9	17.9%	44,30,500	6.4%
VEDL	682.1	11.5%	8,30,93,250	-6.1%
MCX	2450.0	11.3%	1,41,54,375	-2.3%
MANAPPURAM	314.0	9.2%	4,79,82,000	-2.6%
UNIONBANK	176.3	8.2%	7,80,65,850	14.1%

Weekly Price Losers

Stock	Price	Chg (%)	Open Interest	Chg (%)
DIXON	10760.0	-9.7%	35,08,750	24.5%
POWERINDIA	16287.0	-9.1%	4,35,200	34.0%
KALYANKJIL	467.2	-8.0%	3,60,98,350	-3.3%
POLYCAB	7144.5	-7.4%	40,05,500	17.7%
CGPOWER	563.5	-5.6%	2,15,66,200	7.5%

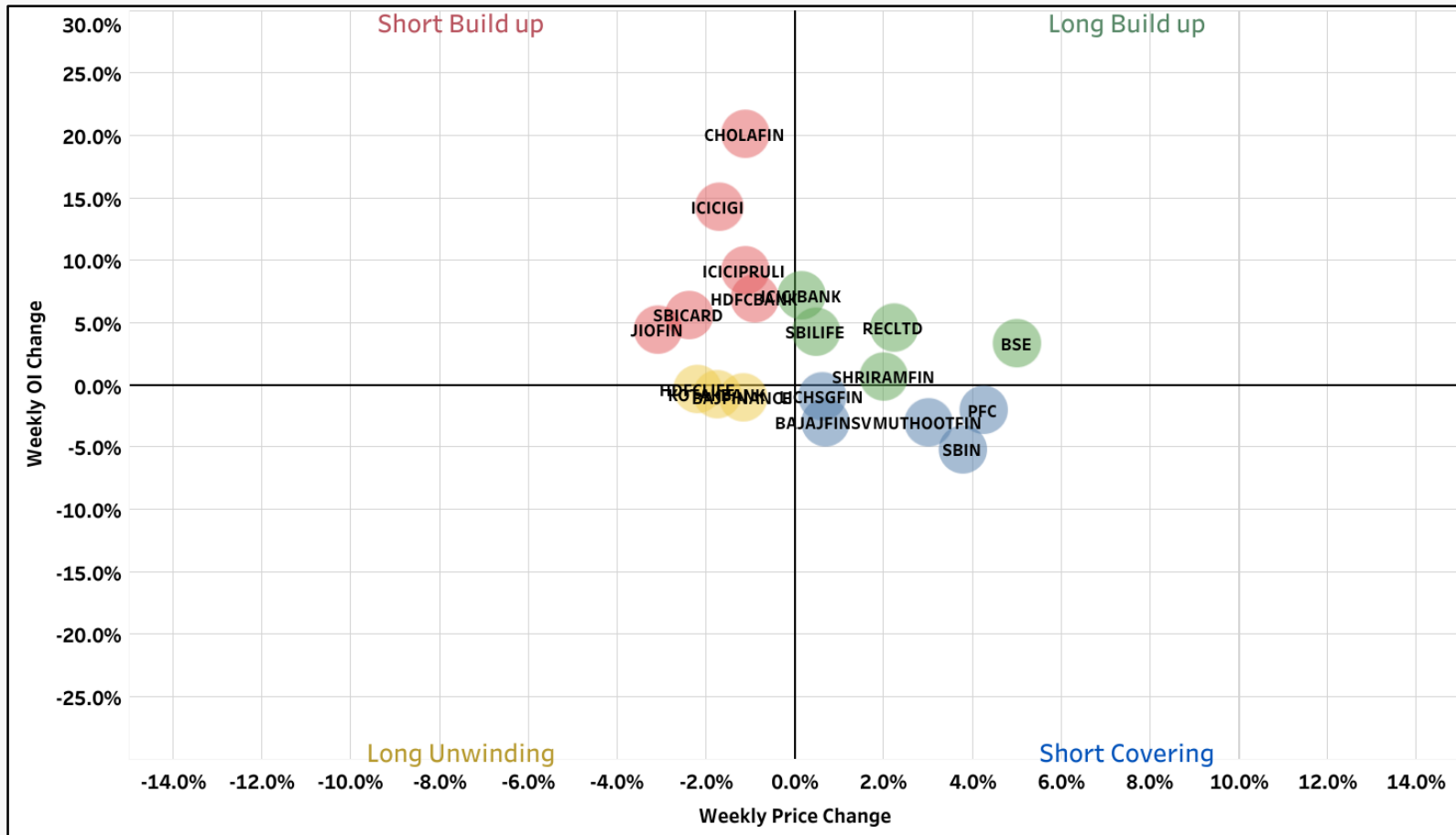
- Stocks that saw significant increases in open interest (OI) and price gains were **KFINTECH** ,**360ONE** ,**PREMIERENE** and **AUBANK**.
- Stocks that saw notable additions in open interest and price declines included **NHPC** ,**BAJAJHLDNG** ,**POWERINDIA** and **SWIGGY**.

Fin Nifty Index	Since Inception Performance			Fin Nifty Index	Week-on-Week Performance		
Date	11-Jan-21	16-Jan-26	% Diff.	Date	09-Jan-26	16-Jan-26	% Diff.
Futures Price	15,676.3	27,585.4	76%	Futures Price	27,523.7	27,585.4	0.2%
Open Interest	77,880.0	49,140.0	-36.9%	Open Interest	45,420.0	49,140.0	8.2%



FINNIFTY futures demonstrated a Long Buildup as a modest 0.2% price gain was accompanied by a substantial 8.2% surge in Open Interest.

Weekly Scatter Plot of Price Direction v/s OI Trend



Trade Ideas:

- Buy HIND ZINC January Futures in 637 – 632 range | SL 623 | Targets 656 & 667 (Long Build Up)
- Sell SBICARDS January Futures in 842.8 – 852 range | SL 860 | Targets 808 & 791 (Short Build Up)

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