

Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.723	2.73	0.26
LME Copper	6068.75	6068.75	0.00
LME Aluminium	2093	2093	0.00
LME Zinc	2532.75	2532.75	0.00
LME Lead	2078.75	2078.75	0.00
LME Nickel	13430	13430	0.00
MCX Copper	416.25	418	0.42
MCX Aluminium	144.75	144.9	0.10
MCX Zinc	177.95	177.8	-0.08
MCX Lead	144.55	145.05	0.35
MCX Nickel	933.7	932.3	-0.15

Base Metal Related News

Base Metals closed mostly higher as the dollar index eased by 0.6 percent after Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell defended the U.S. central bank's push to raise interest rates.

U.S. and Chinese officials ended two days of talks on Thursday with no major breakthrough as their trade war escalated with activation of another round of dueling tariffs on \$16 billion worth of each country's goods.

The U.S. and Mexico are poised to resolve their bilateral Nafta differences as soon as Monday, creating an opening for Canada to rejoin talks covering \$1.2 trillion in annual trade.

China is likely to produce 400,000 mt, in metal content, of high-grade nickel pig iron (NPI) within this year

The discount in Copper for the cash contract to 3-month has narrowed to \$19 a tonne from \$42 last week because of worries about metal for nearby delivery on the LME market because of a rise in cancelled warrants for delivery.

LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock	Change	Shanghai Stock	Change	Change in Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME Stocks
Copper	267075	-	146590	-8486	-	38.47
Aluminium	1095125	-	895880	-3203	-	23.36
Zinc	247400	-	30800	-4130	-	25.10
Lead	126725	-	18277	-420	-	50.88
Nickel	242604	-	17349	-755	-	25.12

Base Metal Outlook

International Markets are closed today. We expect prices to trade sideways to positive for the day on account of low volatility and downside in dollar likely to provide support to the prices at low levels. Tight environmental inspections as well as limited growth in raw material supplies and low inventory level are supporting prices. During the evening session, no major economic releases this week.

Important Events For The Week					
Cur			Actual	Forecast	Previous
Events For Today					
All Day	GBP	Bank Holiday			
1:30pm	EUR	German Ifo Business Climate	103.8	101.9	101.7
28-Aug					
1:30pm	EUR	M3 Money Supply y/y		4.30%	4.40%
	EUR	Private Loans y/y		3.00%	2.90%
6:00pm	USD	Goods Trade Balance		-68.6B	-67.9B
7:30pm	USD	CB Consumer Confidence		126.6	127.4
29-Aug					
6:00pm	USD	Prelim GDP q/q		4.00%	4.10%
7:30pm	USD	Pending Home Sales m/m		0.60%	0.90%
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories			-5.8M
30-Aug					
6:00pm	USD	Unemployment Claims		211K	210K
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage			48B
31-Aug					
6:30am	CNY	Manufacturing PMI		51	51.2
	CNY	Non-Manufacturing PMI		53.8	54
11:30am	EUR	German Retail Sales m/m		-0.20%	1.20%
2:30pm	EUR	CPI Flash Estimate y/y		2.10%	2.10%
	EUR	Core CPI Flash Estimate y/y		1.10%	1.10%
	EUR	Unemployment Rate		8.20%	8.30%
7:15pm	USD	Chicago PMI		63.2	65.5
7:30pm	USD	Revised UoM Consumer Sentiment		95.8	95.3
	USD	Revised UoM Inflation Expectations			2.90%

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