

Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.599	2.587	-0.46
LME Copper	5749.25	5725.5	-0.41
LME Aluminium	1729	1726.75	-0.13
LME Zinc	2431.25	2444	0.52
LME Lead	2186.5	2191	0.21
LME Nickel	16225	16307	0.51
MCX Copper	437.65	436.8	-0.19
MCX Aluminium	133.55	133.35	-0.15
MCX Zinc	184.85	185.3	0.24
MCX Lead	155.9	156.2	0.19
MCX Nickel	1173.5	1178	0.38

Base Metal Related News

Base Metals prices were up after a possible Brexit deal and moderately bullish headlines on United States-China trade talks helped boost sentiment.

China's top copper smelters on Thursday raised their fourth-quarter floor treatment and refining charges (TC/RCs) by 20% from the previous quarter.

World Bank President David Malpass said that clarity over Britain's exit from the European Union would strengthen the outlook for global growth.

Zinc treatment and refining charges are expected to stay at high levels due to rising mine supply from Australia and South Africa, Chinese smelters, overseas miners and traders said.

Mining operations in Guinea, Africa's biggest bauxite producer, returned to normal on Thursday after days of slowed production caused by political protests, mine officials told Reuters

The global production of refined zinc in 2020 is expected to increase by 555,000 tonnes amid high treatment charges (TCs) for zinc concentrates.

LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock		Shanghai Stock		Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME Stocks
	Stock	Change	Stock	Change		
Copper	268400	-6700	134509	16401	60575	22.02
Aluminium	977125	-2450	319873	5962	164350	16.78
Zinc	60825	-450	70172	6077	18275	29.82
Lead	69125	-25	15622	116	3450	4.99
Nickel	86579	-1722	23196	742	38100	43.15

Base Metal Outlook

Base metals are trading mixed today. We expect base metal prices to trade sideways to up on positive comments on US-China deal however gains will remain limited ahead of Brexit approval voting by the parliament. China reported weaker GDP growth as compared to the last quarter. One can maintain sell on rise strategy in Metals for the day.

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Important Events For The Week					
	Cur		Actual	Forecast	Previous
14-Oct					
All Day	JPY	Bank Holiday			
8:25am	CNY	USD-Denominated Trade Balance	39.7B	35.1B	34.8B
8:28am	CNY	Trade Balance	275B	254B	240B
11:30am	EUR	German WPI m/m	-0.40%	-0.20%	-0.80%
2:30pm	EUR	Industrial Production m/m	0.40%	0.30%	-0.40%
All Day	USD	Bank Holiday			
15-Oct					
6:00am	JPY	BOJ Gov Kuroda Speaks			
7:00am	CNY	CPI y/y	3.00%	2.90%	2.80%
	CNY	PPI y/y	-1.20%	-1.20%	-0.80%
10:00am	JPY	Revised Industrial Production m/m	-1.20%	-1.20%	-1.20%
15th-17th	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y			6.90%
2:30pm	EUR	German ZEW Economic Sentiment	-22.8	-27	-22.5
	EUR	ZEW Economic Sentiment	-23.5	-26.7	-22.4
15th-16th	CNY	New Loans	1690B	1350B	1210B
15th-16th	CNY	M2 Money Supply y/y	8.40%	8.30%	8.20%
10:15pm	USD	FOMC Member George Speaks			
12:55am	USD	FOMC Member Bullard Speaks			
16-Oct					
2:00pm	GBP	CPI y/y	1.70%	1.80%	1.70%
	GBP	Core CPI y/y	1.70%	1.70%	1.50%
2:30pm	EUR	Final CPI y/y	0.80%	0.90%	0.90%
	EUR	Final Core CPI y/y	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
	EUR	Trade Balance	20.3B	18.6B	19.0B
6:00pm	USD	Core Retail Sales m/m	-0.10%	0.20%	0.00%
	USD	Retail Sales m/m	-0.30%	0.30%	0.40%
	USD	FOMC Member Evans Speaks			
7:30pm	USD	Business Inventories m/m	0.00%	0.30%	0.40%
	USD	NAHB Housing Market Index	71	68	68
10:30pm	EUR	German Buba President Weidmann Speaks			
11:30pm	USD	Beige Book			
12:30am	USD	FOMC Member Brainard Speaks			
17-Oct					
Day 1	EUR	EU Economic Summit			
2:00pm	GBP	Retail Sales m/m	0.00%	-0.10%	-0.20%
6:00pm	USD	Philly Fed Manufacturing Index	5.6	7.3	12
	USD	Building Permits	1.39M	1.34M	1.43M
	USD	Housing Starts	1.26M	1.32M	1.36M
	USD	Unemployment Claims	214K	212K	210K
6:45pm	USD	Industrial Production m/m	-0.40%	-0.10%	0.60%
	USD	Capacity Utilization Rate	77.50%	77.70%	77.90%
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage	104B	100B	98B
8:30pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories	9.3M	2.7M	2.9M
11:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Bowman Speaks			
	USD	FOMC Member Evans Speaks			
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage	98B	95B	112B
EVENTS FOR TODAY					
7:30am	CNY	GDP q/y	6%	6.10%	6.20%
	CNY	Fixed Asset Investment ytd/y	5.40%	5.50%	5.50%
	CNY	Industrial Production y/y	5.80%	5.00%	4.40%
	CNY	NBS Press Conference			
	CNY	Retail Sales y/y	7.80%	7.80%	7.50%
	CNY	Unemployment Rate	5.20%		5.20%
7:30pm	USD	FOMC Member George Speaks			
Day 1	All	IMF Meetings			

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