

Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.586	2.601	0.58
LME Copper	5737.5	5801	1.11
LME Aluminium	1587	1601	0.88
LME Zinc	2001	2020	0.95
LME Lead	1741.75	1782	2.31
LME Nickel	12837.5	12987	1.16
MCX Copper	439.1	444.5	1.23
MCX Aluminium	135.2	135.95	0.55
MCX Zinc	159.3	160.6	0.82
MCX Lead	140.65	141.9	0.89
MCX Nickel	976.5	984	0.77

Base Metal Related News

Base metal prices rose as the Federal Reserve's latest move to support a struggling US economy hit by the COVID-19 pandemic boosted risk-on sentiment

The Fed announced tweaks to its bond buying program on Monday, widening the range of eligible assets to include all U.S. corporate bonds that satisfied certain criteria

The aluminium market is pricing in rising prospects of the US replacing Canada's exemption from the import tariffs with quotas.

Asian stocks were set to follow a late Wall Street surge, after the Fed's fresh move to support financial markets through the COVID-19 pandemic cheered investors

Peru's economic activity sank 40.49% year-on-year in April, its worst-ever percentage drop in output, as a national lockdown to combat the coronavirus slammed the brakes on industry across the nation.

Large base metals speculators sharply increased their long positions in the Copper futures markets last week, according to the latest Commitment of Traders (COT) data released by the CFTC said.

LME Inventory (15/06/2020)

Commodity	LME Stock	Change	Shanghai Stock	Change	Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME
						Stocks
Copper	256775	1475	133206	-11782	-3725	47.03
Aluminium	1624464	39550	278179	-18126	-2500	11.06
Zinc	74400	-125	103050	-4395	-525	-0.74
Lead	73776	0	19313	10691	0	36.50
Nickel	235365	240	25999	538	0	16.15

Base Metal Outlook

Base metals are trading higher today. We expect prices to trade sideways to negative as Fed's another bond buying program will fail to fuel in demand for base metals due to economic slowdown and second wave of coronavirus in the main consuming nation i.e. China.

Important Events For The Week					
	Cur		Actual	Forecast	Previous
15-Jun					
7:30am	CNY	Fixed Asset Investment ytd/y	-6.30%	-6.00%	-10.30%
	CNY	Industrial Production y/y	4.40%	5.00%	3.90%
	CNY	Retail Sales y/y	-2.80%	-2.30%	-7.50%
7:32am	CNY	Unemployment Rate	5.90%	5.90%	6.00%
2:30pm	EUR	Trade Balance	1.2B	20.3B	23.5B
6:00pm	USD	Empire State Manufacturing Index	-0.2	-30	-48.5
8:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Kaplan Speaks			
16-Jun					
15th-18th	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y			-6.10%
11:30am	EUR	German Final CPI m/m	-0.10%	-0.10%	-0.10%
	EUR	German WPI m/m	-0.60%		-1.40%
2:30pm	EUR	ZEW Economic Sentiment		53.4	46
	EUR	German ZEW Economic Sentiment		60	51
6:00pm	USD	Core Retail Sales m/m		5.50%	-17.20%
	USD	Retail Sales m/m		7.40%	-16.40%
6:45pm	USD	Capacity Utilization Rate		66.80%	64.90%
	USD	Industrial Production m/m		3.00%	-11.20%
7:30pm	USD	Fed Chair Powell Testifies			
	USD	Business Inventories m/m		-0.80%	-0.20%
	USD	NAHB Housing Market Index		43	37
1:30am	USD	FOMC Member Clarida Speaks			
17-Jun					
11:30am	GBP	CPI y/y		0.50%	0.80%
	GBP	Core CPI y/y		1.30%	1.40%
2:30pm	EUR	Final CPI y/y		0.10%	0.10%
	EUR	Final Core CPI y/y		0.90%	0.90%
6:00pm	USD	Building Permits		1.23M	1.07M
	USD	Housing Starts		1.10M	0.89M
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories			5.7M
9:30pm	USD	Fed Chair Powell Testifies			
1:30am	USD	FOMC Member Mester Speaks			
18-Jun					
4:30pm	GBP	Asset Purchase Facility		745B	645B
	GBP	Official Bank Rate		0.10%	0.10%
6:00pm	USD	Philly Fed Manufacturing Index		-25	-43.1
	USD	Unemployment Claims		1300K	1542K
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage			93B
9:45pm	USD	FOMC Member Mester Speaks			
1:30pm	EUR	Current Account			27.4B
6:00pm	USD	Current Account		-101B	-110B
9:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Quarles Speaks			
10:30pm	USD	Fed Chair Powell Speaks			

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