

### Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.866	2.8548	-0.39
LME Copper	6399.75	6368	-0.50
LME Aluminium	1782.25	1790	0.43
LME Zinc	2380.25	2392.5	0.51
LME Lead	1903	1919	0.84
LME Nickel	14255	14195	-0.42
MCX Copper	511.25	508.7	-0.50
MCX Aluminium	146.85	146.8	-0.03
MCX Zinc	189.5	189.2	-0.16
MCX Lead	151.6	151.8	0.13
MCX Nickel	1086.5	1080.1	-0.59

### Base Metal Related News

Base metals fell weakened for the most part as investors monitor stimulus bill and US-China tensions.

Aurubis AG confirmed its earnings forecast for its current financial year, after posting a sharp rise in quarterly earnings mainly on uninterrupted high production at smelter sites during the coronavirus crisis.

Upbeat domestic economic data and continued declines in zinc social inventories bolstered zinc prices, but escalating US-China tensions limited its upward space.

The dollar's strength at the end of last week was also due to escalating tensions between the United States and China, with the US imposing sanctions on top Hong Kong and Chinese officials.

Senior US and Chinese officials will meet via teleconference on Saturday to review the implementation of their Phase 1 trade deal and likely air mutual grievances.

Papua New Guinea Prime Minister James Marape is pressing ahead with plans to lift lockdown measures in the Pacific nation this week

### LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock	Change	Shanghai Stock	Change	Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME
						Stocks
Copper	114625	250	173418	12942	68250	59.54
Aluminium	1617175	-4225	274828	7087	249375	15.42
Zinc	197675	-75	84499	-3848	16800	8.50
Lead	117925	-25	19378	-716	16725	14.18
Nickel	235890	-6	28554	546	55704	23.61

### Base Metal Outlook

Base metals are trading mixed today. We expect prices to trade negative ahead of the focus for markets is on key trade talks between top Chinese and U.S. officials this weekend on growing dispute about Beijing's new security law in Hong Kong. During the evening session the key economic data slated for release today include August ZEW economic sentiment index for eurozone and Germany and US producer price index (PPI) for July.

Important Events For The Week					
	Cur		Actual	Forecast	Previous
10-Aug					
All Day	JPY	Bank Holiday			
7:00am	CNY	CPI y/y	2.70%	2.60%	2.50%
	CNY	PPI y/y	-2.40%	-2.50%	-3.00%
2:00pm	EUR	Sentix Investor Confidence	-13.4	-16	-18.2
7:30pm	USD	JOLTS Job Openings	5.89M	5.30M	5.40M
11-Aug					
11th-18th	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y			-1.30%
2:30pm	EUR	ZEW Economic Sentiment		55.3	59.6
	EUR	German ZEW Economic Sentiment		55	59.3
11th-15th	CNY	M2 Money Supply y/y	10.70%	11.10%	11.10%
11th-15th	CNY	New Loans	993B	1200B	1810B
3:30pm	USD	NFIB Small Business Index		101.7	100.6
	USD	PPI m/m		0.30%	-0.20%
12-Aug					
11:30am	GBP	Prelim GDP q/q		-20.50%	-2.00%
	GBP	GDP m/m		8.10%	1.80%
	GBP	Industrial Production m/m		9.90%	6.00%
2:30pm	EUR	Industrial Production m/m		10.10%	12.40%
	USD	Core CPI m/m		0.20%	0.20%
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories			-7.4M
8:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Kaplan Speaks			
10:31pm	USD	10-y Bond Auction			0.65   2.6
11:30pm	USD	Federal Budget Balance			-864.1B
13-Aug					
5:20am	JPY	PPI y/y		-1.10%	-1.60%
11:30am	EUR	German Final CPI m/m		-0.50%	-0.50%
6:00pm	USD	Unemployment Claims		1200K	1186K
	USD	Import Prices m/m		0.60%	1.40%
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage			33B
10:31pm	USD	30-y Bond Auction			1.33   2.5
14-Aug					
7:30am	CNY	Fixed Asset Investment ytd/y		-1.60%	-3.10%
	CNY	Industrial Production y/y		5.10%	4.80%
	CNY	Retail Sales y/y		0.10%	-1.80%
	CNY	Unemployment Rate		5.70%	5.70%
2:30pm	EUR	Flash Employment Change q/q			-0.20%
	EUR	Flash GDP q/q		-12.10%	-12.10%
	EUR	Trade Balance		18.0B	8.0B
6:00pm	USD	Core Retail Sales m/m			7.30%
	USD	Retail Sales m/m			7.50%
	USD	Industrial Production m/m			5.40%
7:30pm	USD	Prelim UoM Consumer Sentiment			72.5
	USD	Business Inventories m/m			-2.30%
	USD	Prelim UoM Inflation Expectations			3.00%

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