

## Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.796	2.826	1.07
LME Copper	6268.5	6315	0.74
LME Aluminium	1762.5	1767.7	0.30
LME Zinc	2365	2376	0.47
LME Lead	1951	1939.5	-0.59
LME Nickel	14040	14297	1.83
MCX Copper	503.6	506.8	0.64
MCX Aluminium	144.15	144.35	0.14
MCX Zinc	187.35	188.1	0.40
MCX Lead	153.6	153.75	0.10
MCX Nickel	1065.6	1081.4	1.48

## Base Metal Related News

Base metals rose as US unemployment data topped expectations and dollar weakened.

China's July industrial output grew in line with June's growth but was below analysts' forecast. However, the data still showed a continued economic recovery in China, the world's biggest copper consumer.

Copper cash/three-month spread was now \$7.50 per tonne backwardated, compared with \$2 per tonne on Wednesday.

Rusal said global primary aluminium demand was down 6.6% to 30.3 million tonnes in the first half of 2020, with Covid-19 lockdowns halting most economies globally throughout the period.

The two biggest nickel miners in the Philippines do not expect further major disruptions to their operations this year, after posting lower first-half ore sales due to lockdown measures aimed at containing the coronavirus.

A lack of progress in negotiations of US economic stimulus package and a slow recovery of US labour market boosted risk aversion sentiment, which weighed on zinc prices.

## LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock		Shanghai Stock		Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME Stocks
	Change		Change			
Copper	113875	-700	173418	12942	68250	59.93
Aluminium	1600525	-5875	274828	7087	249375	15.58
Zinc	213825	1075	84499	-3848	16800	7.86
Lead	118800	1000	19378	-716	16725	14.08
Nickel	237252	1362	28554	546	55704	23.48

## Base Metal Outlook

Base metals are trading higher today. We expect prices to trade positive as the slowdown in the unemployment claims and slightly better than expected data from China helped the metal prices and boosted sentiments. During the evening session, the list of economic data from US and Europe can drive the metal prices in either direction.

Important Events For The Week					
	Cur		Actual	Forecast	Previous
<b>10-Aug</b>					
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
<b>11-Aug</b>					
11th-18th	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y			-1.30%
2:30pm	EUR	ZEW Economic Sentiment	64	55.3	59.6
	EUR	German ZEW Economic Sentiment	71.5	55	59.3
11th-15th	CNY	M2 Money Supply y/y	11.10%	11.10%	11.10%
11th-15th	CNY	New Loans	1200B	1200B	1810B
3:30pm	USD	NFIB Small Business Index	98.8	101.7	100.6
	USD	PPI m/m	0.60%	0.30%	-0.20%
<b>12-Aug</b>					
11:30am	GBP	Prelim GDP q/q	-20.40%	-20.50%	-2.00%
	GBP	GDP m/m	8.70%	8.10%	1.80%
	GBP	Industrial Production m/m	9.30%	9.90%	6.00%
2:30pm	EUR	Industrial Production m/m	11.00%	10.10%	12.40%
6:00pm	USD	CPI m/m	0.30%	0.30%	0.60%
	USD	Core CPI m/m	0.60%	0.20%	0.20%
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories	-4.5M	-3.4M	-7.4M
8:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Kaplan Speaks			
11:30pm	USD	Federal Budget Balance	-63.0B	-138.3B	-864.1B
<b>13-Aug</b>					
5:20am	JPY	PPI y/y	-0.90%	-1.10%	-1.60%
11:30am	EUR	German Final CPI m/m	-0.50%	-0.50%	-0.50%
	EUR	German WPI m/m	0.50%	0.40%	0.60%
6:00pm	USD	Unemployment Claims	963K	1200K	1186K
	USD	Import Prices m/m	0.70%	0.60%	1.40%
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage	58B	51B	33B
<b>14-Aug</b>					
7:30am	CNY	Fixed Asset Investment ytd/y	-1.60%	-1.60%	-3.10%
	CNY	Industrial Production y/y	4.80%	5.10%	4.80%
	CNY	Retail Sales y/y	-1.10%	0.10%	-1.80%
	CNY	Unemployment Rate	5.70%	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		1.30%	7.30%
	USD	Retail Sales m/m		1.90%	7.50%
	USD	Industrial Production m/m		3.10%	5.40%
7:30pm	USD	Prelim UoM Consumer Sentiment		72	72.5
	USD	Business Inventories m/m		-1.10%	-2.30%

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