

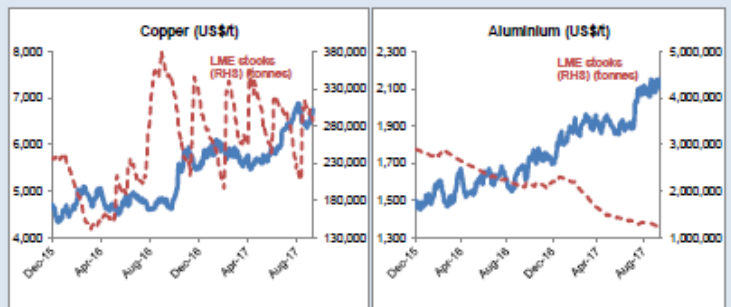
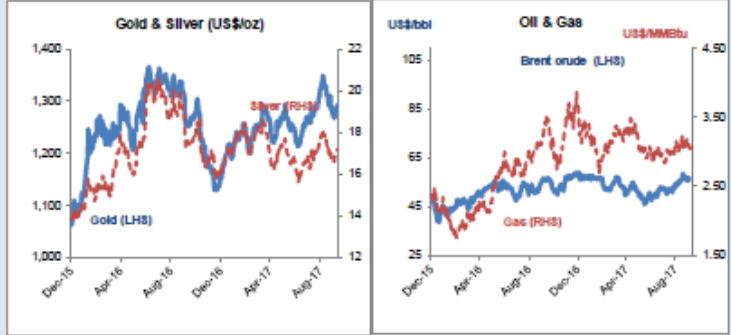


Daily Resources Overview

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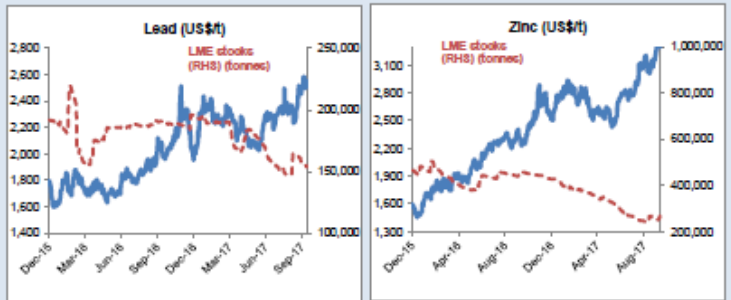
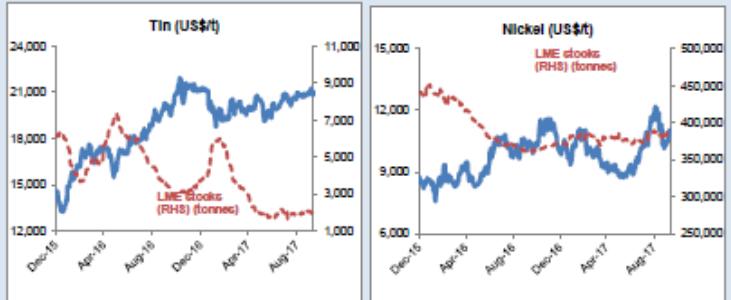
Commodity price movement

Commodity	Price	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Precious Metals (COMEX)					
Gold (US\$/oz)	1291.80	0.0	-3.4	2.9	12.5
Silver (US\$/oz)	17.16	-0.1	-4.2	-1.8	7.8
Platinum (US\$/oz)	932.76	-0.2	-5.8	-1.1	3.2
Industrial Metals (LME)					
Copper (US\$/t)	6756.00	0.7	0.4	41.0	22.3
Aluminium (US\$/t)	2104.75	-1.6	0.6	25.6	23.5
Lead (US\$/t)	2552.75	0.4	13.7	25.6	27.7
Zinc (US\$/t)	3295.00	-1.7	7.0	47.5	28.8
Tin (US\$/t)	20870.00	0.7	0.6	5.3	-1.2
Nickel (US\$/t)	11061.00	0.7	-5.4	6.6	11.0
Bulks					
Iron Ore (US\$/t)	59.65	-2.2	-19.9	3.4	-24.4
Coking Coal (US\$/t)	182.80	0.0	-12.7	-16.2	-19.1
Thermal Coal (US\$/t)	97.88	2.5	-0.3	23.9	3.6
Energy					
Brent Crude (US\$/bbl)	57	0.1	5.5	1.2	-3.5
Natural Gas (US\$/MMBtu)	3.06	0.5	0.4	-9.9	-16.7
Uranium (US\$/lb)	20.40	1.0	-1.9	-10.5	-0.2
Softs					
Wheat (US\$/bu)	433	-0.5	-0.3	-10.3	-6.8
Sugar (US\$/lb)	14	0.9	-3.6	-31.0	-23.0
Corn (US\$/bu)	346	-0.9	-3.2	-10.0	-8.9
Soy (US\$/bu)	965	-0.1	0.5	0.3	-2.4
Cotton (US\$/lb)	69	-0.3	-6.8	2.4	-2.7
Other					
CRB Comdty Index	428	0.2	-1.4	6.3	1.2



Global resource share price movement

Company Name	Sector	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Barrick Gold	Gold	0.7	-3.7	8.0	4.9
Newmont	Gold	0.5	-0.4	12.5	11.8
Goldcorp	Gold	0.5	-3.4	-4.5	-1.8
Anglo Platinum	Platinum	-0.9	0.4	3.3	32.8
Anglo American	Diversified	0.2	3.5	39.9	24.3
BHP Billiton PLC	Diversified	-2.1	-1.8	13.6	6.3
Rio Tinto PLC	Diversified	-1.1	-3.0	33.2	13.0
Teck Resources	Diversified	0.9	0.2	16.9	5.6
Glenore	Diversified	-0.3	-1.2	67.3	33.8
Vale	Iron Ore	-0.7	-11.0	71.4	22.6
Fortescue	Iron Ore	-1.8	-15.9	-1.4	-15.8
South32	Diversified	-0.6	1.6	30.9	18.5
China Shenhua	Coal	-0.8	-1.0	45.6	54.6
Freeport McMoRan	Copper	0.1	0.3	46.2	9.4
Antofagasta	Copper	-0.1	-2.4	79.7	48.3
Alcoa	Aluminium	0.1	7.7	125.3	67.2
Chinalco	Aluminium	-3.7	3.5	133.1	111.3
Rusal	Aluminium	-6.7	-7.6	101.9	66.2
Norilsk Nickel	Nickel	-0.2	4.6	13.8	4.7
Timah PT	Tin	-1.2	-9.2	4.3	-21.9
Boliden	Zinc	-0.4	2.3	40.3	21.6
Cameco	Uranium	-1.1	-7.8	8.2	-18.9
Arcelor Mittal	Steel	0.4	-2.0	30.5	6.2

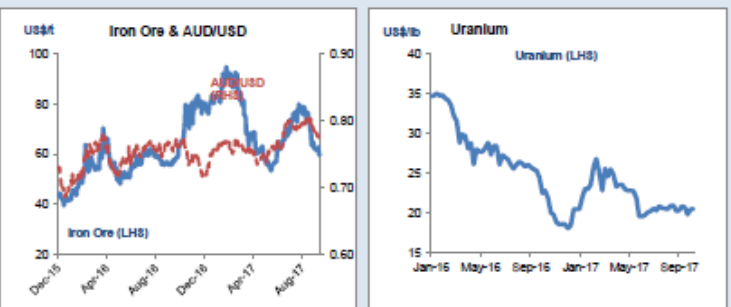


Commodity currency exchange rates (note: red = weakness against US\$)

Cross-rate	Spot	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
AUD/USD	0.78	0.0	-2.9	3.0	8.0
USD/ZAR	13.53	0.0	-3.9	5.2	1.5
USD/BRL	3.17	0.2	-2.2	0.7	2.6
USD/CAD	1.25	0.0	-2.2	6.6	7.9
USD/RUB	57.81	0.0	-0.2	9.2	6.5
USD/CNY	6.59	-0.2	-0.9	2.0	5.4

LME warehouse inventories

Commodity	Tonnes	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Copper	286,925	-1.0	37.7	-17.9	-11.0
Aluminium	1,234,025	-0.4	-6.5	-41.7	-44.1
Lead	153,675	-0.6	-6.3	-19.4	-21.2
Zinc	267,325	2.5	11.2	-41.5	-37.5
Tin	1,995	0.0	5.3	-41.3	-46.7
Nickel	383,148	-0.2	0.1	6.2	3.2



PRECIOUS METALS COMMENTARY

Gold and silver prices were slightly lower in early-afternoon U.S. trading Wednesday, on mild corrective pullbacks from good gains scored earlier this week. Prices were off their daily lows, however. This afternoon's **FOMC minutes report** contained no big surprises, which did allow gold and silver prices to erase some of their losses. Some market watchers were worried the FOMC minutes would sound a more hawkish tone.

The minutes from the latest FOMC meeting saw members generally agreeing that a 0.25% December interest rate hike is in the cards. There was not any wording on inflation or the U.S. labor market that traders deemed to be market-sensitive. The U.S. stock and bond markets did not see significant price moves after the FOMC minutes' release, either.

U.S. stock indexes are at or near record highs this week. Japan's Nikkei stock index hit a 21-year high Wednesday. While gold had seen some safe-haven demand earlier this week, amid geopolitical tensions that include the U.S.-North Korea stand-off and a region of Spain wanting to secede, the world stock markets are so far not exhibiting much risk aversion at all.

The **U.S. dollar index** was lower again Wednesday. The greenback continues this week's slide. Such has been an underlying bullish element for the precious metals markets. Source: Kitco

1 Year Gold London Fix PM Daily with 14 and 200-day moving averages



AUSTRALIA MARKET COMMENTARY

Local shares are set for a quiet open as US investors turn cautious ahead of the start of earnings season. Iron ore drops 2.2 per cent as China steel prices retreat. ASX futures were down 1 point. All three US benchmarks edged higher in narrow trading.

Federal Reserve policymakers had a prolonged debate about the prospects of a pickup in inflation and the path of future interest rate rises if it did not, according to the minutes of the US central bank's last policy meeting on September 19-20 released overnight.

Australian shares rose on Wednesday, to close at their highest level in nearly two months, as buying in the big four banks helped to lift the index. Banks gaining ground included Westpac, which rose 0.7 per cent, and ANZ, up 0.4 per cent. Along with the banks, technology stocks found buying support, followed closely by consumer discretionary plays and industrials. A weaker iron ore price depressed sentiment around resource-sector giants, however, and Rio Tinto closed down 0.6 per cent, while pure iron ore play Fortescue Metals was off 1.8 per cent.



Westpac DAILY CHART (Source: Thomson Reuters)

US MARKET COMMENTARY

European stocks are rising, with the best gain being made in Madrid after Carles Puigdemont, president of Catalonia, stopped short of declaring independence from Spain in his speech to the region's parliament. The Ibex 35 closed up 1.3 per cent as banks led the advance with gains across the sector. The main Spanish index was significantly ahead of other national bourses as the pan-regional Euro Stoxx 600 is flat.

The moves elsewhere on Europe's national bourses were modest. Frankfurt's Xetra Dax 30 closed up 0.2 per cent while London's FTSE 100 fell 0.1 per cent. There are brighter numbers on the periphery of the Eurozone. Portugal's PSI 20 rose 0.6 per cent and Italy's FTSE MIB gained 1%.

The yield on the US 10-year Treasury, which moves inversely to price, was down 2.2 basis points to 2.339 per cent, while, the yield on the more policy sensitive 2-year was flat at 1.512 per cent. Both were little changed from earlier in the day. Meanwhile US stocks held on to their modest gains, while the dollar index, a gauge of the buck against a basket of six global peers, briefly extended its losses to trade 0.3 per cent lower at 93.02. **Facebook** has shown off a new low-cost virtual-reality headset, Oculus Go, as it tries to broaden the appeal of VR to the mass market. However, the \$200 device will not go on sale until the beginning of 2018, missing this year's holiday sales season.



FACEBOOK Daily Chart (Source - Thomson Reuters)

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