



Daily Resources Overview

Commodity price movement

Commodity	Price	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Precious Metals (COMEX)					
Gold (US\$/oz)	1248.50	-0.4	-2.6	6.8	9.1
Silver (US\$/oz)	15.86	0.1	-6.9	-6.8	-0.4
Platinum (US\$/oz)	889.28	-1.2	-4.7	-5.3	-1.7
Industrial Metals (LME)					
Copper (US\$/t)	6536.75	0.1	-4.2	13.1	18.4
Aluminium (US\$/t)	1992.00	0.0	-4.7	15.1	16.9
Lead (US\$/t)	2447.25	0.7	-2.2	7.7	22.4
Zinc (US\$/t)	3090.00	-0.3	-4.5	15.7	20.8
Tin (US\$/t)	19450.00	0.1	0.0	-7.0	-7.9
Nickel (US\$/t)	10890.50	-0.9	-13.9	-1.5	9.3
Bulks					
Iron Ore (US\$/t)	69.35	5.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
Coking Coal (US\$/t)	236.10	2.1	30.8	-19.1	4.5
Thermal Coal (US\$/t)	96.84	3.7	-0.6	3.1	2.5
Energy					
Brent Crude (US\$/bbl)	63	1.9	0.2	12.2	8.2
Natural Gas (US\$/MMBtu)	2.79	0.5	-13.3	-24.3	-24.0
Uranium (US\$/lb)	25.25	0.0	23.2	36.9	23.5
Softs					
Wheat (US\$/bu)	419	-0.6	-5.6	-11.6	-12.3
Sugar (US\$/lb)	14	-1.8	-5.3	-22.9	-24.4
Corn (US\$/bu)	353	0.4	-2.4	-10.0	-9.3
Soy (US\$/bu)	990	-0.2	-0.9	-2.4	-0.3
Cotton (US\$/lb)	74	-0.7	7.4	3.2	4.3
Other					
CRB Comdty Index	431	1.0	-0.1	1.7	2.0

Global resource share price movement

Company Name	Sector	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Barrick Gold	Gold	-0.1	-2.4	-11.7	-14.6
Newmont	Gold	-1.4	-0.3	8.0	3.9
Goldcorp	Gold	-0.5	-9.7	-9.4	-12.1
Anglo Platinum	Platinum	1.4	-16.2	21.4	32.2
Anglo American	Diversified	1.6	-8.1	12.4	17.6
BHP Billiton PLC	Diversified	1.0	-3.2	4.6	8.4
Rio Tinto PLC	Diversified	0.8	-6.1	7.6	9.8
Teck Resources	Diversified	1.1	8.5	0.7	10.1
Glenore	Diversified	2.2	-4.7	17.1	26.7
Vale	Iron Ore	#N/A N/A	9.4	25.6	42.9
Fortescue	Iron Ore	-0.2	-6.2	-31.7	-22.6
South32	Diversified	0.0	-4.2	9.9	17.1
China Shenhua	Coal	0.7	-2.4	38.6	53.2
Freeport McMoRan	Copper	0.9	3.9	-5.0	13.5
Antofagasta	Copper	0.8	-7.6	18.1	32.4
Alcoa	Aluminium	2.0	-3.7	29.2	47.4
Chinalco	Aluminium	2.9	-15.7	39.6	53.1
Rusal	Aluminium	1.9	-10.3	40.0	49.4
Norilsk Nickel	Nickel	-0.4	-12.9	-4.6	2.4
Timah PT	Tin	1.3	-12.7	-36.3	-26.5
Boliden	Zinc	1.0	-11.1	4.6	9.9
Cameco	Uranium	-0.4	12.2	-4.4	-5.1
Arcelor Mittal	Steel	1.0	5.2	14.8	25.7

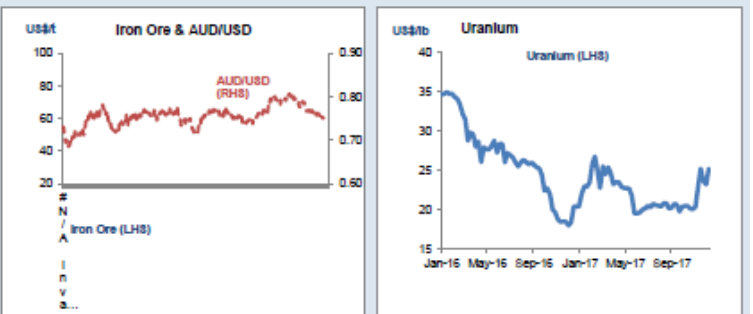
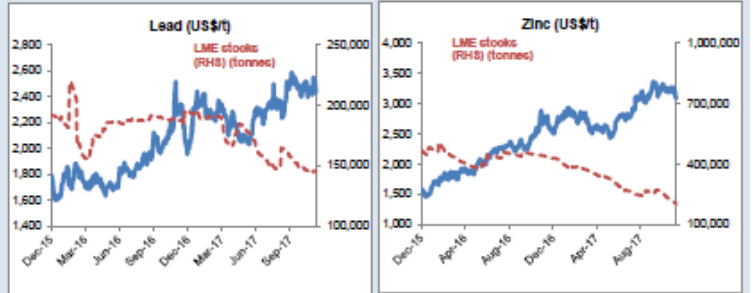
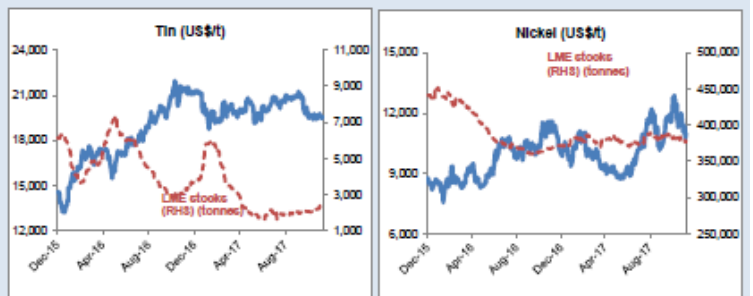
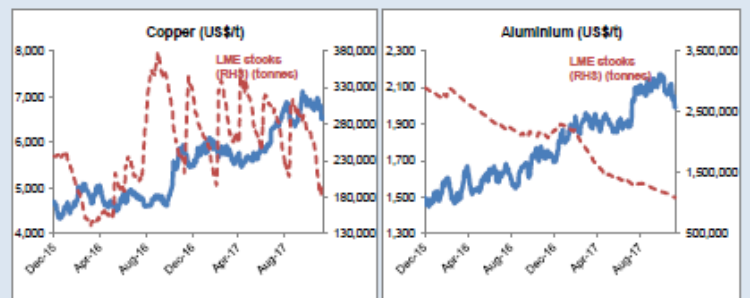
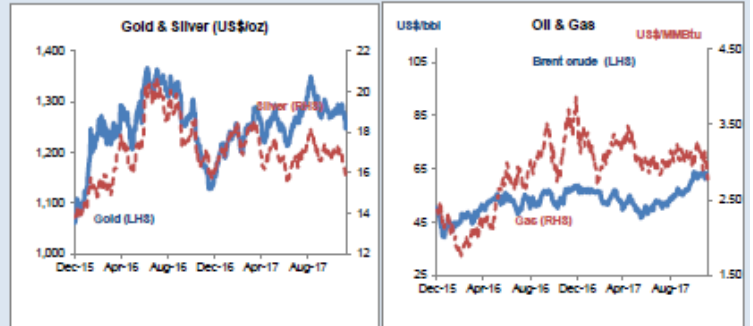
Commodity currency exchange rates (note: red = weakness against US\$)

Cross-rate	Spot	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
AUD/USD	0.75	0.0	-2.0	0.2	4.2
USD/ZAR	13.67	0.5	3.5	-0.1	0.5
USD/BRL	3.29	0.0	-1.3	2.5	-1.2
USD/CAD	1.29	0.0	-1.3	2.1	4.6
USD/RUB	59.13	0.1	0.2	7.1	4.1
USD/CNY	6.62	0.0	0.1	4.1	4.9

LME warehouse inventories

Commodity	Tonnes	1D %ch	1M %ch	1Y %ch	YTD %ch
Copper	195,150	0.6	-25.9	-11.7	-39.4
Aluminium	1,094,525	-0.3	-7.0	-48.1	-50.4
Lead	145,300	0.1	-1.0	-22.4	-25.5
Zinc	201,125	-0.7	-16.7	-54.2	-53.0
Tin	2,325	-0.6	12.6	-30.6	-37.9
Nickel	378,938	-0.2	-1.0	2.2	1.5

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PRECIOUS METALS COMMENTARY

Gold is ending its worst week since July as investors see a resurgence in the U.S. dollar ahead of a major week of central bank meetings. Analysts add that in the current environment, gold prices are vulnerable to lower prices in the near term

Federal Reserve and ECB On Tap Next Week

The declines in the precious metals markets has helped sour investor optimism as many analysts see lower prices in the near-term. Analysts note that the Federal Reserve interest rate decision, with the European Central Bank (ECB) decision announced the next day, are two big hurdles for the yellow metal next week.

“The Fed is going to hike rates and there is a chance that the ECB is hawkish. These are not good catalysts for gold next week,” said Adam Button, currency strategist at Forexlive.com. “Technically, gold looks vulnerable. Clearly momentum is lower and we could fall to \$1,220.”

Christopher Vecchio, senior currency strategist at DailyFX.com, said that he is also looking for lower prices in the near-term as the current environment of rising bond yields with low inflation is not a great environment for gold.

“The fact of the matter is, stocks are doing well, short-term yields are moving higher and I think we could see lower prices,” he said. “I think we could fall to \$1,243 before we find some significant support.”

A December Rate Hike Is a Done Deal, But What About 2018?

CME 30-day Fed Funds futures are pricing in a 100% chance of a rate hike next week but the question on everyone’s mind is what will happen in 2018.

Markets are only pricing in a 50% chance of two rate hikes by November 2018.

The Federal has forecasted three interest rate hikes next year. However, many analysts are raising doubts about those projections, especially as inflation remains constrained.

Source: Kitco

AUSTRALIA MARKET COMMENTARY

Australian shares are set to open higher, building on Friday's advance, as overseas markets closed up in the wake of the latest upbeat US jobs report. ASX futures were up 23 points. The Australian dollar was steady, hovering near the US75.00¢ mark.

Shares ended with gains on Friday with utility companies putting a bit of a spark into the benchmark at the end of lacklustre week. The S&P/ASX 200 index advanced 16 points over the five sessions, or 0.3 per cent, to 5994 while the broader All Ordinaries climbed the same amount in points and percentage terms to 6077. On Friday the benchmark top 200 measure climbed 19 points.

The heavyweight listed banking sector, dominated by lenders CBA, Westpac, ANZ and NAB, fell 0.4 per cent over the week. Miners lost 0.9 per cent over the week after gyrations in the metal markets pulled the sector down. Volatility in commodity prices offset a boost to sentiment around the sector after broker Citi during the week turned positive on many of the big names.



CBA Daily Chart (Source: Thomson Reuters)

US MARKET COMMENTARY

Sir Jonathan Ive has resumed his leadership of Apple’s design team, two years after he stepped back from day-to-day managerial responsibilities to focus on its new headquarters. The British designer has helmed the look and feel of Apple’s products since 1996, from the brightly coloured iMacs to the latest Apple Watch. In 2015, Sir Jonathan was simultaneously promoted to become Apple’s chief design officer, while also delegating direct management duties to Richard Howarth, vice-president of industrial design, and Alan Dye, vice-president of user interface design.

Apple is close to buying Shazam, the music-recognition service that is one of the App Store’s most popular apps, in a deal that could help bolster the iPhone maker’s music streaming service. People familiar with the matter say the deal, news of which was first reported by TechCrunch, could be announced as soon as next week. Teva Pharmaceutical’s US-listed shares received a shot in the arm on Friday following a report that the struggling Israeli drugmaker could be looking to cut up to 10,000 jobs in a bid to reduce costs and pay down its debt pile.

Wall Street regained some of its rigour on Friday, with sentiment boosted by a better-than-expected November jobs report. The S&P 500 was up 0.4 per cent at 2,646.31 in early trading, with all the major sectors – barring consumer staples – advancing. The Dow Jones Industrial Average crept 0.2 per cent higher to 24,255.41, while the Nasdaq Composite meanwhile tacked on 0.7 per cent to 6,858.83.



APPLE Daily Chart (Source: Thomson Reuters)

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