

## PRECIOUS METALS

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Precious Metals	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	% Chg
MCX Gold Rs.	OCTI	25729	26254	25729	26225	537	2.09
COMEX Gold \$	OCTI	1766.7	1788.4	1762.1	1783.4	27	1.54
MCX Silver Rs.	SEPI	59300	60148	59151	59718	1000	1.70
COMEX Silver \$	SEPI	39.945	40.175	39.29	39.819	0.512	1.30

## LONDON FIXING

	A.M. FIXING	P.M. FIXING
Gold	1779	1782.5
Silver Fix AM		39.36

## US \$ INDEX

	Close	% Change
US \$ INDEX	74.022	0.134

## ETF HOLDINGS as on previous close

ETF	in tonnes	Change
SPDR Holding	1262.90	2.73
iShares Holding	9705.89	-

## FOREX MARKET WATCH

Currency	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	% Chg
USD/INR	45.36	45.39	45.18	45.39	0.04	0.09
USD/JPY=	76.85	76.96	76.65	76.83	-0.03	-0.04
EUR/USD	1.4448	1.4473	1.4355	1.4409	-0.0039	-0.27

## FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

Precious metals are trading marginally lower on COMEX today. We expect prices to trade higher for the following day as Franco-German summit failed to convince investors that the euro zone debt crisis would be solved effectively, supporting safe-haven demand.

## MARKET ROUNDUP

Precious metals rose 1 percent on Tuesday as investors turned to the safe haven after comments by the leaders of France and Germany about closer euro zone integration and deficit limits failed to ease worries about that region's debt problems.

## IN FOCUS

- Holdings in the SPDR Gold Trust the world's largest gold-backed exchange traded fund fell to 1262.90 tonnes by Aug 16, down by 2.73 tonnes from the previous business day.
- Holdings in the world's largest silver backed exchange-traded fund iShares Silver-Trust fell to 9705.89 tonnes by Aug 16, remains unchanged from the previous business day.
- Crocodile Gold Corp slashed its full-year production forecast and said production cost would be higher than expected. The company expects to mine 77,500-82,500 ounces of gold this year at a cash cost of \$1,150-\$1,250 per ounce. It had previously forecast production of 85,000-100,000 ounces at a cash cost of \$875-\$975 per ounce.

## BASE METALS

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Base Metals	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	% Chg
MCX Copper Rs.	AUG1	402.4	402.4	396.15	399.6	-2.65	-0.66
LME Copper \$	3M	8785	8830	8780	8830	-78	-0.88
MCX Zinc Rs.	AUG1	98	98.4	96.8	97.85	-0.35	-0.36
LME Zinc \$	3M	2160	2184	2158	2182	-1	-0.05
MCX Nickel Rs.	AUG1	977	985	963	982.1	4	0.41
LME Nickel \$	3M	21400	21700	21400	21700	400	1.88
MCX Lead Rs.	AUG1	108.5	108.6	106.4	107.4	-0.55	-0.51
LME Lead \$	3M	2350	2375	2345	2356	-42	-1.75
MCX Aluminium	AUG1	108	108	106.3	106.85	-1.55	-1.43
LME Aluminium	3M	2380	2385	2374	2375	0	0.00

## SHANGHAI MARKET WATCH

Metals	Close	Change	% Chg	Index	Close	Change
Aluminium	17500	-420	-2.34	Baltic Dry Index	1344	38
Copper	66600	-400	-0.60	CRB Index	-	-
Zinc	16445	-455	-2.69	DJ Commodity Index	-	-

## INDICES

## LME WAREHOUSE STOCK

Metals	Prev.	Net	Total	Metals	L/W*	C/W*	Change
Copper	460600	4675	465275	Copper	455800	9475	350
Zinc	877875	-1700	876175	Zinc	774025	102150	-1525
Nickel	103272	6	103278	Nickel	97680	5598	-12
Lead	308300	10925	319225	Lead	305075	14150	-1200
Alum	4557675	21675	4579350	Alum	4280000	299350	-4550

## LME WARRANTS

## FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

Industrial metals are trading marginally higher on International bourses today. We expect prices to remain under pressure on account of worries about the debt crisis and slowing growth in the euro zone.

## MARKET ROUNDUP

Industrial metals ended down after touching its lowest level in a week on Tuesday, as risk appetite subsided after surprisingly weak German growth data fanned worries about a faltering global economic recovery.

## IN FOCUS

- China's refined copper arrivals may rise in the fourth quarter as importers raise spot bookings after the arbitrage window between the three-month London Metal Exchange and Shanghai opened earlier this month, traders said on Tuesday.
- Terramin Australia said it may know later on Wednesday the extent of damage caused by an electrical incident this week at its Angas lead and zinc operation, which forced it to suspend milling work.
- World no. 2 iron ore producer Rio Tinto said on Wednesday it had suspended operations at two mines in Australia accounting for about 6 percent of its total production following the fatality of a worker.
- More of China's leading steel mills have decided to raise prices of their main products for September bookings, aiming to catch up with rising spot market prices and in anticipation of stronger demand next month.
- Deteriorating demand from stainless steel mills and rising mine production are likely to push the nickel market into surplus in the second half of the year and put modest pressure on prices.

## ENERGY

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Energy	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	% Chg
MCX Crude	AUG1	3905	3979	3886	3935	39	1.00
NYM Crude	SEP1	87.68	87.93	85.62	87.11	0.46	0.53
MCX Natgas	AUG1	184.1	184.1	177.3	178.1	-6.5	-3.52
NYM Natgas	SEP1	4.038	4.042	3.903	3.934	0.002	0.05

### INDICES

### EXCHANGE VOLUME on previous close

Index	Close	Change	Exchange	Volume (in crores)
Clean Tanker Index	685	5	MCX	58763.85
Dirty Tanker Index	693	-2	NCDEX	5333.55

### ENERGY INDICATORS

Date	Time	Energy Data	Country	Prior	Consensus	Actual
17Aug	8.00pm	Crude Stock	U.S.	-5.225	-0.800	
17Aug	8.00pm	Gasoline Stock	U.S.	-1.588	-1.300	
17Aug	8.00pm	Distillate Stock	U.S.	-0.737	0.400	
17Aug	8.00pm	Refinery Utilisation	U.S.	0.7		
17Aug	8.00pm	Stocks at Cushing Oklahoma	U.S.	-1.372		
17Aug	8.00pm	Natural Gas Inventory	U.S.	25		

## FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

Crude oil is trading marginally higher on NYMEX today. We expect prices to remain under pressure for the following trading session on account of lingering concerns over Europe's debt crisis.

## MARKET ROUNDUP

Crude oil ended more than 1 percent lower on Tuesday as investors were left disappointed after French-German proposals for the euro zone debt crisis failed to ease concerns.

## IN FOCUS

- The burden of oil on a broken world economy and damaged ties with OPEC will be major challenges for Dutch politician and former teacher Maria van der Hoeven when she takes over as head of the International Energy Agency on Sept. 1.
- U.S. crude inventories rose unexpectedly last week due to a surge in imports while product stocks fell sharply, despite refiners processing more oil, the American Petroleum Institute industry group said on Tuesday.
- Top independent U.S. refiner Valero denied that it was set to commit to shipping oil on the planned Double E pipeline from Cushing, Oklahoma to Houston, saying it was still backing the rival Keystone XL project.

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