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Daily Base Metals Report

US stocks began the week on a positive note as investors awaited US CPI data, which will provide insights into the timing of the Fed's initial interest rate cuts. The anticipation of rising inflation has tempered expectations for a June rate cut, with forward swaps now indicating only a 53% likelihood of a mid-year reduction, compared to a 93% chance for the ECB. The dollar experienced a slight dip to 104.2, while the 10-year US Treasury yield held steady at 4.43%.

Base metals held steady today and maintained the gains made last week. The recent upward trend was due to high speculative appetite, but investors are now looking at the fundamental trend to determine if demand is increasing in China and the West. In particular, iron ore futures broke back above the \$100/mt level, suggesting that the narrative might be improving for the price of the metal. Aluminium and copper once again tested robust resistance levels at \$2,450/t and \$9,400/t, looking comfortable to break above these levels. We expect prices to gain a marginal upside before seeing some softness.

In the commodities market, gold continued its upward trajectory, setting a new record at \$2,331/oz. Silver also appreciated, reaching \$27.8/oz. Meanwhile, oil prices saw a slight pullback but remained high, with WTI and Brent crude trading at \$86/bl and \$90/bl, respectively.

	Open	High	Low	5pm Close	PDC	Volume	Total O.I	Spreads	Conversion
								C-3M	USc/lb
Aluminium	2442	2470	2426	2460.5	2451	32894	664672	-45.37	111.45
Copper	9303	9485	9216	9411.5	9348	37190	317877	-129.99	425.97
Lead	2115	2149	2094	9411.5	2127	11486	148275	-25.40	97.14
Nickel	17700	17940	17415	17848	17730	7528	201484	-173.62	805.13
Tin	28570	29910	28405	29848	28620	995	19384	1.82	1352.40
Zinc	2620	2672	2567	2664	2622	25619	250730	-38.10	120.54
					Total:	115712	1602422		

Official Prices	Monthly Avg							
	Cash	3m	Dec Yr 1	Dec Yr 2	PD Cash	PD 3M	Cash	3M
Aluminium	2417	2462	2637.25	2720.25	2412.68	2450.5	2371.8	2415.6
Copper	9301	9419	9597.5	9587.5	9208.5	9329.5	9121.6	9236
Lead	2111	2136.5	2195.75	2213.75	2098.1	2123.5	2062.1	2091.2
Nickel	17700	17875	19064.9492	19764.94922	17637.87	17804	17255	17439
Tin	29395	29400			28771	28795	28484	28520
Zinc	2627	2663.5	2727.11	2742.11	2600.63	2638.5	2526.6	2574

LME Stocks (tonnes)	Other Copper Markets									
	Opening	In	Out	Net Change	Closing	C-warrants	Open Tonnage	Last		% Change
Aluminium	535475	0	2325	-2325	533150	207700	325450	Comex, USc/lb		
Copper	115525	0	1250	-1250	114275	13325	100950	MAY 24	423.6	-0.31
Lead	273025	0	425	-425	272600	22475	250125	JUL 24	426.65	-0.30
Nickel	77604	0	456	-456	77148	8862	68286	Shanghai, CNY/mt		
Tin	4365	0	75	-75	4290	570	3720	01-Apr	0	0.00
Zinc	260200	0	75	-75	260125	36175	223950	01-May	0	0.00

Global Markets	Currencies				Precious Metals				Previous Day's Fix	
Last	% Change		Last	% Change	Last	% Change	AM	PM		
DAX	18319	0.79	GBP	1.2646	0.0633	Gold	2327.75	-0.0858	2288.45	2298.55
DJI	38894	-0.03	JPY	151.8300	-0.1383	Silver	27.72	0.891		2678
S&P500	5205	0.01	EUR	1.0849	0.1107	Gold Comex	2346.5	0.047		
SSE	3047	-0.72	CNY	7.2309	0.0318	Platinum	963.55	3.5452		
Hg Seng	16733	0.05	AUD	0.6597	0.2736	Palladium	1045.5	3.9647		
Brent	90	-1.62	CAD	1.3592	-0.0147					

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