

Weekly News Bulletin

11th August– 16th August 2025

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[LME aluminium price climbs the graph by \\$21/t; 3-month Asian Reference Price dips by \\$3.5/t](#)

On Wednesday, August 13, both LME aluminium cash bid price and LME aluminium official settlement price gained USD 22 per tonne or 0.84 per cent and USD 21 per tonne or 0.80 per cent. The prices closed at USD 2,625 per tonne and USD 2,626 per tonne.

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[LME aluminium cash price falls to \\$2,607.5/t; opening stocks edge up to 479,675t](#)

London Metal Exchange aluminium prices fell on August 14 across spot and forward contracts compared to the previous session. The LME aluminium cash bid price dropped USD 17.5 or 0.67 per cent to USD 2,607.5 per tonne, while the LME cash offer price fell USD 17.5 or 0.67 per cent to USD 2,608.5 per tonne from August 13 levels of USD 2,625 per tonne and USD 2,626 per tonne respectively.

Markets Mojo

[National Aluminium Company Adjusts Evaluation Amid Mixed Financial Performance Indicators](#)

National Aluminium Company has recently adjusted its evaluation, reflecting changes in financial and technical metrics. The company reported a profit after tax of Rs 3,116.71 crore and net sales of Rs 9,074.77 crore, indicating strong growth, despite some quarterly metrics showing declines. The overall market position remains robust.

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[DAILY: China's spot alumina prices stable, futures extend losses](#)

On Thursday, Mysteel assessed spot prices for metallurgical-grade alumina with purity above 98.6 per cent in Shandong, Henan, Shanxi and Guizhou provinces and in the Guangxi autonomous region at RMB 3,205-3,325 per tonne (USD 446-463 per tonne), unchanged from Wednesday.

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[Hindalco shines on Nifty 50 with record Q1 FY26; Downstream EBIDTA jumps 108%](#)

On Tuesday, August 12, Hindalco Industries Limited announced the first quarter results of the financial year 2025-2026, ending June 30. In the report, the company highlighted that both the upstream and the downstream business (India) had recorded stellar performance.

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[Aluminium stocks at Japan ports dip again in July - what's behind the shift?](#)

Japan's aluminium market in mid-2025 reflects a mixed picture, with inventories steadily declining despite increased imports. The trend suggests a tightening supply environment, shaped by shifting trade flows, evolving demand patterns and broader economic dynamics. Aluminium stocks at Japan ports dip again in July - what's behind the shift?

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[Under the game between macro and fundamentals, aluminium prices will hold up well in the short term but there is risk of correction](#)

Futures: On Thursday night session, the most-traded SHFE aluminium 2509 contract opened at RMB 20,710 per tonne, with a highest price of RMB 20,785 per tonne, a lowest price of RMB 20,705 per tonne, and closed at RMB 20,760 per tonne. Trading volume was 43,000 lots, and open interest was 198,000 lots. On Thursday, LME aluminium opened at USD 2,606 per tonne, with a highest point of USD 2,627.5 per tonne, a lowest point of USD 2,606 per tonne, and closed at USD 2,624 per tonne.

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[Global aluminium demand steadies in 2024, sets up for sustained growth through 2030](#)

Global aluminium usage is stabilising after a choppy period and is positioned for steady expansion this decade, supported by electric mobility, packaging, and a gradual rebound in construction. According to industry estimates, Asia Pacific (including China) is set to account for 66 per cent of global aluminium usage in 2024, with North America at 13 per cent and Europe at 12 per cent.

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[The weekly operating rate of aluminium processors rose by 0.8%, indicating a mild recovery in downstream consumption](#)

This week, the overall operating rate of China's downstream aluminium processing leading enterprises rose by 0.8 percentage points M-o-M to 59.5 per cent, indicating a mild market recovery. In specific segments, the operating rate of primary aluminium alloy increased by 1.0 percentage points to 56.6 per cent, with a notable increase in primary aluminium consumption by top-tier enterprises. The operating rate of aluminium plate/sheet and strip rose by 1.0 percentage points to 65.0 per cent, driven by stockpiling orders for can stock, automotive sheets, and other peak-season products. The operating rate of aluminium wire and cable increased by 0.8 percentage points to 62.6 per cent, as the accelerated power grid construction cycle boosted terminal cargo pick-up.