# LME Q2 2022 Update



#### SETTING THE GLOBAL STANDARD



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## LME Nickel market information



#### LME Nickel market information

LME Interim Measures

- · Upper and lower daily price limits in place
- OTC Position reporting starts, effective 18 July 2022
- Independent review through Oliver Wyman underway overseen by Nickel Steering Committee
- Additional measures are considered
- All LME notices relating to measures taken in the LME Nickel market can be found here: https://www.lme.com/en/Metals/Non-ferrous/LME-Nickel

Regulatory

- Bank of England section 166\*
  - a review of the operations of LME Clear during the period when trading of Nickel was suspended and then subsequently resumed
- Financial Conduct Authority section 166 \*\*
  - a review of the LME's approach during the period when trading of Nickel was suspended and then subsequently resumed



<sup>\*</sup> https://www.bankofengland.co.uk/news/2022/april/joint-statement-from-uk-financial-regulation-authorities-on-london-metal-exchange-and-lme-clear

<sup>\*\*</sup> https://www.fca.org.uk/news/statements/uk-financial-regulation-authorities-london-metal-exchange-lme-clear

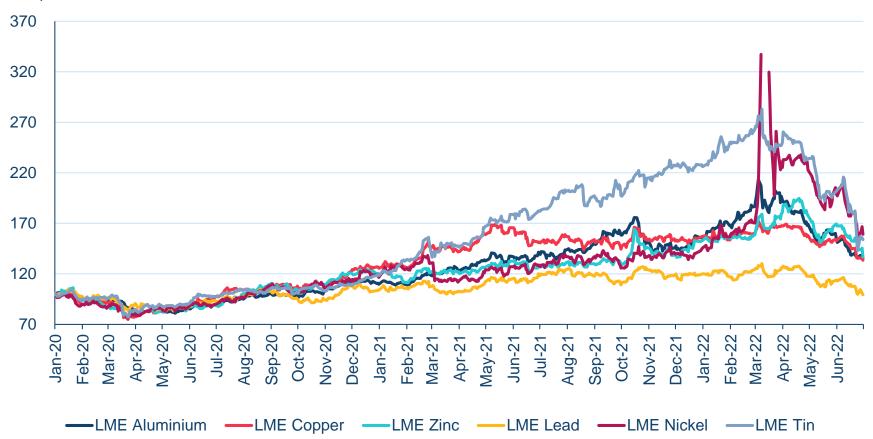
## Market overview



## LME price developments

#### **LME** prices YTD

3M prices rebased to 100; 2 Jan 20

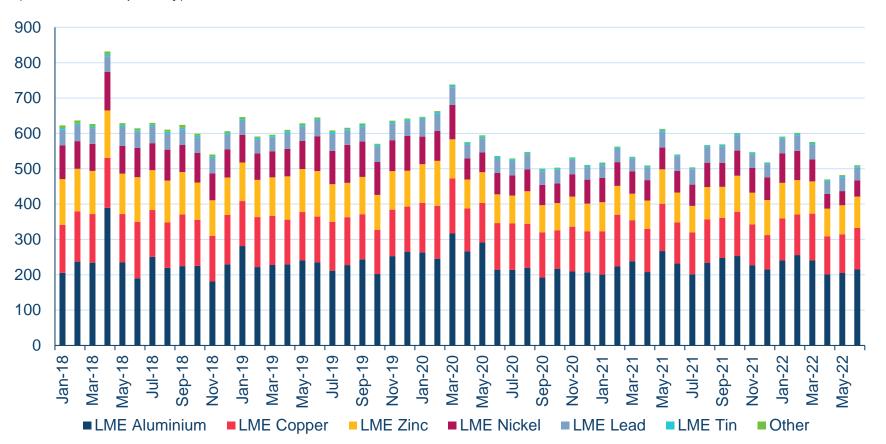




## LME average daily monthly volume

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(Thousand lots per day)





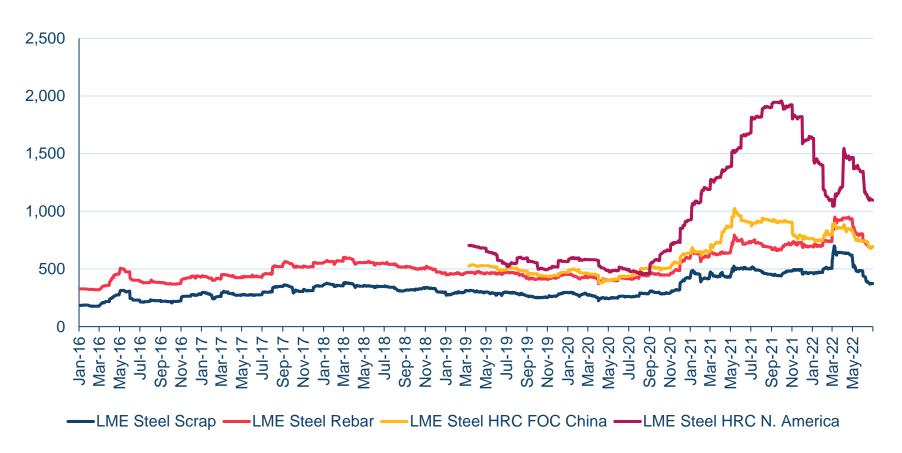
## Ferrous markets



## LME ferrous market price summary

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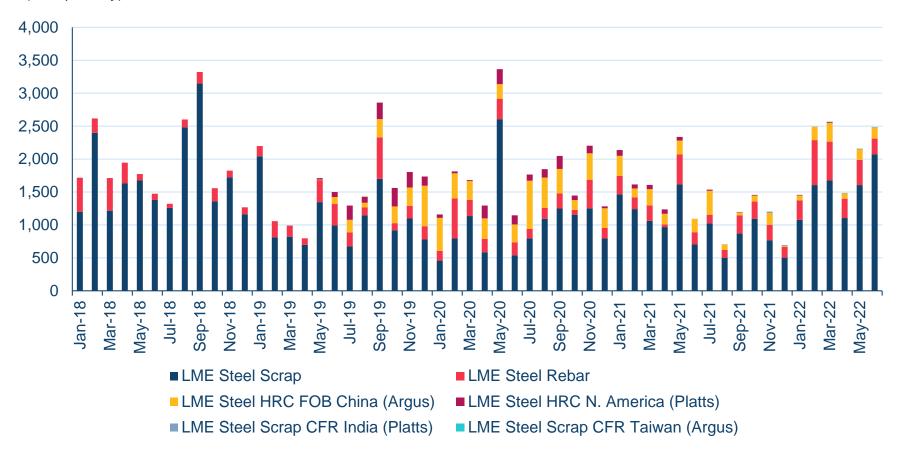




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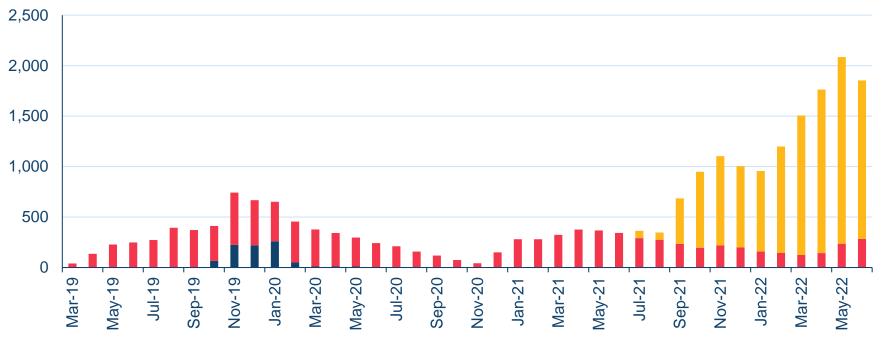
Source: LME

#### LME Aluminium cash-settled products open interest

Aggregate Premium Open Interest reaching 2000 lots in May 2022

#### **Open interest**

Lots, last business day per month



- LME Aluminium Premium Duty Paid European (Fastmarkets MB)
- LME Aluminium Premium Duty Unpaid European (Fastmarkets MB)
- LME Aluminium Premium Duty Paid US Midwest (Platts)
- LME Alumina (CRU/Fastmarkets MB)

Source: LME EOI Data up to 30-06-22

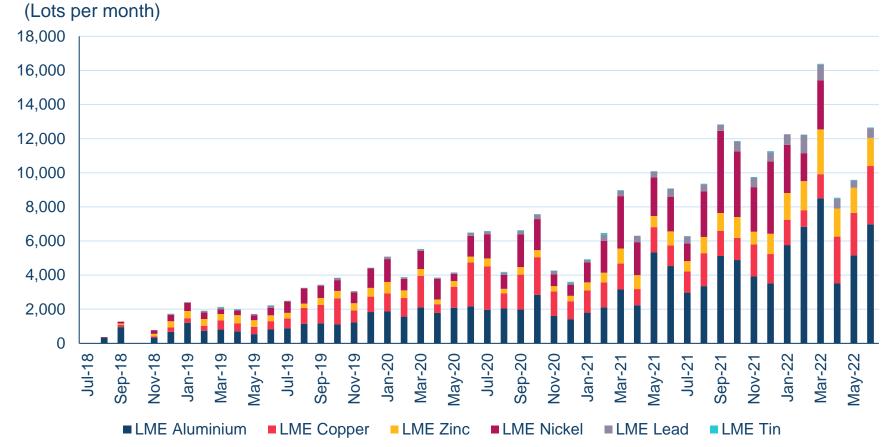


# Implied markets



## LME implied markets by metal

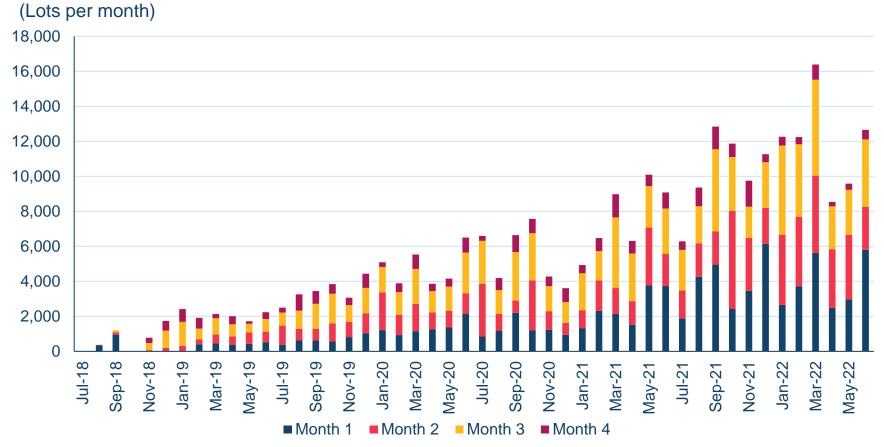
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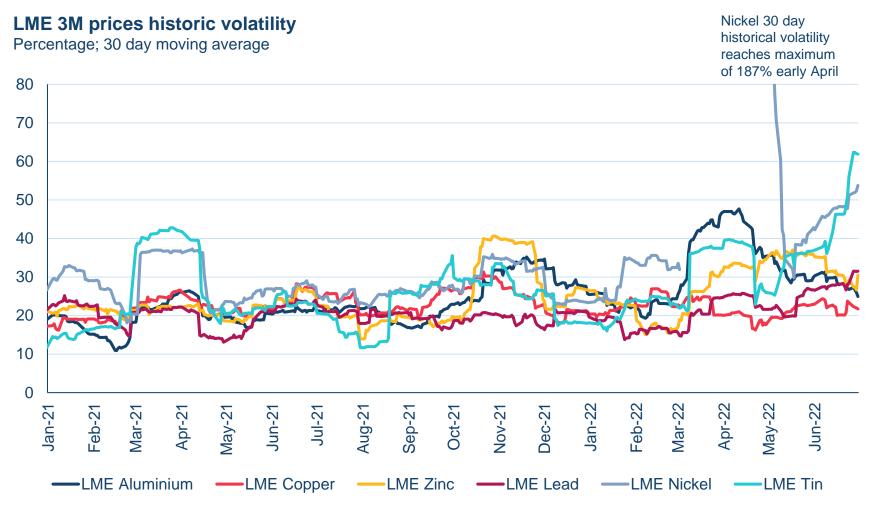




# LME options



## LME prices historic volatility

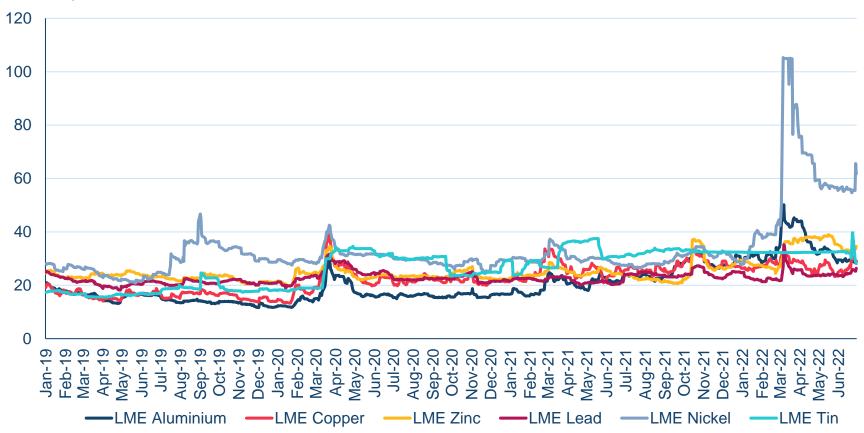




## LME base ATM volatility

#### **ATM Volatility**

Percentage; Second forward month

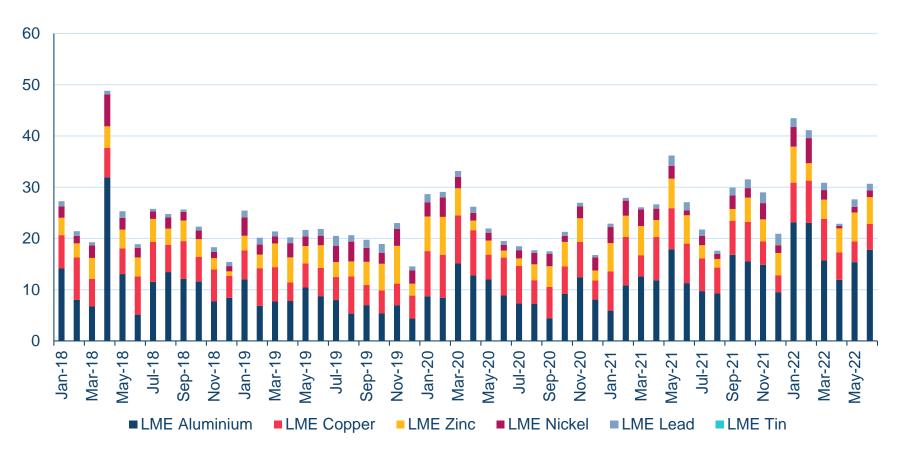




## Average daily monthly volumes

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(Thousand lots per day); LME Options and TAPOs

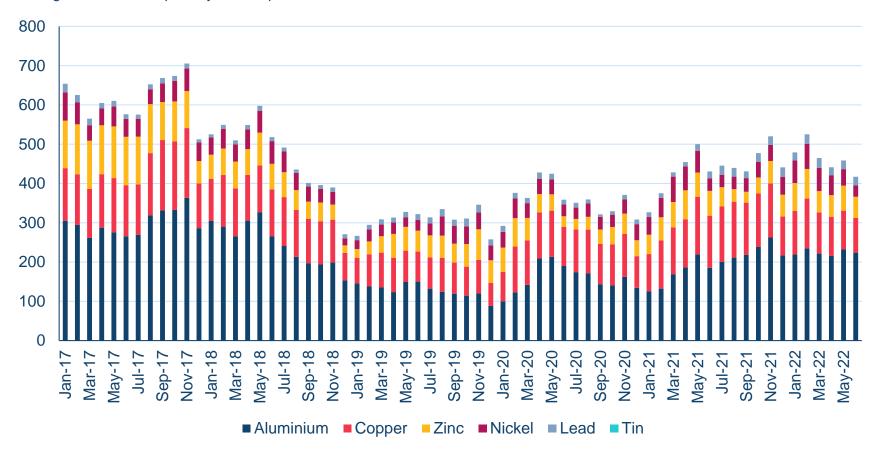




## LME Options and TAPOs open interest

#### **Open interest**

Average thousand lots per day; LME Options and TAPOs



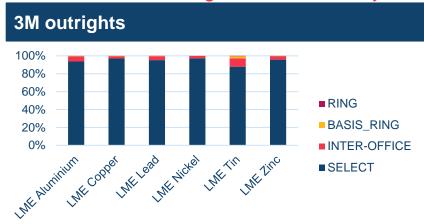


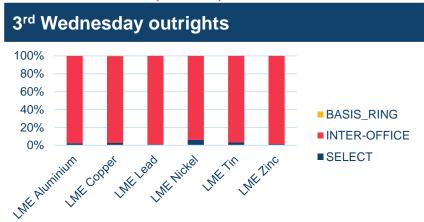
# LME Trading Volumes by Venue

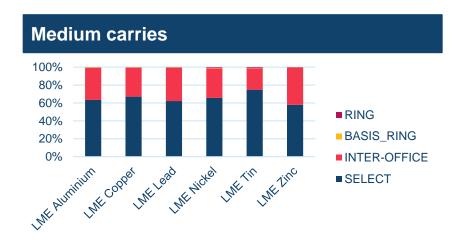


## LME Trading by venue

3M outrights are mostly traded on LMEselect while the 3W outrights are transacted in the interoffice (broker) market. Medium dated carries trade between 55%-75% on LMEselect depending on the metal while long carries are mostly traded in the inter-office (broker) market.









Source LME, Data for member trades excluding Give-ups and admin.



## Responsible sourcing & sustainability



## LME responsibility and sustainability initiatives

The LME has several initiatives underway to support these goals

# Sourcing **LMEpassport**

**Initiatives** 

- Requirements for all brands listed for good delivery on the LME
- Path to OECD compliance and greater transparency
- 1<sup>st</sup> reporting deadline began on 30 June 2022
- Submissions are progressing well, with compliance currently at 86 %

Responsible

- Initially Warehouse responsible for registering COAs of warranted material. Contracts phased in starting with Primary Aluminium from 01 Oct 2021. Lead & Zinc from 1 June 2022.
- 1.65M cast numbers registered, over 25,000 COA documents since launch
- Producers required to register COAs for deliverable metal from 01 January 2024
- Producers voluntarily add sustainability credentials to LMEpassport. Corporate and Brand level data disclosed and can be linked to cast level

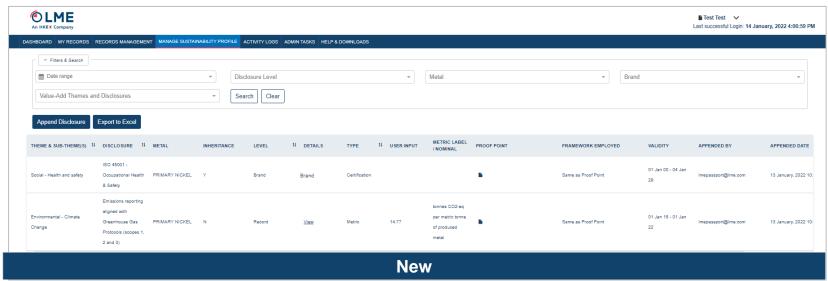
#### Metalshub

- LME base metals added to industrial metal procurement platform
- Linkage to data in LMEpassport
- LME futures can settle to Metalshub-discovered prices



#### LMEpassport: Producer Sustainability Profile

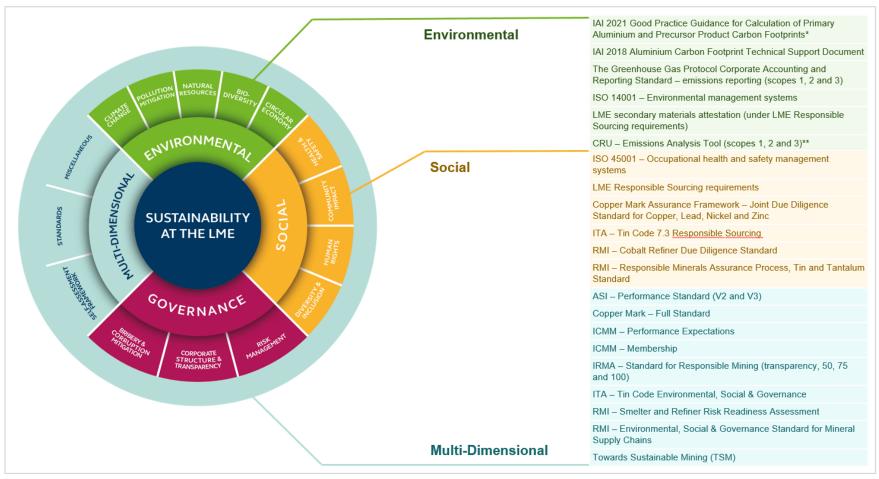
A dedicated page for producers to share and manage sustainability disclosures



- Four new sets of standards and certifications now available on LMEpassport
- **CRU Emissions Analysis Tool**
- ASI Performance Standard Certification
- **ICMM Performance Expectations**
- IRMA Standard for Responsible Mining
- Total of 30 producers and > 190 disclosures now listed on LMEpassport
- https://www.lme.com/en/Company/Responsibility/Sustainability/Sustainability-disclosures-on-LMEpassport



## Sustainability data on LMEpassport



<sup>\*</sup> In August 2021, the IAI published its "Good Practice for Calculation of Primary Aluminium and Precursor Product Carbon Footprints" (available for disclosure on LMEpassport). For future disclosures related to IAI emissions guidance, the LME encourages producers of LME aluminium brands to use this most recent guidance.



<sup>\*\*</sup> The CRU Emissions Analysis Tool provides independently assessed smelter emission ranges for scopes 1 & 2 along with an additional scope 3 category related to purchased anodes

# Metalshub nickel premium



#### Nickel Briquettes Premium Price Index

#### LME cooperation partner Metalshub launches Nickel briquette premium index

In previous updates we have informed you about the cooperation between the LME and Metalshub to facilitate price discovery in a transparent and transaction based manner.

#### Key features:

The Nickel Briquettes Premium Price Index is

- · Based on real transactions
- Average weighted premium paid over LME price in Europe
- More than 5,000 mt of Ni Briquettes traded over Metalshub in 2021
- More than 120 legally binding deals per year
- Weekly updates



"We are delighted to be working with Metalshub and welcome the introduction of this premium index based on trading activity on their platform. Robust and transparently derived European nickel premiums contribute to the development of this market and are of immediate relevance at this time of heightened volatility."

- Robin Martin, LME Head of Market Development

Nickel Briquettes Premium

Specification: Nickel Briquettes, 99.5% Ni

min

Quantity: min. 1 mt

Description: Average weighted premium (or

discount) over the exchange price

Currency: USD

Unit: per mt Ni



Source: Metalshub



# Upcoming events schedule



# The LME Team will attend the following events

Please contact <a href="mailto:sales@lme.com">sales@lme.com</a> to set up a meeting at one of them

Date	Venue	Conference
13-15 Sept	Malaysia	1st Zinc Roundtable Asia Pacific
13-15 Sept	Barcelona	International Aluminium Conference
22-23 Sept	Barcelona	Fastmarkets Copper Conference 2022
27-29 Sept	Duesseldorf	Aluminium Exhibition
6 Oct	S. Korea	LME Korea
24 Oct	London	LME Week Seminar
25 Oct	London	LME Dinner
2 Nov	Australia	LME Downunder
29 Nov – 1 Dec	Cairo	Arab International Aluminium Conference
28 Nov	Singapore	LME Singapore Gala



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