



LME Historical Market Data

LME Closing Prices

Cost

LME Closing price data is available to purchase from the LME for \$425 per year, per contract.

Delivery

Data will be supplied in MS Excel (CSV) format by email once payment by bank transfer or credit card has been received.

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Description

This dataset contains a complete record of all evening evaluation data for a given contract in a given year. This data is the closing prices established for all LME contracts on the Exchange trading floor at the end of each working day. This includes on a daily basis potentially all daily prompt data for cash to 3 months then monthly prompts (3rd Weds) out to:

- 123 Months for Copper and Aluminium
- 63 Months for Nickel, Zinc and Lead
- 27 Months for Aluminium Alloy and NASAAC
- 15 Months for Tin, Cobalt, Molybdenum, Steel Billet, Steel Rebar, Steel Scrap, LME Aluminium US Premium, LME Aluminium West-Europe Premium, LME Aluminium East-Asia Premium and LME Aluminium South-East Asia Premium.

The LME Quotations Committee determines the Evening Evaluations using the closing prices for all LME contracts from the end of open outcry trading (17:00 UK).

Please see <http://www.lme.com/pricing-and-data/pricing/price-discovery/> for more information about the establishment of closing prices. They are used by LME Clear and LME members for calculating margins. Provisional (with spreads and outright prices) and Final prices (outright prices only) are published in US Dollars for each available forward Futures prompt date by contract. Prices for Euro, GBP and Yen are also published with the Final Evening Evaluations.

This information will be of great value to you in analysing key trends within the markets, or to understand the possible structure of forward markets via trend analysis.

This data is available to purchase from 2003 to 2019.

Below is a sample of the LME Primary Aluminium Evening Evaluation prices:



Fig 1 – Format for data available for 2018 - 2019

Fig.2 – Format for data available for 2017

Fig.3 – Format for data available from 2003 - 2016

Fig. 1:

Contract	Trading Day	Prompt Date	Prompt Date Flag	Final Close USD	Final Close GBP	Final Close EUR	Final Close JPY	Prov Close USD
Primary Aluminium Future	02/01/2018	04/01/2018	C	2252	1657.66	1868.01	252611	2252
Primary Aluminium Future	02/01/2018	05/01/2018		2252.55	1658.02	1868.37	252662	2252.55
Primary Aluminium Future	02/01/2018	08/01/2018		2254.2	1659.1	1869.46		2254.2
Primary Aluminium Future	02/01/2018	09/01/2018		2254.75	1659.45	1869.81	252865	2254.75
Primary Aluminium Future	02/01/2018	10/01/2018		2254.35	1659.26	1869.55	252832	2254.55

Fig. 2

Trade Date	Price Type	Commodity Code	Commodity Type	Contract Type	Currency	Prompt Date Type	Prompt Date	Close	Timestamp	Version
20170103	FE	AH	M	F	USD	C	20170105	1698	170343	1
20170103	FE	AH	M	F	USD	NULL	20170106	1697.25	170343	1
20170103	FE	AH	M	F	USD	NULL	20170109	1696.42	170343	1
20170103	FE	AH	M	F	USD	NULL	20170110	1695.58	170343	1



Fig.3

Contract	Trading Day	Prompt Date	Prompt Date Flag	Final Close USD	Final Close GBP	Final Close EUR	Final Close JPY	Prov Close USD
Aluminium High Grade	03/01/2012	05/01/2012	Cash	2054.5	1312.52	1573.49	157560	2054.5
Aluminium High Grade	03/01/2012	06/01/2012		2054.5	1312.54	1573.48	157559	2054.5
Aluminium High Grade	03/01/2012	09/01/2012		2054.5	1312.57	1573.48		2054.5
Aluminium High Grade	03/01/2012	10/01/2012		2054.5	1312.59	1573.47	157555	2054.5
Aluminium High Grade	03/01/2012	11/01/2012		2054.5	1312.6	1573.47	157554	2054.5

Please be aware that:

- Steel contracts were launched in February 2008, and then became one global Steel Billet contract in July 2010. (Data for Steel is only available in USD).
- The Steel Billet contract was suspended for trading in April 2017, so 2017 data is only available for Jan-March 2017.
- Steel Rebar, Steel Scrap and the Aluminium Premium contracts were launched in November 2015. The 2015 data therefore covers the end of November and December 2015 only.
- LME Cobalt and LME Molybdenum were launched in February 2010.
- LME Molybdenum was suspended for trading as of the 8th March 2019, so 2019 data is only available for Jan – 7th March.

