



# LME Historical Market Data

Daily Unofficial Prices

**Cost**

LME Unofficial prices are available to purchase from the LME for \$64 per contract per year for the first 5 items purchased. Any additional items purchased are charged at the discounted rate of \$40 per contract per year.

**Delivery**

Data will be supplied in MS Excel (CSV) format by email once payment by credit card or bank transfer has been received. Two separate files will be sent on purchase; the first will be the Unofficial Prices data set, and the second will be the FX rates for the corresponding years purchased. (See fig. 1a and 1b below).

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**Description**

The LME publishes daily unofficial prices (both bid and offer) for all LME metals traded on the Exchange. The settlement price is the unofficial cash seller's price (offer) for contract settlement in two days' time (T+2).

Unofficial prices are discovered in Ring 4, from the last bid and offer prompt dates for cash, 3 months, 15 months, DEC1, DEC2 and DEC3. They give a snapshot of the afternoon trading, which provides a reference for markets opening in other time zones and geographies.

**This data is available to purchase from 2000 – 2016.**

**Below is a sample of the LME Primary Aluminium Unofficial prices:**

**Fig. 1a – Format for data from 2012**

**Fig. 1b - Format for data from 2000 – 2011**

**Fig. 1c - FX Rates**



Fig. 1a:

Report Date	Metal	Prompt Code	Prompt Date	Bid Price	Ask Price	Currency
20120727	AH	C	20120731	1863	1865	USD
20120727	AH	3M	20121026	1895	1897	USD
20120727	AH	D1	20131218	2015	2020	USD
20120727	AH	D2	20141217	2115	2120	USD
20120727	AH	D3	20151216	2208	2213	USD
20120730	AH	C	20120801	1864	1864	USD
20120730	AH	3M	20121030	1897	1898	USD
20120730	AH	D1	20131218	2015	2020	USD
20120730	AH	D2	20141217	2117	2122	USD
20120730	AH	D3	20151216	2207	2212	USD

Fig. 1b:

Report Date	Metal	Prompt Code	Bid Price	Ask Price	Currency
20050104	AH	C	1802.5	1803.5	USD
20050104	AH	3M	1799	1800	USD
20050104	AH	15M	1705	1710	USD
20050104	AH	27M	1643	1648	USD
20050105	AH	C	1814.5	1815.5	USD
20050105	AH	3M	1810	1810.5	USD
20050105	AH	15M	1703	1708	USD
20050105	AH	27M	1635	1640	USD
20050106	AH	C	1802.5	1804.5	USD
20050106	AH	3M	1796	1798	USD
20050106	AH	15M	1692	1697	USD
20050106	AH	27M	1625	1630	USD
20050107	AH	C	1823	1824	USD
20050107	AH	3M	1813.5	1814	USD
20050107	AH	15M	1705	1710	USD
20050107	AH	27M	1637	1642	USD
20050110	AH	C	1815.5	1816.5	USD
20050110	AH	3M	1806	1807	USD
20050110	AH	15M	1700	1705	USD
20050110	AH	27M	1635	1640	USD
20050111	AH	C	1837.5	1838.5	USD
20050111	AH	3M	1829	1830	USD
20050111	AH	15M	1720	1725	USD
20050111	AH	27M	1655	1660	USD



Fig. 1c:

Report Date	Currency	Price Type	Last
20050104	EUR	S	1.3366
20050104	GBP	S	1.8931
20050104	JPY	S	103.59
20050105	EUR	S	1.3241
20050105	GBP	S	1.8788
20050105	JPY	S	104.33
20050106	EUR	S	1.3194
20050106	GBP	S	1.8739
20050106	JPY	S	104.85

**Please be aware that:**

- Steel contracts were launched in February 2008, and then became one global contract in July 2010. (Data for Steel is only available in USD)
- The Minor Metal contracts were launched in February 2010.
- Plastics were listed contracts between 2005 and 2010. The Polypropylene and Linear Low-density Polyethylene contracts launched in May 2005, while the 3 regional contracts for both plastics were launched in June 2007.
- 2011 contracts for aluminium, copper, lead, nickel, zinc, aluminium alloy and NASAAC are structured differently to previous years
- From 17 October 2011 Official and Official Settlement Prices were extended to include three forward December prompts (which roll annually) for aluminium, copper, lead, nickel and zinc and one forward December prompt for aluminium alloy and NASAAC. These replace 15 and 27-month prompt dates from 20 April 2012.
- Steel Rebar and Steel Scrap were launched in November 2015.
- Aluminium Premium contracts were launched in November 2015.

