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# Daily Mining Watch

Mining Intelligence – Today  
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*This is your daily dose of information on mineral prices, mineral commodity markets and mining company performance.*

**Quote of the Day:** “Gold miners glitter a spot price nears 9-year high”  
-Financial Times

## MINERAL PRICES

### Precious Metals

Table 1: Precious Metal Prices -USD/oz

Metal	Current <small>Day close</small>	Previous <small>Day Close</small>	+/- (%)
Gold	1,783	1,774	+1%
Silver	18.22	18.02	+1%
Platinum	818	800	+2%
Palladium	1,866	1,852	+1%
Rhodium	6,200	5,900	+5%

The rally for precious continued with all metals in the group recording positive gains. The weakness in the US dollar stimulated the rally particularly for gold as it is paired against the currency. Currently off by 0.61% and recording a net decline of 0.596 points, the dollar index is fixed at 96.71. The yellow metal gained 1% to trade at USD1,783/oz from USD1,774/oz. Monetary policy easing, fiscal easing, ultra-low rates, declining US yields in addition to the US dollar are a major support to the gold price rally. Silver followed suit gaining 1% as well to trade at USD18.22/oz up from USD18.02/oz. Rhodium led in gains for the group trading at USD6,200/oz from USD5,900/oz. Platinum firmed up by 2% to trade at USD818/oz from USD800/oz. Palladium also gained 1% to trade at USD1,866/oz from USD1,852/oz.

### Top gains

- Rhodium 5.0%
- Chrome 4.0%
- Copper 3.0%

### Top losses

- Lithium -2.0%

### Covid-19 Count

#### Zimbabwe

- Screened 80 654
- Tested positive 734
- Recovered 197
- Deaths 9

#### Global

- Tested positive 11.7M
- Recovered 6.7M
- Deaths 540K

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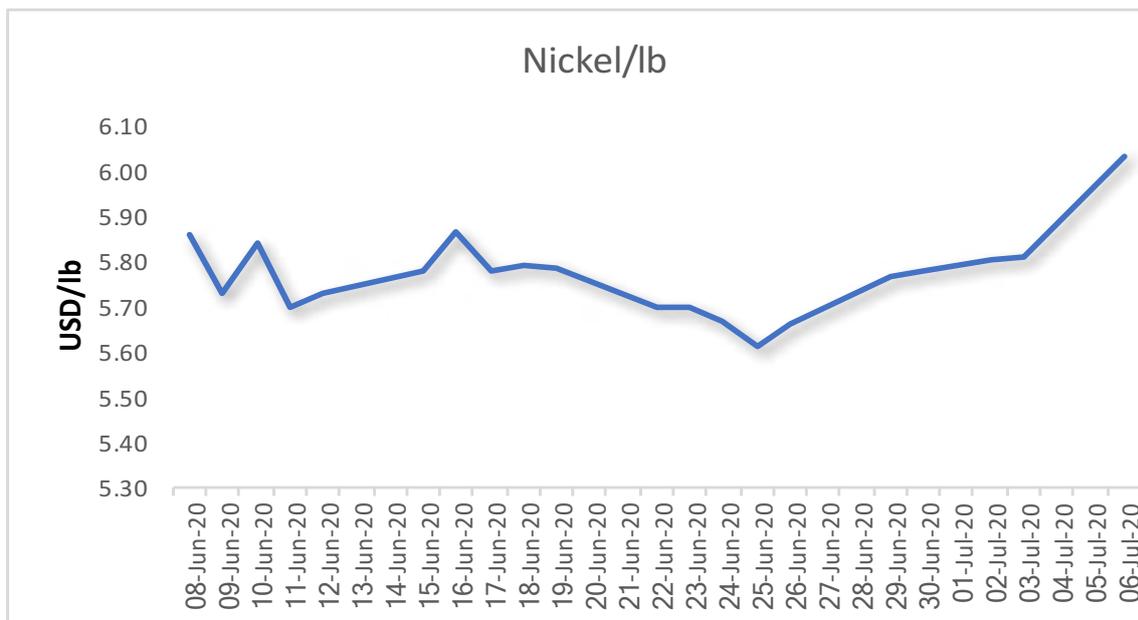


## Base Metals

Table 2: Base Metal Prices - USD

Metal	Current <small>Day Close</small>	Previous <small>Day Close</small>	+/- (%)
Chrome/ton	437.98	436.32	0%
Nickel/lb	6.03	5.81	+4%
Copper/lb	2.78	2.71	+3%
Cobalt/ton	426.33	424.71	0%
Aluminium/lb	0.73	0.72	+1%
Lead/lb	0.81	0.80	+1%
Tin/ton	16,900	16,800	+1%
Zinc /lb	0.93	0.91	+2%

Base metal prices firmed up across the board with nickel leading the group with a 4% gain to trade at USD6.03/lb from USD5.81/lb, due to increased demand for the metal from the stainless steel sectors. Copper was in second place gaining 3% to trade at USD2.78/lb from 2.71/lb with the markets reacting to supply disruption from Chile one of the world's top producers as the rapid rise in new Covid-19 infections in recent weeks has threatened mining operations in the country. Aluminium gained 1% as physical traders in Europe continued to monitor whether or not the US will put tariffs on Canadian aluminium. . Canadian aluminium is duty-free in Europe, where premiums currently remain high enough to attract metal. In recent days, there have been increasing doubts that Canadian metal will face duties. Zinc and lead firmed by 2% and 1% respectively with the market responding to the news of the suspension extension at Santander zinc mine in Peru by zinc and lead miner Trevali. Chrome and cobalt prices largely traded flat with marginal price movement.



### Energy Materials

Coal and Uranium remained unchanged trading at USD40/ton and USD32.60/ton respectively. Coal prices remain subdued amid a persisting glut in supply and weak demand from China and India.

Table 3: Energy Material Prices -USD

Metal	Current <small>day close</small>	Previous <small>day close</small>	+/- (%)
Coal/ton	40	40	-
Uranium/ton	32.60	32.60	-

### Battery Materials

Lithium shed 2% to trade at USD4,426/ton from USD4,502/ton the previous day reflecting a continued weak demand environment in Asia, Europe and the United States whilst there is little respite on supply. Market participants attributed the price movement to buyers refusing to accept higher prices, while spot demand remained limited. Vanadium and Graphite traded unchanged from previous day levels, at USD6.2/lb and USD1,800/ton respectively.

Table 4: Battery Materials Prices -USD

Metal	Current <small>day close</small>	Previous <small>day close</small>	+/- (%)
Lithium/ton	4,426	4,502	-2%
Vanadium/lb	6.2	6.2	-
Graphite/ton	1,800	1,800	-

## MINERAL COMMODITY MARKETS

The global mining industry has faced disruptions to supply as well as demand during the Covid-19 pandemic. While consumption slumped with industrial production cut dramatically around the world during government-ordered shutdowns, supply has been constrained as mines have also been subject to restrictions on their activity and workers have been affected by the virus.

The J.P. Morgan global purchasing manufacturers' index (PMI) slumped to 39.7 in April, its lowest level since the financial crisis in April 2009. A number below 50 indicates a contraction in activity. "New export orders placed at manufacturers fell globally to a degree exceeding that seen even during the global financial crisis in April, indicative of global trade collapsing at an annualised rate of approximately 50 per cent," said IHS Markit chief business economist Chris Williamson. The PMI rose to 42.4 in May, up by 2.8 points from April, but still remains in contraction.

The drop in demand has somewhat been offset by a decrease in mining output in various countries. Production of platinum group metals (PGMs) was reduced in South Africa, silver production was affected in Mexico and output of copper has been curtailed in Latin America, where the rate of Covid-19 infections continues to rise. Nickel and zinc production has also been suffering. Chile's copper production is estimated to have fallen by 200,000t, or 3.5 per cent of total production, notes ANZ commodity strategist Daniel Hynes, while mines accounting for 50 per cent of output in Peru have also been affected. These countries account for around 40 per cent of global copper production and the disruptions have contributed to higher copper prices. Iron ore prices have risen as Brazilian producer Vale's output has been affected. -Capitol.com



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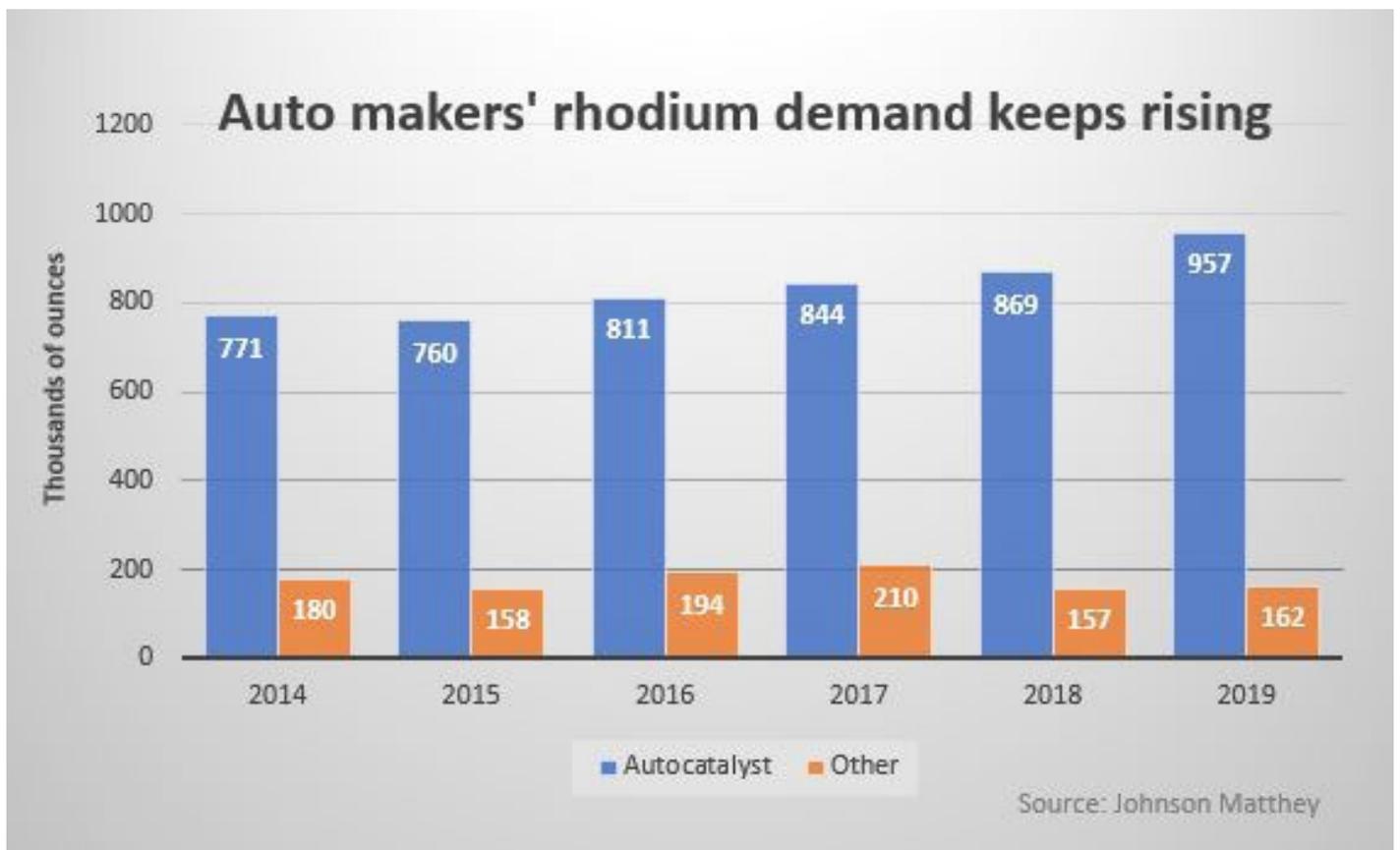
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## MINERAL OF THE DAY

### Rhodium

Auto makers account for around 85% of rhodium demand, and emissions standards entering force in China, the world's largest car market, require 50% more rhodium per vehicle, said Standard Chartered analyst Suki Cooper. Rhodium demand is expected to outstrip supply this year as supplies were disrupted by power outages at South African mines as well as the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. South Africa produces more than 80% of mined rhodium. "There is also a supply side trigger with power cuts in South Africa. That injects a certain amount of fear into the market and in a small, opaque market that can have a huge impact,"





# MINING THE NEWS

## Local Mining News

### Govt stops issuing copper licences

Government has suspended the issuance of licences for dealing in scrap copper pending the amendment of the Copper Act, which will among other issues contain stiffer penalties of up to 10 years and above for those illegally dealing in copper or caught stealing it, Home Affairs and Cultural Heritage Minister Kazembe Kazembe has said.

Speaking in Bindura on Sunday, Minister Kazembe said regulations for obtaining copper licences were being changed to shut out briefcase companies who were stealing copper. We want to avoid briefcase companies that

come indicating that they want to do copper conversion when in actual fact they are stealing it. The new law will allow only serious and known companies to get copper licences," he said.

"We have temporarily suspended issuance of copper licences until we have completed amending the Copper Act. The amendments will include stiff penalties of 10 years and above for those caught stealing or illegally dealing in copper. Vehicles that will be used to transport stolen copper will be impounded."

. – [The Herald 7 July 2020](#)

### ZCDC seeks prospecting rights for gems in Mash East

STATE-owned Zimbabwe Consolidated Diamond Company (ZCDC) has applied for exclusive diamond prospecting rights in an area covering 38 573 hectares located in Chihota, Mashonaland East province.

In a general notice 1 093 of 2020, government said: "It is hereby notified, in terms of section 87(4) of the Mines and Minerals Act Chapter 21:05 that Zimbabwe Consolidated Diamond Company Private Limited has applied to the Mining Affairs Board for an exclusive prospecting order, over an area described in the schedule in the Mashonaland East mining district in relation to map reference Chegutu

SE 36-9 second edition and of the scale 1:250 000, produced by the surveyor general."ZCDC intends to prospect for diamonds within areas which have been reserved against prospecting pending determination of this application. An exclusive Prospecting Order gives mining companies express rights to search for minerals and peg claims in designated areas. However, concern has been raised that some companies are not scouting for minerals but are only holding EPOs for speculative purposes.

– [Newsday 7 July 2020](#)

# MINING THE NEWS

## International Mining News



### Rio Tinto cuts reserves at Mongolian copper project as costs rise

Rio Tinto on Friday cut estimated reserves at its underground copper mine extension in Mongolia and confirmed it would face delays and higher costs after ground instability forced it to redesign its mine plan. Oyu Tolgoi (OT) is Rio's biggest copper growth project but has faced geological challenges. In July last year, Rio estimated the project's capital cost at \$6.5 billion to \$7.2 billion, as much as \$1.9 billion more than its initial estimate in 2016. Rio said the updated feasibility study confirmed that recent cost estimate, and warned there could be further changes to reserves as it continues work on the design.

Rio also narrowed its estimated first production from its mine to between October 2022 and June 2023, 21-29 months later than its

initial estimate. Analysts at Citi estimated the changes in the mine plan reduce total production and copper tonnes by 11%. "OT gets a lot of investor air time for RIO but the reality is it is small in valuation terms," Citi said, estimating a 3% contribution to Rio's total valuation. Citi targets RIO at around A\$96. Shares of Rio were down 1.5% at A\$96.44, underperforming the broader market which was steady. In a statement, Rio said the new design for the underground mine confirmed its caving method remains valid, and "will unlock the most valuable part of Oyu Tolgoi". – Reuters 3 July 2020

### Gold miners glitter as spot price nears 9-year high

Gold miners' share prices are soaring with the value of the precious metal, while increased dividends are helping push these stocks higher still. The spot price of gold has risen 17 per cent so far this year and is closing in on \$1,800 an ounce for the first time in nine years. The commodity, commonly treated as a reliable store of value by investors, has benefited from nerves over the spread of Covid-19 and the outlook for global trade — and rock-bottom yields available on other haven assets. Gold stocks have done even better, however, up 23 per cent this year as measured by the NYSE Arca Gold Miners index. Standout performers include Canada's Kinross Gold and Barrick Gold, and US-based Newmont Corporation, all up at least 40 per cent so far in 2020. The primary market is also vibrant. Recent

share sales by South Africa's Harmony Gold and Polymetal, a London-listed miner with assets in Russia and Kazakhstan, were completed in double-quick time, with the books covered in 20 minutes, according to bankers working on the deals. "Macroeconomics is playing a part: gold has reasserted its status as a safe asset," said one banker involved in the \$200m Harmony deal. Given the favourable backdrop for gold — safe instruments such as US government bonds are effectively paying investors a negative return — analysts and sector specialists reckon gold and gold-related equities have further to run. – Financial Times 6 July 2020

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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