



## Coking coal prices higher on TC Yasi

- The US ADP private sector employment report supported the view that the US economy was picking up steam. The survey suggested that the private sector added 187,000 jobs in January following on from the downwardly revised 247,000 jobs added in December, well ahead of expectations. The non-farm payrolls report on Friday is expected to show a rise of 145,000 jobs for January. Brazil's industrial production unexpectedly fell in December for the second straight month, but the UK construction PMI index came in well ahead of expectations to signal expansion in UK construction activity. The Eurozone purchasing price index for December rose 0.8%, above expectations and another indicator of rising inflationary pressures. The US dollar rose against the Euro.
- Base metals ended mixed with lead, zinc and tin ending up but copper and aluminium falling, as a firmer US dollar undermined the bid. Gold prices continued to slip notwithstanding an escalation in civil unrest in Egypt. A 300,000tpy copper refinery in Townsville shut ahead of TC Yasi, while copper, lead and zinc mining operations in Mt Isa are expected to be hit by Category 1 cyclonic wind and rainfall in the next 24-36 hours.
- BHP Billiton announced that its Jansen Potash project in Canada has progressed to feasibility status. First production is expected in 2015 from a project that will produce 8Mtpa of fertiliser grade potash for 70 years.
- Oil prices ended higher as civil unrest escalated in Egypt. US crude oil inventories increased as expected last week, but gasoline stocks rose dramatically more than forecast on a much larger increase in refinery utilisation rates than expected.

### Chart of the Day: Coking coal spot prices jump higher but coalfields escape worst of TC Yasi

- Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasi crossed the Queensland coast last night packing wind gusts up to 290km/h. At this time, the worst of the damage appears to be north of Queensland's main coal rail, port and mine infrastructure.
- However, the cyclone is still having a major impact on a very broad area of Queensland. Ports (Abbot Point, Dalrymple Bay, Hay Point) and the Newlands and Goonyella rail chains remain shut. Shut mines – mostly as a precaution ahead of the cyclone – include BMA's Peak Downs, South Walker Creek and Broadmeadow, Rio Tinto's Hail Creek, Xstrata's Collinsville and Peabody's Burton mine.
- The length of any shutdown ultimately depends on the extent of any wind and rain damage. There have been large rain accumulations related to the cyclone, but a fuller picture of likely disruptions probably won't emerge for a day or two.

### OVERNIGHT MARKET SNAPSHOT

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Dow Jones Industrial average	12,055	0.1%	
AUD/USD	1.0075	0.9%	
<b>LME base metals</b>			
	USD/t	US\$/lb	% chg
Aluminium	\$2,511	114	-1.2%
Copper	\$9,964	452	-0.1%
Lead	\$2,638	120	0.5%
Nickel	\$27,978	1,269	0.0%
Tin	\$30,690	1,392	1.6%
Zinc	\$2,454	111	0.1%

### Precious Metals

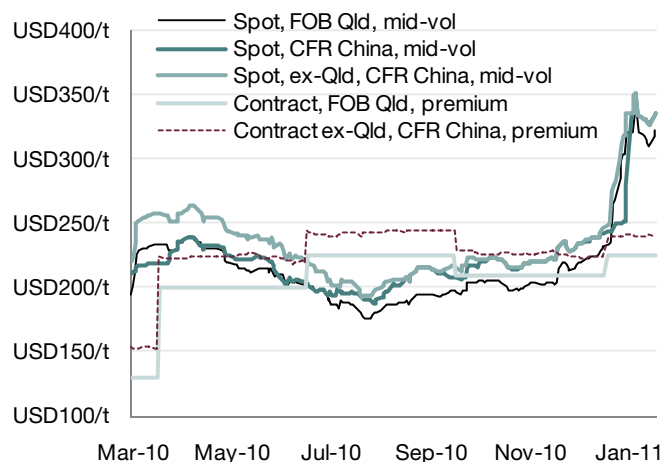
<b>Gold</b>			
Spot (USD/oz)	\$1,334.05	-0.3%	
Comex (USD/oz)**	\$1,334.20	-0.4%	
AUD spot (AUD/oz)	\$1,323.00	0.0%	
Silver (USD/oz)	\$28.37	-0.6%	
Platinum (USD/oz)	\$1,833.75	0.2%	
Palladium (USD/oz)	\$815.00	-0.9%	

### Oil

NYMEX light sweet crude (USD/bbl)**	\$91.19	0.5%
Brent (USD/bbl)	\$102.12	1.1%
Dubai (USD/bbl)	\$96.46	1.0%

Daily. \*\*near month. Source: Bloomberg, globalCOAL, CBA. Prices are indicative and subject to change. Oz refers to troy ounce.

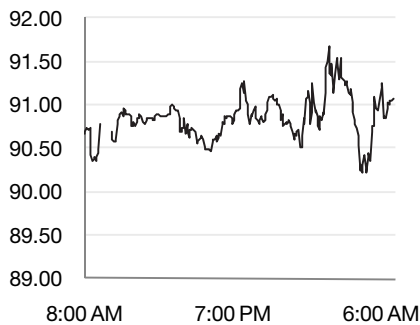
### Chart of the Day: Coking coal spot prices spike higher on TC Yasi stoppages



Source: Platts, Bloomberg, CBA.

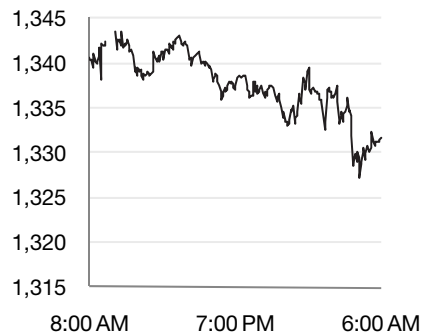


Figure 1: NYMEX light sweet crude (US/bbl) first month intraday price



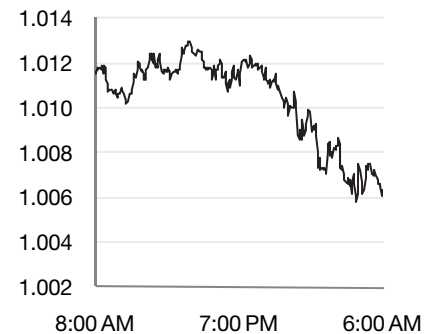
Source: Bloomberg, CBA. 5 min intervals.

Figure 2: Gold (spot, US/oz) intraday price



Source: Bloomberg, CBA. 5 min intervals.

Figure 3: Australian dollar (USD/AUD) intraday price



Source: Bloomberg, CBA. 5 min intervals.

## PROVISIONAL PRICES AS AT : 02-Feb-11

LME base metals			change over							change over		
Cash	USD/t	USc/lb	1 day	1 wk	1 mth	Oil	USD/bl	1 day	1 wk	1 mth		
Aluminium	\$2,511	114	-1.2%	6.3%	2.4%	NYMEX light sweet crude**	\$91.19	0.5%	4.4%	1.0%		
Copper	\$9,964	452	-0.1%	6.7%	3.9%	Brent (Dated)	\$102.12	1.1%	4.6%	7.4%		
Lead	\$2,638	120	0.5%	9.1%	-1.6%	Dubai	\$96.46	1.0%	5.3%	7.8%		
Nickel	\$27,978	1,269	0.0%	5.7%	13.2%	<b>Refined products, Singapore</b>						
Tin	\$30,690	1,392	1.6%	7.0%	16.9%	Gas Oil (USD/bbl)	\$113	1.5%	5.2%	9.0%		
Zinc	\$2,454	111	0.1%	8.5%	-0.1%	Jet Fuel (USD/bbl)	\$117	1.6%	5.9%	11.4%		
<b>LME futures (3 mth)</b>						Fuel Oil (USD/t)	\$587	3.7%	9.3%	13.2%		
	USD/t	USc/lb				<i>Gas Oil is 0.5% sulphur, Fuel Oil is 180 Centistoke</i>						
Aluminium	\$2,525	115	-1.0%	5.8%	2.5%	<b>Currencies</b>						
Copper	\$9,945	451	0.0%	6.6%	4.1%	AUD/USD (London close)	1.0075	~	1.3%	0.6%		
Lead	\$2,565	116	1.0%	8.0%	-3.6%	AUD/EUR	0.7307	~	0.5%	-3.8%		
Nickel	\$28,000	1,270	0.0%	5.7%	13.1%	AUD/JPY	82.29	~	0.3%	-1.2%		
Tin	\$30,650	1,390	1.6%	7.1%	16.9%	AUD/KOR	1,112	-0.8%	0.1%	-1.3%		
Zinc	\$2,475	112	0.1%	8.6%	0.4%	EUR/USD	1.3788	~	0.8%	4.6%		
<b>LME stocks</b>			tonnes			USD/JPY						
Aluminium	4,525,550		-300	-10,650	251,600	81.68						
Copper	393,775		-150	-925	14,525	<b>Coal*</b>						
Lead	284,850		2,150	9,550	74,950	Newcastle	\$122.98	~	-5.7%	~		
Nickel	134,172		-270	-690	-2,688	Richards Bay	\$116.45	~	-3.6%	~		
Tin	17,905		70	200	1,420	DES ARA	\$116.67	~	-5.4%	~		
Zinc	710,075		-200	-1,100	8,750	<b>Iron ore &amp; Steel</b>						
<b>Precious Metals</b>						USD/t						
Gold	USD/oz (unless stated otherwise)					Iron ore (62% Fe, cfr China)	\$185.60	0.0%	0.0%	8.5%		
Spot	\$1,334.05		-0.3%	-0.9%	-3.2%	China domestic Rebar	\$713.74	~	0.0%	3.8%		
Comex**	\$1,334.20		-0.4%	0.1%	-2.9%	East Asia HRC (cfr) ***	\$722.50	0.0%	1.0%	12.5%		
AUD spot (AUD/oz)	\$1,323.00		0.0%	-1.8%	-4.1%	US domestic HRC (US/st)***	\$845.00	0.0%	5.0%	17.4%		
Silver	\$28.37		-0.6%	2.8%	-3.0%	<b>Freight</b>						
Platinum	\$1,833.75		0.2%	1.1%	6.1%	Index						
Palladium	\$815.00		-0.9%	0.1%	5.0%	Baltic Dry Index	~	~	~	~		
<b>Natural Gas</b>						Baltic Capesize Index	~	~	~	~		
Henry Hub (USD/MMBtu)**	\$4.430		1.9%	-1.4%	-1.0%	Baltic Panamax Index	~	~	~	~		
British NBP (GBP/therm)**	54.39		2.5%	-2.5%	-3.6%	*Weekly, 28/01 ***Weekly, 01/02						
						**Near Month (not adjusted for contract changes)						

Source: Bloomberg, globalCOAL, CBA. Data is indicative snapshot, prices subject to change.



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