

# Commodity Morning View

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# Israeli PM mentions Lebanon is outside of US-Iran ceasefire

## Key Points

- Isarel agreed for direct negotiation with Lebanon
- Chinese factory inflation rose first time 41 months
- US Q4 GDP revised down to 0.5% and 2025 GDP at 2.1%
- US Treasury yields drops amid peace talks
- US CPI number in focus

### Events to Watch

Date	Region	Event	Time	Prior	Surv(M)
10-Apr-26	US	Real Avg Hourly Earning YoY	18:00	1.40%	--
10-Apr-26	US	CPI MoM	18:00	0.30%	1.00%
10-Apr-26	US	Core CPI MoM	18:00	0.20%	0.30%
10-Apr-26	US	CPI YoY	18:00	2.40%	3.40%
10-Apr-26	US	Core CPI YoY	18:00	2.50%	2.70%
10-Apr-26	US	Factory Orders	19:30	0.10%	-0.10%
10-Apr-26	US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	19:30	53.3	51.5

## Macro

- China's consumer prices rose 1.0% YoY in March, while CPI fell 0.7% MoM due to seasonal demand easing after the Lunar New Year, Core CPI, excluding food and energy, increased 1.1% from a year earlier. Producer prices rose 0.5% YoY, turning positive, and increased 1.0% MoM, marking its first increase after 41 consecutive months of contraction, supported by rising global commodity prices and improving domestic supply-demand conditions. Positive for commodities and metal mining stocks
- Most US Treasuries rallied on Thu as traders repriced an offramp to the war with Iran after Israel agreed to direct talks with Lebanon and President Trump asked Benjamin Netanyahu to scale back strikes. Yields on 2- to 10-year bonds fell while 30-year yields ticked up as traders leaned into rate cuts amid confidence the worst in the Iran war is behind the markets. The 2Y yield ended 2bps lower to 3.767% while the 10Y yield fell 1.6bps to settle at 4.275% sentimentally positive for broader market and negative for USD.
- The DJIA, the S&P500, and the Nasdaq Composite Index rose 0.6%, 0.6%, and 0.8% respectively. The Eurostoxx 50 fell 0.3%. The Dollar Index fell 0.3% to 98.80. The US 2Y yield dipped 2bp to 3.77% and the 10Y yield fell 1.6bp to 4.28%. Brent crude oil prices rose 1.2% to USD95.92 after falling by over 13% on Wednesday on the ceasefire news. Gold rose 1% to USD4,767
- US PCE prices rose 0.4% month-on-month, the fastest in a year, as goods prices jumped 0.7% and services slowed to 0.2%. Core PCE also increased 0.4%. Year-on-year, headline PCE hit 2.8% and core held at 3.0%. US personal spending rose 0.5% in February 2026, up from a revised 0.3% in January, led by stronger goods and services outlays, but inflation-adjusted spending increased only 0.1%.

- US initial jobless claims rose 16,000 to 219,000 in the week ending April 4, the highest in a month but still below late-2025 averages. Continuing claims fell 38,000 to 1.794 million, the lowest in nearly two years, indicating a still-strong labor market.
- US GDP grew at a 0.5% annualized rate in Q4 2025, revised down from 0.7% and 1.4% on weaker investment and softer consumer spending. Government spending dropped sharply amid the shutdown, subtracting about 1 percentage point from growth. Full-year 2025 growth was 2.1%
- Data Watch: For today, we get CPI inflation, factory orders, durable goods orders, and the University of Michigan consumer sentiment.

## Base metals

- China is finally coming out of deflation as the factory inflation showed growth first time in 41 months, . Producer prices rose 0.5% YoY, turning positive, and increased 1.0% MoM, marking its first increase after 41 consecutive months of contraction, supported by rising global commodity prices and improving domestic supply-demand conditions. China’s factories saw a huge run-up in input costs even as their activity expanded for the first time this year, in one of the first tangible signs of spillover from the conflict in the Middle East that’s threatening profits. Prices of oil and gas, chemicals and other related materials such as coal have risen visibly, while higher logistics and freight costs have added to cost pressures
- LME Copper advances in Asia above \$12700/t following 0.2% decline on Thursday. Macro factors as sporadic fighting threatened to derail the fragile ceasefire between the US and Iran, with Comex Copper settling 0.20% lower at \$5.7480.
- The ceasefire and negotiation would keep sentiments negative for aluminum, however the long term bet for the metal still remain bullish for 2026.as GCC Roughly produces 10% of global aluminum output, with exports constrained by the near closure of the strait. Iranian drones and missiles have also struck operations run by Aluminum Bahrain BSC and Emirates Global Aluminum. The global aluminium market is projected to slip into a deficit in 2026, with the GCC crisis potentially wiping out up to 1.5 MT of capacity, reinforcing a medium to long term constructive outlook for aluminium prices.
- The Strait of Hormuz remained largely blocked. Trump has said that reopening the strait is a condition for halting the fighting Still risk appetite has rebounded.

### Base Metals Monitor

Exchange	Commodity	Expiry	9-Apr-26	Daily Change	Daily % Change	8-Apr-26
LMEX	LMEX	-	5385	-6	-0.11%	5391
LME	Aluminium (\$)	-	3444	-11	-0.32%	3455
LME	Copper (\$)	-	12681	-28	-0.22%	12709
LME	Lead (\$)	-	1927	-14	-0.72%	1941
LME	Nickel (\$)	-	17088	-214	-1.24%	17302
LME	Zinc (\$)	-	3327	35	1.06%	3292
MCX	Aluminium	April	354	7	2.02%	347
MCX	Copper	April	1193	8	0.68%	1185
MCX	Lead	April	194	6	3.19%	188
MCX	Nickel	April	1230	0	0.00%	1230
MCX	Zinc	April	330	3	0.92%	327

**Outlook:**

The market may remain cautiously optimistic on the back of the temporary Gulf ceasefire; however, the broader economic slowdown is likely to weigh on copper demand. In contrast, persistent supply constraints—particularly in aluminium and zinc—should continue to cap downside risks despite softer consumption. Over the medium term, Asian economies remain the most exposed, although lower prices have driven selective buying interest in China. Elevated input costs, limited demand visibility, and higher US yields continue to pressure margins. Overall, we maintain a constructive outlook on aluminium and zinc, underpinned by tightening supply fundamentals.

**Bullions**

**Bullion Daily Change**

Exchange	Commodity	Expiry	9-Apr-26	Daily Change	Daily % Change
Comex	<b>Gold (\$)</b>	Spot	4766	47	1.00%
Comex	<b>Silver (\$)</b>	Spot	75.33	1.21	1.63%
MCX	<b>Gold</b>	June	153500	1974	1.30%
MCX	<b>Silver</b>	May	243599	3681	1.53%
Ratio	<b>Goldsilver ratio</b>	-	63.27	-0.40	-0.63%
Rupee	<b>USDINR</b>	-	92.100	-0.50	-0.54%
Dxy	<b>Dollar Index</b>	-	98.81	-0.32	-0.32%
Bond	<b>US-10 T.Yield</b>	-	4.27	-0.02	-0.47%

- Gold advanced with Comex Gold settling 0.90% higher at \$4,792.20, up for four consecutive sessions and gaining \$140.70 or 3.02% over the last four sessions. While silver is seen higher in Asia to trade just under \$76/oz, supported by Chinese inflation data. For the day we believe Silver to remain positive along with gold supported by broader negotiation optimisms and positive Chinese data.

**Outlook:**

- The two week negotiation window remains a key near term focus for markets. A durable resolution could trigger a corrective move lower in the US Dollar Index in 2026, particularly as the US economy remains pressured by earlier trade tariffs and growing use of alternative currencies for trade settlement. Against this backdrop, gold remains well supported by sustained central bank buying, led by the PBoC, and rising growth concerns. Near term pullbacks are likely to attract buying interest. Technically, resistance is seen at US\$4,910–5,000, with support at US\$4,600–4,500. Silver retains upside potential toward US\$78, albeit with elevated volatility.

**Energy**

**Energy Price Monitor**

Exchange	Commodity	Expiry	9-Apr-26	Change	Daily % Change	8-Apr-26
Nymex	<b>Crude (\$)</b>	May	97.87	3.46	3.66%	94.41
Nymex	<b>Natural gas (\$)</b>	March	2.67	-0.05	-1.84%	2.72
MCX	<b>Crude</b>	April	8955	275.00	3.17%	8680
MCX	<b>Natural gas</b>	March	250	0.00	0.00%	250

- Oil rose a second day with WTI climbing above \$98 a barrel after Saudi Arabia said its production capacity has been reduced due to attacks on energy infrastructure, though futures remain on track for their biggest weekly loss since June, down more than 10% this week after the US and Iran announced a ceasefire.
- The Brent-WTI front-month spread is expected to normalize if the recently agreed US-Iran cease-fire holds, Brent typically trades at a premium to WTI, but the relationship has inverted amid the conflict, with Brent at \$96.48 a barrel and WTI at \$98.77. The widening WTI premium reflects near-term supply tightness following Middle East disruptions, while expectations of easing conditions in coming months have also influenced pricing dynamics across the crude curve.
- The US natural gas inventories surged w/w, while expectation of economic slowdown, along with normal demand in the summer has kept Nymex gas prices muted in despite of the ME war, that has affected the global LNG capacities. Even over the medium term, persistent geopolitical risks may offer limited upside, with structural oversupply and muted consumption capping any meaningful recovery.

**Outlook:**

*Brent crude rebounded above \$97 a barrel after a sharp 13% decline on Wednesday, while West Texas Intermediate hovered near \$98. However, prospects for the Strait of Hormuz returning to full pre war operational levels remain uncertain, as Iran has continued to restrict vessel movements amid ongoing regional tensions, despite the US Iran ceasefire. The near closure of the Strait has temporarily removed an estimated 9-10 million barrels per day from global supply. Even if transit conditions gradually improve, a rapid normalization of energy flows appears unlikely, with upstream production curtailed and several refineries operating at reduced rates or remaining offline. The restart process could take several weeks, suggesting supply recovery may be uneven and delayed. Crude will continue to remain buy on dip market in the short term.*

**Daily Price Monitor**

Exchange	Commodity	Expiry	Daily trading range	Trend
MCX	<b>Aluminium</b>	April	345-365	Sell on rise
MCX	<b>Copper</b>	April	1172-1220	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Lead</b>	April	192-196	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Nickel</b>	April	2200-2200	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Zinc</b>	April	326-334	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Gold</b>	Jun	148000-153500	Sell on rise
MCX	<b>Silver</b>	May	236000-254000	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Crude</b>	April	8850-9600	Buy on dips
MCX	<b>Natural gas</b>	April	242-275	Sell on rise
Comex	<b>Gold</b>	Spot	\$4580-\$4900	Sell on rise
Comex	<b>Silver</b>	Spot	\$72-\$78	Buy on dips
Nymex	<b>Crude oil</b>	June	\$88-\$100	Buy on dips

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