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DATE	CASH (USD/t)	CASH (EUR/t)	CASH (GBP/t)	WEEKLY AVERAGE (USD/t)	WEEKLY CHANGE %	YEARLY CHANGE %	LME STOCKS (Tonnes)	DEL NOTIZ (€/100Kg)	DEL NOTIZ HIGH
02.01.2020	6.165,50	5.508,35	4.671,90	6.145,50	-0,28%	0,15%	144.525	559,44	562,22
03.01.2020	6.077,00	5.455,61	4.645,67	6.145,50	-1,71%	-1,28%	142.900	554,15	556,95
06.01.2020	6.097,50	5.444,68	4.640,41	6.139,80	-0,78%	-0,95%	140.925	553,07	555,85
07.01.2020	6.134,50	5.489,49	4.675,33	6.139,80	-0,18%	-0,35%	138.400	557,56	560,36
08.01.2020	6.154,00	5.536,16	4.699,86	6.139,80	0,14%	-0,03%	135.800	562,23	565,03
09.01.2020	6.156,00	5.538,96	4.721,58	6.139,80	0,17%	0,00%	132.725	562,51	565,31
10.01.2020	6.157,00	5.547,35	4.705,39	6.139,80	0,19%	0,02%	130.000	563,41	566,22
13.01.2020	6.177,00	5.552,36	4.760,33	6.246,60	0,61%	0,34%	128.100	563,84	566,64
14.01.2020	6.247,00	5.617,81	4.814,64	6.246,60	1,75%	1,48%	128.050	570,39	573,19
15.01.2020	6.232,00	5.593,75	4.791,27	6.246,60	1,50%	1,23%	126.775	567,97	570,77
16.01.2020	6.300,50	5.643,08	4.822,06	6.246,60	2,62%	2,35%	125.250	572,88	575,67
17.01.2020	6.276,50	5.649,41	4.808,84	6.246,60	2,23%	1,96%	124.225	573,56	576,42
20.01.2020	6.245,00	5.634,25	4.807,17	6.105,00	-0,03%	1,45%	162.925	572,06	574,93
21.01.2020	6.158,50	5.543,70	4.719,52	6.105,00	-1,41%	0,04%	195.375	563,04	565,9
22.01.2020	6.103,50	5.507,08	4.651,70	6.105,00	-2,29%	-0,85%	190.350	559,34	562,22
23.01.2020	6.050,00	5.457,83	4.609,88	6.105,00	-3,15%	-1,72%	190.075	554,37	557,24
24.01.2020	5.968,00	5.411,68	4.561,64	6.105,00	-4,46%	-3,05%	187.250	549,85	552,73
27.01.2020	5.779,00	5.242,67	4.422,25	5.676,60	-5,34%	-6,12%	185.300	532,95	535,84
28.01.2020	5.715,00	5.192,15	4.392,10	5.676,60	-6,39%	-7,16%	183.825	527,96	530,85
29.01.2020	5.698,00	5.180,94	4.380,04	5.676,60	-6,67%	-7,44%	182.550	526,85	529,74
30.01.2020	5.621,00	5.098,88	4.294,45	5.676,60	-7,93%	-8,69%	180.725	518,62	521,5
31.01.2020	5.570,00	5.041,64	4.244,46	5.676,60	-8,76%	-9,52%	179.800	512,88	515,76
MONTHLY	6.049,20	5.449,45	4.629,11					553,59	556,42

 **MARKET COMMENTARY**

London copper started the year on a positive note after U.S. President Donald Trump set a date for signing a Phase 1 trade deal with China, top producer Chile's output fell and Beijing cut banks' reserve requirements. China's central bank (PBOC) cut the amount of cash that banks must hold as reserves, releasing about 800 billion Yuan (\$114.91 billion) in funds to shore up its slowing economy. Copper prices improved further on optimism that the world's top metals consumer would also sign a phase 1 trade deal with the United States on 15th of January. London copper steadied second week of Jan., lifted by low inventories and tight supplies amid concerns about any impact from Iran's strike on U.S. forces, while a weaker dollar also supported prices. London copper continued to moved higher as most industrial metals rallied on signs that Iran and the United States were keen to de-escalate the Middle East standoff.

Washington and Beijing signed a Phase 1 trade deal on 15th January that will roll back some tariffs and boost Chinese purchases of U.S. products, defusing an 18-month row that has hurt global economic growth and metals demand. After the deal copper edged up to \$6343 on 16th of Jan. But investors are worried that the pact would not substantially boost metals demand as the deal left a number of sore spots unresolved, while demand has not improved significantly to support prices. Industrial metals started to fell on 17th of Jan, pulled lower as negative sentiment spilled over from stock markets.



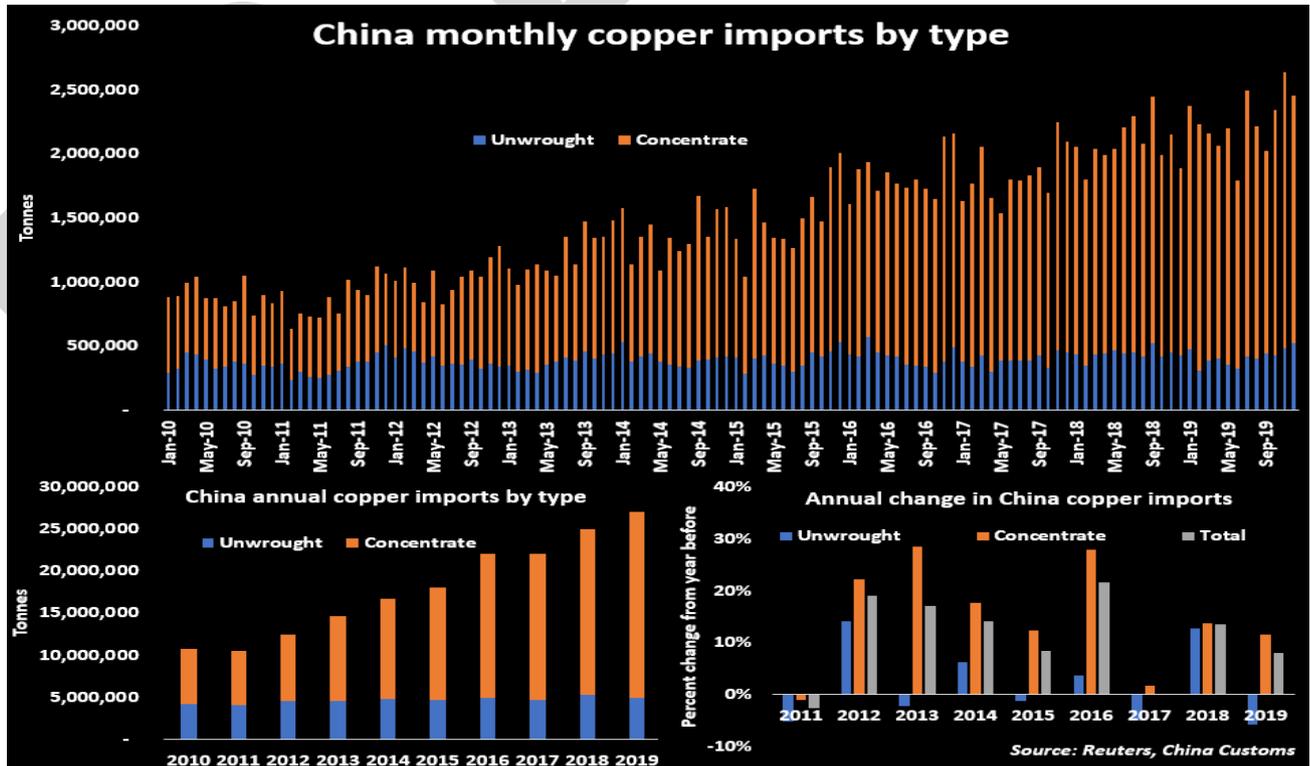
After person-to-person transmission of a new virus was confirmed in China on 21st of January, and following a rating downgrade for Hong Kong. The new virus causes a type of pneumonia and belongs to the same family of coronaviruses as SARS. The deaths from the new flu-like coronavirus, started in Wuhan city in China. London copper, falling for a 12th straight session, as a jump in inventories and the spread of a flu-like virus in top metals consumer China weighed on prices. China was locked down some cities to constrain the virus, feared to spread even faster as millions of Chinese travel during their Lunar New Year holiday (started to 24th of Jan). The Chinese government, as a result, said it would extend the week-long Lunar New Year holiday by three days to Feb. 2 in a bid to slow the virus spreading. China is the world's biggest copper consumer and a major user of many other metals. Fears that the epidemic would stall economic activities have dented metals demand.

London copper recorded for their biggest monthly decline in eight months as the coronavirus epidemic raised fears of a slowdown in demand from top metals consumer China. Three-month copper on the London Metal Exchange (LME) has fallen 9.8% so far in the month, for its sharpest drop since May 2019.



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- Goldman Sachs says “We acknowledge that further escalation of geopolitical tensions has the potential to dampen economic activity and weaken base metals demand, but we remain bullish copper, where smelters suffer from depressed margins.
- Morgan Stanley forecasts copper prices at \$2.82 per pound in 2020.
- The global world refined copper market showed a 33,000 tonnes deficit in October, compared with a 89,000 tonnes deficit in September, the International Copper Study Group (ICSG) said in its latest monthly bulletin. For the first 10 months of the year, the market was in a 439,000 tonnes deficit compared with a 345,000 tonnes deficit in the same period a year earlier, the ICSG said. World refined copper output in October was 2.07 million tonnes, while consumption was 2.11 million tonnes.
- China's refined copper output rose 11.6% year on year to a monthly record of 930,000 tonnes in December, and annual copper output for 2019 rose 10.2% from the previous year to 9.784 million tonnes data released by the National Bureau of Statistics.
- According to the China Customs data, annual scrap copper imports totaled 70,000 tonnes in December, down 71% compared to the same period of the previous year. Annual total scrap copper imports decreased 38.4% compared to the previous year and were announced as 1.49 million tonnes.
- According to the data released by the Chinese Customs Administration, 527,000 tonnes of unwrought copper and 1,928,000 tons of copper concentrate were imported in December. Also in 2019, 4,979,000 tonnes of unwrought copper was imported with a 6% decrease compared to the previous year and 21,990,000 tonnes of concentrated copper was imported with an increase of 11.6%.



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- ✚ The world's top copper producer Chile, reported that production of the metal fell 6.7% in November from the same month a year earlier to 504,366 tonnes. Government statistics agency INE noted the fall in mining activity was in part due to an unfavorable basis of comparison, a reflection of strong production the previous November.
- ✚ Cochilco announced that they foresee copper consumption will increase in 2020 in China and scrap copper processing volume will decrease. For this reason, they are expecting a deficit in the market in 2020. The Commission said that China's copper consumption in 2020 and 2021 increased 1.2%, while global copper production increased 1.1% and 2.6% respectively. At the same time, Cohilco estimated that copper production will produce 5.87 million tonnes of copper this year and 5.91 million tonnes in 2021 in Chile.
- ✚ According to the data released by the Ministry of Finance of Japan, the country's refined copper exports in 2019 decreased by 11.3% compared to the previous year to 536,671 tonnes; Cathode copper exports decreased by 11% to 497,842 tonnes.
- ✚ Copper production in Democratic Republic of Congo rose 15.9% year-on-year to 1.308 million tonnes for the period from January to November 2019, according to central bank figures.
- ✚ The Central Bank announced that the copper production in the Democratic Republic of Congo increased by 17% in 2019 compared to the previous year to 1.433 million tonnes.
- ✚ According to the Federal Customs Service, Russia's 11-month copper exports in 2019 amounted to 637,000 tonnes, up 4.03% compared to the same period of the previous year.
- ✚ Cochilco said output at Codelco, the world's top copper miner, plummeted 11% in November over the same month in 2018, to 155,200 tonnes while Production at BHP's Escondida, the globe's largest copper mine, fell 1.5% to 103,200 tonnes and The Collahuasi copper mine in northern Chile, a joint-venture between Anglo American and Glencore produced 56,700 tonnes in November, up 9.7%, the agency said..
- ✚ Rio Tinto announced that 2019 mined copper production was 577,400 tonnes was 5% lower than in 2018 and expecting 530,000-570,000 tonnes production in 2020.
- ✚ Turquoise Hill Resources Ltd. produced in 2019 143,346 tonnes copper in line with guidance and it has estimated production of 140,000 to 170,000 tonnes copper in 2020.
- ✚ Codelco has announced that it will resume production after the first expansion phase costing 759 million USD to increase the annual copper production over 500,000 tonnes and extend the mine life by at least 50 years at the El Teniente mine. El Teniente mine produced 465,000 tonnes of copper in 2018 and 407,300 tonnes of copper in January-November 2019.
- ✚ Anglo American announced that copper production in the last quarter fell 13% to 159,000 tonnes and production in the Los Bronces mine in Chile decreased by 28% due to a shortage of water in this mine. Otherwise the company's 2020 copper production forecast is 620,000-670,000 tonnes.
- ✚ KAZ Minerals announced that 2019 12-month copper production was 311,400 tons with an increase of 5.67%. The company's forecast for 2019 was announced as 300,000 tons.
- ✚ Glencore announced that copper production in 2019 decreased by 5.7% compared to the previous year to 1.371 million tons.



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