

## Metals

(Bloomberg) -- Industrial metals had a subdued start to the week, with many Asian traders offline for the Lunar New Year break, and the US also closed.

Copper was little changed below \$12,900 a ton in London, consolidating after recent volatility. Aluminum steadied after declining on Friday following a report US President Donald Trump may narrow the scope of import tariffs.

The LMEX Index that tracks the main six metals traded in London hit a record last month on a wave of Chinese buying, coupled with a weaker US dollar. Since then, the index has backtracked slightly, as traders await fresh catalysts, including on US tariffs and the outlook for Federal Reserve monetary policy.

Three-month copper was steady at \$12,863 a ton at 10:27 a.m. in Singapore, while aluminum was flat at \$3,080 a ton after losing as much as 2.7% on Friday. Tin added 2.9% to \$48,060 a ton, after losing 6% on last week's final session.

Iron ore futures were down 0.3% at \$96.50 a ton in Singapore, following a run of five weekly losses. The steel-making staple has softened as port stockpiles in China expanded toward a record, with major miners boosting output.

On the supply front, work at the new SimFer iron ore mine in Guinea has been suspended following the death of an employee of a contracting company, according to Rio Tinto Group. An investigation was underway, and Chief Executive Officer Simon Trott will travel to the country this week.

# Copper Morning Technical (4-hour)



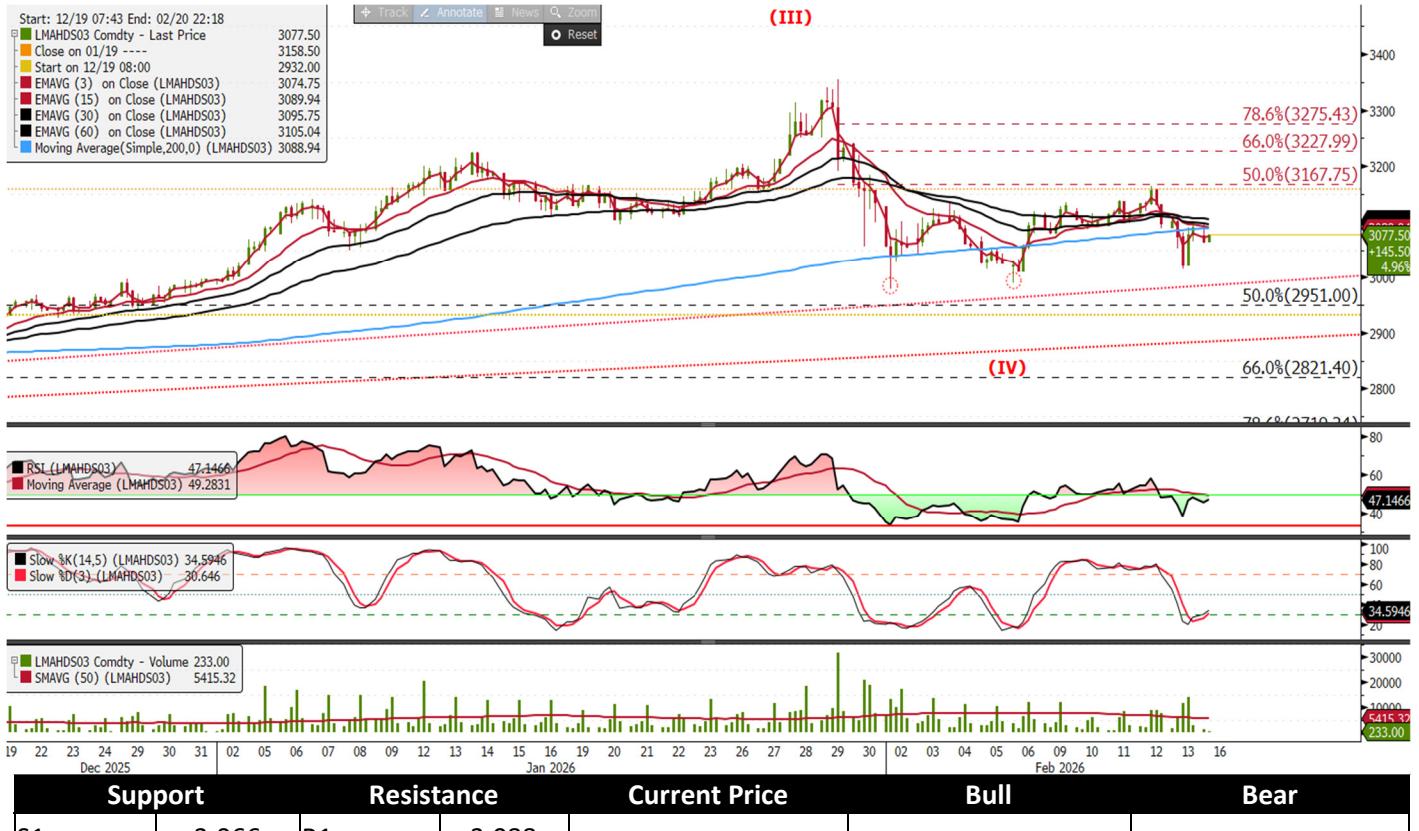
Support		Resistance		Current Price	Bull	Bear
S1	12,718	R1	12,842	12,831	Stochastic oversold	RSI below 50
S2	12,469	R2	12,855			
S3	12,220	R3	13,471			

## Synopsis - Intraday

Source Bloomberg

- Price is below the EMA resistance band (Black EMA's)
- The RSI is below 50 (44)
- Stochastic is oversold
- Price is below the daily pivot point USD 12,855
- Technical outlook Friday : Bearish inflection point. We moved lower on Thursday on elevated volume, with the decline confirmed by the RSI breaking support and registering new lows in line with price — a clear sign of downside momentum confirmation. However, buyers had since emerged around the 200-period moving average at USD 12,780, prompting a rebound toward the second market profile support at USD 12,900. Technically, both price structure and momentum had deteriorated. That said, for the downside to continuation, we would need to see a sustained close below the 200-period moving average. A confirmed break would open the way toward the USD 12,414.5 fractal support level.
- The futures have failed to produce a confirmed break below the 200-period MA. We remain below all key moving averages supported by the RSI below 50, intraday price and momentum are aligned to the sell side.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 12,885 with the RSI at or above 50 will mean price and momentum are aligned to the buyside. Downside moves that hold at or above USD 11,940 will support a bull argument, below this level the technical will have a neutral bias.
- Technical outlook: Bearish inflection point
- A failed downside move has resulted in price trading just below the 200-period MA at USD 12,842, meaning we remain at a bearish inflection point. For the downside to continuation, we would need to see a sustained close below the 200-period moving average. A confirmed break would open the way toward the USD 12,414.5 fractal support level. Conversely, a close that holds above the average will imply there is an underlying support in the market, warning the Fibonacci resistance zone could come under pressure. We identify USD 13,809 as a key resistance to monitor, upside moves that fail at or below this level would warn that the correction remains complex, leaving the technical open for further downside. The RSI moving average implies that momentum remains weak; however, there is a minor positive divergence on the 1-hour timeframe that is warning sell side momentum is starting to slow, suggesting a cautious approach is needed on lower moves while the divergence is in play.

# Aluminium Morning Technical (4-hour)



Source Bloomberg

## Synopsis - Intraday

- Price is below the EMA resistance band (Black EMA's)
- RSI is below 50 (47)
- Stochastic is at 30
- Price is above the daily pivot point USD 3,066
- Technical outlook Friday: Weakening price action within a bearish trend. Following Thursday's upside rejection, price was back under pressure on Friday, with futures trading below the intraday 200-period moving average at USD 3,079.5. A sustained close beneath this level would further weaken the technical structure and increase the risk of a move toward the USD 2,979.5 fractal low, with a break of that level becoming more likely. Both the RSI and Stochastic had declined in line with price, providing downside momentum confirmation and supporting the case for continuation lower. However, we noted that sellers should remain cautious on any close back above the 200-period moving average, as this would signal renewed buyside interest and potentially stabilise the market.
- The futures initially sold to a low of USD 3,015.5 before finding buyside support into the close. We remain below all key moving averages supported by the RSI below 50, intraday price and momentum are now conflicting.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 3,066 with the RSI at or above 51.5 will mean price and momentum are aligned to the buyside; likewise, a close below this level will mean it is aligned to the sell side. Downside moves that hold at or above USD 2,821 will support a bull argument, below this level the technical will have a neutral bias.
- Technical outlook: Evidence of buyside support.
- The futures remain in a bearish trend; however, the failed downside move on Friday has resulted in a bullish support candle forming on the daily timeframe, indicating market buyer's at lower levels. We remain below the 200-period MA at USD 3,088 at this point, failure to close above the average will open the technical for further downside, warning the USD 3,015.5 fractal low could come under pressure. For downside continuation we will need to see a sustained daily close below this level; conversely, a close that holds back above the intraday 200-period MA will confirm that there is underlying support in the market. A bullish close will leave Fibonacci resistance will become vulnerable. Higher timeframe support implies caution on lower moves while above USD 3,015.5.

# Zinc Morning Technical (4-hour)



Support	Resistance	Current Price	Bull	Bear
S1	R1	3,340		
S2	R2	3,365		
S3	R3	3,460	Stochastic oversold	RSI below 50

## Synopsis - Intraday

Source Bloomberg

- Price is below the EMA support band (Black EMA's)
- RSI is below 50 (45)
- Stochastic is oversold
- Price is below the daily pivot point USD 3,340
- Technical outlook Friday. Bearish. We previously rejected the USD 3,460 resistance level, this was followed by trend support being broken, indicating sell-side pressure appeared to be building. The RSI moving average pointed to weakening momentum, reinforced by the RSI posting new lows in line with price. This momentum confirmation increased the risk that the USD 3,262.5–USD 3,238 fractal support zone comes under pressure. Sellers should remain cautious if price reclaims the daily pivot at USD 3,393, as this would signal emerging intraday buyside interest. However, we noted such a move would not, at that stage, constitute a shift back to a bullish technical outlook.
- The futures sold to a low of USD 3,299 before finding light bid support, we remain below all key moving averages supported by the RSI below 50, intraday price and momentum are aligned to the sell side.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 3,340 with the RSI at or above 53.5 will mean price and momentum are aligned to the buyside. Upside moves that fail at or below the USD 3,460 will leave the futures vulnerable to further tests to the downside, above this level the Elliott wave cycle will re-enter bullish territory.
- Technical outlook. Cautious bear
- The upside rejection of the USD 3,460 resistance continues to suggest that the USD 3,238 support remains vulnerable, while the RSI moving averages imply that momentum remains weak. Countering this, downside breakouts below USD 3,299 will potentially create a positive divergence on both the 4-and-1-hour timeframes, meaning caution is warranted on moves below this level. A daily close above the weekly pivot level at USD 3,365 will imply an increase in buy-side pressure, warning resistance could become vulnerable. Technically, near-term support remains vulnerable; however, for downside continuation we will need to see divergence failure.