

Coal price and FX market forecasts

June/July 2025

Overview

This bulletin provides a summary of coal price forecasts (hard coking coal, PCI, semi-soft coking coal and Newcastle benchmark thermal coal) and AUD:USD exchange rate forecasts as at June/July 2025. These have been sourced from various research databases and broker reports (the **Contributors**) and are presented on a 31 December year end basis. Where available, we have included the Contributors' long-term price forecasts. We have also included the average and median forecasts presented in our previous bulletin (March/April 2025).

All coal price forecasts, other than long term, are presented in nominal USD per metric tonne, free on board, calendar year (**CY**) terms. The long term prices are in real current (2025) USD per metric tonne, free on board, CY terms. Where applicable, we have made the following adjustments to certain coal price forecasts:

- Where Contributors have expressed coal price forecasts in real terms over the explicit forecast period, we have converted these into nominal terms using a high level inflation assumption of 2.5 percent per annum.
- Where long term coal price forecasts have been expressed in nominal terms, we have converted these into real current (2025) terms using a high level inflation assumption of 2.5 percent per annum.
- Where coal prices have been expressed in Australian Fiscal Year (1 July to 30 June) terms (**FY**) we have adjusted the forecast prices to be consistent with CY terms, by adding 50 percent of the current FY forecast (1 July to 31 December) and 50 percent of the prior year's FY forecast (1 January to 30 June).
- Where coal prices have been expressed in Japanese Fiscal Year (1 April to 31 March) terms (**JFY**) we have adjusted the forecast prices to be consistent with CY terms, by adding 75 percent of the current JFY forecast (1 April to 31 December) and 25 percent of the prior year's JFY forecast (1 January to 31 March).

With regards to Newcastle benchmark thermal coal, we note that some of the Contributors forecast spot prices while some forecast contract prices. We have not distinguished between these in the bulletin.

While we recognise there are differing hard coking coal specifications, we note that the Contributors commonly do not differentiate between grades of hard coking coal in their forecasts. Accordingly, we do not distinguish between grades of hard coking coal in the bulletin.

The names of the Contributors have not been provided and have been presented as "Contributor [Number]". We note that not all Contributors have provided AUD:USD rate forecasts or coal price forecasts for each forecast year, and not all Contributors have provided forecasts for each coal type.

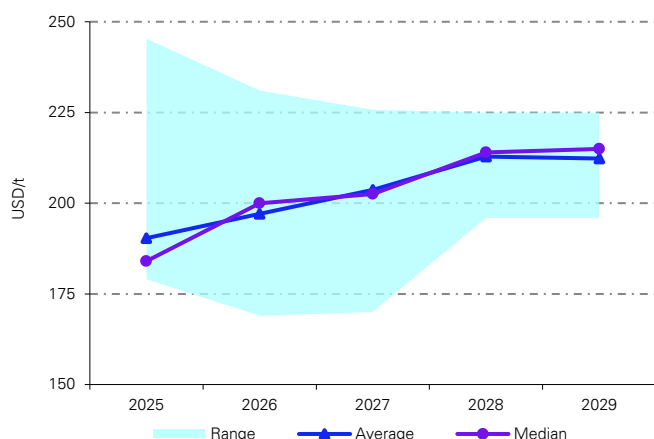
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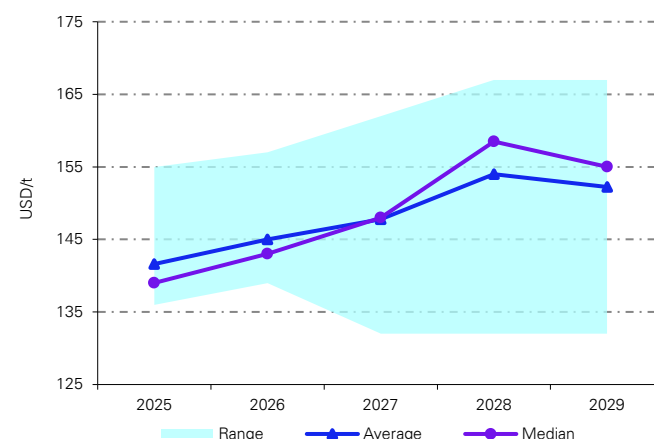
Hard coking coal price forecasts

The hard coking coal price forecasts are summarised below:



Low and ultra-low volatile PCI coal price forecasts

The low and ultra-low volatile PCI coal price forecasts are summarised below:



Hard coking coal (USD/t Nominal)

Year ended 31 December	Reporting date	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	LT (2025)
Contributor 3	14-Jul-25	181.0	201.0	225.0	225.0	225.0	200.0
Contributor 4	13-Jul-25	184.0	205.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	200.0
Contributor 5	11-Jul-25	180.0	169.0	170.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 6	10-Jul-25	179.0	211.0	213.0	214.0	215.0	219.0
Contributor 7	10-Jul-25	197.0	190.0	190.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 8	8-Jul-25	205.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0
Contributor 9	4-Jul-25	182.0	200.0	205.0	210.0	215.0	215.0
Contributor 10	3-Jul-25	183.0	188.0	200.0	225.0	225.0	200.0
Contributor 11	2-Jul-25	184.0	193.0	210.0	n/a	n/a	225.0
Contributor 12	1-Jul-25	182.0	200.0	225.0	n/a	n/a	225.0
Contributor 13	1-Jul-25	190.0	190.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	170.0
Contributor 15	27-Jun-25	184.0	195.0	220.0	220.0	210.0	200.0
Contributor 16	27-Jun-25	200.0	208.0	198.0	196.0	196.0	176.0
Contributor 17	24-Jun-25	180.0	170.0	170.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 18	19-Jun-25	245.4	231.1	225.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 19	1-Jun-25	190.0	202.0	200.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Low		179.0	169.0	170.0	196.0	196.0	170.0
High		245.4	231.1	225.8	225.0	225.0	225.0
Average		190.4	197.1	203.7	212.9	212.3	202.7
Median		184.0	200.0	202.5	214.0	215.0	200.0
Previous bulletin (Mar/Apr25)							
Average		196.9	203.5	209.7	214.5	208.7	193.0
Median		196.0	205.0	214.0	214.5	210.0	195.0

Source: Refinitiv Research, the Contributors, KPMG Analysis
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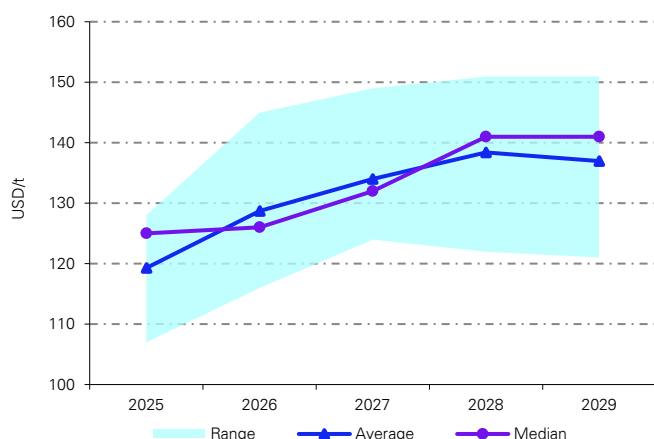
Low and ultra-low volatile PCI coal (USD/t Nominal)

Year ended 31 December	Reporting date	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	LT (2025)
Contributor 6	10-Jul-25	136.0	157.0	162.0	163.0	163.0	166.0
Contributor 7	10-Jul-25	155.0	143.0	143.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 10	3-Jul-25	136.0	139.0	148.0	167.0	167.0	148.0
Contributor 15	27-Jun-25	139.0	146.0	154.0	154.0	147.0	152.0
Contributor 16	27-Jun-25	142.0	140.0	132.0	132.0	132.0	132.0
Low		136.0	139.0	132.0	132.0	132.0	132.0
High		155.0	157.0	162.0	167.0	167.0	166.0
Average		141.6	145.0	147.8	154.0	152.3	149.5
Median		139.0	143.0	148.0	158.5	155.0	150.0
Previous bulletin (Mar/Apr25)							
Average		143.6	146.8	147.8	154.0	150.8	140.3
Median		143.0	140.0	148.0	158.5	152.0	145.6

Source: Refinitiv Research, the Contributors, KPMG Analysis
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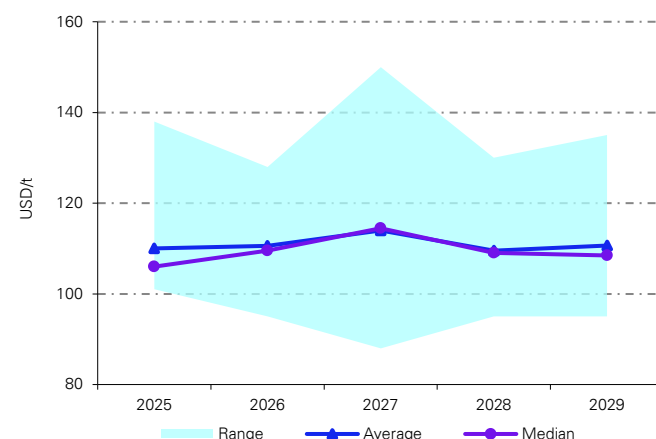
Semi-soft coking coal price forecasts

The semi-soft coking coal price forecasts are summarised below:



Newcastle benchmark thermal coal price forecasts

The Newcastle benchmark coal price forecasts are summarised below:



Semi-soft coking coal (USD/t Nominal)

Year ended 31 December	Reporting date	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	LT (2025)
Contributor 3	14-Jul-25	127.0	141.0	146.0	146.0	146.0	135.0
Contributor 6	10-Jul-25	127.0	145.0	149.0	151.0	151.0	153.0
Contributor 7	10-Jul-25	128.0	126.0	126.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 10	3-Jul-25	107.0	116.0	125.0	141.0	141.0	125.0
Contributor 11	2-Jul-25	110.0	121.0	136.0	n/a	n/a	158.0
Contributor 15	27-Jun-25	111.0	120.0	132.0	132.0	126.0	134.0
Contributor 16	27-Jun-25	125.0	132.0	124.0	122.0	121.0	109.0
Low		107.0	116.0	124.0	122.0	121.0	109.0
High		128.0	145.0	149.0	151.0	151.0	158.0
Average		119.3	128.7	134.0	138.4	137.0	135.7
Median		125.0	126.0	132.0	141.0	141.0	134.5
Previous bulletin (Mar/Apr25)							
Average		131.0	136.3	136.6	141.4	134.8	132.2
Median		127.0	132.0	136.0	141.0	133.5	133.0

Source: Refinitiv Research, the Contributors, KPMG Analysis
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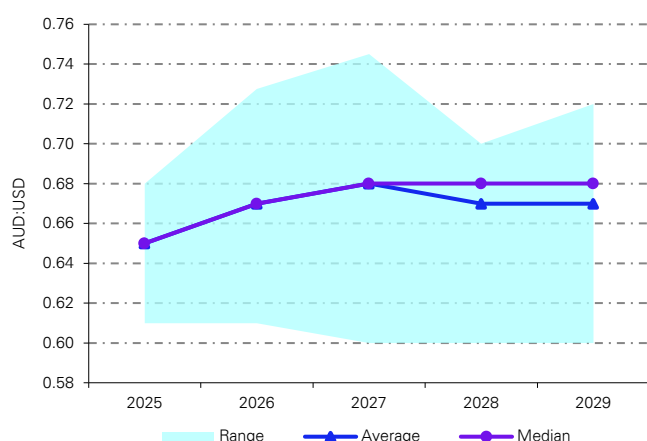
Newcastle thermal coal (USD/t Nominal)

Year ended 31 December	Reporting date	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	LT (2025)
Contributor 3	14-Jul-25	138.0	128.0	118.0	119.0	119.0	90.0
Contributor 4	13-Jul-25	106.0	115.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	112.0
Contributor 5	11-Jul-25	119.0	118.0	122.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 6	10-Jul-25	106.0	113.0	125.0	130.0	135.0	140.0
Contributor 7	10-Jul-25	122.0	100.0	100.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 9	4-Jul-25	102.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0
Contributor 10	3-Jul-25	104.0	110.0	110.0	100.0	100.0	90.0
Contributor 11	2-Jul-25	108.0	121.0	124.0	n/a	n/a	110.0
Contributor 12	1-Jul-25	105.0	103.0	100.0	n/a	n/a	90.0
Contributor 13	1-Jul-25	104.0	105.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	98.0
Contributor 15	27-Jun-25	101.0	98.0	88.0	95.0	98.0	90.0
Contributor 16	27-Jun-25	114.0	128.0	125.0	118.0	117.0	105.0
Contributor 17	24-Jun-25	104.5	105.0	150.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 19	1-Jun-25	107.0	109.0	111.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Low		101.0	95.0	88.0	95.0	95.0	90.0
High		138.0	128.0	150.0	130.0	135.0	140.0
Average		110.0	110.6	114.0	109.5	110.7	102.0
Median		106.0	109.5	114.5	109.0	108.5	96.5
Previous bulletin (Mar/Apr25)							
Average		111.6	113.4	110.4	105.4	103.8	97.8
Median		113.0	115.0	113.5	100.0	100.0	92.5

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Forecast AUD:USD exchange rates

Forecast AUD:USD exchange rates are summarised below:



AUD:USD exchange rate (Nominal)

Year ended 31 December	Reporting date	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	LT (2025)
Contributor 1	29-Jul-25	0.68	0.73	0.75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 2	14-Jul-25	0.61	0.61	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60
Contributor 3	14-Jul-25	0.64	0.66	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67
Contributor 5	11-Jul-25	0.67	0.70	0.72	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 7	10-Jul-25	0.65	0.66	0.68	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 8	8-Jul-25	0.63	0.65	0.67	0.70	0.72	0.72
Contributor 9	1-Jul-25	0.65	0.65	0.65	n/a	n/a	0.65
Contributor 10	3-Jul-25	0.64	0.66	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.70
Contributor 11	2-Jul-25	0.64	0.67	0.69	n/a	n/a	0.74
Contributor 12	1-Jul-25	0.64	0.65	0.65	n/a	n/a	0.65
Contributor 14	30-Jun-25	0.68	0.70	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 15	27-Jun-25	0.65	0.68	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.69
Contributor 17	24-Jun-25	0.67	0.69	0.70	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 18	19-Jun-25	0.67	0.67	0.67	n/a	n/a	n/a
Contributor 19	1-Jun-25	0.64	0.68	0.70	n/a	n/a	n/a
Low		0.61	0.61	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60
High		0.68	0.73	0.75	0.70	0.72	0.74
Average		0.65	0.67	0.68	0.67	0.67	0.68
Median		0.65	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68
Previous bulletin (Mar/Apr25)							
Average		0.64	0.65	0.66	0.68	0.69	0.68
Median		0.64	0.66	0.67	0.68	0.69	0.68

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