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Price Forecast Methodology: Adipic Acid



The forecasts are updated on a monthly review cycle but can be updated more frequently in case of major market developments. Price forecasts cover the current month and the following 17 months, i.e. 18 months in total.

The services provide:

1. A forecast of the monthly spot CFR Asia NE International Origin price, extending the historical gross prices reported in the ICIS Adipic Acid Asia Pacific price report.
2. A forecast of the monthly contract FD NWE Contract Reference price, extending the historical gross prices reported in the ICIS Adipic Acid Europe price report.

Elements within the adipic acid price forecasts include:

1. Supply-demand data for adipic acid including regional imports, exports, global plant shutdowns and new capacities.
2. Downstream derivative demand forecasts, specifically nylon 6,6 and polyurethanes.
3. Benzene, Brent crude and naphtha price forecasts in Europe and Asia.
4. Movement of spot prices and margins.

ICIS also shows historical and forecast feedstock benzene pricing, and the historical and forecasted spread between adipic acid pricing and benzene per month.

Prices are forecast in the currency they are assessed in. For spreads analysis, where feedstock currency may differ from product currency, exchange rates from www.xe.com are used for historical data series. For forecast series, ICIS uses the exchange rate from the date of analysis.