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# Price Forecast Methodology: Monoethylene Glycol (MEG)



The ICIS MEG Asia and Europe price forecasts are of monthly average prices. 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 forecast pages provide:

1. Forecast of the monthly average spot CFR China Main Ports MEG price, extending the historical gross prices reported in the ICIS Ethylene Glycol Asia Pacific price report.
2. Forecast of the monthly FD Northwest Europe MEG Contract Reference price, extending the historical gross prices reported in the ICIS Ethylene Glycol Europe price report.

Elements considered in the MEG price forecasts include:

1. Supply-demand data for MEG and direct derivatives including regional imports, exports, plant shutdowns and new capacities.
2. Downstream derivative demand forecasts
3. Brent crude and naphtha price forecasts in Europe and Asia. In addition, methanol in China.
4. Spot price movements across all regions.

ICIS also shows historical and forecast feedstock ethylene prices for each region, and the historical and forecast spread between MEG and ethylene prices 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](http://www.xe.com) are used for historical data series. For forecast series, ICIS uses the exchange rate from the date of analysis.