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# Isocyanates Price Forecast Methodology



The ICIS Isocyanates Europe price forecasts are of monthly average prices, and can be accessed via the ICIS Analytics channel. 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, ie 18 months in total.

The forecast pages provide a monthly forecast of the monthly FD NWE contract reference price, extending the historical gross prices reported in the ICIS Isocyanates Europe price report.

**Elements within the Isocyanates price forecasts include:**

1. Supply-demand data for isocyanates including regional imports, exports, global plant shutdowns and new capacities.
2. Downstream derivative demand forecasts, specifically polyurethane applications in the following industries: automotive, construction, footwear and furniture, as well as coatings, adhesives, sealants and elastomers.
3. Benzene, toluene, Brent crude and naphtha price forecasts in Europe.
4. Movement of spot prices and margins.

Prices are published in the assessed currency. Where information is provided from a third party, this is clearly attributed. Historical and forecast prices can be downloaded using the ICIS Excel Plug-In.