

# Commodity Price Database Improvements (Dec 2022)

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### Summary

Intratec is always working to improve products offered, at no additional cost for current subscribers. In this context, by the beginning of December we will implement improvements on **Commodity Price Database**, related to addition of more commodities and better data organization.

Apart from the addition of commodities, the main changes for subscribers are related to where they access some specific commodities data, according to the industry. With this change, in all cases active subscribers will gain access to more price data, with no changes in their subscription fee.

The key features of this update are the following:

- o Commodity Price Database will be rebranded and will be named Commodity Price Benchmarks
- o The industries will be reorganized. Mainly, the "Petrochemicals" industry will be split into the industries "Olefins & Derivatives", "Aromatics & Derivatives", and "Alcohols & Organic Acids".
- o The commodities will be reorganized in the industries: some commodities will be in new industries; some will be added to the product and a small number will be reallocated to other products.
- o The table below summarizes main changes, per industry.

NOW	AFTER
	Industry "Olefins & Derivatives":
	- 29 Commodities
Industry "Petrochemicals":	Industry "Aromatics & Derivatives":
- 87 Commodities	- 34 Commodities
	Industry "Alcohols & Organic Acids":
	- 33 Commodities
Industry "Polymers & Recyclables":	Industry "Polymers":
- 32 Commodities	- 41 Commodities
Industry "Inorganics":	Industry "Inorganic Chemicals":
- 40 Commodities	- 43 Commodities



Industry "Fertilizers & Gases":	Industry "Fertilizers & Gases:	
- 24 Commodities	- 31 Commodities*	
Industry "Nutrition & Renewables":	Industry "Food & Nutrition":	
- 14 Commodities	- 15 Commodities	
Industry "Metals & Mining":	Industry "Metals & Mining":	
- 14 Commodities	- 34 Commodities	

<sup>(\*) 4</sup> of the 31 Commodities were originally from "Petrochemicals"

Finally, it is worth to highlight that active Subscribers of **Commodity Price Benchmarks** with access to the industries "Inorganics" and "Polymers & Recyclables" will gain access to product **Commodity Price Indexes** (Industries "Inorganics" and "Polymers & Recyclables").

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What happened with the Commodity Price Database?

This database was renamed to **Commodity Price Benchmarks**. Also, there were changes related to the industries organization, which affects how subscribers access some specific commodities.

#### What happened with the industry "Petrochemicals"?

This industry is no longer part of **Commodity Price Database** but rest assured that you will even get access to more data, at no additional cost!

If your subscription to **Commodity Price Database** includes the industry "Petrochemicals", you will be granted full access to industries "Olefins & Derivatives", "Aromatics & Derivatives", "Alcohols & Organic Acids" and "Fertilizers & Gases".

# What happened with the industries "Inorganics", "Nutrition and Renewables" and "Polymers & Recyclables"?

These industries were renamed to "Inorganic Chemicals", "Food & Nutrition" and "Polymers", respectively.



#### The commodities I marked as favorites are no longer appearing as favorites...why?

In fact, with the reorganization of commodities in industries, we could not keep your selection of favorite commodities. We apologize for this inconvenience.

But do not worry, you can quickly remark your favorite commodities just as you did previously.

#### I cannot find pricing data of a commodity...where is it?

With this update, some commodities were reallocated into other industries. The industry "Petrochemicals" was divided into industries "Olefins & Derivatives", "Aromatics & Derivatives" and "Alcohols & Organic Acids". The active subscribers of this industry received access to the new 3 industries, in addition to "Fertilizers & Gases". You can see below each commodity migration:

#### • From Petrochemicals to Alcohols & Organic Acids:

o Acetic Acid, Acetic Anhydride, Acrylic Acid, Adipic Acid, Butanol, Butyl Acetate, Diethanolamine, Diethyl Ether, Diethylene Glycol, Ethyl Acetate, Ethylene Glycol, Ethylhexanol, Formic Acid, Glycerol, Isopropanol, Maleic Anhydride, Methacrylic Acid, Methanol, Methyl Acrylate, Methyl Methacrylate, Monoethanolamine, Oxalic Acid, Pentaerythritol, Propylene Glycol, Tert-Butyl Alcohol, Trimethylolpropane

#### • From Petrochemicals to Aromatics & Derivatives:

o Aniline, Anthraquinone, Benzene, Benzyl Alcohol, BPA, Caprolactam, Carbon Black, Chlorobenzene, Coal Tar Pitch, Cumene, Cyclohexane, Cyclohexanone, Dimethyl Terephthalate, Dioctyl Phthalate, Ethylbenzene, Meta Cresol, Naphthalene, Ortho Cresol, Orthoxylene, Para Cresol, Paraxylene, Petroleum Pitch, Phenol, Phthalic Anhydride, Pyridine, Resorcinol, Styrene, Terephthalic Acid, Toluene, Xylene

#### • From Petrochemicals to Olefins & Derivatives:

o Acetone, Acrylonitrile, Butadiene, Butene, Chemical Grade Propylene, Epichlorohydrin, Ethane, Ethylene, Ethylene Dichloride, Ethylene Oxide, Formalin, Hexamethylenediamine, Isobutane, Isoprene, Methyl Ethyl Ketone, Methyl Isobutyl Ketone, Paraffin Wax, Petroleum Jelly, Propylene, Propylene Oxide, Refinery Grade



Propylene, Tetrachloroethylene, Tetrahydrofuran, Trichloroethylene, Vinyl Acetate, Vinyl Chloride

- From Petrochemicals to Fertilizers & Gases:
  - o Chloroform, Chloromethane, Melamine, Methylene Chloride
- From Metals & Mining to Inorganic Chemicals:
  - o Sodium Cyanide
- From Inorganics to Metals & Mining:
  - o Calcium, Sodium

Also, some commodities were removed from **Commodity Price Database** and allocated in Other Intratec Products, as you can see below:

- Commodity of Industry "Fertilizers & Gases" that will be in Commodity Price Indexes:
  - o Ammonium Chloride
- Commodities of Industry "Inorganics" that will be in Commodity Price Indexes:
  - o Aluminum Chloride, Aluminum Hydroxide, Alums, Calcium Hydroxide, Calcium Hypochlorite, Manganese Dioxide, Precipitated Silica, Silica Gel, Sodium Sulfites
- Commodity of Industry "Metals & Mining" that will be in Commodity Price Indexes:
  - o Ilmenite Ore
- Commodity of Industry "Petrochemicals" that will be in Energy Price References:
  - o Petroleum Coke
- Commodities of Industry "Polymers & Recyclables" that will be in Commodity Price Indexes:
  - o Carboxymethyl Cellulose, Melamine Resin, Polymethyl Methacrylate, Poxyoxymethylene, Urea Formaldehyde Resins

Because of these changes, subscribers of industries "Inorganics" and "Polymers & Recyclables" were granted access to the respective industries in the product **Commodities Price Indexes** 



Please note that the industries "Inorganics", "Nutrition and Renewables" and "Polymers & Recyclables" were renamed to "Inorganic Chemicals", "Food & Nutrition" and "Polymers", respectively.

#### What is Commodity Price Indexes?

**Intratec Commodity Price Indexes** is an AI product which provides reliable indexes showing how commodity prices are behaving, in a user-friendly tool which allows the identification of price trends, tracking of monthly price variations, and customization of data views.

This AI powered product covers price indexes of as many as 390 commodities, grouped in 8 industries, in all major world regions.

Active subscribers of **Commodity Price Benchmarks** with access to the industries "Inorganics" and "Polymers & Recyclables" will gain access to product **Commodity Price Indexes** (Industries "Inorganics" and "Polymers & Recyclables").

#### What will happen when my subscription renews?

When your subscription renews, you will continue to have access to all data just as you will have right after the change, with no raises in subscription fee. As long as your subscription remains active, your subscription fee will be kept the same.

#### Will there be a raise in the subscription fee?

No! Rest assured that there will be no additional cost for subscribers, even the ones who got access to the new product and/or more industries.

#### When will the changes be rolled out?

Intratec team will roll out changes in Commodity Price Database on December 7th.

#### If I have any doubts/problems, who should I contact?

Just contact us at <a href="mailto:support@intratec.us">support@intratec.us</a>. It is important to highlight that Intratec provides support exclusively via this email.