



Copper **\$14,180/t** ▼ **-1.1%** | Cobalt **\$56,290/t** → | Tin **\$54,375/t** ▼ **-2.1%** | Gold **\$4,460.70/oz** ▲ **+1.3%** |
Brent **\$91.62/bbl** ▲ **+0.7%** | CDF per USD **2,265** ▲ **+0.1%**

Market data — end-of-day close · LME cash settlement · LME/Fastmarkets Cobalt · LBMA Gold Price PM · ICE Brent front-month · BCC indicative rate · as of 20 Aug 2026.
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SITUATION MAP — EVENTS (LAST 24H)

● SECURITY ● PUBLIC HEALTH ● MINING ● POLITICS ● ECONOMY ● GEOPOLITICS



- 1** Ebola outbreak spans six provinces; 5,021 cases — Ituri (*approx.*)
- 2** Hospital destroyed by fire after Ebola case — Butembo
- 3** ONATRA resumes urban rail after 15 years — Kinshasa
- 4** 4,000+ displaced households receive assistance — Djugu

THREAT LEVEL CRITICAL HIGH ELEVATED GUARDED — also the coloured bar beside each item

VERIFICATION CONFIRMED corroborated by 2+ sources REPORTED single source

SECURITY & CONFLICT

Over 2,400 civilians killed by ADF in Bapere (North Kivu) over two years

CRITICAL

Civil society in Bapere (North Kivu) documented over 2,400 civilian deaths attributed to the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF) over a two-year period.

REPORTED Radio Okapi 19 Aug

Six humanitarian workers killed in DRC between January and June 2026; drone attacks concern UN

CRITICAL

The UN Humanitarian Coordinator reported six humanitarian worker deaths in the DRC during the first half of 2026, with particular concern about emerging drone-attack threats.

CONFIRMED Radio Okapi 19 Aug



PUBLIC HEALTH

Ebola outbreak: 5,021 confirmed cases and 2,378 confirmed deaths in DRC as of 18 August 2026

ONGOING

CRITICAL

The Bundibugyo strain Ebola outbreak, declared 15 May 2026, has reached 5,021 confirmed cases and 2,378 confirmed deaths in the DRC across seven provinces (Ituri, Bas-Uele, Haut-Uele, North Kivu, South Kivu, Tshopo); Uganda reported 20 confirmed cases and 2 confirmed deaths, with the last case discharged 16 July.

CONFIRMED

OCHA / ReliefWeb · Radio Okapi 19 Aug · Event: 18 Aug

WHO convenes emergency committee on Ebola in DRC amid 'very high' transmission risk

CRITICAL

The WHO convened its emergency committee on 18 August 2026 to assess the Ebola outbreak in the DRC, citing a 'very high' risk of further propagation.

CONFIRMED

Radio Okapi 19 Aug · Event: 18 Aug

Hospital in Butembo burned following Ebola case confirmation

CRITICAL

A health facility in Butembo (North Kivu) was set on fire after confirmation of an Ebola case; one of three active buildings was completely destroyed, including laboratory equipment, and healthcare workers fled.

REPORTED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug

Government adopts differentiated school reopening policy in response to Ebola

HIGH

The DRC government announced a 'differentiated' school reopening for the 2026–2027 academic year to balance Ebola containment with educational continuity.

REPORTED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug

Over 4,000 displaced and returnee households receive emergency humanitarian assistance in Djugu (Ituri)

HIGH

More than 4,000 households of displaced and returnee populations received emergency humanitarian assistance in Dala and Zengo health areas (Djugu, Ituri).

REPORTED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug



POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

Martin Fayulu on M23: 'It is Rwanda, but there are Congolese in M23'

HIGH

Opposition leader Martin Fayulu stated that while M23 is fundamentally a Rwandan operation, Congolese nationals are embedded within the group, complicating resolution efforts.

REPORTED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug



POLITICS & DIPLOMACY

DRC and Tanzania strengthen economic and health cooperation

HIGH

Presidents Félix Tshisekedi (DRC) and Samia Suluhu Hassan (Tanzania) agreed to deepen bilateral cooperation on economic and health matters.

REPORTED

Radio Okapi 19 Aug

Two DRC delegation members detained in South Africa during SADC summit

HIGH

Two Congolese officials, members of the cabinet of the Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Defence, were detained in South Africa during a SADC summit; Kinshasa confirmed the regularity of their stay.

REPORTED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug



LEGAL & REGULATORY

FRIVAO trial: 15 years of forced labour sought against Constant Mutamba and Chancard Bolokola

HIGH

Prosecutors requested 15 years of forced labour against former Justice Minister Constant Mutamba and former FRIVAO official Chancard Bolokola in a corruption trial; the Court of Cassation ruled the summons regular and opened the way for closing arguments.

CONFIRMED

Actualite.cd 19 Aug



ECONOMY & MACRO

ONATRA relaunches urban train service in Kinshasa after 15-year suspension

CRITICAL

The National Transport Office (ONATRA) resumed urban train operations in Kinshasa on 19 August 2026, ending a 15-year service interruption.

REPORTED

Radio Okapi 19 Aug



GEOPOLITICS

Tanzania reaffirms support for DRC sovereignty; calls for foreign troop withdrawal and ceasefire

HIGH

Tanzania reiterated its support for DRC sovereignty in the context of the M23 conflict, calling for withdrawal of foreign forces and cessation of hostilities.

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WATCHLIST

- ▶ Ebola case count and death toll updates; geographic spread to new provinces; health-facility security incidents and staff safety.
- ▶ ADF and M23 military operations; civilian casualty reports; FARDC/UPDF response effectiveness and coordination.
- ▶ Humanitarian access constraints; drone-attack incidents and attribution; aid-worker security and program disruptions.
- ▶ DRC–Tanzania and DRC–South Africa bilateral engagement; SADC and AU diplomatic positioning on M23 and Rwanda.
- ▶ School reopening implementation and Ebola containment measures; education access equity across provinces.
- ▶ FRIVAO trial verdict and sentencing; broader anti-corruption prosecution momentum.
- ▶ Makutano Mining Forum agenda and participant list; mining-sector policy announcements or regulatory changes.
- ▶ ONATRA train service operational metrics (frequency, ridership, sustainability); impact on Kinshasa logistics and commerce.

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