

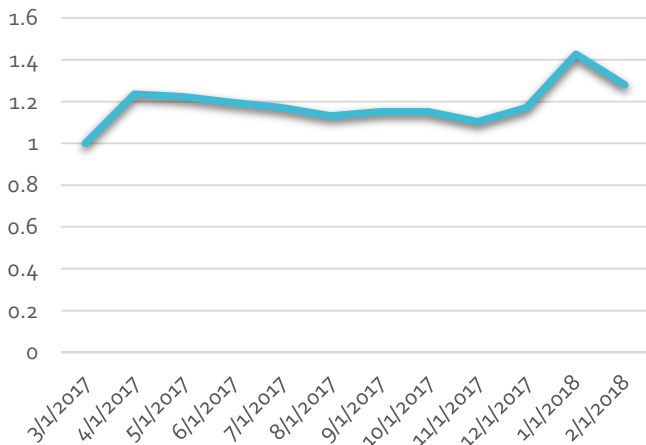
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## Economic Trends

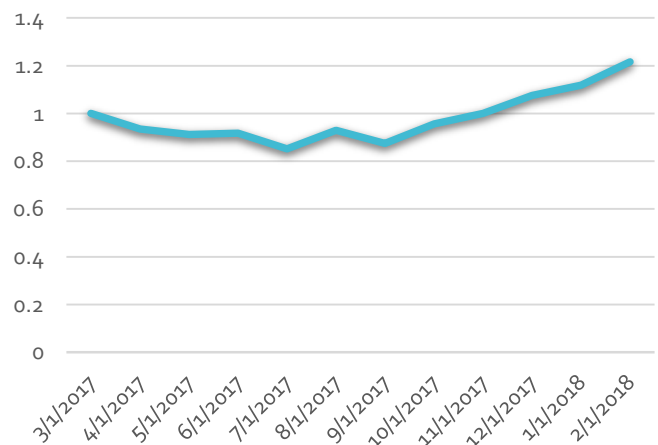
- **Jobs Report:** The Bureau of Labor Statistics announced that the U.S. economy added 200,000 jobs, beating economists' expectations by more than 10%. The unemployment rate held steady at 4.1%
- **Retail Sales:** The Commerce Department reported that Americans pulled back on buying cars, furniture and other goods in January, pushing retail sales down by 0.3 percent, the biggest decline in 11 months.
- **Manufacturing:** The Institute for Supply Management said its non-manufacturing activity hit 59.9 in January, well above the 56.5 expected by a survey of Reuters economists. Non-manufacturing economic activity had slipped to 55.9 in December.
- **U.S. Auto Sales:** According to Autodata Corp, Automakers reported a sales were down from December at 1.15 million vehicles for January, with a full-year forecast of 16.7 million vehicle sales.
- **U.S. Home Sales:** The National Association of Realtors said on Wednesday its pending home sales index dropped to a reading of 104.6, down 4.7 percent from the prior month. December's index was also downwardly revised to 109.8.

## Petroleum Derivatives and Energy

### Natural Gas



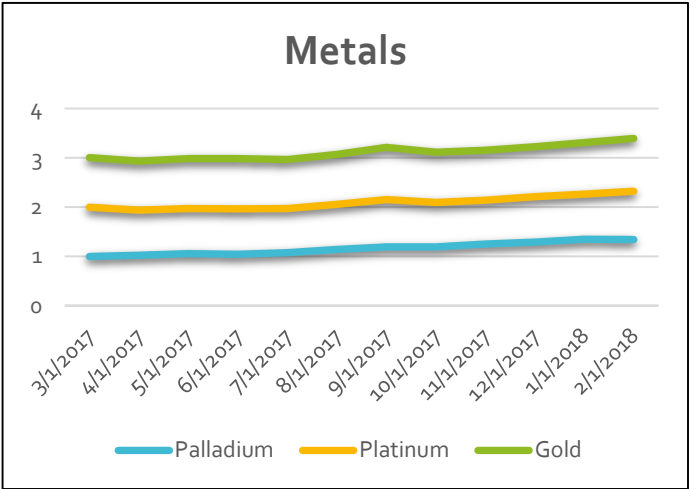
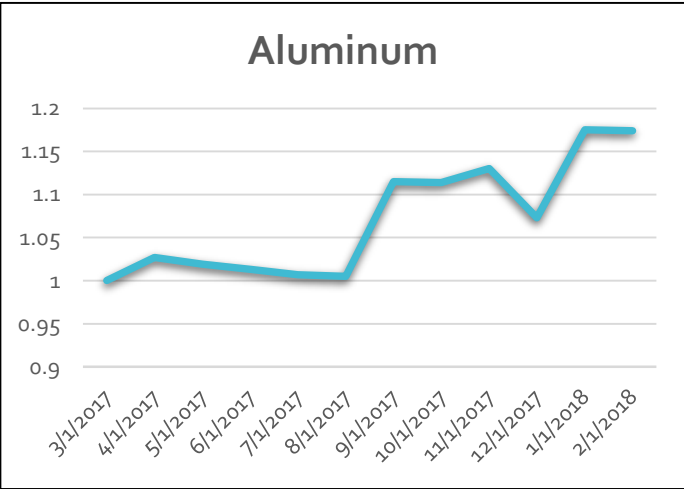
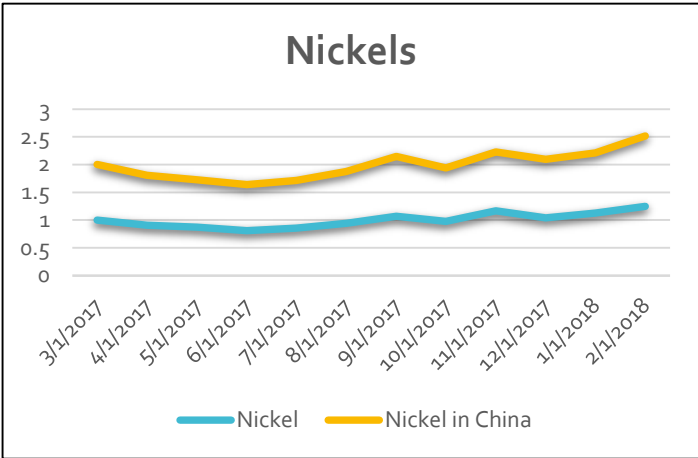
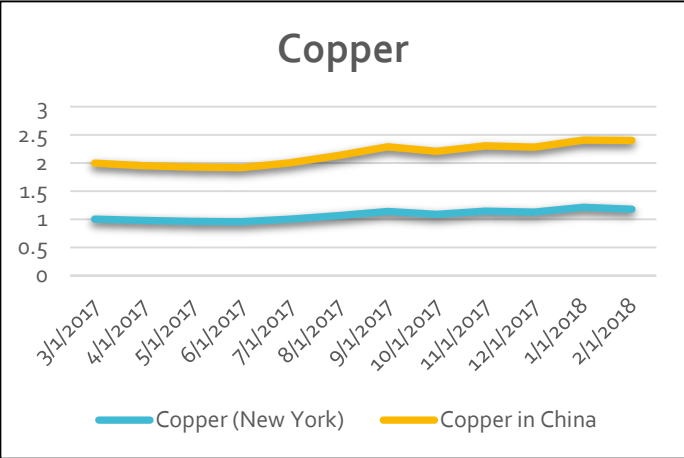
### Crude Oil



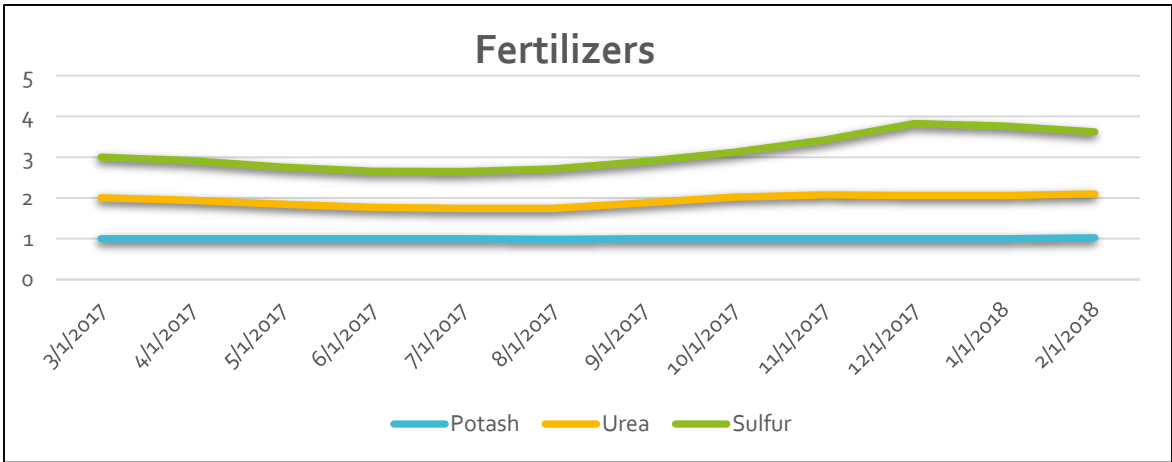


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**Metals**



**Fertilizers**



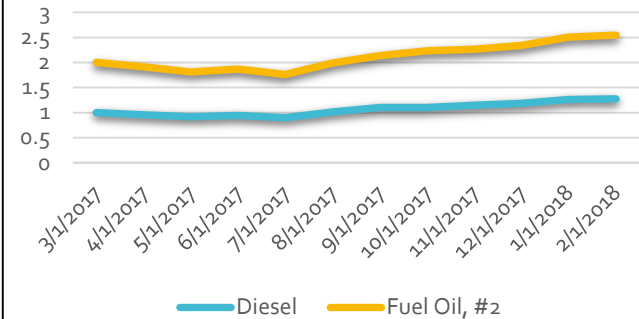
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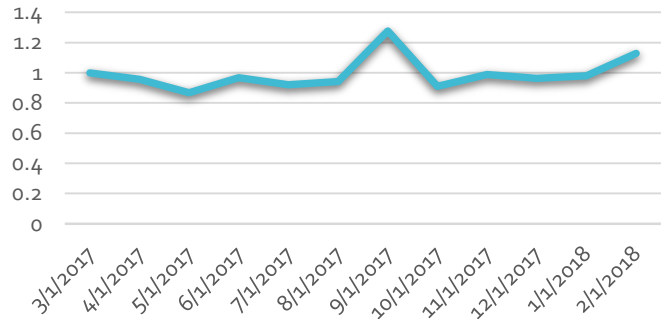
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## Fuels and Trucking

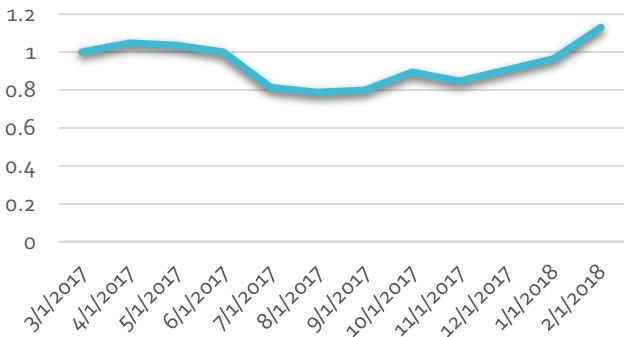
### Diesel + Fuel Oil



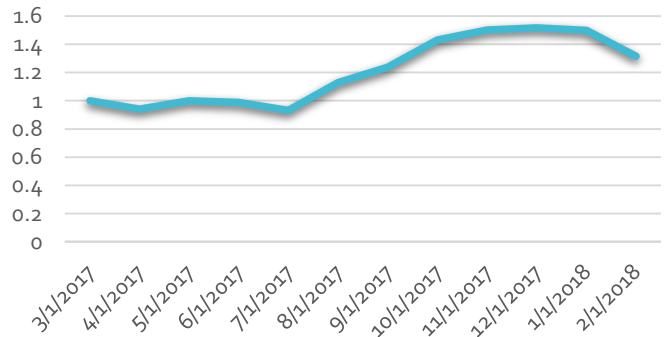
### Gasoline



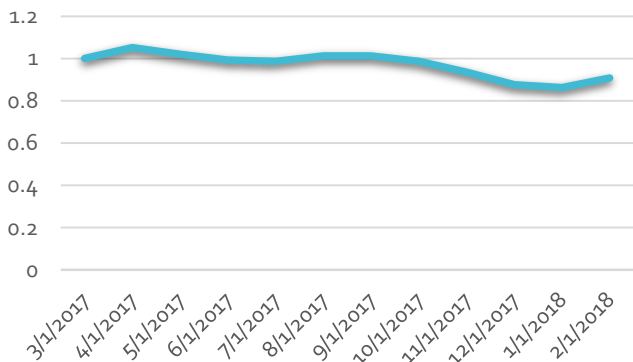
### Methanol



### Propane



### Ethanol



### Trucking Cost Index

