CMP · NYSE · WEEK ENDED 24 JUL 2026

# Weekly Investor Report

## Compass Minerals International Inc · Basic Materials · Other Industrial Metals & Mining

LATEST CLOSE

**29.44 USD**

-0.1% latest week

### Weekly setup

# Mixed setup

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Technical setup score 59/100. This score describes the weekly technical setup; the conclusion above also considers fundamentals, positioning, sentiment, and event risk.

| LATEST CLOSE | 1W RETURN | 4W RETURN |
|---|---|---|
| **29.44 USD** | **-0.1%** | **-5.3%** |
| 24 Jul 2026 | latest completed week | short-term follow-through |

| 12W RETURN | TREND BREADTH | VOLUME RATIO |
|---|---|---|
| **12.1%** | **76.9%** | **0.6x** |
| quarterly tape | 40 of 52 weeks active | vs 13-week average |

### What is working

- The trend backdrop is active with a 27-week active streak.
- Price is above the Trend Line, keeping the weekly tape constructive.
- Price is above Fair Value, showing premium demand versus the model.
- Activity pressure is positive on the latest completed week.

### What could go wrong

- No major top-level risk cluster is currently dominant.

### What to watch next

- Trend Line remains the key weekly regime level.
- Activity pressure is the gauge to monitor for confirmation or fade.
- A volume ratio above 1.5x would show stronger participation in the next move.

## This week's evidence at a glance

| PRICE FOLLOW-THROUGH | INDICATOR STACK | TREND BACKDROP | PATIENT CAPITAL |
|---|---|---|---|
| **-0.1%** | **87/43** | **Active** | **Quiet** |
| Latest completed week; four-week move -5.3%. | Trend and activity pressure are weighted against the latest 12-week confirmation window. | The trend backdrop defines the current weekly regime. | Activity-pressure buy-signal status for institutional accumulation timing. |

**OPTIONS PRESSURE**

**Volatility**

48/100 conviction; expected move 12.8%.

**NEWS SENTIMENT**

**50/100**

53 relevant articles in the latest sentiment read.

**EVENT RISK**

**6d**

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01 · PRICE ACTION

# Where price is—and whether the trend supports it

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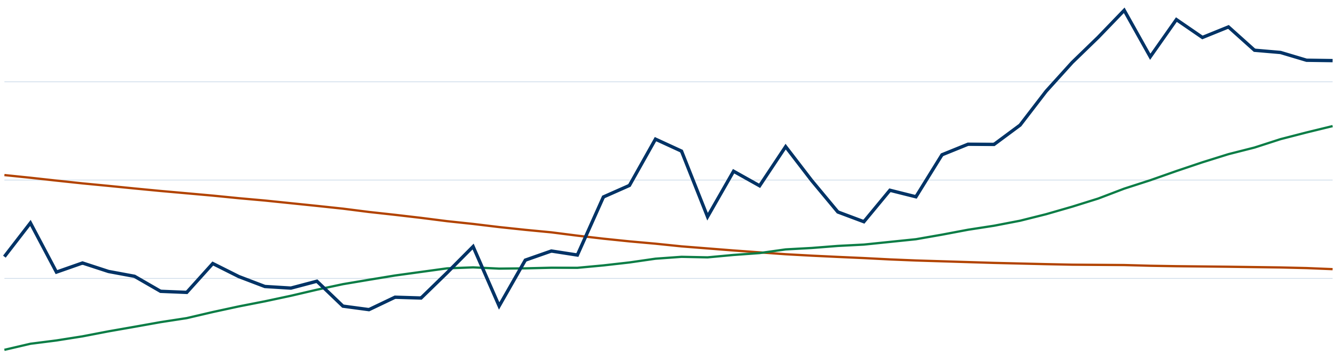
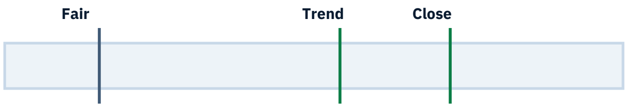
## 52-week price path



Blue: weekly close · Green: Trend Line · Orange: Sharemaestro Fair Value

### Position in the 52-week range




16.39 USD
34.50 USD

**Latest close sits at 72.1% of the 52-week range.**

**RANGE LOCATION**

**72.1%**

Shows where the latest close sits between the 52-week low and high.

**TREND DISTANCE**

**12.3%**

Price premium or discount versus the weekly Trend Line.

**FAIR-VALUE GAP**

**53.6%**

Premium demand or model discount versus Sharemaestro Fair Value.

**HIGH-WATER GAP**

**-14.7%**

Distance from the latest 52-week high.

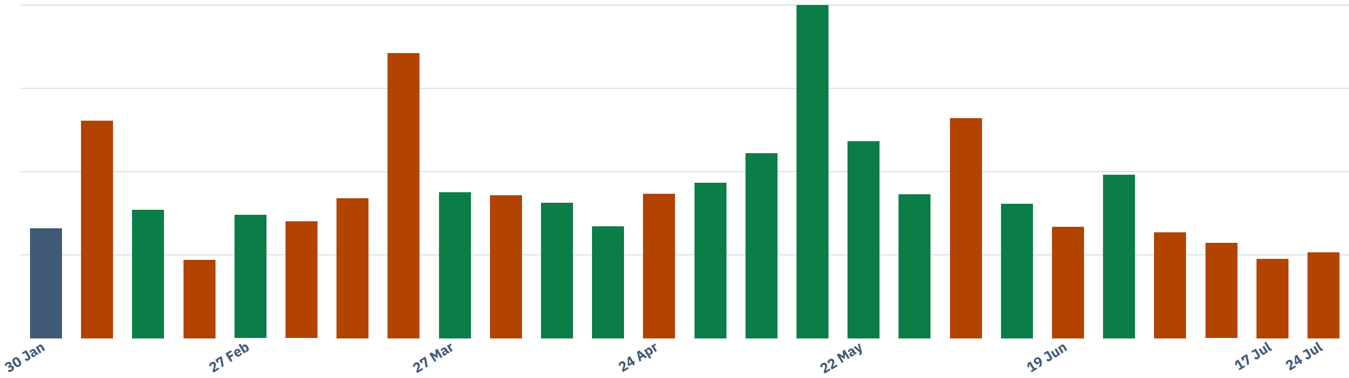
02 · VOLUME AND DEMAND

# Is real participation confirming the move?

Latest weekly volume is 0.6x the 13-week average. Participation is below its recent norm, so price strength is not receiving full volume confirmation.

## 26-week volume confirmation

Bar height shows weekly volume. Green marks an up week; orange marks a down week.




**PARTICIPATION**
**0.6x**
Latest volume versus the 13-week average.

**BASELINE**
**2.9M**
13-week average volume.

**ONE-YEAR BASE**
**2.5M**
52-week average volume.

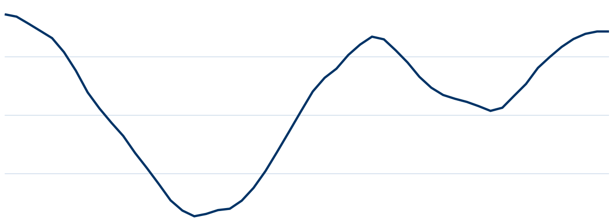
**LATEST WEEKLY VOLUME**
**1.6M**
Most recent completed week.

**Demand beneath price**

## Activity pressure and institutional-style signals

These indicators assess whether participation is improving beneath price. They are supporting evidence, not proof of institutional buying.

### Activity pressure path



Latest 0.87 · 12-week average 0.75

### 12-week confirmation

| Signal | Read | Meaning |
|---|---|---|
| Trend active | 12/12 | Active trend-backdrop weeks in the latest 12-week window. |
| Positive pressure | 12/12 | Weeks with constructive activity pressure in the latest 12-week window. |
| Positive leadership | 12/12 | Weeks with positive relative leadership in the latest 12-week window. |
| Activity pressure | 0.87 | Current proprietary activity-pressure read. |
| Buy signals | 0 | Accumulation signal count in the latest 12 weeks. |
| Reversal markers | 0 | No reversal markers |

No recent accumulation markers. No reversal markers.

03 · MOMENTUM AND LEADERSHIP

# Is performance persistent—and is the stock leading?

Performance is -5.3% over four weeks, 12.1% over 12 weeks, and 44.5% over one year. The current trend has remained active for 27 consecutive weeks.

## Performance by holding period

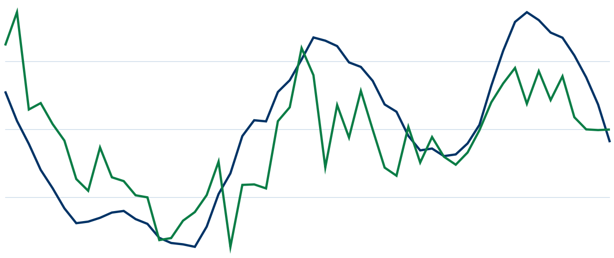
| | |
|---|---|
| 1W | -0.1% |
| 4W | -5.3% |
| 12W | 12.1% |
| 26W | 15.1% |
| 52W | 44.5% |

**ACTIVE TREND STREAK**
**27 weeks**
Consecutive active weeks.

**ACTIVE WEEKS**
**40**
Latest 52 weeks.

**TREND BREADTH**
**76.9%**
Share of active weeks.

## Activity pressure vs relative leadership



Blue: activity pressure · Green: relative leadership

**PRESSURE**
**0.04**
Latest activity-pressure read.

**PRESSURE CHANGE**
**-96.5%**
Four-week change in activity pressure.

**LEADERSHIP**
**18.99**
Latest relative-leadership reading.

**RS CHANGE**
**-34.5%**
Four-week change in relative leadership.

## Technical setup scorecard

| | |
|---|---|
| Trend | 87 |
| Momentum | 49 |
| Activity Pressure | 43 |
| Relative Leadership | 100 |
| Next-Week Expectancy | 50 |
| Volume | 23 |
| Smart Money | 66 |
| Risk Control | 52 |

04 · FUNDAMENTALS AND VALUATION

# What investors are paying for—and the quality behind it

The latest factor snapshot indicates quality is middle-of-the-pack; growth is moderate; valuation is neither clearly cheap nor expensive.

| FACTOR WEEK | STATEMENTS THROUGH | FIELD COVERAGE | MODEL CONFIDENCE |
|---|---|---|---|
| 26 Jul 2026 | 30 Sep 2025 | 97% | 93% |
| Latest published factor snapshot. | Financial reporting period used. | Available factor fields. | Snapshot confidence. |

## Relative factor standing

Higher display scores are better. Each score is converted from the underlying universe rank, where rank 1 is best.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Overall factor strength** | 83/100 |
| **Value** | 77/100 |
| **Quality** | 32/100 |
| **Momentum** | 85/100 |
| **Growth** | 35/100 |

## Valuation

How much investors are paying for earnings, sales, and cash flow.

| | |
|---|---|
| P/E<br>Price divided by trailing earnings. | 174.0x |
| PRICE / SALES<br>Market value relative to trailing revenue. | 1.0x |
| EV / EBITDA<br>Enterprise value relative to operating cash earnings. | 5.8x |
| FREE-CASH-FLOW YIELD<br>Free cash flow as a share of enterprise value. | 21.3% |

## Business quality

Margins and the return generated on invested capital.

| | |
|---|---|
| GROSS MARGIN<br>Gross profit retained from each unit of revenue. | 17.5% |
| OPERATING MARGIN<br>Operating profit retained from revenue. | 7.5% |
| FREE-CASH-FLOW MARGIN<br>Free cash flow generated from revenue. | 19.4% |
| RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL<br>Operating return generated on invested capital. | 11.8% |

04 · FUNDAMENTALS AND VALUATION · CONTINUED

# Growth, shareholder returns, and balance-sheet strength

The second half of the fundamental read separates recent business growth from cash returned to shareholders and financial leverage.

## Growth and financial strength

Recent business growth and accounting strength.

**REVENUE GROWTH** — **6.4%**

Latest one-year revenue growth.

**EPS GROWTH** — **-**

Latest one-year earnings-per-share growth.

**FREE-CASH-FLOW GROWTH** — **6.6%**

Latest one-year free-cash-flow growth.

**PIOTROSKI F-SCORE** — **5/9**

Nine-point accounting-strength checklist.

## Shareholder return and balance sheet

Cash returned to owners and financial leverage.

**DIVIDEND YIELD** — **0.0%**

Cash dividends relative to market value.

**BUYBACK YIELD** — **0.0%**

Net share repurchases relative to market value.

**SHAREHOLDER YIELD** — **0.0%**

Dividend yield plus net buyback yield.

**NET DEBT / EBITDA** — **-0.3x**

Balance-sheet debt relative to operating cash earnings.

### How to read this

Quality and valuation are separate questions. A strong company can still carry a demanding valuation, so profitability, growth, balance-sheet strength, and the price paid for those characteristics should be assessed independently.

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05 · OWNERSHIP, OPTIONS, AND SENTIMENT

# What other market participants are doing

Options, insider transactions, market sentiment, and activity-pressure signals can confirm or challenge the price story. None should be used alone.

### Options positioning

## Volatility

CMP shows volatility options pressure with a 48/100 conviction score, put-call volume ratio of 0.14, expected move of 12.8%, and Sharemaestro trend signal active.

| CONVICTION | EXPECTED MOVE | PUT/CALL VOLUME |
|---|---|---|
| 48/100 | 12.8% | 0.14 |
| Options signal conviction. | Nearest-chain pricing. | Contract volume balance. |

| | |
|---|---|
| **Pressure** | 86 |
| **Speculation** | 3 |
| **Volatility** | 80 |
| **Trend agreement** | 14 |

### Insider activity

## 6 / 6

6 acquisitions and 6 disposals in the latest 180-day insider tape.

Acquisitions / disposals over the latest 180 days. Insider activity is context, not a stand-alone signal.

### News sentiment

## 50/100

Weighted news tone is neutral across 53 relevant articles.

11 positive · 36 neutral · 6 negative

### Patient Capital

## Quiet

Activity-pressure buy-signal evidence highlights potential institutional accumulation windows.

No recent buy signal

06 · CATALYSTS AND RISK

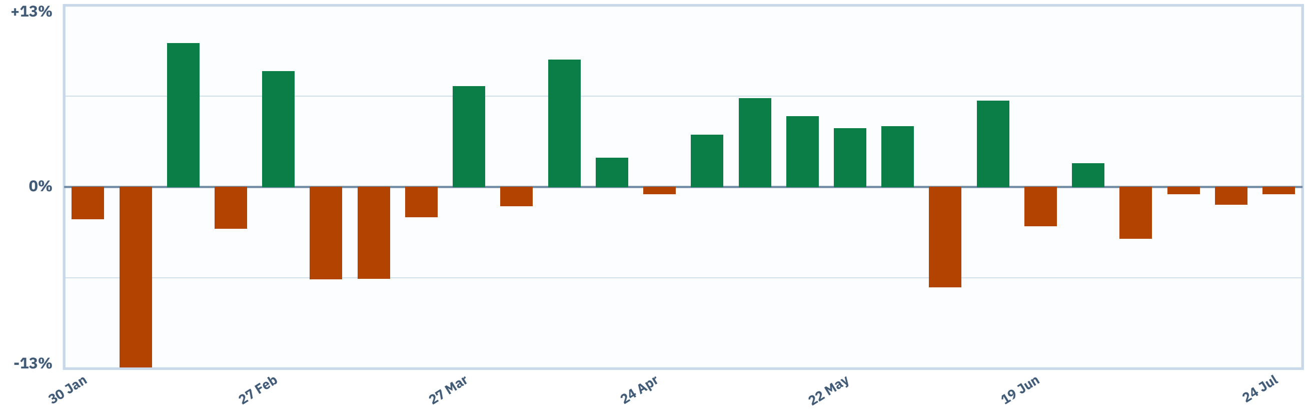
# What can move the shares—and how volatile the path has been

Event timing, options-implied movement, drawdown, and weekly gains and losses frame the risk around the current setup.

| NEXT EARNINGS | OPTIONS EXPECTED MOVE | 52-WEEK DRAWDOWN | 13-WEEK VOLATILITY |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6d | 12.8% | -14.7% | 4.0% |
| Next report is scheduled for 05 Aug 2026; event risk rises as the date approaches. | Nearest-chain priced movement where available. | Distance below the 52-week high. | Standard deviation of weekly returns. |

## Weekly gains and losses

Each bar is one completed week. Gains rise above zero; losses fall below it. Taller bars mean a larger move.




| WEEKS HIGHER | BEST WEEK | WORST WEEK | LATEST WEEK |
|---|---|---|---|
| 12 of 26 | +10.3% | -12.9% | -0.1% |
| 14 weeks finished lower. | Week of 13 Feb. | Week of 6 Feb. | Week of 24 Jul. |

### Shape of recent returns

| | |
|---|---|
| Strong gains | 9 |
| Modest gains | 3 |
| Flat weeks | - |
| Modest losses | 10 |
| Sharp losses | 4 |

| RECENT VOL | BASE VOL |
|---|---|
| 4.0% | 6.1% |
| 13-week weekly-return volatility. | 52-week weekly-return volatility. |

| UP/DOWN SPLIT | AVERAGE SKEW |
|---|---|
| 24/28 | 6.2% / -3.6% |
| Count of positive and negative weeks in the 52-week window. | Average positive week versus average negative week. |

07 · SECTOR AND PEER CONTEXT

# Is this stock leading—or simply moving with its group?

Sector and industry breadth distinguish company-specific strength from a broad group move.

## Sector · US Basic Materials

**4-WEEK RANK**

**- / 100**

Standing within the tracked group.

**GROUP AVERAGE**

**-3.2%**

Average four-week return.

**TREND BREADTH**

**28.0%**

Share of peers with an active trend.

| Peer | Exchange | 1W return | 4W return | Trend |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SSL | NYSE | 4.0% | 22.3% | Active |
| CLF | NYSE | 28.6% | 19.9% | Inactive |
| CF | NYSE | 3.0% | 18.3% | Active |
| MEOH | NASDAQ | 1.9% | 16.1% | Inactive |
| GGB | NYSE | 1.9% | 15.9% | Active |

## Industry · US Other Industrial Metals & Mining

**4-WEEK RANK**

**18 / 40**

Standing within the tracked group.

**GROUP AVERAGE**

**-12.4%**

Average four-week return.

**TREND BREADTH**

**12.5%**

Share of peers with an active trend.

| Peer | Exchange | 1W return | 4W return | Trend |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SSMR | NYSE | 10.9% | 7.2% | Inactive |
| FMST | NASDAQ | -14.5% | 7.1% | Inactive |
| TECK | NYSE | 9.3% | 3.4% | Active |
| BHP | NYSE | 3.8% | 3.3% | Active |
| NVA | NASDAQ | 7.3% | 1.3% | Inactive |

08 · EVIDENCE AND WEEKLY DATA

# The underlying research record

Every top-level statement should be traceable to a stored market, fundamental, event, or positioning observation.

## Cross-signal evidence matrix

| Evidence pillar | Score / read | Summary | Detail |
|---|---|---|---|
| Weekly tape | 63/100 | Trend, activity pressure, participation, and risk combine to a 63/100 tape read. | |
| Indicator analysis | 89/100 | Latest 12-week confirmation: trend 12/12, activity pressure 12/12, relative leadership 12/12. | Activity pressure 0.87; No reversal markers |
| Factors | 68/100 | O'Shaughnessy factor stack blends value, quality, momentum, and confidence. | Buyback Yield rank 63; Small Cap Core rank 68 |
| SVQF | 62/100 | Value and quality alignment from the Sharemaestro SVQF framework. | Composite rank 386.0 of 1013 |
| Patient Capital | Quiet | Activity-pressure buy-signal evidence highlights potential institutional accumulation windows. | No recent buy signal |
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| Sentiment | 50/100 | Weighted news tone is neutral across 53 relevant articles. | Compass Minerals International Inc (CMP) Income Statement |
| Insiders | 6 / 6 | 6 acquisitions and 6 disposals in the latest 180-day insider tape. | |
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## Current evidence clusters

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08 · EVIDENCE AND WEEKLY DATA · CONTINUED

# Recent completed weeks

The completed weekly bars behind the report provide a compact audit trail for price, trend, Fair Value, activity pressure, leadership, and volume.

| Week | Close | Return | Trend Line | Fair Value | Pressure | Leadership | Volume | Trend |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 24 Jul 2026 | 29.44 USD | -0.1% | 26.21 USD | 19.16 USD | 0.04 | 18.99 | 1.6M | On |
| 17 Jul 2026 | 29.46 USD | -1.3% | 25.90 USD | 19.21 USD | 0.45 | 18.88 | 1.5M | On |
| 10 Jul 2026 | 29.84 USD | -0.4% | 25.57 USD | 19.25 USD | 0.74 | 19.01 | 1.8M | On |
| 03 Jul 2026 | 29.95 USD | -3.7% | 25.15 USD | 19.26 USD | 0.98 | 21.30 | 2.0M | On |
| 26 Jun 2026 | 31.10 USD | 1.7% | 24.83 USD | 19.28 USD | 1.17 | 29.00 | 3.0M | On |
| 19 Jun 2026 | 30.58 USD | -2.8% | 24.43 USD | 19.30 USD | 1.23 | 24.53 | 2.1M | On |
| 12 Jun 2026 | 31.46 USD | 6.2% | 24.00 USD | 19.31 USD | 1.36 | 29.98 | 2.5M | On |
| 05 Jun 2026 | 29.63 USD | -7.2% | 23.54 USD | 19.33 USD | 1.45 | 23.83 | 4.1M | On |
| 29 May 2026 | 31.92 USD | 4.3% | 23.13 USD | 19.36 USD | 1.34 | 30.57 | 2.7M | On |
| 22 May 2026 | 30.59 USD | 4.2% | 22.64 USD | 19.37 USD | 1.03 | 27.65 | 3.7M | On |
| 15 May 2026 | 29.35 USD | 5.1% | 22.24 USD | 19.39 USD | 0.65 | 24.11 | 6.2M | On |
| 08 May 2026 | 27.93 USD | 6.4% | 21.87 USD | 19.41 USD | 0.23 | 18.86 | 3.4M | On |
| 01 May 2026 | 26.26 USD | 3.8% | 21.55 USD | 19.44 USD | 0.03 | 14.67 | 2.9M | On |
| 24 Apr 2026 | 25.31 USD | -0.0% | 21.30 USD | 19.47 USD | -0.09 | 12.37 | 2.7M | On |

### How to use this report

This is a completed-week research summary. It explains the available evidence and its conflicts; it does not predict a guaranteed outcome or replace your own risk assessment. Fundamental figures may refer to an earlier financial reporting period, which is shown in the fundamentals section.



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