COMMERCIAL METALS CO
Form SC 13G
February 17, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

COMMERCIAL METALS CO
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

201723103
(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2003
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

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CUSIP No. 201723103

(1) Names of Reporting Persons.
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA., 943112180

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
U.S.A.

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 1,229,469
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 1,229,469
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
1,460,733

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
5.16%

(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
U.S.A.

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 471,382
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 471,382
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
471,382

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

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(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
1.66%

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(12) Type of Reporting Person*
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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD

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(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

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(3) SEC Use Only

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(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power –
	(6) Shared Voting Power –
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power –
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power –

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(9) Aggregate
–

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(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

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(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

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(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

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(1) Names of Reporting Persons.

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED

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(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
Japan

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power –
	(6) Shared Voting Power –
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power –
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power –

(9) Aggregate
–

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

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BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

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(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power –
	(6) Shared Voting Power

	-
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power -
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate
-

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

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BARCLAYS BANK PLC

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 3,900
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 3,900
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate
3,900

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.01%

(12) Type of Reporting Person*

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BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LIMITED

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England.

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power -
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power -
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate
-

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

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BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization U.S.A.	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 80,000
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 80,000
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -
(9) Aggregate 80,000	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*	
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.28%	
(12) Type of Reporting Person* BD	

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(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK & TRUST (ISLE OF MAN) LIMITED	
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group* (a) / / (b) /X/	
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England.	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power -
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power -
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

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(9) Aggregate
-

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(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

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(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

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(12) Type of Reporting Person*
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BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST (JERSEY) LIMITED

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(a) / /
(b) /X/

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(3) SEC Use Only

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(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power -
	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power -
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

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(9) Aggregate
-

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(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

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(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

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BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY LIMITED

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(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power –
	(6) Shared Voting Power –
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power –
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power –

(9) Aggregate
–

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0.00%

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BARCLAYS BANK (Suisse) SA

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(a) / /
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization
Switzerland

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting	(5) Sole Voting Power –

Person With | (6) Shared Voting Power: -
(7) Sole Dispositive Power: -
(8) Shared Dispositive Power: -

(9) Aggregate
-

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BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LIMITED

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England

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With | (5) Sole Voting Power: -
(6) Shared Voting Power: -
(7) Sole Dispositive Power: -
(8) Shared Dispositive Power: -

(9) Aggregate
-

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
0.00%

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(12) Type of Reporting Person*
BK

ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER
COMMERCIAL METALS CO

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES
6565 N. MACARTHUR BLVD., SUITE 800, PO BOX 1046
IRVING TX 75039

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
45 Fremont Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP
U.S.A

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES
Common Stock

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER
201723103

ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A

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(b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
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(d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
(e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).
(f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
(g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
(h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
(i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
(j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS

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ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
Murray House
1 Royal Mint Court
LONDON, EC3N 4HH

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP
England

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IRVING TX 75039

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor
1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku
Tokyo 150-0012 Japan

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP
Japan

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ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
Unicorn House 5th floor
252 Romford Road, Forest Gate
London 37 9JB England

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England

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BARCLAYS BANK PLC

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
54 Lombard Street
London, England EC3P 3AH

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ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LIMITED

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
5 The North Colonmade
Canary Wharf, London, England E14 4BB

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BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
200 Park Ave
NY, NY 10166

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U.S.A.

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COMMERCIAL METALS CO

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES
6565 N. MACARTHUR BLVD., SUITE 800, PO BOX 1046
IRVING TX 75039

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK & TRUST (ISLE OF MAN) LIMITED

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
4th Floor, Queen Victoria House
Isle of Man, IM99 IDF

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP
England

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES
Common Stock

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER
201723103

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39/41 Broad Street, St. Helier
Jersey, Channel Islands JE4 8PU

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54 Lombard Street
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BARCLAYS BANK (Suisse) SA

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10 rue d'Italie
CH-1204 Geneva
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ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:
2,016,015

(b) Percent of Class:
7.11%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote
1,784,751

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote
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(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
1,784,751

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
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ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. //

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

The shares reported are held by the company in trust accounts for the economic benefit of the beneficiaries of those accounts. See also Items 2(a) above.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY

Not applicable

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not applicable

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not applicable

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 13, 2004

Date

Signature

Nancy Yeung
Manager of Global Accounting

Name/Title