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## Fundamentals: Gold rose over 1% on Tuesday to its highest in more than five months after a smaller-than-expected rise in U.S. consumer prices buoyed bets for a slowdown in rate hikes from the Federal Reserve.

Spot gold climbed 1.7% to \$1,810.98 per ounce by 1:44 p.m. ET (1844 GMT), after hitting its highest since June 30 earlier in the session. U.S. gold futures settled 1.9% higher at \$1,825.50.

U.S consumer prices barely rose in November amid a drop in the cost of gasoline and used cars, leading to the smallest annual increase in inflation in nearly a year. Following the data, the dollar dropped over 1% to a nearly six-month low, making gold less expensive for other currency holders. Benchmark U.S. Treasury 10-year note yields also slipped.

Fed funds futures prices now imply a better-than-ever chance that the Fed will follow its expected half-point interest rate hike this week with a smaller 25-basis-point rate hike in February.

The U.S. central bank's policy statement is due at 2 p.m. EST (1900 GMT) on Wednesday

Lower rates tend to be beneficial for bullion as they decrease the opportunity cost of holding the non-yielding asset. Spot silver rose 1.9% to \$23.76 per ounce, platinum jumped 3.4% to \$1,035.63 and palladium gained 2.4% to \$1,931.76. Copper prices jumped to their highest in nearly six months on Tuesday on a weaker dollar after a further decline in U.S. inflation raised the likelihood of an easing in the pace of interest rate hikes.

Copper raced higher after U.S. data was released, having been up only 0.7% in LME midday official open-outcry trading. Weighing on the market was uncertainty in top metals consumer China after it began relaxing coronavirus restrictions.

Companies in China were straining to keep operations running normally as COVID-19 infections rose. (Source: Reuters)



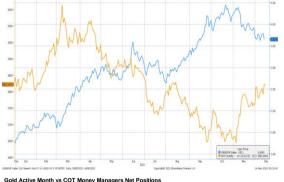
GOLD FEB 23		1,825.50	29.900	1,836.90	1,791.80		
SILVER MAR 23		23.990	0.542	24.390	23.490		
COPPER MAR 23		384.20	4.70	392.90	380.35		
PLATINUM JAN 23	3	1,038.90	35.90	1,056.00	1,006.00		
Gold Spot		1,809.990	28.55	1,824.50	1,780.76		
EuroDollar Rate		95.255	0.030	95.270	95.213		
Dollar Index		104.025	-1.106	105.095	103.586		
Bursa Gold DEC 2	2	1,789.800	-5.80	1794.5	1786.2		
SPDR Gold ETF		168.510	2.830	169.79	168.02		
iShares Gold ETF		34.360	0.600	34.62	34.26		
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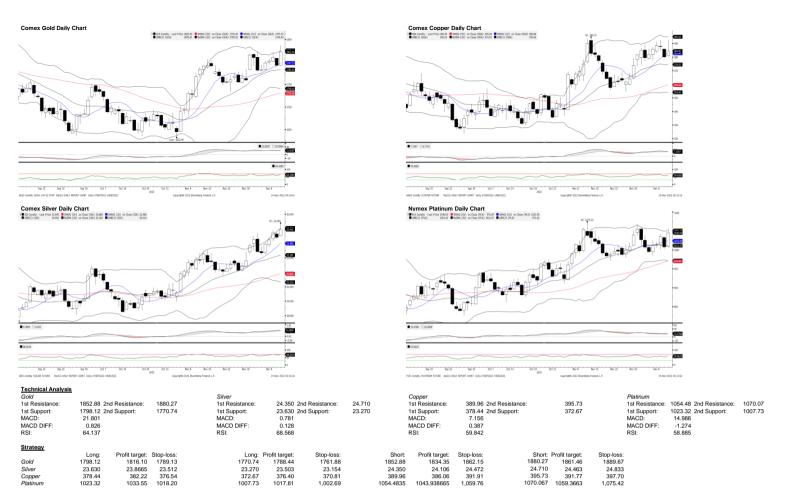




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