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METAL DAILY PREVIEW
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Fundamentals: Gold prices rebounded from their earlier losses on Tuesday, as yields fell and the dollar retreated from its highs, while another round of U.S. debt ceiling talks ended without much progress.

Spot gold was up 0.3% at \$1,975.39 per ounce by 2:15 p.m. EDT (1815 GMT), after shedding as much as 0.8% earlier. U.S. gold futures settled 0.1% lower at \$1,974.50.

Representatives of President Joe Biden and congressional Republicans ended another round of debt-ceiling talks with no signs of progress as the deadline to raise the government's borrowing limit or risk default ticked closer.

Wall Street's main indexes fell and the dollar index backed off from its session high, while benchmark 10-year yields fell from a two-month peak.

Bullion has lost nearly \$100 an ounce from its near-record peak hit earlier this month, mainly pressured by growing bets on interest rates staying higher for longer.

Minneapolis Fed President Neel Kashkari said on Tuesday U.S. rates may have to go "north of 6%". Gold tends to lose appeal when rates rise and push up bond yields, increasing the opportunity cost of holding zero-yield bullion.

Investors now await the minutes from the Federal Open Market Committee's May 2-3 meeting on Wednesday.

Silver fell 0.7% to \$23.51 per ounce, platinum was down 1.4% at \$1,052.42 and palladium lost 2.7% at \$1,450.14.

Copper prices touched a near six-month low on Tuesday as speculators boosted bearish positions on worries of recession and weak demand in top metals consumer China.

Three-month copper on the London Metal Exchange (LME) was down 0.3% at \$8,100 a tonne by 1600 GMT, after hitting its weakest level since Nov. 29.

The 200-day moving average, currently at \$8,370 a tonne in LME copper, is a key indicator used by traders.

The discount of LME cash copper to the three-month contract has soared to \$70 a tonne, the most in over 30 years, indicating healthy near-term supplies. That compares to a premium of \$7.25 in mid-April.

Also pressuring metals was a firm dollar, which touched a six-month high against the yen, as expectations grew that U.S. interest rates would remain higher for longer, while the debt-ceiling impasse kept risk sentiment fragile.

A strong dollar index makes commodities priced in the U.S. currency more expensive for buyers using other currencies. (Source: Reuters)



Contract		Close	Chg	High	Low	
GOLD AUG 23		1,992.80	-0.500	1,998.20	1,974.20	
SILVER JUL 23		23.624	-0.276	23.810	23.235	
COPPER JUL 23		365.45	-4.55	370.50	362.20	
PLATINUM JUL 23		1,057.60	-18.10	1,079.40	1,057.10	
Gold Spot		1,974.750	2.89	1,977.80	1,954.33	
EuroDollar Rate		94.480	-0.008	94.503	94.463	
Dollar Index		103.538	0.340	103.65	103.163	
Bursa Gold MAY 23		1,968.700	-13.80	1972.2	1959	
SPDR Gold ETF		183.430	0.220	183.76	182.48	
iShares Gold ETF		37.420	0.030	37.49	37.23	
COT Speculative Ne	t Position				Global Gold Mi	nes Outpu
Date	Gold	Silver	Copper		Date	Kg

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Date	Gold	Silver	Copper	Date	
16/05/2023	179,814	23,815	-32,607	31/3/2023	
09/05/2023	195,814	32,360	-24,865	31/12/2022	
02/05/2023	195,567	31,952	-21,742	30/09/2022	
25/04/2023	185,264	30,603	-17,042	30/06/2022	
18/04/2023	189,893	26,595	8,934	31/03/2022	
11/04/2023	192,745	23,718	-4,303	31/12/2021	
04/04/2023	195,216	21,283	-2,954	30/09/2021	
28/03/2023	181,630	13,361	-1,545	30/06/2021	
21/03/2023	158,605	3,462	-12,351	31/03/2021	
14/03/2023	140,331	-1,219	-14,156	31/12/2020	
07/03/2023	98,474	-7,782	-7,720	30/09/2020	

Global Gold D nd From Central Bank Net Purchases Dat 31/03/20

India	Date	Tonnes	Date
3	31/3/2023	243.05	31/03/2023
2 2	31/12/2022	385.88	31/12/2022
2 1	30/9/2022	462.59	30/09/2022
2 1	30/6/2022	150.29	30/06/2022
2	31/3/2022	79.91	31/03/2022
1 2	31/12/2021	34.30	31/12/2021
1 1	30/9/2021	90.56	30/09/2021
1	30/6/2021	209.64	30/06/2021
1 1	31/3/2021	115.61	31/03/2021
) 1	31/12/2020	61.04	31/12/2020
)	30/9/2020	-10.60	30/09/2020

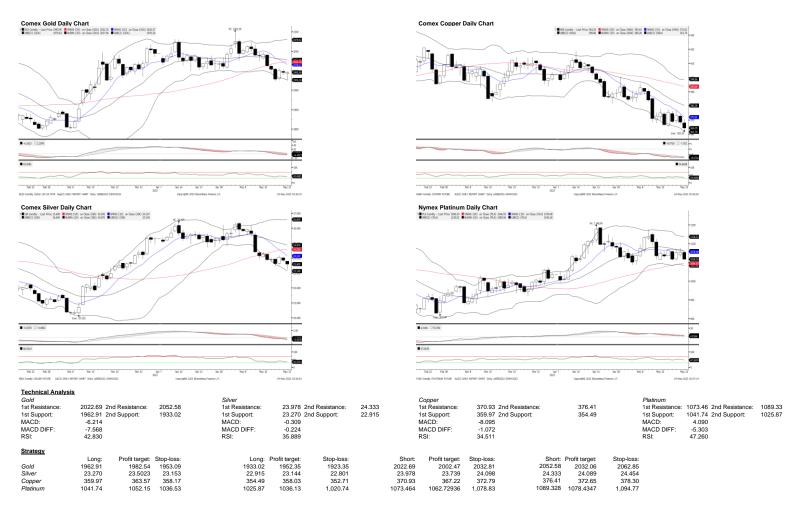


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