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METAL DAILY PREVIEW May 3, 2023

Fundamentals: Gold extended gains on Tuesday and was on track for its biggest daily rise in a month, as yields dropped on renewed fears of contagion in the U.S. banking sector, ahead of the Federal Reserve's widely anticipated decision to hike interest

Spot gold jumped 1.5% to \$2,012.19 per ounce by 2:00 p.m. EDT (1800 GMT) after touching its highest since April 14 at \$2,019.37 earlier.

U.S. gold futures settled 1.6% higher at \$2,023.30.

Shares of U.S. regional lenders plunged, while Treasury yields fell as the collapse of First Republic Bank triggered investor concerns about the health of other mid-sized lenders.

Regulators seized First Republic Bank and sold its assets to JPMorgan Chase & Co on Monday, in a deal to resolve the largest U.S. bank failure since the 2008 financial crisis. The Federal Open Market Committee kicked off its two-day meeting, where it is mostly expected to raise rates by 25 basis points.

Markets priced in about 15% odds of a rate cut in June, seeing no chances of another hike.

While gold is considered a hedge against economic uncertainties, rising rates hurt demand for the zero-yielding asset.

U.S. President Joe Biden on Monday summoned four top congressional leaders to the White House next week after Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen warned the government could run short of cash to pay its bills by June.

Spot silver rose 1.1% to \$25.25 per ounce, platinum gained 1.2% to \$1,061.99, while palladium fell 1.5% to \$1,429.47. Copper hit a one-week high on Tuesday as speculators followed short-term bullish signals, but later pulled back on weak factory activity in top metals consumer China and uncertainty about U.S. interest rates.

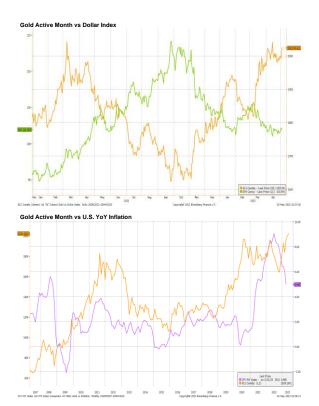
Three-month copper on the London Metal Exchange (LME) fell 0.9% to \$8,520 a tonne by 1640 GMT after touching \$8,770.15 for its strongest level since April 25.

U.S. Comex copper futures dropped 1.8% to \$3.86 a lb.

Trading volume was thin, with the Shanghai Futures Exchange shut for a national holiday.

Also weighing on the market was data showing China's manufacturing activity shrank unexpectedly in April, raising pressure on policymakers seeking to boost an economy struggling for post-COVID lift-off.

(Source: Reuters)



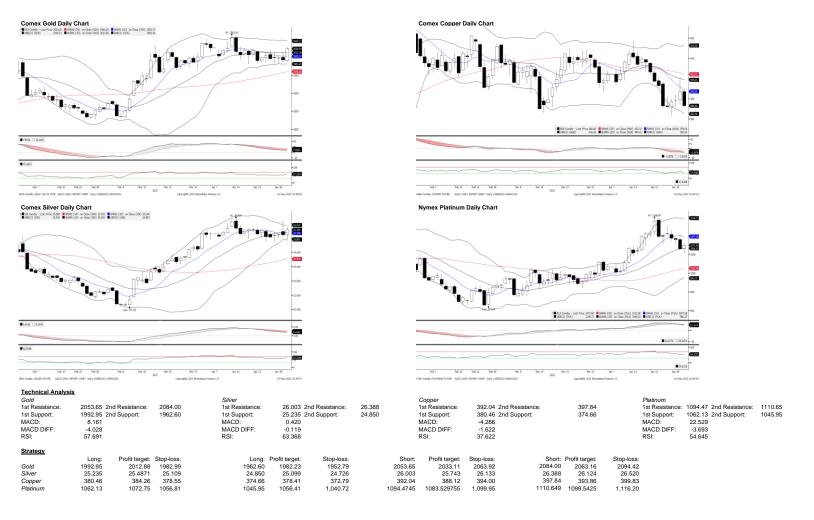
Contract	Close	Chg	High	Low		
GOLD JUN 23	2,023.30	34.000	2,028.80	1,986.90		
SILVER JUL 23	25.619	0.425	25.765	24.820		
COPPER JUL 23	386.25	-6.55	395.30	385.70		
PLATINUM JUL 23	1,078.30	9.80	1,079.70	1,052.70		
Gold Spot	2,016.510	33.95	2,019.44	1,978.58		
EuroDollar Rate	94.630	0.045	94.695	94.545		
Dollar Index	101.914	-0.237	102.404	101.884		
Bursa Gold MAY 23	1,989.200	-1.70	1985.9	1985.9		
SPDR Gold ETF	187.520	3.550	187.64	184.515		
iShares Gold ETF	38.250	0.730	38.28	37.64		
COT Speculative Net Position			Global Gold Mine			
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Date	Gold	Silver	Copper		Date	Kgs
25/04/2023	185,264	30,603	-17,042		31/12/2022	930
18/04/2023	189,893	26,595	8,934	:	30/09/2022	946
11/04/2023	192,745	23,718	-4,303	:	30/06/2022	892
04/04/2023	195,216	21,283	-2,954	:	31/03/2022	844
28/03/2023	181,630	13,361	-1,545	:	31/12/2021	938
21/03/2023	158,605	3,462	-12,351	:	30/09/2021	928
14/03/2023	140,331	-1,219	-14,156	:	30/06/2021	873
07/03/2023	98,474	-7,782	-7,720	:	31/03/2021	830
28/02/2023	108,593	-54	-6,038	:	31/12/2020	925
21/02/2023	107,101	9,902	2,049	:	30/09/2020	921
14/02/2023	105,529	11,506	-5,511	:	30/06/2020	788

Global Gold Demand From Central Bank Net Purchases		Gold Jewellery Consumption			
Date	Tonnes	Date	India (Kgs)	China (Kgs)	
31/12/2022	417.10	31/12/2022	219.69	127.17	
30/09/2022	445.12	30/9/2022	146.22	163	
30/06/2022	185.00	30/6/2022	140.29	103	
31/03/2022	88.47	31/3/2022	94.20	177	
31/12/2021	34.30	31/12/2021	264.99	177	
30/09/2021	90.56	30/9/2021	125.09	156	
30/06/2021	209.64	30/6/2021	94.27	147	
31/03/2021	115.61	31/3/2021	126.52	194	
31/12/2020	61.04	31/12/2020	137.30	143	
30/09/2020	-10.60	30/9/2020	60.80	119	
30/06/2020	63.74	30/6/2020	43.97	91	



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