Fundamentals:
Gold prices eased on Thursday as dollar and Treasury yields ticked higher after U.S. consumer prices rose more than expected in September and raised worries that the Federal Reserve could keep rates higher for some time.

Spot gold fell 0.3% to \$1,868.79 per ounce by 3:04 p.m. ET (1904 GMT), after hitting its highest level since Sept. 27 earlier in the session. U.S. gold futures settled 0.2% lower at \$1,883.

The consumer price index increased 0.4% last month after a 0.3% gain in August, the Labour Department said. However, year-on-year consumer prices have come down from a peak of 9.1% in June 2022.

Traders now see a 38% probability of a rate hike in December from the Fed, according to CME Fedwatch tool, compared with about a 28% chance seen before the report.

U.S. benchmark 10-year yields and dollar index rose after the data.

Offering support to safe-haven gold, the escalating conflict between Israel and Palestinian militant Islamist group Hamas has kept investors on the edge.

Gold is used as a safe investment during times of political and financial uncertainty, but higher interest rates raise the opportunity cost of holding non-yielding bullion.

Elsewhere, spot silver lost 1.2% to \$21.79 per ounce, platinum fell 2.2% to \$865.87, while palladium dipped 2.9% to \$1,132.75.

Copper prices fell on Thursday after U.S. inflation data boosted the dollar, though measures to support the economy of top metals consumer China and stronger demand limited the drop.

Prices retreated after data showed U.S. consumer prices increased slightly more than expected in September, but that underlying inflation slowed.

The dollar index surged after the data, which prompted traders to expect a greater chance of the Federal Reserve delivering another interest rate hike this year.

A firmer dollar makes commodities priced in the U.S. currency more expensive for buyers using other currencies.

Copper prices were supported by the Yangshan copper premium, which climbed to \$70 a ton, the highest since December 2022, signalling solid demand for metal imports in China.

Copper stockpiles at LME-registered warehouses hit a two-year high of 181,150 tons, LME daily data showed, but onwarrant inventories dropped to 175,100 after fresh cancellations of 3,525 tons.

A discount for the cash over the LME three-month copper contract stood at the 31-year high of \$77.5 per ton at the market close on Wednesday. It was last at \$74 on Thursday.

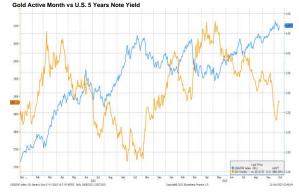




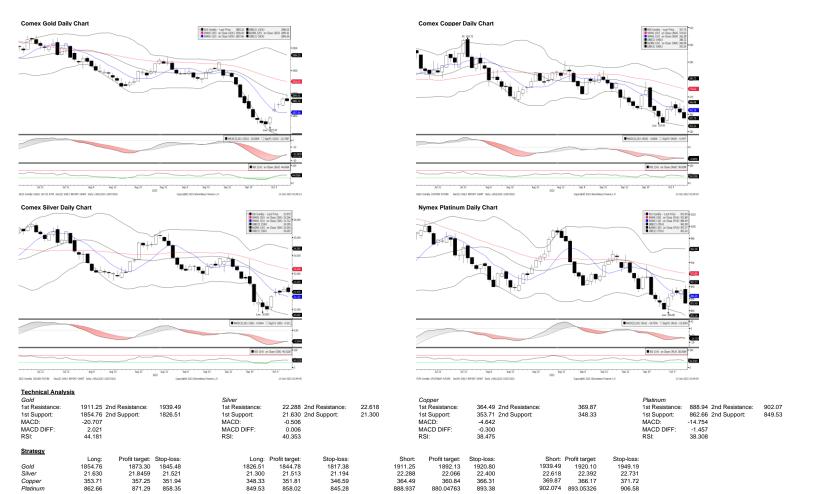
Contract	Close	Chg	High	Low	
GOLD DEC 23	1,883.00	-5.800	1,898.30	1,880.60	
SILVER DEC 23	21.959	-0.178	22.390	21.880	
COPPER DEC 23	359.10	-2.90	364.85	356.95	
PLATINUM JAN 24	875.80	-20.60	902.60	871.10	
Gold Spot	1,868.790	-5.57	1,885.19	1,867.97	
EuroDollar Rate	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Dollar Index	106.578	0.758	106.602	105.535	
Bursa Gold OCT 23	1,885.200	14.80	1888.1	1875.1	
SPDR Gold ETF	173.260	-0.530	174.23	173.24	
iShares Gold ETF	35.370	-0.110	35.565	35.3647	

COT Speculativ	e Net Position	Net Position		Global Gold Mines Output	
Date	Gold	Silver	Copper	Date	Kgs
03/10/2023	91,226	15,344	-21,912	30/6/2023	923
26/09/2023	115,815	20,105	-28,779	31/03/2023	857
19/09/2023	135,163	15,231	-16,300	31/12/2022	948
12/09/2023	123,864	18,033	-12,334	30/09/2022	950
05/09/2023	138,006	26,804	-6,770	30/06/2022	889
29/08/2023	123,272	27,133	-16,616	31/03/2022	838
22/08/2023	101,946	12,877	-24,615	31/12/2021	941
15/08/2023	121,136	7,861	-25,698	30/09/2021	931
08/08/2023	142,985	13,324	-10,057	30/06/2021	877
01/08/2023	164,924	30,831	10,744	31/03/2021	834
25/07/2023	173,639	36,925	1,159	31/12/2020	928

Global Gold Demand From Central Bank Net Purc		chases Gold Jewelle	ses Gold Jewellery Consumption			
Date	Tonnes	Date	India (Kgs)	China (Kgs)		
30/06/2023	102.87	30/6/2023	128.60	132.23		
31/03/2023	284.02	31/3/2023	78.42	196		
31/12/2022	381.83	31/12/2022	219.86	127		
30/09/2022	458.77	30/9/2022	146.22	163		
30/06/2022	158.57	30/6/2022	140.29	103		
31/03/2022	82.44	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		







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