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Europe/US Market Update - 31st March 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

31-Mar-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1615.20	1623.20	14.1025	14.2025	729.50	732.50	2332.50	2352.50
HIGH	1620.30	1628.30	14.2525	14.3525	738.50	741.50	2457.00	2477.00
LOW	1583.00	1591.00	13.8625	13.9625	718.50	721.50	2285.00	2305.00
CLOSE	1584.10	1592.10	14.0225	14.1225	722.00	725.00	2363.50	2383.50
EFP	10.00	18.00	0.1500	0.2500	-3.00	0.00	-120.00	-80.00
Active Contract	GCM0 Comdty		SIK0 Comdty		PLN0 Comdty		PAM0 Comdty	

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- The U.K., France, the U.S. and Spain recorded their highest daily death tolls from the coronavirus, while the U.S. total death toll has now overtaken China's reported toll.
- Stocks in the U.S. closed out the quarter lower on Tuesday, with the DJIA booking its worst quarter in history.
- The DJIA closed -1.84% lower to 21,917.16 points, a fall of 23.2% on the quarter. The S&P 500 declined -1.60% to 2,584.59 points, a -20% fall over the quarter and the worst quarter since 2008. The Nasdaq Composite ended the session -0.95% lower at 7,700.098 points, a decline of -14.2% over the quarter to mark the worst period since 2018.
- The VIX gauge declined -6.20% to 53.54
- Markets in Europe closed higher on Tuesday, buoyed by firmer manufacturing data out of China, however marking the worst quarter since 2002.
- The Stoxx Europe 600 ended +1.65% higher to 320.06 points, however finished the quarter down -23.1%. The German Dax added +1.22% to 9,935.84 points and in London the FTSE 100 gained +1.95% to 5,671.96 points, both bourses down around -25% on the quarter.

- The greenback sold off in New York to pare early session gains, declining -0.11% amid month end flows. The Japanese Yen firmed +0.23% to end below 108.00, while both the Euro and the Pound ended relatively unchanged.
- The U.S. Federal Reserve launched a temporary repo facility with foreign central banks, broadening access to the greenback.
- U.S. treasury yields finished mixed to see the two-year add 2bps to 0.247%, while the 10-year declined 6bps to 0.667%.
- U.K. GDP during 4Q printed flat QoQ and +1.1% YoY, both in-line with estimates.
- The Chicago MNI PMI declined less than expected during March, falling to 47.8 (exp: 40.0) from 49.0 previously.
- The Conference Board's measure of U.S. consumer confidence declined to 120.0 (exp: 110.0) from 132.6 previously.

PRECIOUS

- A softer session across the precious complex on Tuesday, with gold finally breaking underneath the USD \$1,600 psychological figure.
- Price action across the session centred around USD \$1,600, while skewing lower and finally extending declines in late afternoon New York trade.
- Little arbitrage demand out of China due to the Comex EFP saw the yellow metal trade at a USD -\$20 discount on-shore.
- Interest toward USD \$1,570 - \$1,580 kept price action buoyant into the close.
- Silver pricing was more resilient, broadly holding toward USD \$14 throughout the session as dips underneath the figure were well supported.
- Platinum was held in a narrow range through USD \$720 - \$740, while palladium saw gains in New York to test above USD \$2,400, tempering gains into the close however.
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PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold has tested toward USD \$1,570 in early thin trade.
- Interest toward USD \$1,550 should support price action over the near-term.
- The Comex EFP has tightened toward USD \$15 mid, although remains wide.
- Ahead today:
- China Caixin PMI
- Germany retail sales
- Markit Manufacturing PMI out of France, Germany, the Eurozone, the U.S. and the U.K.
- Eurozone unemployment rate
- U.S. MBA mortgage applications
- U.S. ADP employment
- U.S. construction spending
- U.S. ISM manufacturing
- U.S. ISM prices paid

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