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## Daily Asia Wrap - 9th September 2019



Range Asian Hours  
(from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1506.30/50	18.08/10	947/49	1535/38
HIGH	1512.20/40	18.31/33	954/56	1540/43
LOW	1503.30/50	17.91/93	945/47	1530/33
LAST	1511.50/70	18.11/13	951/53	1540/43

### MARKETS/MACRO

Jobs data out of the U.S. on Friday printed weaker than expected, as the August non-farm payrolls figure came in at 130k (exp: 160k) from 159k the month prior. Revisions to previous months saw -20k subtracted to take the three-month moving average to 156k. The unemployment rate held at 3.7% (exp: 3.7%), while the participation rate increased to 63.2% and the U-6 measure of underemployment increased to 7.2% from an 18-month low of 7.0%. Average hourly earnings meanwhile increased +0.4% MoM (exp: +0.3%) to see the annualised figure to +3.2% YoY (exp: +3.0%). Stocks in the U.S. finished mixed on Friday following the jobs reports, seeing the DJIA +0.26% higher to 26,797.46 points, gains across energy (+0.52%) and materials (+0.49%) underpinned the S&P 500 +0.09% higher to 2,978.71 points, while the Nasdaq Composite lagged, sliding -0.17% to 8,103.074 points. On a weekly basis the DJIA added +1.5%, while both the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq Composite increased +1.8%. The greenback was offered post-NFP print on Friday, however soon pared declines as Fed chairman Powell commented from Switzerland that he does not expect the U.S. to move into a recession. The DXY index

finished the session +0.03% higher, modestly softer relative to the yen (USD/JPY - 0.13%), while the pound declined -0.38%. Treasury yields finished little changed on Friday as the two-year finished at 1.538% and the 10-year around 1.553%. Markets in Europe finished in positive territory on Friday as investors digested regional data releases and Brexit developments. The Stoxx Europe 600 ended +0.32% higher at 387.14 points as Eurozone GDP outpaced estimates during Q2 to increase +1.2% YoY (exp: +1.1%), while the German Dax gained +0.54% to 12,191.73 points. In London the FTSE 100 inched +0.15% higher to 7,282.34 points as a softer pound offset lingering Brexit uncertainty.

#### **PRECIOUS**

Mixed pricing across the precious complex during Asian trade today, with silver again showing volatility following Friday's price action. The grey metal saw early session interest to push back toward USD \$18.20, with gains extending once Shanghai opened. The far-east bid the metal to a USD \$18.31 high, before post-fix yuan weakness weighed upon pricing, testing briefly through USD \$18 and printing a USD \$17.91 low before bids restricted further declines. The grey metal remained broadly supported around the psychological figure throughout the remainder of the session and should continue to see interest around this level. Gold traded a range-bound session and much like silver remained supported toward the psychological level of USD \$1,500. The on-shore premium in Shanghai held around USD \$10 to provide broad support to pricing, however offers above USD \$1,510 capped further strength. Top-side resistance toward USD \$1,530 with extension to the previous pivot of USD \$1,535 will be the key for a further leg higher as participants eye trade headlines during the FOMC black-out period heading into next weeks meeting. Data today includes German trade data and U.K. manufacturing/industrial production prints.

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