



MKS PAMP GROUP
Europe / US Market Update
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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

1-Feb-19	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1317.90	1318.30	15.9250	15.9450	818.10	821.10	1338.50	1358.50
HIGH	1323.30	1323.70	16.0600	16.0800	831.50	834.50	1367.00	1387.00
LOW	1316.10	1316.50	15.8850	15.9050	817.80	820.80	1338.40	1358.40
CLOSE	1317.80	1318.20	15.8950	15.9150	823.10	826.10	1345.50	1365.50
EFP	4.30	4.70	-0.0050	0.0150	0.50	3.50	-50.00	-30.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	16.0100		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1320.75	1318.70			822.00	825.00	1358.00	1368.00
Active Contract	GCJ9 Comdty		SIH9 Comdty		PLJ9 Comdty		PAH9 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities finished mixed on Friday despite better than expected NFP numbers.
- The Dow added 64.22 points to 25,063.89, the S&P 500 edged higher 2.43 points to 2,706.53, while the Nasdaq lost 17.869 points to 7,263.868.
- There were wins for energy (+1.83%) and tech (+0.60%) while consumer discretionary (-1.77%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge lost 2.6% to 16.14.
- The US dollar index crept up 0.05% to 95.61, the EUR was as high as 1.1483 while USD/JPY traded up to 109.57.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 4.0 bps to 2.502% while the 10 year yield rose 5.5 bps to 2.684%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX rose 0.29%, the German DAX inched up 0.07%, while the UK FTSE gained 0.74%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent put on 3% to \$62.75 while WTI advanced 2.7% to \$55.26.
- Base metals were mixed, with zinc (+2.1%) the big mover.
- In US economic data, non-farm payrolls grew by 304k in Jan, well ahead of the 172k rise economists had expected.
- The unemployment rate rose slightly to 4% in Jan from 3.9% in Dec.
- Average hourly earnings rose 3c to \$27.56 in Jan.
- The ISM manufacturing index rose to 56.6% to from 54.3% in Dec.
- The University of Michigan consumer sentiment index dropped to 91.2 in Jan from 98.3 in Dec.
- Wholesale inventories rose by 0.3% in Jan.
- Construction spending rose 0.8% to a seasonally adjusted rate of \$1.3 trillion in Nov.

PRECIOUS

- Gold opened at \$1320 in Asia and drifted to \$1318 as China came in.
- The SGE premium eased to \$6-7 and we saw short covering from the Chinese banks.



- Mild bid tone through the London AM session on the firming EUR.
- High of \$1322 printed in early NY trading.
- Gold dipped to \$1316 on the NFP headlines and traded largely between \$1316-18 for the remainder of the session.
- The yellow metal finished the day at \$1317.
- Silver was unable to hold above the \$16 level and closed the session at \$15.87.
- PGMs gave up early gains during NY trading.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index lost 0.51%.
- SPDR Gold trust holdings were lower at 817.40mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- SGE closed this week for Chinese New Year.
- Ahead today:
 - US Factory Orders
 - EU PPI

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