



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

14-Sep-18	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1201.47	1201.97	14.1688	14.1988	802.94	805.94	982.17	985.17
HIGH	1208.61	1209.11	14.2873	14.3173	812.05	815.05	988.47	991.47
LOW	1192.99	1193.49	14.0611	14.0911	795.00	795.00	976.30	979.30
CLOSE	1194.12	1194.62	14.0620	14.0920	791.00	793.00	976.30	979.30
EFP	4.80	4.90	0.0200	0.0300	-0.50	0.50	-15.00	-9.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.215		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1206.20	1201.95			807.00	805.00	979.00	987.00
Active Contract	GCZ8 Comdty		SIZ8 Comdty		PLV8 Comdty		PAZ8 Comdty	

MACRO

- Media reports suggested Trump will proceed with \$200bln of new tariffs on Chinese goods.
- US equities finished mostly flat on Friday after the tariff news.
- The Dow added 8.68 points to 26,154.67, the S&P 500 gained 0.79 points to 2,904.98, while the Nasdaq fell 3.666 points to 8,010.044.
- There were wins for financials (+0.66%) and energy (+0.56%) while REITs (-0.91%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge lost 2.4% to 12.07.
- The US dollar index firmed 0.46% to 94.978, the EUR traded down to 1.1618, while USD/JPY was as high as 112.13.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 2.1 bps to 2.78% while the 10 year yield gained 2.8 bps to 3.00%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX put on 0.35%, the German DAX rose 0.60%, while the UK FTSE added 0.30%.
- Oil prices were mixed, Brent sold off 0.2% to \$78.09 while WTI advanced 0.4% to \$68.99.
- Base metals were mostly lower, with zinc (-1.4%) leading the losses.
- In US economic data, retail sales rose 0.1% in August after a 0.7% increase in July.
- Retail sales ex-autos rose 0.3% in August.
- Import prices fell 0.6% in August following a 0.1% decline in July.
- Industrial production rose 0.4% in August after a 0.4% increase in July.
- Capacity utilisation rose to 78.1% in August from 77.9% in July.
- The University of Michigan consumer sentiment index rose to 100.8 in September from 96.2 in August.

PRECIOUS

- A negative session to close out the week as the USD finds broad interest.
- Gold opened at \$1201 and tracked slowly higher through Asian hours.
- The SGE premium was around \$5 and we saw good buying from the Chinese banks.



- London came in at \$1205 and quickly squeezed the market to the session high of \$1208.
- NY were sellers from the opening bell as the greenback rallied.
- The yellow metal bottomed out at \$1193 after the Trump tariff headlines.
- After a small bounce gold finished the day right on the lows at \$1193.
- Silver closed at the low of \$14.04 after heavy selling in NY.
- PGMS lower as platinum and palladium closed at \$791 and \$978 respectively.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index lost 0.60%.
- SPDR Gold Trust holdings unchanged at 742.53mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
- US Empire State Index
- EU Inflation

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