



14-July-2017	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1222.80	1223.30	15.9250	15.9550	917.45	920.45	865.95	868.95
HIGH	1224.20	1224.70	15.9600	15.9900	919.65	922.65	875.25	878.25
LOW	1216.20	1216.70	15.6800	15.7100	903.45	906.45	855.60	858.60
CLOSE	1218.20	1218.70	15.7150	15.7450	904.90	907.90	860.45	863.45
EFP	-0.90	-0.80	-0.0400	-0.0300	1.25	2.25	-6.50	-5.50
LBMA Prices AM/PM	1221.40	1218.90	15.95		917.00	914.00	868.00	869.00
Active Contract	GCQ7 Comdty		SIU7 Comdty		PLV7 Comdty		PAU7 Comdty	

MACRO:

- U.S. equities crept higher on Thursday bolstered by a rise in financials (the retail sector (Target +4.7%) and financials.
- The Dow Jones Industrial Average gained +20.95 points, or +0.10%, to 21,553.09, the S&P500 ticked up +4.58 points, or +0.19%, to 2,447.83 and the Nasdaq gained +13.266 points, or +0.21%, to 6,274.437.
- Financials (+0.61%) and energy (+0.44%) stocks performed well, while telco (-0.57%) and utilities (-0.35%) lagged.
- European stocks inched higher as markets continued to digest the dovish testimony from the Fed's Yellen on Wednesday night.
- The Euro First 300 Index pushed up +4.32 points, or +0.29% to 1,518.91 and the Euro Stoxx 600 advanced +1.24 points, or +0.32% to 386.14. Regionally the DAX climbed +0.12%, CAC40 +0.25%, while the FTSE100 was down slightly -0.05%.
- August WTI crude improved for a fourth straight session adding +\$0.56, or +1.23% to US\$46.05 a barrel. Oil Movements reported that oil shipments from OPEC will contract in July from a month earlier, while a Goldman Sachs report noted that oil stockpiles will fall through the remainder of 2017.
- The 2y U.S. note yield continued on from the previous session falling -1.63bps to 1.3592% and the 10y bond yield softened 2.49bps to 2.3426%.
- U.S. PPI for final demand edged up +0.1% for June (0.0% expected) amid sustained increases in the cost of services which offset declining energy prices. YoY PPI final demand slipped to +2.0% (+1.9% expected) from +2.4% a month earlier.



- Initial claims for unemployment benefits in the States dropped -3k to a seasonally adjusted 247k (248k expected) for the week ended July 8. It was the 123rd straight week that claims remained below 300,000, a threshold associated with a healthy labour market according to ANZ.
- ECB president Mario Draghi announced he will be speaking at the Fed's Jackson Hole conference in August - which has become symbolic as the forum to make key policy announcements.

PRECIOUS:

- It was a relatively quiet, range-bound session in the precious metal space yesterday, yet despite a small pick up in Chinese demand, gold was unable to trade through Wednesday's highs.
- Gold once again was tightly correlated to movements in USDJPY throughout the Asia session, with the pair falling off in early trade and gold pushing up towards \$1224 by the early afternoon.
- USDCNY was lower on the day, which bolstered some demand (although it is still light) for SGE gold and also saw the premium on the exchange trade out to \$11 over loco London metal.
- Similar story as we have seen for the week, London came in and erased the moves made over the Asia session.
- A sweep on the NY open took the yellow metal below \$1220 and after some jittery action around that level, never looked back above their, descending to \$1216.70 and closing at \$1217.50.
- Investors will be eyeing off tonight's U.S CPI data, for a fresh take on USD direction which will influence the metals. Has been a lot of rhetoric from Fed officials the past week placing an emphasis on the actual data
- Support sits between \$1195-1200 (March lows) and \$1229.65 (200 dma on a daily chart)
- ETF holdings across gold, silver and platinum were up slightly yesterday, while palladium ETF holdings were flat.

PRE-ASIA COMMENT:

- We expect another fairly slow day in Asia - with some light Chinese buying expected on the back of the slightly weaker USDCNY/CNH.
- USD mixed during early trade AUDUSD extending it's recent positive advance to a fresh 0.7746
- Equities up slightly after their respective opens
- Ahead today we have the FOMC's Kaplan speaking, US CPI, US Retail sales, US IP, US Consumer Sentiment, US Business Inventories, AU Consumer Inflation Expectations, NZ PMI, India Trade, Singapore GDP.