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Fundamentals: Gold prices hovered near a five-month low on Tuesdav as a stronger dollar and higher bond vields dented bullion's
appeal, while focus shifted to the Jackson Hole symposium due later this week for more cues on the interest rate outlook.

Spot gold was nearly unchanged at \$1,896.60 an ounce by 1:43 p.m. EDT (1743 GMT), but still held near the low of \$1,883.70 touched on Friday. U.S. gold futures settled 0.2% higher at \$1,926.00.

Benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury yields eased for the day. However, they were still near their 15-year high levels. Meanwhile, limiting gold's upside, the dollar rose 0.2%, making gold more expensive for holders of other currencies.

Gold prices fell to their lowest level since March last week as strong U.S. economic data boosted bets that U.S. interest rates would stay higher for longer. Higher rates increase bond yields, making non-yielding bullion less attractive.

Richmond Fed president Thomas Barkin said the U.S. central bank needs to defend the 2% inflation target to ensure its own credibility remains intact with the public.

On the technical front, gold prices are trading below the 50, 100 and 200-day moving averages. Speculators who trade on technical signals regard a break below such moving averages as a bearish sign.

Indicative of sentiment, receding fears of a U.S. slowdown and surging bond yields have gradually eroded the appeal of exchange-traded funds (ETF) backed by safe-haven gold.

Copper prices rose on Tuesday for a fourth session, building on gains last week, buoyed by firm consumption data in China and more Chinese monetary support measures.

Chinese apparent demand of refined copper grew by around 9% in the first half of this year, even though the global market moved into surplus, the International Copper Study Group (ICSG) said on Monday.

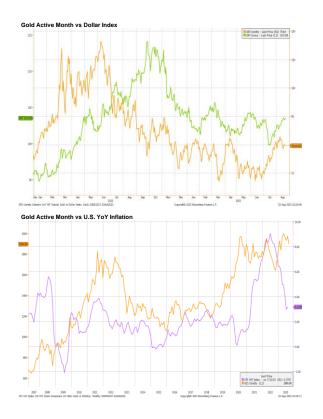
Apparent demand is derived from indicators from major copper sectors like cable plants, power grid and construction industries.

Metals markets were also boosted by continuing support measures by the Chinese authorities.

On Monday, China's major state-owned banks were seen actively mopping up the offshore yuan and on Tuesday China's yuan found respite as efforts by authorities to slow its decline gained some traction. Measures aimed at resolving local government debts are also in the pipeline.

Copper's correlation to the yuan has strengthened recently due to the focus of investors on China's sluggish economic recovery.

(Source: Reuters)



Contract	Close	Chg	High	Low
GOLD DEC 23	1,926.00	3.000	1,933.20	1,917.50
SILVER DEC 23	23.763	0.126	23.830	23.590
COPPER DEC 23	378.85	3.55	380.95	375.15
PLATINUM OCT 23	925.50	12.10	932.40	912.80
Gold Spot	1,897.340	2.41	1,904.46	1,889.21
EuroDollar Rate	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Dollar Index	103.609	0.309	103.716	103.013
Bursa Gold AUG 23	1,902.100	10.80	1901.8	1886.3
SPDR Gold ETF	176.100	0.290	176.25	175.31
Shares Gold ETF	35.940	0.070	35.9747	35.7843

COT Speculativ	e Net Position			Global Gold Mine	s Output
Date	Gold	Silver	Copper	Date	Kgs
15/08/2023	121,136	7,861	-25,698	30/6/2023	923
08/08/2023	142,985	13,324	-10,057	31/03/2023	857
01/08/2023	164,924	30,831	10,744	31/12/2022	948
25/07/2023	173,639	36,925	1,159	30/09/2022	950
18/07/2023	193,348	43,862	-3,550	30/06/2022	889
11/07/2023	165,754	20,292	-11,157	31/03/2022	838
04/07/2023	163,097	17,990	-8,762	31/12/2021	941
27/06/2023	151,910	19,052	2,940	30/09/2021	931
20/06/2023	162,975	20,058	1,888	30/06/2021	877
13/06/2023	160,209	23,736	-12,906	31/03/2021	834
06/06/2023	175,641	21,475	-25,956	31/12/2020	928

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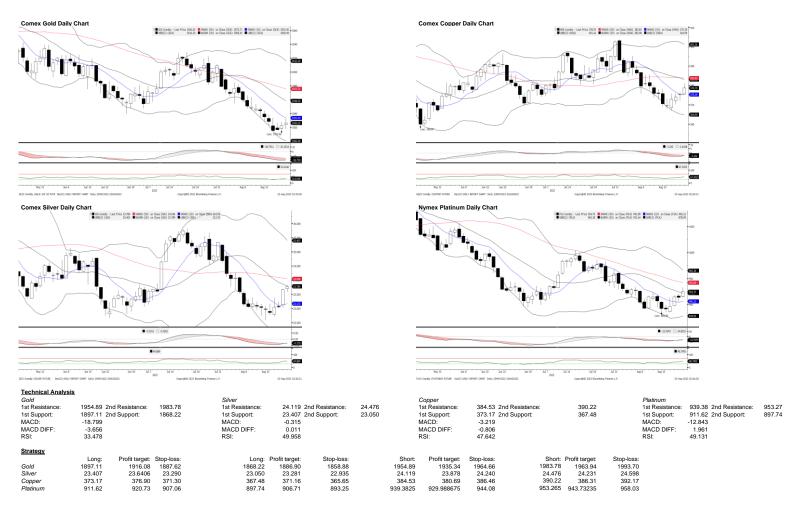
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Tonnes	Date	India (Kgs)	China (Kgs)
102.87	30/6/2023	128.60	132.23
284.02	31/3/2023	78.42	196
381.83	31/12/2022	219.86	127
458.77	30/9/2022	146.22	163
158.57	30/6/2022	140.29	103
82.44	31/3/2022	94.20	177
34.30	31/12/2021	264.99	177
90.56	30/9/2021	125.09	156
209.64	30/6/2021	94.27	147
115.61	31/3/2021	126.52	194
61.04	31/12/2020	137.30	143







Source: Bloomberg

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