



COMMODITY REPORT

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ECONOMIC/GLOBAL NEWS

- Gold futures settled sharply lower, with the yellow metal booking its lowest finish in three weeks, following U.S. data that imply a strong rebound in second-quarter economic growth. June gold dropped \$12.80, or 1%, to settle at \$1,255.50 an ounce. MCX Gold June expiry closed at Rs. 28653 per 10 gram, down 0.76%.
- China Caixin PMI for the factory sector fell unexpectedly to 50.3 in April from 51.2 in March. The official manufacturing PMI slid to 51.2 in April from a near five-year high of 51.8 in March. Likewise, the services PMI dropped to 54.0 from 55.1 in the previous month.
- U.S. seasonally adjusted Markit final manufacturing PMI dropped to 52.8 in April from March's 53.3.
- U.S. ISM said its manufacturing PMI dropped to 54.8 in April from 57.2 in March.
- U.K. gross domestic product grew only 0.3% in the first quarter from prior three months. On a yearly basis, GDP growth accelerated to 2.1% in the first quarter from 1.9% in the fourth quarter.
- U.K. services output increased 0.2% in February from January. In the three months to February, services output increased by 2.5% compared with the same period a year ago.
- U.K. house price index fell 0.4% month-on-month after a 0.3% slump in March. House prices rose 2.6% year-on-year following 3.5% rise in March.
- Eurozone inflation rose to 1.9% in April from 1.5% in March. Core inflation accelerated to 1.2% from 0.7% in March.
- Eurozone M3 grew 5.3% year-on-year in March, faster than February's 4.7% increase. The annual rate was expected to remain unchanged at 4.7%. In particular, loans to households moved up 2.4% and loans to non-financial corporations increased 2.3% in March.
- Germany's retail sales grew 2.3% year-on-year in March, offsetting February's revised 2.3% fall. On a monthly basis, retail sales growth eased to 0.1% from 1.1% in February.
- Germany's import price inflation eased to 6.1% in March from a near six-year high of 7.4% in February. Month-on-month, import prices fell 0.5%, in contrast to February's 0.7% increase. This was the first fall in seven months.
- French gross domestic product expanded 0.3% quarter-on-quarter in the three months through March after growing 0.5% at the end of 2016.
- French consumer price inflation rose marginally to 1.2% in April from 1.1% in March. Month-on-month, consumer prices edged up 0.1% versus a 0.6% rise in March.
- French producer prices decreased 0.5% on a monthly basis in March versus a 0.3% fall in February.
- France's consumer spending dropped 0.4% month-over-month in March, following a 0.7% drop in February, revised from a 0.8% fall reported earlier.
- Australia's central bank maintained its interest rate at a record low, as widely expected. The board of the Reserve Bank of Australia, governed by Philip Lowe, kept the cash rate unchanged at 1.50%. The bank had reduced the rate by 25-basis points each in August and May last year.
- Japan manufacturing sector continued to expand in April, with a PMI score of 52.7. That's up from 52.4 in March. The services PMI expanded 52.2 April. That's down from 52.9 in March.

Index	01-May-17	28-Apr-17	Pts. Ch.	% Change
Dow	20913.46	20940.51	-27.05	-0.13
Nifty	CLOSED	9304.05	-	-
Sensex	CLOSED	29848.21	-	-
USD/INR	CLOSED	64.25	-	-
Dollar Index	98.93	98.90	0.03	0.03
Euro/\$1US	1.0899	1.0897	0.0002	0.02
\$1US/Yen	111.84	111.55	0.29	0.26
Pound/\$1US	1.2886	1.2951	-0.0065	-0.50

Market Update

- The tech-heavy Nasdaq closed at a record, with shares of Apple hitting a new high, while the Dow industrials slipped lower as investors digested a raft of economic reports and looked ahead to the start of the Federal Reserve's policy meeting on Tuesday. The Nasdaq Composite Index finished up 44 points, or 0.7%, to a record 6,091.60. The S&P 500 index closed up 4.13 points, or 0.2%, at 2,388.33.
- Indian market closed on **01.05.2017** on account of "Maharashtra Day".

Currency Update

- The dollar strengthened against the Japanese yen after the Atlanta Federal Reserve raised its projected rate of second-quarter economic growth, helping to soften the blow from a spate of disappointing manufacturing data released earlier. The greenback climbed to ¥111.83, compared with ¥111.53. The ICE U.S. Dollar Index was flat at 99.06. The WSJ Dollar Index was also flat at 89.17. The euro edged higher on Monday, trading at \$1.0905. By comparison, the shared currency traded at \$1.0897. Meanwhile, the British pound traded at \$1.2900, compared with \$1.2949.
- Indian currency market closed on **01.05.2017** on account of "Maharashtra Day".

Name of the ETF	Holdings In Tonnes As		%Ch
	01-May-17	28-Apr-17	
SPDR Gold ETF	853.36	853.36	0.00
iShares Silver Trust	10308.30	10272.97	0.34

Symbol	01-May-17		Ratio
	Close	Close	
Gold v/s Silver	1256	16.842	74.55
Gold v/s Crude Oil	1256	49.33	48.84

Bullion	Closing		% Ch
	01-May-17	28-Apr-17	
Gold Jun MCX	28653	28873	-0.76
Gold Jun Comex	1256	1268	-1.01
Silver Jul MCX	39263	40063	-2.00
Silver Jul Comex	16.842	17.262	-2.43
Energy			
Crude Oil May MCX	3142	3174	-1.01
Crude Jun Nymex	48.84	49.33	-0.99
Natural Gas May MCX	206.60	212.10	-2.59
Nat. Gas Jun Henry Hub	3.215	3.276	-1.86

LME Inventories (In Tonnes)				
Base Metals	28-Apr-17	27-Apr-17	Change	% Change
Aluminum	1645375	1652200	-6825	-0.41
Copper	259725	260575	-850	-0.33
Nickel	379644	379002	642	0.17
Lead	165275	165400	-125	-0.08
Zinc	349050	349925	-875	-0.25

Base Metals	Closing		% Ch
	01-May-17	28-Apr-17	
Aluminium May	123.80	123.20	0.49
Copper Jun	380.55	372.75	2.09
Nickel May	617.60	610.40	1.18
Lead May	146.55	145.10	1.00
Zinc May	170.90	169.00	1.12

ECONOMIC CALENDER

Tuesday May 02, 2017					
Time	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
5:20 AM	Japan	Monetary Policy Meeting Minutes			
7:15 AM	China	Caixin Manufacturing PMI (Apr)	50.3	51.2	51.2
10:00 AM	Australia	RBA Interest Rate Decision (May)	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
10:00 AM	Australia	RBA Rate Statement			
10:30 AM	India	Nikkei Markit Manufacturing PMI (Apr)			52.5
10:30 AM	Japan	BoJ Core CPI (YoY)		0.2%	0.1%
1:20 PM	France	French Manufacturing PMI (Apr)		55.1	55.1
1:25 PM	Germany	German Manufacturing PMI (Apr)		58.2	58.2
1:30 PM	Eurozone	Manufacturing PMI (Apr)		56.8	56.8
2:00 PM	U.K.	Manufacturing PMI (Apr)		54.0	54.2
2:30 PM	Eurozone	Unemployment Rate (Mar)		9.4%	9.5%
3:30 PM	India	Federal Fiscal Deficit (Mar)			6,056.14B
5:00 PM	India	Infrastructure Output (YoY) (Mar)			1.0%

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