



COMMODITY REPORT

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ECONOMIC/GLOBAL NEWS

- Crude futures bounced back from five-month lows, following a week of steep losses globally as investors continue to worry about brimming crude inventories. June West Texas Intermediate crude rose 70 cents, or 1.54%, to settle at \$46.22 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. MCX Crude Oil May expiry closed at Rs. 2969 per barrel, up 1.30%.
- China's exports advanced 14.3% year-on-year in yuan terms in April. Likewise, imports grew 18.6%, compared with a 26.3% rise in March. As a result, the trade surplus totaled CNY 262.3 billion.
- China's foreign exchange reserves rose \$21 billion in April to \$3.03 trillion, compared with an increase of \$3.96 billion in March to \$3.009 trillion.
- U.S. non-farm payroll employment jumped by 211,000 jobs in April after climbing by a downwardly revised 79,000 jobs in March. Additionally, the private sector created more of the new job contracts than expected in April with a total of 194,000. March's number was revised down to 77,000 private nonfarm payrolls, from the prior reading of 89,000. The unemployment rate edged down to 4.4% in April from 4.5% in March.
- U.S. consumer credit jumped by \$16.4 billion in March after climbing by \$13.8 billion in February.
- Eurozone Markit Retail PMI rose to 52.7 in April, from 49.5 in March.
- Spain's industrial production rose a seasonally-and-calendar adjusted 0.4% in March year-on-year after a 2.5% growth in February. Compared to the previous month, production dropped for a second straight month, down an adjusted 0.4% in March, following 0.2% fall in February.
- Hong Kong's retail sales climbed 3.1% year-over-year in March, reversing a 5.8% decline in February. Similarly, retail sales volume grew 2.7% annually in March, in contrast to a 6.2% fall in the preceding month. It was also the first increase in twenty-five months.

Index	05-May-17	04-May-17	Pts. Ch.	% Change
Dow	21006.94	20951.47	55.47	0.26
Nifty	9285.30	9359.90	-74.60	-0.80
Sensex	29858.80	30126.21	-267.41	-0.89
USD/INR	64.38	64.18	0.19	0.30
Dollar Index	98.53	98.65	-0.12	-0.12
Euro/\$1US	1.0998	1.0984	0.0014	0.13
\$1US/Yen	112.72	112.46	0.26	0.23
Pound/\$1US	1.2981	1.2921	0.0060	0.46

Market Update

- U.S. stocks finished higher and for the week with the Nasdaq and the S&P 500 closing at records as investors weighed a stronger-than-expected April employment report against uncertainty of the outcome of the French presidential election on Sunday. The S&P 500 index finished up 9.77 points, or 0.4%, at 2,399.29. The Nasdaq Composite Index also saw a record finish, rising 25.42 points, or 0.4%, to end at 6,100.76.
- Indian market drifted lower on last trading day of the week tracking weakness in European stocks. Profit booking materialised after Nifty scaled record closing high in the previous session.

Currency Update

- The dollar advanced after the U.S. economy created more jobs than anticipated in April, though the greenback erased some of these gains as traders delved into the details of the report. The ICE U.S. Dollar Index was off 0.2% at 98.6500. The euro was up marginally at \$1.0987, compared with \$1.0984. The dollar was up 0.1% at ₹112.62, compared with ₹112.46. The WSJ Dollar Index fell 0.1% to 89.75.
- A massive fall in local equities amid heightened global volatility took its toll on the currency market today, with the rupee plunging 19 paise to end at a fresh two-week low of 64.38 against the US dollar. At the Interbank Foreign Exchange market, the rupee resumed lower at 64.22 from Thursday's closing of 64.18 and kept descending due to immense dollar pressure. It touched a fresh intra-day low of 64.39 in late afternoon deals before concluding at 64.38, showing a steep loss of 19 paise, or 0.30%. The RBI fixed the reference rate for the dollar at 64.3079.

Name of the ETF	Holdings In Tonnes As		%Ch
	05-May-17	04-May-17	
SPDR Gold ETF	853.08	853.08	0.00
iShares Silver Trust	10412.74	10412.74	0.00

Symbol	05-May-17		Ratio
	Close	Close	
Gold v/s Silver	1227	16.274	75.39
Gold v/s Crude Oil	1227	46.22	26.54

Bullion	Closing		% Ch
	05-May-17	04-May-17	
Gold Jun MCX	28072	28072	0.00
Gold Jun Comex	1227	1229	-0.14
Silver Jul MCX	38018	38052	-0.09
Silver Jul Comex	16.274	16.303	-0.18
Energy			
Crude Oil May MCX	2969	2931	1.30
Crude Jun Nymex	46.22	45.52	1.54
Natural Gas May MCX	210.20	204.30	2.89
Nat. Gas Jun Henry Hub	3.266	3.186	2.51

LME Inventories (In Tonnes)

Base Metals	05-May-17	04-May-17	Change	% Change
Aluminum	1599725	1609925	-10200	-0.63
Copper	354650	317850	36800	11.58
Nickel	380712	380502	210	0.06
Lead	173725	174250	-525	-0.30
Zinc	340450	342475	-2025	-0.59

Base Metals	Closing		% Ch
	05-May-17	04-May-17	
Aluminium May	122.05	122.90	-0.69
Copper Jun	361.45	358.55	0.81
Nickel May	589.70	580.00	1.67
Lead May	140.45	141.20	-0.53
Zinc May	166.70	165.20	0.91

ECONOMIC CALENDER

Monday May 08, 2017

Time	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
9:13 AM	China	Trade Balance (USD) (Apr)	38.05B	35.50B	23.93B
9:13 AM	China	Exports (YoY) (Apr)	8.0%	10.4%	16.4%
9:13 AM	China	Imports (YoY) (Apr)	11.9%	18.0%	20.3%
11:30 AM	Germany	German Factory Orders (MoM) (Mar)		1.0%	3.4%
1:00 PM	U.K.	Halifax House Price Index (MoM) (Apr)		0.2%	0.0%
1:00 PM	U.K.	Halifax House Price Index (YoY) (Apr)		3.6%	3.8%
2:00 PM	Eurozone	Sentix Investor Confidence (May)		25.0	23.9

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