



# COMMODITY REPORT

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## ECONOMIC/GLOBAL NEWS

- Oil futures settled higher, stretching their winning streak to a fifth consecutive session, as the shutdown of Libya's largest oil field and uncertainty in the Middle East, following the U.S. airstrike on Syria, raised concerns over disruptions to global crude supplies. May West Texas Intermediate crude tacked on 84 cents, or 1.61%, to settle at \$53.08 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. MCX Crude Oil April expiry closed at Rs. 3424 per barrel, up 1.94%.
- Federal Reserve's plans to raise U.S. interest rates gradually are aimed at sustaining full employment and near-2-percent inflation without letting the economy overheat, Fed Chair Janet Yellen said.
- U.K. like-for-like retail sales were down 1.0% on year in March, following the 0.4% decline in February.
- Eurozone Sentix investor sentiment index climbed unexpectedly to 23.9 in April from 20.7 in March.
- Greece's consumer price index also grew at a faster pace of 1.7% yearly in March, following a 1.3% gain in the prior month. Month-on-month, consumer prices climbed 1.8% in March, reversing a 0.3% decrease in February.
- Greece's industrial production growth accelerated 10.8% year-over-year in February, well above the 7.1% rise in January. On a monthly basis, industrial production rebounded 5.9% from January, when it fell by 2.6%.
- Swedish unemployment rate dropped for a second straight month in March. The jobless rate fell to 3.9% from 4% in February.
- Australia's NAB business confidence index rose 5 points to 14 in March, the highest since 2008. The corresponding index fell 1 point to 6.
- Bank of Japan will continue with its massive stimulus until inflation moves near the 2% target. BoJ Governor Haruhiko Kuroda said Monday, as he presented a quarterly report that showed a better economic assessment for one of the nine regions. The economy continues its moderate recovery trend, Kuroda said at a quarterly meeting of the BoJ's regional managers. Going forward, this could turn into a moderate expansion, he added.
- South Korea's money supply growth eased for the second straight month in February. M2 climbed 5.9% year-over-year in February, slower than the 6.9% spike in the prior month. On a monthly basis, M2 money supply increased 0.3% from January, when it edged up by 0.1%.
- Taiwan's trade surplus increased to a 3-month high in March. The annual growth in exports more than halved to 13.2% from 27.7% in February. Likewise, imports climbed 19.8% following February's 42.1% expansion. On a monthly basis, exports advanced 13.5% and imports climbed 12.8% in March. As a result, the trade surplus increased to \$3.93 billion from \$3.36 billion in February.
- Malaysia's industrial production climbed 4.7% year-over-year in February, faster than the 3.5% rise in January.
- New Zealand's overall credit card spending climbed a seasonally adjusted 0.5% on month in March, following the upwardly revised 0.7% decline in February (originally -1.0%).
- India's CII Business Confidence Index rose to a record high 64.1 in the January to March quarter from 56.5 in the previous three months.

Index	10-Apr-17	07-Apr-17	Pts. Ch.	% Change
<b>Dow</b>	20658.02	20656.10	<b>1.92</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>Nifty</b>	9181.45	9198.30	<b>-16.85</b>	<b>-0.18</b>
<b>Sensex</b>	29575.74	29706.61	<b>-130.87</b>	<b>-0.44</b>
<b>USD/INR</b>	64.56	64.29	<b>0.27</b>	<b>0.42</b>
<b>Dollar Index</b>	100.95	101.12	<b>-0.17</b>	<b>-0.17</b>
<b>Euro/\$1US</b>	1.0596	1.0590	<b>0.0006</b>	<b>0.06</b>
<b>\$1US/Yen</b>	110.94	111.07	<b>-0.13</b>	<b>-0.12</b>
<b>Pound/\$1US</b>	1.2414	1.2373	<b>0.0041</b>	<b>0.33</b>

### Market Update

- U.S. stocks eked out gains as strength in energy shares helped to offset selling pressure sparked by geopolitical concerns, but market sentiment remained cautious going into the first-quarter earnings season. The S&P 500 index edged up 1.62 points to close at 2,357.16, and the Nasdaq Composite Index gained 3.11 points to end at 5,880.93.
- Trading for the week started on a sour note as Indian market settled with modest losses for the third day in a row as subdued global markets weighed on domestic equities.

### Currency Update

- The dollar turned lower in late-morning trade after an unknown group blocked a pipeline that carried crude from Libya's largest oil pipeline, helping oil prices to settle higher for a fifth straight day. One euro bought \$1.0600 in recent trade after touching its weakest level against the greenback in more than a month earlier in the session. By comparison, it traded at \$1.0591. The ICE U.S. Dollar index was off 0.2% at 101.03. One dollar traded for ¥111, compared with ¥111.10. One pound traded at \$1.2412, compared with \$1.2373.
- Retreating after a three-session winning run, the rupee lost 27 paise to end at 64.56 against the dollar with simmering geopolitical tensions taking the centre-stage at the global level. The home currency opened modestly lower at 64.30 from last Friday's closing value of 64.29 at the Interbank Foreign Exchange on fresh bouts of dollar demand. It kept descending throughout the session to hit a fresh intra-day low of 64.58 before ending at 64.56, showing a steep fall of 27 paise, or 0.42%. The RBI fixed the reference rate for the dollar at 64.4418.

Name of the ETF	Holdings In Tonnes As		%Ch
	10-Apr-17	07-Apr-17	
<b>SPDR Gold ETF</b>	838.26	836.49	<b>0.21</b>
<b>iShares Silver Trust</b>	10208.21	10208.21	<b>0.00</b>

Symbol	10-Apr-17		Ratio
	Close	Close	
<b>Gold v/s Silver</b>	1254	17.915	<b>69.99</b>
<b>Gold v/s Crude Oil</b>	1254	53.08	<b>23.62</b>

Bullion	Closing		% Ch
	10-Apr-17	07-Apr-17	
<b>Gold Jun MCX</b>	28739	28684	<b>0.19</b>
<b>Gold Jun Comex</b>	1254	1257	<b>-0.27</b>
<b>Silver May MCX</b>	41366	41379	<b>-0.03</b>
<b>Silver May Comex</b>	17.915	18.151	<b>-1.30</b>
<b>Energy</b>			
<b>Crude Oil Apr MCX</b>	3424	3359	<b>1.94</b>
<b>Crude May Nymex</b>	53.08	52.24	<b>1.61</b>
<b>Natural Gas Apr MCX</b>	209.40	210.00	<b>-0.29</b>
<b>Nat. Gas May Henry Hub</b>	3.238	3.261	<b>-0.71</b>

## LME Inventories (In Tonnes)

Base Metals	10-Apr-17	07-Apr-17	Change	% Change
<b>Aluminum</b>	1802800	1818300	<b>-15500</b>	<b>-0.85</b>
<b>Copper</b>	266575	265325	<b>1250</b>	<b>0.47</b>
<b>Nickel</b>	374532	375702	<b>-1170</b>	<b>-0.31</b>
<b>Lead</b>	171750	173025	<b>-1275</b>	<b>-0.74</b>
<b>Zinc</b>	366600	367400	<b>-800</b>	<b>-0.22</b>

Base Metals	Closing		% Ch
	10-Apr-17	07-Apr-17	
<b>Aluminium Apr</b>	123.75	125.75	<b>-1.59</b>
<b>Copper Apr</b>	372.55	376.05	<b>-0.93</b>
<b>Nickel Apr</b>	652.00	656.80	<b>-0.73</b>
<b>Lead Apr</b>	145.20	145.15	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Zinc Apr</b>	168.40	171.95	<b>-2.06</b>

## ECONOMIC CALENDER

Tuesday Apr 11, 2017

Time	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
1:40 AM	U.S.	<b>Fed Chair Yellen Speaks</b>			
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>Core CPI (YoY) (Mar)</b>		1.9%	2.0%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>Core PPI Output (YoY) (Mar)</b>		2.5%	2.4%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>Core PPI Output (MoM) (Mar)</b>		0.2%	0.0%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>Core RPI (YoY) (Mar)</b>		3.5%	3.5%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>Core RPI (MoM) (Mar)</b>			1.1%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>CPI (YoY) (Mar)</b>		2.3%	2.3%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>CPI (MoM) (Mar)</b>		0.3%	0.7%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>House Price Index (YoY)</b>		6.1%	6.2%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>PPI Input (MoM) (Mar)</b>		-0.2%	-0.4%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>PPI Input (YoY) (Mar)</b>		17.0%	19.1%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>PPI Output (MoM) (Mar)</b>		0.1%	0.2%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>PPI Output (YoY) (Mar)</b>		3.3%	3.7%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>RPI (MoM) (Mar)</b>		0.4%	1.1%
2:00 PM	U.K.	<b>RPI (YoY) (Mar)</b>		3.2%	3.2%
2:30 PM	Germany	<b>German ZEW Current Conditions (Apr)</b>		77.7	77.3
2:30 PM	Germany	<b>German ZEW Economic Sentiment (Apr)</b>		14.0	12.8
2:30 PM	Eurozone	<b>Industrial Production (MoM) (Feb)</b>		0.1%	0.9%
2:30 PM	Eurozone	<b>Industrial Production (YoY) (Feb)</b>		2.0%	0.6%
2:30 PM	Eurozone	<b>ZEW Economic Sentiment</b>		25.0	25.6

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