



# COMMODITY REPORT

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## ECONOMIC/GLOBAL NEWS

- Gold topped the closely watched \$1,300-an-ounce mark on Monday to mark the highest finish in 11 months, as a key index tracking the U.S. dollar fell to its lowest level since early 2015. Gold for December delivery rose \$17.40, or 1.3%, to settle at \$1,315.30 an ounce. MCX Gold October expiry closed at Rs. 29503 per 10 gram, up 1.15%.
- U.S. goods trade deficit increased 1.7% to \$65.1 billion last month. Exports declined 1.3% while imports fell 0.3%.
- U.S. whole inventories rose 0.4% to \$601.2 billion in July; the percentage change from May 2017 to June 2017 was revised from up 0.7% ( $\pm 0.4\%$ ) to up 0.6% ( $\pm 0.4\%$ ).
- Eurozone M3 broad monetary aggregate climbed 4.5% annually in July, weaker than the 5.0% growth logged in June. Meanwhile, adjusted loans to the private sector increased to 2.6% from 2.5% last month.
- Italy's consumer confidence index climbed to 110.8 in August from 106.9 in the previous month.
- Sweden's trade deficit came in at SEK 0.5 billion in July versus SEK 0.0 billion in the same month of the prior year. In June, the trade balance showed a surplus of SEK 5.4 billion.
- Japan jobless rate came in at a seasonally adjusted 2.8% in July, June reading. The number of employed persons in July was 65.63 million, an increase of 590,000 or 0.9% on year.

Index	28-Aug-17	25-Aug-17	Pts. Ch.	% Change
<b>Dow</b>	21808.40	21813.67	<b>-5.27</b>	<b>-0.02</b>
<b>Nifty</b>	9912.80	CLOSED	-	-
<b>Sensex</b>	31750.82	CLOSED	-	-
<b>USD/INR</b>	63.90	CLOSED	-	-
<b>Dollar Index</b>	92.17	92.68	<b>-0.51</b>	<b>-0.55</b>
<b>Euro/\$1US</b>	1.1964	1.1926	<b>0.0038</b>	<b>0.32</b>
<b>\$1US/Yen</b>	108.73	109.36	<b>-0.63</b>	<b>-0.58</b>
<b>Pound/\$1US</b>	1.2927	1.2887	<b>0.0040</b>	<b>0.31</b>

## Market Update

- U.S. stocks finished little changed, with the Dow industrials slipping lower and the S&P 500 and Nasdaq posting slight gains as investors gauged the effect of Hurricane Harvey, which slammed into Texas over the weekend, flooding cities and forcing energy facilities to close. The S&P 500 index which had traded off between slight gains and losses, closed up 1.19 points at 2,444.24. Meanwhile, the Nasdaq Composite Index rose 17.37 points, or 0.3%, to close at 6,283.02.
- Indian market settled with modest gains for the fourth straight session. Investors were relieved as geopolitical tensions eased after the government reportedly said India and China agreed to disengagement at Doklam area.

## Currency Update

- The euro flexed its muscles against the dollar and other major currencies again, pushing closer to \$1.20 as it touched a 2 1/2-year high, after European Central Bank President Mario Draghi held back last week from talking down the shared currency. The ICE U.S. Dollar Index flipping into positive territory with a 0.1% gain at 92.2530. The WSJ Dollar Index was 0.2% off at 85.44. The euro fetched \$1.1977, after touching a high of \$1.1986 in continuous approach of the psychological \$1.20 mark. The Eurozone currency closed at \$1.1923, having gained 1.3%. The British pound was changing hands 0.4% higher at \$1.2931 versus \$1.2881.
- The rupee was trading strong by 13 paise at 63.90 on the back of dollar selling by banks and exporters. A rally in domestic equities too supported the rupee sentiment. The rupee resumed higher at 63.87 against the last closing level of Rs 64.04 per dollar at the Interbank Foreign Exchange market. The domestic currency hit a fresh intra-day high of 63.85 in late afternoon deals before ending at 63.90, registering a smart gain of 13 paise, or 0.20%. The RBI fixed the reference rate for the dollar at 63.8701.

Name of the ETF	Holdings In Tonnes As		%Ch
	28-Aug-17	25-Aug-17	
<b>SPDR Gold ETF</b>	814.36	805.20	<b>1.14</b>
<b>iShares Silver Trust</b>	10363.03	10363.03	<b>0.00</b>

Symbol	28-Aug-17		Ratio
	Close	Close	
<b>Gold v/s Silver</b>	1315	17.441	<b>75.41</b>
<b>Gold v/s Crude Oil</b>	1315	46.57	<b>28.24</b>

Bullion	Closing		% Ch
	28-Aug-17	25-Aug-17	
<b>Gold Oct MCX</b>	29503	29167	<b>1.15</b>
<b>Gold Dec Comex</b>	1315	1298	<b>1.34</b>
<b>Silver Dec MCX</b>	40378	39646	<b>1.85</b>
<b>Silver Sep Comex</b>	17.441	17.049	<b>2.30</b>
<b>Energy</b>			
<b>Crude Oil Sep MCX</b>	2970	3058	<b>-2.88</b>
<b>Crude Oct Nymex</b>	46.57	47.87	<b>-2.72</b>
<b>Natural Gas Sep MCX</b>	188.70	187.70	<b>0.53</b>
<b>Nat. Gas Oct Henry Hub</b>	2.961	2.924	<b>1.27</b>

## LME Inventories (In Tonnes)

Base Metals	25-Aug-17	24-Aug-17	Change	% Change
<b>Aluminum</b>	1321600	1314475	<b>7125</b>	<b>0.54</b>
<b>Copper</b>	240825	245050	<b>-4225</b>	<b>-1.72</b>
<b>Nickel</b>	387450	385200	<b>2250</b>	<b>0.58</b>
<b>Lead</b>	148200	148250	<b>-50</b>	<b>-0.03</b>
<b>Zinc</b>	246325	246525	<b>-200</b>	<b>-0.08</b>

Base Metals	Closing		% Ch
	28-Aug-17	25-Aug-17	
<b>Aluminium Sept</b>	132.60	132.05	<b>0.42</b>
<b>Copper Nov</b>	436.60	433.30	<b>0.76</b>
<b>Nickel Sept</b>	749.20	733.70	<b>2.11</b>
<b>Lead Sept</b>	149.05	148.45	<b>0.40</b>
<b>Zinc Sept</b>	197.25	196.10	<b>0.59</b>

## ECONOMIC CALENDER

Tuesday August 29 2017

Time	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
5:00 AM	Japan	<b>Unemployment Rate (Jul)</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	2.8%	2.8%
10:30 AM	Japan	<b>BoJ Core CPI (YoY)</b>			0.3%
11:30 AM	U.K.	<b>Nationwide HPI (MoM) (Aug)</b>		0.1%	0.3%
11:30 AM	U.K.	<b>Nationwide HPI (YoY) (Aug)</b>		2.5%	2.9%
11:30 AM	Germany	<b>GfK German Consumer Climate (Sep)</b>		10.8	10.8
12:15 PM	France	<b>French Consumer Spending (MoM) (Jul)</b>		0.6%	-0.8%
12:15 PM	France	<b>French GDP (QoQ) (Q2)</b>		0.5%	0.5%
7:30 PM	U.S.	<b>CB Consumer Confidence (Aug)</b>		120.3	121.1

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