



COMMODITY REPORT

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ECONOMIC/GLOBAL NEWS

- Gold futures ended lower as a popular dollar gauge climbed and benchmark Treasury yields cleared their highest level since April 2014. February gold lost \$11.80, or 0.87%, to settle at \$1,340.30 an ounce. MCX Gold April expiry closed at Rs. 30000 per 10 gram, down 0.91%.
- U.S. personal income climbed by 0.4% in December after rising by 0.3% in November. Personal spending climbed by 0.4% in December following a 0.8% increase in November.
- German import price index climbed 1.1% year-on-year, which was sharply slower than the 2.7% increase in November. On a month-on-month basis, import prices grew 0.3% in December.
- Italy's producer price inflation climbed 2.0% year-over-year in December, slower than the 2.5% increase in November. Month-on-month, producer prices showed no variations from November, when it rose by 0.4%.
- Spain's retail sales climbed a seasonally and calendar-adjusted 1.2% year-over-year in December, slower than November's 1.9% rise. On an unadjusted basis, retail sales advanced 1.5% annually in December, following a 3.2% rebound in the prior month.
- Japan unemployment rate in Japan came in at a seasonally adjusted 2.8% in December. The number of employed persons in December was 65.42 million, an increase of 520,000 or 0.8% on year.
- Japan retail sales in Japan were up a seasonally adjusted 0.9% on month in December, following the 1.8% gain in November. On a yearly basis, retail sales jumped 3.6% - up from 2.1% in the previous month.
- Singapore's producer prices declined 0.6% year-over-year in December, reversing a 2.9% rise in November. On a monthly basis, producer prices increased 0.8% in December, extending the 1.1% rise in November.
- New Zealand posted a merchandise trade surplus of NZ\$640 million in December - representing 12% of exports, following the NZ\$1.233 billion shortfall in November. Exports surged an annual 26% to a record NZ\$5.55 billion in December - up from NZ\$4.63 billion in the previous month. Imports climbed 11% on year to NZ\$4.91 billion, down from NZ\$5.84 billion a month earlier.

Index	29-Jan-18	26-Jan-18	Pts. Ch.	% Change
Dow	26439.48	26616.71	-177.23	-0.67
Nifty	11130.40	CLOSED	-	-
Sensex	36283.25	CLOSED	-	-
USD/INR	63.57	CLOSED	-	-
Dollar Index	89.17	88.89	0.28	0.31
Euro/\$1US	1.2381	1.2421	-0.0040	-0.32
\$1US/Yen	108.94	108.72	0.22	0.20
Pound/\$1US	1.4073	1.4170	-0.0097	-0.68

Market Update

- All major U.S. benchmarks closed lower, with the Dow and the S&P 500 having their worst day this year, as the appetite for equities was dampened by a pickup in borrowing costs. The broad-market S&P 500 index slipped 19.34 points, or 0.7%, to 2,853.53. The Nasdaq Composite Index declined 39.27 points, or 0.5%, to 7,466.51, its second-worst daily drop this year.
- Indian market settled with decent gains and hit fresh record highs as optimism grew ahead of the presentation of Union budget on Thursday, 1 February 2018. Economic Survey tabled in the parliament today, 29 January 2018, suggesting economic recovery in 2018-19 also boosted sentiment.

Currency Update

- The dollar advanced, recovering somewhat from last week's drop as it got a lift from a jump in the yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note. The ICE U.S. Dollar Index was up 0.4% at 89.406. The WSJ Dollar Index rose 0.4% to 83.42. The dollar's gain was the euro's loss as the shared currency weakened to \$1.2377, down from \$1.2427. Similarly, the British pound slipped to \$1.4066, down from \$1.4160. Against the Japanese yen, the dollar bought ¥109.04, up slightly from ¥108.59.
- The rupee struggled to hold ground against the US currency and ended lower by 3 paise at 63.57, halting its three-day rally even as the Economic Survey printed a rosy picture of India's macroeconomic outlook. The domestic currency opened marginally weak at 63.60 as against the last Thursday's closing of 63.55. After touching a low of 63.62 in early trade, the domestic unit bounced back sharply to hit a session of 63.48 before retreating sharply. It finally settled at 63.57, showing a loss of 3 paise against the greenback. The RBI fixed the reference rate for the dollar at 63.5470.

Name of the ETF	Holdings In Tonnes As		%Ch
	29-Jan-18	26-Jan-18	
SPDR Gold ETF	846.67	848.14	-0.17
iShares Silver Trust	9763.28	9763.28	0.00

Symbol	29-Jan-18		Ratio
	Close	Close	
Gold v/s Silver	1340	17.127	78.26
Gold v/s Crude Oil	1340	65.56	20.44

Bullion	Closing		% Ch
	29-Jan-18	26-Jan-18	
Gold Apr MCX	30000	CLOSED	-
Gold Feb Comex	1340	1352	-0.87
Silver Mar MCX	39141	CLOSED	-
Silver Mar Comex	17.127	17.441	-1.80
Energy			
Crude Oil Feb MCX	4177	CLOSED	-
Crude Mar Nymex	65.56	66.14	-0.88
Natural Gas Feb MCX	202.40	CLOSED	-
Nat. Gas Mar Henry Hub	3.167	3.175	-0.25

LME Inventories (In Tonnes)

Base Metals	29-Jan-18	26-Jan-18	Change	% Change
Aluminum	1085475	1081425	4050	0.37
Copper	308650	309125	-475	-0.15
Nickel	360714	361782	-1068	-0.30
Lead	136700	137875	-1175	-0.85
Zinc	176275	178025	-1750	-0.98

Base Metals	Closing		% Ch
	29-Jan-18	26-Jan-18	
Aluminium Feb	141.60	CLOSED	-
Copper Feb	450.70	CLOSED	-
Nickel Feb	881.70	CLOSED	-
Lead Feb	166.05	CLOSED	-
Zinc Feb	227.65	CLOSED	-

ECONOMIC CALENDER

Tuesday January 30 2018					
Time	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
5:00 AM	Japan	Unemployment Rate (Dec)	2.8%	2.7%	2.7%
5:20 AM	Japan	Retail Sales (YoY) (Dec)	3.6%	2.1%	2.1%
10:30 AM	Japan	BoJ Core CPI (YoY)		0.5%	0.6%
12:00 PM	France	French GDP (QoQ) (Q4)		0.5%	0.6%
1:15 PM	France	French Consumer Spending (MoM) (Dec)		0.4%	2.2%
3:30 PM	Eurozone	Business and Consumer Survey (Jan)		116.3	116.0
3:30 PM	Eurozone	Consumer Confidence (Jan)		1.3	1.3
3:30 PM	Eurozone	GDP (QoQ)		0.6%	0.6%
3:30 PM	Eurozone	GDP (YoY)		2.7%	2.6%
6:30 PM	Eurozone	German CPI (YoY) (Jan)		1.7%	1.7%
6:30 PM	Eurozone	German CPI (MoM) (Jan)		-0.5%	0.6%
8:30 PM	U.S.	CB Consumer Confidence (Jan)		123.1	122.1

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