

Daily Asia Wrap - 10th June 2020



Range Asian Hours (from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1715.10/6.10	17.52/55	838/41	1922/72
HIGH	1718.10/9.10	17.75/78	840/43	1943/93
LOW	1712.20/3.20	17.52/55	835/38	1922/72
LAST	1717.70/8.70	17.74/77	839/42	1935/85

MARKETS/MACRO

US equities were mostly lower ahead of tonight's FOMC announcement. The Dow lost 300.14 points, or 1.09%, to 27,272.30, the S&P 500 fell 25.21 points, or 0.78%, to 3,207.18, while the Nasdaq added 29.01 points, or 0.29%, to 9,953.75. Energy (-3.59%) and industrials (-2.51%) led the losses. European equities were sharply lower, the EuroSTOXX shed 4.58 points, or 1.22%, to 369.54, the German DAX declined 201.60 points, or 1.57%, to 12,617.99, and the London FTSE 100 dropped 136.87 points, or 2.11%, to 6,335.72. In the currencies, the US dollar index eased 0.31% to 96.39, the EUR traded up to 1.1361, drifted lower to 107.66. US treasury yields were lower, the 2 year yield gave up 1.4 bps to 0.202% while the 10 year yield lost 2.2 bps to 0.822%. Oil prices were lower, Brent fell 0.9% o \$40.79 while WTI sold off 0.3% to 38.50. Base metals were mixed, with copper (+1.3%) the best performer. In US economic data, the NFIB small business index rose 3.5 points to 94.4 points in May. Job openings fell to 5.05 million in April , the lowest level since December 2014. In Asia today, as I write the Nikkei is at +0.15%, the Shanghai composite is at -0.46%, the Hang Seng is at +0.29%, and the ASX S&P 200 is at +0.33%. Tonight we have the FOMC announcement and press conference, the consumer price index, and federal budget numbers out of the US.

PRECIOUS

Another firm session as the falling US dollar and general risk-off tone prove supportive for the

precious. Gold opened at \$1698 and wasn't able to push through the \$1700 level during Asian hours. London were on the bid from the opening bell, the metal traded up to \$1710 as equities were sold off. NY were happy to buy into the strength as the greenback was sold against the euro, the yellow metal reached a high of \$1720 before running into resistance. Gold closed out the session firmer at \$1714. After opening at the high of \$17.76 trading in silver was choppy throughout the session. The grey metal finished lower at \$17.54. In the PGMs, platinum tested \$830 before recovering the early losses while palladium closed below \$2000. The Philadelphia gold and silver index firmed 1.15% to 117.04. Gold trading narrow range in Asia today as investors seem content to hold off until tonight's FOMC announcement. The yellow metal is currently sitting at \$1717.70. Silver is firmer, the grey metal opened at the low and is just under the high at \$17.74 as I write. Have a god day ahead.

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