

Daily Asia Wrap - 13th October 2020



Range Asian Hours (from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1924.30/80	25.12/15	878/81	2409/34
HIGH	1925.60/10	25.19/22	881/84	2418/43
LOW	1909.80/30	24.60/63	870/73	2398/23
LAST	1913.30/80	24.81/84	872/75	2405/30

MARKETS/MACRO

There were strong performances across U.S. stocks on Monday as investors moved focus toward upcoming corporate earnings releases. Technology names were in favor to see the Nasdaq Composite surge +2.56% higher to 11,876.258 points, the S&P 500 jumped +1.64% to 3,534.22 points, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average added +0.88% to 28,837.52 points. Fresh fiscal stimulus remains the key talking point on Wall Street, with Democrats rejecting a USD \$1.9 trillion proposal from Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin over the weekend as the President continues to call for a deal. The greenback finished Monday's session unchanged after paring earlier session strength during New York hours. The Euro closed above 1.18 after testing underneath the level, while the safe-haven Japanese Yen firmed +0.28% as USD/JPY moved underneath 105.50. Bond markets were closed for the Columbus Day holiday. Stocks across Europe finished Monday generally higher, with technology and utilities leading the broader market gains. The pan-European Stoxx 600 finished +0.72% higher to 373.00 points, the German Dax added +0.67% to 13,138.41 points, while in London the U.K. FTSE 100 slipped -0.25%

to 6,001.38 points as the pound firmed +0.22%.

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A firmer dollar weighed upon the precious complex during Asian trade on Tuesday, seeing silver decline back underneath USD \$25 following a test of the 23.6% Fib retracement at USD \$25.56 on Monday. Participants took some money of the table following recent gains that has seen silver appreciate more than 9% following the test of support at USD \$22.90 early last week, now sitting firmly above the March low uptrend. Gold failed to hold the supportive band toward USD \$1,920 in Asia today, declining in early Chinese trade, however finding interest on dips and basing around USD \$1,910. Expect support toward USD \$1,900 to act as a strong near-term pivot as investors become increasingly confident of a Biden campaign win, while initial resistance sits at the 50 DMA of USD \$1,936 A democratic sweep is likely to see a broader stimulus bill implemented, supportive for the yellow metal over the near-to-medium term, however we are likely to see choppy trade in the lead up to the election with a skew higher. Data today includes U.K. jobs report, German CPI, German ZEW survey results and U.S. CPI.

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