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## Daily Asia Wrap - 28th June 2019



### Range Asian Hours (from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
<b>OPEN</b>	1410.50/90	15.26/29	815/18	1549/59
<b>HIGH</b>	1424.00/50	15.32/35	817/20	1558/68
<b>LOW</b>	1408.60/00	15.25/28	815/18	1549/59
<b>LAST</b>	1419.30/70	15.29/32	815/18	1556/66

### MARKETS/MACRO

US equities were mostly higher ahead of the G20 meeting due to commence in Japan on Friday. The Dow edged lower 10.24 points, or 0.04%, to 26,526.38, the S&P 500 rose 11.14 points, or 0.38%, to 2,924.92, while the Nasdaq added 57.79 points, or 0.73%, to 7,967.76. Financials (+0.92%) and REITs (+0.73%) led a near broad advance in the markets. European equities were mixed, the EuroSTOXX was flat at 382.21, the German DAX gained 25.71 points, or 0.21%, to 12,271.03, and the London FTSE 100 lost 14.06 points, or 0.19%, to 7,402.33. Quiet session for currency majors, the US dollar index was flat at 96.20, the EUR was mostly unchanged at 1.1369, and USD/JPY was at 107.79. US treasury yields were lower, the 2 year yield eased 4.0 bps to 1.745% while the 10 year yield shed 4.5 bps to 2.012%. Oil prices were higher, Brent rose 0.1% to \$66.40 while WTI put on 0.3% to \$59.34. Base metals were mixed, with nickel (+1.8%) the standout. In US economic data, the US government left their first quarter 2019 GDP growth figure at 3.1%, as stronger investment helped offset weak consumer spending in the period. Pending home sales rose by a seasonally adjusted 1.1% in May after posting a -1.5% decline in April. Initial jobless claims rose 10,000 to 227,000 in the seven days ending June 22, continuing claims edged higher to 1.69 million. In Asia today, as I write the Nikkei is at -0.55%, the Shanghai composite is at -0.88%, the Hang Seng is at -0.57%, and the ASX S&P 200 is at -0.31%. Tonight we have personal income, consumer spending, core inflation, consumer sentiment, and Chicago PMI out of the US.

## PRECIOUS

Gold posted the session high \$1410 in before a mild bid tone characterised the remaining Asian trading day. The onshore SGE premium was around \$14 over loco London however we mostly saw selling from China. The London AM session was quiet with the market trading a fairly tight \$1403-05 range. The yellow metal tested the \$1400 support just after the open in NY and found plenty buying interest around that level. It was a slow grind higher for gold throughout remainder of the session, with the metal eventually closing flat at \$1409. Silver dipped as low as \$15.16 before recovering to close flat at \$15.23. Palladium was the best performer, closing at the high of \$1546 after testing the \$1500 level several times during the session. The Philadelphia gold and silver index fell 0.39% to 83.41. SPDR Gold trust holdings rose 0.15%. Stronger session for the precious so far in Asia, gold added \$15 to post a high of \$1424.00 with the SGE premium at \$12-13 over the loco London price. The yellow metal is at \$1419.30 as I write. Silver has been rangebound, the grey metal is currently sitting at \$15.29. Have a good day ahead.

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