

Europe/US Market Update - 3rd August 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

31-Jul-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1972.40	1972.90	23.8475	23.8675	916.50	919.50	2107.50	2110.50
HIGH	1983.40	1983.90	24.4875	24.5075	918.50	921.50	2144.00	2147.00
LOW	1960.00	1960.50	23.7325	23.7525	898.00	901.00	2056.50	2059.50
CLOSE	1974.60	1975.10	24.3350	24.3550	901.50	904.50	2089.50	2092.50
EFP	-7.00	-3.00	0.10000	0.20000	10.00	20.00	35.00	65.00
Active Contract	GCQ0 Comdty		SIUO Comdty		PLV0 Comdty		PAM0 Comdty	

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MACRO

- A tech sector rally helped US equities recover early losses to finish higher.
- The Dow added 114.67 points to 26,428.32, the S&P 500 rose 24.90 points to 3,271.12, while the Nasdaq gained 157.46 points to 10,745.27.
- There were wins for tech (+2.50%) and consumer discretionary (+1.28%) while energy (-0.69%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge lost 1.21% to 24.46.
- The US dollar index firmed 0.37% to 93.33, the EUR was down to 1.1764, while USD/JPY climbed to 105.99.
- US treasury yields were mixed, the 2 year yield slipped 0.6 bps to 0.105% while the 10 year yield rose 0.5 bps to 0.528%.
- European shares were lower, the EuroSTOXX lost 0.89%, the German DAX fell 0.54%, while the UK FTSE dropped 1.54%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent put on 1.0% to \$43.52 while WTI rose 0.5% to \$40.27.
- Base metals were mixed, with zinc (+1.4%) leading the gains.

- In US economic data, core PCE inflation rose 0.2% in June and 0.9% year on year.
- Personal income fell 1.1 in June, while personal spending increased 5.6% in June.
- The Chicago PMI rose by 15.3 points to 51.9 in July.

PRECIOUS

- Strong session saw gold and silver extend gains on Friday.
- Gold was bid through Asian hours and rose almost \$20 to \$1975 by the time London came in.
- High of \$1983 was printed during the London AM session.
- USD strengthened into the NY open and gold was sold back toward \$1960 in early trading.
- The metal recovered and spent the remainder of the session consolidating above \$1970.
- The yellow metal closed well ahead at \$1974.
- Silver closed near the highs at \$24.33.
- PGMS were rangebound and finished flat.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 2.84% to 154.53.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold gapped higher on todays open, reaching a high of \$1984.
- Ahead today:
- US Markit Manufacturing PMI
- US ISM manufacturing Index
- US Construction Spending
- US Motor Vehicle Sales
- EU Markit Manufacturing PMI final

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