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Gold On Path to \$1,450 despite higher US Dollar, says Bank of America Merrill Lynch

A commodity bull market is forming and gold has a big part to play, according to one Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BAML) strategist.

This year, gold prices will rise past the \$1,350-\$1,375 resistance level, BAML technical strategist Paul Ciana told CNBC on Saturday. And from there, Ciana added, the yellow metal could hit \$1,450, where it hasn't traded at since May 2013.

"As soon as this \$1,350 to \$1,375 area goes, which I do think it will later this year mostly when the dollar rally kind of tempers itself and neutralizes, that puts gold on the path to \$1,450 so plenty of room there," Ciana said.

"Gold prices have been forming a six-year long base," Ciana said. "In the technical world we like to say, the bigger the base, the higher in space. That's what gold is doing."

The yellow metal's prices have faced significant downward pressure from the firming U.S. dollar these past few weeks, even ending last week in red for the third consecutive time.

Ciana is confident that the U.S. dollar will not be a hurdle for much longer, as he sees both the greenback and gold going up at the same time.

Gold's upward trajection alongside the U.S. dollar will however be only temporary and then the inverse relationship will once again overpower other factors, Ciana added.

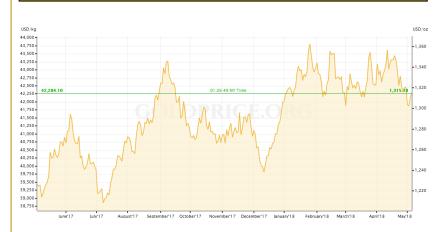
U.S. Exports Nearly All Gold Mine Supply To Hong Kong

The U.S. gold exports to Hong Kong surged in February consuming nearly all of the domestic gold mine supply. According to the USGS recent Gold Mineral Industry Survey, February gold exports to Hong Kong more than doubled compared to the prior month. This was an interesting increase in gold demand from Hong Kong as the market price increased slightly month over month.

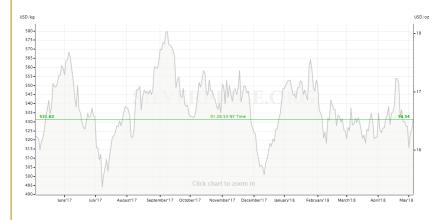
Not only did gold exports to Hong Kong jump, but total U.S. gold exports also increased 40% from 36.1 metric tons (mt) in January to 50.4 mt in February. The top three countries that received the majority of U.S. gold exports were Hong Kong (15.5 mt), the United Kingdom (12.1 mt) and Switzerland (11.7 mt).

The West's gold continues to flow to the East. Even though the U.S. exported nearly 24 mt of gold to the U.K. and Switzerland in February, I would imagine a large percentage of that gold ends up in China, India and Southeast Asia.

Gold Price

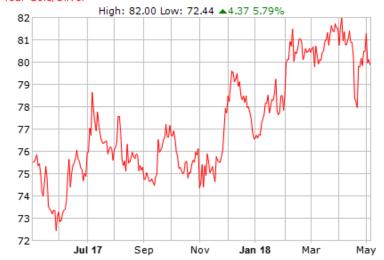


Silver Price



Gold To Silver Price Ratio

1 Year Gold/Silver



Billionaire girds for stock-market crash by investing half his net worth in gold

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Egyptian billionaire Naguib Sawiris isn't your typical gold bug.

The chairman of Orascom Telecom Media and Technology Holding S.A.E. told Bloomberg in an interview from Cairo this week that he sees gold GCM8, +0.15% surging up to \$1,800 an ounce while the "overvalued" stock market hits the skids.

At last check, gold was down almost 1% at \$1,307 an ounce while the DowDJIA, +1.39% and S&P SPX, +1.28% were getting hit hard in Tuesday's session.

Sawiris, Egypt's second-richest man behind his younger brother, is putting his money where his mouth is, investing half his \$5.7 billion net worth in gold.

"In the end you have China and they will not stop consuming," he said. "And people also tend to go to gold during crises and we are full of crises right now. Look at the Middle East and the rest of the world and Mr. Trump doesn't help."

Sawiris has grown his substantial wealth by investing in Egypt's telecom sector as well as in less popular markets like Iraq, Pakistan, Bangladesh and even North Korea, where a peace deal could deliver him nice profits, according to Bloomberg.

The Quick Rundown: RCM sacks gold thief

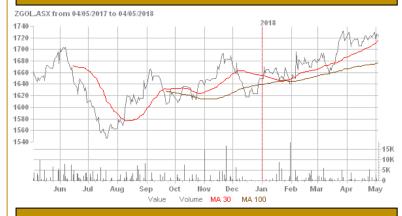
- The Royal Canadian Mint has fired a rogue employee after a stock check revealed \$110,000 worth of gold was missing.
- Two missing gold discs, weighing one kilogram each, were unaccounted for and following an internal investigation, the offending employee was dismissed.
- The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have been called in to carry out an official criminal investigation.
- The theft occurred at the Mint's headquarters in Ottawa, mere months after a security system upgrade.
- The theft is reminiscent of a thieving employee who stole almost \$200,000 worth of gold in 2014, pawning it off to a local gold buyer.
- The gold is still missing and is yet to be recovered. The Mint has refused to issue further comment while the RCMP continues to investigate.

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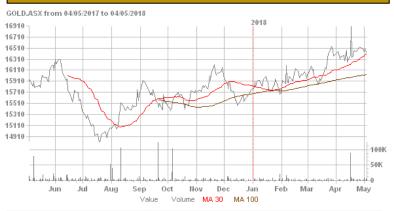
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Listing (ASX)	Points	Percent.	Price AU
Evolution Mining	0.010	0.302%	\$3.320
Newcrest Mining	0.290	1.346%	\$21.840
Northern Star	0.00	0.000%	\$6.630
Rio Tinto	0.130	0.161%	\$80.810
South32	0.070	1.862%	\$3.830

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