

Equity Investment Advisers Gold Report



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Gold Rises Further As U.S. Dollar Eases

Gold prices rose further on Monday as the dollar eased to its lowest in nearly two weeks after U.S. President Donald Trump criticised the Federal Reserve's interest rate tightening policy.

Spot gold was up 0.2 percent at \$1,234.24 an ounce at 0045 GMT, after rising 0.7 percent in the previous session. U.S. gold futures for August delivery were 0.3 percent higher at \$1,234.20 an ounce. The dollar index, which measures the greenback against a basket of six major currencies, was down 0.2 percent at 94.252. It fell to its weakest since July 11 earlier in the session.

Trump on Friday dug in on his criticism of the Federal Reserve's policy on raising interest rates, saying it takes away from the United States' "big competitive edge." Trump on Friday said he was ready to impose tariffs on all \$500 billion of imported goods from China, threatening to escalate a clash over trade policy that has unnerved financial markets.

A policy debate in China on how best to address slowing growth deepened on Friday, as analysts urged authorities to boost fiscal stimulus amid rising risks to the world's second-biggest economy from a bitter trade conflict with the United States.

A drop in prices spurred some interest for physical gold in major Asian hubs last week. Hedge funds and money managers switched to a net short position in COMEX gold contracts for the first time since 2016 in the week to July 17, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) data showed on Friday.

G20 Calls For Greater Dialogue On Trade Tensions

Finance ministers and central bankers from the world's largest economies said on Sunday that heightened trade and geopolitical tensions risk derailing global growth, and called for greater dialogue, according to the final communique of a G20 meeting.

The weekend talks in Buenos Aires come at a time of escalating rhetoric in the trade conflict between the United States and China, the world's largest economies, which have so far slapped tariffs on \$34 billion worth of each other's goods. U.S. President Donald Trump raised the stakes on Friday with a threat to impose tariffs on all \$500 billion of Chinese exports to the United States unless Beijing agrees to major structural changes to its technology transfer, industrial subsidy and joint venture policies.

The communique noted that global economic growth was robust and unemployment was at a decade low. However, it warned that growth was becoming less synchronized among major economies and downside risks over the short- and medium-term had increased. "These include rising financial vulnerabilities, heightened trade and geopolitical tensions, global imbalances, inequality and structurally weak growth, particularly in some advanced economies," said the communique.

Gold Price



Silver Price



Gold To Silver Price Ratio

1 Year Gold/Silver



Barrick Gold Is The Undisclosed Bidder for Detour Gold

Barrick Gold Corp. is the undisclosed gold miner that was asked to sign a confidentiality agreement alongside activist investor John Paulson to discuss potentially buying Detour Gold Corp., according to people familiar with the matter.

While Barrick's level of interest in Detour is unclear, neither Paulson nor Barrick signed the confidentiality agreements, said the people, who asked to not be identified because the matter isn't public. Paulson has held previous discussions with Barrick about Detour, they added.

Paulson & Co., the hedge fund run by billionaire Paulson, is locked in a heated dispute with Detour and is pushing for the miner to sell itself. Paulson said Thursday it intends to call a special shareholder meeting to replace most of the board after Detour rejected its request to run an auction for the company.

Paulson also filed an email with regulators that showed it along with what was characterized as a major gold miner were asked by Detour to sign a confidentiality agreement to look at Detour's books and receive other non-public information. That undisclosed potential buyer is Barrick Gold, said the people who asked not to be identified because the matter is private.

Representatives for Barrick, Detour and Paulson declined to comment on the matter.

The fight between Paulson and Detour escalated this week with each accusing the other of providing false and misleading information and both saying they had complained to the Ontario Securities Commission. Paulson alleged Detour had failed to share information about a possible buyer, while the Toronto-based miner said it hadn't received any offers to purchase its shares.

The Quick Rundown: Alaska's Golden Tundra

- The Alaskan Department of Natural Resources has invited local citizens to give their input on one of the world's largest gold projects.
- The Dolin Proekt, in Yukon-Kuskokwim, is believed to contain 39 million ounces of gold, which is expected to be mined at a rate of at least 1 million ounces per year.
- The project is owned by Battick Gold and Novagold Resources Alaska, who aim to operate the project for at least twenty-seven year.
- The land upon which the mine is to be built is owned by the Kuskokwim Corp., a for-profit corporation representing several indigenous peoples, who have agreed to the project in exchange for a large share of the project's royalties.
- Public submissions are being requested in regard to the Project's post-operating reclamation plan, an environmentally-friendly conclusion once the mine's operating life comes to an end.

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Listing (ASX)	Points	Percent.	Price
Evolution Mining	0.005	0.167%	\$2.995
Newcrest Mining	0.025	0.124%	\$20.065
Northern Star	0.060	0.875%	\$6.920
Rio Tinto	0.400	0.500%	\$79.680
South32	0.045	1.271%	\$3.495

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