



## ARY MILLIGOLD WEEKLY

*“Gold’s reversal from the record high of \$2431 extends to 13% as geopolitical tensions ease”.*

Weekly Price Review For The Week Ending		03-May-24		Date	05-May-24	
OTC Spot Market	High Bid	Low Offer	Close	WTD Change \$	WTD Change %	YTD Change %
Gold	\$2,346.00	\$2,278.00	\$2,302.00	(\$36.00)	-1.54%	11.59%
Silver	\$27.44	\$26.05	\$26.56	(\$0.66)	-2.42%	11.64%
Platinum	\$969.00	\$916.00	\$956.00	\$43.00	4.71%	-3.92%
Palladium	\$981.00	\$922.00	\$947.00	(\$9.00)	-0.94%	-13.99%
Precious Metals Cross Rates	XAU/XAG Ratio	XAU/XPT Ratio	XAU/XPD Ratio	XPT v XPD Spread	XAU/BRENT	XAU/\$10Y TSY
Weekly Close	86.67	2.41	2.43	\$9.00	27.81	510.20
WTD Change %	0.91%	-5.97%	-0.60%	120.93%	4.75%	1.84%
YTD Change %	-0.05%	16.14%	29.73%	108.49%	3.90%	-4.02%
Gold Prices in Other Currencies	AUD	EUR	GBP	INR	RUB	ZAR
Weekly Close	3,483.66	2,139.80	1,834.99	191,871.70	210,524.81	42,581.71
WTD Change %	-2.67%	-2.16%	-1.99%	-1.57%	-1.99%	-3.00%
YTD Change %	14.95%	14.48%	13.17%	11.83%	14.21%	12.89%

### ARY MILLIGOLD Weekly Recap

**Monday** – Gold had a choppy start to the week posting its low for the day of \$2321 in early Asian trading as pre-weekend geo-political insurance longs were liquidated after no further escalation of the conflicts in Gaza and Ukraine. However good physical demand from China, combined with (probable) Central Bank buying at the AM benchmark drove the price up to \$2344 before falling back to \$2326 shortly after the New York opening. This was followed by a spike to the high for the week of \$2346 before easing back to end with a marginal 0.09% loss on the day at \$2336. **Silver** tracked gold lower to end down 0.29% at \$27.14, while the PGM’s had a strong start to the week with **platinum** rising 3.83% to \$948 on positive news about the use of Hydrogen in the auto sector, while **palladium** gained 2.09% to \$976.

**Tuesday** – Gold posted its high for the day of \$2336 on the opening bell, then embarked on a relentless decline throughout the rest of the day to end on the lows and down 2.14% at \$2286, amid good trading volume, as the USD strengthened ahead of the FOMC interest rate decision and amid rumors of progress in ceasefire talks between Israel and Hamas. **Silver** fell 3.13% to end on the lows at \$26.29; **platinum** fell 1.37% to \$935, and **palladium** fell 2.25% to \$954.

**Wednesday** – Gold eased to a \$2282, its lowest level for a month, in Asia but then staged a sustained rally to \$2310 shortly after the New York opening before easing back to \$2295 ahead of the FOMC decision, and Jerome Powell’s press conference. As expected, the Fed left its base lending rate unchanged at 5.50% for the 6<sup>th</sup> successive time, but the Fed Chairman struck an unexpectedly dovish tone in his speech that gave a boost to gold with the price rising to a high for the day of \$2326 before ending up 1.49% at \$2320. **Silver** tracked gold higher to end up 1.37% at \$26.65; **platinum** posted a sector leading gain of 1.82% to \$952; but **palladium** bucked the bullish trend to end with a marginal 0.31% loss at \$951.

**Thursday** – Gold posted its high for the day of \$2326 on the opening bell in Asia on Thursday as global markets digested Jerome Powell’s post Fed interest rate decision comments and reports of progress in Israel/Hamas cease fire talks, with the price suffering a sustained 1.72% decline that bottomed out at \$2286 before recovering into the close to end with a pared 0.69% loss at \$2304. **Silver** ignored gold’s weakness to end with a marginal 0.11% gain to \$26.68 after posting an earlier low for the week of \$26.05; **platinum** held steady, closing unchanged at \$952, while **palladium** fell 1.68% to \$935.

**Friday** – Gold posted its high for the day of \$2320, following softer than expected US jobs data, amid a weaker USD and falling US10YT yields. However, the yellow metal staged an abrupt about turn, falling to a fresh 1-month low of \$2278 before recouping most of the decline to end barely lower on the day at \$2302, although this represented a decline of 1.54% for the week. **Silver** also had an active day, with the industrial precious metal posting a range of \$26.15 to \$26.89 before ending down 0.45% on the day, and 2.42% for the week at \$26.56. The PGM’s were mixed with **platinum** gaining 0.42% on Friday, and 4.71% over the week as it ended at \$956, while **palladium** added 1.28% to \$947 but was down 0.94% on the week and planted firmly at the bottom of the precious metals sector for the YTD.

Swaps & Options	1m Swap	3m Swap	6m Swap	1m ATM Vol	3m ATM.Vol	6m ATM Vol
XAU/USD	5.40%	5.40%	5.37%	13.75%	13.65%	13.85%
XAG/USD	5.45%	5.40%	5.35%	25.60%	25.15%	25.50%
XPT/USD	4.85%	4.45%	4.35%	24.00%	22.00%	22.00%
XPD/USD	4.90%	4.65%	4.60%	38.00%	36.70%	37.60%

Investment & Trade Flows	Major ETF Holdings Total AUM USD Mio			CME Open Interest		
	Weekly Close	WTD Change %	YTD Change %	Weekly Close	WTD Change %	YTD Change %
GLD	\$61,240	-1.56%	5.10%	524,576	0.57%	6.56%
SLV	\$11,240	-5.07%	8.08%	163,079	-4.08%	24.46%
PPLT	\$1,012	5.62%	1.46%	79,923	-6.76%	13.22%
PALL	\$234	-0.73%	6.75%	25,669	14.41%	55.02%



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### Daily Gold Chart



In last week's report we stated that the US economy was set to take centre stage from geopolitics with the latest FOMC meeting in mid-week and US employment data on Friday the key risk events for gold. In the event, while interest rates were left unchanged, as widely expected, the Fed Chairman's narrative was surprisingly dovish and sparked a rally from Tuesday's 1-month low of \$2286 to \$2326 in early trading on Thursday in the wake of Powell's comments that rate cuts were still on the table for later this year. The rally, however, was short lived as hopes of a ceasefire in Gaza signalled a reduction in Mid-East tensions, with gold falling back to end at \$2304. With all eyes focussed on Friday's US jobs report, the yellow metal staged a sharp rally to \$2320, as the USD fell, following weaker

than expected numbers, but gold's strength quickly dissipated with the price staging an abrupt about turn to a fresh 1-month low of 2278 before recovering into the close to end barely lower at \$2302, although this meant a loss of 1.54% on the week, and was 5.27% below the all-time high of \$2431 posted on 12<sup>th</sup> April. Looking ahead there is a dearth of US economic reports in the coming week and so the focus for global markets will revert to geo-politics, although US monetary policy will remain in the news with no fewer than 8 speeches next week by Fed officials. Technically the charts remain negative, and we expect an early test of support located at \$2285, with a clear break targeting the 50-day MA now pegged at at \$2238, while on the topside, previous support set at \$2325 should now act as resistance and cap any rallies.

### Daily Silver Chart

In the last two weekly reports, we had expressed a technically bearish view following the MACD crossover sell signal, with key support set at \$26 the target on the charts. Although it took its time, this prediction became a reality as the industrial precious metal plunged 5.07% from a high of \$27.44 on Monday to a low of \$26.05 on Thursday before recovering into the close on Friday to end down 0.45% on the day and 2.42% over the week at \$26.56. Although the physical silver supply versus demand fundamentals supports a much higher silver price (\$30 plus according to some experts), the expected weakness in gold should weigh on silver, with the charts pointing to a test of the 50-day MA pegged at \$25.78 in the coming week, with potential to reach key support located at \$24.50 over the summer. The fact that silver fell more than gold last week meant that value of gold versus silver rose by 0.91% over the week. If the G/S ratio falls towards 90:1 this could be an attractive level for fans of this precious metal cross trade.





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### Daily Platinum Chart



Although platinum devotees were shell-shocked by the previous week's 10.74% sell-off, the fact that the noble metal ended with a sharply pared 2.04% loss on the week at \$913 was technically encouraging, and this was a precursor to a stunning return to form with platinum staging a relentless 5.79% rally, from a low of \$916 on Monday to a high of \$969 on Friday before ending the day up 0.42% and 4.71% for the week at \$956. This move has triggered a MACD crossover buy signal, with an initial target on the charts of \$980 and a clear break of this resistance level bringing \$1010 on to technical radar screens. On the fundamental side, positive reports on the use of platinum in hydrogen powered autos could have a significant impact on platinum demand and points to much higher prices in its own right, and on the cross against gold and palladium.

### Daily Palladium Chart

Despite the strong showing of platinum last week, palladium continued its struggles with the price falling 6%, from a high of \$981 on Monday to a low for the week of \$922 on Thursday, before recovering into the close to end with a gain of 1.28% on the day at \$947 but was down 0.94% on the week and 13.99% for the year to date. While further weakness could still be possible, with a potential test of support pegged at \$850 moving on to technical radar screens, the strength of platinum could attract bargain basement hunters in a precious metal that has lost 75% of its value since March 2022 and was 'the Most Valuable Precious Metal' for over five years.

