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Gold & Silver Marketwatch

Daily Update

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Market Commentary

Overnight dollar strength saw gold open lower at 1540/1541. Gains in equities, after mixed housing data, coupled with a strengthening EUR encouraged gold buying with the metal reaching an intraday high of 1552/1553 midmorning. More discouraging news out of Greece however, took away gold's optimism, with it tumbling to its intraday low of 1534/1535 midsession. A midday comeback was attempted but could not hold and the metal eventually closed the day at 1536.25/1537.25

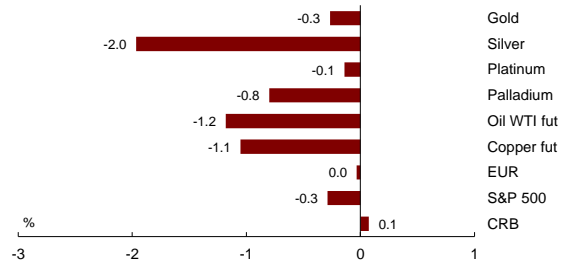
Silver opened much lower at 27.49/27.54, alongside deep overnight losses in both base metals and crude. The metal made early gains as crude rallied back, eventually reaching an intraday high of 27.96/28.01 midmorning. Following the theme of the day however, early gains were erased as commodities retreated and silver reached an intraday low of 27.15/27.20 shortly before the close at 27.21/27.26.

Technical Commentary

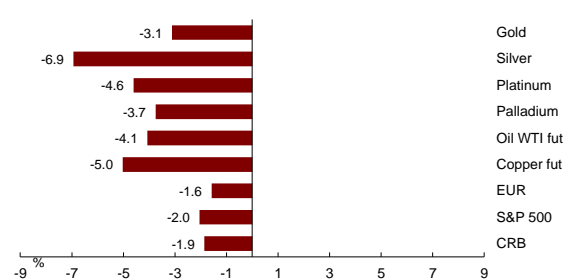
Gold made further progress today towards reaching its target of 1522, trading to a low of 1534 and closing at 1536. Support remains at 1522 and resistance at 1579. Should gold close through the 1522 support level, the next target will be the 1478 low from July 2011. RSI is approaching extreme oversold territory but there are no warning signs yet of a change in trend.

Silver also closed lower at 27.21 after breaching support from the bottom of the bearish trend channel on an intraday basis. Support is at the bottom of the channel, currently at 27.08 and resistance is at 28.83. The RSI for silver is in extreme oversold territory; however, there are no warning signs yet of a change in trend. The Gold-Silver ratio had a very strong up-day today, trading at 56.69, clearing resistance at 55.76. This should now act as support. The next target is a full retracement to the December 2011 high of 58.26.

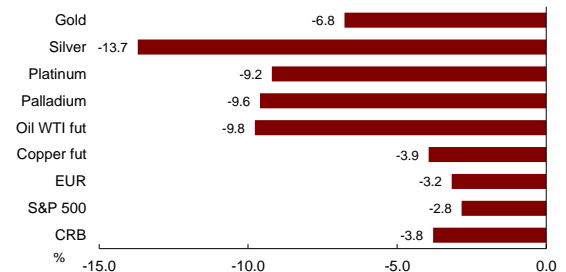
1-Day Commodity Moves



5-Day Commodity Moves



1 Month Commodity Moves



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Technical Levels, etc. Gold, Silver, Platinum & Palladium

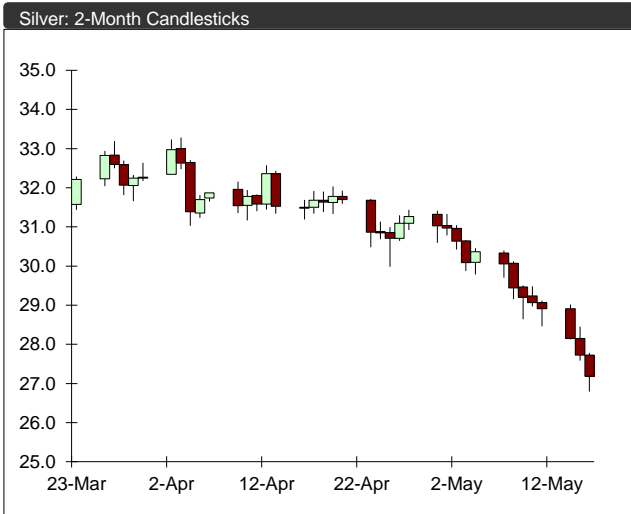
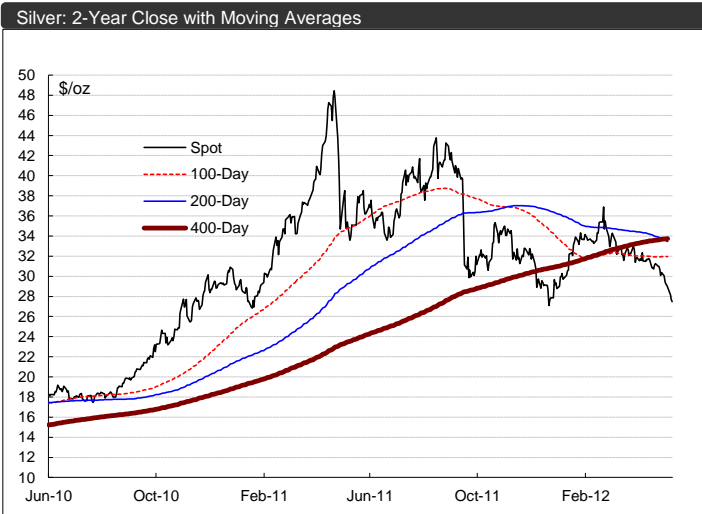
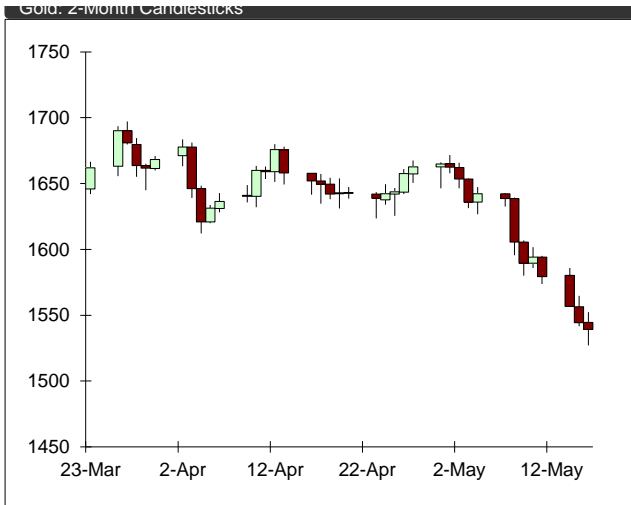
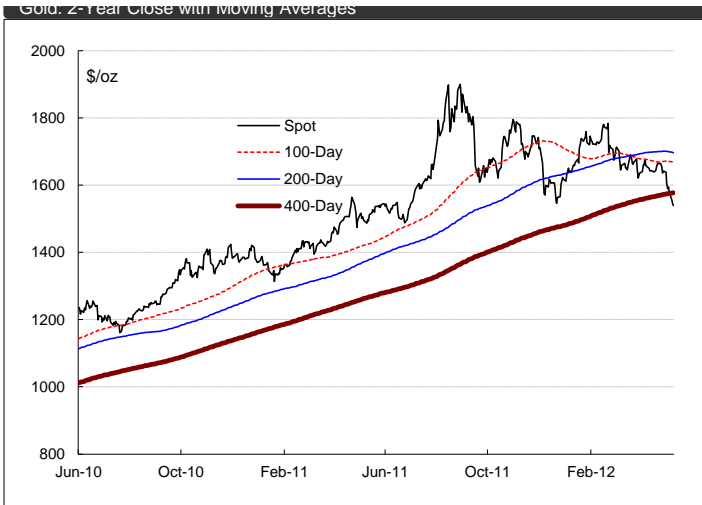
	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium
Open	1540.00/1541.00	27.49/27.54	1,433.00	596.00
High	1552.00/1553.00	27.96/28.01	1,443.88	600.75
Low	1534.00/1535.00	27.15/27.20	1,422.50	587.75
Close / Last Mid*	1536.25/1537.25	27.21/27.26	1,431.50	590.50
London Fix AM	1,537.50	27.25	1,426.00	593.00
London Fix PM	1,548.50	NA	1,427.00	590.00
Handy Harman (Base)	1,548.50	27.740	1,427.00	590.00
Gold / Silver Ratio	56.83	NA	NA	NA
Open Interest	Gold OI	Silver OI		
COMEX	422,091		114,208	
CBOT	1,507		651	
Total	423,598		114,859	

Technical Levels, etc.

	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium
Pivot	1,544.09	27.473	1,436	594.88
Primary Support (Buy)	1,523.55	26.490	1,418	583.88
Primary Resistance (Sell)	1,561.19	28.154	1,450	602.00
HBOP	1,598.84	29.817	1,483	620.13
LBOP	1,485.90	24.827	1,385	565.75
Bollinger Band Upper	1,700.91	32.616	1,625	711.21
Bollinger Band Mid	1,621.88	30.054	1,526	646.07
Bollinger Band Lower	1,542.85	27.492	1,427	580.93
Relative Strength 9 Day	14	11	11	21
Relative Strength 14 Day	22	19	18	27

Close/last mid refers to the spot closing floor price in gold and silver, and spot's last mid price as provided by Bloomberg in platinum & palladium spot. All other data provided by Bloomberg. Actual market levels may have differed.





Source: Bloomberg - which can differ slightly from market

Moving Averages				
	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium
5 Day MA	1,562.89	28.206	1,451	599.00
10 Day MA	1,592.62	29.019	1,486	618.88
20 Day MA	1,621.88	30.054	1,526	646.07
30 Day MA	1,631.40	30.608	1,549	646.95
60 Day MA	1,659.59	31.984	1,607	666.69
100 Day MA	1,669.16	31.940	1,587	670.18
200 Day MA	1,696.34	33.290	1,610	668.45
400 Day MA	1,537.03	32.800	-	-

FX Majors		Markets	
CAD	1.0119	CRB	289.35
EUR	1.2724	DJAIG	134.32
GBP	1.5915	Crude (fut)	92.82
CHF	0.9439	S&P 500	1327.54
AUD	0.9918	US 10 Yr	1.76
ZAR	8.3076	US 30 Yr	2.90
JPY	80.2600	CDN 10 Yr	1.92
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