

PRECIOUS METALS REPORT

MARKET COMMENT

Quarter End Volatility

It looked like the end of Deutsche Bank yesterday as news of hedge fund exits and looming fines of 3 times more than its legal reserves. Today the stock market spiked higher on news of a pending settlement between Deutsche Bank and the Dept of Justice. The fines might be reduced to the \$5-6 billion level.

US personal income gained 0.2% last month, half the gain from the previous month. Consumer spending was unchanged at 0.4% versus the previous month. University of Michigan consumer sentiment rose to 91.2 in September, much higher than expected.

Silver was off to the races earlier in the session on a short covering rally as the Deutsche Bank crisis subsided and the fear of a derivative related selloff in metals appeared to have been avoided. As silver hit the double top set earlier in September, traders scrambled to lock in any gains they had for the 3rd guarter. Silver ended the day up 4 cents. Gold sold off steadily in the session as the fear trade waned and better than expected consumer sentiment data continue to point to a Dec FOMC rate hike. Gold ended the day down 0.5% or \$7. Platinum ended the quarter pretty much where it started, all hype and no follow through buying. Palladium was the clear winner in Q3 with gains of nearly 20% from below \$600 to \$720. Q4 is expected to bring more volatility.

Have a wonderful weekend!

TRADING RANGE (COMEX/NYMEX Far East and early European ranges)

	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium	Euro/USD
Open	1323.60	19.155	1032.30	716.80	1.1220
Low	1322.00	19.120	1030.10	714.55	1.1165
High	1331.20	19.400	1039.80	722.35	1.1226

LONDON BENCHMARKS / ECB-EXCHANGE RATE

	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium	Euro/USD
AM	1327.90	19.35	1031.00	719.00	1.1161
PM	1322.50		1034.00	722.00	

TRADING RANGE (COMEX/NYMEX)

	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium	Euro/USD
Low	1316.00	19.120	1030.10	714.55	1.1150
High	1331.50	19.770	1047.10	728.00	1.1250
Close	1317.10	19.214	1034.50	721.50	1.1221

SUPPORT / RESISTANCE (USD/toz)

	Gold	Silver	Platinum	Palladium	Euro/USD
Support	1300	19.00	1000	650	1.1100
Resistance	1400	20.25	1100	725	1.1300

MINOR PGM METALS

Rh	635-685	lr	600-675	Ru	32-42

U.S. ECONOMIC CALENDAR (October 3, 2016)

ISM manufacturing PMI (Sep)

Auto sales (Sep)

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