

Gold- Fundamental Highlight

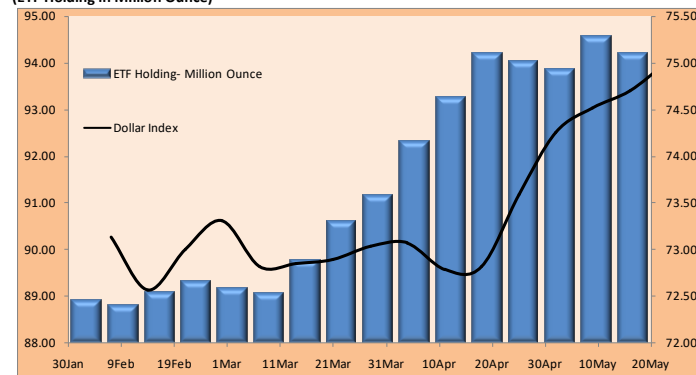
- Gold biased positive as new development is supporting the move. Gold prices spiked after U.S. President Donald Trump's decision to call off a meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un triggered safe-haven buying.
- The U.S. dollar index extended its recent downtrend pulling further from a 2018 peak, after this news.
- Trump's threat to impose tariffs on auto imports drew strong criticism and prospect of a global trade war that would harm American interests.
- Eurozone growth could slow further and uncertainty is on the rise but the bloc's expansion remains solid and broad-based, European Central Bank policymakers concluded in April, the minutes of the meeting showed on Thursday.
- Gold also got support from recent Fed meeting minutes released later on this Wednesday, Federal Reserve officials gave no indication that they are likely to speed up their pace of interest, suggesting Fed would be willing to allow the inflation rate to rise slightly above 2 percent for a "temporary period," while the economy continues to expand.

Price Movement (% Change)

Commodity	Prv Close	5D	MTD	YTD	3YTD
Gold	1304.4	1%	-2%	4%	7%
Silver	16.687	1.4%	-0.6%	-5.2%	-0.3%

Dollar Index and ETF Holding –Weekly move

(ETF Holding in Million Ounce)



Source: Bloomberg, WGC Report

Comex Gold Fut. -Daily Chart



Source: Bloomberg

Key technical Levels (\$/ troy Ounce)

Pivot Levels	1298.4	
Support	1277.0	1263.7
Resistance	1311.7	1333.1
Moving Average		
	Simple	Exponential
MA5	1308.8	1308.6
MA10	1322.9	1316.4
MA20	1326.5	1316.5
MA50	1297.0	1301.2
MA100	1276.6	1275.1
MA200	1233.4	1290.1
14 Days RSI	47.4	

Technical Outlook

Gold bounced from recent low of 1281 and spiked above 1306, now holding this psychological level of 1300, still far away from breaking critical resistance of 20 DMA at 1326 and major bullish move may happen above this level towards recent high of 1356 and more above this level till 1365-1375. Negative trend may emerge again if counter breaks recent low of 1281 towards next level of support till 1277 and 1263.

Recommendation: Traders can initiate buy for short term with stop loss below 1281 on minor correction from current level till 1297 while add more position on break above 1326 for target of 1356-1375 in near term. Sell only below 1281 for target of 1263-1245 in near term.

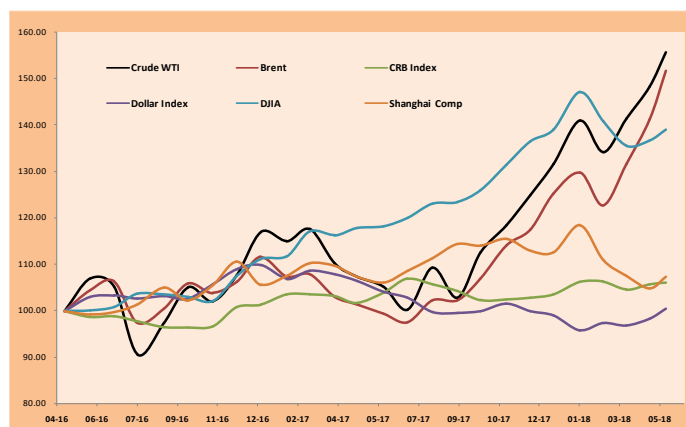
Crude Oil- Fundamental Highlight

- Crude prices fell from recent high as OPEC and Russia considered easing supply curbs to offset disruptions in Venezuela and an expected drop in Iranian exports.
- Russian Energy Minister Alexander Novak has had talks with Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih on an easing of the terms of the global oil supply pact that has been in place for 17 months.
- Supply will become easy as energy ministers of Saudi Arabia, Russia, and the United Arab Emirates are discussing an output increase of about 1 million barrels per day
- Global crude supplies have tightened sharply over the because of the OPEC-led cuts, which were boosted by a drop in Venezuelan production.
- The prospects of renewed sanctions on Iran after U.S. President Donald Trump pulled out of an international nuclear deal with Tehran have also boosted prices in recent weeks.
- The output from the likes of the United States, Canada, and Brazil, which are not bound by the OPEC/Russian-led pact, is likely to rise further as crude prices rise.

Price Movement (% Change)

Commodity	Prv Close	5D	MTD	YTD	3YTD
Crude WTI	70.71	-0.8%	4.4%	44.6%	42.7%
Brent	78.79	0.4%	7.8%	50.9%	44.6%
Nat. Gas	2.94	3.3%	5.7%	-7.7%	47.6%

Trend in Crude Oil and other Assets class (Index)



Source – Monthly closing data from Bloomberg

NYMEX Crude Oil WTI Fut. – Daily Chart



Source: Bloomberg

Key technical Levels (\$/ bbl)

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Pivot Levels	71.28	
Support	70.26	69.24
Resistance	72.30	73.32
Moving Average		
	Simple	Exponential
MA5	69.82	69.37
MA10	67.78	68.04
MA20	65.35	65.11
MA50	57.12	59.69
MA100	53.00	56.21
MA200	53.40	59.26
14 Days RSI	62.6	

Technical Outlook

WTI Crude Oil prices on NYMEX Corrected from the recent high of \$72.91 and holding below \$70, as we see the further break below 69.20 may keep prices under pressure towards next level of support till 65.84 in near term. Bullish will be back only if it holds and trades above \$72.30.

Recommendation:

Those are selling from minor pullback from current levels may keep the stop loss above \$72.30 for near-term while trader may add more quantity if it holds below 69.20 for a target if 65.80 levels.

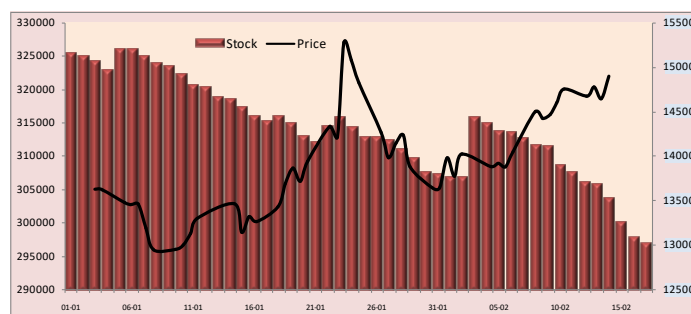
Nickel- Fundamental Highlight

- Base metals rose on this week, led by nickel in Shanghai as investors bet that demand for the metal would increase in line with China's electric vehicle (EV) boom.
- Nickel Continues Winning Streak as Stocks Dwindle
- Nickel heads for fourth straight weekly gain as exchange inventories shrink, the Fourth weekly rally is the longest streak since October in Nickel
- Market rallying as stockpiles fall to multiyear lows on LME and Shanghai Futures Exchange
- LME inventories at lowest since 2014; SHFE stockpiles lowest since 2015

Price Movement (% Change)

Commodity	Prv Close	5D	MTD	YTD	3YTD
Copper	6880	0.4%	-1.9%	20.2%	47.8%
Aluminium	2281	0.5%	2.4%	16.4%	47.7%
Nickel	14900	1.0%	6.5%	64.8%	78.4%
Zinc	3034	-2.1%	-5.5%	15.2%	65.5%

Nickel – LME Price and Warehouse Stock



(In Tonne)

LME 3M Nickel Future Contract – Daily Chart



Source: Bloomberg

Key technical Levels (\$/tonne)

Pivot Levels	14513	
Support	14154	13676
Resistance	14992	15351
Moving Average		
	Simple	Exponential
MA5	14255	14369
MA10	13966	14123
MA20	13671	13610
MA50	12073	12522
MA100	11145	11897
MA200	11662	12439
14 Days RSI	63.8	

Technical Outlook

Short-term bullish bias may keep Nickel 3 Month contract on LME which is strongly supported around \$14300 per ton, while immediate strong resistance is only seen around \$16706 per ton, Counter is holding above all short-term moving average and first negative indicator will emerge only if it breaks and hold below 50 MDA at \$13957 per ton

Recommendation: Those are buying on corrective dips till \$14600-\$14450 may keep top loss below \$14100 for target of \$15350-\$15700-\$16000 and \$16700 in near term

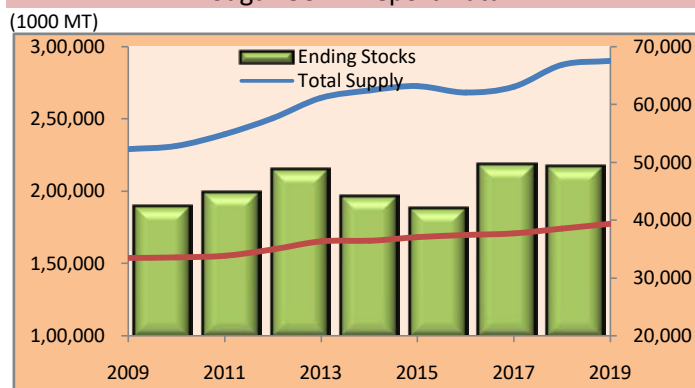
Sugar – Fundamental Highlight

- Raw sugar for July delivery gains on ICE Futures U.S. in N.Y. after reaching 12.52c, the highest for a most-active contract since April 2.
- The price rises for the fifth straight session, heading for the longest rally this year, amid adverse weather in Brazil and the prospect that India's exports will trail expectation
- The Brazil trucker strike enters the fourth straight day and "is now hitting sugar operations," Michael McDougall, senior vice president at ED&F Man Capital Markets in N.Y., says in a note
- At least 10 mills shut in Parana and more are closing in Sao Paulo while "ports have truck traffic blocked, so only rail traffic is getting in"
- Global output estimated at 188.3m tons and consumption at 177.6m tons; India and Thailand crops will advance to records
- The estimate compares with a surplus of 17.7m tons for 2017-18; crops seen yielding 191.8m tons, and consumption at 174.1m
- Season starts Oct. 1 in most countries, Ending 2018-19 stockpiles seen at 49.2m tons, down from 49.5m, Elevated production will keep stocks high, pressuring prices, with Asia accounting for most of the reserve gains: USDA

Price Movement (% Change)

Commodity	Prv Close	5D	MTD	YTD	3YTD
Soybean	1035.75	3.7%	1.3%	9.2%	-1.8%
Cotton	87.46	1.1%	6.3%	12.8%	38.8%
Sugar	12.38	6.2%	11.1%	-21.0%	-25.5%
Cron	404.25	0.4%	6.0%	8.9%	1.7%

Sugar USDA Report Data



ICE US Sugar 11 Futures – Daily Chart



Source: Bloomberg

Key technical Levels (\$/ Pound)

Pivot Levels	12.56	
Support	12.5	12.46
Resistance	12.6	12.66
MA5	12.48	12.46
MA10	12.46	12.44
MA20	12.37	12.37
MA50	12.09	12.13
MA100	11.74	11.9
MA200	11.60	11.77
14 Days RSI	53.8	

Technical Outlook:

Sugar Prices rose from the recent low of \$10.69 and holding above short-term moving averages if 50 MDA of \$12.09, which is indicating more upside move if it breaks and holds above 12.92, further upside move is possible till \$13.70 and \$14.06. Bearishness will be back if counter again breaks below \$11.09.towards recent low of \$10.69 and more below this level till \$10.20

Recommendation: Minor corrective dips till \$11.95 can be considered as fresh buying with the stop loss below \$10.69 for short term while medium-term still looking weak, traders can sell till \$12.90-\$13.70 by taking stop loss above \$14.10

Commitment of Trades – Weekly Report

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission released its weekly Commitments of Traders report for the week ending May 15 on Friday.

Value in 1000Qty.

Commodity	Price	Long Positions		Short Positions		Net Positions		Open Interest	
	% Change	Contracts	% Change	Contracts	% Change	Contracts	% Chng	Contracts	% Chng
NYMEX Crude W	3.3%	772.51	-2.8%	128.07	2.6%	0.644	-3.8%	2706.45	1.8%
ICE Brent	4.8%	672.06	-0.9%	246.80	10.3%	0.43	-6.5%	2703.95	4.1%
COMEX Gold	-1.8%	201.47	-3.0%	109.03	17.7%	0.09	-19.7%	519.96	5.8%
COMEXNSilver	-1.2%	71.70	2.5%	72.03	-2.2%	-0.0003	-91.2%	198.07	1.1%
CBOT Soybean	0.7%	232.20	-2.6%	87.70	16.9%	0.14	-11.6%	512.37	-0.6%
ICE Cotton	-1.9%	125.97	-4.9%	14.54	16.4%	0.11	-7.2%	282.94	-1.2%
CBOT Corn	1.7%	545.23	-0.9%	216.41	7.5%	0.33	-5.8%	1831.02	2.1%
ICE Sugar	-0.3%	235.05	0.8%	321.05	-0.8%	-0.09	-4.9%	1028.72	2.9%

Source: CFTC, Weekly report for the week of 8 May 2018 to 15 May 2018

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