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Key News

Gold extends gains to hit 16-week high on Portugal worries

Gold futures rallied to the highest level in more than three months on Thursday, as renewed concerns over the health of Portugal's largest bank boosted demand for safe haven assets. Portugal's stock exchange, the PSI 20 fell sharply on Thursday, amid fears over the health of the country's largest bank, Banco Espirito Santo (LISBONES). Shares in the bank were suspended on Thursday after tumbling 17%. Meanwhile, expectations the Federal Reserve will keep rates on hold for an extended period of time after the central bank's bond-buying program ends further supported prices.

Natural gas futures slump to 6-month low after storage data

Natural gas futures fell to a six-month low on Thursday, after data showed that U.S. natural gas supplies rose more than expected last week. The U.S. Energy Information Administration said in its weekly report that natural gas storage in the U.S. in the week ended July 4 rose by 93 billion cubic feet, above expectations for an increase of 92 billion cubic feet. The five-year average change for the week is an increase of 72 billion cubic feet. Total U.S. natural gas storage stood at 2.022 trillion cubic feet. Stocks were 653 billion cubic feet less than last year at this time and 769 billion cubic feet below the five-year average of 2.791 trillion cubic feet for this time of year.

Copper fluctuates after China trade data

Copper futures swung between small gains and losses on Thursday, after data showed that China's exports rose less than expected in June. Data released earlier showed that Chinese exports in June climbed 7.2% from a year earlier, missing expectations for a gain of 10.6%, while imports rose 5.5%, below forecasts for a 5.8% increase. China's trade surplus narrowed to \$31.6 billion last month from a surplus of \$35.92 billion in May, compared to estimates for a surplus of \$35.0 billion. The Asian nation is the world's largest copper consumer, accounting for almost 40% of world consumption.

Market Statistics

COMMODITY	PREV. CLOSE	R1	R2	PIVOT	S1	S2	TREND
SILVER	46050	46400	47000	45750	45700	45220	Up
GOLD	28422	28600	28800	28170	28280	28000	Up
CRUDE OIL	6149	6180	6227	6127	6111	6060	Sideways
COPPER	436.35	440.00	443.30	434.60	432.00	429.20	Up
NICKEL	1158.00	1171.00	1185.00	1169.00	1154.00	1141.00	Sideways
LEAD	131.20	132.20	133.50	130.55	130.30	129.40	Up
ZINC	136.20	137.40	138.20	135.90	135.40	134.20	Up
ALUMINIUM	114.75	115.55	116.80	114.70	114.20	113.10	Up
NATURAL GAS	248.90	253.60	257.00	250.20	245.00	241.00	Down



International Markets

COMMODITY	CLOSE	% CHANGE
LONDON SPOT GOLD	\$1337.40	+0.82
LONDON SPOT SILVER	\$21.40	+1.57
NYMEX CRUDE OIL	\$102.27	-0.02
NYMEX NATURAL GAS	\$4.126	-1.07

Economic Data

Data	Previous	Expected	Time
No major release	-	-	-

RECOMMENDATIONS

COPPER

COPPER AUG: BUY AT 435.00-434.80 TP-441.20 SL BELOW 432.00.



Copper is forming a positive candlestick on daily chart with increasing open interest and supportive momentum indicators. The rally is likely to get more strong today.



CRUDE OIL

CRUDE OIL JULY: BUY AT 6130-6125 TP-6182/6205 SL BELOW 6100.



Crude is forming a reversal hammer candlestick on daily chart after weeks of continuous downfall. A long term trend line support is adding hopes for a sustainable reversal from here.



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