

# Commodity Overview

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OIL



## **Bullion Overview**



## **Technical levels:**

**GOLD :** Technically, day trend may remain down in gold today. It has resistance at 95000 and support at 91000.

**SILVER** : Technically, day trend may remain down in silver today. It has support at 92000 and resistance at 97,000.





#### **Gold & Silver overview:**

Gold prices extended sharp declines for the third consecutive session in Asian trading on Thursday, as bullion's safe-haven appeal eroded amid hopes of trade deal talks between the U.S. and its key trading partners. Investors also assessed data showing an unexpected contraction in the U.S. economy, while they cautiously awaited upcoming data releases, including the monthly jobs report. The yellow metal was set to decline for the third consecutive session, after recently scaling record highs last month due to increased global economic uncertainty.

The Trump administration has reached out to China to initiate trade talks, a Chinese stateaffiliated media outlet reported Wednesday. While, data on Wednesday showed that the U.S. economy unexpectedly contracted in the first quarter, with gross domestic product contracting by 0.3% on an annualized basis. The weak data supports a case for a rate cut by the Federal Reserve, but the central bank has signaled a wait-and-see stance amid tariff uncertainty. The US Dollar Index edged higher, making bullion costlier for foreign buyers.

## **Energy Overview**



## **Technical levels:**

**CRUDE OIL**: Technically, day trend may remain down in crude oil today. It has support at 4800 and resistance at 5100.

**NATURAL GAS:** Technically, day trend may remain upside in natural gas today. It has support at 280 and resistance at 300.



## <u>Crude oil & Natural gas</u> <u>overview:</u>

Oil prices gained slightly yesterday but weighed by concerns over demand growth, especially after gross domestic product data showed the U.S. economy, the largest in the world, shrank in the first quarter. And, weak purchasing managers index data from China also weighed, given that it showed a contraction in manufacturing activity in April. This was largely attributed to Trump's tariffs. China is the world's biggest oil importer, with more economic headwinds for the country being a major pain point for oil markets.

Natural gas prices remained up by yesterday, supported by higher demand forecasts and shortcovering activity. However, gains remained limited due to rising production levels and expectations of mild weather through mid-May, which is likely to curb both heating and cooling demand.

## **Base Metal Overview**



## **Technical levels:**

**COPPER:** Copper after a sharp fall yesterday copper made an inside bar candle and holding 825 level support and resistance at 860

**ZINC:** Zinc has trading in a range of 245 - 256 the breakout on either side will give a confirmation of trend after a sharp fall vesterday has again tested the 245 level of support

**ALUMINUM:** Aluminum after an attempt to give a breakout but failed yesterday aluminum made an inside bar candle and holding 230 level support



#### **Base metals overview:**

The U.S. dollar was steady on Wednesday but poised for its weakest monthly performance since November 2022 as erratic U.S. trade policies under President Donald Trump left the greenback vulnerable while boosting the euro, yen and Swiss franc.

The White House has retreated several times on the sweeping tariffs Trump unveiled in early April that led to a global stock market meltdown and prompted investors to flee the normally safe-haven U.S. dollar and Treasury debt.

Trump signed a pair of orders on Tuesday to soften the blow of his auto tariffs with a mix of credits and relief from other levies on materials.

Trump's trade team also touted its first deal with a foreign trading partner, while U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said the administration is making progress on tariff negotiations, noting that deals are forthcoming for India and South Korea.

The developments helped ease some tensions as investors and companies worry about the economic fallout of the tariffs, with indications the duties will weigh on growth and could drive up inflation and unemployment.

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