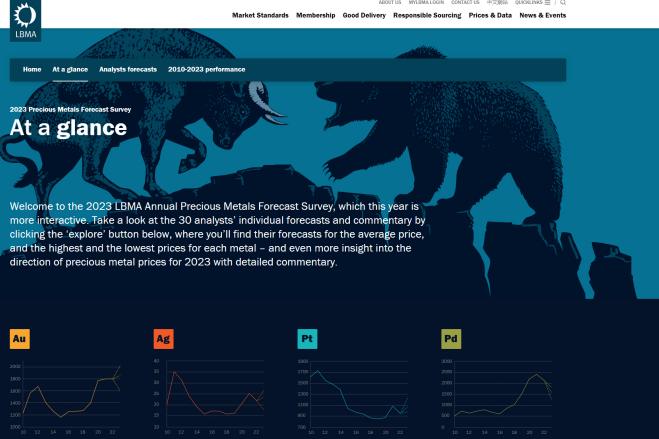


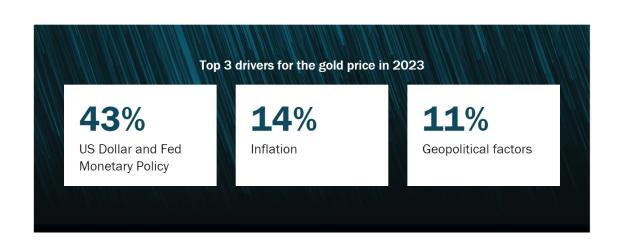
Actual Annual Prices 2010-2022 and Analysts' 2023 Average Forecasts (US \$ oz)



This year's Forecast Survey has revealed that analysts are cautiously optimistic about gold and silver prices in 2023, forecasting them on average to be 3.3% and 8.8% higher respectively by the end of this calendar year compared to average prices in 2022. Palladium sees the most negative sentiment for price, with analysts expecting a fall of 14.3% compared to 2022 prices. But analysts have shown a bullish view to the performance of platinum, with an increase of 12.5% forecast against 2022 prices.

The deadline for analysts in this year's survey was 18 January 2023, giving them the benefit of observing two weeks of trading before confirming their contributions. Comparing analysts' forecasts against actual prices in the first half of January 2023, we can see a slightly more bullish outcome for precious metals prices so far in 2023. Analysts are forecasting a 1.1% fall for gold and a 0.9% $\,$ fall for silver, with platinum seeing a negligible increase of 0.6% and palladium with a 2.3%

As ever, analysts were also asked to identify their top three drivers for the price of gold in 2023. Some 43% of analysts cited the US dollar and the Fed's monetary policy as the top driver, incorporating trust in the dollar, the currency's strength, and the Fed specifically. The second-most important in the list of drivers was regarded to be inflation, while geopolitical factors took third spot - a factor not deemed significant in last year's survey.



Rules of the Game

In each metal category, the analyst whose average price is closest to the actual average price in 2023 will win a 1oz gold bar.

In the event of a tie-break, where two or more analysts are equally close to the average, our winner will be the one whose high-low forecast is most closely aligned to the actual price range for 2023.

We would like to thank all contributors from across the global precious metals market for taking part in the 2023 survey.

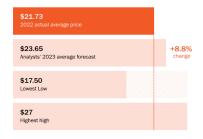
Summary of the analysts commentary





Gold forecast

Gold is forecast to trade within a range of around \$755 this year, similar to \$780 in 2022. Analysts are not expecting the gold price to move much this year compared to the actual average price in 2022 (+3.3%), as well as in relation to the actual average price in the first half of January 2023 (-1.1%). The most bullish forecaster this year for gold is Peter Fertig with his average of \$2,025, while Marcus Garvey is most bearish with his forecast of \$1.594.





Silver forecast

The trading range for silver is forecast to be around \$20.30, which is just 10 cents more than what the analysts had forecast in last year's survey (\$20.20). The average forecast for this precious metal of \$23.65 represents a 3.3% rise on the actual price average in 2022 (\$21.73) – but is 0.9% less compared to the actual average price in the first half of January 2023 (\$23.88).

Bruce Ikemizu is most bullish for silver this year, with his forecast of \$27, and Debajit Saha is most bearish with his \$17.5 average forecast.





Platinum forecast

Turning to platinum, analysts are predicting the average price to be \$1,080.4 - a jump of 12.5% compared to the actual average price in 2022, and 0.6% up compared to the actual average price in the first half of January 2023. Prices are forecast to trade within a range of around \$595.

Like last year, James Steel is the most bullish for platinum this year with his forecast of \$1,241, and Marcus Garvey assumes the most bearish position for the second time this forecast with \$988.





Palladium forecast

Palladium prices are set to drop this year according to the analysts, with an average price forecast of \$1,809.8 for 2023 – a not insignificant drop of 14.3% compared to the actual average price in 2022 (\$2,112.06). This average forecast represents a 2.3% increase compared to the actual average price in the first half of January 2023 (\$1,769.5). James Steel is once again the most bullish analyst with his forecast of \$2,180, while Thorsten Polleit is the most bearish with his \$1,550 forecast.





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