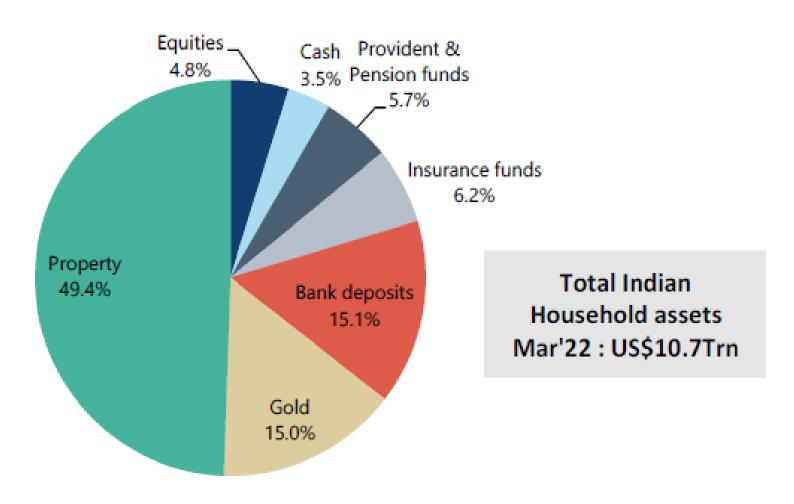


Gold in Investment Portfolios - an India Perspective

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India's preference for gold



Data as of March 2022

Source: Jefferies



Indians got it right -15% allocation to gold is optimal

Portfolio	100% Equity, 0% Gold	95% Equity, 5% Gold	90% Equity, 10% Gold	85% Equity, 15% Gold	80% Equity, 20% Gold	75% Equity, 25% Gold	70% Equity, 30% Gold
Returns (CAGR)	14.0%	14.0%	14.0%	14.0%	13.9%	13.9%	13.7%
Risk (Standard Deviation)	31.3%	29.8%	28.3%	26.9%	25.4%	24.0%	22.6%
Maximum Drawdown	52.5%	48.3%	44.1%	40.0%	35.8%	31.7%	27.5%
Historical VaR (95%)	-24.6%	-21.9%	-19.1%	-17.4%	-16.3%	-15.2%	-14.1%
Historical Expected Shortfall (95%)	-52.4%	-48.3%	-44.2%	-40.1%	-36.0%	-31.9%	-27.8%
Annualized Sharpe Ratio (Rf=0%)	44.6%	47.0%	49.5%	52.1%	54.9%	57.7%	60.7%

Past performance may or may not sustain in future Calculations are based on Sensex and Gold INR returns from 1990 to 2021 Source: Bloomberg, Quantum



Gold - an effective portfolio diversifier

Year	Gold INR	Sensex	Year	Gold INR	Sensex	Year	Gold INR	Sensex
1991	31%	82%	2001	6%	-18%	2011	31%	-25%
1992	6 %	37%	2002	24%	4 %	2012	11%	26%
1993	28%	28%	2003	13%	73%	2013	-19%	9 %
1994	-2%	17%	2004	1%	13%	2014	1%	30%
1995	13%	-21%	2005	22%	42%	2015	-6%	-5%
1996	-3%	-1%	2006	21%	47%	2016	11%	2%
1997	-15%	19 %	2007	17 %	47%	2017	7 %	28%
1998	9 %	-16%	2008	30%	-52%	2018	7 %	6 %
1999	3%	64%	2009	20%	81%	2019	21%	14%
2000	1%	-21%	2010	24%	17%	2020	28%	16 %
						2021	-2%	22%
						2022*	6 %	-2.5%

When the stock markets suffered, Gold could have limited your overall losses

Past performance may or may not sustain in future; Returns indicate calendar year returns

* YTD returns until 28th July 2022



Rupee depreciation helped domestic gold prices

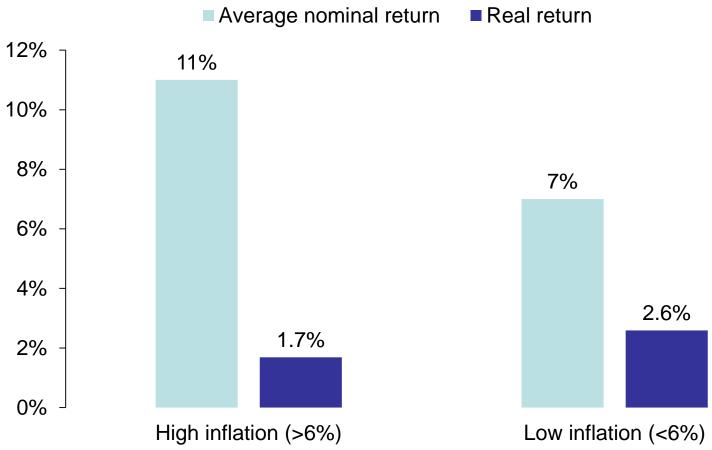


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Data as of 22nd July 2022



Gold — an excellent store of value



Calculations are based on returns of June month INR gold prices from 1980 to 2022

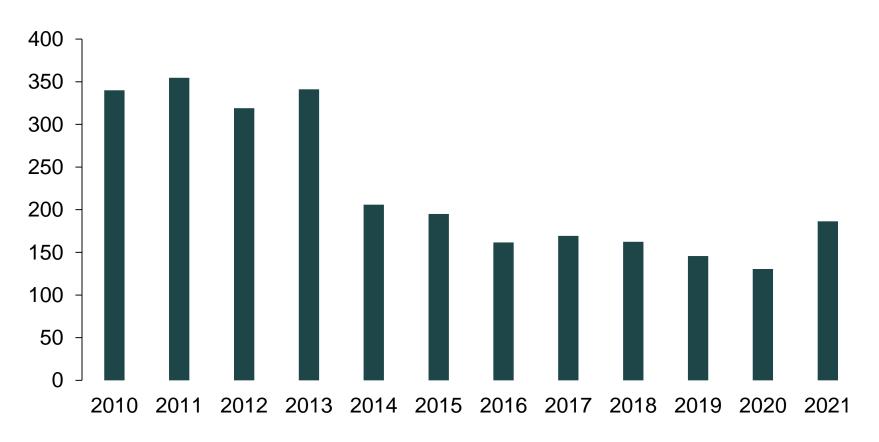
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Physical investment losing traction?

Gold coins and bars



Gold physical invesment demand (tonnes)

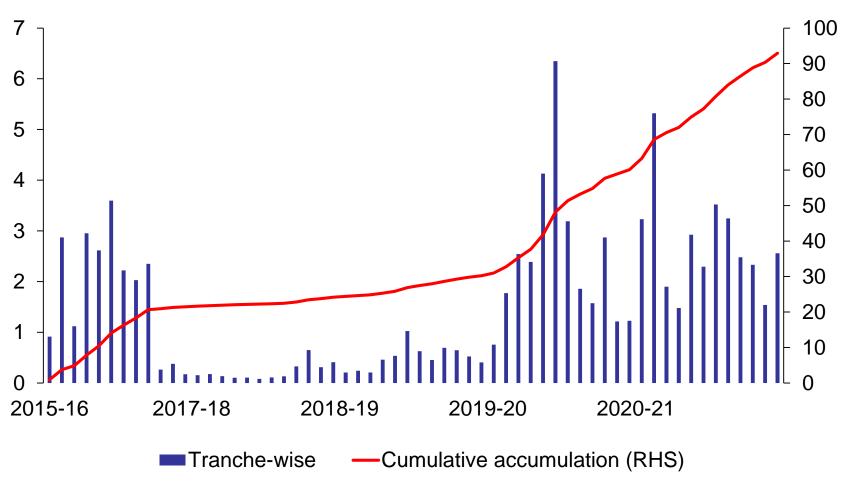
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Source: World Gold Council



Investors moving to efficient avenues

Sovereign Gold Bonds (tonnes)

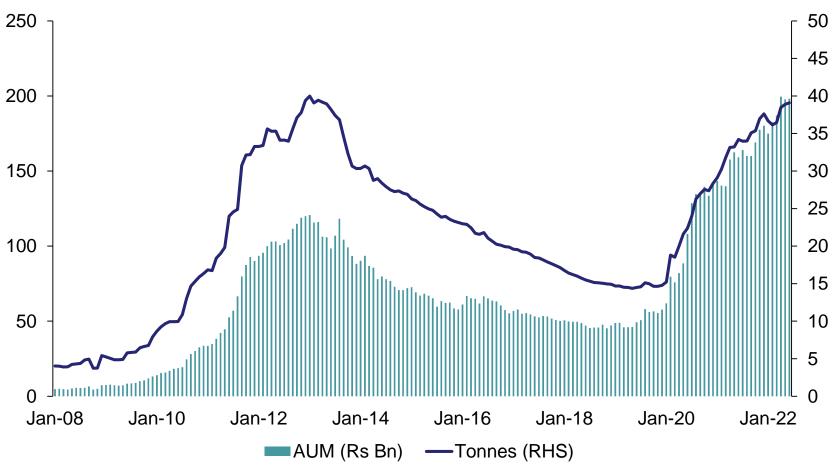


Data as of July 2022 Source: RBI, Quantum



COVID-19 helped regain the lost sheen

Gold ETF total holdings and AUM



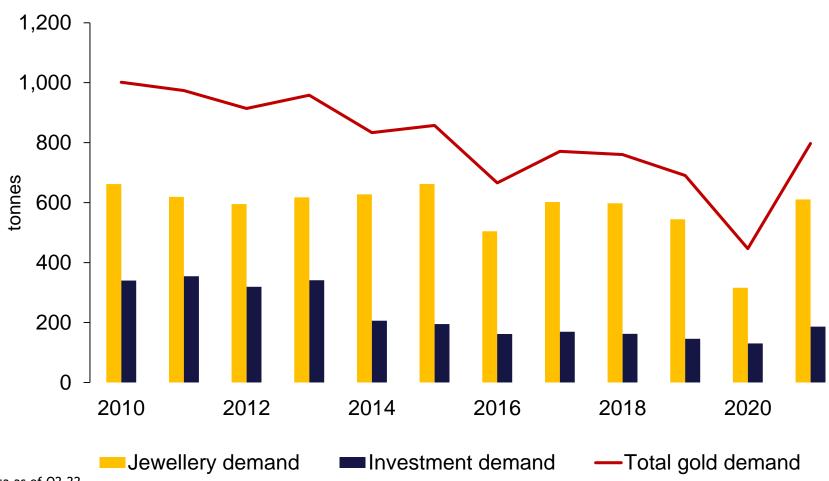
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Are we doing justice to the gold investor?

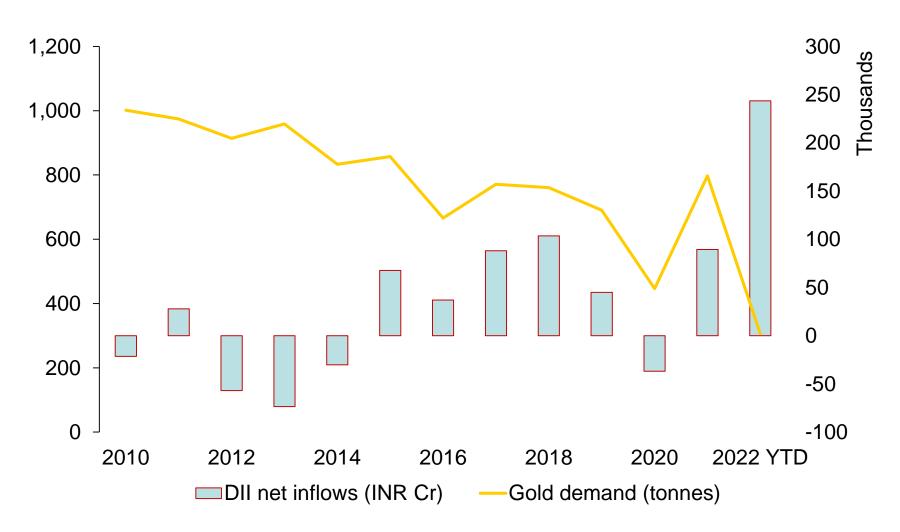
Jewellery – great for consumption, but investments?



Data as of Q2.22 Source: WGC



Are we doing justice to the gold investor?



Data as of June 2022 Source: Quantum, WGC



Government's financialization agenda

Gold Financialisation needs action

- Gold in jewellery form is far more difficult to financialize compared to efficient investment products
- More product driven innovation needed across the value chain
- Eradicate barriers of taxation and movement
- Treat it like a currency



Is the gold market prime for disruption?

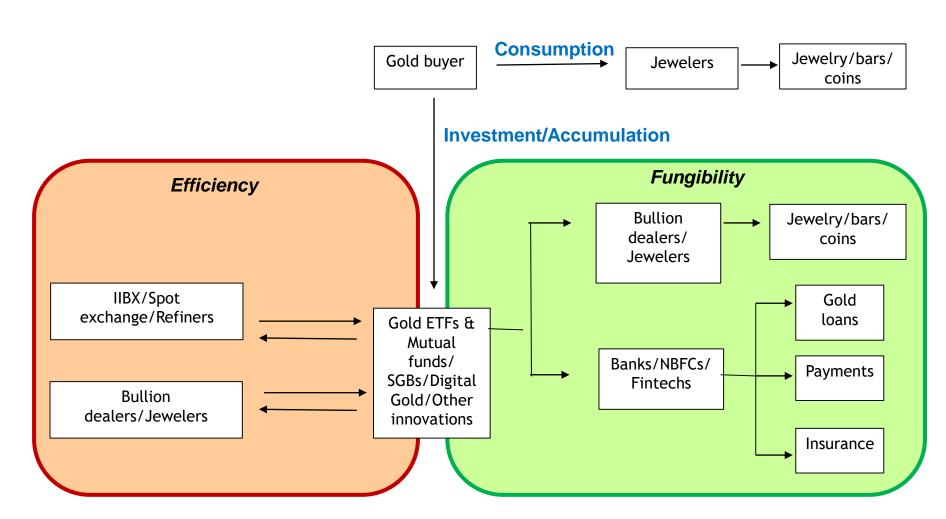
Role of IFSCA, IIBX, and Spot Exchange

- India, one of the largest consumers of gold, can be a price setter
- Price discovery, given the premiums and discounts in the local market
- Transparent mechanism
- Structured and organized flow of metal



Creating an integrated ecosystem

Value chain from investment to consumption





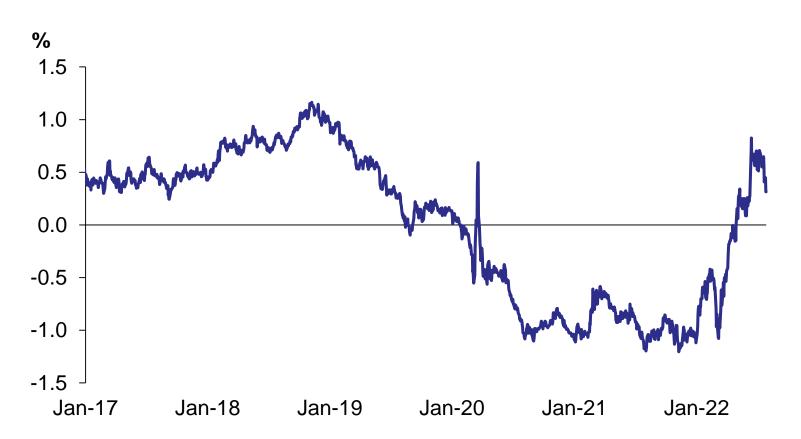
Gold price - Real factors to watch out for

- The real interest rates environment
- The yield curve
- The US Dollar's strength
- Credit spreads
- The relative strength of the banking sector



Real rates in positive territory after two years

The most important driver of gold prices - US 10Y TIPS Yield



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Data as of 28th July 2022



Greenback's strength hurting gold

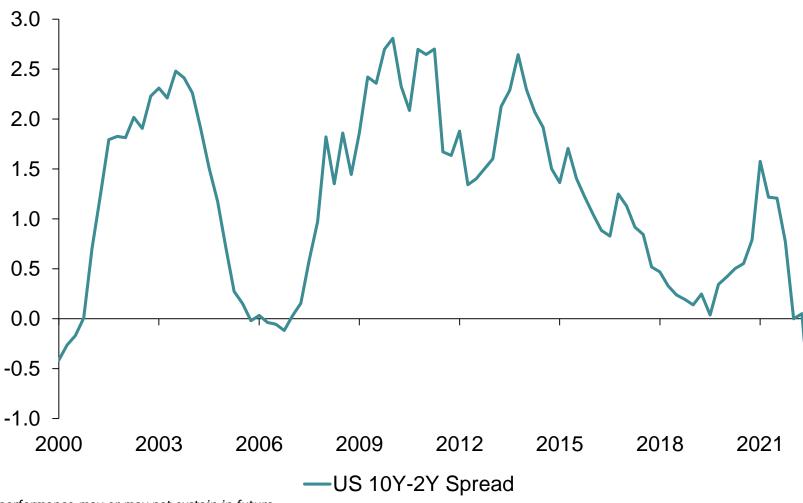


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Recession on the horizon?

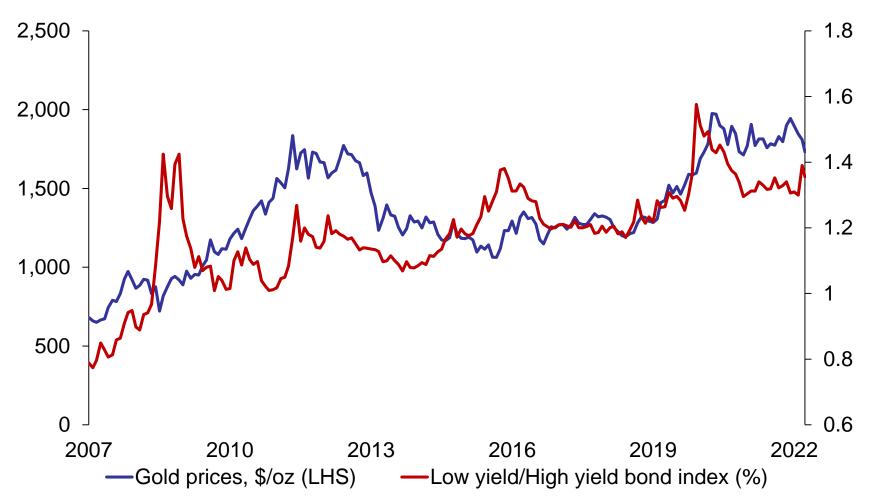


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Larger credit spreads, positive sign for gold

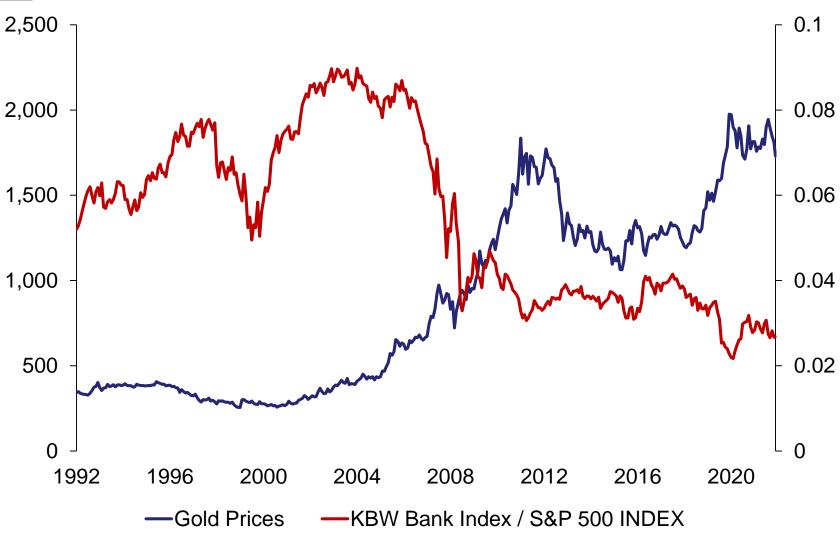


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Banking sector and gold prices



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Price outlook

- Tightening of liquidity may continue to put downward pressure on gold prices in the near-term
- Recessionary concerns will keep the downside capped
- Recession would mean Fed eventually pivoting to a less hawkish policy
- The Fed's U-turn will be bullish for gold prices



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