

Gold Rally Over or Just Getting Started? A Technical Perspective

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Market Strategist

- COVID's Unprecedented Impact on the Global Economic Landscape
- The Macro Variables that Explain Gold's Move
- The Technical Chart Patterns for Gold Over Time
- Why Gold May Make More Sense than Bonds
- A Closer Look at Silver, Platinum and Palladium

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Senior Managing Director

- Sprott's Outlook on Gold and Gold Stocks
- The Breadth of Sprott's Gold Investment Management Resources
- Gold's Role in a Diversified Portfolio

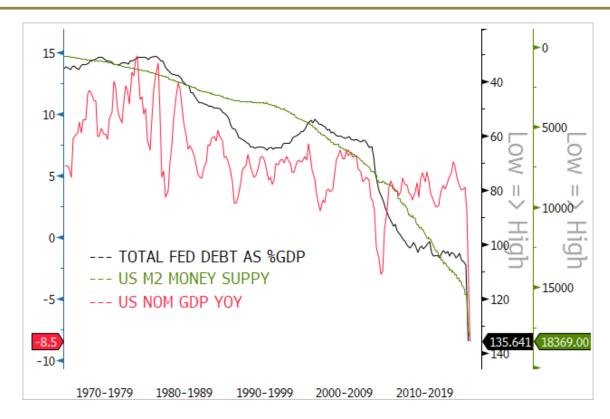


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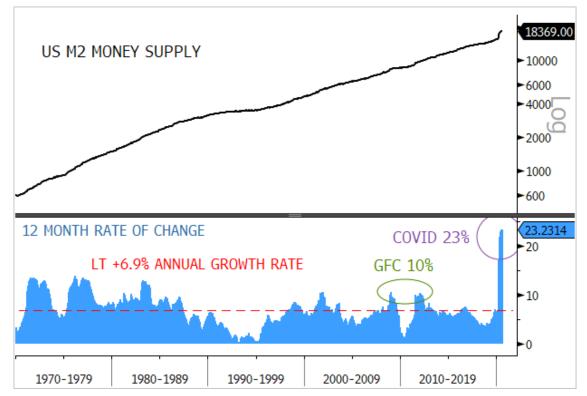
Multi-Decade Progression of Weaker Growth and Worsening Financial Conditions



- U.S. GDP long-term trend weakening but downside amplitude greater, recoveries more shallow.
- To stimulate growth, ever-higher levels of debt is injected into the system.
- As a result, the monetary base has exponential growth.
- COVID has now amplified these trends markedly with years to go in its effect.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. FDTGATPD Index represents Federal Debt Total Public Debt as a percentage of GDP; GDP CURY Index = U.S. GDP gross domestic product) in nominal dollars year-over-year, seasonally adjusted. You cannot invest directly in an index. GDP in Nominal Dollars year-over-year, seasonally adjusted. GDP = the amount of goods and services produced within a given country/territory. Yoy = year-over-year. M2NS Index measures of U.S. money supply that includes all components of M1 plus several less-liquid assets.

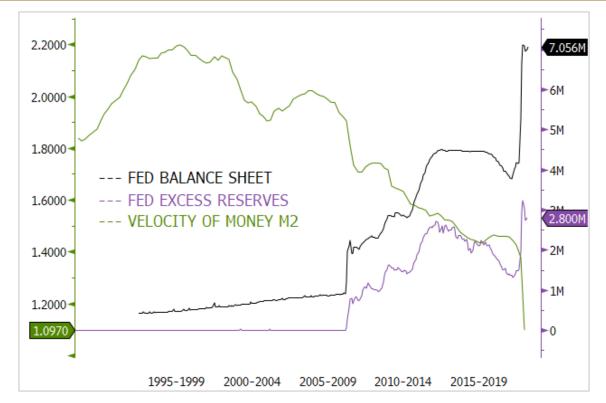
An Economic Shock, Unlike any Other... Followed by a Stimulus Response, Unlike any Other



- COVID created global synchronized demand and supply shock; worst GDP numbers since the 1930s.
- Monetary and fiscal response unprecedented: a profound effect on economy and capital markets.
- Likely early stages of coordinated fiscal and monetary stimulus resembling MMT (Modern Monetary Theory or debt monetization).
- New Fed policy (Outcome-Based Forward Guidance & AIT— average inflation targeting) highly accommodative: ZIRP (zero interest-rate policy) indefinitely.

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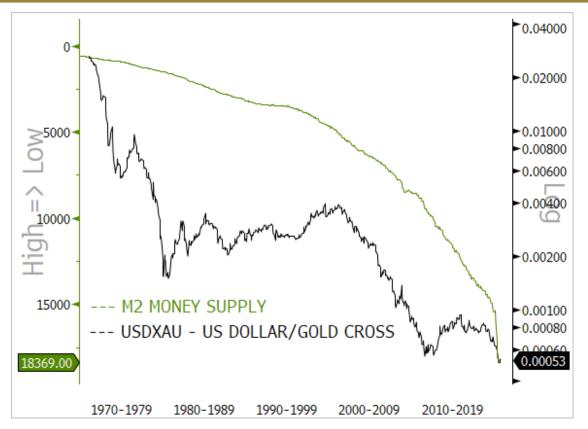
QE Alone Results in Money Printing, Excess Bank Reserves and a Collapse in the Velocity of Money



- QE (quantitative easing) via Fed balance sheet expansion ends up as increased bank reserves, a collapse in the velocity of money and no inflation. Analogous to Japan over last +20 years.
- Pre-GFC (global financial crisis), monetary policy worked. As debt increased, more monetary policy needed to get the same result.
- At the zero bound, conventional monetary policy stops working, fiscal stimulus coordinated with monetary stimulus becomes necessary.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. FARBAST Index represents U.S. Condition of All Federal Reserve Banks Total Assets. ARDITRBM Index represents Federal Excess Reserves. VELOM2 represents the velocity of money based on M2.

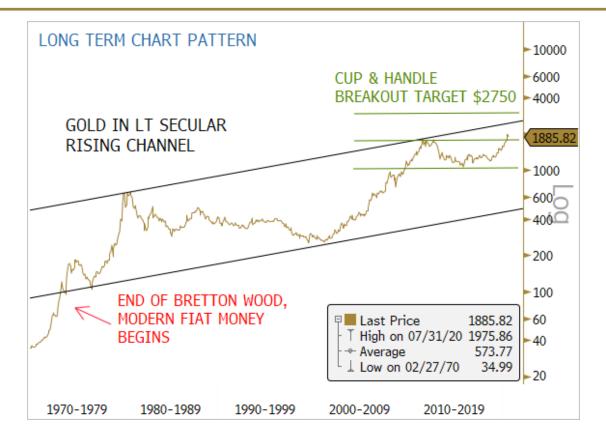
Gold is a Store of Value, Fiat Money is Not



- All modern currencies are fiat. All developed economies are expanding their monetary bases.
- Since GFC, five variables (M2, USD, real rates, nominal yields and credit spreads) explain 88% movement of gold bullion. Last 50 years, gold's R-square to M2 = 80%.
- Rough math: \$1 trillion debt = \$666 billion increase in M2 = \$120/oz gold. Long-term 7% growth rate in M2 = \$230/oz gold. Fed policy clear on direction of other variables.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. USDXAU CMPN Curncy is a composite price for gold that is calculated according to a set algorithm by Bloomberg from data provided to Bloomberg by third party contributors.

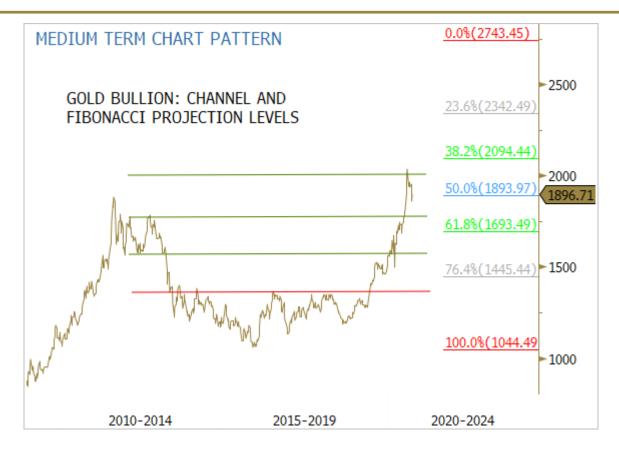
Gold Bullion Technical Chart Patterns are Excellent: Long-Term



- Technical analysis: fact-checking tool provides historical context, current status and future guidance.
- **Long-term secular chart pattern**: rising up-channel from early 1970s. Breaking out from a cup and handle formation targets \$2,750, upper boundary of rising channel.

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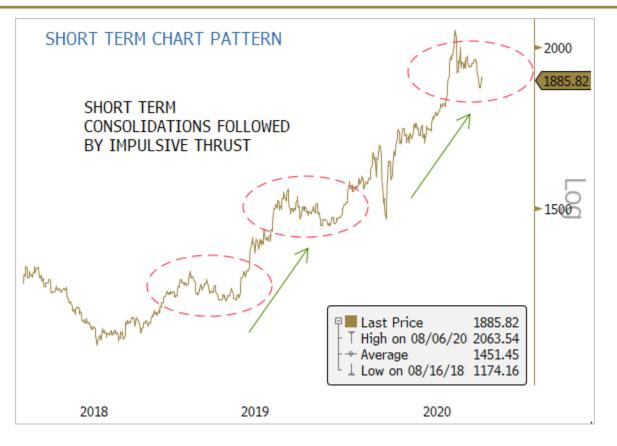
Gold Bullion Technical Chart Patterns are Excellent: Medium-Term



 Medium-term chart pattern: rising step function manner, channel projections & Fibonacci levels acting as price magnets.

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Gold Bullion Technical Chart Patterns are Excellent: Short-Term



• **Short-term chart pattern**: impulsive up moves followed by short small consolidation — similar pattern to 2001-2011.

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Gold Equities Have Broken Out Above Key Resistance – A



• GDM has broken out above key resistance, preparing to test past cycle highs.

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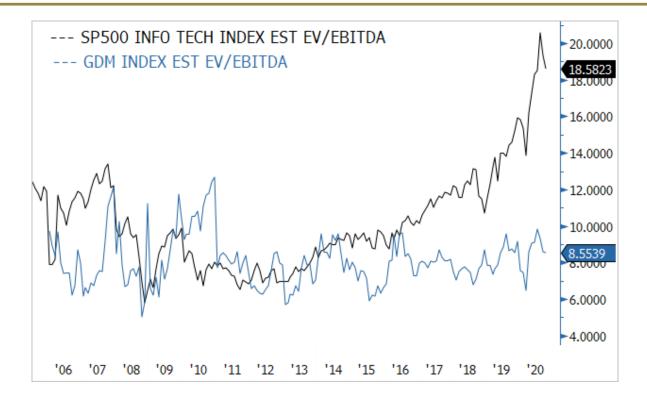
Gold Equities Have Broken Out Above Key Resistance – B



• GDM relative to gold bullion and GDM relative to S&P 500 Index—both very close to breaking out of major basing patterns. Watch for dynamic trade flows to take hold as "higher for longer" builds.

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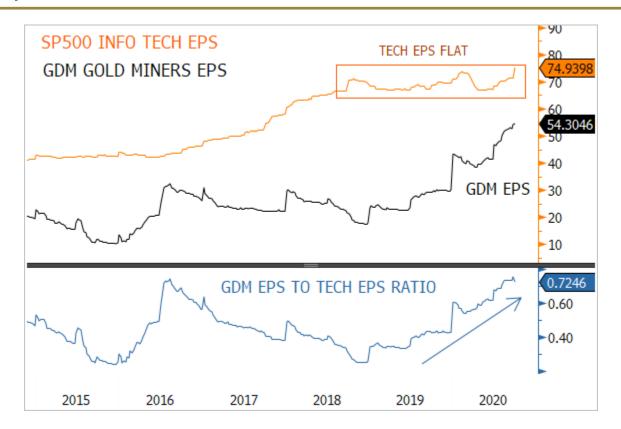
Gold Equities Valuations are Attractive – A



- Since the 2018 Powell Pivot, GDX has high R-square to XLK at 81%. Both have high negative correlation to weak USD and lower real rates (XLK = higher PE, gold store of value).
- Valuations at extremes: XLK 2x EV/EBITDA of GDX. Market liquidity vs. valuation argument.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Custom index TECHEVEB is the SP500 GICS Level 1 Information Technology Index (S5INFT INDEX) estimated enterprise value to EBITDA. Custom index GDMEVEBT Index is the NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index (GDM) estimated enterprise value to EBITDA.

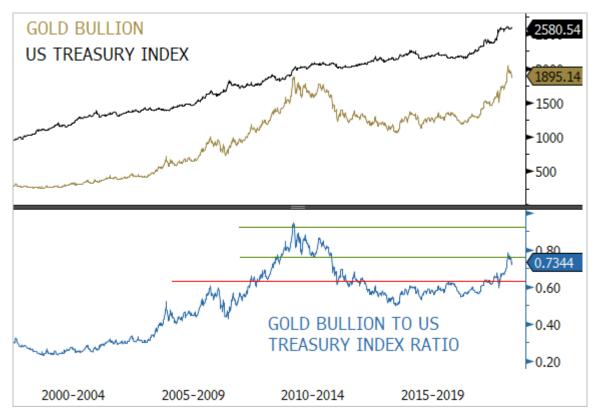
Gold Equities Valuations are Attractive – B



• Since 2018 earnings outlook for tech flat; all price increases from P/E rising. Gold equities climbed mainly on earnings. Market flows vs. sustainability argument. Growth vs. value argument.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Custom index TECHEPS and GDMEPS measure the Earnings Per Share estimates for the SP500 GICS Level 1 Information Technology Index (S5INFT INDEX) and the NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index (GDM). The EPS is Bloomberg's estimate of EPS.

Gold as a Portfolio Holding



- At zero bound, return potential for bonds limited, cannot offset significant equity sell-off (assuming negative correlation even holds).
- Both provide diversification but bond upside capped (zero bound); gold is not (M2 expansion).
- Last 5 years: Gold +73.4% vs. U.S. Treasury Index +21.1% (Aug. 2015 to Aug. 2020).
- Technical and macro outlook: gold bullion to continue to outperform Treasuries.

Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 10/1/2020. You cannot invest directly in an index. Past performance is not indicative of future results. The gold price is measured by the Bloomberg GOLDS Comdty Index. LUATTRUU represents performance for Bloomberg Barclays US Treasury Total Return Unhedged USD.

Silver, Possibly the Best of Both Worlds



- Silver outperforms when gold bullion is bullish and when market is in pro-cyclical equity phase.
- Silver's unique feature: high correlation to M2 (store of value quality) and pro-cyclical factors.
- Silver still playing catch up to gold.

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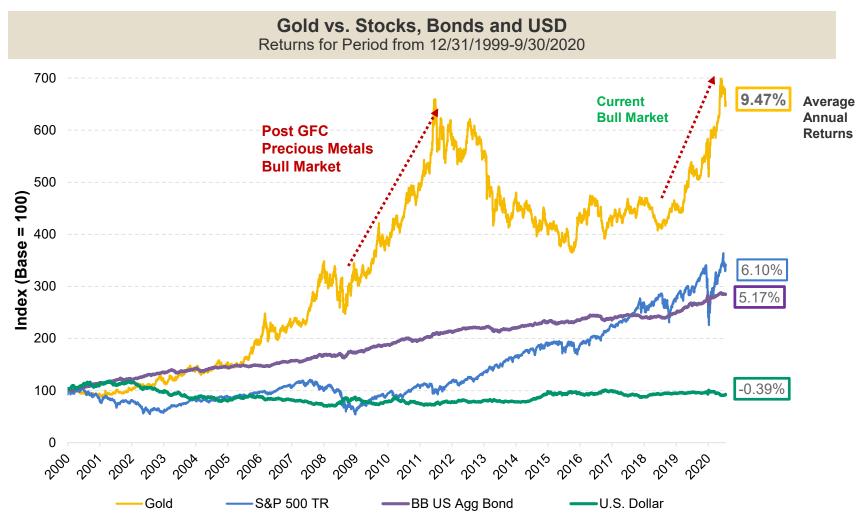


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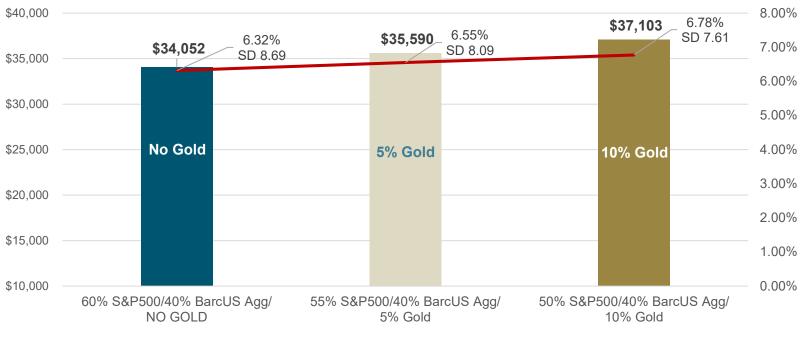
Gold Performance Since 2000



Source: Bloomberg. Period from 12/31/1999-9/30/2020. Gold is measured by GOLDS Comdty Index: S&P 500 TR is measured by the SPX; US Agg Bond Index is measured by the Bloomberg Barclays US Agg Total Return Value Unhedged USD (LBUSTRUU Index); and the U.S. Dollar is measured by DXY Curncy. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

5-10% Gold May Enhance Returns and Reduce Volatility

Adding 5-10% physical gold to a traditional 60/40 U.S. portfolio may enhance returns and reduce volatility. A 50/40/10 portfolio outperformed 60/40 by nearly 50 basis points per year for the past 20 years.



Adding 5-10% Gold Enhances Traditional 60/40 Portfolio Higher Returns with Less Volatility \$10.000 Invested from 9/30/2000 to 9/30/2020

-Average Annual Total Return/Standard Deviation

Source: Bloomberg as of 9/30/2020. Portfolio is rebalanced yearly on January 1. The S&P 500 Index is an index of 505 stocks issued by 500 large U.S. companies with market capitalizations of at least \$6.1 billion. SD = Standard deviation is a measure of risk that an investment will not meet the expected return in a given period. The higher an investment's standard deviation, the more volatile (and hence risky) it is. Gold is measured by the GOLDS Comdty Index. Bonds are measured by the Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index, a broad-based flagship benchmark that measures the investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. Stocks are represented by the S&P 500 Index, as measured by the Bloomberg SPXTR Index.

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Micro-cap stocks involve substantially greater risks of loss and price fluctuations because their earnings and revenues tend to be less predictable. These companies may be newly formed or in the early stages of development, with limited product lines, markets or financial resources and may lack management depth. The Fund will be concentrated in the gold and silver mining industry. As a result, the Fund will be sensitive to changes in, and its performance will depend to a greater extent on, the overall condition of the gold and silver mining industry. Also, gold and silver mining companies are highly dependent on the price of gold and silver bullion. These prices may fluctuate substantially over short periods of time so the Fund's Share price may be more volatile than other types of investments.

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Sprott's Outlook on Gold and Gold Equities

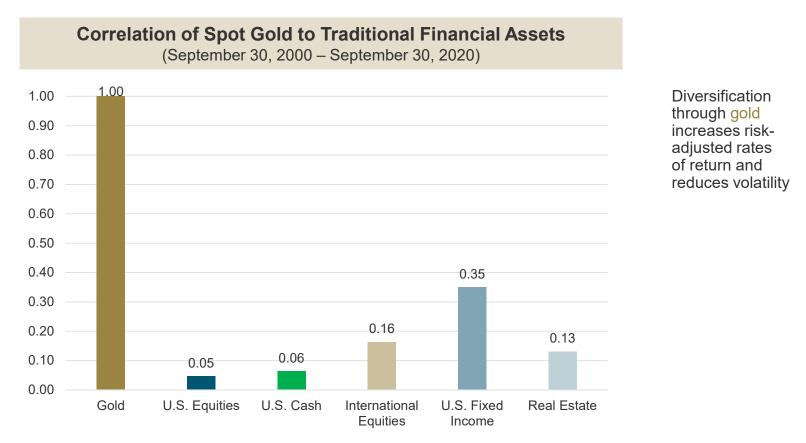
- Both gold and gold stocks are under-represented in both institutional and investor portfolios
- Investors should take advantage of gold price weakness to establish and increase long positions
- Despite recent gains, there is still plenty of upside potential for both gold and gold stocks
- Bonds are at a dead end as a portfolio diversifier for 60/40 portfolios...at 0% interest rates they offer minimal upside combined with substantial downside risk
- <u>Gold mining stocks</u> are the least expensive relative to bullion in decades and cheap by any standard valuation metric
- The earnings and cash flow outlook for the gold miners is highly favorable, especially when compared to most other equity sectors
- Gold mining stocks have outperformed gold bullion 2-3x^{*} during past bull phases for the metal
- Many companies are generating free cash flow (FCF); FCF yields of 10% or more are not uncommon
- Dividend hikes and share buybacks are becoming frequent

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* Based on the relative performance of GOLDS Comdty Index vs. NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index (GDM) Index for the 30-year period ended 8/31/2020.

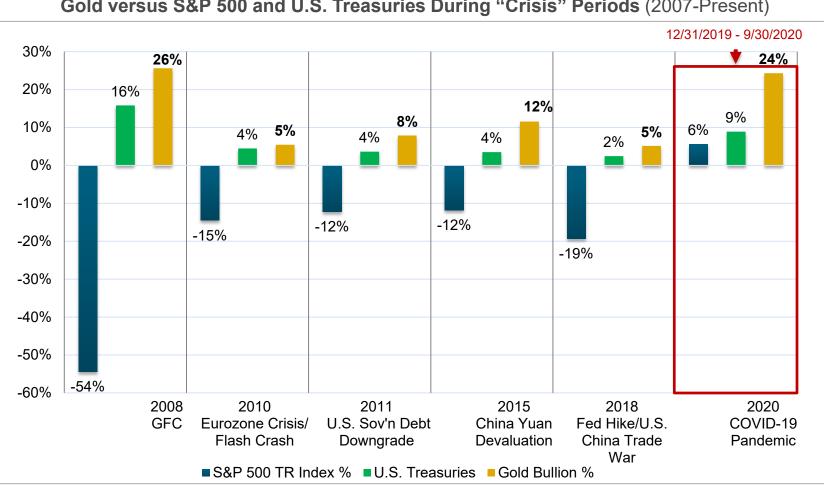
Gold is a Necessary Portfolio Asset

Gold is an effective portfolio diversifier given its low correlation to traditional investments



Source: Bloomberg. Period from 9/30/2000-9/30/2020. Gold is measured by the GOLDS Comdty Index; U.S. Equities by the S&P 500 Index; U.S. Cash by the S&P US Treasury Bill 0-3 Month Index; International Equities by the MSCI EAFE Index; U.S. Fixed Income by the Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index; and Real Estate by the Dow Jones US Select REIT Index.

Gold Can Provide Portfolio Protection



Gold versus S&P 500 and U.S. Treasuries During "Crisis" Periods (2007-Present)

Data as of 9/30/2020. Source: Sprott Asset Management. Dates used: Global Financial Crisis: 10/11/2007-3/6/2009; Eurozone Crisis: 4/20/2010-7/1/2010; U.S. Sovereign Debt Downgrade: 7/25/2011-8/9/2011: China Yuan Devaluation: 8/18/2015-2/11/2016: Fed Rate Hike & China Trade War: 9/20/2018-12/24/2018: COVID-19 Pandemic: 1/1/2020-8/31/2020. S&P 500 TR Index is measured by the SPXTR; Treasuries are measured by Bloomberg Barclays US Treasury Total Return Unhedged USD (LUATTRUU); and Gold Bullion is measured by spot gold.

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*Tenure denotes years of investment management experience.