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### **Apologies**

### 1. Silver does not really make fools of everyone.

People make fools of themselves.

Silver just gives them a sterling opportunities to do so.

### 2. Some people meanwhile get it right. They:

Invest based on knowledge and not beliefs

Invest in an unbiased, dispassionate fashion, and

Have access to honest, accurate information, statistics, and analysis.



### A Tale Of Two Billionaires

#### Billionaire No. 1

Self-made fortune, east coast real estate.

Liberal, Democrat, Immigrant/Refugee

Bought gold and silver in the 1990s.

Bought more in 2004.

Bought more in 2008.

Bought puts on his metal in 2011, paid for them with call spreads.

Sold the puts back in 2014, reducing his effective acquisition cost virtually to zero.

#### Billionaire No. 2

Quasi-self-made, west coast real estate.

Inherited wealth from father whose family had bought government subsidized land.

Conservative, Republican, Alcoholic.

Bought silver 2004 around \$10.

Did not buy puts or sell at \$50 in 2011; did not capitalize profits.

Owns silver around \$17 today.

"It will go to \$200."



# The Hunt's Silver Legacy

1980 The Hunt Brothers

Nelson Bunker Hunt and Herbert Hunt ~ 65 million ounces of physical silver

1985 Investor No. 2

New York liberal billionaire

~ 38 million ounces

~1992 Investor No. 3

Tech billionaire

~1995 Phibro, Solomon Brothers

1997 Berkshire Hathaway

~2005 Investor No. 3

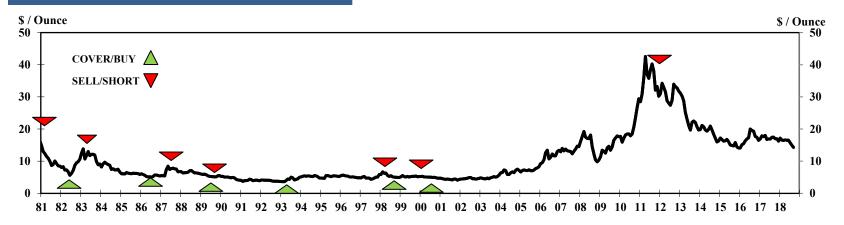
Source: CPM Group LLC.

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# **Performance of Silver Research Intermediate Recommendations**

#### Research Recommendations for Silver



	Portfolio 1 Bought and Held Silver	Portfolio 2 Bought and Sold Silver	Portfolio 3 Bought, Sold, & Shorted Silver
Initiated Desitions	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
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Value as of Sept 2018	\$1,042,944	\$64,436,053	\$601,811,259
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Return as of Sept 2018	4.3%	6,344%	60,081%
Annualized Rate of Return	-0.34%	11.59%	18.8%
	Return as of Sept 2018  Annualized Rate	Initiated Positions \$1,000,000  Value as of Sept 2018 \$1,042,944  Return as of Sept 2018 4.3%  Annualized Rate	Bought and Held Silver  Initiated Positions \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000  Value as of Sept 2018 \$1,042,944 \$64,436,053  Return as of Sept 2018 4.3% 6,344%  Annualized Rate



# The Real Silver Market

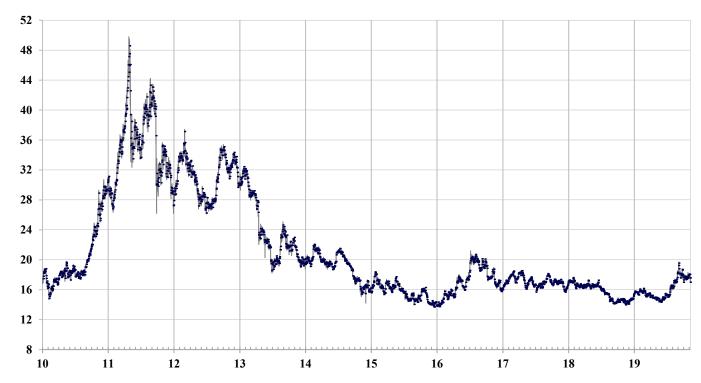


# **Silver Prices**

Silver Prices: 1 January 2010 to

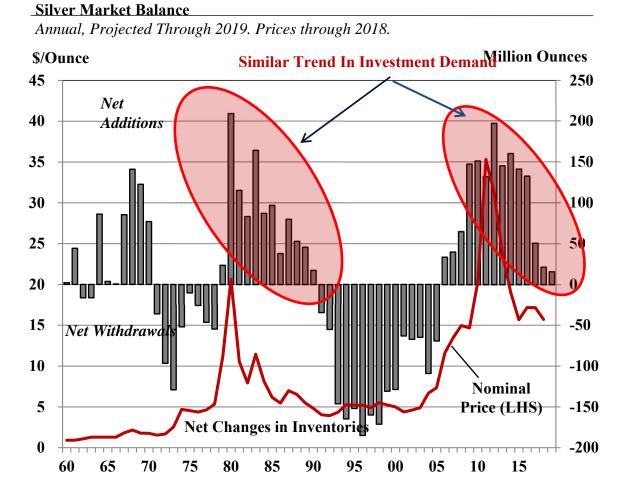
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\$ / Oz





# Silver Risks Repeating The 1990s



### Physical Silver Investment Demand

Mil. Oz 2012 198.2 2018 21.5 -89.15%



# The Fantasy Silver Market



# The Imaginary Silver Market

### Physical Investment



Silver Institute, MF



<u>In a parallel universe</u> populated by promotional and marketing groups posing as research companies:

Investors bought historically record volumes of silver in 2013, 2014, and 2015. In their minds investors bought 50% more silver than EVER BEFORE in those years, and yet silver prices were cut in half.

### In the real world:

Silver prices fell more than 50%

Dealers around the world were reporting 25% and greater declines in investor buying those years.

# Economic Environment



### **Economic Realities**

### The World Is Not Collapsing

Nor is the U.S. economy, the Chinese economy, Europe

There are signs of economic weakness and economic strength on a cyclical basis.

The yield curve is sending mixed messages.

Beware shifts from historical patterns due to new monetary policy.

**Deficits and debt** might NOT trigger a collapse of the global financial system. "I've been wrong for 40 years. I am not about to change my opinion now."

### The dollar will not collapse

The continued unwinding of the Fed balance sheet and reserves held at commercial banks is applying upward pressure on the dollar.

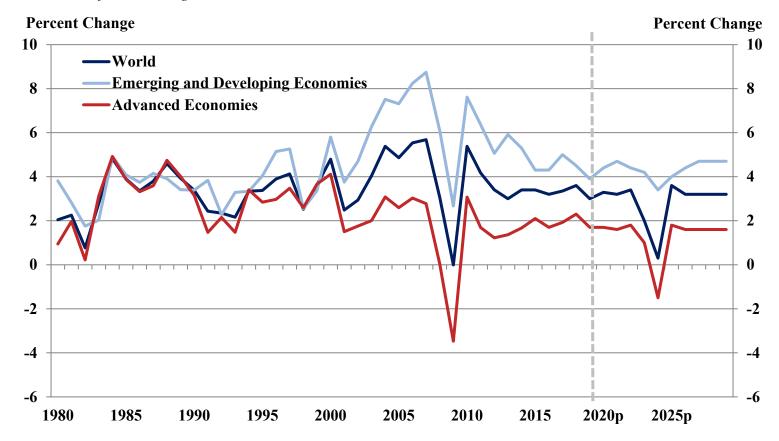
For the dollar to collapse, the euro, pound, and yen would need to soar.



### **Global Economic Outlook**

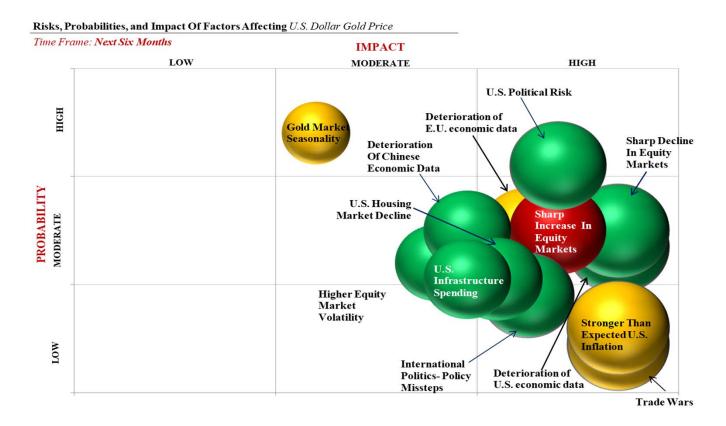
#### **Real Gross Domestic Product**

Annual, Projected Through 2029





### That Was Then: 3 July 2019

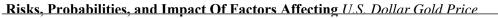


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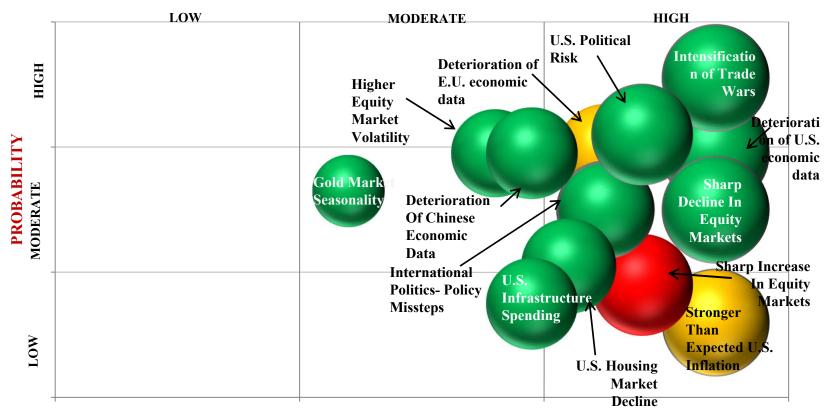
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### Then There Was This: 14 October 2019



Time Frame: Next Six Months IMPACT



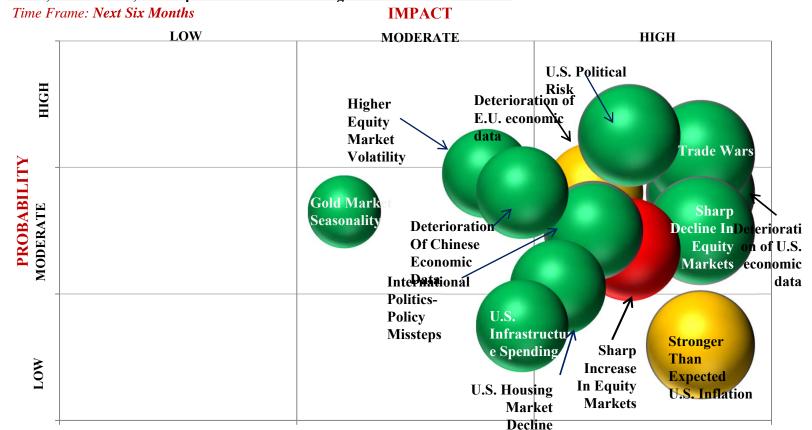
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### This Is Now: 7 November 2019

Risks, Probabilities, and Impact Of Factors Affecting U.S. Dollar Gold Price



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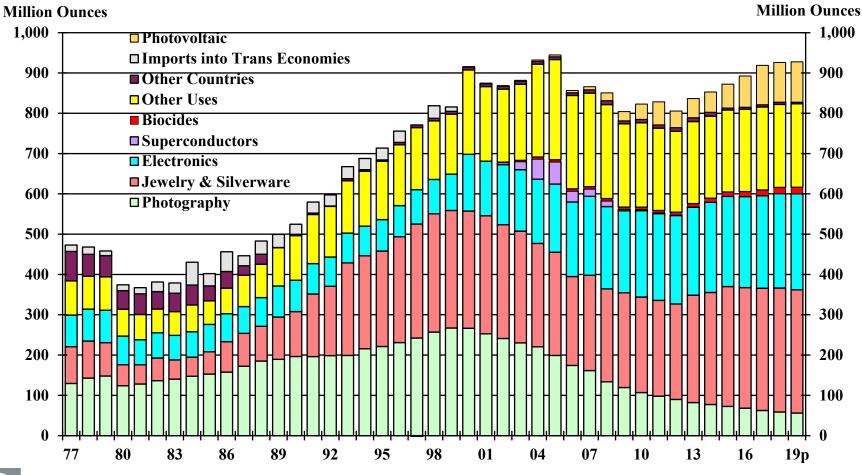
# Back to the Real Silver Market



# **Fabrication Demand Slowly, Steadily Rising**

#### **Annual Fabrication Demand**

Projected Through 2019



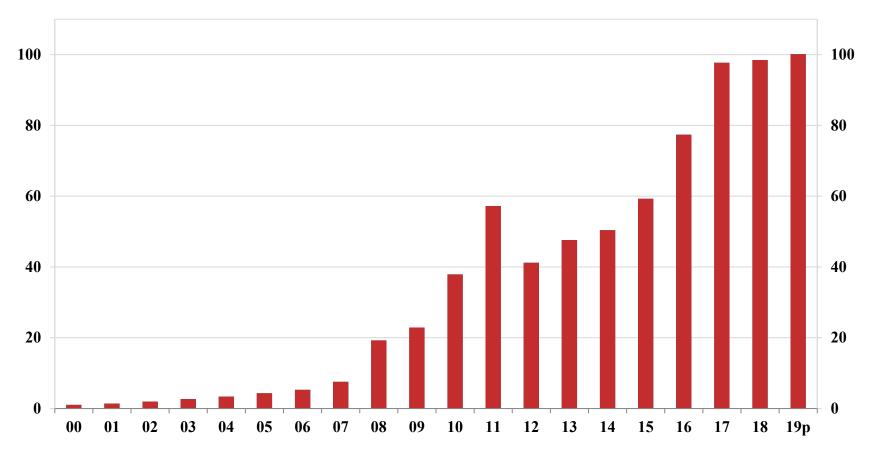


# Solar Panels Use Slowly Reaches New Records

#### **Annual Silver Demand for Photovoltaic Solar Panels**

Projected Through 2019

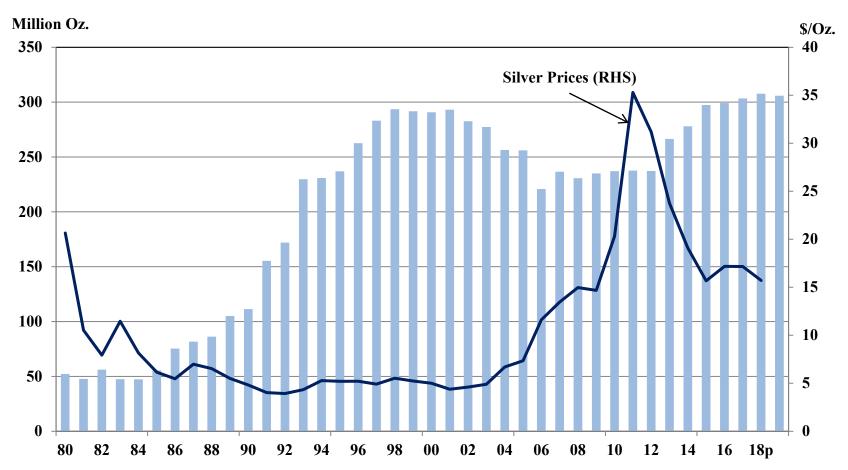
Mln Oz





# Jewelry & Silverware Demand Remains Strong

#### Global Jewelry and Silverware Demand



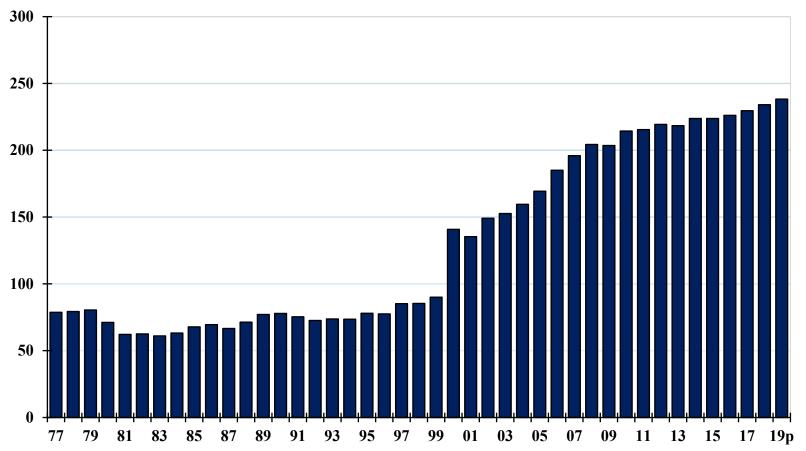


# **Electronics Demand Continues To March Higher**

#### **Annual Total Electronics Demand**

Projected Through 2019



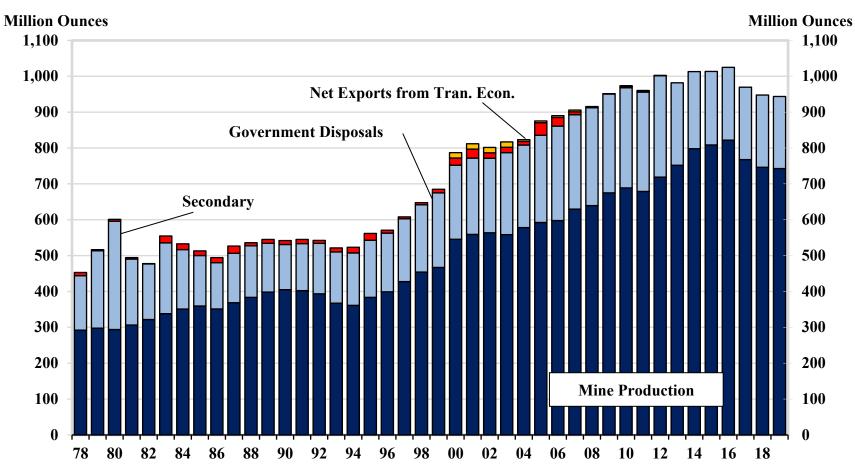




# **Total Silver Supply Continues To Decline**

#### **Total Annual Silver Supply**

Projected Through 2019

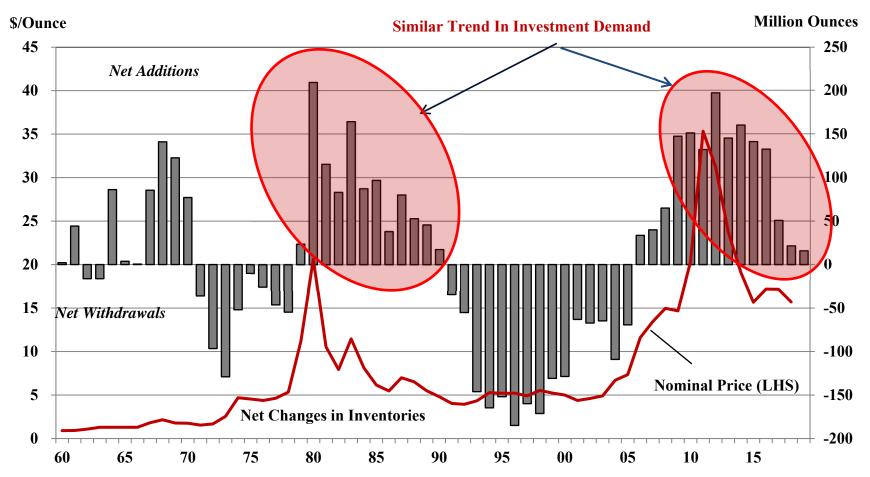




### 1990s All Over Again? Probably Not.

#### **Silver Market Balance**

Annual, Projected Through 2019. Prices through 2018.





# Research-Driven Research and Consulting

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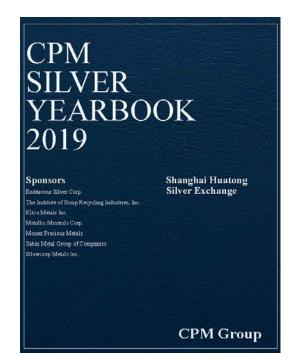
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