

# Mineral Industry Surveys

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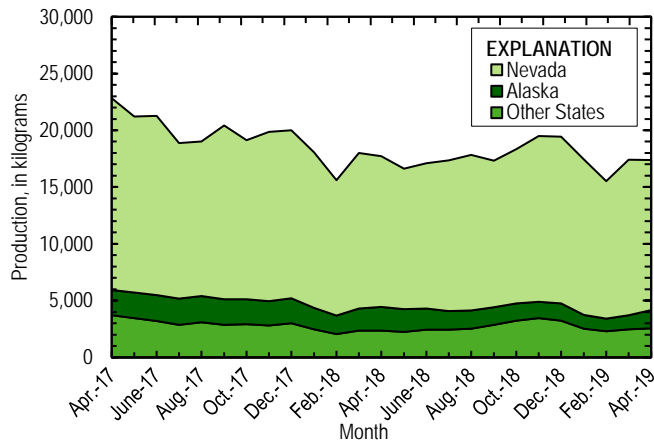
## GOLD IN APRIL 2019

Production of gold by U.S. mines was about 17,400 kilograms (kg) in April 2019, unchanged compared with revised March production and a slight decrease compared with April 2018 production (fig. 1, table 1).

Based on unrounded data, the average daily gold production for U.S. mines was about 579 kg in April 2019, about 560 kg for March 2019, and about 584 kg for full year of 2018.

**Prices**

The average monthly Engelhard gold price in April 2019 decreased to \$1,287.94 per troy ounce, a \$16.80-per-troy-ounce decrease from the average price in March (table 2) (fig. 2). The daily price in April ranged between a high of \$1,307.87 per troy ounce on April 9 and a low of \$1,271.81 per troy ounce on April 23.



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Figure 1. Domestic gold mine production from April 2017 through April 2019.

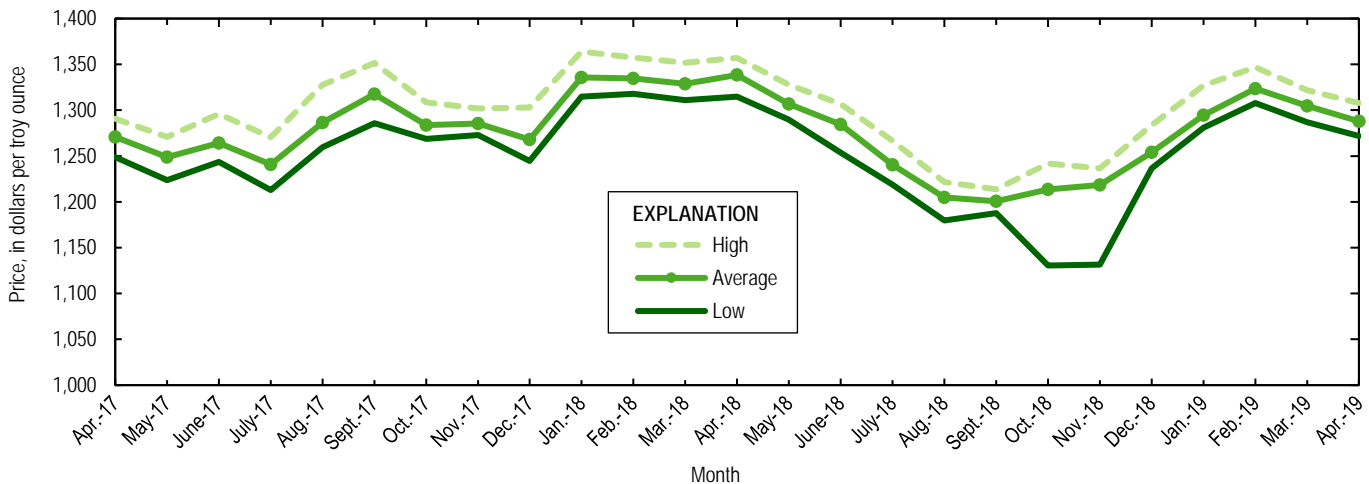


Figure 2. Engelhard monthly gold prices for April 2017 through April 2019. Source: Platts Metals Week.

TABLE 1  
MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN THE UNITED STATES,  
BY STATE<sup>1</sup>

(Kilograms)

	Alaska	Nevada	Other States <sup>2</sup>	Total
2018: <sup>P</sup>				
January	1,870	13,700	2,480	18,100
February	1,640	11,900	2,050	15,600
March	1,940	13,700	2,350	18,000
April	2,090	13,300	2,340	17,700
May	1,980	12,400	2,250	16,600
June	1,860	12,800	2,440	17,100
July	1,610	13,300	2,450	17,300
August	1,610	13,700	2,520	17,900
September	1,560	12,900	2,860	17,400
October	1,510	13,600	3,230	18,300
November	1,460	14,600	3,440	19,500
December	1,510	14,700	3,230	19,400
Total	20,600	161,000	31,600	213,000
2019:				
January	1,220 <sup>r</sup>	13,700 <sup>r</sup>	2,520 <sup>r</sup>	17,400 <sup>r</sup>
February	1,110 <sup>r</sup>	12,100 <sup>r</sup>	2,300 <sup>r</sup>	15,500 <sup>r</sup>
March	1,220 <sup>r</sup>	13,700 <sup>r</sup>	2,480 <sup>r</sup>	17,400 <sup>r</sup>
April	1,620	13,200	2,550	17,400
Total	5,170	52,600	9,850	67,700

<sup>P</sup>Preliminary. <sup>r</sup>Revised.

<sup>1</sup>Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; may not add to totals shown.

<sup>2</sup>Includes Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, Montana, New Mexico, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Utah.

TABLE 2  
GOLD PRICES<sup>1</sup>

(Dollars per troy ounce)

	Low	Date	High	Date	Average
2018:					
January	1,314.88	Jan. 9	1,363.96	Jan. 25	1,335.87
February	1,317.89	Feb. 9	1,357.45	Feb. 16	1,334.55
March	1,310.87	Mar. 1	1,351.94	Mar. 26	1,328.83
April	1,314.88	Apr. 30	1,356.95	Apr. 18	1,338.47
May	1,289.84	May 18	1,327.90	May 11	1,306.89
June	1,253.78	Jun. 29	1,306.87	Jun. 14	1,284.54
July	1,218.72	Jul. 31	1,266.80	Jul. 9	1,240.61
August	1,179.65	Aug. 16	1,221.72	Aug. 1	1,204.76
September	1,187.66	Sept. 27	1,213.71	Sept. 13	1,200.66
October	1,130.57	Oct. 19	1,241.76	Oct. 23	1,213.69
November	1,131.57	Nov. 7	1,236.75	Nov. 6	1,218.62
December	1,236.75	Dec. 14	1,283.83	Dec. 31	1,254.16
January–December	1,130.57	Oct. 19	1,363.96	Jan. 25	1,271.62
2019:					
January	1,280.82	Jan. 21	1,326.90	Jan. 31	1,294.69
February	1,307.87	Feb. 11	1,346.93	Feb. 20	1,323.47
March	1,286.83	Mar. 7	1,321.89	Mar. 25, 26	1,304.74
April	1,271.81	Apr. 23	1,307.87	Apr. 9	1,287.94
January–April	1,271.81	Apr. 23	1,346.93	Feb. 20	1,302.29

<sup>1</sup>Quotes from Engelhard.

Source: Platts Metals Week.

TABLE 3  
U.S. IMPORTS OF GOLD<sup>1</sup>

(Kilograms, gold content unless otherwise specified)

Country or locality	Ores and concentrates <sup>2</sup>		Doré and precipitates		Refined bullion <sup>3</sup>		Total <sup>4</sup>		Waste and scrap <sup>5</sup>	
	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)
2018	79	\$3,080	132,000	\$5,700,000	81,500 <sup>r</sup>	\$3,330,000 <sup>r</sup>	213,000	\$9,030,000 <sup>r</sup>	15,000	\$313,000
2019:										
March	--	--	7,160	316,000	3,950	166,000	11,100	482,000	1,410	28,000
April:										
Argentina	--	--	347	14,100	--	--	347	14,100	--	--
Bolivia	--	--	65	2,730	--	--	65	2,730	--	--
Brazil	--	--	51	2,130	24	989	75	3,120	--	--
Canada	2	45	169	6,970	1,610	67,400	1,780	74,400	205	4,530
Chile	--	--	247	11,200	--	--	247	11,200	36	1,020
Colombia	--	--	467	19,100	79	3,240	546	22,400	46	1,400
Costa Rica	--	--	25	1,030	15	628	40	1,660	86	1,050
Curacao	--	--	50	2,100	--	--	50	2,100	--	--
Dominican Republic	--	--	164	6,590	--	--	164	6,590	69	1,930
Ecuador	--	--	240	9,980	--	--	240	9,980	45	641
Germany	--	--	--	--	43	1,840	43	1,840	8	155
Guyana	--	--	28	1,160	--	--	28	1,160	--	--
Honduras	--	--	138	5,770	--	--	138	5,770	78	2,290
Mexico	--	--	4,110	181,000	590	24,300	4,700	205,000	75	1,620
Nicaragua	--	--	548	23,700	--	--	548	23,700	123	3,340
Panama	--	--	2	87	48	1,950	50	2,030	47	918
Peru	--	--	1,240	52,500	--	--	1,240	52,500	--	--
Switzerland	--	--	199	8,330	318	13,200	517	21,500	--	--
United Arab Emirates	--	--	--	--	50	2,070	50	2,070	--	--
Venezuela	--	--	35	1,380	3	101	37	1,480	--	--
Other	--	--	31	1,200	37	1,380	67	2,590	149	2,670
Total	2	45	8,150	351,000	2,820	117,000	11,000	468,000	968	21,600
January–April	2	45	32,100	1,390,000	14,900	623,000	47,000	2,020,000	4,870	101,000

-- Zero. <sup>r</sup>Revised.

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<sup>2</sup>Includes gold content of base metal ores, concentrates, and matte imported for refining.

<sup>3</sup>Bullion also moves in both directions between U.S. markets and foreign stocks on deposit in the Federal Reserve Bank. Monetary gold excluded.

<sup>4</sup>"Waste and scrap" is not included in "Total."

<sup>5</sup>Gross weight.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

TABLE 4  
U.S. EXPORTS OF GOLD<sup>1</sup>

(Kilograms, gold content unless otherwise specified)

Country or locality	Ores and concentrates <sup>2</sup>		Doré and precipitates		Refined bullion <sup>3</sup>		Total <sup>4</sup>		Waste and scrap <sup>5</sup>	
	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)
2018	4,740 <sup>r</sup>	\$192,000	171,000 <sup>r</sup>	\$6,970,000	299,000	\$12,200,000	474,000	\$19,400,000	124,000	\$910,000 <sup>r</sup>
2019:										
March	286	10,100	6,260	263,000	21,100	881,000	27,600	1,150,000	2,850	102,000
April:										
Australia	--	--	128	5,370	--	--	128	5,370	--	--
Belgium	--	--	--	--	(6)	3	(6)	3	--	--
Canada	(6)	11	9	333	25	966	33	1,310	4,110	77,700
China	--	--	(6)	14	--	--	(6)	14	--	--
France	--	--	--	--	(6)	10	(6)	10	--	--
Germany	--	--	--	--	8	347	8	347	56	16
Hong Kong	--	--	--	--	33	1,320	33	1,320	--	--
India	--	--	4,060	169,000	14	557	4,070	169,000	--	--
Italy	--	--	300	12,600	--	--	300	12,600	5	75
Japan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	55	1,090
Korea, Republic of	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,080	308
Malaysia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(6)	6
Mexico	--	--	--	--	135	5,610	135	5,610	--	--
Oman	--	--	--	--	19	725	19	725	--	--
Pakistan	--	--	--	--	5	208	5	208	--	--
Panama	--	--	--	--	3	131	3	131	--	--
Peru	--	--	--	--	10	413	10	413	--	--
Switzerland	--	--	877	36,200	4,710	195,000	5,590	231,000	21	835
Taiwan	40	1,510	--	--	--	--	40	1,510	--	--
Thailand	--	--	--	--	2	97	2	97	1	53
Turkey	--	--	15	601	2	97	17	698	--	--
United Arab Emirates	--	--	314	12,900	40	1,640	354	14,500	--	--
United Kingdom	--	--	--	--	20,000	831,000	20,000	831,000	--	--
Vietnam	--	--	--	--	1	21	1	21	--	--
Total	40	1,520	5,700	237,000	25,100	1,040,000	30,800	1,280,000	5,320	80,000
January–April	1,120	38,900	23,700	993,000	96,400	4,040,000	121,000	5,070,000	41,600	367,000

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<sup>6</sup>Less than ½ unit.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.