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GOLD IN APRIL 2022

Production of gold by U.S. mines was 13,500 kilograms (kg) in April 2022, essentially unchanged compared with revised March 2022 production, and a 10% decrease compared with April 2021 production (fig. 1, table 1).

Based on unrounded data, the average daily gold production for U.S. mines was about 451 kg in April 2022, a revised 443 kg for March 2022, 446 kg for year-to-date 2022, and 512 kg for the full year of 2021.

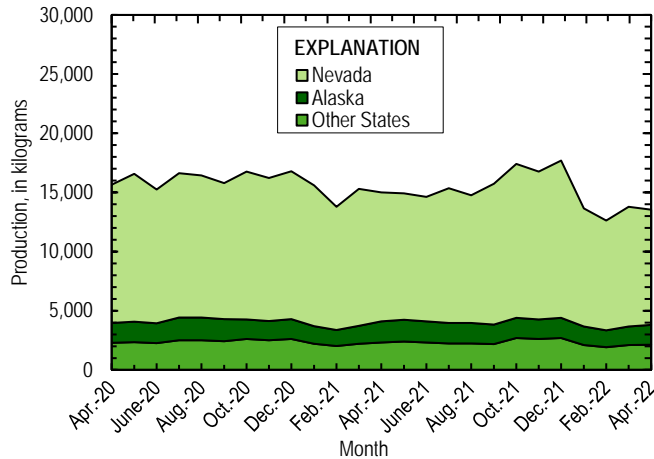


Figure 1. Domestic gold mine production from April 2020 through April 2022.

Prices

The average monthly Engelhard gold price in April 2022 decreased \$8.90 per troy ounce to \$1,937.80 per troy ounce from the average price in March 2022 (fig. 2, table 2). The daily price in April ranged between a low of \$1,887.00 per troy ounce on April 28, and a high of \$1,994.00 per troy ounce on April 18.

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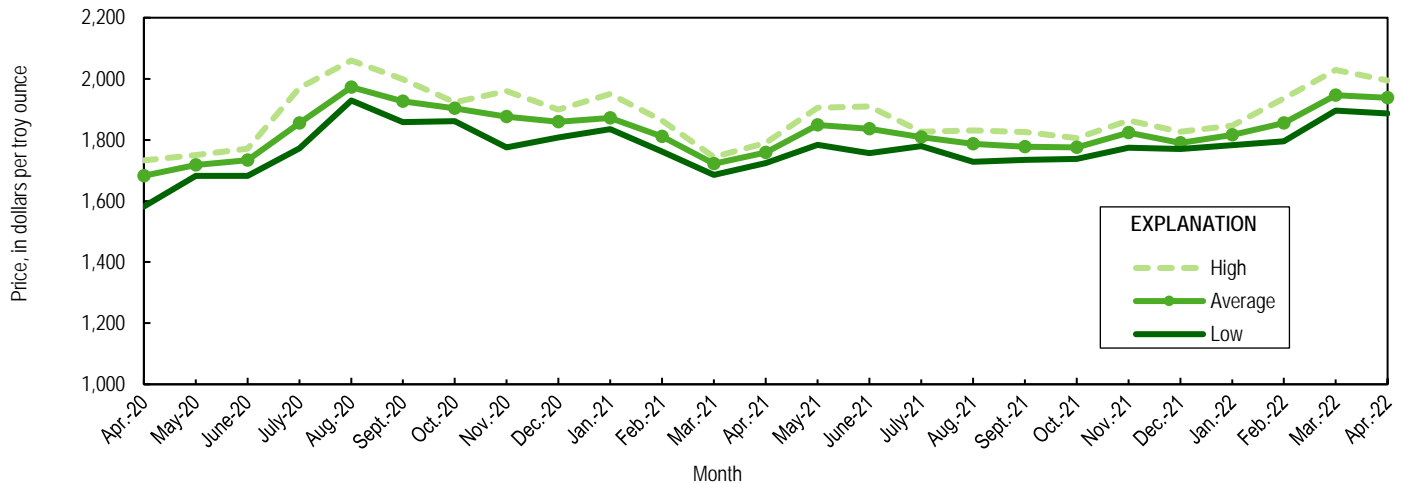


Figure 2. Engelhard monthly gold prices for April 2020 through April 2022. Source: S&P Global Platts Metals Week.

TABLE 1
MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN THE UNITED STATES,
BY STATE¹

(Kilograms)

	Alaska	Nevada	Other States ²	Total
2021: ^p				
January	1,500	11,900	2,200	15,600
February	1,350	10,400	2,020	13,800
March	1,500	11,600	2,210	15,300
April	1,790	10,900	2,320	15,000
May	1,840	10,700	2,390	14,900
June	1,790	10,500	2,320	14,600
July	1,720	11,400	2,240	15,300
August	1,720	10,800	2,240	14,800
September	1,670	11,900	2,170	15,700
October	1,710	13,000	2,690	17,400
November	1,650	12,500	2,610	16,700
December	1,710	13,300	2,680	17,700
January–December	20,000	139,000	28,100	187,000
2022:				
January	1,570 ^r	10,000 ^r	2,090 ^r	13,700 ^r
February	1,420 ^r	9,280	1,920 ^r	12,600 ^r
March	1,570 ^r	10,100 ^r	2,100 ^r	13,700 ^r
April	1,680	9,750	2,110	13,500
January–April	6,230	39,100	8,210	53,600

^pPreliminary. ^rRevised.

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

²Includes Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, New Mexico, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Utah.

TABLE 2
GOLD PRICES¹

(Dollars per troy ounce)

	Low	Date	High	Date	Average
2021:					
January	1,835.00	Jan. 11	1,950.00	Jan. 5	1,871.58
February	1,762.00	Feb. 26	1,864.00	Feb. 1	1,811.58
March	1,685.00	Mar. 30	1,744.00	Mar. 25	1,721.74
April	1,724.00	Apr. 1, 5	1,790.00	Apr. 23	1,758.91
May	1,784.00	May 5	1,905.00	May 26	1,848.50
June	1,757.00	Jun. 29	1,910.00	Jun. 1	1,836.05
July	1,780.00	Jul. 1	1,827.00	Jul. 14	1,809.43
August	1,728.50	Aug. 10	1,831.00	Aug. 4	1,786.98
September	1,735.00	Sep. 28	1,826.00	Sep. 3	1,777.43
October	1,738.00	Oct. 15	1,806.00	Oct. 22	1,775.14
November	1,774.00	Nov. 3	1,864.00	Nov. 11, 17	1,823.35
December	1,770.00	Dec. 14	1,827.00	Dec. 31	1,790.38
January–December	1,685.00	Mar. 30	1,950.00	Jan. 5	1,799.44
2022:					
January	1,783.00	Jan. 28	1,847.00	Jan. 20	1,816.85
February	1,795.00	Feb. 4	1,936.00	Feb. 24	1,855.11
March	1,896.00	Mar. 29	2,029.00	Mar. 8	1,946.70
April	1,887.00	Apr. 28	1,994.00	Apr. 18	1,937.80
January–April	1,783.00	Jan. 28	2,029.00	Mar. 8	1,891.63

¹Quotes from Engelhard.

Source: S&P Global Platts Metals Week.

TABLE 3
U.S. IMPORTS OF GOLD¹

(Kilograms, gold content unless otherwise specified)

Country or locality	Ores and concentrates ²		Doré and precipitates		Refined bullion ³		Total ⁴		Waste and scrap ⁵	
	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)
2021	907	\$10,800	90,600	\$5,130,000	100,000	\$5,780,000	192,000	\$10,900,000	18,400	\$560,000
2022:										
March	293	3,300	8,090	496,000	10,900	697,000	19,300	1,200,000	1,950	42,900
April										
Argentina	--	--	1,290	77,400	--	--	1,290	77,400	--	--
Australia	--	--	--	--	281	19,700	281	19,700	279	7,860
Brazil	--	--	2	96	18	1,130	20	1,230	--	--
Canada	104	1,380	130	7,520	1,600	106,000	1,840	115,000	3	106
Chile	--	--	64	3,450	--	--	64	3,450	--	--
Colombia	--	--	1,170	71,800	396	21,500	1,560	93,300	--	--
Costa Rica	--	--	63	2,940	--	--	63	2,940	--	--
Dominican Republic	--	--	150	9,450	--	--	150	9,450	--	--
Ecuador	--	--	320	19,600	--	--	320	19,600	--	--
France	--	--	--	--	20	1,250	20	1,250	49	88
Germany	--	--	--	--	43	2,310	43	2,310	330	8,360
Guatemala	--	--	44	2,210	--	--	44	2,210	99	3,390
Guyana	--	--	24	1,510	--	--	24	1,510	--	--
Honduras	--	--	189	11,700	--	--	189	11,700	--	--
Hong Kong	--	--	--	--	96	5,940	96	5,940	(6)	6
Mexico	--	--	3,090	197,000	342	21,100	3,430	218,000	--	--
Nicaragua	--	--	711	44,100	85	4,770	796	48,900	3	61
Panama	--	--	24	1,520	--	--	24	1,520	--	--
Peru	--	--	61	3,780	70	3,390	131	7,170	--	--
Switzerland	--	--	--	--	1,350	83,800	1,350	83,800	--	--
Other	--	--	16	885	22	1,140	38	2,020	465	13,200
Total	104	1,380	7,340	455,000	4,330	272,000	11,800	729,000	1,230	33,000
January–April	532	6,210	28,400	1,700,000	23,800	1,490,000	52,700	3,200,000	5,800	156,000

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

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

⁴“Waste and scrap” is not included in “Total.”

⁵Gross weight.

⁶Less than ½ unit.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

TABLE 4
U.S. EXPORTS OF GOLD¹

(Kilograms, gold content unless otherwise specified)

Country or locality	Ores and concentrates ²		Doré and precipitates		Refined bullion ³		Total ⁴		Waste and scrap ⁵	
	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)	Quantity	Value (thousand)
2021	3,860	\$213,000	52,600	\$3,060,000	329,000	\$18,900,000	386,000	\$22,200,000	71,400	\$2,900,000
2022:										
March	221	12,700	5,730	352,000	8,810	555,000	14,800	920,000	7,000	300,000
April										
Australia	--	--	988	60,800	--	--	988	60,800	--	--
Canada	15	924	259	15,200	317	20,300	591	36,500	5,400	231,000
Cayman Islands	--	--	83	4,930	--	--	83	4,930	--	--
Germany	52	3,310	--	--	10	616	62	3,930	1	68
Hong Kong	--	--	--	--	1	36	1	36	(6)	13
India	--	--	--	--	8	525	8	525	--	--
Italy	--	--	136	7,820	12	737	148	8,560	--	--
Japan	3	172	--	--	--	--	3	172	7	409
Laos	--	--	--	--	1	52	1	52	--	--
Malaysia	--	--	31	1,730	--	--	31	1,730	--	--
Mexico	--	--	--	--	33	2,080	33	2,080	--	--
Panama	--	--	--	--	2	125	2	125	--	--
Peru	--	--	--	--	7	429	7	429	--	--
Singapore	--	--	--	--	29	1,780	29	1,780	(6)	7
Switzerland	--	--	4,060	255,000	772	47,500	4,830	302,000	463	28,500
Taiwan	63	3,710	--	--	--	--	63	3,710	--	--
Thailand	--	--	--	--	(6)	27	(6)	27	--	--
Turkey	--	--	6	391	--	--	6	391	--	--
United Arab Emirates	--	--	162	9,560	--	--	162	9,560	--	--
United Kingdom	--	--	--	--	9,460	588,000	9,460	588,000	15	850
Other	--	--	(6)	17	1	62	1	78	4	207
Total	133	8,120	5,720	355,000	10,700	662,000	16,500	1,030,000	5,890	261,000
January–April	869	49,600	21,400	1,280,000	57,100	3,460,000	79,400	4,800,000	22,500	966,000

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