2022 INTERIM SILVER MARKET REVIEW



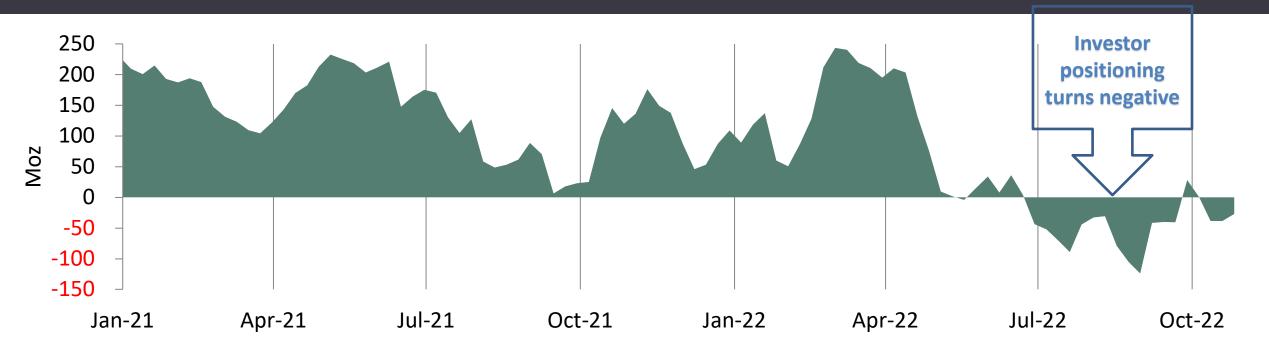
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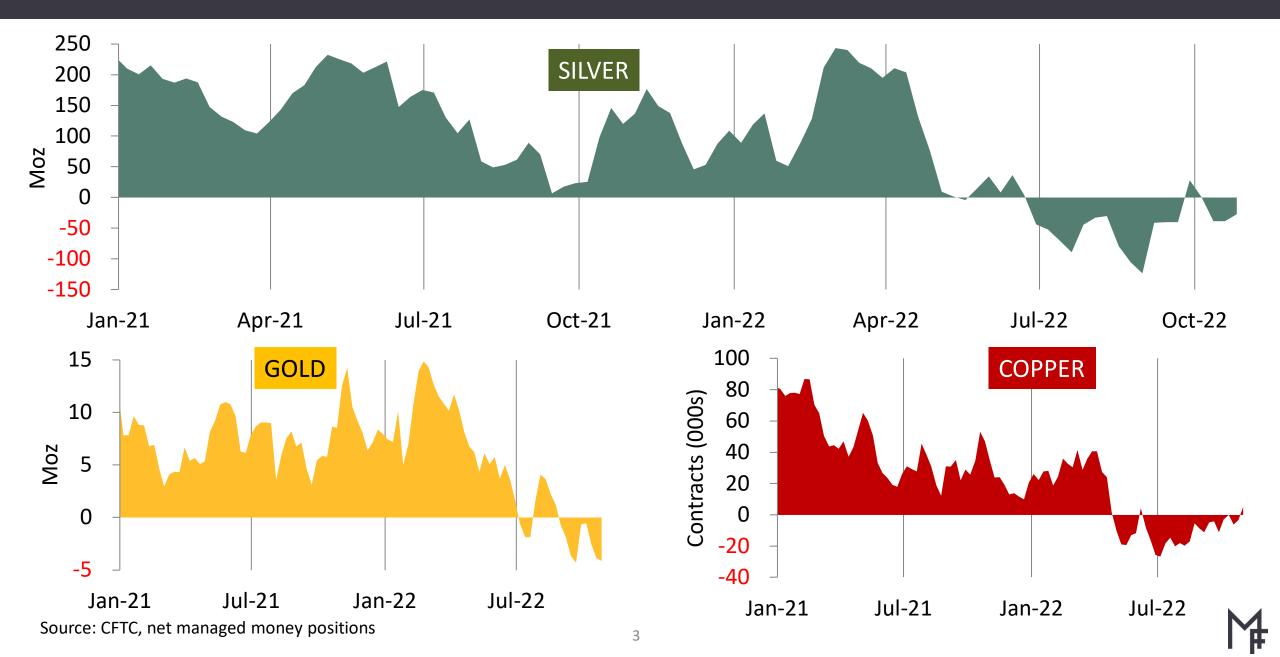
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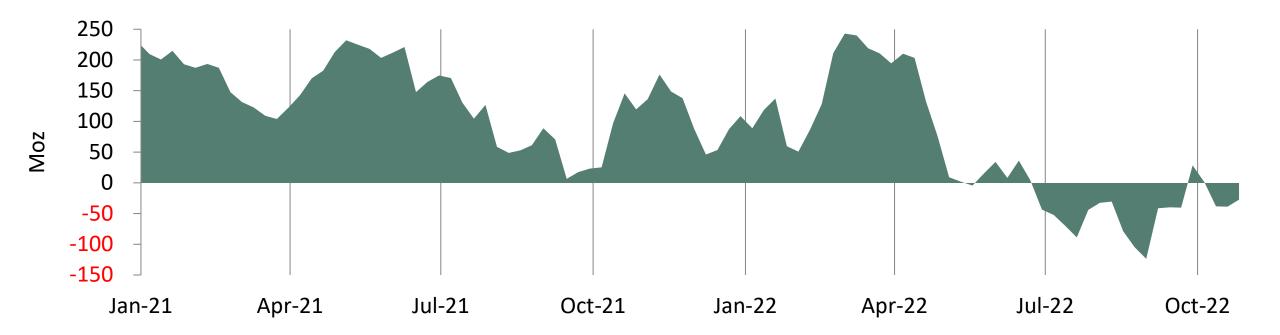
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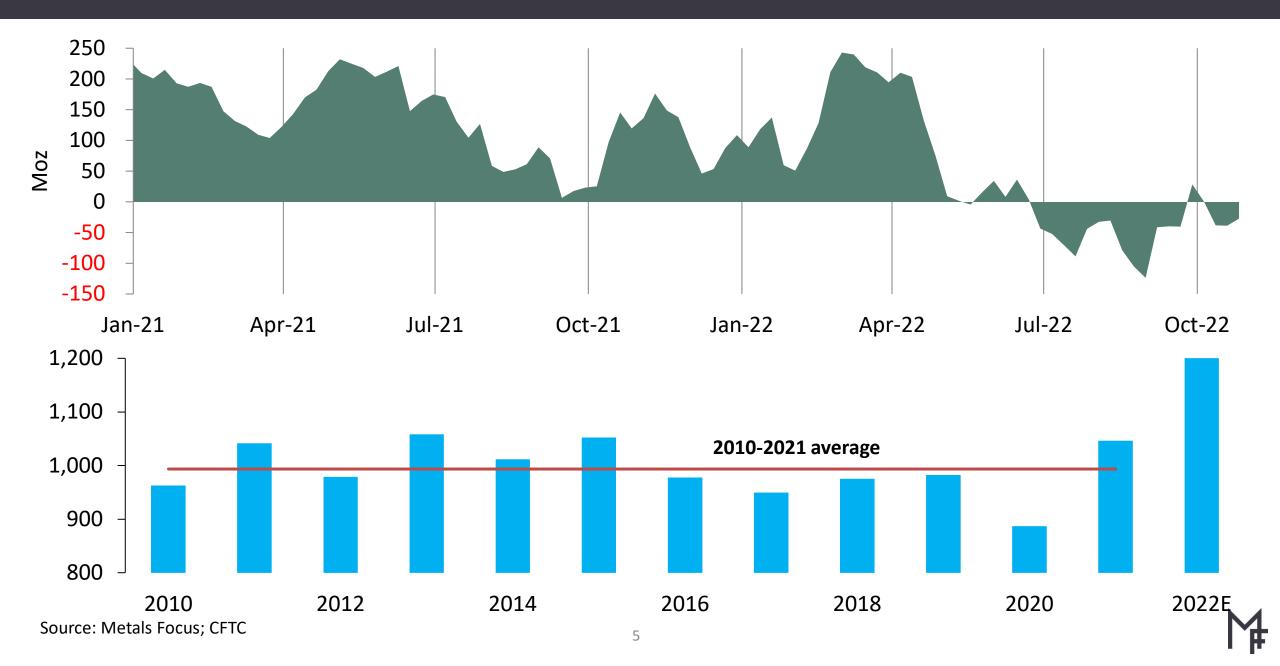










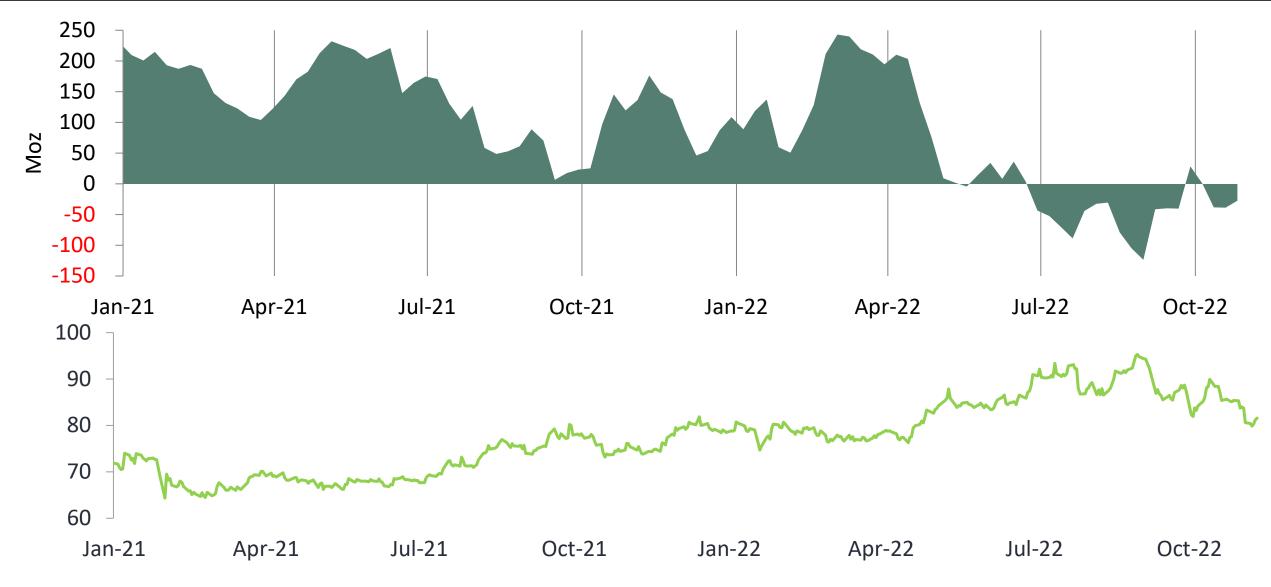


Global exchange stocks falling, by ~400Moz this ytd to 1.3bn oz





2022 – helps explain a rising gold:silver ratio



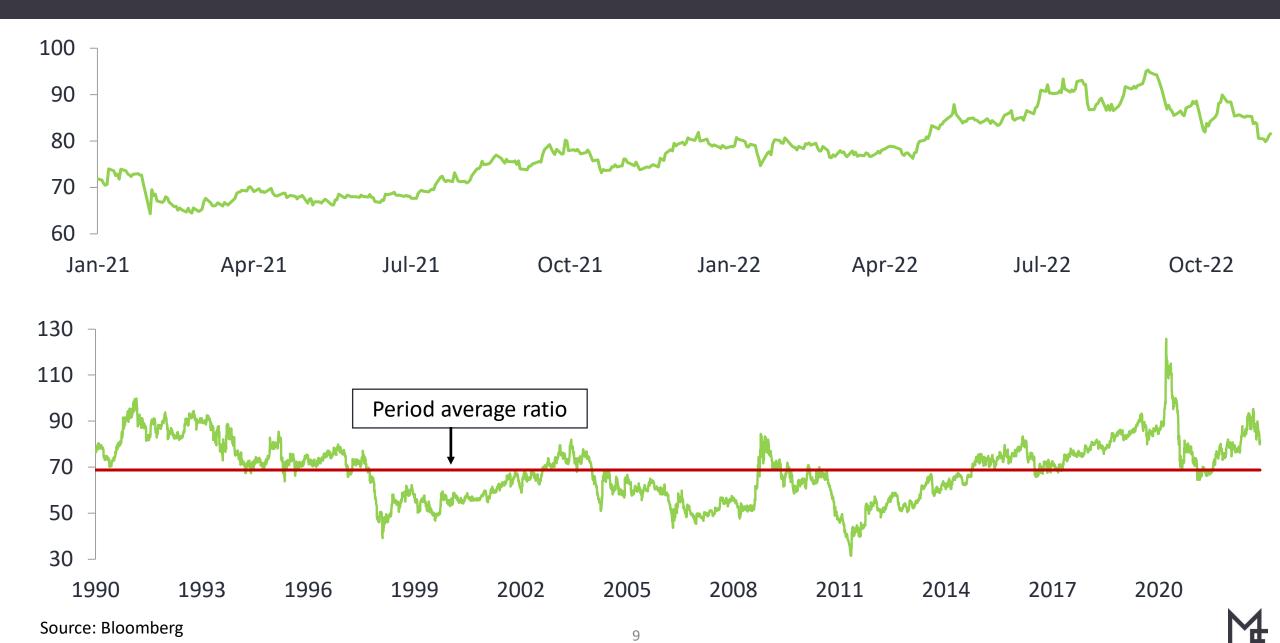
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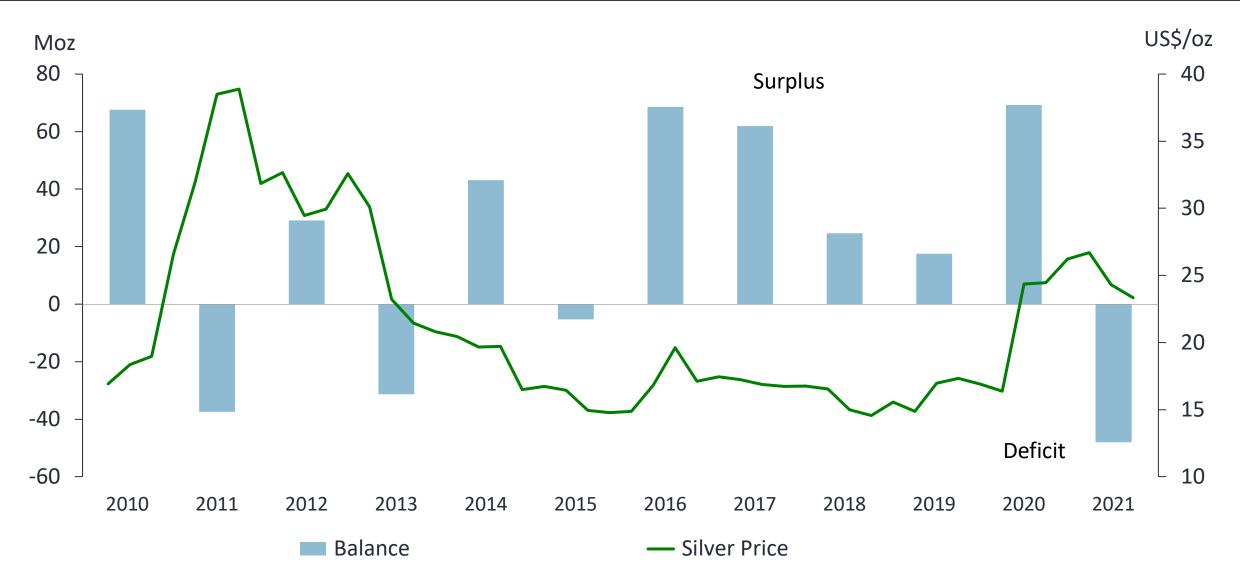


Silver's under performance during H2.22



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2021, the start of a new phase of deficits, -48Moz

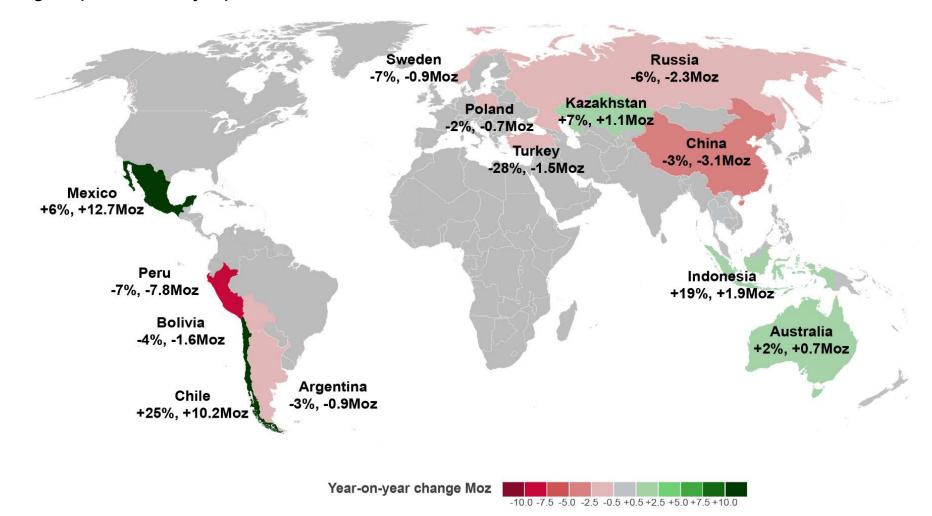


Source: Metals Focus



Mined silver production to rise by 9Moz y/y in 2022

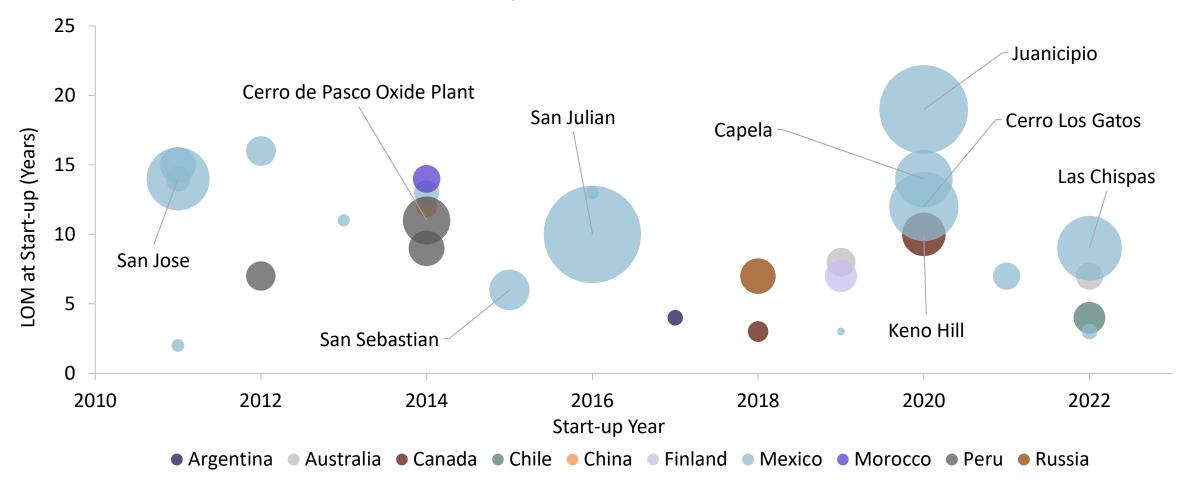
This year global output is expected to rise by 1% y/y to 830Moz as significant growth in production from Mexico and Chile surpasses falling output from major producers such as Peru, China and Russia.





Major new projects are driving growth in Mexico

Since 2020 four major new primary silver projects have commenced production in Mexico. These are bigger than new projects elsewhere in the world and are the main reason for growth in Mexican output.



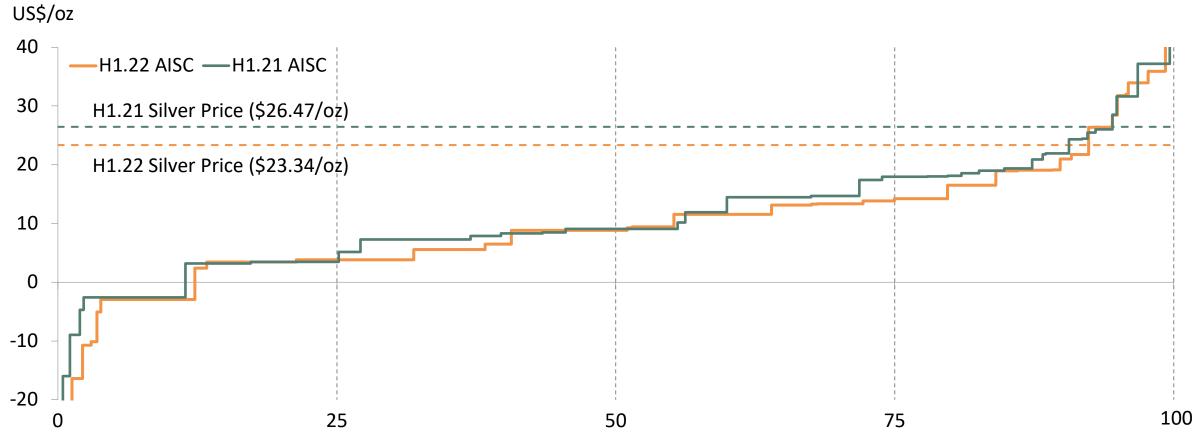
Bubble size represents average LOM production.

Source: Metals Focus



Primary silver miners' costs lower year-on-year in H1.22

Average AISC for primary silver mines in H1.22 fell by 10% y/y to \$9.72/oz due to a rise in by-product credits. However, this drop was surpassed by a 12% decline in the silver price over the same period which led to average margins falling by 13% y/y.

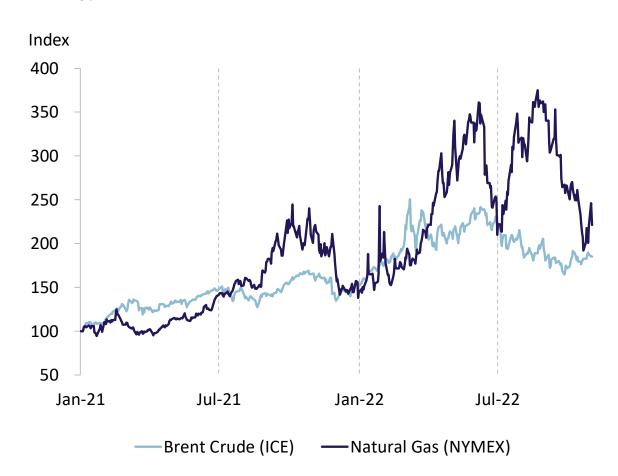


Cumulative Silver Production - Market Share (%)

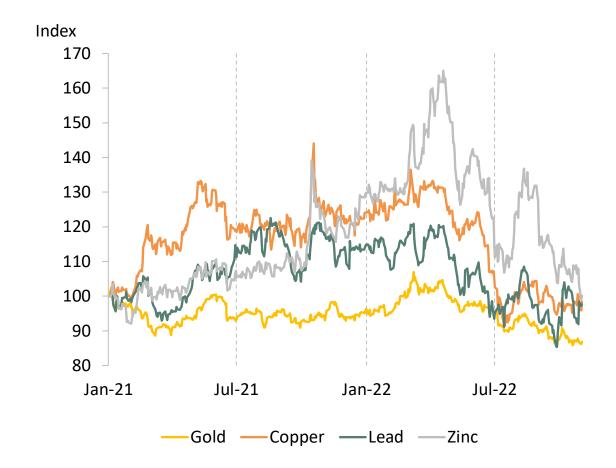


Rising energy costs negated by higher metal prices in H1.22

Gas and oil prices have risen in 2022 increasing fuel and energy costs for miners.



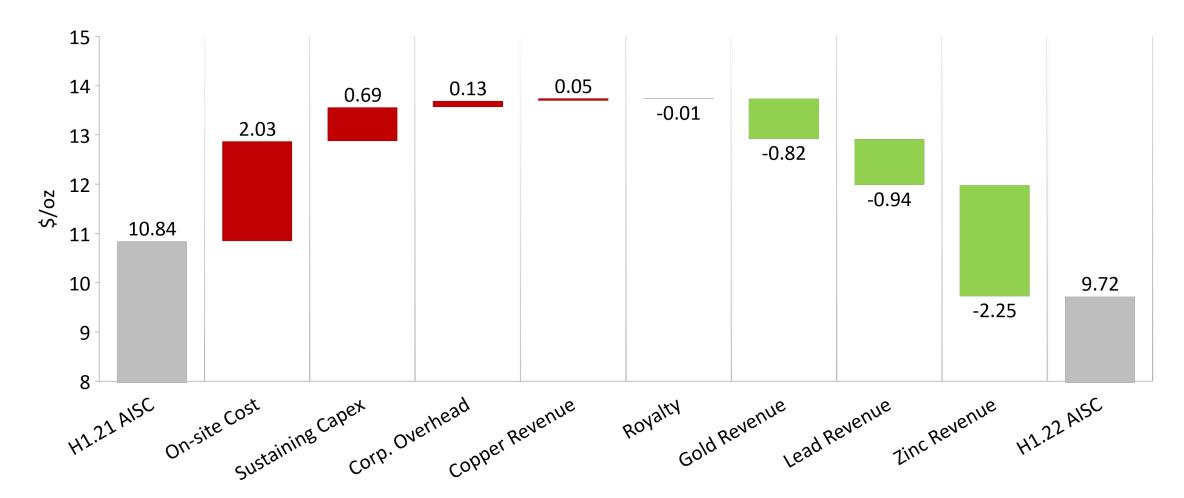
Rising metal prices led to an increase in by-product revenues for silver miners in H1.22.





Rise in by-product revenues surpasses increase in costs

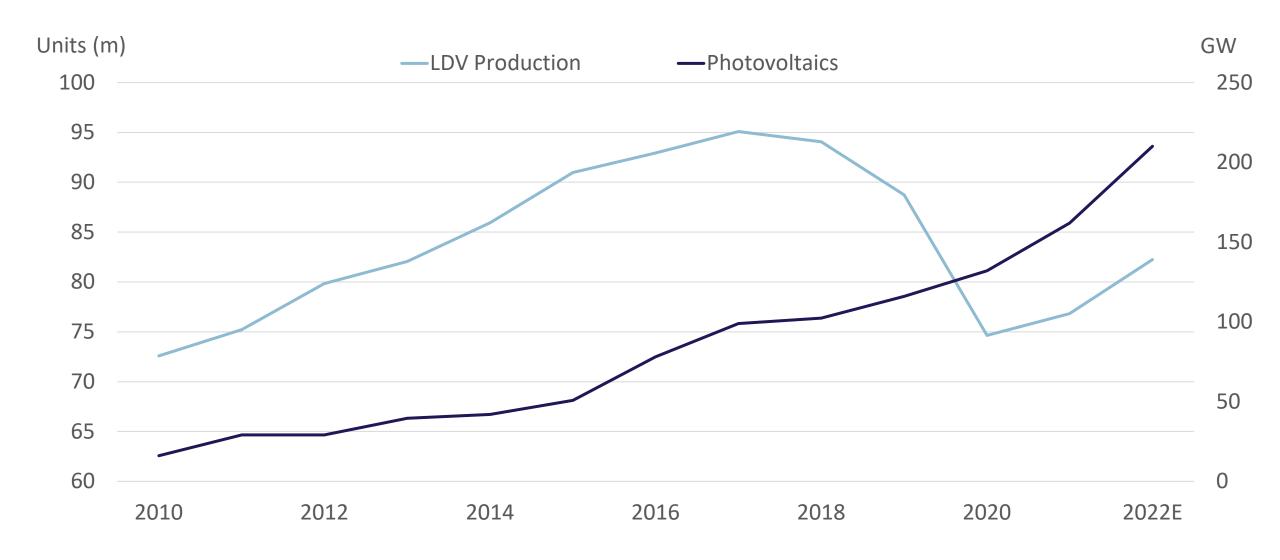
Input cost inflation pushed on-site costs and sustaining capex up by 10% and 16% respectively year-on-year. However, this was surpassed by higher by-product revenues with zinc by-product credits increasing by 40% over the same period.



Source: Metals Focus - Silver Mine Cost Service



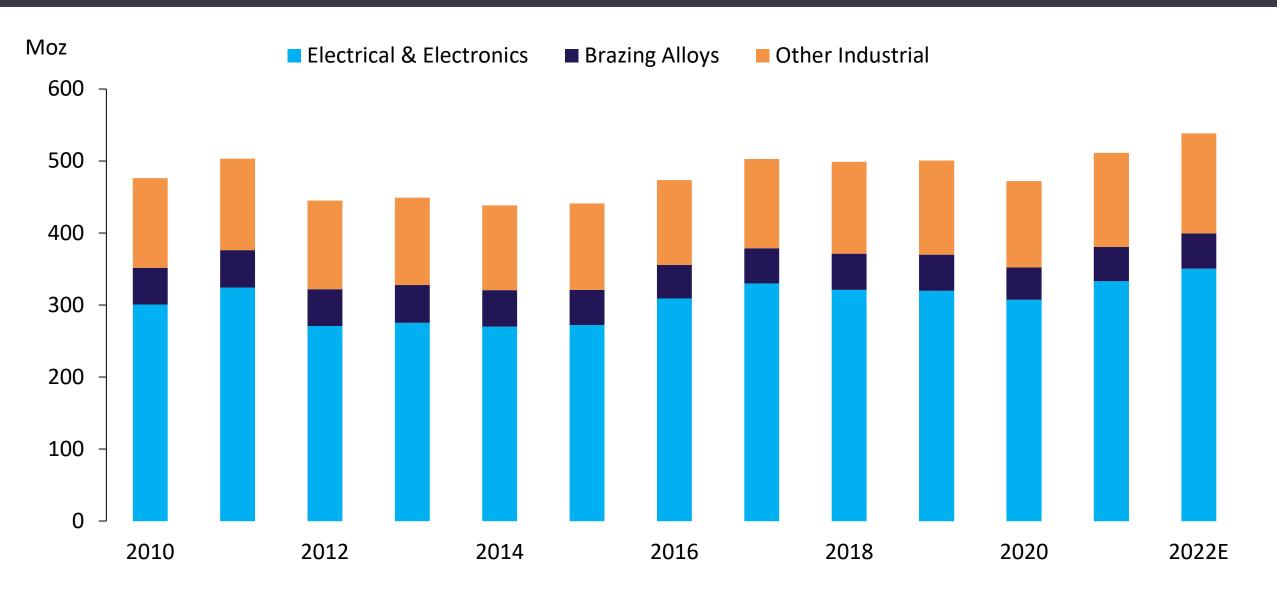
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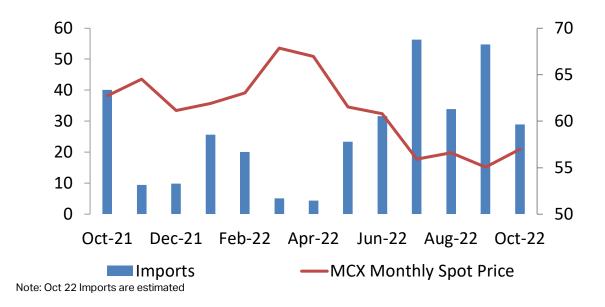


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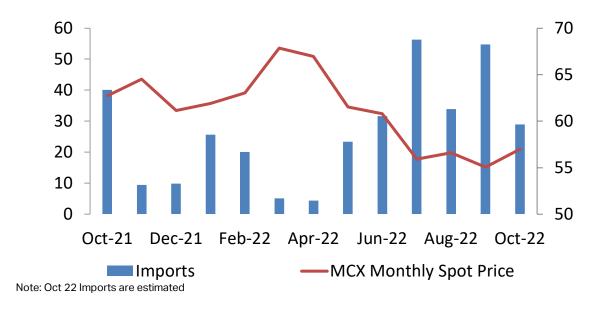


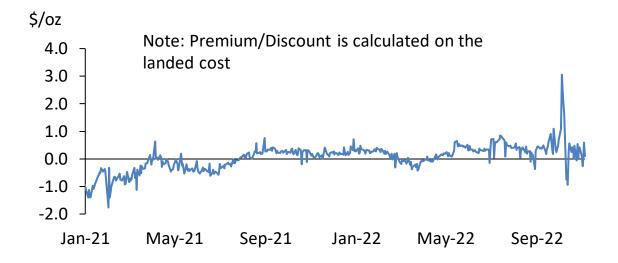
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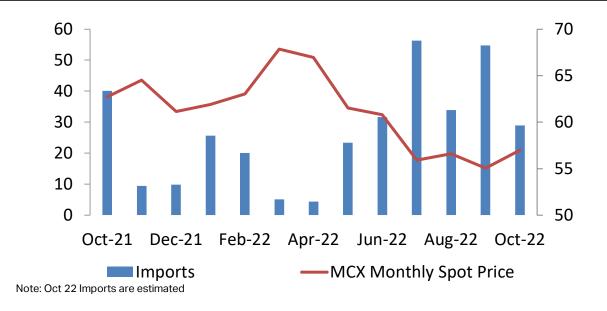


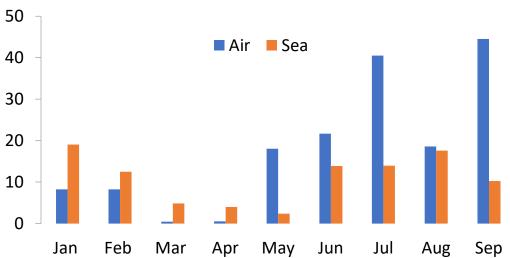


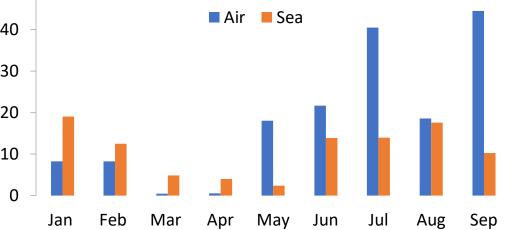






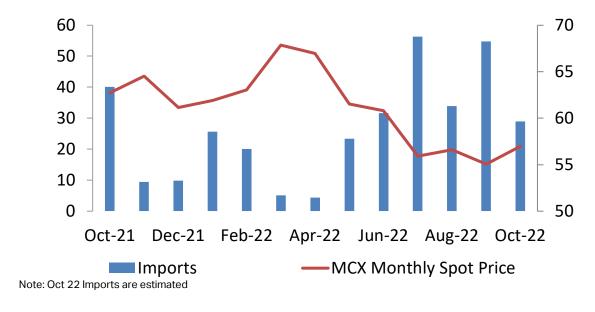


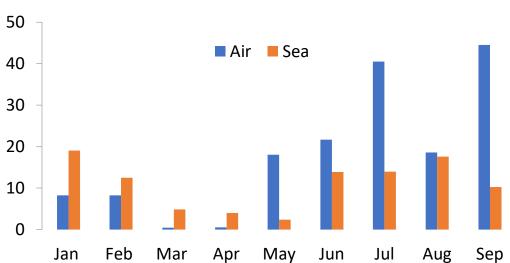






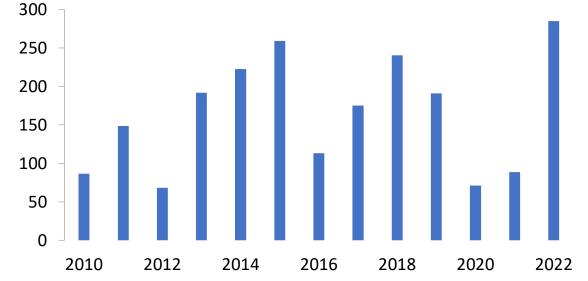






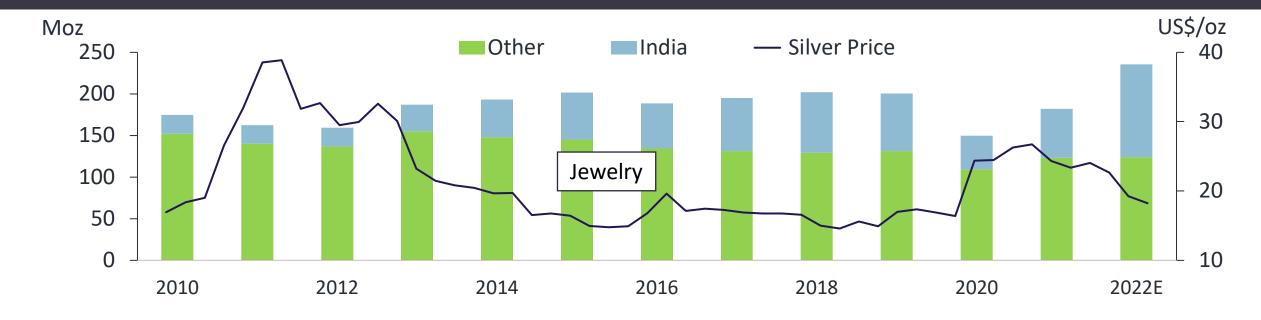








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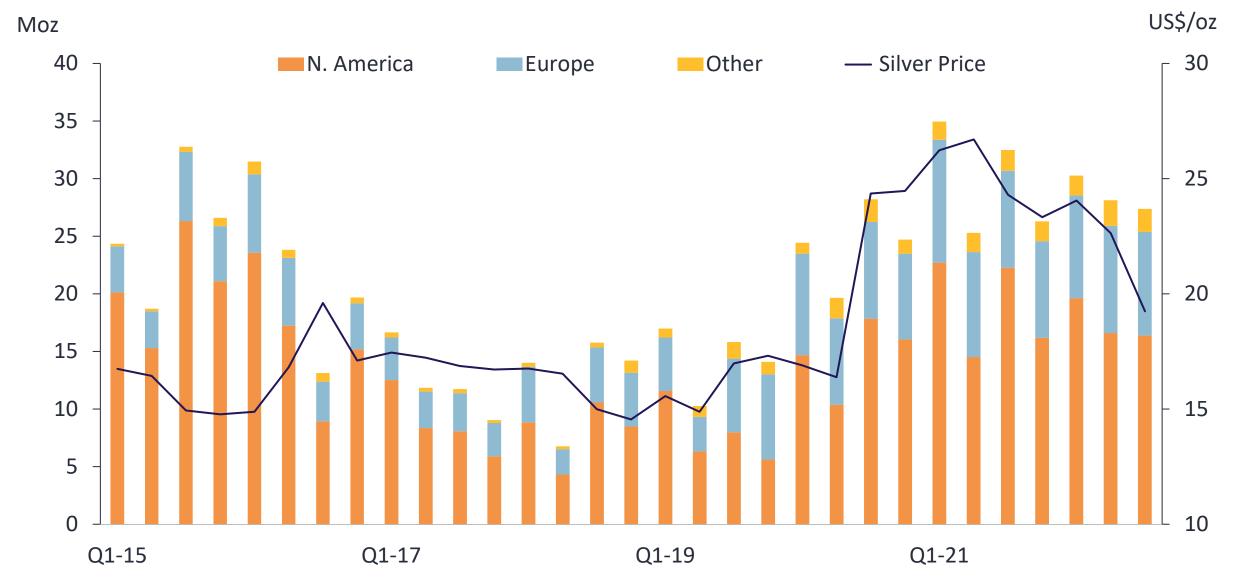




Jewelry (+29% to 235Moz) & silverware (+72% to 73Moz) to also hit new highs



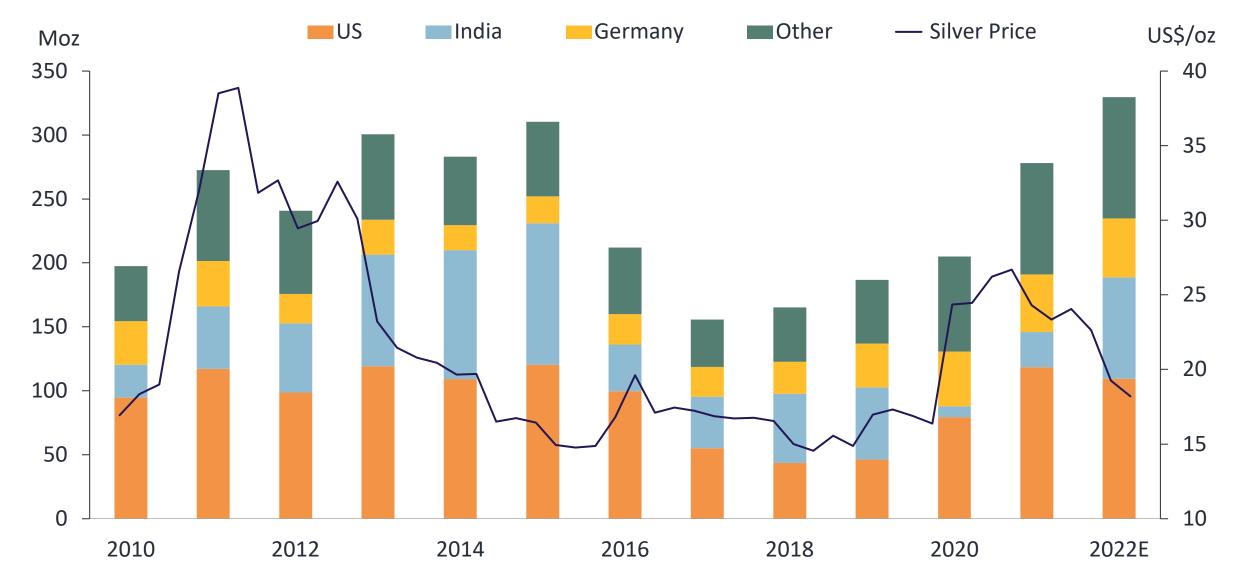
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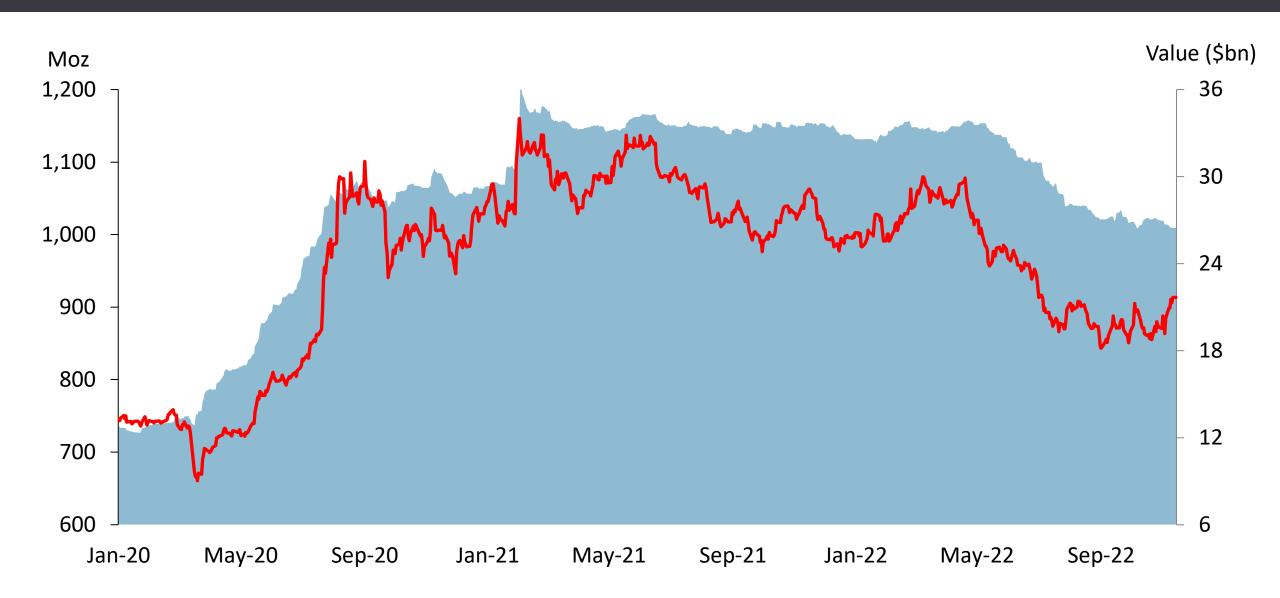
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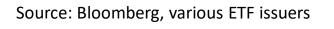


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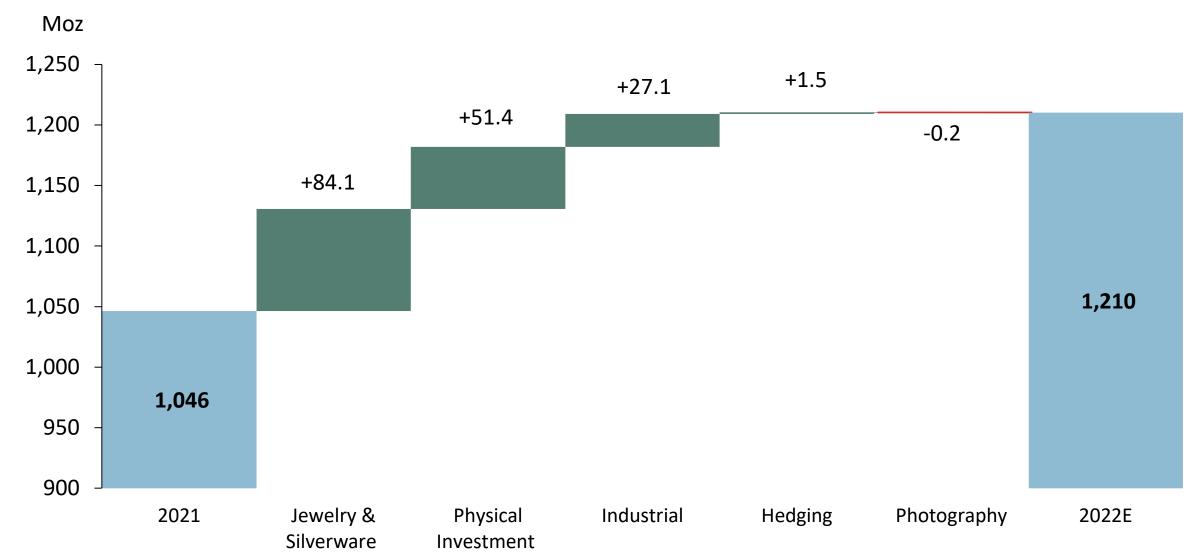
ETP holdings down ~120Moz this ytd, but remain historically high







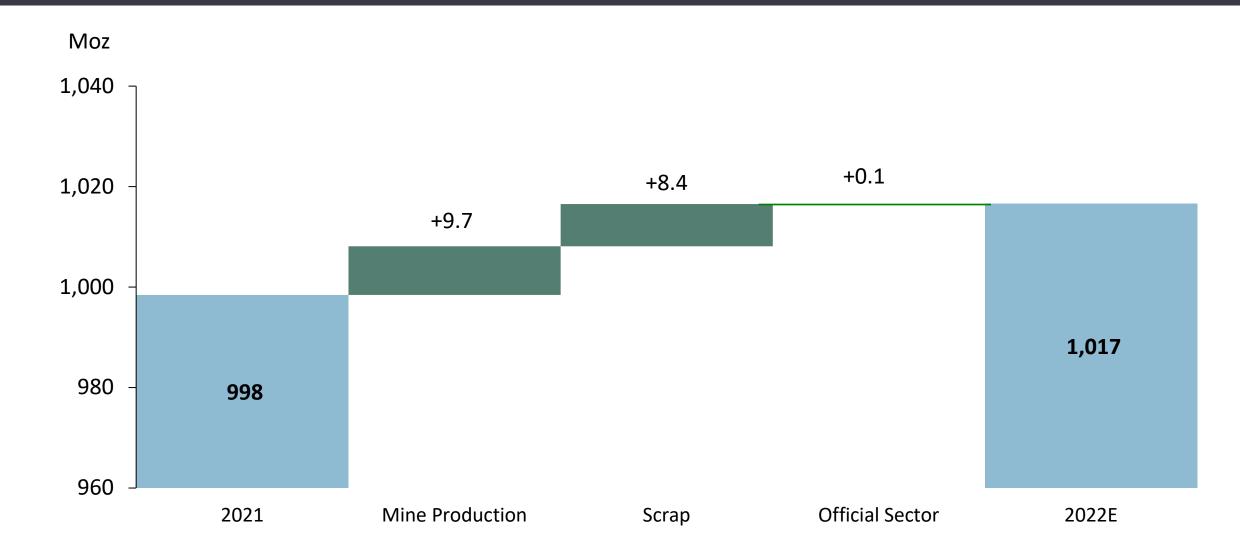
Global demand summary: +16%



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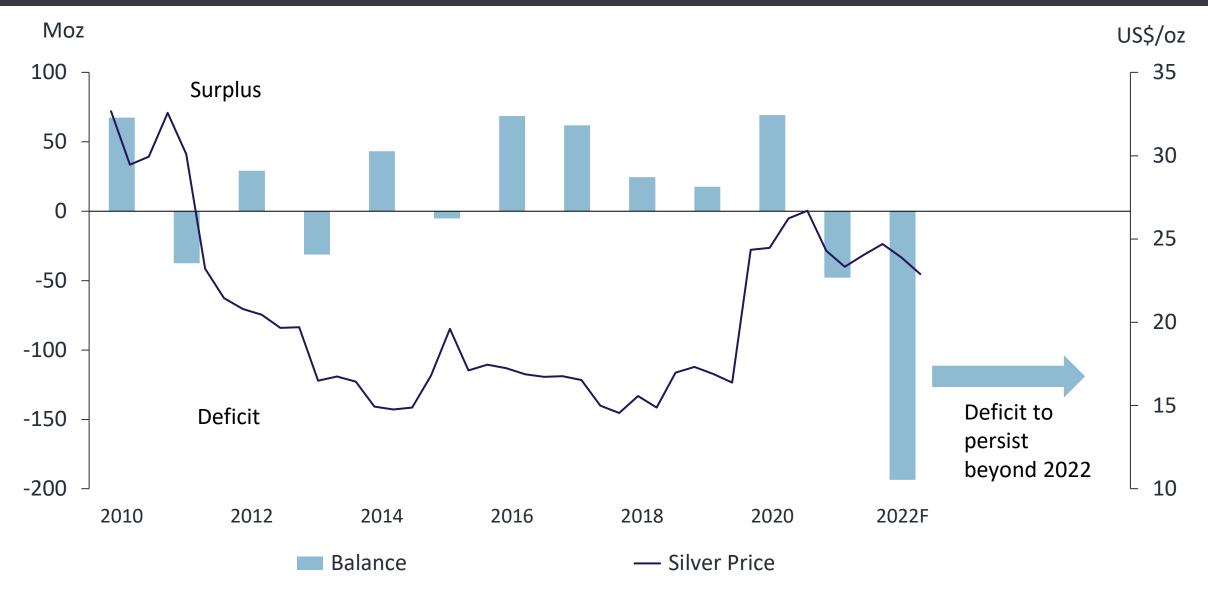


Global supply summary: +2%





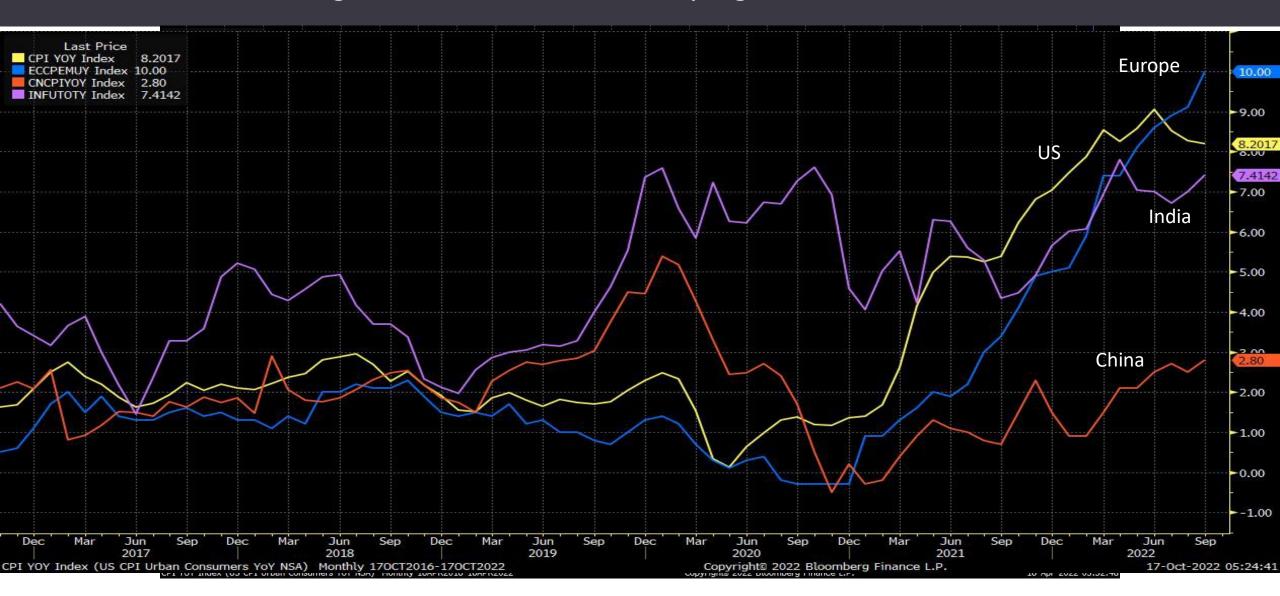
2022 generates a multi-decade high deficit of 194Moz







Headline Inflation readings continue to be stubbornly high







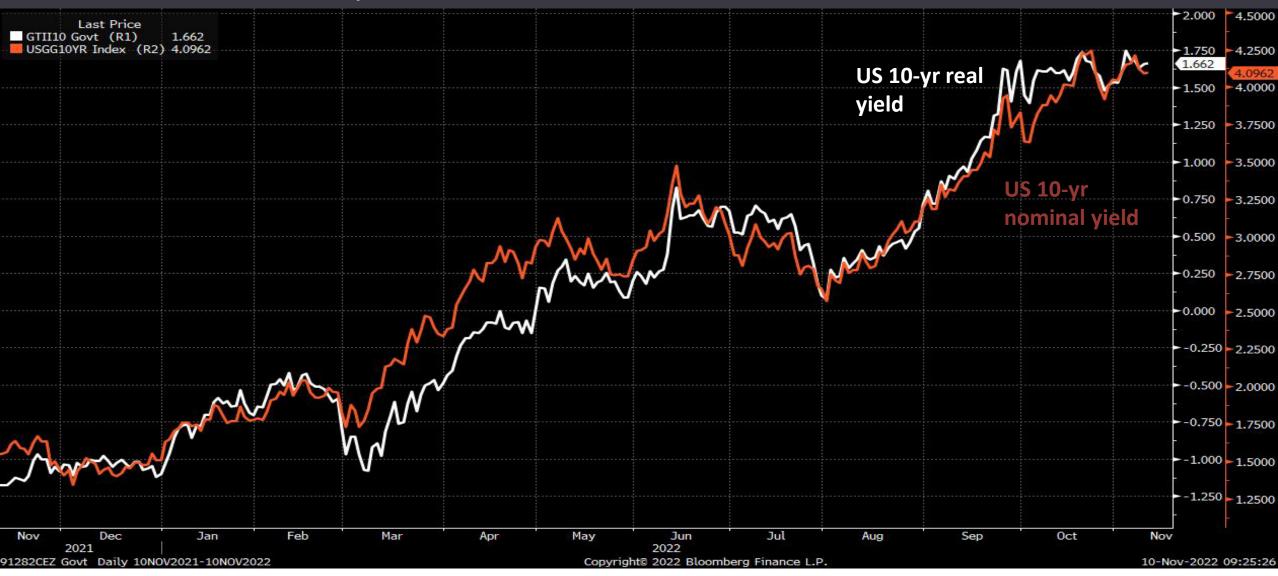
Rising interest rate expectations and Dollar's rally to two-decade highs have been key to silver price weakness







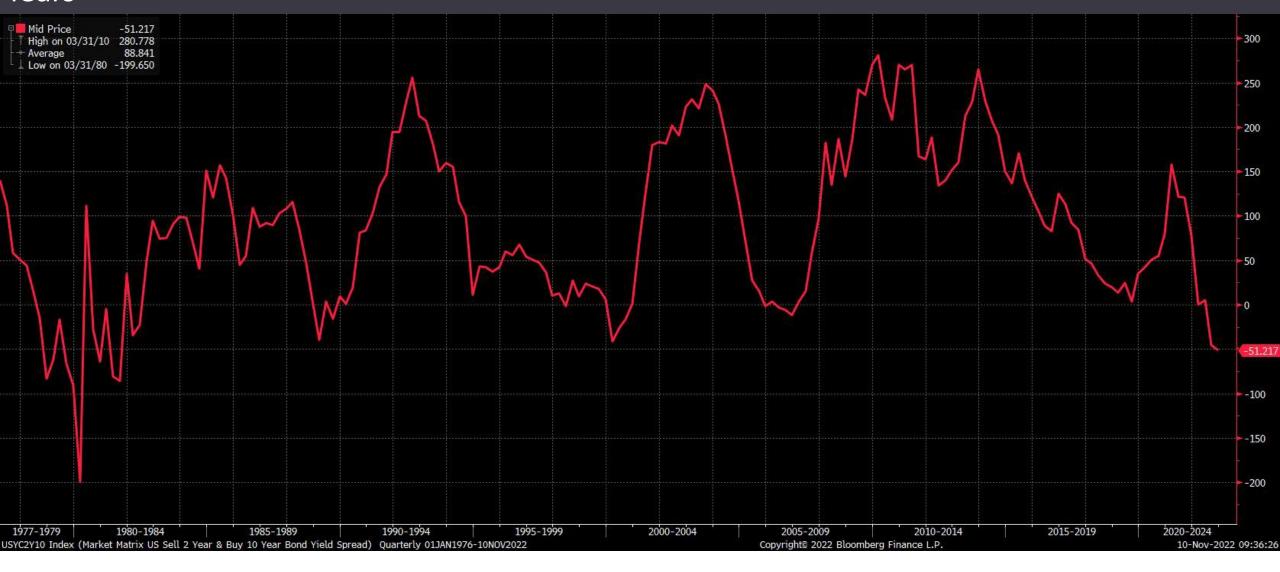
Both nominal and real yields have seen a notable rise







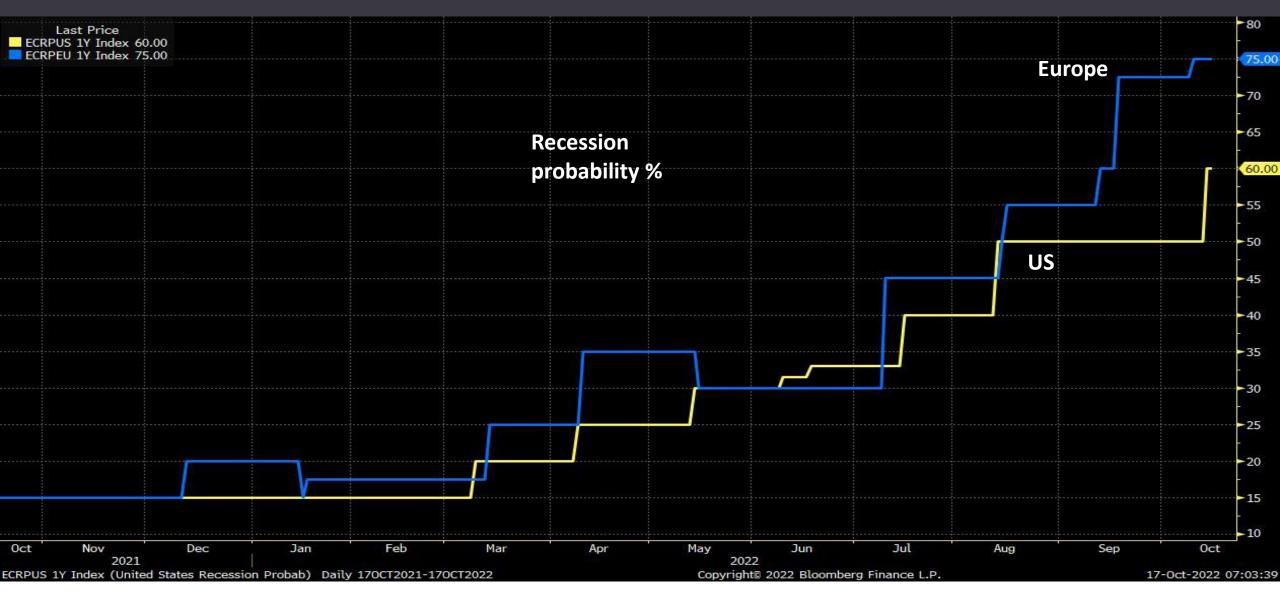
The most inverted US yield curve (10yr-2yr) since the 1980s signals intensifying recession fears







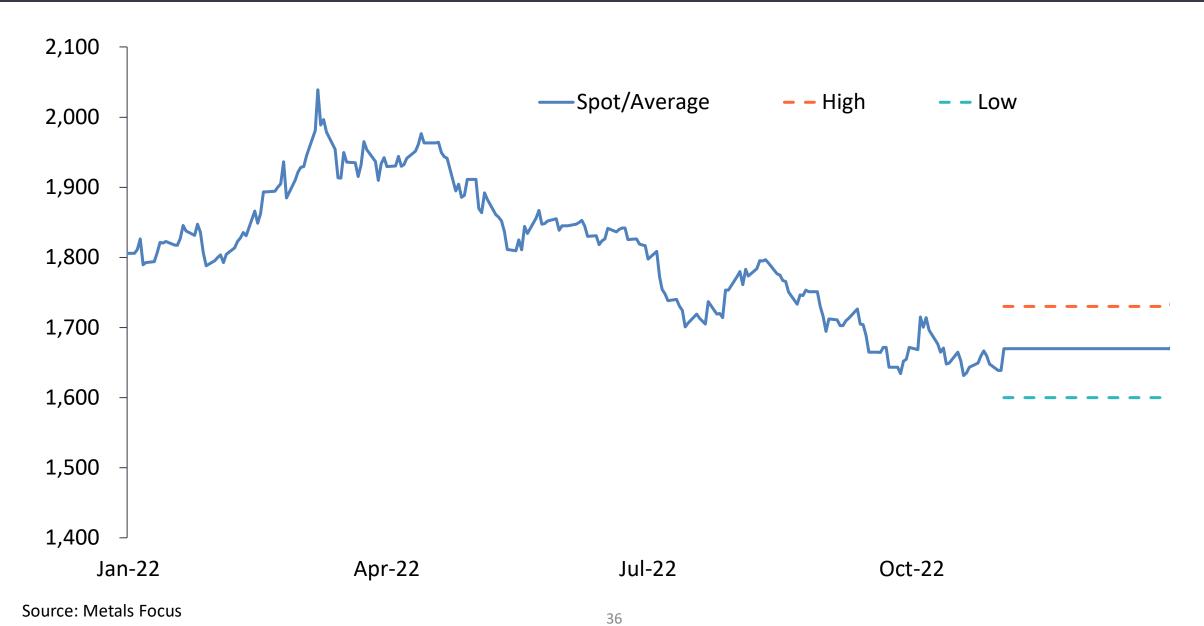
Recession worries and in turn expectations of Fed pivot helping silver to an extent





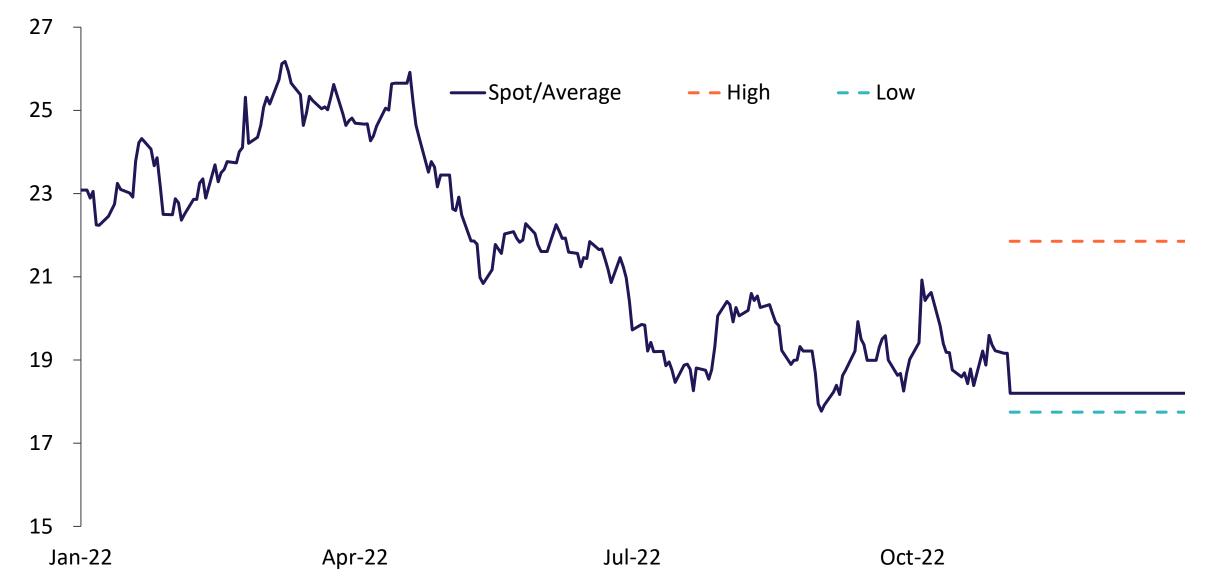


Gold Forecast, 2022 average: \$1,790, -1%





Silver Forecast, 2022 average: \$21.00, -16%



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