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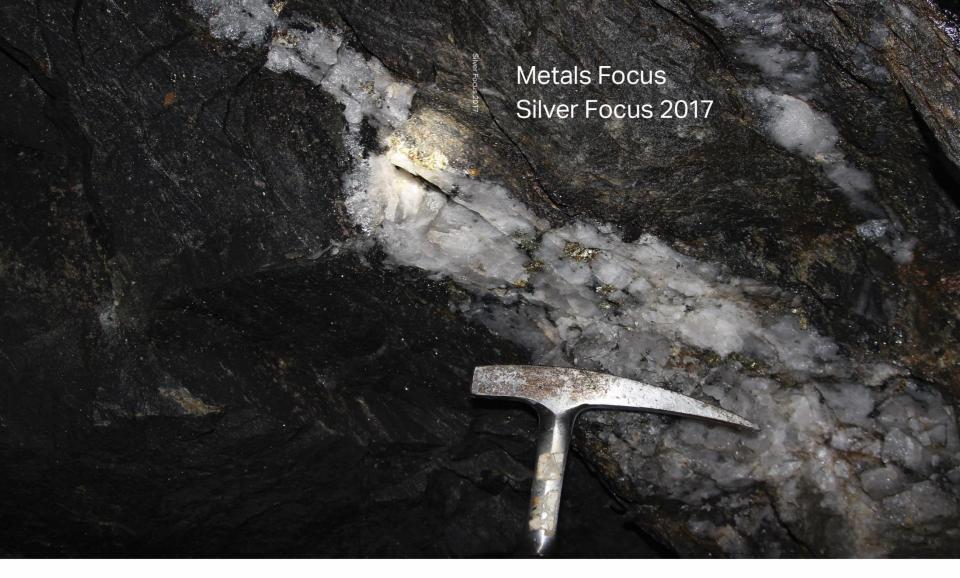
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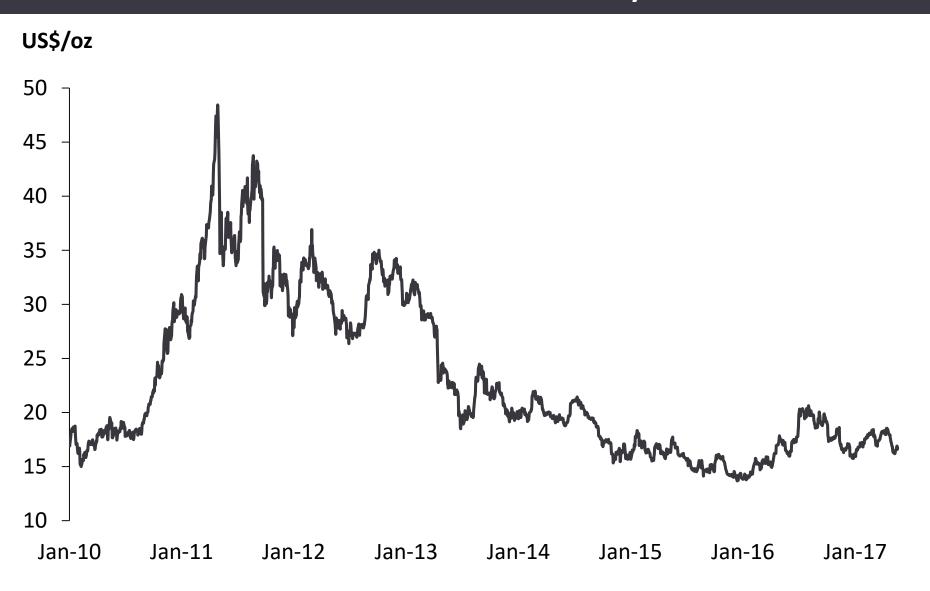


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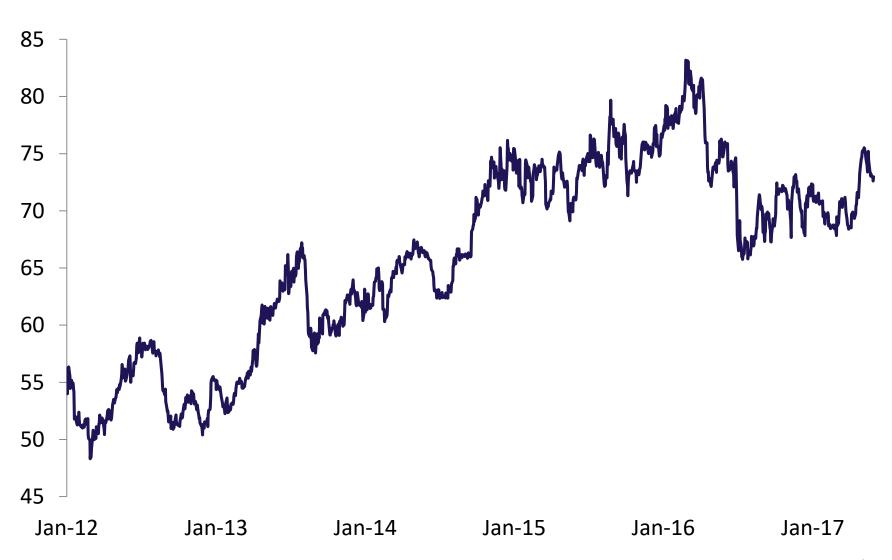
# End of silver bear cycle







# Gold:silver ratio uptrend reverses



Source: Bloomberg



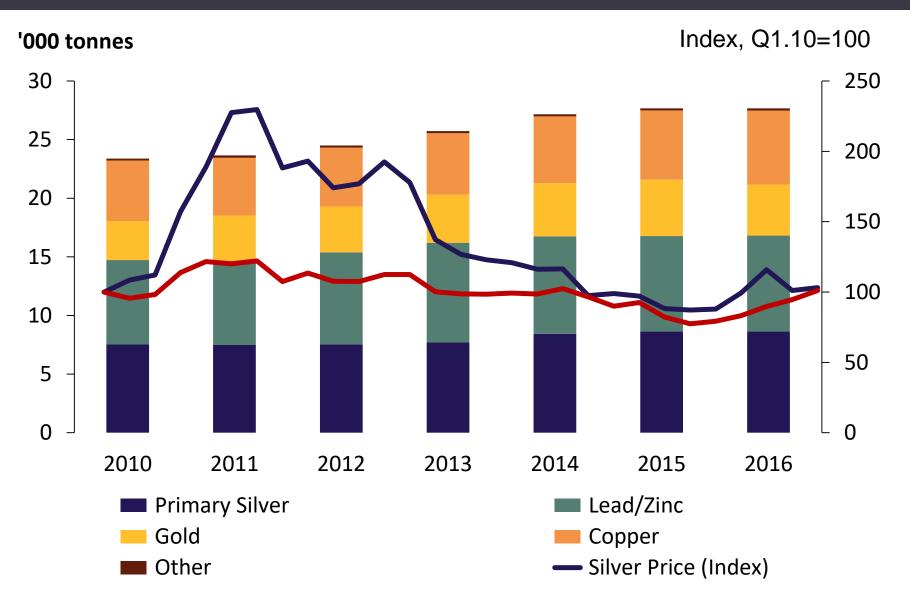
# 2016 surplus, mainly due to bar & coin losses



Source: Metals Focus



# Pause in mine production growth



<sup>\*</sup> Index of gold, copper, lead and zinc prices weighted on relative production volumes of silver in 2016.





#### Windfall from weaker currencies for mine costs

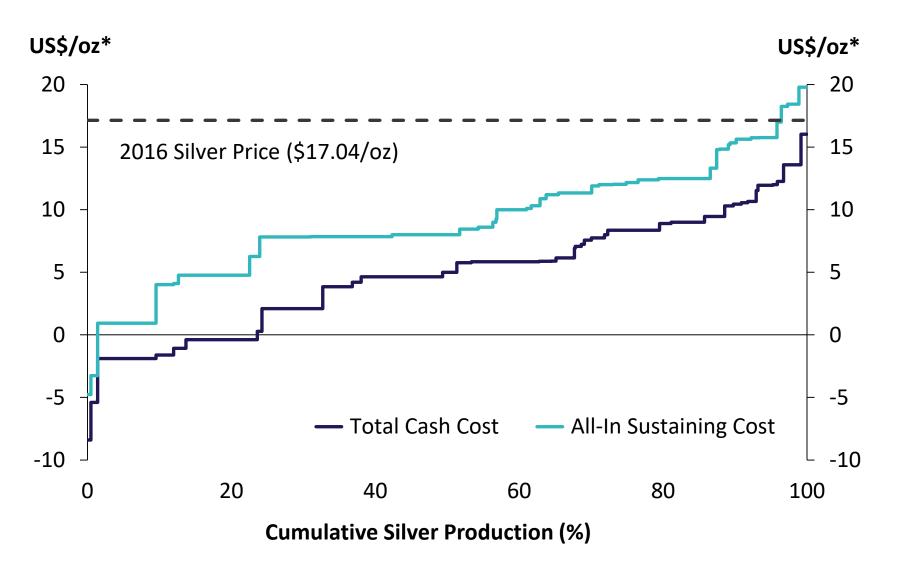


<sup>\*</sup> The blue line represents a rebased silver price that has been adjusted for local currency movements in primary silver producing countries. Local currencies have been indexed from January 2010 and weighted by the countries' 2016 silver production volumes.

Source: Bloomberg, Metals Focus



# 2016 cost curves remain relatively healthy

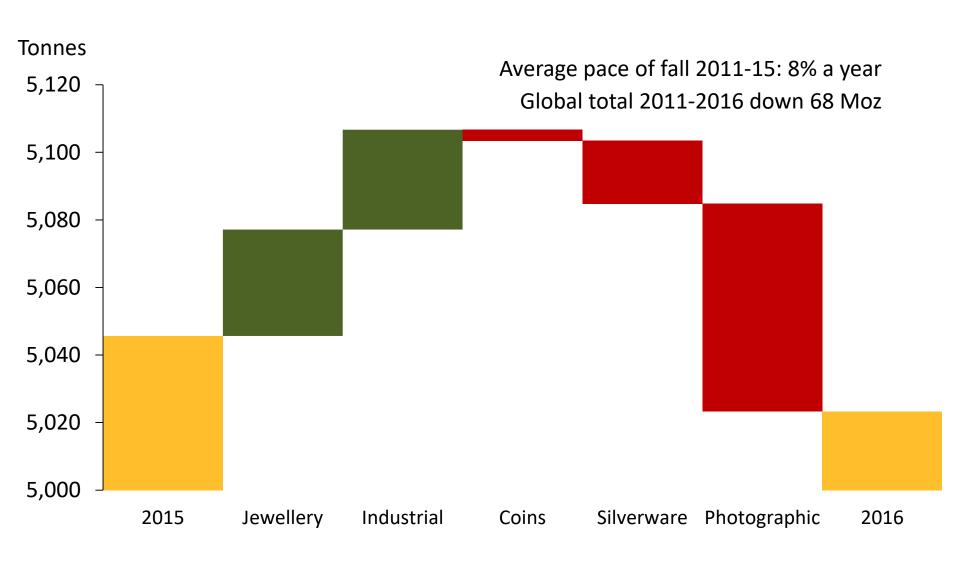


<sup>\*</sup> Costs shown on a by-product accounting basis.

Source: Metals Focus Silver Mine Cost Service

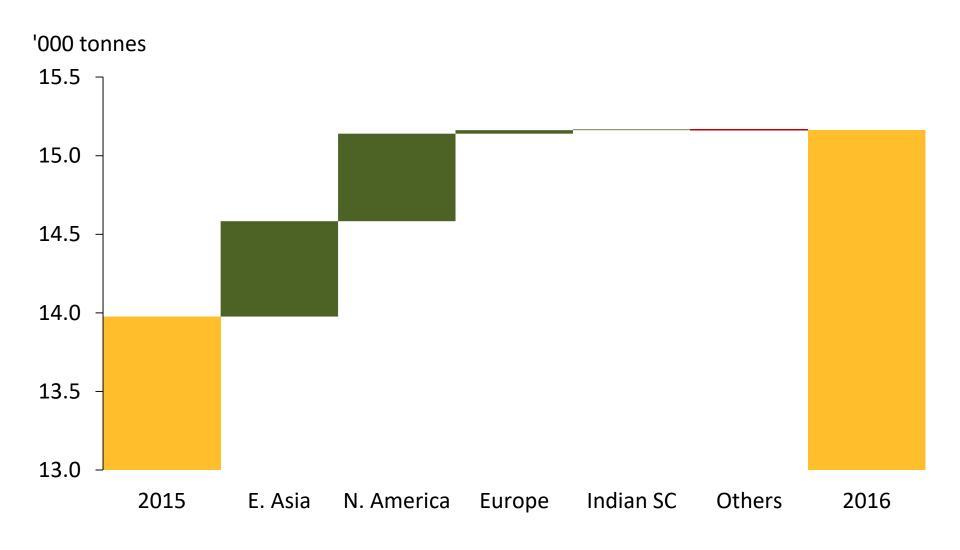


# Recycling down at the margin



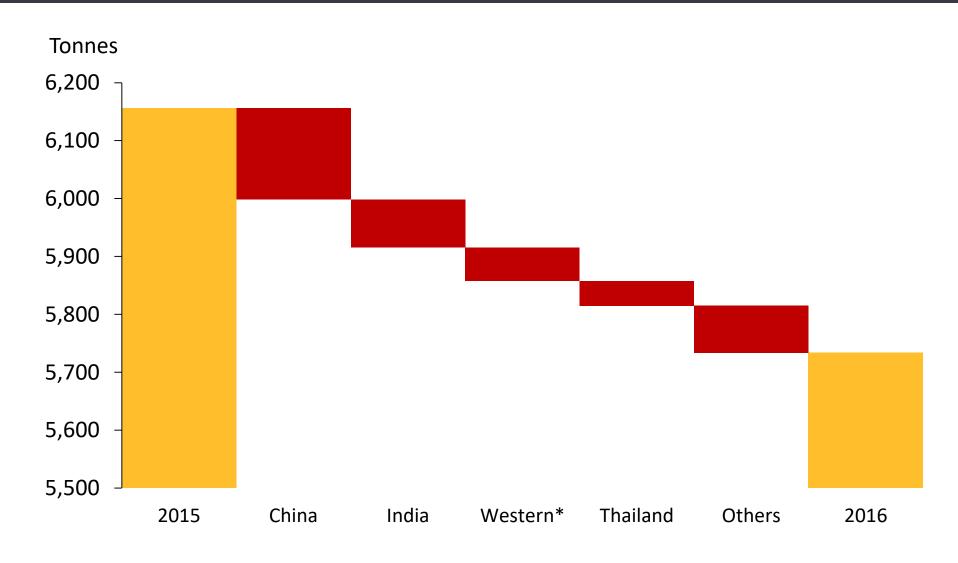


# Industrial demand up 8% to 5-year high





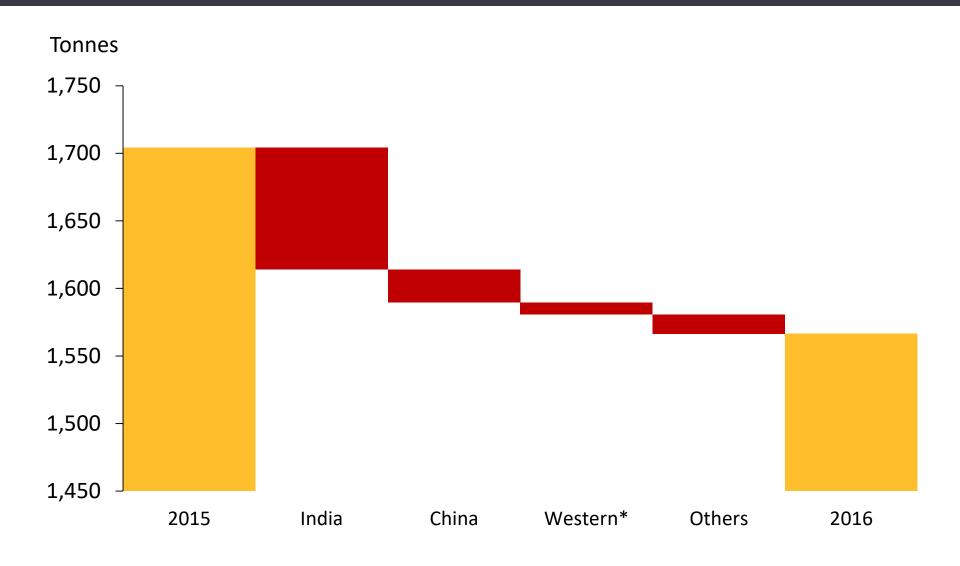
# Jewellery demand falls by -7%



<sup>\*</sup> Europe & North America Source: Metals Focus



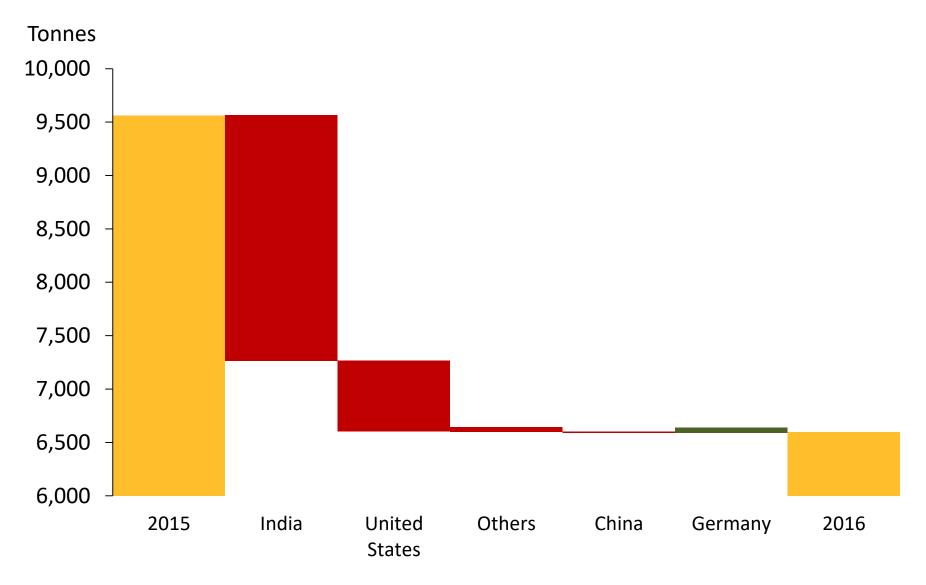
## Silverware demand also lower



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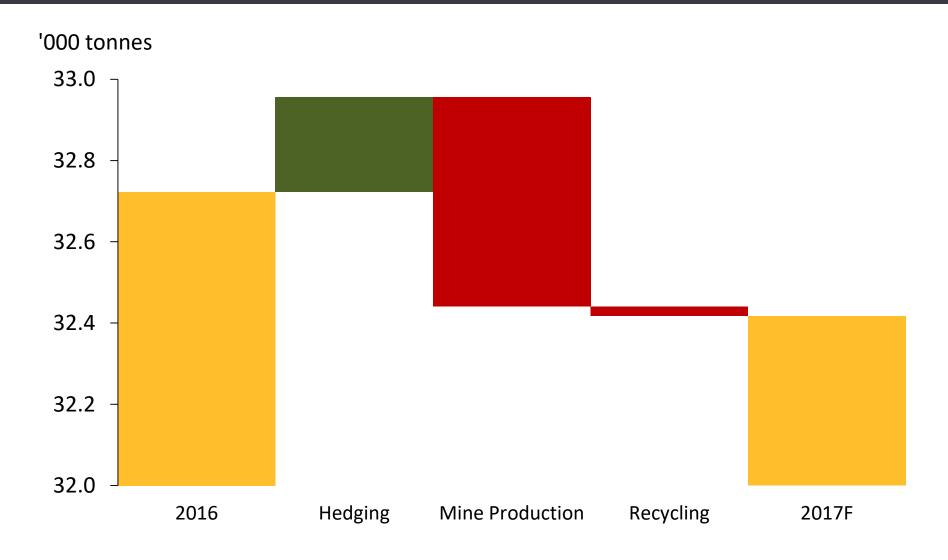
#### Physical investment down by one-third to 6-yr low



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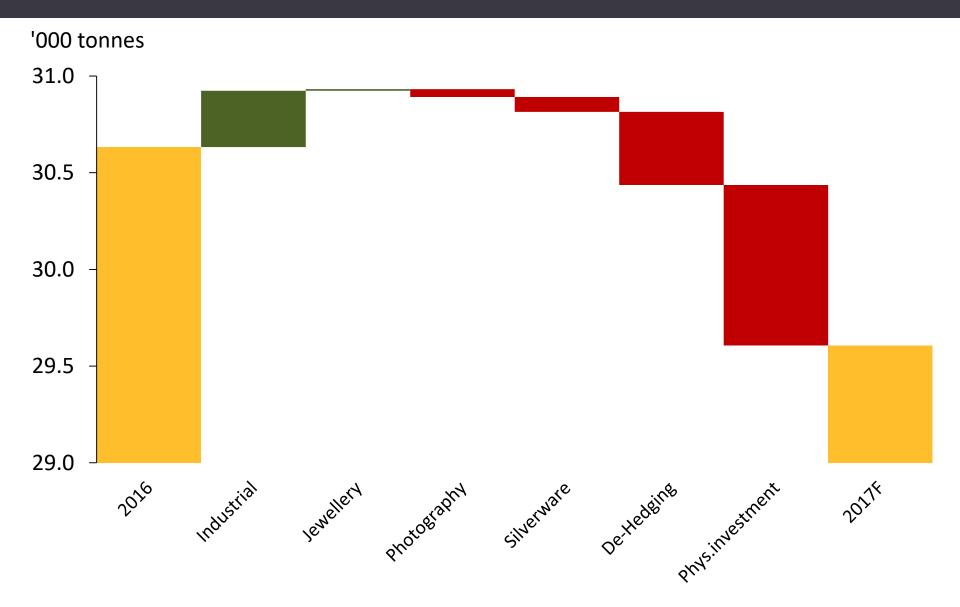


# Global supply forecast: 2017 down 1%





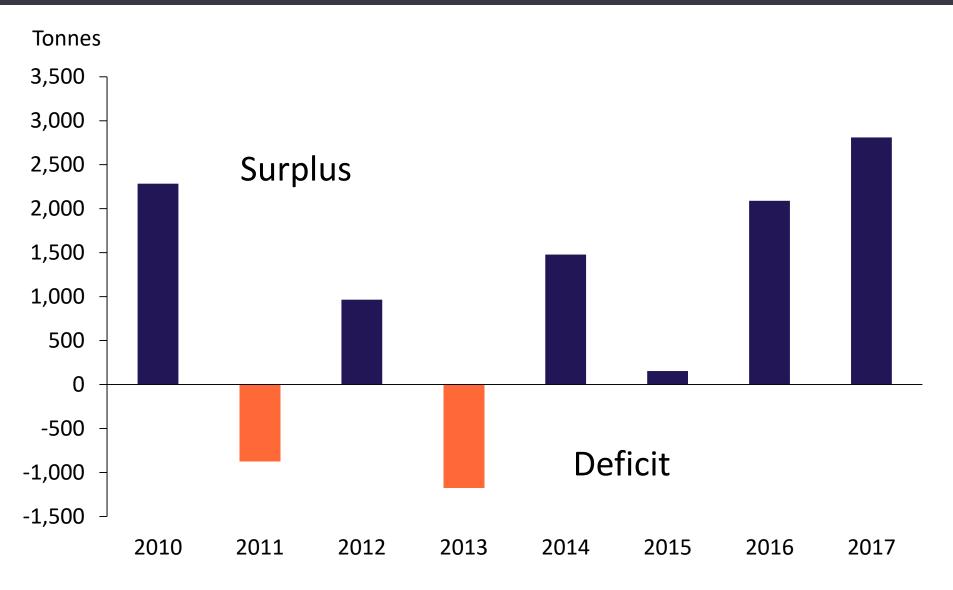
## Global demand forecast: 2017 down 3%



Source: Metals Focus.



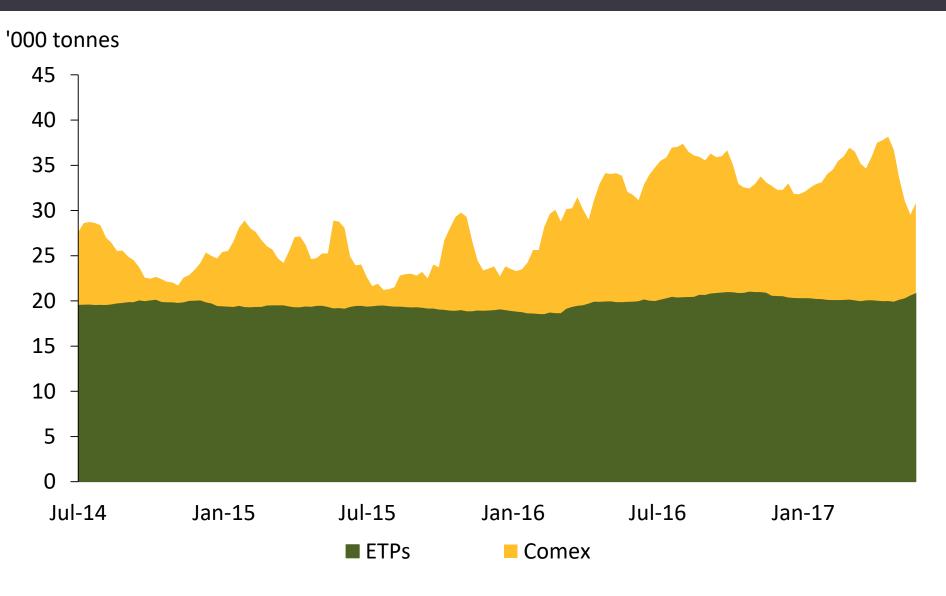
# Once again, no support from fundamentals



Source: Metals Focus



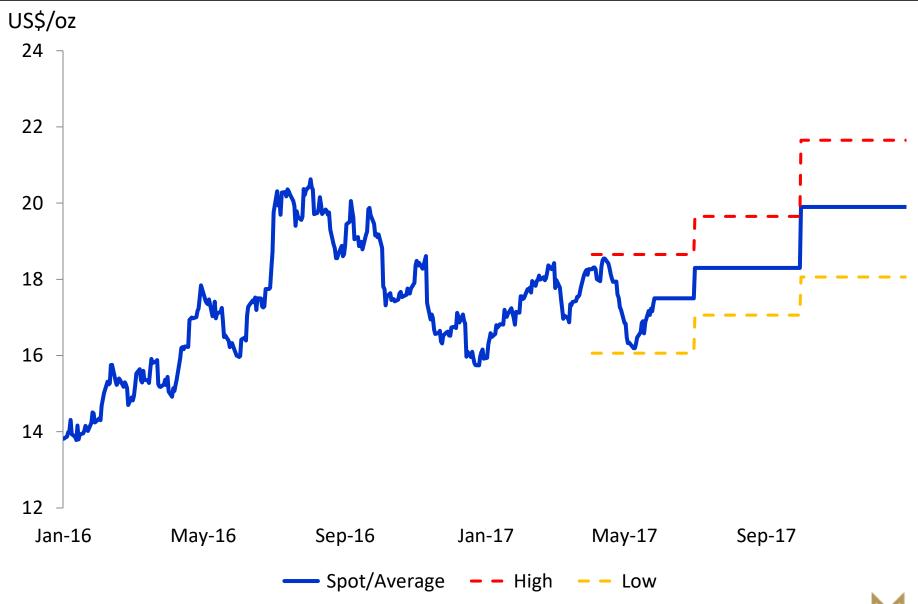
# Scope for healthy inflows into futures



Source: Bloomberg



# Silver price forecast for 2017: \$18.30, +7%



Source: Metals Focus, Bloomberg



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