

SPDR GOLD TRUST
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Gold Exposure in Exchange Traded Funds

SPDR® Gold Shares (ticker: GLD) was the first US-traded commodity ETF and one of the fastest growing ETFs in history, reaching more than \$1 billion in assets in its first three trading days. Today, GLD is the second largest ETF in the world, with \$52.7 billion dollars in assets.

A COMPARISON OF GLD AND IAU

SPDR Gold Shares (GLD) and the iShares COMEX® Gold Trust (IAU) are both designed to track the spot price of gold in an exchange traded product structure. Both GLD and IAU are cost efficient vehicles that offer convenient exposure to physical gold bullion. However, GLD offers a number of distinct advantages:

KEY GLD ADVANTAGES

- n First and largest gold ETF
- n Significantly higher liquidity in terms of share volume/dollar volume
- n Custodied by leading gold custodian HSBC Bank USA, N.A.
- n Most stringent allocated/unallocated gold requirements

COMPARISON	SPDR GOLD TRUST GLD	ISHARES COMEX GOLD IAU
INCEPTION DATE	11/12/04	1/21/05
ASSETS AVAILABLE ON EXCHANGE	Yes	Yes
ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT	\$52.7 billion	\$3.4 billion
NET ASSETS OF GOLD IN TRUST	42,453,322	2,760,746
NET ASSETS OF GOLD IN TRUST	1,320	86
AVERAGE DAILY SHARE VOLUME ²	17,566,361	363,400
AVERAGE DAILY DOLLAR VOLUME ³	\$1.9 billion	\$30.9 million
NET ASSET VALUE (AS OF 6/30/10)	\$121.67	\$12.19
NAV SPREAD (%) ⁴	0.008% (\$0.01 divided by \$121.67)	0.082% (\$0.01 divided by \$12.19)
NAV PREMIUM RATIO	0.40%	0.25%
LEGAL STRUCTURE	The SPDR Gold Trust is a grantor trust not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The Trust	The iShares COMEX Gold Trust is a grantor trust not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

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	issues shares representing fractional undivided beneficial interest in the Trust's net assets.	Investment Company Act of 1940. The Trust issues shares representing fractional undivided beneficial interest in the Trust's net assets.
CUSTODIAN	HSBC Bank USA, N.A.	The Bank of Nova Scotia
LOCATIONS (VICINITY) OF VAULTS	London, England	New York, USA; Toronto, Canada; Montreal, Canada; London, England; and other potential sub-custodian locations.
INSPECTIONS	Two times per year	Two times per year
AUDIT FIRM	Gold bar list and latest certificate of the GLD gold bar count by Inspectorate International Limited available on spdrs.com and spdrgoldshares.com	Gold bar list and vault inspection certificates available on iShares.com
TRANSFER AGENT	World Gold Trust Services, LLC	BlackRock Asset Management International Inc.
EXCHANGE	NYSE Arca	NYSE Arca
MINIMUM INVESTMENT/REDEMPTION SIZE	100,000 shares	50,000 shares
TRAIL COMMISSION COST FOR ONE CREATION UNIT (%)	0.016% (\$2,000 divided by (100,000 times 121.67))	0.082% (\$500 divided by (50,000 times 12.19))
ALLOCATED/UNALLOCATED REQUIREMENTS	Gold is held in an allocated account. Because gold is allocated only in multiples of whole London Good Delivery Bars, each creation or redemption may result in a small amount of gold up to 430 ounces (or the maximum weight allowed for a London Good Delivery Bar) in an unallocated account. On March 31, 2010, the Custodian held 36,158,483 ounces of allocated gold and 38 ounces of unallocated gold.	Gold is held in an allocated account. May hold up to 430 ounces in unallocated account.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE PROSPECTUS	https://www.spdrs.com/product/fund.seam?ticker=GLD	Prospectus available at iShares.com

Source: SSgA Strategy & Research, data as of 6/30/2010.

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- ¹ **Assets:** Number of shares outstanding multiplied by the market price.
- ² **Average Daily Share Volume:** total number of shares traded between January 4th and June 30th divided by number of trading days.
- ³ **Average Daily Dollar Volume:** total number of shares traded multiplied by traded price between January 4th and June 30th divided by number of trading days.
- ⁴ Source: NYSE Arcavision. Bid/ask spread in bps represents the bid/ask spread over the NAV as of 6/30/2010.

FOR PUBLIC USE.

Shares (the Shares) of the SPDR Gold Trust (the Trust) trade like stocks, are subject to investment risk and will fluctuate in market value. The value of the Shares relates directly to the value of the gold held by the Trust (less Trust expenses) and fluctuations in the price of gold could materially adversely affect an investment in the Shares. Investors should be aware that there is no assurance that gold will maintain its long-term value in terms of purchasing power in the future. The Trust does not generate any income and as the Trust regularly sells gold to pay for its ongoing expenses, the amount of gold represented by each Share will decline over time.

The Trust has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the Trust has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Trust and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, the Trust or any Authorized Participant will arrange to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling 866.320.4053 or contacting State Street Global Markets, LLC, One Lincoln Street, Attn: SPDR Gold Shares, 30th Floor, Boston, MA 02111.

The prospectus contains material information about the Trust and its Shares which is material and/or which may be important to you. You should read the entire prospectus, including Risk Factors before making an investment decision about the Shares.

Shareholders of the Trust will not have the protections associated with ownership of shares in an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the protections afforded by the Commodity Exchange Act of 1936. The Trust is not registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and is not required to register under such act. Neither the Sponsor nor the Trustee of the Trust is subject to regulation by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Shareholders will not have the regulatory protections provided to investors in Commodity Exchange Act regulated instruments or commodity pools.

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Diversification does not protect against loss.

The Trust is sponsored by World Gold Trust Services, LLC (the Sponsor), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the World Gold Council. State Street Global Markets, LLC (the Marketing Agent) is the marketing agent of the Trust and an affiliate of State Street Global Advisors. For more information: State Street Global Markets, LLC, One Lincoln Street, Boston, MA, 02111 866.320.4053 www.spdrgoldsharese.com.

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