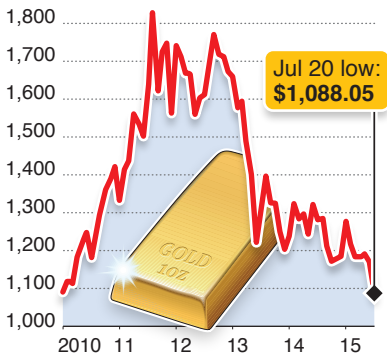


Gold price at five-year low

Gold has plunged four percent to its lowest level in more than five years

\$1,900 per ounce



■ Bullion fell as low as \$1,088.05 per ounce – weakest since March 2010 – shortly after **Shanghai Gold Exchange** opened for trading

■ China sold off gold as safe-haven status of bullion diminished with expectations of U.S. interest rate hike