

# New Gold Exchange Traded Fund

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## Fund Objectives

Absa CIB's NewGold Exchange Traded Fund (NewGold) is one of the simplest and cost-efficient methods for investors to invest directly in actual gold. NewGold continuously tracks the gold spot price and enables investors to invest in a listed instrument (structured as a debenture) in which each security is equivalent to approximately 1/100<sup>th</sup> ounces of gold and is fully backed by holdings of gold bullion with the NewGold Custodian, Barclays.

NewGold is the first product in South Africa through which institutional and retail investors can securely invest directly in gold bullion at competitive management fees. In March 2008, Absa Bank's Shari'ah Board made up of specialised jurists in Shari'ah Islamic Law, issued a ruling stating that the NewGold ETF complies with Shariah Law, as such it is in line with Islamic principles of ethical investing.

## Fund Details

<b>Issuer</b>	NewGold Issuer Ltd
<b>Manager</b>	NewGold Manager (Pty) Ltd
<b>Originator</b>	Absa CIB
<b>Benchmark index</b>	Gold Spot
<b>Sector</b>	Exchange Traded Funds
<b>JSE code</b>	GLD
<b>ISIN</b>	ZAE000060067
<b>Base currency</b>	ZAR
<b>Listing date</b>	01/11/2004

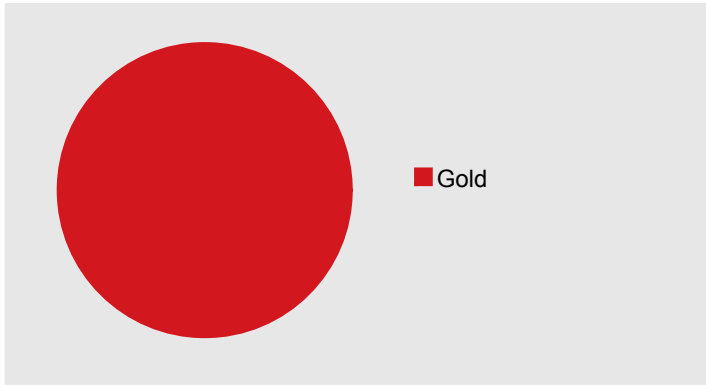
<b>Net Asset Value</b>	ZAR 19,166,376,798
<b>Annualised TER*<sup>1</sup></b>	0.40%
<b>No. of securities issued</b>	120,977,939
<b>Quantity of Gold held (tons)</b>	35.8
<b>Quantity of Gold held (oz)</b>	1,151,023
<b>Gold entitlement per debenture</b>	95.14%

\* As published on Finswitch for the quarter ended 31 March 2017

## Benefits

- **Diversification:** exposure to the whole market / asset classes
- **Liquidity:** Absa market maker provides full liquidity to enable investors to easily buy or sell the ETF
- **Transparency:** The ETFs constituent assets, holdings and investment methodology are published regularly
- **Lower costs:** due to ETFs being passive in nature, they tend to have a low fee structure than actively managed funds
- **Investor protection:** ETF securities are fully backed by the underlying assets
- **Traded like a share:** ETFs are funds listed and traded like ordinary shares on a stock exchange

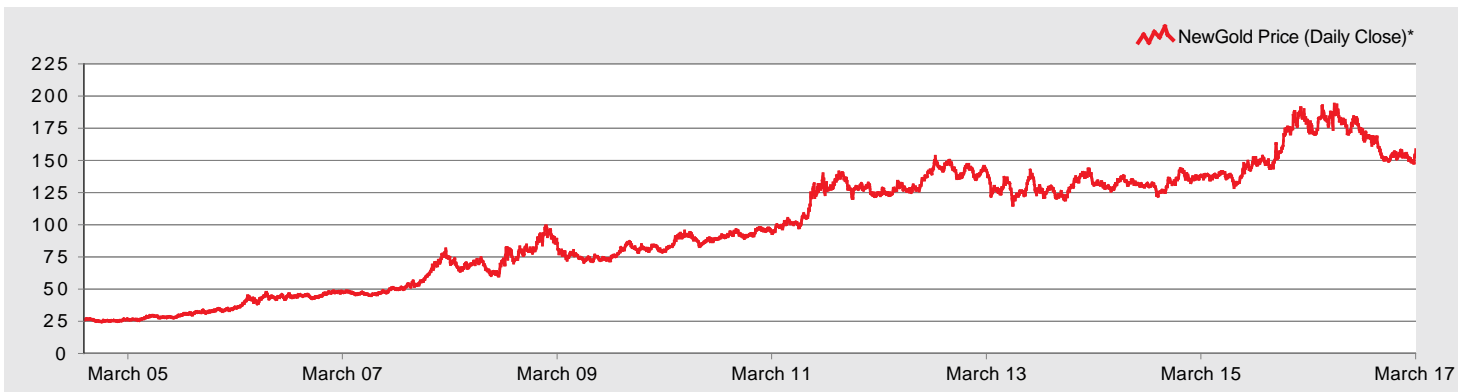
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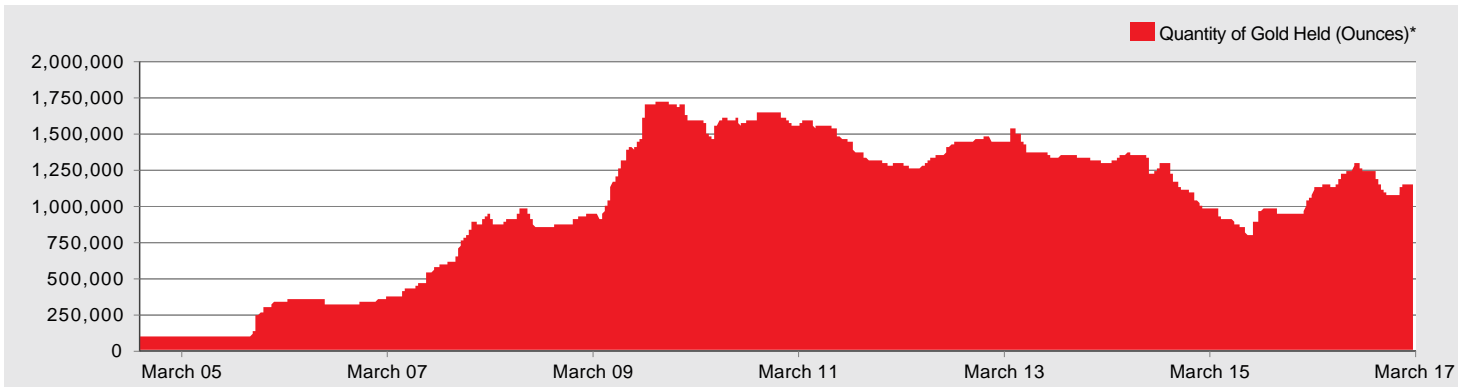
**ETF Performance<sup>2</sup> History as of 31 March 2017\***

Performance Period	NewGold Exchange Traded Fund
Return since inception	15.61%
1 year return	-8.84%
2 year return	6.93%
3 year return	6.43%
4 year return	2.71%
5 year return	5.03%

**Historical Price\***



**Historical Quantity\***



\* Source: Absa - March 2017

All the returns are annualised

## General Queries

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## Notes

1. The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is a measure of the ETFs assets that have been sacrificed as payment for services rendered (allowable charges per prescribed industry standards) in the management of the ETF (the TER excludes brokerage and transactional costs), expressed as a percentage of the daily average value of the portfolio and calculated over a 12 month rolling period. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TERs.
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