



Special Survey of leading US gold dealers

Which gold dealers give you the **WORST** prices

(and which give you the best)

Which gold coins give you the least gold for your money,
and which give you the most

How to get almost 10% more gold — for the same dollars —
every time you buy. Instead of getting 100 ounces of gold you
can get nearly 110 ounces, and pay not a penny more

This dynamite special report names names; reveals the three
worst-priced gold dealers and the three best-priced ones

Dear Subscriber,

I'm a gold enthusiast. I buy gold bullion coins myself, and I
recommend them in the Natural Resource Hunter portfolio.

Many countries around the world -- including the United States,
Canada, South Africa, China, and Australia -- mint special gold bullion
coins that contain exactly one Troy ounce of pure gold.

The United States Mint issues the American Gold Eagle coins. These
coins feature Lady Liberty on the front, and a bald eagle with her
eaglets on the back.

Canada issues the Maple Leaf. It features Queen Elizabeth II on one side, and Canada's national emblem, the maple leaf, on the reverse.

South Africa issues the Krugerrand. This coin got its name from South African unit of currency the rand, and because the coin features a portrait of an early president of South Africa, Paul Kruger, on one side.

China issues the Panda, which each year features a different Panda portrait. And Australia puts out a coin called the Nugget, which each year has a different kangaroo portrait on one side.

These gold bullion coins fall into two broad categories. There are the 24-karat, pure gold coins, such as the Maple Leaf, Nugget, and Panda. These coins weigh exactly one Troy ounce, and are 99.9% pure gold.

Then there are the American Gold Eagles and the Krugerrands. These coins contain small amounts of alloying metals (mostly copper) to make them harder, and more resistant to dents and scratches.

The benefit to this is that you can handle the coins, or even carry them around in your pocket, without worrying that they'll get badly damaged and attract a lower resale value.

Both the Eagles and the Krugerrands are 22 karat gold, or 91.7% pure. They still have one Troy ounce of pure gold, and on account of the extra, alloying metal, they thus weigh a little more than an ounce.

But even though the various 24-karat, and 22-karat bullion coins all contain one Troy ounce of gold, some of them cost a lot more than others.

I live in Asia, and I usually buy my gold bullion coins in Hong Kong -- one of the great gold trading centers of the world.

Gold dealers surveyed

1. Accent Coins	1-800-928-6468
2. Blanchard Coins	1-800-880-4653
3. Coast to Coast Coins	1-800-638-8869
4. Dillon Gage	1-800-375-4653
5. Monex International	1-949-752-1400
6. Paul Simms	1-800-368-3039
7. Rare Coins of New Hampshire	1-800-225-7264

But most of my subscribers live in America. So, I sent my research assistant, Andy Ledesma, on a special assignment to the US, specifically to find out which gold coins are the worst and best buys; and which dealers charge the most -- and the least.

Pick the wrong gold coin and you could pay 9.9% more, for the same amount of gold

The results Andy came back with showed that the worst-priced gold bullion coin cost up to 10.6% more than the spot price of gold bullion, while the best-priced coin cost as low as 0.7% over bullion.

That's a 9.9% difference. Why pay more than you have to for the same ounce of gold?

On a \$10,000 purchase, you can get almost two extra ounces of gold, simply by buying the right coin. That's 9.9% MORE GOLD than you'd get buying the expensive coin.

One dealer that Andy called, Rare Coins of New Hampshire, will sell you Krugerrands at just 0.7% above the spot price of gold.

By contrast, Coast to Coast Coins quoted a price of 10.6% over spot gold prices for the Chinese Panda.

Paying the difference between these two prices -- a whopping 9.9% -- would be like throwing money down the drain.

Consistently, among all seven dealers we surveyed, hands-down, the coin that gives you the most gold bullion for your money is the Krugerrand.

And surprisingly, the one that usually gives you the least gold for your money is the American Eagle. Though, at Coast to Coast Coins, it was the Chinese Panda that gave you the least.

Pick the wrong dealer, and you'll pay through the nose — as much as an extra \$27.26 per US gold Eagle

The prices charged by different gold dealers -- for the exact same gold coin -- also vary wildly.

On the US one-ounce, gold bullion American Eagles, for instance, the worst-priced dealer we surveyed, Coast to Coast Coins, quoted a price 9.5% over the spot price of gold.

By contrast, the best-priced dealer (again, that was Rare Coins of New Hampshire) sells it for only 3.7% over spot.

With gold at \$470, that means you could pay as much \$514.65 at Coast to Coast Coins for a one-ounce American Eagle. That would be

disgusting, because you could buy the exact same coin at Rare Coins of New Hampshire for \$27.26 less -- just \$487.39!

Which three gold coins give you more gold for your money than the US one-ounce Gold Eagle?

As mentioned, the South African Krugerrand wins hands-down, when it comes to getting the most gold for your money.

At every dealer we surveyed, the Krugerrand was the best buy. Though at the more expensive dealers, such as Coast to Coast Coins, there was little difference in price between Krugerrands and the other coins. They were ALL expensive!

At Paul Simms, the price quoted was the same regardless of which specific coin you buy. Krugerrands, Eagles, and Maple Leafs were ALL quoted at 8.8% above the spot price of gold bullion -- way too much.

In terms of getting the most gold for your money, the Canadian Maple Leaf, and the Australian Nugget also give you more than the US Eagle does.

The best-priced dealer quoted a premium of only 2.4% over spot bullion prices for the Maple Leaf. His price for the Eagle, on the other hand, was 3.7% above spot.

On a \$10,000 purchase, with spot gold prices at \$470, you'd get just over a quarter of an ounce more gold by buying the Maple Leafs instead of the US Gold Eagles.

Even the Australian Nugget gives you better value for your money than the US Gold Eagle, although this coin wasn't readily available from all the dealers.

Which popular gold coins give less gold for your money? (Hint, one of them gives you MUCH less gold for your money)

The American Eagle consistently gives you less gold for your money than Krugerrands, Maple Leafs, and Australian Nuggets.

That was the case at all the dealers surveyed, except two.

At Coast to Coast Coins, the Chinese Panda gave you even less gold for your money than the Eagle. And both were quoted at inflated prices: 9.5% above spot for the Eagles, and 10.6% above spot for the Pandas.

Paul Simms, meanwhile, as noted above, had a flat price structure for all the coins, regardless of the type. So, you'd get the same gold for your money regardless of which specific coin you bought there. But, at 8.8% above the spot price, they were all lousy buys at this dealer.

The reason given by the dealers as to why the US Gold Eagle is more expensive is that local American customers prefer it, so there is more demand for it. That allows the dealers to charge a bigger mark-up.

One reason this coin is in such strong demand is that it's instantly recognizable all over the world. And it's easy to re-sell. There's always demand for it. So, although you pay more on buying these coins, there's also a great chance you can get more when you sell them.

But if your main concern is simply to get the most gold for your money, then you should avoid the US Gold Eagle.

The Chinese Panda, which was only available at two of the dealers we surveyed, also gives you less gold for your money than Krugerrands, Maples, and Nuggets.

Personally, I think that the Panda is the most visually attractive of all the gold bullion coins. And since each year has a different Panda motif, I collect one single Panda coin from each mintage.

But that's it. One, one-ounce Panda from each year it's minted is enough for me. If I want more than one coin, I know I can get more gold for my money by buying one of the other coins.

On a coin-by-coin basis, which dealers give you the WORST buy and which give you the best buy?

For Kruggerands, the worst buy is at Paul Simms. The best buy is at Rare Coins of New Hampshire.

For the American Eagles, you'll get the best deal at Rare Coins of New Hampshire, and the worst deal at Coast to Coast Coins.

For the Maple Leafs, Rare Coins of New Hampshire again gives the best deal. And, Coast to Coast Coins is the most expensive.

On the Australian Nuggets, the best deal is at Accent Coins. The worst is at Dillon Gage. The other dealers don't ordinarily stock these coins.

The same goes for the Chinese Pandas; not everyone stocks them. The best price we found was at Dillon Gage, and the worst price at Coast to Coast Coins.

Full details for all coins, for all the dealers we surveyed, are in the following table ...

(% premium over spot price of gold)	Krugerrand	Canadian Maple	Australian Nugget	American Eagle	Chinese Panda	Overall Rank
Accent Coins	2.5%	4.3%	5.3%	6.7%	na	4th
Blanchard	1.9%	4.5%	na	5.4%	na	3rd
Coast to Coast	7.2%	9.5%	na	9.5%	10.6%	7th
Dillon Gage	4.2%	6.0%	7.8%	8.0%	7.4%	5th
Monex International	1.9%	3.9%	na	4.1%	na	2nd
Paul Simms	8.8%	8.8%	na	8.8%	na	6th
Rare Coins of New Hampshire	0.7%	2.4%	na	3.7%	na	1st

As you can see, the most expensive dealer is Coast to Coast Coins. With the gold spot price at \$470 an ounce, this dealer quoted \$502.90 an ounce for the Kruggerand -- a 7.2% premium over the spot price.

Even worse, they quoted \$514.65 an ounce for both the American Eagle and the Canadian Maple Leaf -- a whopping 9.5% premium! Needless to say, we don't recommend Coast to Coast Coins.

If you want the most gold for your money, we don't recommend Paul Simms either. This dealer gave a fixed price of \$510 an ounce for any kind of gold bullion coin when we called them.

With gold at just \$470 an ounce at the time, this was an 8.8% premium for the Kruggerand, which you could buy for just 0.7% above spot at Rare Coins of New Hampshire!

Dillon Gage gave the third-worst prices. This dealer's prices were not as bad as those at Coast to Coast and Paul Simms. But they still quoted a 4.2% premium over the gold spot price for the Krugerrand, a 6% premium for the Canadian Maple, and a hefty 8% premium for the American Eagle. Not good.

On the other side of the coin, so to speak, the best-priced dealer we surveyed was clearly Rare Coins of New Hampshire. The premium over the spot price of gold for all three bullion coins that they stock was the smallest we were quoted among all the dealers.

When we called them, Andy spoke with Jon Rosenthal. Jon is the nephew of a friend. He'd said to us he'd try and arrange a deal whereby his firm could sell gold bullion coins at their dealer-cost, plus a small mark-up to cover their out-of-pocket expenses, such as shipping.

Andy reports that Jon was very accommodating and answered all his questions with sincerity and enthusiasm.

He quoted just a 0.7% premium on the Kruggerand and a 1.7% premium for the Canadian Maple Leaf.

Those are great prices -- especially in the context of the whopping premiums of up to 8.8% and 9.5%, respectively, quoted on these same two coins elsewhere!

We rated Monex International number two overall on this dealer price survey. The dealer we spoke to there quoted a 1.9% premium for the Krugerrand and a 3.8% premium for the Canadian Maple Leaf.

Blanchard Coins came in a close third. They also quoted a 1.9% premium for the Krugerrand, but slightly more than Monex -- at 4.4% above spot -- for the Canadian Maple.

There's no doubt that this information will save you a bundle of money on your next gold purchase.

Why not call all of the top-three dealers and get a feel for their pricing yourself, and hear what they have to say about the various choices you have when buying your coins?

Then, once you've satisfied yourself that you're getting the most gold for your money, you can place your order with confidence.

Take note that when you call the dealers, the price they quote you on the phone is only good at the time of your call.

Gold bullion prices move minute-by-minute, so if you want to be sure of a price, you have to lock it in right away.

Once you've purchased your coins, and the dealer receives cleared funds to pay for them, he'll ship the coins -- usually via registered mail.

Shipping and handling charges (including insurance) vary from dealer to dealer, and sometimes they depend on how big your order is. So, be sure that you clarify these charges and are in agreement with the dealer before you buy.

On a \$10,000 purchase, which we used in our survey, shipping to anywhere in the US ranged from a low of \$10 to a high of \$25.

That's a fairly modest difference in the context of an order of this size. Where you really save money, and get more gold for your dollars, is by picking the RIGHT COIN and the RIGHT DEALER.

Armed with this special report, that should now be a lot easier for you.

Good investing!

Best wishes,

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