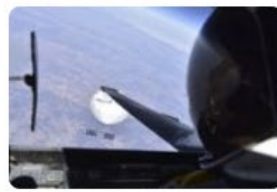


Pentagon releases U-2 photo of Chinese spy balloon in flight before it was shot down

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The Department of Defense has released a photo of the Chinese spy balloon that was shot down earlier this month off the coast of South Carolina after it had traversed the country. The photo, obtained by Fox News Digital, was taken Feb. 3 by one of the U-2s.



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Despite initial doubts, the Department of Defense confirmed that the jaw-dropping photo with the giant balloon was indeed real.



Biden Makes 'No Apologies' For Shooting Down Chinese Spy Balloon—And Says There Is No Evidence Of Increased UFO Activity

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President Joe Biden defended his decision to shoot down a suspected Chinese surveillance balloon that spent nearly a week flying over U.S. territory in his first public speech on the incident Thursday, and said the three other objects shot down over North ...



Why didn't they shoot it down earlier? Chinese spy balloon shot down over SC was seen taking off

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U.S. officials knew about the Chinese spy balloon shot down off the coast of South Carolina from the moment it took off, sources said on Tuesday - leading to further questions about why it was not shot down sooner. The balloon took off from Hainan Island ...



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The debate around balloon surveillance is a distraction from a more significant form of potential surveillance.



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A U.S. fighter jet shot down a suspected Chinese spy blimp above ... The Pentagon hasn't revealed what type of spy technology is on the



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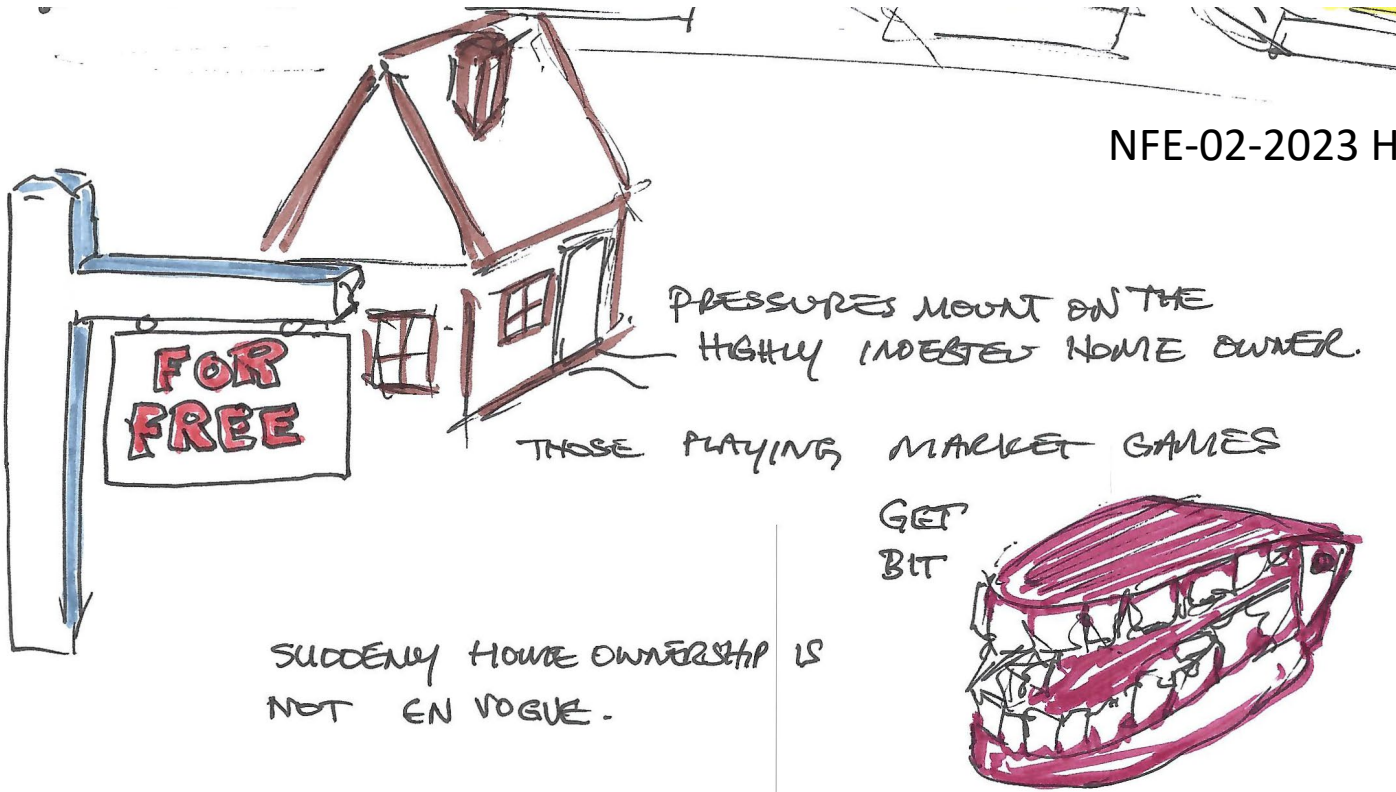
2023 Chinese balloon incident

From January 28 to February 4, 2023, a Chinese-operated high-altitude balloon was spotted in North American airspace, including Alaska, western Canada, and the contiguous United States. On February 4, the U.S. Air Force shot down the balloon over U.S. territorial waters off the coast of South Carolina, on the order of U.S. [Wikipedia](#)

Date: 2023-01-28 – 2023-02-04 (2023-01-28 – 2023-02-04)

Type: Airspace violation, diplomatic incident

Cause: High-altitude Chinese balloons entering foreign airspace

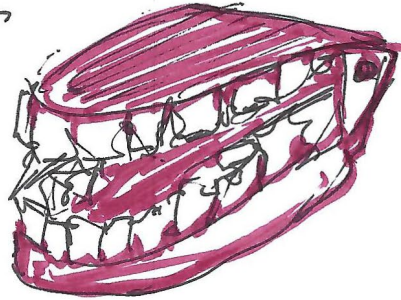


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- Up \$123 from \$4,280 to \$4,403
- Up \$154 from \$5,350 to \$5,504

What a 0.25% point raise in February means for borrowers per month

*Figures reflect increases in monthly mortgage payments on a \$500,000 loan with a 30-year term and a 5.22% variable rate.

COST OF LIVING

- 7.6%
- 12.2%
- 16.4%
- 13.2%

INTEREST RATE TO RISE

- Cash rate climbs to 3.35% from 3.1%
- Highest since October 2012
- CBA variable rate will rise to 5.22% from 4.97%

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By Clarrie Feinstein - Business Reporter
Mon Feb 13 05:00:00 EST 2023

Every day, mortgage broker Mary Sialtsis is hearing the same question from homeowners: will I be able to afford my mortgage when I need to renew?

"It's a big concern," she said. "The Bank of Canada's eight rate increases in less than a year has been historic and has had a significant impact on people being able to make their payment."

Currently, variable rates are sitting above six per cent and five-year fixed rates are in the

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Ontario couple who bought their home a year ago now say it's become a mortgage nightmare

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The Canadian Real Estate Association says home prices in Canada fell for the 11th consecutive month in January while the number of new listings rose

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Here's where average home prices have dropped the most in Canada

Jennifer Ferreira
CTVNews.ca Producer

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The average price of a home in Canada fell to \$612,204 in January, based on data released by the Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA) on Wednesday. This represents a decrease of 18.3 per cent compared to the same time last year, and is a far cry from the record-high average of \$816,720 in February last year.

The number of people buying and selling

Aurionum increases gold coin buyback rates as gold bullion demand surges amid high inflation.

The British bullion company Aurionum has increased their buy-back rates to the highest they have ever been as demand for physical gold bars and coins soars. Aurionum is offering market leading selling rates which is helping to keep their website well-stocked for savers looking to buy gold coins or bullion bars.

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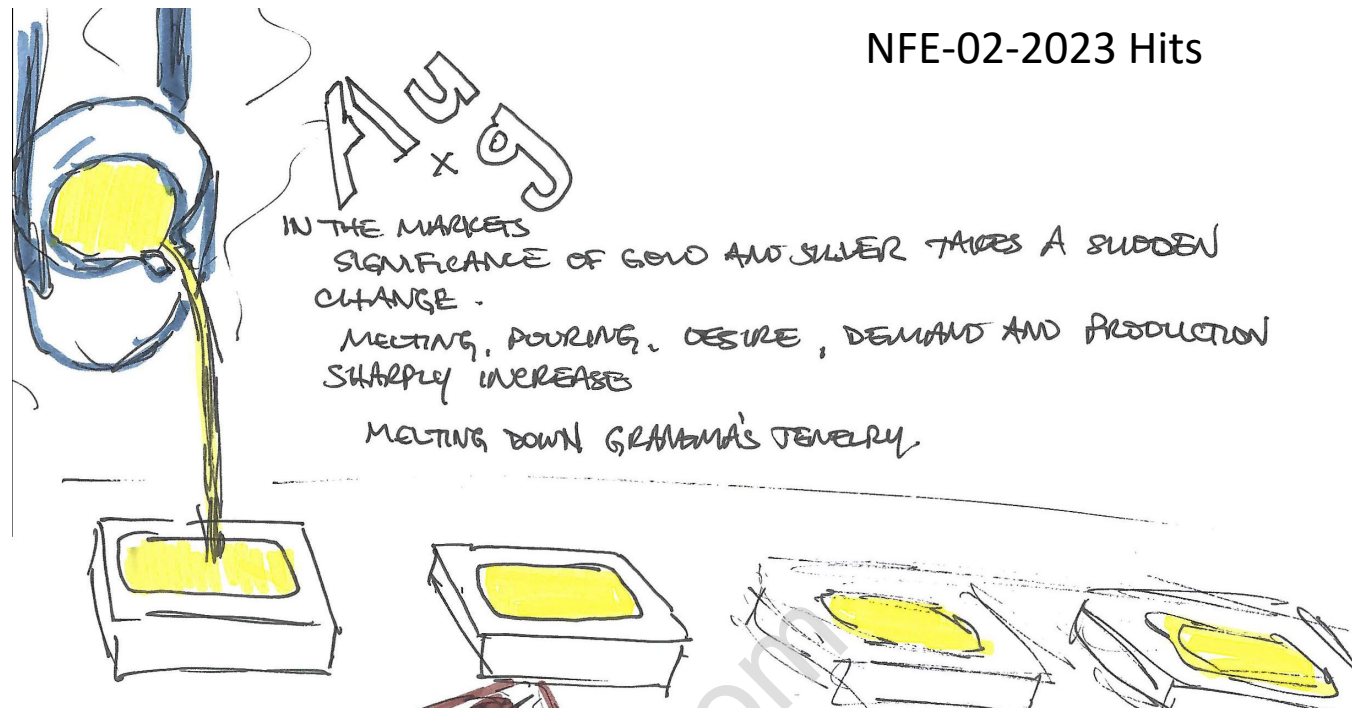


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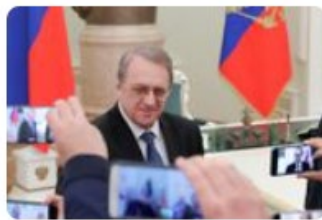
Even a scratch can put a dent in their value, she said. Russian demand for gold bars and coins rose nearly fivefold in 2022 from the previous year, data from the World Gold Council show. At one point, Sberbank, a large Moscow-based state-owned bank ...



Moscow accuses U.S. of attempts to disrupt Russia-Africa relations

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The United States is "exerting unprecedented pressure" on African countries, including attempting to disrupt a planned Russia-Africa summit, Russia's deputy foreign minister was quoted as saying late on Saturday.



CIA director says Putin overconfident that Russia can grind down Ukraine

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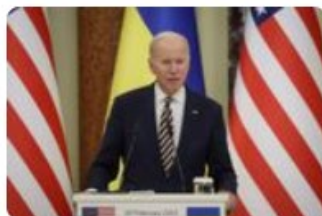
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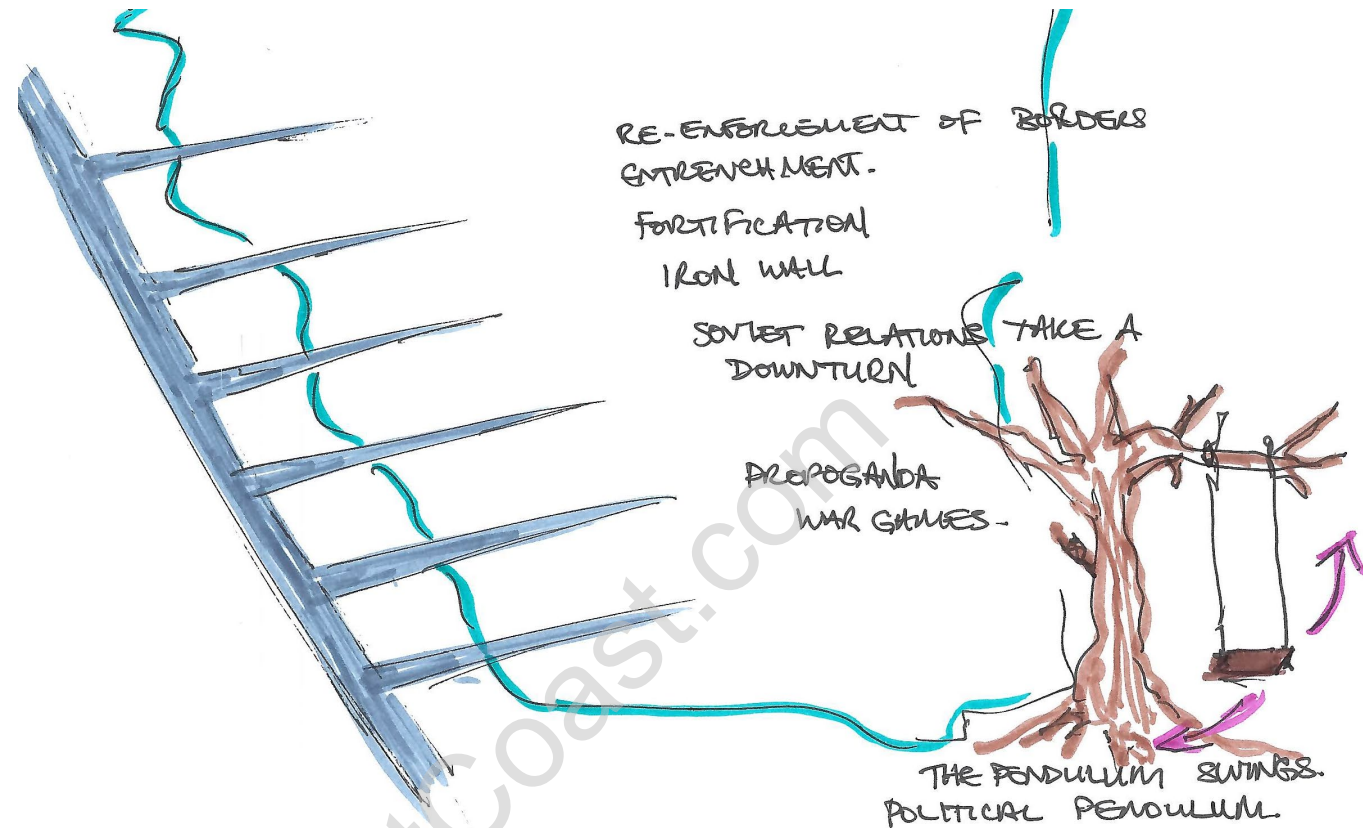
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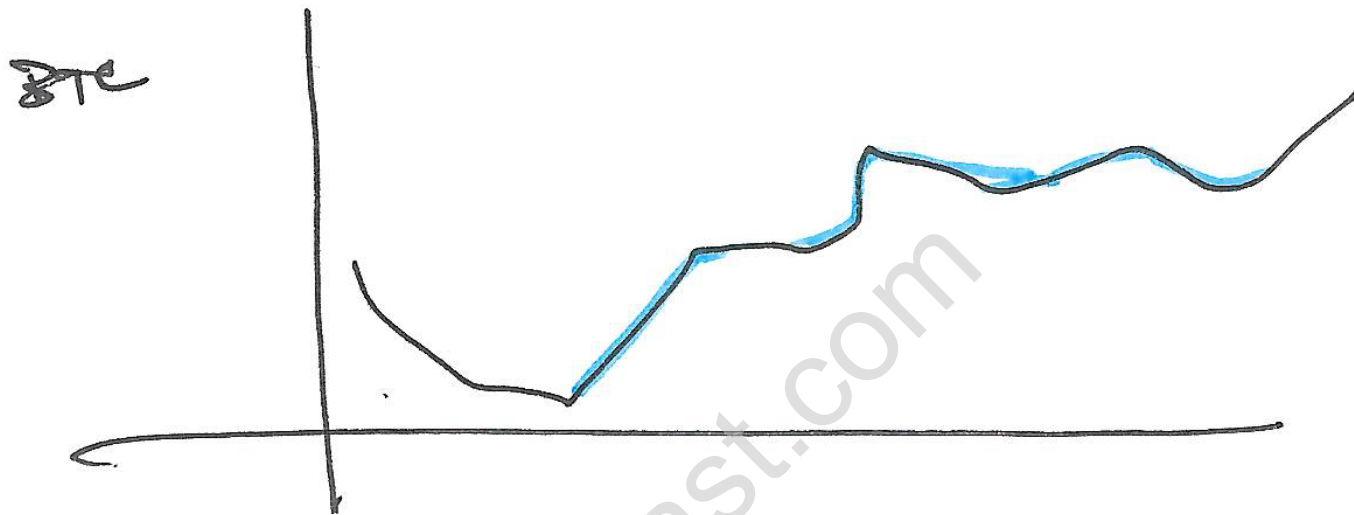
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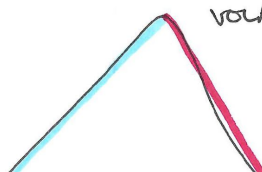
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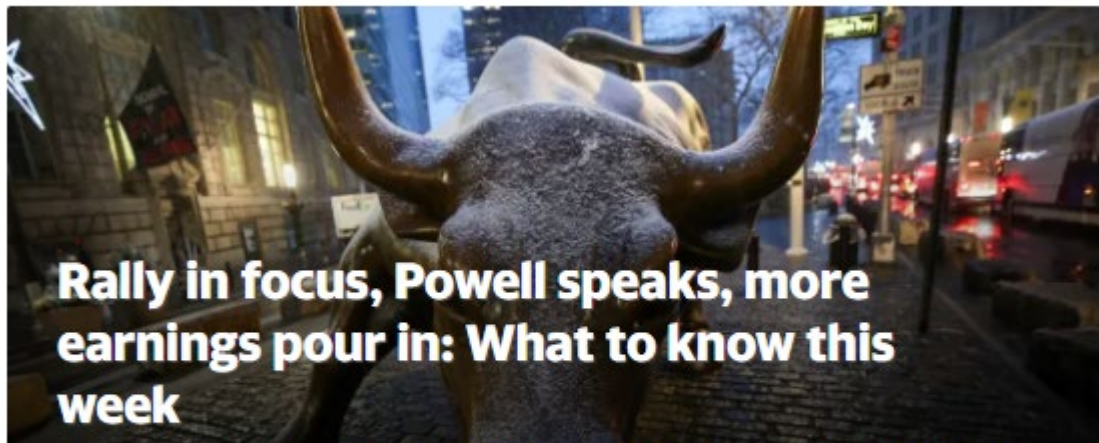
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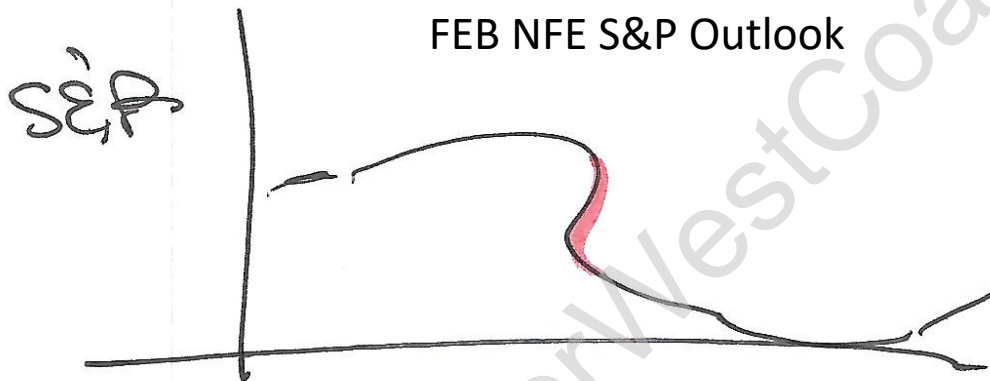
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