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24th January 2023

10.5%

UK Inflation rate. December 2022 UK inflation slows for the second consecutive month. The UK annual inflation rate slowed to 10.5% in December, from 10.7% in the month prior. This is the lowest rate of inflation in three months, following October's 40year high of 11.1%. Alcohol and Tobacco, Clothing and Footwear, Transport and Recreation and Culture all saw prices decelerate in the 12 months to December. With inflation starting to fall and energy prices back down to levels seen pre Russia/Ukraine war, economists have adjusted inflation forecasts. Oxford Economics lowered its forecasts for average CPI inflation by 0.7ppts to 6.8% in 2023 and by 0.2ppts to 2.3% in 2024. With lower inflation expectations for 2023, Oxford Economics also expects GDP to be better than expected, contracting by -0.7% this year, improving from forecasts of -0.9% last month, before rising +1.6% in 2024, versus +1.5% last month.

\$1.25

Last week's peak GBP / USD spot price

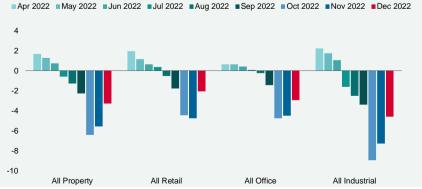
Sterling hits a 7-month high. Following strong UK wage growth and improving inflation figures published last week, sterling hit a seven month high of \$1.25. It has since settled at \$1.24, currently. Markets are also responding to comments made last week by Andrew Bailey, Governor of the Bank of England that a corner may have been "turned" with inflation, despite not steering against the market implied peak base rate of 4.5% this year. At the BoE's next monetary policy committee meeting on 2nd February, money markets have already fully priced in a 25bps rate hike, while market pricing indicates there is currently a 70% chance of a 50bps rate hike, according to Refinitiv. Similarly to sterling, the euro hit \$1.09, its highest level since April 2022 after an ECB governing council member outlined that the central bank would rase its base rate by 50bps at its next two meetings.

£1tn

The supply of goods and services to enable the global net zero transition could be worth £1tn to UK businesses by 2030

Financial commitments to green investments gain momentum. Green investments and their potential impact on growth, dominated Davos headlines last week. The US launched the \$369 billion Inflation Reduction Act, which includes subsidies aimed at attracting businesses to invest in green technologies. In response, the President of the European Commission announced that the EU would loosen restrictions on green investment subsidies and accelerate permits for new projects. While the UK is yet to announce equivalent measures, its planned interpretation reform of Solvency II could unlock "tens of billions of pounds of investment" which could be focused in a similar way to the US and EU. An independent review of the UK's net zero target found that the global net zero transition could be worth £1tn to UK businesses by 2030, with the UK's energy transition forecast to support 480k jobs.

UK commercial real estate total returns saw slight improvement in December UK MSCI index, monthly (non annualised) total return, %



Sources: Bloomberg, FT, Macrobond, MSCI, Oxford Economics, Pantheon Economics, Reuters, Trading Economics, Knight Frank Research

LOOKING AHEAD

BoE Consumer Credit

December's Bank of England consumer credit data will be published early next week. Figures in November indicated that net consumer lending increased by £1.5 billion, with £1.3 billion of this in credit card borrowing. Markets will look to see if the December figures provide further context towards the UK retail sales data published last week. Stephen Springham outlines in his latest Retail Note that the December retail sales figures were surprisingly downbeat and contradictory of virtually all other retail news flow. Albeit, Stephen outlines that this could be a case of overly-aggressive "seasonal adjustment", as the "non-seasonally adjusted" figures tell a very different (and better) story than the "seasonally adjusted" figures reported.

UK Inland Energy Consumption

The latest inland energy consumption figures for the UK will be published on Thursday for Q4 2022. While total energy consumption increased by +4.1% year on year in Q3. domestic consumption moderated by -9.5% due to warmer average temperatures compared to the same period last year and higher energy costs weighing on demand. Meanwhile, renewable energy generation grew by +18% over the year to Q3, due to both increases in capacity, with wind energy growing by a record 2.8GW, and more favourable weather conditions.

GDP

Q4 GDP figures for the US, South Korea and Spain will be published later this week. As the world's largest economy, markets will pay close attention to the US Q4 GDP results due on Thursday. Economists are widely anticipating robust GDP growth for the final quarter of the year, supported by resilient consumer spending, helped by positive job growth and rising wages. Indeed, Oxford Economics forecast US GDP to grow by +3.2% q-q in Q4, which would be in line with Q3 growth.



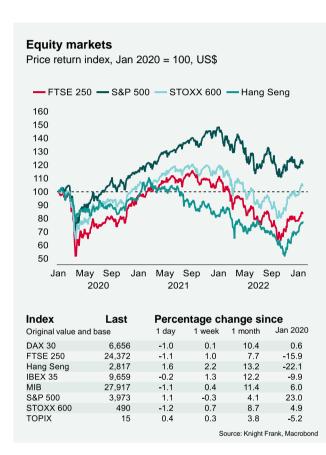
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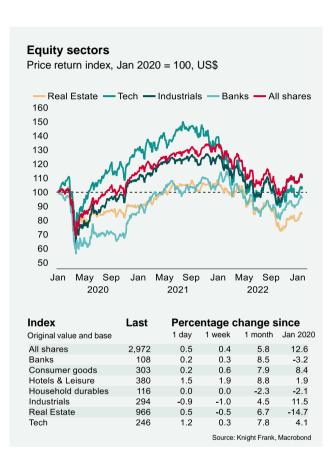
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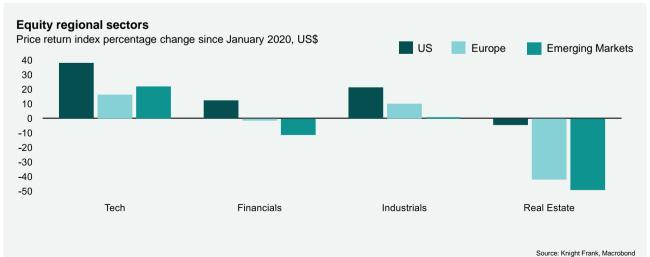
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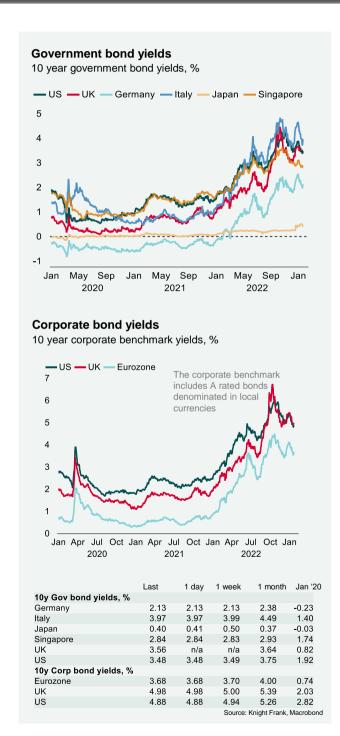
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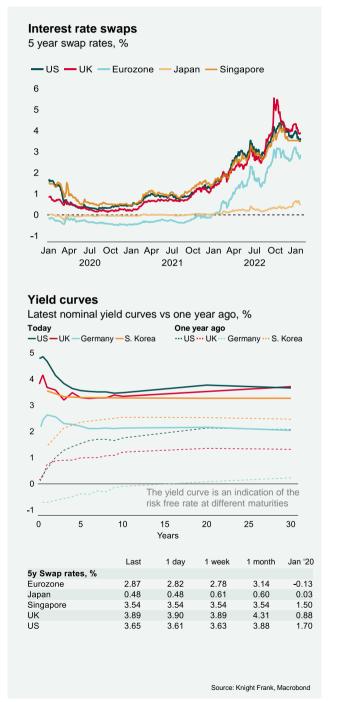
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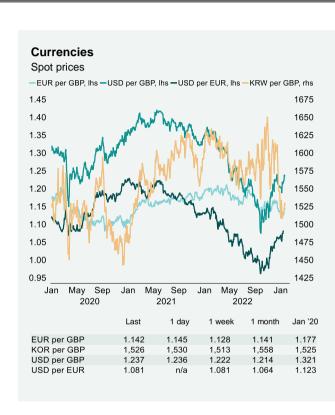


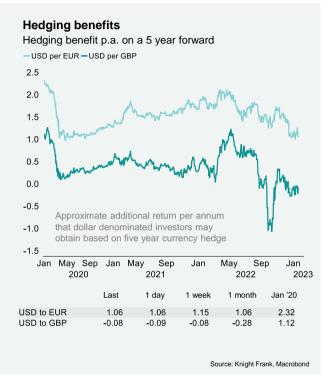


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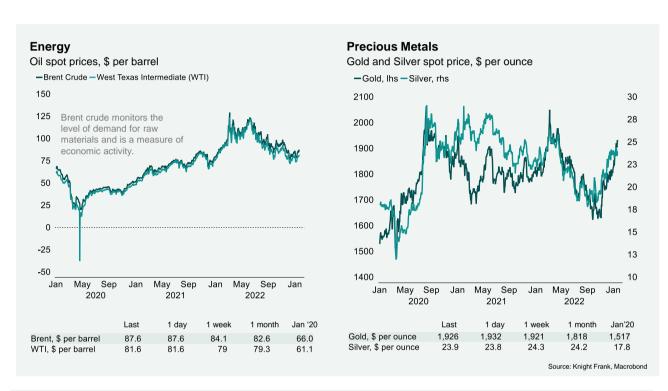


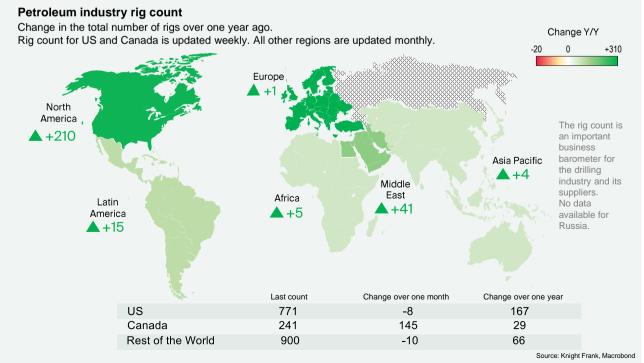
Inflation and monetary policy

	Inflation rate (%)				Interest rates (%)		Asset purchasing	
	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Last	Jan '21	Latest (\$)	1m change (%)
Australia 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.3	3.10	0.10	436 bn	-0.5
Canada	6.3	6.8	6.9	6.9	4.25	0.25	309 bn	-4.0
China	1.8	1.5	2.1	2.7	4.35	4.35	5.99 tn	3.8
Euro Area	9.2	10.1	10.6	9.9	2.50	0.00	8.57 tn	-6.0
France	5.9	6.2	6.2	5.6	2.50	0.00	2.06 tn	-1.1
Germany	8.5	10.1	10.4	9.9	2.50	0.00	3.05 tn	-5.1
India	5.7	5.9	6.8	7.4	6.25	4.00	356 bn	4.3
Italy	11.6	11.8	11.8	8.9	2.50	0.00	1.58 tn	-4.3
Japan	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.0	-0.10	-0.10	5.37 tn	1.2
Saudi Arabia	3.3	2.9	3.0	3.1	5.00	1.00	532 bn	1.0
South Korea	5.0	5.0	5.7	5.6	3.50	0.50	440 bn	0.1
Spain	5.7	6.8	7.3	8.9	2.50	0.00	487 bn	-4.8
Sweden	12.3	11.5	10.9	10.8	2.50	0.00	153 bn	3.4
UK	10.5	10.7	11.1	10.1	3.50	0.10	1.37 tn	1.4
US	6.4	7.1	7.8	8.2	4.50	0.25	8.49 tn	-1.0
. Australia Inflation rate is	s only available on	a quarterly ha	sis				* % change is in loca	al currency



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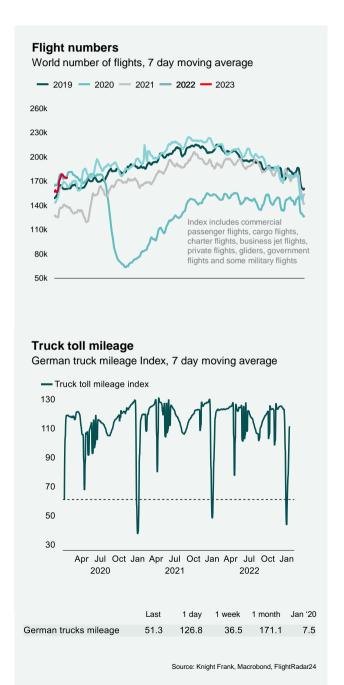
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Baltic dry index Baltic Exchange, Shipping Dry index (BDI), US\$ Baltic dry index 6000 Baltic Dry Index is a measure of what it costs to ship raw materials and is a leading 5000 indicator of global demand 4000 3000 2000 1000 Jan Apr Jul Oct Jan Apr Jul Oct Jan Apr Jul Oct Jan 2020 2021 2022 Shipping traffic Cargo & tanker traffic in all UK ports, 7 day moving average - Number of cargo & tankers (C&T), units 140 120 80 60 Jan Apr Jul Oct Jan Apr Jul Oct Jan Apr Jul Oct 2020 2021 1 day 1 week 1 month Baltic Dry Index, US\$ 740 763 1,090 946 1,515 C&T traffic, units 94 n/a n/a n/a 71 Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond





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UK REITs by sector US REITs by sector UK EPRA gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, GBP£ US NAREIT gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, US\$ All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail — Healthcare - All REITs -Office — Industrial — Retail — Healthcare Residential - FTSE 250 Residential - S&P500 175 200 175 150 150 125 125 100 75 75 50 50 25 25 May Sep May Sep May Sep May Sep May Sep Jan Jan Jan Jan May Sep Jan Jan 2020 2020 2021 2022 2021 2022 Index, gross total return Percentage change since Index, gross total return Percentage change since Original value and base I ast 1 day 1 week 1 month Jan '20 Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week 1 month Jan'20 All REITs 806 -0.9 -1.7 7.3 -21.2 All REITs 21,309 0.7 -0.7 6.7 5.7 Office -36.5 1,881 -1.6 Office -33.5 1.492 -0.1 -0.9 7.9 Industrial 1,224 -2.0 -3.8 6.1 -1.3 Industrial 3.081 0.0 0.2 96 413 Retail 58 -0.1 -0.9 5.1 -83.9 Retail 1.168 0.4 -1.44.8 2.3 Healthcare 1,892 0.1 -3.3 3.1 -16.6 Healthcare 3.710 1.0 0.4 116 -106 Residential 1.205 -0.5 -1.3 5.5 -21.0 Residential 1.968 0.5 4.9 1.0 FTSF 250 16.427 -3.6 S&P500 8,468 4.2 29.2



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Volatility index Near term stock price volatility indicator - CBOE Volatility Index (VIX) --- Long term average The CBOE VIX ("investor 90 fear gauge") is an indication of near term S&P 500 stock 80 price volatility based on 70 underlying options 60 50 40 30 20 10 Jan May Sep Jan May Sep Jan May Sep 2020 2021 2022 1 day 1 month Jan '20 Last 1 week **CBOE VIX** 19.9 19.9 18.4 20.9 13.8 Euro Stoxx 50 VIX 18.7 18.7 18.4 20.0 14.0 Nikkei VIX 17.5 17.4 19.8 20.2 14.8 KOSPI VIX 16.8

Systemic stress Measures FX, money, sovereign and bond yield volatility New ECB Composite Indicator of Systemic Stress (CISS) The CISS is an indicator of instability --- Long term average across the whole financial system (hence "systemic stress") 0.7 0.6 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2 TA 0.097 0.1 Jan Jul Jan Jul Jan Jul Jan 2020 2021 2022 1 month Jan'20 Last 1 week 0.331 0.023 0.281 0.437 Systemic stress composite Equity markets stress sub index 0.073 0.087 0.116 0.009 Bond markets stress sub index 0.084 0.090 0.105 0.02 FX markets stress sub index 0.041 0.056 0.080 0.004

Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

Workplace mobility

Google Workplace Mobility Index change since March '20, %

7 day moving average of daily office visitors compared to each country's baseline (5 week average between Jan 2020 - Feb 2020).

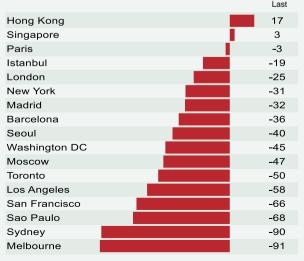


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Public transport mobility

Citymapper Mobility Index change since March '20, %

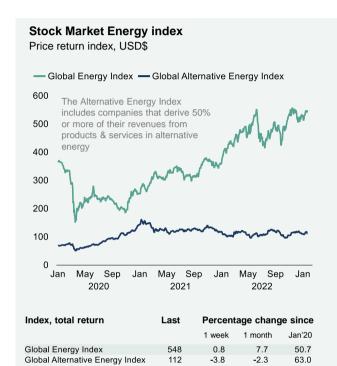
7 day moving average of daily trips planned and taken compared to each city's baseline (4 week average between Jan 2020 - Feb 2020).

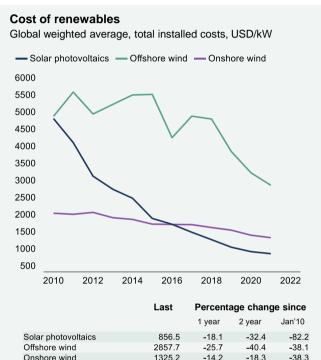


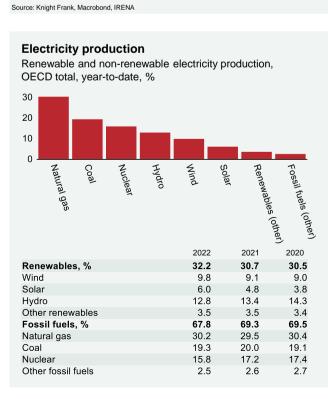
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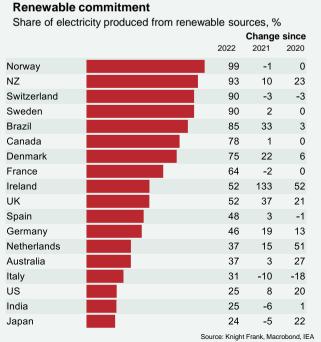


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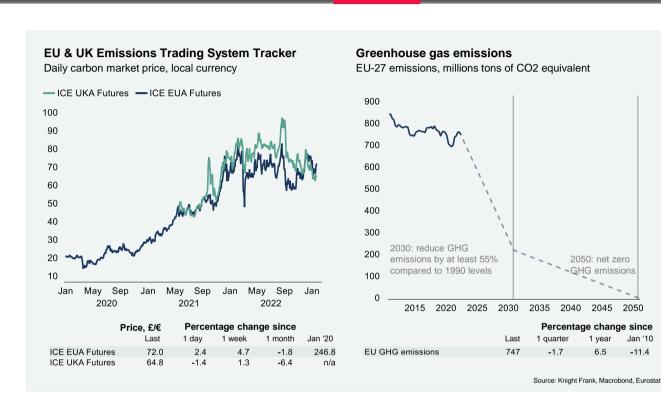
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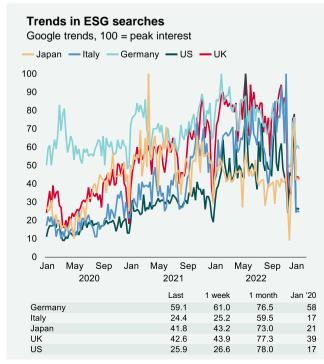
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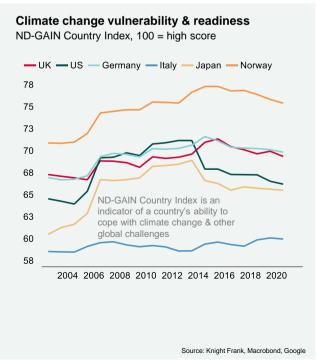
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Market	Population	GDP		
Walket	million	\$tn	YoY	QoQ
Australia	26	1,553	5.9%	0.6%
Austria	9	480	1.7%	0.2%
Belgium	12	594	1.9%	0.2%
Brazil	213	1,609	3.6%	0.4%
Canada	38	1,988	3.9%	0.7%
China Mainland	1,412	17,734	2.9%	0.0%
Denmark	6	398	3.2%	0.3%
Egypt	104	404	3.2%	9.8%
Euro Area	343	14,563	2.3%	0.3%
Finland	6	297	1.0%	-0.3%
France	68	2,958	1.0%	0.2%
Germany	83	4,260	1.3%	0.4%
Hong Kong SAR	7	368	-4.5%	-2.6%
India	1,380	3,176	6.3%	0.8%
Indonesia	273	1,186	5.7%	1.8%
Ireland	5	504	10.9%	2.3%
Israel	9	489	5.8%	0.5%
Italy	59	2,108	2.6%	0.5%
Japan	125	4,941	1.5%	-0.2%
Netherlands	17	1,013	3.1%	-0.2%
Nigeria	211	441	2.3%	9.7%
Norway	5	482	2.5%	1.5%
Philippines	110	394	7.6%	2.9%
Poland	38	679	3.6%	1.0%
Romania	19	284	3.8%	1.2%
Russia	146	1,776	-3.7%	-0.8%
Singapore	5	397	2.2%	0.2%
South Africa	60	419	4.1%	1.6%
South Korea	52	1,799	3.1%	0.3%
Spain	47	1,427	4.4%	0.1%
Sweden	10	636	2.5%	0.6%
Switzerland	9	801	0.5%	0.2%
Turkey	85	819	3.9%	-0.1%
UAE	10	415	3.9%	2.0%
UK	68	3,131	1.9%	-0.3%
US	334	23,315	1.9%	3.2%

Interest rate	Inflation rate	Jobless rate	Gov. Budget % of GDP	Debt/ GDP %	Current Account/ GDP %
3.10%	7.3%	3.5%	-1.5%	36.1%	-0.4
2.50%	10.2%	7.4%	-5.9%	82.8%	-0.5
2.50%	10.4%	5.5%	-5.5%	108.2%	-0.4
13.75%	5.8%	8.1%	-4.5%	80.3%	-1.8
4.25%	6.3%	5.0%	-4.7%	112.8%	0.1
3.65%	1.8%	5.5%	-3.1%	71.5%	1.8
1.75%	8.7%	2.3%	3.6%	36.7%	8.8
16.25%	21.3%	7.4%	-6.1%	87.2%	-4.6
2.50%	9.2%	6.5%	-5.1%	95.6%	2.5
2.50%	9.1%	5.9%	-2.7%	72.4%	0.9
2.50%	5.9%	7.3%	-6.5%	112.9%	0.4
2.50%	8.6%	5.5%	-2.6%	69.3%	7.4
4.75%	1.8%	3.5%	-3.6%	38.4%	11.2
6.25%	5.7%	8.3%	-6.9%	89.3%	-1.2
5.75%	5.5%	5.9%	-2.4%	41.2%	0.3
2.50%	8.2%	4.3%	-1.7%	56.0%	13.9
3.75%	5.3%	4.3%	0.6%	60.9%	4.7
2.50%	11.6%	7.8%	-7.2%	150.8%	2.5
-0.10%	3.8%	2.5%	-5.9%	262.5%	4.0
2.50%	9.6%	3.5%	-2.6%	52.4%	9.0
16.50%	21.3%	33.3%	-4.7%	37.0%	-0.5
2.75%	5.9%	3.2%	9.1%	43.2%	15.0
5.50%	8.1%	4.2%	-8.6%	60.4%	-1.8
6.75%	16.6%	5.1%	-1.8%	53.8%	-0.7
7.00%	16.4%	5.4%	-7.1%	48.8%	-7.0
7.50%	11.9%	3.7%	-2.3%	18.2%	6.8
3.36%	6.7%	2.0%	-0.9%	160.0%	18.1
7.00%	7.2%	32.9%	-5.7%	69.9%	3.7
3.50%	5.0%	3.3%	-5.6%	46.9%	4.9
2.50%	5.7%	12.7%	-6.9%	118.4%	0.9
2.50%	12.3%	6.4%	-0.1%	36.7%	5.3
1.00%	2.8%	2.1%	-0.7%	41.4%	9.3
9.00%	64.3%	10.2%	-2.7%	42.0%	-1.7
4.40%	6.8%	3.9%	0.8%	38.3%	11.7
3.50%	10.5%	3.7%	-5.7%	97.4%	-2.0
4.50%	6.5%	3.5%	-16.7%	129.0%	-3.6



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Future Gazing 2023

In the latest edition of the Future Gazing Report, the sectors and locations which could benefit from reconfiguring supply chains are explored. Through the past three years, we have experienced a supply-side crisis. Simply restoring the old order is unlikely to solve the crisis and provide much-needed resilience amidst a shifting geopolitical landscape.

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Quantifying ESG in real

This report covers a selection of our recent analytical projects, as well as practical applications and considerations for clients. It offers clear messages that we hope will inform decision-makers as they make decisions against a rapidly evolving backdrop. We also hope the ideas will spark debate and unlock new areas of investigation.



Retail Property Market Outlook 2023

The 2023 Retail market outlook discusses predictions for the Retail market, providing in-depth commentary on retail subsectors and occupier activity amidst economic distress.

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