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NEED TO KNOW

30 November 2021

3 months

Estimated time to produce a variantspecific vaccine The Omicron impact. While the World Health Organization (WHO) has suggested the virus could pose a 'very high global risk', it will be a number of days before its severity is more fully understood. Initial economic impacts will be focused on the fall out from travel restrictions: countries including the US, Japan, EU states and the UK have placed travel bans to South Africa and neighbouring countries. At present, the recent experience of adapting to such disruptions means that most forecasters do not envisage a significant knock to growth. However, in the short term there is a clear potential that the economic sectors that fared well in previous lockdown scenarios will do so again, offering another leg to the demand for defensive real estate sectors such as Logistics.

+54%
CBOE
Volatility Index

Volatility returns to global markets. News of the Omicron virus coincided with a sell-off in riskier assets on Friday, with equities losing about -2.5% globally, bond yields compressing, and crude oil prices dropping by -13%. This week markets have recovered somewhat, but the result is that volatility is back. The CBOE Volatility Index (VIX), a real-time measure of market uncertainty, jumped by 54% last week and is likely to remain elevated in the short term. Periods of rising market volatility can incentivise investors to target perceived safe-havens, such as government bonds, as well as assets that are not 'marked to market', such as real estate.

+11%

UK CRE, Total return forecast, FY 2021 UK commercial property is set to enjoy double-digit returns this year. The latest IPF Consensus Survey shows UK All Property total returns for 2021 were revised upward to 11.0% from 6.9% in August, driven by a better than anticipated third quarter across all asset types. The sector's outlook was strengthened also for the years ahead, as total returns for 2022 and 2023 were revised upward to 7.4% and 6.4% respectively.



 $Sources: Bloomberg, Financial Times, US\ Department\ of\ Labor,\ Trading\ Economics,\ Knight\ Frankler (Control of Control of Cont$

LOOKING AHEAD

Covid-19

This week's economic indicators are likely to take second place behind releases from health officials regarding details on the new coronavirus variant. According to the WHO, it could take from days to several weeks to understand the level of severity of Omicron. Meanwhile, G7 health ministers flew to Geneva on Monday for a three day meeting to align on a common response to the threat posed by the virus.

Crude oil

Oil and energy will be in the spotlight this week, as the OPEC+ group meets on Thursday, only a few days after oil prices suffered one of the largest one-day sell-offs ever, equal to -13%. The newly discovered Covid-19 variant was the main factor behind the decline. Earlier last week, the US and other governments agreed to challenge the Saudi-led cartel by releasing oil from their strategic petroleum reserves, in an effort to bring prices down and ease the pressure on consumers.

US unemployment

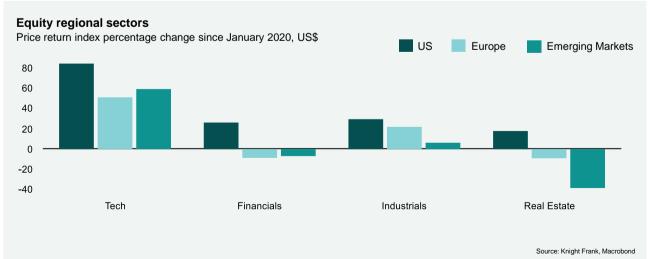
The closely-watched US monthly labour market update for November will be released on Friday. Expectations are for a fifth consecutive month of falling unemployment, with the rate dropping to 4.5%, from 4.6% last month. However, this level remains well above the precrisis rate of about 3.5%, amid persistent worker shortages and a record number of people quitting their jobs. Meanwhile last Wednesday, the US Department of Labor announced that, in the seven days to the 20th November. new unemployment insurance claims declined to 199k, the lowest level since 1969



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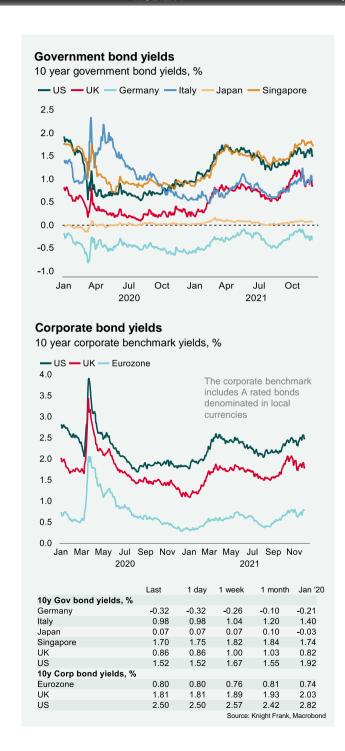


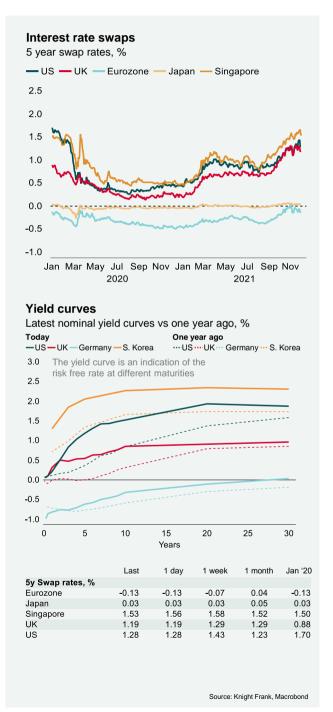






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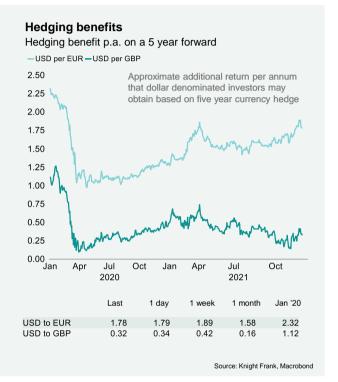






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Inflation and monetary policy

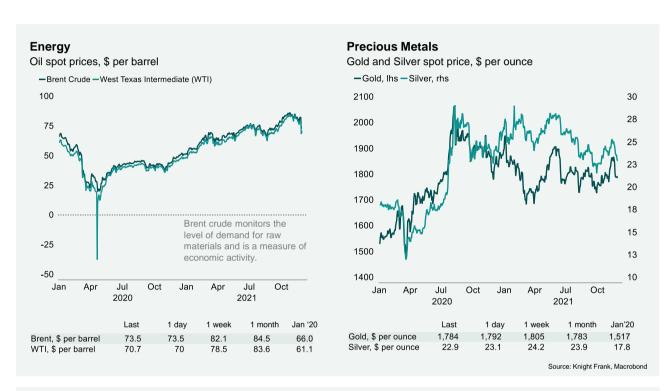
	Inflatio	n rate (%	6)		Interest rates (%)		Asset purchasing		
	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Last	Jan '21	Lastest (\$)	1m change	
Australia 1	n/a	n/a	3.0	3.0	0.10	0.10	437 bn	-1.6	
Canada	n/a	4.7	4.4	4.1	0.25	0.25	405 bn	3.6	
China	n/a	1.5	0.7	8.0	4.35	4.35	6.18 tn	1.8	
Euro Area	4.9	4.1	3.4	3.0	0.00	0.00	9.58 tn	-1.3	
France	2.8	2.6	2.2	1.9	0.00	0.00	2.32 tn	2.0	
Germany	5.3	4.5	4.1	3.9	0.00	0.00	3.24 tn	-0.1	
India	n/a	4.5	4.3	5.3	4.00	4.00	465 bn	0.4	
Italy	3.8	3.0	2.5	2.0	0.00	0.00	1.8 tn	0.0	
Japan	n/a	0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.10	-0.10	6.39 tn	1.1	
Saudi Arabia	n/a	0.8	0.6	0.3	1.00	1.00	494 bn	-2.0	
South Korea	n/a	3.2	2.5	2.6	1.00	0.50	489 bn	-0.8	
Spain	5.6	5.4	4.0	3.3	0.00	0.00	487 bn	0.7	
Sweden	n/a	2.8	2.5	2.1	0.00	0.00	172 bn	-2.5	
UK	n/a	4.2	3.1	3.2	0.10	0.10	1.18 tn	0.6	
US	n/a	6.2	5.4	5.2	0.25	0.25	8.68 tn	1.4	

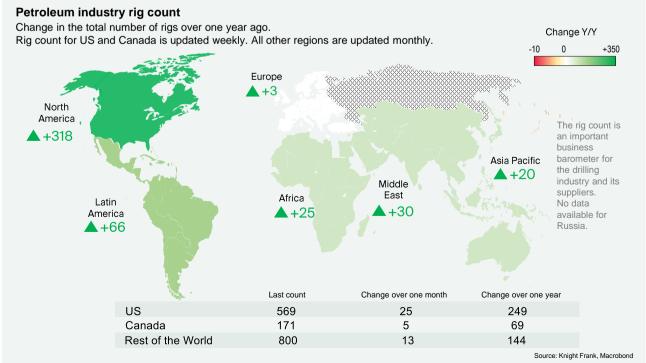
1. Australia Inflation rate is only available on a quarterly basis.

Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond



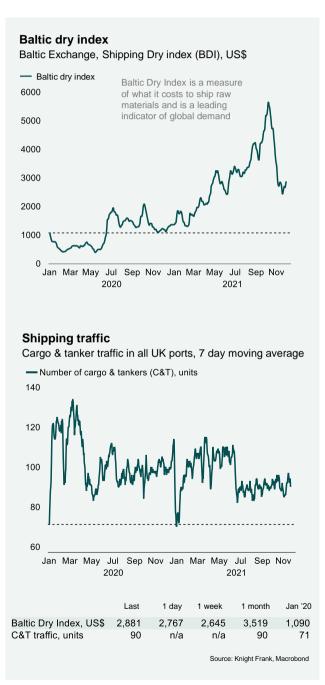
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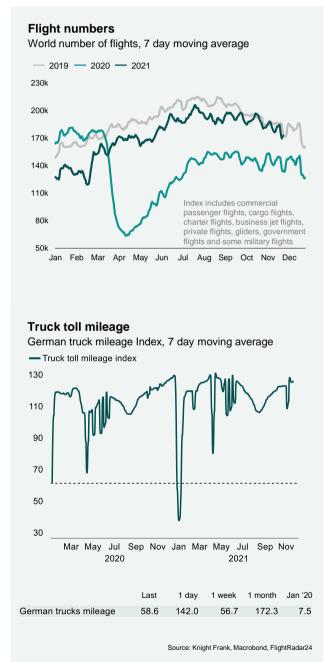






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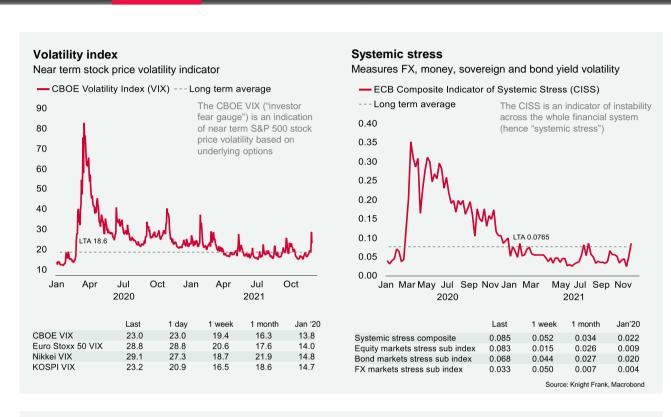
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UK REITs by sector US REITs by sector UK EPRA gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, GBP£ US NAREIT gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, US\$ — All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail — All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail Healthcare — Residential — S&P500 Healthcare — Residential — FTSE 250 175 175 150 150 125 125 100 100 75 75 50 50 25 25 0 0 Jul Oct Jul Oct Jan Apr Jan Apr Jul Oct Apr Jul Oct Jan Apr Jan 2020 2021 2021 Index, gross total return Percentage change since Index, gross total return Percentage change since Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week 1 month Jan '20 Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week 1 month Jan'20 All REITs 1,087 -1.1 0.3 4.1 6.3 All REITs 24,905 -2.2 -0.7 0.2 23.6 Office 2,506 **-**2.8 -1.8 -15.5 Office 2.109 -4.7 -3.7 -2.0 -6.0 2,034 Industrial 0.8 0.8 6.4 64.0 Industrial 3 653 -1 0 67.5 1 1 3.8 Retail -2.9 -1.3 -77.3 82 -4.0 Retail 1.251 -4.0-3.1 1.5 9.6 Healthcare 2,292 -1.7 -2.4 -3.9 4,100 1.1 Healthcare -4.1 -2.7 -4 5 -12 Residential 1.476 -2.2 -1.6 -1.9-3.3 Residential 2,586 -1.7 0.4 32.7 **FTSE 250** 18.395 -1.8 S&P500 9,742 -0.9 1.4 48.6 Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond



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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).

		Last	1 week	1 month
Brazil		15	15	18
Nigeria		10	9	5
South Korea		3	1	2
South Africa		-1	-1	1
Turkey		-1	-1	4
Mexico		-3	-3	2
India		-6	-10	-9
Australia		-10	-11	-16
France		-11	-19	-12
Italy		-12	-12	-12
Japan		-12	- 8	-10
Russia		-13	-13	-18
Germany		-13	-12	-14
Singapore		-20	- 20	-15
Canada		- 20	-23	-18
Netherlands		-22	-20	-19
UK		-24	-24	-24
US		-31	-21	-19

Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

Public transport mobility

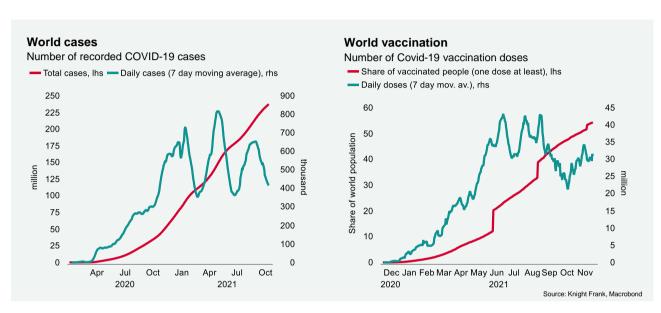
Citymapper Mobility Index change since March '20, %

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





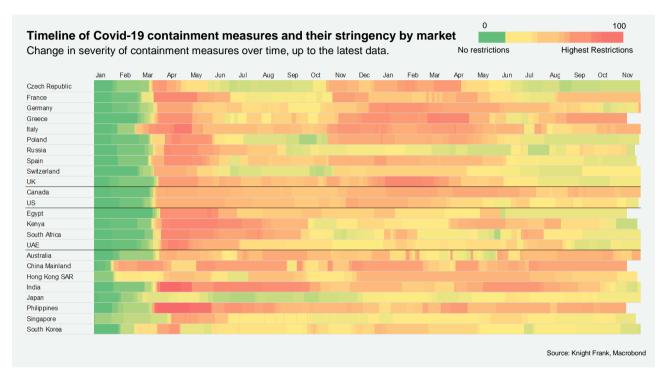
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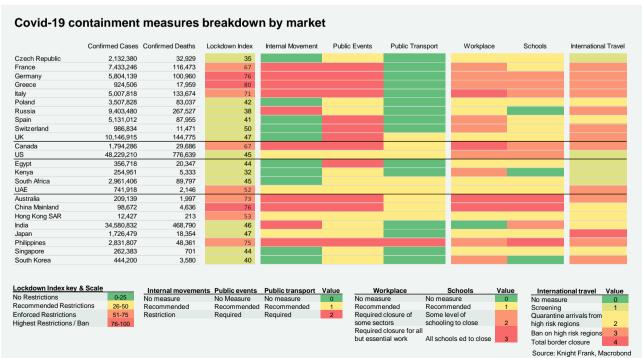


Cases and vaccinations breakdown by country Total cases New cases People vaccinated New doses 1 week ago 1 month ago Thousands Population (%) Millions Last day Last 7days av. 12,330 Australia 0.2 1.257 1 462 2.174 20,001 78 164,022 111,158 Brazil 22.1 9,233 8,833 17,184 77 30.415 80 10.623 Canada 1.8 2,616 2,897 2,510 1,225,000 85 1,163,816 China 0.1 54 49 72 4,562 4,290 78 4,398 Denmark 0.5 3,415 1,847 7.4 31.642 6.126 51,916 77 40,733 19.749 France 5.8 29,364 30,643 24,668 59,306 71 90,280 Germany 7,021 68 10.587 Greece 0.9 3.823 4.108 2.957 8,309 8,488 14,348 786,355 56 1,074,462 India 34.6 4,271 Ireland 0.6 3,735 4,181 2,605 3,857 77 5.0 12,927 9,707 4,866 47,197 78 42,368 Italy Japan 1.7 81 141 271 99,771 79 18,949 13,221 77 2,151 Netherlands 2.6 22.193 20.660 7.668 1,819 4,238 78 4,316 Norway 0.3 1,377 1,113 89 2,897 9,054 617 Portugal 1.1 2,499 888 107,934 Russia 9.6 33,860 35,681 39,849 66,259 45 Saudi Arabia 0.5 24 36 51 24,605 70 5,714 1,670 3,432 93 0.3 747 5,071 149 Singapore South Africa 3.0 2,858 687 533 17,140 29 14,172 3,309 42,545 2,826 2,124 83 35,047 South Korea 0.4 Spain 5.1 4,410 2.098 38,300 82 23,165 4 286 UK 10.1 36,507 39,458 39,006 50,941 75 59,228 232,793 US 69 105,543 47.8 100,445 32,331 84,140 Change since People vaccinated Share of population **Total cases** Total (mn) 1 week ago 1 month ago Total (mn) Last 1 week ago 1 month ago World 261 1.5% 6.1% 720 54.4% 53.6% 49.4%



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ESG FUNDS & SUSTAINABLE FINANCE

\$55bn

ESF funds Inflow 9m 2021

- Inflows into ESG funds reached \$55bn in the first nine months of 2021, more than the total of the whole of 2020.
- In total, there are now \$330bn in assets under management in ESG funds.

57%

The growth of sustainable bonds in 9m 2021 vs 9m 2020

- Global sustainable finance bond issuance increased 57% to \$778bn during the first nine months of 2021 compared to the previous year, and reached an all time record.
- Sustainable finance bonds' share of global debt capital markets reached 10% during the first nine months of 2021, up from 5.9% a year ago.

48%

The growth in equity issuance in 9m 2021 vs 9m 2020

- Equity issuance from sustainable companies increased 48% to \$29bn in the first nine months of 2021 compared to the previous year, 2020 and an all time first nine month record.
- Asia Pacific accounted for 40% of the sustainable equity market, followed by the Americas with 37%.

EMISSION TARGETS

UN IPCC

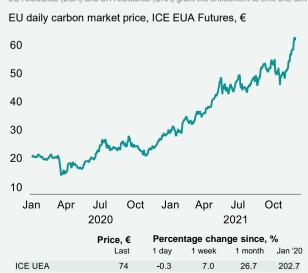
Under all emissions scenarios outlined in the UN's IPCC report, temperatures will pass 1.5°C above 1850-1900 levels by 2040 and extreme weather occurrences will be more frequent. Therefore, the Paris Agreement's goal of stabilising temperatures at 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels by the end of the century will require significant action.

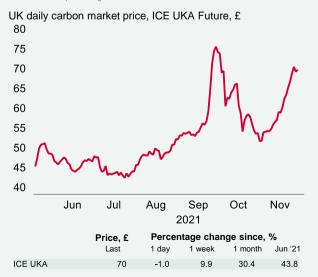
As result, the UK, US and EU have accelerated their emissions targets:

- **UK**: to reduce emissions by 78% before 2035 (vs 1990 levels).
- EU: to cut emissions by at least 55% by 2030 (vs 1990 levels).
- US: to cut emissions by 52% by 2030 (vs 2005 levels).

EU AND UK EMISSIONS TRADING SYSTEM TRACKER

EU Allowance (EUA) and UK Allowance (UKA) grant the entitlement to emit one tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent gas.







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MACROECONOMIC INDICATORS

								Gov.	Debt/	Current
Market	Population million	GDP \$tn	YoY	QoQ	Interest rate	Inflation rate	Jobless rate	Budget % of GDP	GDP %	Account/ GDP
Australia	26	1,331	9.6%		0.10%	3.0%	5.2%	-4.3%		2.5
Austria		431		0.7%					24.8%	
	9		4.8%	3.3%	0.00%	3.7%	6.5%	-8.9%	83.9%	2.5
Belgium	12	515	4.7%	1.8%	0.00%	5.6%	6.3%	-9.4%	114.1%	-0.2
Brazil	212	1,445	12.4%	-0.1%	7.75%	10.7%	13.2%	-13.4%	88.8%	-0.72
Canada	38	1,644	12.7%	-0.3%	0.25%	4.7%	6.7%	-15.9%	117.8%	-1.9
China Mainland	1,444	14,723	4.9%	0.2%	3.85%	1.5%	4.9%	-3.7%	66.8%	1.9
Denmark	6	356	9.8%	2.0%	-0.60%	3.0%	3.3%	-3.5%	42.2%	7.8
Egypt	101	363	7.2%	2.9%	8.25%	6.3%	7.5%	-9.0%	88.0%	-4.6
Euro Area	342	13,011	3.7%	2.2%	0.00%	4.1%	7.4%	-7.2%	98.0%	3.0
Finland	6	270	4.0%	0.9%	0.00%	3.2%	6.0%	-5.4%	69.2%	0.3
France	67	2,630	3.3%	3.0%	0.00%	2.6%	8.1%	-9.2%	115.7%	-1.9
Germany	83	3,846	2.5%	1.7%	0.00%	5.2%	3.4%	-4.2%	69.8%	7
Hong Kong SAR	7	347	5.4%	0.1%	0.86%	1.7%	4.3%	-12.0%	38.4%	6.6
India	1,347	2,623	20.1%	-10.2%	4.00%	4.5%	6.9%	-9.4%	74.0%	0.9
Indonesia	270	1,058	3.5%	1.6%	3.50%	1.7%	6.5%	-6.5%	38.5%	-0.44
Ireland	5	426	21.6%	6.3%	0.00%	5.1%	5.2%	-5.0%	59.5%	4.6
Israel	9	402	5.9%	0.6%	0.10%	2.3%	5.0%	-11.7%	71.1%	4.9
Italy	60	1,886	3.8%	2.6%	0.00%	3.0%	9.2%	-9.5%	155.8%	3.6
Japan	126	4,975	1.4%	-0.8%	-0.10%	0.1%	2.8%	-12.6%	266.2%	3.2
Netherlands	17	914	5.0%	1.9%	0.00%	3.4%	2.9%	-4.3%	54.5%	7.8
Nigeria	206	432	4.0%	11.1%	11.50%	16.0%	33.3%	-3.8%	35.0%	-4.2
Norway	5	363	5.1%	3.8%	0.25%	3.5%	4.2%	-3.4%	46.0%	2
Philippines	110	361	7.1%	3.8%	2.00%	4.6%	6.9%	-7.5%	53.5%	3.6
Poland	38	594	5.1%	2.1%	1.25%	6.8%	5.5%	-7.0%	57.5%	3.6
Romania	19	249	7.2%	0.3%	1.75%	7.9%	5.0%	-9.2%	47.3%	-5.1
Russia	146	1,484	4.3%	3.5%	7.50%	8.1%	4.3%	-3.8%	17.8%	2.4
Singapore	6	340	7.1%	1.3%	0.22%	3.2%	2.6%	-13.9%	131.0%	17.6
South Africa	59	302	19.3%	1.2%	3.75%	5.0%	34.4%	-10.0%	80.3%	2.2
South Korea	52	1,631	4.0%	0.3%	1.00%	3.2%	3.2%	-6.1%	42.6%	3.5
Spain	47	1,281	2.7%	2.0%	0.00%	5.6%	14.6%	-11.0%	120.0%	0.7
Sweden	10	541	4.7%	2.0%	0.00%	2.8%	7.6%	-3.1%	39.9%	5.2
Switzerland	9	752	4.1%	1.7%	-0.75%	1.2%	2.5%	-2.6%	42.9%	3.8
Turkey	84	720	21.7%	0.9%	15.00%	19.9%	11.5%	-3.4%	39.5%	-5.1
UAE	10	421	-6.1%	2.0%	1.50%	1.2%	5.0%	-0.8%	36.9%	5.9
UK	67	2,708	6.6%	1.3%	0.10%	4.2%	4.3%	-14.9%	94.9%	-3.5
US	329	20,937	4.9%	2.1%	0.25%	6.2%	4.6%	-14.9%	128.1%	-3.1
00	323	20,331	7.370	2.1/0	0.23/0	0.2 /0	7.0 /0	17.3/0	120.170	Source: Trading Economics

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