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	Gross domestic product				Consumer prices			Unemployment rate	
	% change on year ago:				% change on year ago:			%	
	latest		quarter*	2023†	latest		2023†		
United States	3.1	Q4	3.3	2.4	3.4	Dec	4.1	3.7	Jan
China	5.2	Q4	4.1	5.2	-0.8	Jan	0.3	5.1	Dec‡§
Japan	1.5	Q3	-2.9	1.8	2.6	Dec	3.3	2.4	Dec
Britain	0.3	Q3	-0.5	0.2	4.0	Dec	6.8	3.9	Oct††
Canada	0.5	Q3	-1.1	1.1	3.4	Dec	3.9	5.8	Dec
Euro area	0.1	Q4	0.1	0.6	2.8	Jan	5.4	6.4	Dec
Austria	-1.8	Q3	-2.1‡	-0.7	4.3	Jan	7.7	5.6	Dec
Belgium	1.5	Q4	1.6	1.3	1.5	Jan	2.3	5.7	Dec
France	0.7	Q4	-0.1	0.8	3.4	Jan	5.7	7.3	Dec
Germany	-0.2	Q4	-1.1	-0.2	3.1	Jan	6.0	3.1	Dec
Greece	1.8	Q3	0.1	2.2	3.7	Dec	4.2	9.2	Dec
Italy	0.5	Q4	0.7	0.7	0.9	Jan	5.9	7.2	Dec
Netherlands	-0.8	Q3	-1.2	0.1	3.1	Jan	4.1	3.6	Dec
Spain	2.0	Q4	2.5	2.3	3.5	Jan	3.4	11.7	Dec
Czech Republic	-1.0	Q3	0.8	-0.5	6.9	Dec	10.7	2.7	Dec‡
Denmark	-0.5	Q3	-2.6	1.5	0.7	Dec	3.8	2.9	Dec
Norway	-1.9	Q3	-2.1	0.4	4.8	Dec	5.4	3.7	Nov‡‡
Poland	0.5	Q3	6.1	0.5	6.2	Dec	11.4	5.1	Dec§
Russia	5.5	Q3	na	2.8	7.4	Dec	6.2	3.0	Dec§
Sweden	-0.5	Q4	0.4	-0.6	4.4	Dec	6.0	7.7	Dec§
Switzerland	0.3	Q3	1.1	0.8	1.7	Dec	2.1	2.2	Jan
Turkey	5.9	Q3	1.1	4.5	64.9	Jan	53.9	8.8	Nov§
Australia	2.1	Q3	0.9	1.9	4.1	Q4	5.7	3.9	Dec
Hong Kong	4.3	Q4	2.0	3.4	2.4	Dec	2.1	2.9	Dec‡‡
India	7.6	Q3	8.6	6.9	5.7	Dec	5.7	6.8	Jan
Indonesia	5.0	Q4	na	5.0	2.6	Jan	3.7	5.3	Q3§
Malaysia	3.4	Q4	na	3.8	1.5	Dec	2.5	3.3	Nov§
Pakistan	nil	2023**	na	nil	28.3	Jan	30.8	6.3	2021
Philippines	5.6	Q4	8.7	5.4	2.8	Jan	6.0	4.2	Q4§
Singapore	2.8	Q4	7.0	1.2	3.7	Dec	4.8	2.0	Q4
South Korea	2.2	Q4	2.5	1.3	2.8	Jan	3.6	3.3	Dec§
Taiwan	5.1	Q4	8.8	1.4	1.8	Jan	2.5	3.4	Dec
Thailand	1.5	Q3	3.1	2.5	-1.1	Jan	1.3	0.8	Dec§
Argentina	-0.8	Q3	11.3	-1.0	211	Dec	134	5.7	Q3§
Brazil	2.0	Q3	0.6	2.9	4.6	Dec	4.6	7.4	Dec§‡‡
Chile	0.6	Q3	1.3	nil	3.9	Dec	7.6	8.5	Dec§‡‡
Colombia	-0.3	Q3	1.0	1.1	8.3	Jan	11.7	10.0	Dec§
Mexico	2.4	Q4	0.4	3.4	4.7	Dec	5.5	2.8	Dec
Peru	-1.0	Q3	-1.1	-0.5	3.0	Jan	6.3	5.8	Dec§
Egypt	2.7	Q3	na	3.8	33.6	Dec	33.9	7.1	Q3§
Israel	3.4	Q3	2.7	1.5	3.0	Dec	4.2	3.1	Dec
Saudi Arabia	3.8	2023	na	-1.1	1.5	Dec	2.3	5.1	Q3
South Africa	-0.7	Q3	-1.0	0.6	5.2	Dec	5.9	31.9	Q3§

Source: Haver Analytics. \*% change on previous quarter, annual rate. †The Economist Intelligence Unit estimate/forecast. §Not seasonally adjusted. ‡New series. \*\*Year ending June. ††Latest 3 months. ‡‡3-month moving average. Note: Euro area consumer prices are harmonised.

IMAGE: THE ECONOMIST

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	Current-account balance	Budget balance	Interest rates		Currency units	
	% of GDP, 2023 <sup>†</sup>	% of GDP, 2023 <sup>†</sup>	10-yr gov't bonds latest,%	change on year ago, bp	per \$ Feb 7th	% change on year ago
United States	-2.8	-6.3	4.1	42.0	-	
China	1.7	-3.8	2.3	55	7.19	-5.6
Japan	3.9	-5.0	0.7	20.0	148	-11.3
Britain	-2.9	-3.9	4.1	94.0	0.79	5.1
Canada	-0.4	-1.3	3.5	39.0	1.35	nil
Euro area	2.4	-3.3	2.3	-4.0	0.93	1.1
Austria	1.6	-2.2	2.9	-6.0	0.93	1.1
Belgium	-1.1	-4.3	2.9	-2.0	0.93	1.1
France	-1.1	-4.9	2.8	19.0	0.93	1.1
Germany	5.6	-2.2	2.3	-4.0	0.93	1.1
Greece	-5.3	-2.1	3.4	-79.0	0.93	1.1
Italy	0.5	-5.4	3.9	-30.0	0.93	1.1
Netherlands	9.4	-2.1	2.6	-3.0	0.93	1.1
Spain	2.0	-4.0	3.2	5.0	0.93	1.1
Czech Republic	-1.3	-3.9	3.8	-75.0	23.2	-4.2
Denmark	11.1	1.5	2.5	-3.0	6.93	0.4
Norway	17.2	10.6	3.7	70.0	10.6	-1.9
Poland	1.7	-4.7	5.3	-79.0	4.04	10.2
Russia	3.0	-2.8	11.8	114	91.2	-21.7
Sweden	4.6	-0.3	2.4	37.0	10.5	1.4
Switzerland	10.9	-0.7	0.9	-47.0	0.87	5.8
Turkey	-4.4	-5.0	24.3	1,289	30.6	-38.5
Australia	0.3	0.3	4.0	48.0	1.53	-5.2
Hong Kong	7.2	-1.7	3.6	28.0	7.82	0.4
India	-0.5	-5.9	7.1	-24.0	83.0	-0.3
Indonesia	0.4	-2.5	6.6	-11.0	15,635	-3.1
Malaysia	1.5	-5.1	3.8	-2.0	4.76	-9.7
Pakistan	0.2	-8.0	14.6	10.0	279	-1.4
Philippines	-4.1	-7.2	6.2	-4.0	56.0	-1.6
Singapore	18.8	-0.7	3.0	-8.0	1.34	-0.8
South Korea	2.1	-2.7	3.4	8.0	1,328	-5.5
Taiwan	12.9	-0.1	1.2	3.0	31.4	-4.2
Thailand	0.8	-2.7	2.8	18.0	35.6	-5.6
Argentina	-3.5	-6.0	na	na	830	-77.2
Brazil	-1.2	-7.5	10.6	-273	4.96	4.6
Chile	-3.4	-2.4	5.5	-18.0	952	-16.0
Colombia	-3.4	-4.2	9.6	-218	3,963	21.0
Mexico	-1.5	-3.9	9.3	64.0	17.0	11.8
Peru	-1.0	-2.7	6.7	-110	3.87	-0.5
Egypt	-1.5	-6.2	na	na	30.9	-1.9
Israel	5.8	-4.1	4.1	85.0	3.65	-4.7
Saudi Arabia	3.0	-2.0	na	na	3.75	nil
South Africa	-1.9	-5.2	9.9	13.0	18.9	-6.9

Source: Haver Analytics. 55-year yield. †††Dollar-denominated bonds.

IMAGE: THE ECONOMIST

## Markets

In local currency	% change on:		
	Index Feb 7th	one week	Dec 30th 2022
United States S&P 500	4,995.1	3.1	30.1
United States NAScomp	15,756.6	3.9	50.5
China Shanghai Comp	2,880.7	1.5	8.4

<b>China</b> Shanghai Comp	2,829.7	1.5	-8.4
<b>China</b> Shenzhen Comp	1,528.9	-1.0	-22.6
<b>Japan</b> Nikkei 225	36,119.9	-0.5	38.4
<b>Japan</b> Topix	2,550.0	nil	34.8
<b>Britain</b> FTSE 100	7,628.8	nil	2.4
<b>Canada</b> S&P TSX	20,969.2	-0.3	8.2
<b>Euro area</b> EURO STOXX 50	4,678.9	0.7	23.3
<b>France</b> CAC 40	7,611.3	-0.6	17.6
<b>Germany</b> DAX*	16,922.0	0.1	21.5
<b>Italy</b> FTSE/MIB	30,976.0	0.8	30.7
<b>Netherlands</b> AEX	830.1	1.5	20.5
<b>Spain</b> IBEX 35	9,888.2	-1.9	20.2
<b>Poland</b> WIG	79,473.4	2.7	38.3
<b>Russia</b> RTS, \$ terms	1,124.7	-0.1	15.9
<b>Switzerland</b> SMI	11,210.3	-1.1	4.5
<b>Turkey</b> BIST	8,843.0	4.1	60.5
<b>Australia</b> All Ord.	7,850.9	-0.8	8.7
<b>Hong Kong</b> Hang Seng	16,081.9	3.9	-18.7
<b>India</b> BSE	72,152.0	0.6	18.6
<b>Indonesia</b> IDX	7,235.2	0.4	5.6
<b>Malaysia</b> KLSE	1,513.1	nil	1.2
<b>Pakistan</b> KSE	64,143.9	3.5	58.7
<b>Singapore</b> STI	3,156.2	0.1	-2.9
<b>South Korea</b> KOSPI	2,609.6	4.5	16.7
<b>Taiwan</b> TWI	18,096.1	1.2	28.0
<b>Thailand</b> SET	1,400.0	2.6	-16.1
<b>Argentina</b> MERV	1,152,888.0	-8.5	470.5
<b>Brazil</b> BVSP*	129,949.9	1.7	18.4
<b>Mexico</b> IPC	58,711.9	2.3	21.1
<b>Egypt</b> EGX 30	27,906.0	-1.3	91.2
<b>Israel</b> TA-125	1,876.6	0.8	4.2
<b>Saudi Arabia</b> Tadawul	12,165.9	3.1	15.4
<b>South Africa</b> JSE AS	74,313.4	-0.3	1.7
<b>World, dev'd</b> MSCI	3,265.1	1.9	25.4
<b>Emerging markets</b> MSCI	1,002.6	2.7	4.8

#### US corporate bonds, spread over Treasuries

Basis points	latest	Dec 30th 2022
<b>Investment grade</b>	111	154
<b>High-yield</b>	388	502

Sources: Refinitiv Datastream; Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research. \*Total return index.

IMAGE: THE ECONOMIST

## Commodities

#### The Economist commodity-price index

2020=100	Jan 30th	Feb 6th*	% change on	
			month	year
<b>Dollar Index</b>				
All Items	126.3	124.5	-2.6	-8.4
Food	131.0	132.4	3.0	-7.9
<b>Industrials</b>				
All	122.5	118.0	-7.3	-8.9
Non-food agriculturals	102.8	103.4	-18.6	-23.7
Metals	127.6	121.7	-4.4	-4.9
<b>Sterling Index</b>				
All items	128.2	127.2	-1.6	-12.6
<b>Euro Index</b>				



All items				
	133.2	132.4	-1.0	-8.9
Gold				
\$ per oz	2,033.4	2,036.7	0.5	8.6
Brent				
\$ per barrel	82.8	78.7	1.0	-6.2

Sources: Bloomberg; CME Group; Cotlook; Refinitiv Datastream; Fastmarkets; FT; ICCO; ICO; ISO; Live Rice Index; LME; NZ Wool Services; Thompson Lloyd & Ewart; Urner

IMAGE: THE ECON

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