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#### **NEED TO KNOW**

#### 07 June 2022

\$1.25

Current price of sterling

Sterling resilient, despite political jitters. Boris Johnson, the UK Prime Minister, won a vote of no confidence in his leadership of the Conservative Party by 211 votes to 148. Sterling has already settled back to where it was pre-vote at \$1.25. Overseas investors place importance on currency, especially those seeking value. Currently, overseas investors can capitalise on weaker sterling when buying UK CRE. Johnson's win means that a leadership challenge is unlikely for another year. He has also ruled out a snap election, further encouraging market stability. Currently, Oddschecker places an 8% chance on the next general election being held in 2022, a 20% likelihood of it being in 2023 and a 78% probability of a general election in 2024 or later.

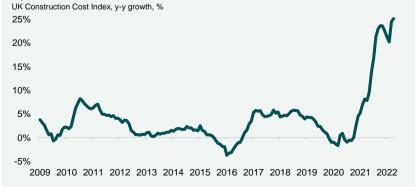
### \$18bn

Cross border investment into UK CRE, 2022 YTD UK CRE top for global cross border investment. The UK is the top global destination for cross border investment year to date, with \$18.3bn invested, which compares to the \$11.3bn invested in the US and \$7.5bn in Germany. London is the most invested city globally, with \$8.9bn invested by overseas capital YTD. Investors from the US (\$9.0bn), Singapore (\$2.1bn), South Korea (\$1.6bn) and Canada (\$1.5bn) have been the most active in the UK so far this year. The office sector in particular has benefited from cross border investment into the UK, with a 45% share of total investment this year, followed by Industrial (29%), Residential (15%) and Retail (9%). Cross border investors may be trying to benefit from the current positive momentum in UK CRE, highlighted by the IPF's improved 2022 All UK property total return forecast, up from 8.6% in November to 10.2% in May.

### £2.8bn

UK ESG funds, net inflows, 2022 YTD Real estate and ESG equity funds outperform. UK equity funds recorded net outflows of £826m in May, which extended net outflows to a record 12 consecutive months, according to data from Calastone. The three worst months on record for UK equity funds have been in 2022, with May's outflow just shy of April's £836m record loss. However, UK funds are not alone. European equity funds had their worst month of the year in May, while APAC and regional funds also saw significant net selling. Despite the poor performance of equity funds this year, there have been some pockets of positivity. For example, UK equity funds have shed £3.7bn year to date, but ESG funds have received £2.8bn in net inflows. Furthermore, UK property funds saw outflows fall to their lowest level in close to four years in May. Here, investors could be turning to property for the relative inflation protection that these income generating stocks may provide.

### UK construction costs hit their highest level on record, up +25% y-y in April



 $Sources: Bloomberg, Calastone, FT, IPF, Macrobond, OECD, ONS, Trading \ Economics, Reuters, Knight \ Frank \ Annual Company \ Frank \ Fra$ 

#### LOOKING AHEAD

### Global Economy

On Wednesday, the OECD will publish its latest outlook for the global economy. This follows its last economic outlook published in March, where the OECD outlined that the war in Ukraine could lower global GDP growth by -1.1%. For the Euro Area, the impact on GDP growth was expected to be -1.4%. The impact of the war on inflation was also expected to be quite notable, adding c.2.5% to global inflation and 2.0% to Euro Area inflation. The new report will outline the near-term prospects for the global economy and could outline further implications of the war in Ukraine as well as the lockdowns in China.

#### Inflation

The latest quarterly Bank of England inflation attitudes survey for May will be published on Friday. The survey assesses public attitudes towards inflation in the short to medium term, as well as expectations for the UK economy. Meanwhile, inflation data for Norway, Spain, China, Brazil, Mexico & US will be published this week. US inflation slowed to 8.3% in April from a 41-year high of 8.5% in March. Markets will look to Friday's data release to see if US inflation has potentially reached its peak, if it slows for two consecutive months in May. May's inflation data could also provide further insight into how aggressively the US Federal Reserve will raise its interest rates in June and July.

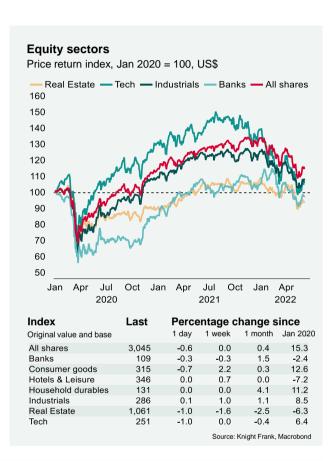
#### **Construction Output**

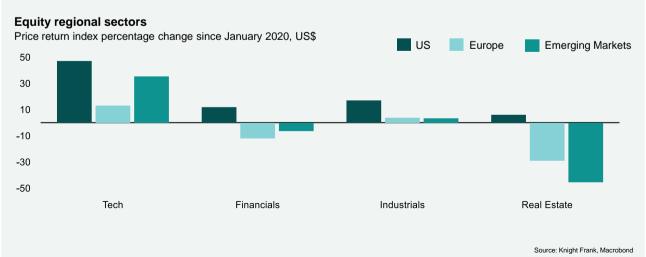
This week, the latest Construction Output data for the UK will be published. In March, UK construction output increased 4.7% y-y, easing from 7% growth in the month prior, but beating market expectations of 2.4%. This comes as the latest UK construction cost index figures were published yesterday. UK construction costs increased +2% m-m in April, with costs now +8% higher than they were at the start of the year and +25% above April 2021.



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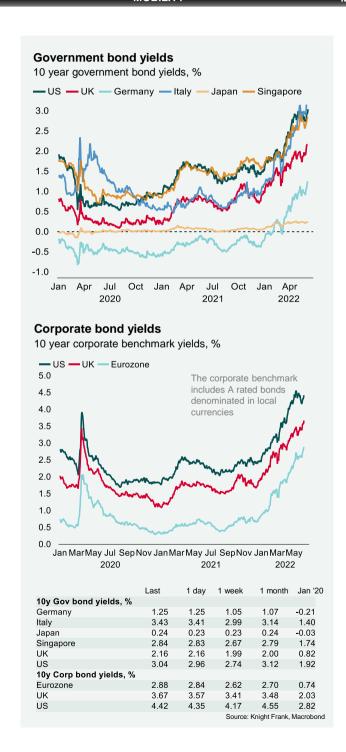


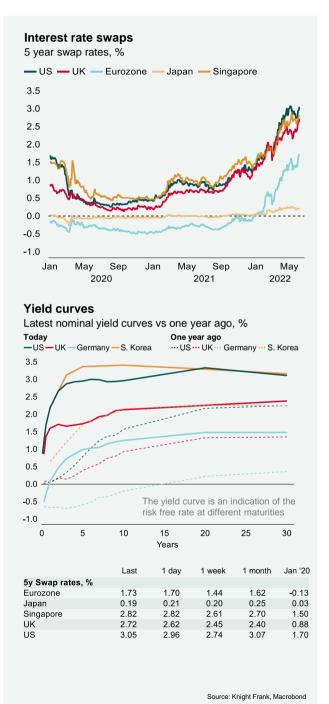






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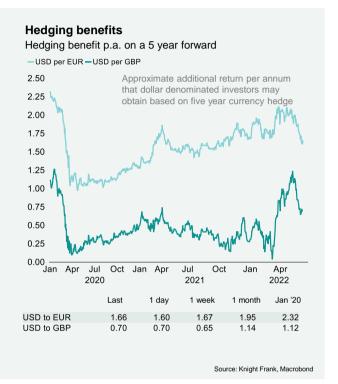


Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

### **Leading Indicators**

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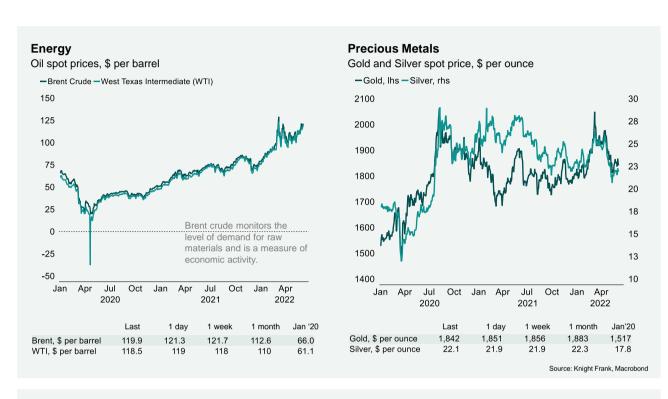


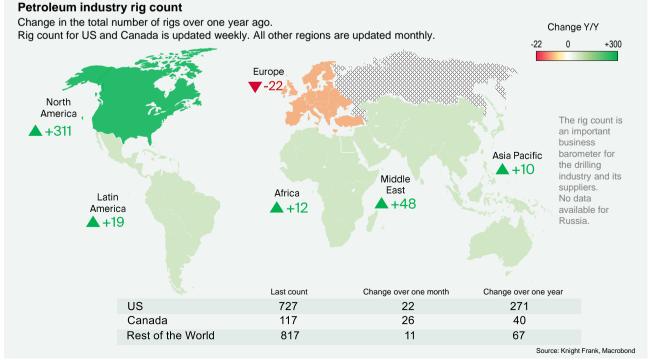
#### Inflation and monetary policy

Inflation rate (%)				Interest ra	ites (%)	Asset purchasing		
May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Last	Jan '21	Latest (\$)	1m change (%)	
n/a	n/a	5.2	5.2	0.85	0.10	441 bn	0.9	
n/a	6.8	6.7	5.7	1.50	0.25	377 bn	-3.0	
n/a	2.0	1.3	0.8	4.35	4.35	5.93 tn	-5.4	
8.1	7.4	7.4	5.9	0.00	0.00	9.44 tn	1.2	
5.2	4.8	4.5	3.6	0.00	0.00	2.18 tn	-4.4	
8.0	7.4	7.2	5.1	0.00	0.00	3.21 tn	1.0	
n/a	7.8	7.0	6.1	4.40	4.00	377 bn	-6.6	
6.9	6.0	6.5	5.7	0.00	0.00	1.69 tn	-5.1	
n/a	2.5	1.2	0.9	-0.10	-0.10	5.73 tn	0.5	
n/a	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.00	1.00	492 bn	-1.9	
5.4	4.8	4.1	3.7	1.75	0.50	489 bn	0.4	
8.7	8.3	9.8	7.6	0.00	0.00	487 bn	-4.1	
n/a	6.4	6.0	4.3	0.25	0.00	161 bn	1.4	
n/a	9.0	7.0	6.2	1.00	0.10	1.08 tn	-5.9	
n/a	8.2	8.6	7.9	1.00	0.25	8.92 tn	-0.3	
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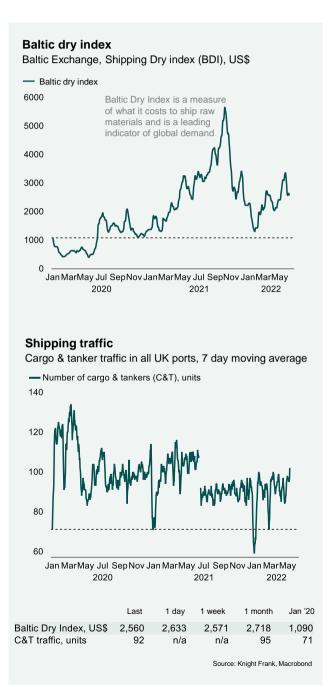
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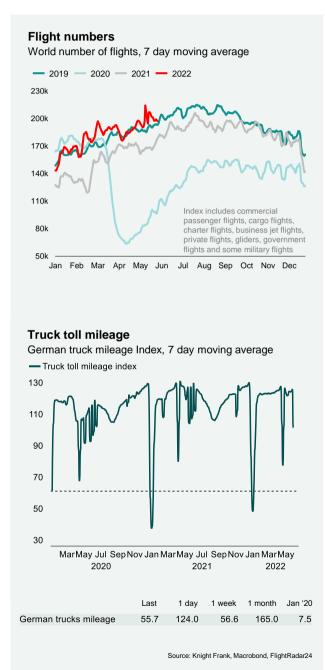






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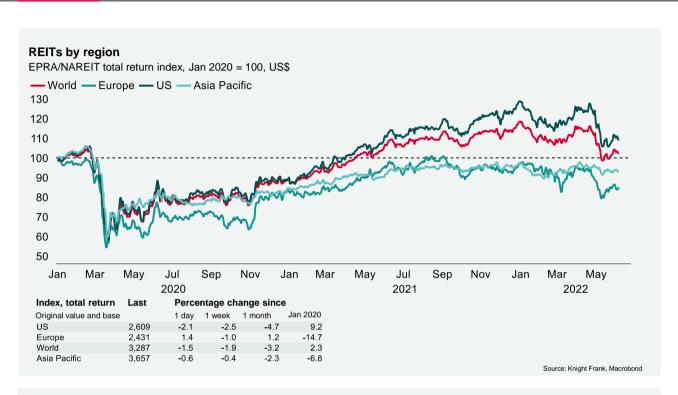
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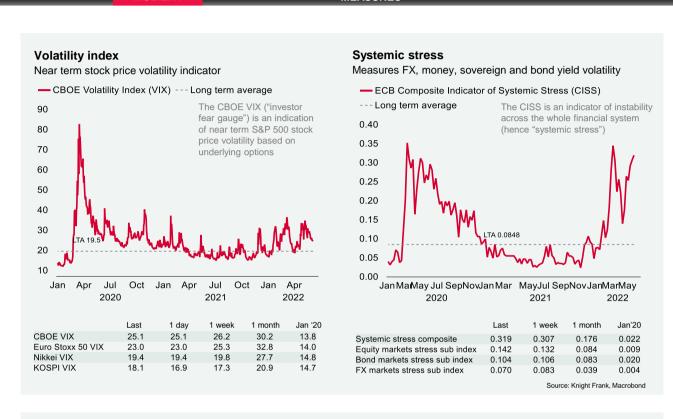
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#### **UK REITs by sector** US REITs by sector UK EPRA gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, GBP£ US NAREIT gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, US\$ — All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail Healthcare — Residential — S&P500 Healthcare — Residential — FTSE 250 200 175 175 150 150 125 125 100 100 75 75 50 50 25 25 O Sep May Sep Jan May Jan May Sep May Sep May Jan Jan Jan 2020 2021 2020 2021 2022 Index, gross total return Percentage change since Index, gross total return Percentage change since Jan '20 Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week 1 month Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week All REITs 1,002 1.1 -0.4 -0.3 -2.1 All REITs 22,545 -2.1 -2.5 Office -0.9 -22.8 2,288 8.0 1.9 Office -2.5 1.841 -4.5 1,659 Industrial 1.8 -0.8 -5.7 33.8 Industrial 3.082 0.1 -1.3Retail **-**79.0 75 1.9 -1.6 -1.6 Retail 1.108 -2.3 -3.3Healthcare 2,374 0.3 0.2 6.0 4.7 Healthcare 4,108 -2.4 -3.8 0.7 Residential 1.537 0.6 4.7 0.8 Residential 2.254 -3.5-4.0 FTSF 250 16.796 24 -14 S&P500 8,693 Source: Knight Frank, Macrobono



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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).



Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

#### **Public transport mobility**

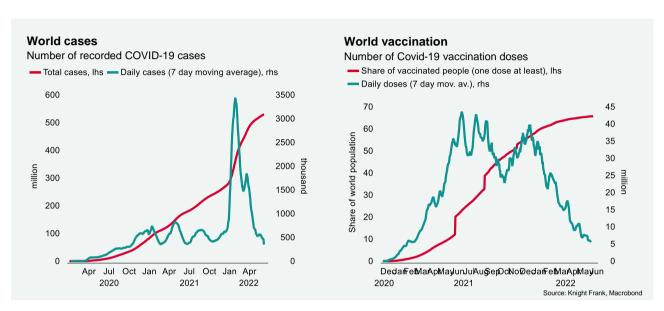
Citymapper Mobility Index change since March '20, %

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





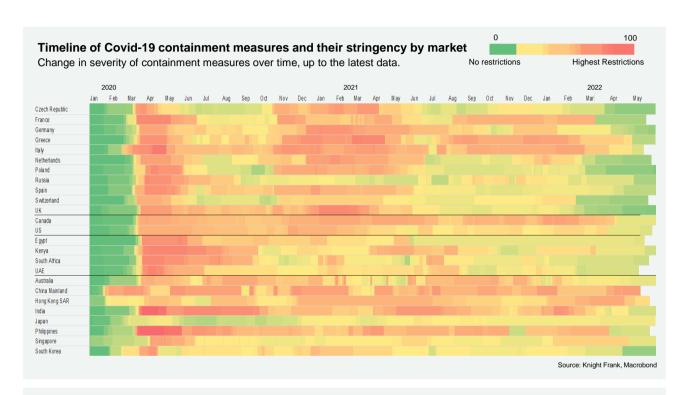
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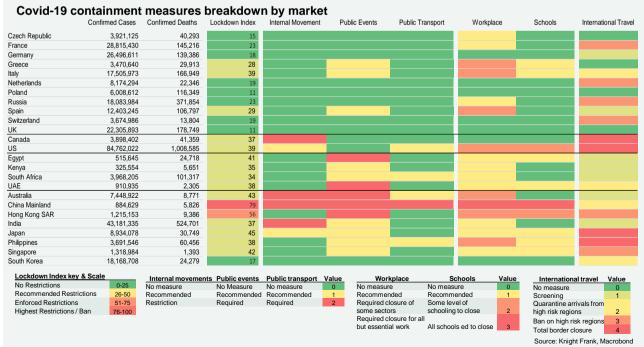


#### Cases and vaccinations breakdown by country Total cases New cases People vaccinated New doses 1 week ago 1 month ago Thousands Population (%) Millions Last day Last 7days av. Australia 60,972 54,842 22,327 87 1,508 7 4 47,724 Brazil 31.1 24,239 20,072 184,092 86 60,041 41,353 32.735 86 4.399 Canada 3.9 1,871 1,721 4,269 1,290,836 89 108,102 China 3.4 62,277 76,727 30,628 83 4,834 83 Denmark 3.1 493 485 872 28.7 20.542 16,382 42.203 54,411 81 4.603 France 26.5 3,376 6,981 80,297 64,551 77 4,479 Germany 7 9 1 6 76 381 Greece 3.5 2,661 2,575 5.191 43.2 4,518 3,545 1,012,242 73 165,587 India 2,706 Ireland 1.6 349 1,147 4,087 82 258 615 17.5 15,522 15,136 48,715 50,789 84 2,015 Italy Japan 8.9 32,757 20,828 21,368 103,623 82 16,006 12,809 75 327 Netherlands 1.461 1.714 8.1 823 298 4,339 79 164 Norway 1.4 524 75 96 2,582 4.8 17,127 15,597 9,716 Portugal 15,182 56 7,950 Russia 18.4 3,349 3,801 5,541 81,101 Saudi Arabia 8.0 561 530 159 26,599 75 7,502 Singapore 2.256 4.733 5,017 92 783 1.3 2,551 South Africa 4.0 1,127 1,774 10,017 21,813 36 4,503 18.2 5,022 45,058 88 2.693 South Korea 6,124 26.714 88 1,648 Spain 12.4 14,329 3,356 21,823 41,238 UK 22.3 5,306 4,796 11,657 53,487 78 3,943 99,684 US 83.6 258,800 78 25,248 53,287 13,916 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 529 0.5% 2.8% 720 65.7% 65.7% 65.2%



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#### **ESG FUNDS & SUSTAINABLE FINANCE**

# \$120bn ESG funds Inflow 2021

- Inflows into ESG funds reached \$120bn in 2021, more than double 2020's \$51bn total.
- Global ESG assets may surpass \$41 trillion by 2022 and \$50 trillion by 2025, one-third of the projected total assets under management globally, according to Bloomberg.

40%
Growth in US ESG

assets over past two

years

- Europe accounts for half of global ESG assets and dominated the market until 2018.
- The U.S is taking the lead with more than 40% growth in the past two years and is expected to exceed \$20 trillion in 2022, even if its pace of growth halves this year.

35%

Forecast growth in ESG EFTs by 2025

 Bloomberg forecast a 35% growth in ESG exchange-traded funds' (ETFs) by 2025, expecting \$1.3 trillion in inflows into global ETFs.

- Despite a 4% share of total ETF assets, ESG ETFS accounted for over 10% of the ETF flows in 2021.
- Investments in ESG ETFs have increased for the past 38 months.

#### **EMISSION TARGETS**

### **UN IPCC**

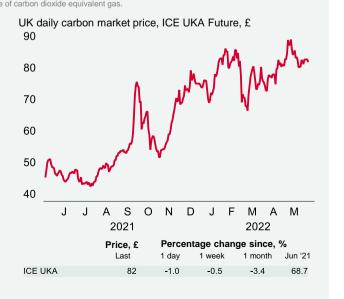
Under all emissions scenarios outlined in the UN's IPCC report, temperatures will pass 1.5°C above 1850-1900 levels by 2040 and extreme weather occurrences will be more frequent. Therefore, the Paris Agreement's goal of stabilising temperatures at 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels by the end of the century 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 EU daily carbon market price, ICE EUA Futures, € 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 Sep Sep May Jan May Jan May Jan 2020 2021 2022 Percentage change since, % Price, € 1 week 1 month ICF UFA 81 -5.7 -3.3 -84 230.8





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#### **MACROECONOMIC INDICATORS**

Market Popu				QoQ					
	Population	GDP			Interest				Interest Inflation Jobless Budget GDP
	million	\$tn	YoY		rate				
Australia	26	1,331	4.2%	3.4%	0.35%				
Austria	9	431	8.7%	2.5%	0.00%				
Belgium	12	515	4.6%	0.3%	0.00%				
Brazil	212	1,445	1.6%	0.5%	12.75%				
Canada	38	1,644	3.3%	1.6%	1.00%				
China Mainland	1,413	14,723	4.8%	1.3%	3.70%				
Denmark	6	356	6.8%	-0.1%	-0.60%	-0.60% 6.7%	-0.60% 6.7% 2.5%	-0.60% 6.7% 2.5% 2.3%	-0.60% 6.7% 2.5% 2.3% 36.7%
gypt	101	363	5.4%	9.8%	11.25%	11.25% 13.1%	11.25% 13.1% 7.2%	11.25% 13.1% 7.2% -6.1%	11.25% 13.1% 7.2% -6.1% 88.0%
Euro Area	342	13,011	5.1%	0.3%	0.00%	0.00% 7.4%	0.00% 7.4% 6.8%	0.00% 7.4% 6.8% -5.1%	0.00% 7.4% 6.8% -5.1% 95.6%
Finland	6	270	4.3%	0.4%	0.00%	0.00% 5.7%	0.00% 5.7% 6.9%	0.00% 5.7% 6.9% -2.6%	0.00% 5.7% 6.9% -2.6% 65.8%
rance	67	2,630	5.3%	0.0%	0.00%	0.00% 4.8%	0.00% 4.8% 7.3%	0.00% 4.8% 7.3% -6.5%	0.00% 4.8% 7.3% -6.5% 112.9%
Germany	83	3,846	3.8%	0.2%	0.00%	0.00% 7.9%	0.00% 7.9% 5.0%	0.00% 7.9% 5.0% -3.7%	0.00% 7.9% 5.0% -3.7% 69.3%
Hong Kong SAR	7	347	-4.0%	-3.0%	1.25%	1.25% 1.3%	1.25% 1.3% 5.4%	1.25% 1.3% 5.4% -12.0%	1.25% 1.3% 5.4% -12.0% 38.4%
India	1,347	2,623	5.4%	1.8%	4.40%	4.40% 7.8%	4.40% 7.8% 7.8%	4.40% 7.8% 7.8% -9.4%	4.40% 7.8% 7.8% -9.4% 74.0%
Indonesia	270	1,058	5.0%	-1.0%	3.50%	3.50% 3.5%	3.50% 3.5% 5.8%	3.50% 3.5% 5.8% -4.7%	3.50% 3.5% 5.8% -4.7% 38.5%
Ireland	5	426	9.6%	-5.4%	0.00%	0.00% 7.0%	0.00% 7.0% 4.8%	0.00% 7.0% 4.8% -0.1%	0.00% 7.0% 4.8% -0.1% 56.0%
srael	9	402	9.0%	-0.4%	0.75%	0.75% 4.0%	0.75% 4.0% 3.5%	0.75% 4.0% 3.5% -11.7%	0.75% 4.0% 3.5% -11.7% 68.8%
Italy	60	1,886	5.8%	-0.2%	0.00%	0.00% 6.0%	0.00% 6.0% 8.3%	0.00% 6.0% 8.3% -7.2%	0.00% 6.0% 8.3% -7.2% 150.8%
Japan	126	4,975	0.2%	-0.2%	-0.10%	-0.10% 2.5%	-0.10% 2.5% 2.6%	-0.10% 2.5% 2.6% -12.6%	-0.10% 2.5% 2.6% -12.6% 266.2%
Netherlands	17	914	7.0%	0.0%	0.00%	0.00% 9.6%	0.00% 9.6% 3.2%	0.00% 9.6% 3.2% -2.5%	0.00% 9.6% 3.2% -2.5% 52.1%
Nigeria	206	432	3.1%	-14.7%	13.00%	13.00% 16.8%	13.00% 16.8% 33.3%	13.00% 16.8% 33.3% -4.7%	13.00% 16.8% 33.3% -4.7% 35.0%
Norway	5	363	4.8%	-1.0%	0.75%	0.75% 5.4%	0.75% 5.4% 3.3%	0.75% 5.4% 3.3% 9.1%	0.75% 5.4% 3.3% 9.1% 43.2%
Philippines	110	361	8.3%	1.9%	2.25%	2.25% 4.9%	2.25% 4.9% 5.8%	2.25% 4.9% 5.8% -7.5%	2.25% 4.9% 5.8% -7.5% 53.5%
Poland	38	594	8.5%	2.4%	5.25%	5.25% 12.4%	5.25% 12.4% 5.2%	5.25% 12.4% 5.2% -1.9%	5.25% 12.4% 5.2% -1.9% 53.8%
Romania	19	249	6.5%	5.2%	3.75%				
Russia	146	1,484	3.5%	-0.8%	11.00%				
Singapore	6	340	3.7%	0.7%	0.36%				
South Africa	59	302	1.7%	1.2%	4.75%				
South Korea	52	1.631	3.1%	0.7%	1.75%				
Spain	47	1,281	6.4%	0.7%	0.00%				
Sweden	10	541	3.0%	-0.8%	0.00%				
Sweden Switzerland		752	3.7%						
	9			0.3%	-0.75%				
Turkey	85	720	9.1%	1.5%	14.00%				
UAE	10	421	3.8%	2.0%	2.25%				
UK	67	2,708	8.7%	0.8%	1.00%				
US	329	20,937	3.5%	-1.5%	1.00%	1.00% 8.3%	1.00% 8.3% 3.6%	1.00% 8.3% 3.6% -16.7%	1.00% 8.3% 3.6% -16.7% 137.2%

Source: Trading Economics



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