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NEED TO KNOW

15 February 2022

+7.5%UK GDP
Y-Y Increase.

2021

The UK economy outperforms. The UK economy expanded 7.5% in 2021, its fastest pace since WWII and the strongest level of growth in the G7. Next year, the IMF forecast more of the same: UK GDP is expected to grow by 4.7%, outpacing the other G7 countries for the second year running. Despite the spread of the Omicron variant, the UK economy declined just 0.2% over the month of December, beating expectations of a 0.5% contraction.

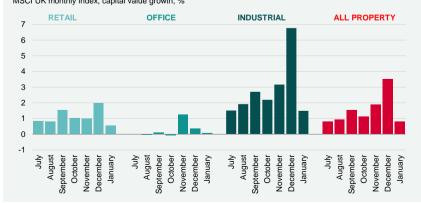
+7.5%US Inflation,
January 2022

Markets remain reactive to inflation. US inflation reached 7.5% last month, its fastest pace in 40 years. In response, US 10-year treasury bonds topped 2.0% for the first time since August 2019. With this in mind, we could see income-seeking investors looking for higher returns, turn to property as government bond returns remain weak or negative. Markets are now pricing in a 50bps increase to the Fed interest rate by March, while Goldman Sachs are factoring in seven 25bps rate hikes, one for every meeting left of the year. The Eurozone represents one area of divergence: Christine Lagarde, President of the European Central Bank, has attempted to temper expectations of a rapid rate hike, noting that 'raising rates would not solve any of the current problems'. Some now view European assets as a potential haven, due to the policy divergence between the ECB and the likes of the Fed and BoE.

\$96
Per barrel,
Price of Brent crude
oil

Geo-political headwinds add to price pressures. Rising tensions between Russia and other countries spooked global markets ahead of a decisive week of diplomatic efforts aiming to avoid military action. As Russia is a major exporter of key raw materials and commodities, any military conflict could exacerbate supply chain shortages and add to inflationary pressures. Brent crude oil, aluminium and nickel prices moved towards multi year highs on Monday, while European natural gas prices jumped 12% in one day to €83.4 per megawatt hour. An escalation of the crisis could see severe trade sanctions imposed on Russian companies, with repercussions for international trade and cross border capital flows.

UK property values rose for the 19th consecutive month in January MSCI UK monthly index, capital value growth, %



Sources: MSCI, Bloomberg, FT, IMF, Macrobond, ONS, Reuters, Trading Economics, Knight Frank, Control of the C

LOOKING AHEAD

Unemployment

The latest unemployment figures for France, Australia and South Korea will be published this week. Strong labour markets have been a significant contributor to inflation worldwide, and the UK is no exception. Figures released this morning show that the UK unemployment rate declined by 0.2% to 4.1% in the three months to December, its lowest level since Q2 2020. Unemployment in the UK remains comfortably below the long term average of 6.8%. If unemployment continues to fall, wages are likely to increase, which could lead to further inflationary pressure.

Wages

In the three months to December 2021, average UK wages increased 4.3%. A tight labour market has pushed wages higher. The Bank of England (BoE) forecast wages to grow by 4.75% this year, adding to the pressure on inflation. Despite the improved outlook on wages, the BoE noted that real household income, after adjusting for inflation and tax increases, will contract both in 2022 and 2023.

Inflation

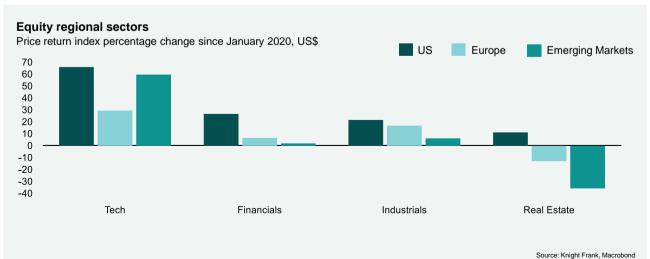
Inflation figures for France, Spain, the UK, Canada, South Africa, China, India and Japan will be published this week. December's data presented UK inflation at 5.4%, a 30-year high. Analysts are forecasting inflation to come in at 5.4% again in January, when the figures are released on Wednesday. The BoE increased interest rates in December and February, and another large increase to prices could warrant a steeper and swifter rate rise at the next monetary policy committee meeting on 17th March. The BoE forecast inflation to peak at 7.25% in April, more than triple the BoE's 2% target.



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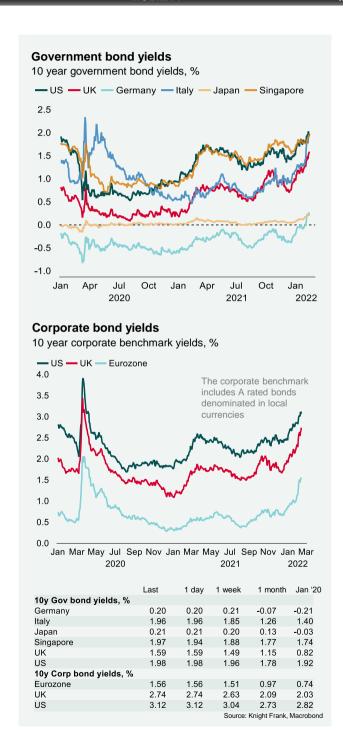


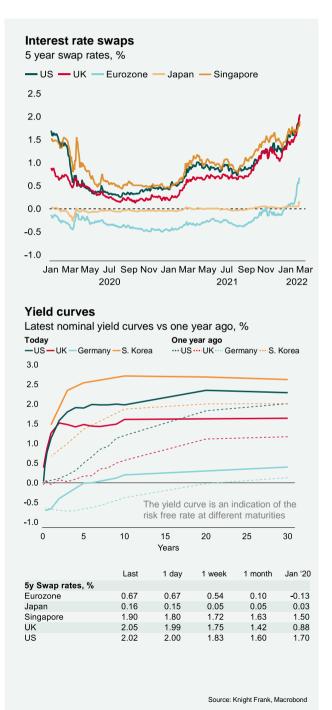






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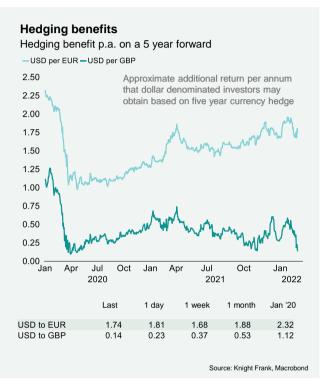






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Inflation and monetary policy

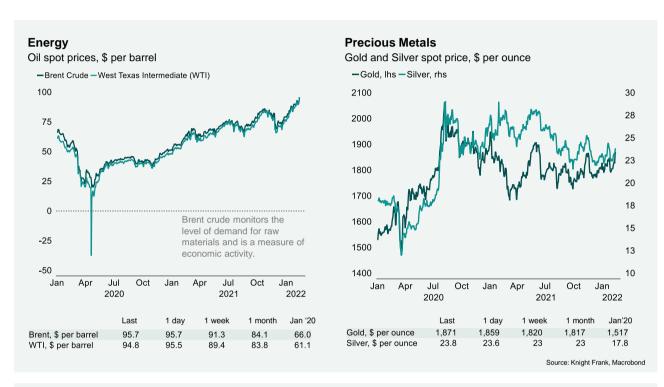
	Inflation	rate (%	6)		Interest rates (%)		Asset purchasing		
	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Last	Jan '21	Lastest (\$)	1m change (%)	
Australia 1	n/a	3.7	3.7	3.7	0.10	0.10	465 bn	1.8	
Canada	n/a	4.8	4.7	4.7	0.25	0.25	390 bn	0.1	
China	n/a	1.5	2.3	1.5	4.35	4.35	6.21 tn	0.9	
Euro Area	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.1	0.00	0.00	9.75 tn	0.5	
France	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.6	0.00	0.00	2.31 tn	2.5	
Germany	5.0	5.3	5.3	4.5	0.00	0.00	3.34 tn	-2.4	
India	6.0	5.7	4.9	4.5	4.00	4.00	431 bn	-3.1	
Italy	4.8	3.9	3.7	3.0	0.00	0.00	1.78 tn	-0.6	
Japan	n/a	8.0	0.6	0.1	-0.10	-0.10	6.27 tn	-0.4	
Saudi Arabia	1.2	1.2	1.1	8.0	1.00	1.00	492 bn	-2.4	
South Korea	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.2	1.25	0.50	487 bn	-1.3	
Spain	6.1	6.6	5.5	5.4	0.00	0.00	487 bn	1.6	
Sweden	n/a	3.9	3.3	2.8	0.00	0.00	174 bn	1.1	
UK	n/a	5.4	5.1	4.2	0.50	0.10	1.21 tn	0.1	
US	7.5	7.1	6.8	6.2	0.25	0.25	8.88 tn	1.1	

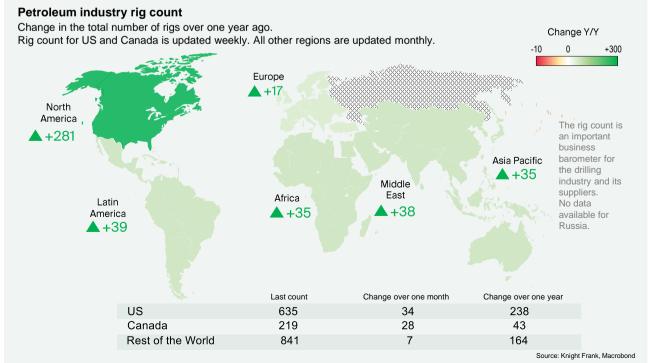
^{1.} Australia Inflation rate is only available on a quarterly basis.

Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond



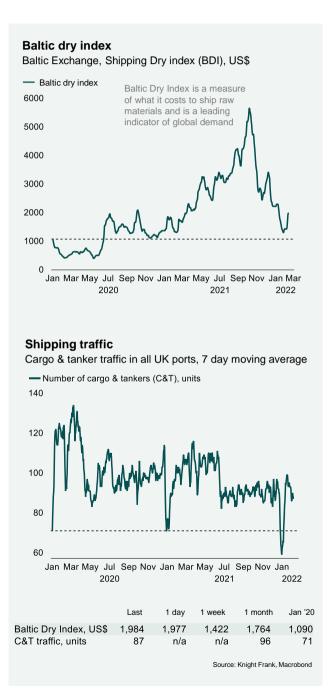
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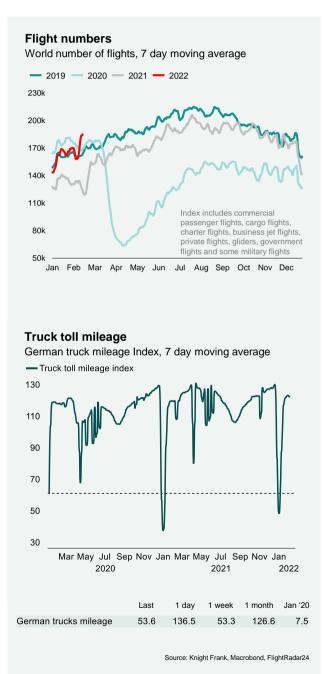






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US REITs by sector

Residential

S&P500

UK REITs by sector UK EPRA gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, GBP£ — All REITs — Office — Industrial — Retail Healthcare — Residential — FTSE 250 175 150 125 100 75 50 25 n Apr Oct Apr Jul Oct Jan Jan Jul Jan 2020 2021 2022 Index, gross total return Percentage change since Jan '20 Original value and base Last 1 day 1 week 1 month All REITs 1,034 -3.1 -2.0 -4.1 1.1 Office -2.8 -19.2 2,395 -3.1 -6.7 Industrial 1,812 -4.4 -2.7 -5.2 46.1 Retail -2.4 -4.5 -72.8 98 3.6 Healthcare 2,103 -2.3 -2.2 -7.2 -8.0 -7.6 Residential 1.411 -3.5 -1.7 -5.5 FTSF 250 17.531

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-5.9

.2 -5.4 40.9 Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

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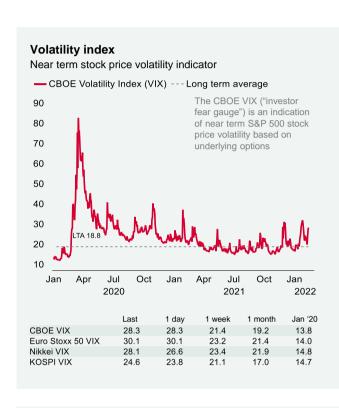
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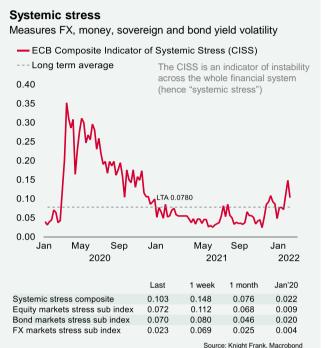
9,237

US NAREIT gross total return index, Jan 2020 = 100, US\$



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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
Nigeria		30	29	5
Brazil		20	15	5
Turkey		9	-2	12
South Africa		8	9	-15
India		5	7	1
Mexico		1	7	3
South Korea		-3	- 40	-3
Singapore		-11	-35	-8
Italy		-11	-14	-36
Germany		-12	-12	-19
Australia		-12	-14	-31
France		-16	-13	-17
Japan		-18	-9	-15
US		-18	-23	-24
Netherlands		- 20	-19	-30
Russia		-20	- 25	-12
Canada		-21	- 24	-34
UK		- 21	-21	-26

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).



Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond

Total (mn)

411

World

1 week ago

3.9%

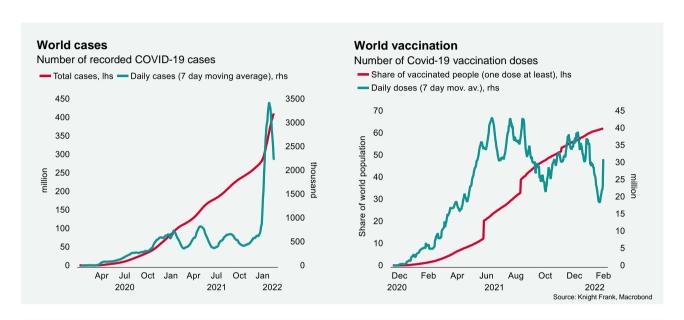
1 month ago

26.9%



Leading Indicators

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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. 23,695 Australia 25 24.039 20.858 69.509 21,923 85 174,421 Brazil 27.4 140,234 197,442 86,631 82 168,528 11,500 32.470 85 14.793 Canada 3.2 11,139 32,597 1,266,426 88 852,367 China 0.1 1,483 463 280 83 4,846 545 Denmark 2.3 38,323 36,512 25,751 21.1 86.562 155,489 299.641 53,907 80 26,589 France 75 12.4 76,465 95,267 92,223 63,289 25,838 Germany 2.2 20,409 7 823 75 4 797 Greece 10.853 10,980 42.7 83,876 264,202 958,462 69 687,380 India 34,113 Ireland 1.2 5,649 4,933 18,904 4,038 81 1,162 31,118 12.1 52,345 78,943 184,577 50,525 84 Italy Japan 3.9 80,234 92.865 17.940 101,530 81 100,369 33,147 13,438 78 1,327 Netherlands 5.7 80,009 60,227 4,325 79 1,318 Norway 1.0 20,976 10,954 11,114 95 31,431 9,641 9,206 Portugal 3.1 16,132 40,134 Russia 14.3 180,456 171,905 23,820 77,984 53 47,864 Saudi Arabia 0.7 2,136 3,260 5,499 25,789 73 18,496 91 3,395 0.5 9 420 7,752 960 4.949 Singapore South Africa 3.6 1,649 1,752 5,917 20,384 34 16,987 54,619 87 28,240 South Korea 1.4 35,285 4,542 44,732 Spain 10.6 23.305 26,436 157.009 41,002 88 12,822 UK 18.3 40,844 57,337 100,196 52,514 77 9,674 US 847,717 76 39.058 77.0 169,757 73,268 252,144 Change since People vaccinated Share of population **Total cases**

Total (mn)

720

Last

61.9%

1 week ago

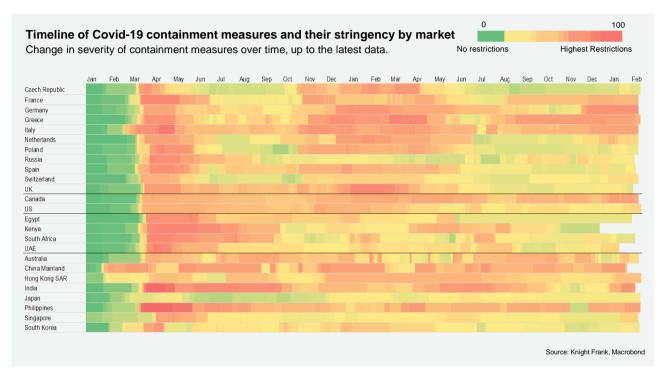
61.6%

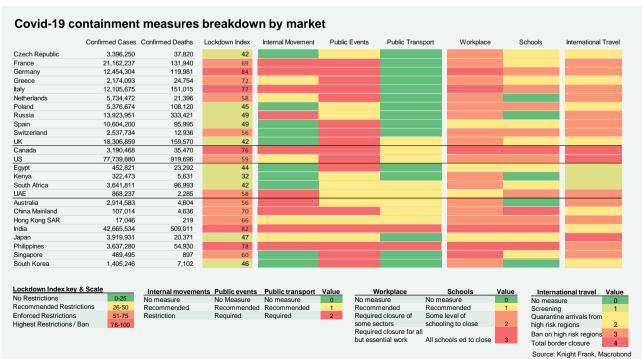
1 month ago

59.7%



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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 2020's full year
- Overall, there are now \$330bn assets under management in ESG funds.

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.

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

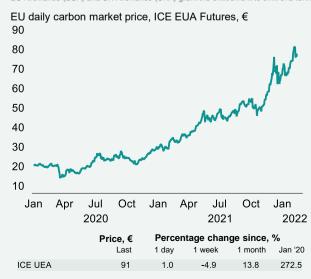
Under all emissions scenarios outlined in the UN's IPCC report, temperatures will pass 1.5°C above 1850-1900 levels by 2040 and extreme weather occurrences will be more frequent. Therefore, the Paris Agreement's goal of stabilising temperatures at 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels by the end of the century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

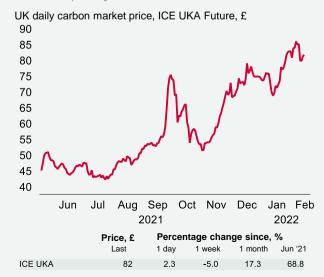
As result, the UK, US and EU have accelerated their emissions targets:

- **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	3.9%	-1.9%	0.10%	3.5%	4.2%	-4.3%	24.8%	2.5
Austria	9	431	5.4%	-2.2%	0.00%	5.1%	8.1%	-8.9%	83.9%	2.5
Belgium	12	515	5.6%	0.5%	0.00%	7.6%	5.7%	-9.4%	114.1%	-0.2
Brazil	212	1,445	4.0%	-0.1%	10.75%	10.4%	11.6%	-13.4%	88.8%	-0.72
Canada	38	1,644	4.0%	1.3%	0.25%	4.8%	6.5%	-14.9%	117.8%	-1.9
China Mainland	1,413	14,723	4.0%	1.6%	3.70%	1.5%	5.1%	-3.7%	66.8%	1.9
Denmark	6	356	3.6%	1.1%	-0.60%	4.3%	2.5%	-0.2%	42.2%	7.8
Egypt	101	363	7.2%	2.9%	8.25%	7.3%	7.5%	-9.0%	88.0%	-4.6
Euro Area	342	13,011	4.6%	0.3%	0.00%	5.1%	7.0%	-7.2%	98.0%	3.0
Finland	6	270	4.2%	0.8%	0.00%	3.5%	6.7%	-5.4%	69.2%	0.3
France	67	2,630	5.4%	0.7%	0.00%	2.9%	8.1%	-9.2%	115.7%	-1
Germany	83	3,846	1.4%	-0.7%	0.00%	4.9%	5.1%	-4.3%	69.8%	7
Hong Kong SAR	7	347	4.8%	0.2%	0.86%	2.4%	3.9%	-12.0%	38.4%	6.6
India	1,347	2,623	8.4%	12.7%	4.00%	6.0%	8.0%	-9.4%	74.0%	0.9
Indonesia	270	1,058	5.0%	1.1%	3.50%	2.2%	6.5%	-6.5%	38.5%	-0.44
Ireland	5	426	11.4%	0.9%	0.00%	5.5%	5.3%	-5.0%	59.5%	4.6
Israel	9	402	6.2%	0.7%	0.10%	2.8%	4.3%	-11.7%	71.1%	4.9
Italy	60	1,886	6.4%	0.6%	0.00%	4.8%	9.0%	-9.5%	155.8%	3.6
Japan	126	4,975	1.4%	-0.9%	-0.10%	0.8%	2.7%	-12.6%	266.2%	3.2
Netherlands	17	914	5.2%	2.1%	0.00%	6.4%	3.8%	-4.3%	54.5%	7.8
Nigeria	206	432	4.0%	11.1%	11.50%	15.6%	33.3%	-3.8%	35.0%	-4.2
Norway	5	363	5.1%	3.8%	0.50%	3.2%	3.4%	-3.4%	46.0%	2
Philippines	110	361	7.7%	3.1%	2.00%	3.0%	6.6%	-7.5%	53.5%	3.6
Poland	38	594	5.3%	2.3%	2.75%	8.6%	5.4%	-7.0%	57.5%	3.6
Romania	19	249	7.4%	0.4%	2.50%	8.4%	5.4%	-9.2%	47.3%	-5.1
Russia	146	1,484	4.3%	-0.8%	9.50%	8.7%	4.3%	-3.8%	17.8%	2.4
Singapore	6	340	5.9%	2.6%	0.31%	4.0%	2.4%	-13.9%	131.0%	17.6
South Africa	59	302	2.9%	-1.5%	4.00%	5.9%	34.9%	-10.0%	80.3%	2.2
South Korea	52	1,631	4.1%	1.1%	1.25%	3.6%	3.8%	-6.1%	42.6%	3.5
Spain	47	1,281	5.2%	2.0%	0.00%	6.0%	13.3%	-11.0%	120.0%	0.7
Sweden	10	541	6.2%	1.4%	0.00%	3.9%	7.3%	-3.1%	39.9%	5.2
Switzerland	9	752	4.1%	1.7%	-0.75%	1.6%	2.6%	-2.6%	42.9%	3.8
Turkey	84	720	7.4%	2.7%	14.00%	48.7%	11.2%	-3.4%	39.5%	-5.1
UAE	10	421	-6.1%	2.0%	1.50%	2.5%	5.0%	-0.8%	36.9%	5.9
UK	67	2,708	6.5%	1.0%	0.50%	5.4%	4.1%	-14.9%	94.9%	-3.5
US	329	20,937	5.5%	6.9%	0.25%	7.5%	4.0%	-14.9%	128.1%	-3.1

Source: Trading Economics



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UK Healthcare Property

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