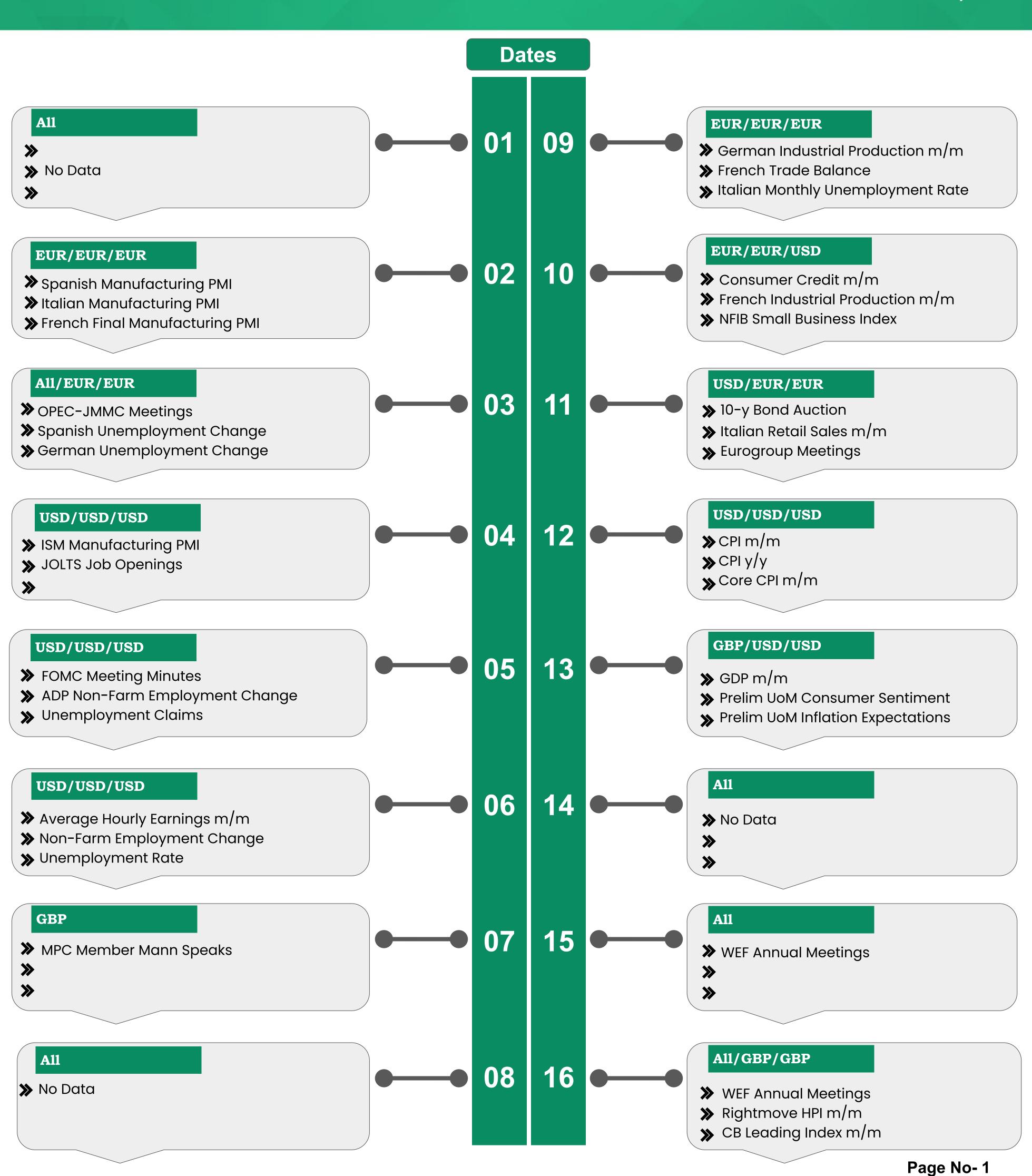


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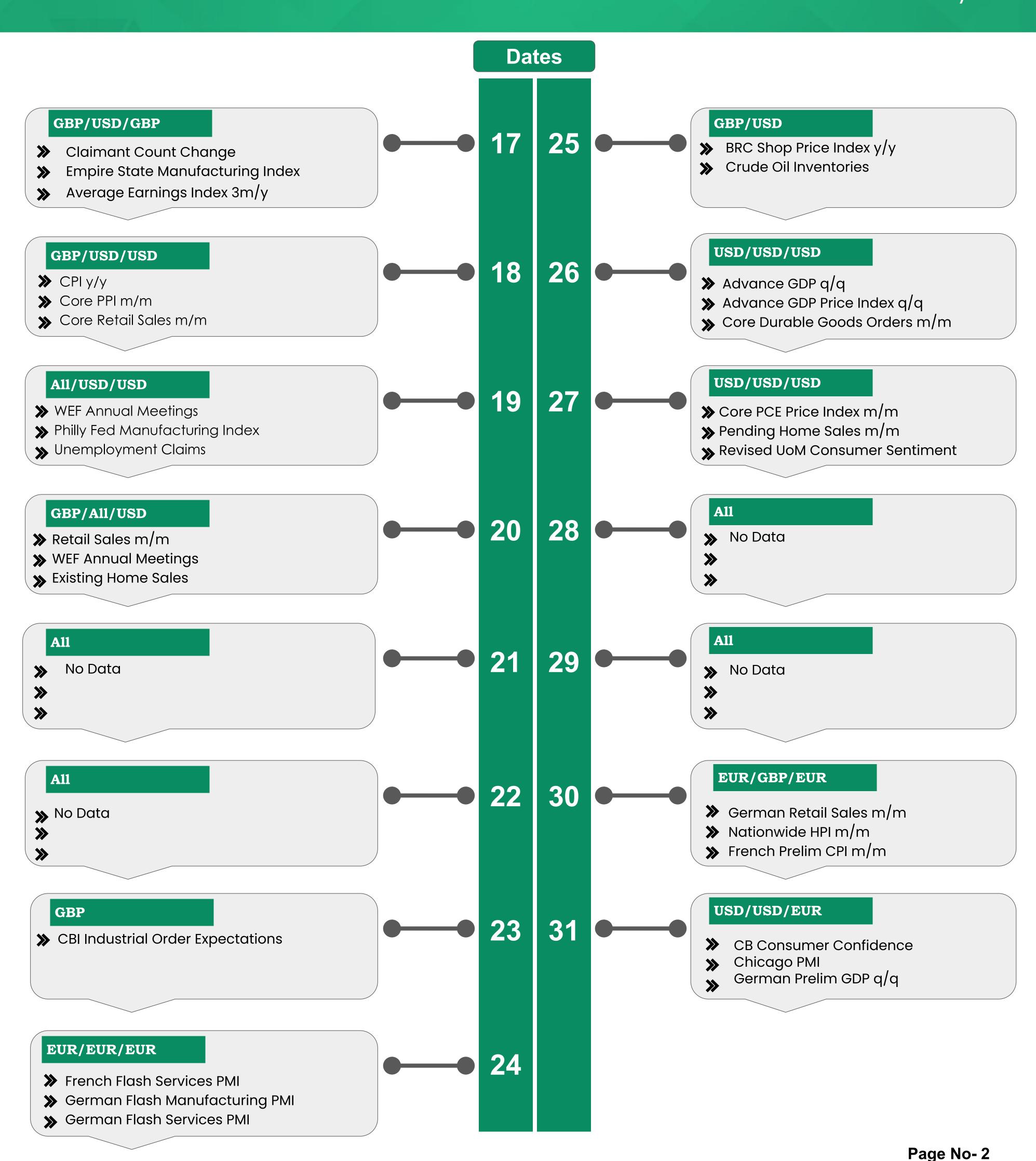






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### **ECONOMIC SPOTLIGHTS**

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- > Contracts to buy U.S. previously owned homes fell far more than expected in November, diving for a sixth straight month in the latest indication of the hefty toll the Federal Reserve's interest rate hikes are taking on the housing market as the central bank seeks to curb inflation. The National Association of Realtors (NAR) said its Pending Home Sales Index, based on signed contracts, fell 4% to 73.9 last month from October's downwardly revised 77.0. November's was the lowest reading aside from the shortlived drop in the early months of the pandemic since NAR launched the index in 2001. The overall decline in signed contracts suggested that existing home sales would continue to fall after posting their 10th straight monthly decrease in November.
- > Japanese factories slashed output for a third consecutive month in November, dragged down by weak demand for machinery products amid a deteriorating global economic outlook. The weak production bodes ill for Japanese firms as they face policymakers' calls to raise workers' pay to counter inflation, seen as essential for the post-pandemic growth of the world's third-largest economy. Factory output fell 0.1% in November from the previous month, government data showed, slightly higher than the median market forecast for a 0.3% drop. That marked the third monthly decrease in Japanese production and followed a revised 3.2% fall in October and 1.7% contraction in September. Output of general machinery slipped 7.9%, while that of production machinery such as semiconductor-making equipment decreased 5.7%, driving down the overall index in November. Output of auto products was also down 0.8%.
- Example 2 China will step up financial support to small and private businesses in the catering and tourism sectors that were hit hard by the COVID-19 epidemic, the country's banking and insurance regulator said in a statement. Contact-intensive services sector suffered the most amid China's anti-virus curbs which shut many restaurants down and restricted tourists' travels. After the National Health Commission on Monday announced China would end quarantine requirements for inbound travellers from Jan. 8, some people flocked to travel sites ahead of borders reopening. "The recovery and expansion of consumption will be a priority," China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission (CBIRC) said in the statement. The purchase of big-ticket items such as new energy vehicles and green home appliances will be encouraged, CBIRC said.
- Profits at China's industrial firms contracted further in the January-November period, when strict COVID 19-related restrictions disrupted factory activity and supply chains as the virus spread through key manufacturing hubs. Industrial profits fell 3.6% in January-November from a year earlier to 7.7 trillion yuan (\$1.11 trillion), according to data released by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS). That compares with a 3.0% drop for January-October. The downbeat data reflects the toll that anti-virus curbs in many cities last month, including major manufacturing hubs Guangzhou and Zhengzhou, took on the world's second-largest economy, adding to damage from a protracted property crisis and slowing exports.
- > Japanese retail sales rose for a ninth straight month in November, data showed, as the lifting of COVID-19 border controls and the government's domestic travel subsidy helped consumer demand. But from the previous month, sales fell from October, with price increases in daily necessities weighing on Japanese households as the nation's core consumer inflation rate hit a fresh 40-year high, indicating price hikes were broadening. A recovery in private consumption, which makes up more than half of Japan's economy, is key to driving growth in the economy, which unexpectedly shrank in the third quarter. Retail sales grew 2.6% from the year earlier but short of a median forecast of 3.7%. The pace of annual growth in sales, a barometer of private consumption, slowed from 4.4% in October and 4.8% in September.

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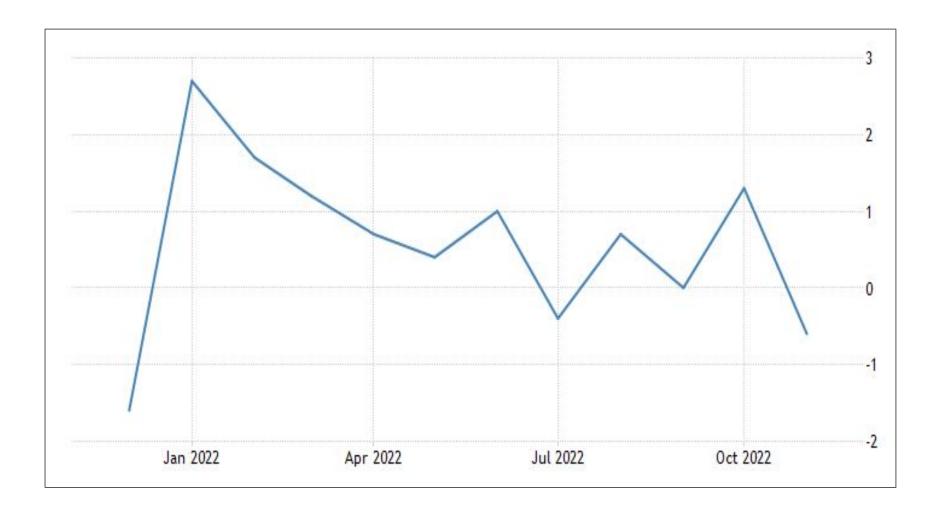




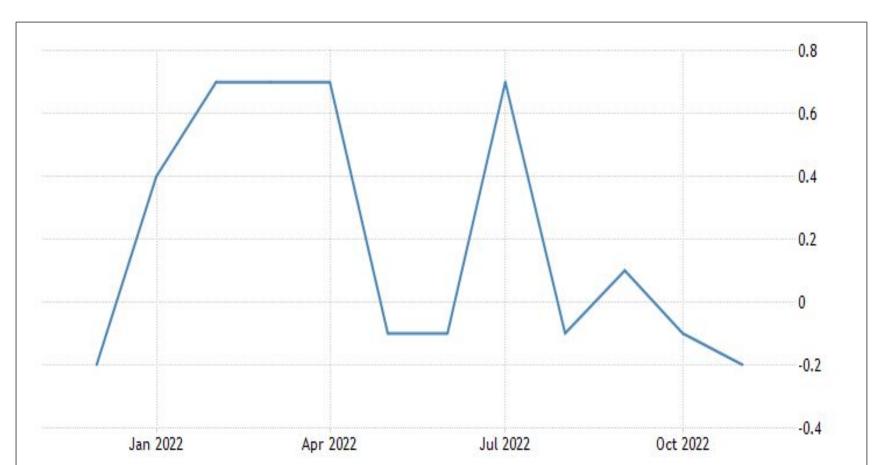
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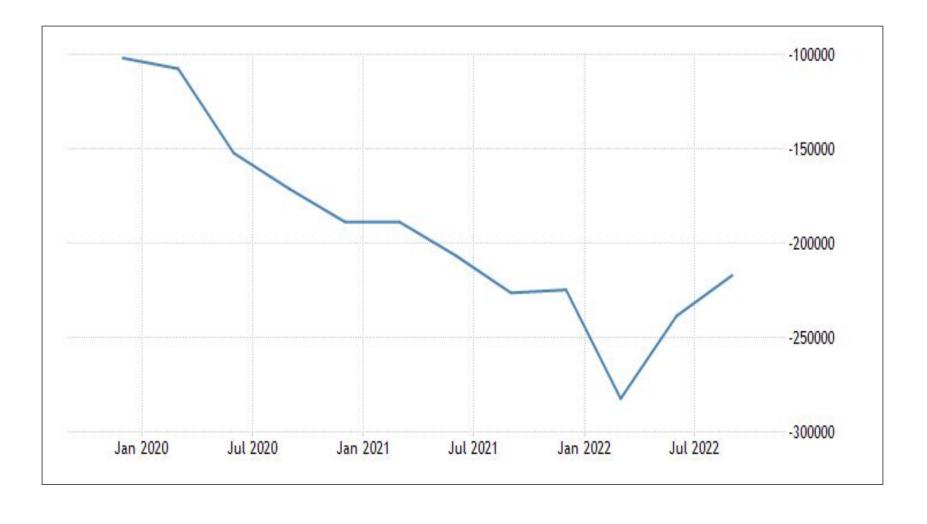
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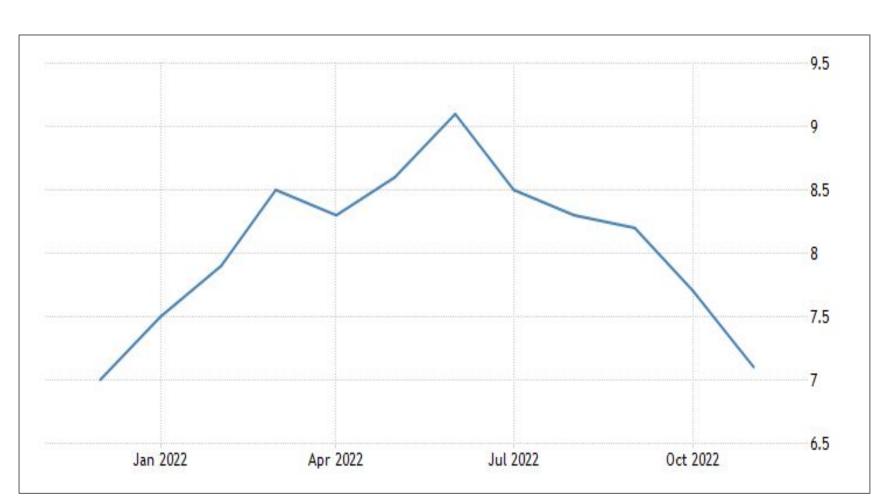
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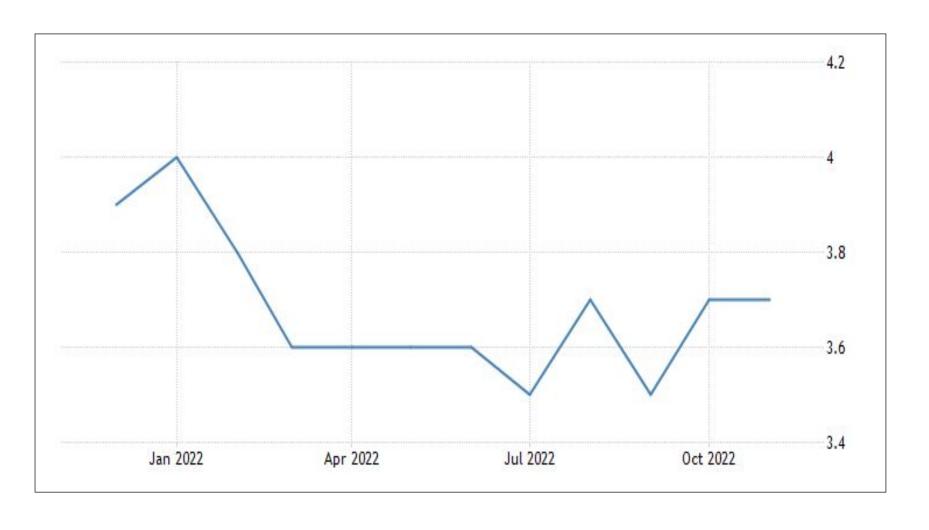
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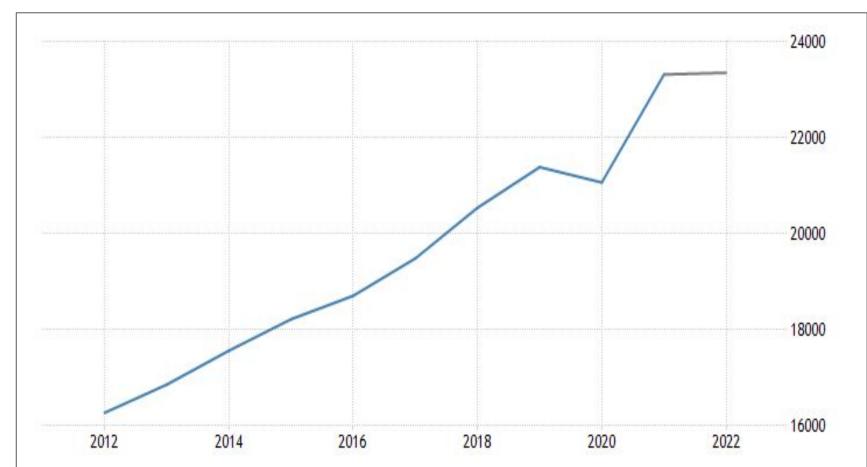
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**US GDP** 



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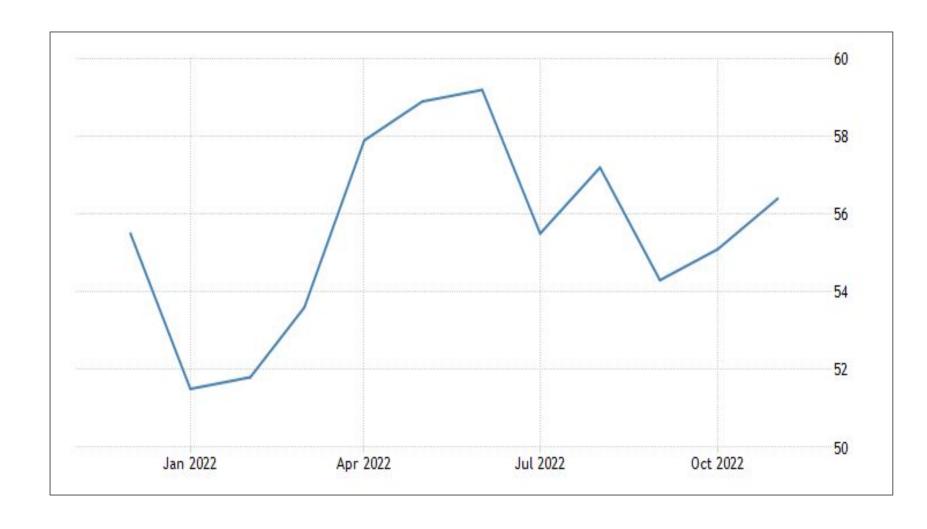




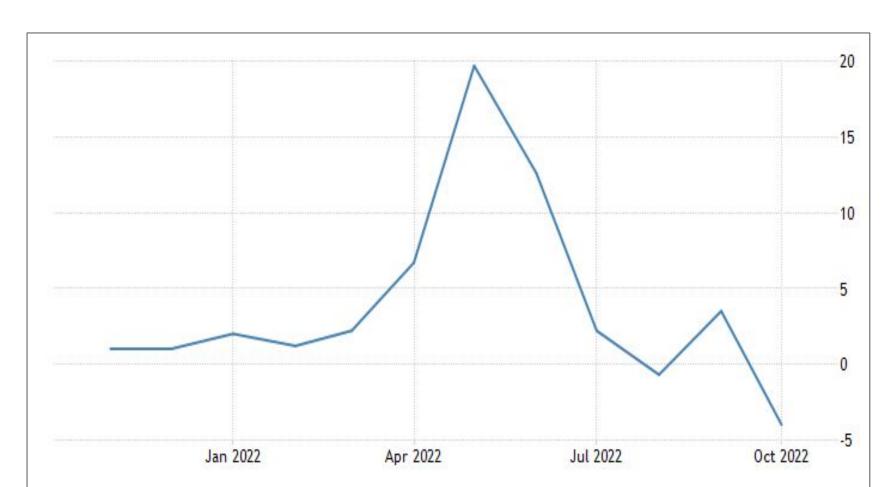
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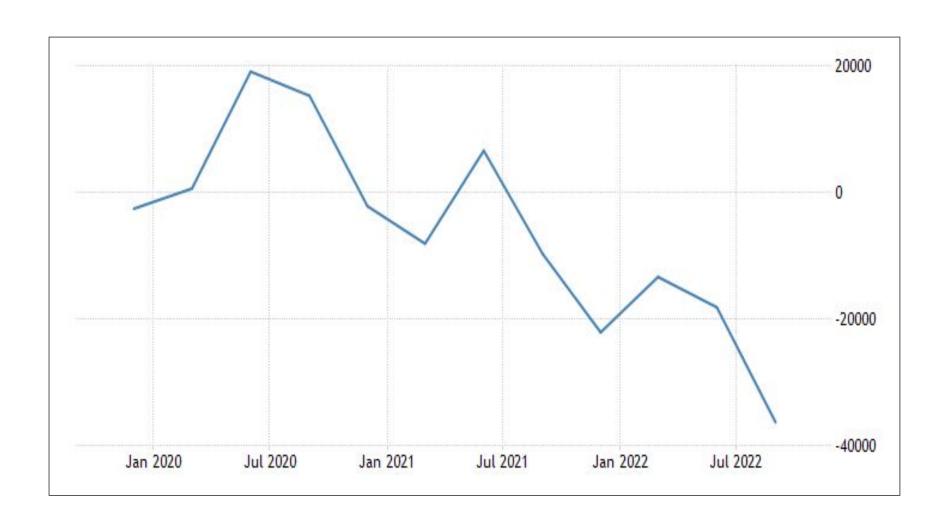
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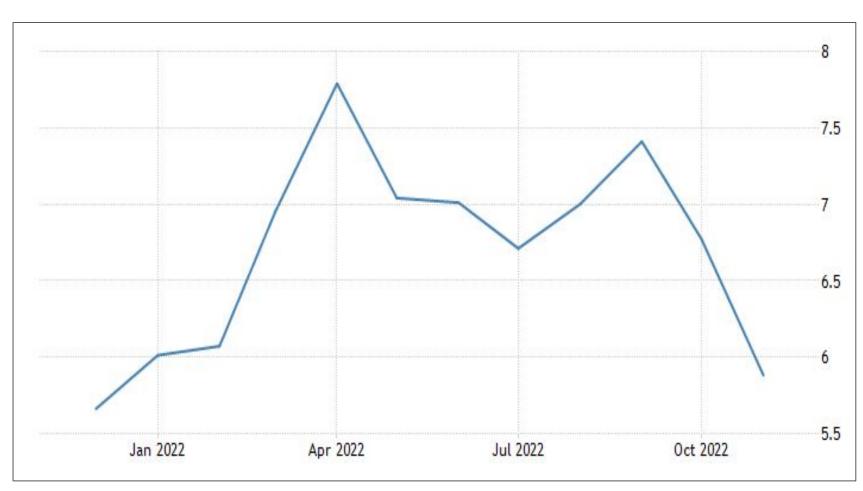
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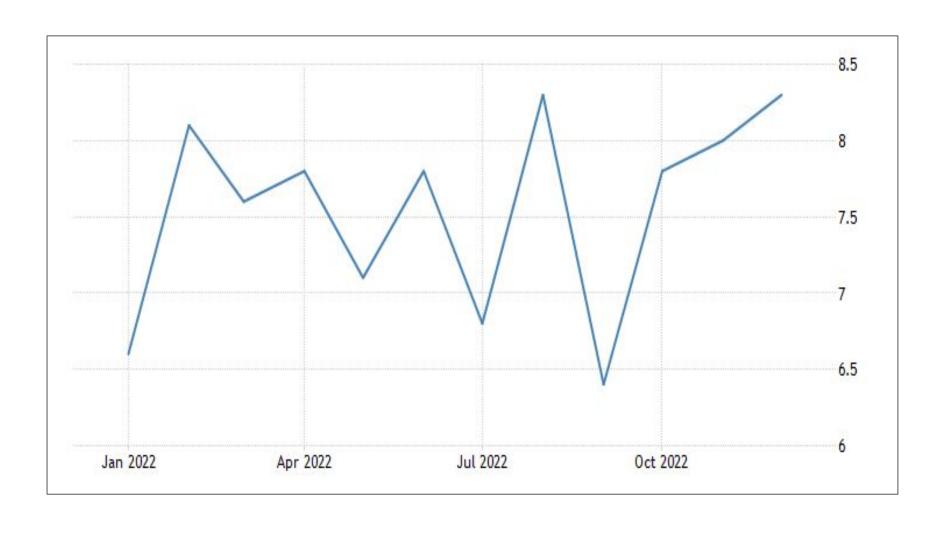
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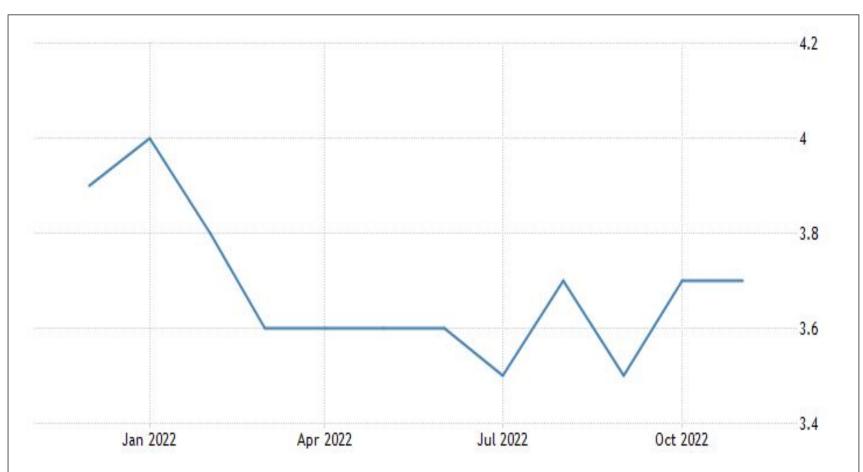
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