

Week Ahead Economic Overview

- Q4 GDP figures for the UK and South Korea
- Interest rate decisions in Japan and Canada
- Flash PMIs to provide first glimpse of global business conditions in January

Monday 21 January

German producer prices and Taiwanese export orders are the main economic releases on Monday.

Tuesday 22 January

The Bank of Japan concludes their latest interest rate setting meeting. The all industry activity index and the final leading indicator are also published in Japan.

Public sector net borrowing figures are issued in the UK, alongside the latest results from the CBI's industrial trends survey.

Sentiment indicators (ZEW) for January are published for Germany and the wider euro area.

US existing home sales and Canadian retail sales data are also released on Tuesday.

Wednesday 23 January

French business confidence (INSEE) figures are released in advance of Italian trade balance numbers.

Consumer confidence data for the Eurozone are also published by the European Commission.

In the UK, employment data and the minutes from the previous Bank of England monetary policy meeting are both published.

US house prices are identified by the Federal Housing Finance Agency, while weekly mortgage data are also issued.

The Bank of Canada meanwhile announces their latest interest rate decision.

Thursday 24 January

Gross domestic product data for the final three months of 2012 are released in South Korea.

Trade data and the latest results from the Reuters tankan survey are meanwhile published in Japan.

Flash PMIs for China, the Eurozone and the US are published by Markit.

Unemployment numbers are released in Spain, followed by retail sales in Italy and current account data for the Eurozone.

Mortgage approvals figures from the BBA and the latest results from the CBI's distributive trades survey are made available in the UK.

Initial jobless claims and the Conference Board's leading indicator are the main highlights in the US.

Friday 25 January

Consumer prices data are released in Japan and Canada. Producer prices for Spain follow.

Sentiment indicators from the IFO are meanwhile published in Germany.

The first estimate of gross domestic product in Q4 2012 is issued in the UK, alongside services output data.

US new home sales numbers are also published on Friday.

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