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OPWP invites international companies to submit their Expression of Interest ("Eol") to rent Power Barges to OPWP. Interested companies can submit their Eol, together with relevant information on their capabilities, before 18 December 2009 by email to: yousuf.aljahdhami@omanpwp.com

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The Economist November 28th 2009

Economic and financial indicators

Overview

America's GDP growth in the three months to the end of September was revised down by 0.7 percentage points to an annual rate of 2.8%, mainly because of an upward adjustment to import growth.

Revised third-quarter GDP figures for Britain put the decline in the size of the country's economy at 0.3%, a tenth of a percentage point less than an earlier estimate.

The sales of new houses in America rose by 6.2% in October to an annual rate of 430,000, 5.1% higher than a year earlier. The s&P/Case-Shiller national home-price index also rose by 3.1% in the third quarter.

German business confidence, as measured by the Ifo index, rose to 93.9 in November, its highest reading since August last year. Business confidence also rose in France, the eighth successive monthly increase.

Vietnam's central bank devalued the dong by 5.4% against the dollar, and raised its benchmark interest rate by one percentage point to 8%.

Thailand's economy contracted by 2.8% in the year to the third quarter, an improvement over the 4.9% decline in the previous three-month period.

The annual rate of inflation in South Africa fell by 0.2 percentage points to 5.9% in the year to October.

Pakistan's central bank cut its benchmark rate by half a percentage point to 12.5%.

Indicators for more countries, as well as additional series, can be found at

Economist.com/indicators

Output, prices and jobs

% change on year ago

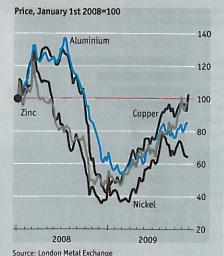
	Gross domestic product				production	Consumer prices			Unemploymen	
Marial Chines	latest	qtr*	2009†	2010 [†]	latest	latest	year ago	2009†	rate‡, %	
United States	-2.5 Q3	+2.8	-2.4	+2.6	-7.1 0ct	-0.2 Oct	+3.7	-0.3	10.2 Oct	
Japan	-4.5 Q3	+4.8	-5.7	+1.5	-18.4 Sep	-2.2 Sep	+2.1	-1.3	5.3 Sep	
China	+8.9 Q3	na	+8.2	+8.6	+16.1 0ct	-0.5 Oct	+4.0	-0.8	9.2 2008	
Britain	-5.1 Q3	-1.2	-4.5	+1.3	-10.3 Sep	+1.5 Oct [§]	+4.5	+1.9	7.8 Sep††	
Canada	-3.2 Q2	-3.4	-2.4	+2.2	-13.9 Aug	+0.1 0ct	+2.6	+0.4	8.6 0ct	
Euro area	-4.1 Q3	+1.5	-3.8	+1.2	-14.0 Sep	-0.1 Oct	+3.2	+0.3	9.7 Sep	
Austria	-3.4 Q3	+3.8	-3.2	+0.8	-10.0 Aug	+0.3 0ct	+3.1	+0.4	4.8 Sep	
Belgium	-3.5 Q3	+2.0	-3.0	+1.1	-13.9 Aug	-1.0 0ct	+4.7	+0.2	11.9 oct#	
France	-2.4 Q3	+1.1	-2.1	+1.4	-10.4 Sep	-0.2 Oct	+2.7	+0.1	10.0 Sep	
Germany	-4.8 Q3	+2.9	-4.9	+1.6	-12.8 Sep	nil Oct	+2.4	+0,3	8.1 0ct	
Greece	-1.6 Q3	-1.2	-2.5	+0.2	-9.0 Sep	+1.2 0ct	+3.9	+0.1	9.0 Aug	
Italy	-4.6 Q3	+2.4	-4.9	+0.8	-15.7 Sep	+0.3 0ct	+3.5	+0.8	7.4 Q2	
Netherlands	-3.7 Q3	+1.7	-4.0	+1.2	-7.6 Sep	+0.7 0ct	+2.8	+1.1	5.2 Oct 11	
Spain	-4.0 Q3	-1.3	-3.7	-0.2	-12.5 Sep	-0.7 Oct	+3.6	-0.3	19.3 Sep	
Czech Republic		+3.2	-4.3	+0.9	-11.9 Sep	-0.2 Oct	+6.0	+1.1	8.5 Oct	
Denmark	-7.2 Q2	-9.9	-4.2	+1.0	-11.9 Sep -14.5 Sep				*****************	
	-8.0 Q3					+1.0 0ct	+3.7	+1.3	4.2 0ct	
Hungary		-7.0	-7.0	-1.0	-15.0 Sep	+4.7 0ct	+5.1	+4.8	10.3 Sep††	
	-0.7 Q3	+3.5	-1.8	+1.4	-1.2 Sep	+0.6 0ct	+5.5	+2.3	3.1 Sep§§	
Poland	+1.1 02	na	+1.0	+1.9	-1.2 0ct	+3.1 0ct	+4.2	+3.4	11.1 Oct ^{‡‡}	
Russia	-8.9 03	na	-7.0	+2.5	-11.2 0ct	+9.7 0ct		+12.2	7.7 Oct‡‡	
Sweden	-6.0 Q2	+0.6	-4.5	+1.9	−15.7 Sep	-1.5 0ct	+4.0	-0.3	8.1 0ct ^{‡‡}	
Switzerland	-2.0 Q2	-1.0	-1.7	+1.0	-14.0 Q2	-0.8 0ct	+2.6	-0.5	4.1 0ct	
Turkey	-7.0 Q2	na	5.7	+3.0	-8.6 Sep	+5.1 0ct	+12.0	+5.9	13.4 Aug##	
Australia	+0.6 Q2	+2.5	+0.8	+2.6	-3.8 Q2	+1.3 03	+5.0	+1.8	5.8 0ct	
Hong Kong	-2.4 Q3	+1.6	-3.2	+2.7	-9.5 Q2	+2.2 0ct	+1.8	-0.3	5.2 Oct††	
India	+6.1 Q2	na	+5.5	+6.3	+9.1 Sep	+11.6 Sep	+9.8	+9.8	9.1 2008	
Indonesia	+4.2 Q3	na	+4.2	+4.5	-0.3 Sep	+2.6 0ct	+11.8	+4.7	8.1 Feb	
Malaysia	-1.2 Q3	na	-2.4	+3.9	-6.0 Sep	-1.6 Oct	+7.6	+0.4	3.6 Q2	
Pakistan	+2.0 2009	** na	+3.7	+2.4	+0.9 Aug	+8.9 0ct	+25.0	+14.2	5.2 2008	
Singapore	+0.6 Q3	+14.2	-4.5	+3.8	+3.6 0ct	-0.8 0ct	+6.4	+0.5	3.4 Q3	
South Korea	+0.6 Q3	+12.3	-1.0	+2.8	+11.0 Sep	+2.0 Oct	+4.8	+2.8	3.4 Oct	
Taiwan	-1,3 Q3	na	-3.6	+3.5	+6.6 0ct	-1.8 Oct	+2.4	-1.1	6.0 Oct	
Thailand	-2.8 Q3	+5.5	-4.3	+3.3	+0.4 Sep	+0.4 0ct	+3.9	-0.9	1.2 Sep	
Argentina	-0.8 Q2	+1.1	-0.5	+1.4	-8.2 Sep	+6.5 Oct	+8.4	+6.2	9.1 Q3 ^{‡‡}	
Brazil	-1.2 Q2	+7.8	nil	+3.8	-7.7 Sep	+4.2 Oct	+6.4	+4.9	7.7 Sep‡‡	
Chile	-1.6 Q3	+4.6	-1.2	+3.5	-5.2 Sep	-1.9 Oct	+9.9	+1.9	10.2 Sep††‡‡	
Colombia	-0.5 Q2	+2.7	+0.2	+2.4	-3.8 Sep	+2.7 Oct	+7.9	+4.5	12.6 Jul ^{‡‡}	
***************	-10.3 Q2	-4.4	-7.1	+3.0	-5.7 Sep	+4.5 Oct	************	***********		
/enezuela	-4.5 Q3		-3.0	-3.4	**************		+5.8	+5.3	5.9 0ct ^{‡‡}	
Egypt	+4.5 Q2	na _		+4.5	-12.4 Jun	+28.9 Oct	+35.6	+27.3	8.3 Q3 ^{‡‡}	
		na	+4.7		+6.4 02	+13.3 Oct	+20.2	+10.1	9.3 03##	
	-0.8 Q3	+2.2	-0.1	+2.4	-3.1 Sep	+2.9 0ct	+5.5	+3.4	8.0 02	
Saudi Arabia	+4.4 2008	na	-1.0	+3.3	na	+3.5 0ct	+10.9	+4.3	na	
South Africa *% change on previo	-2.1 03	+0.9	-2.2	+3.1	-11.4 Sep	+5.9 Oct	+12.1	+7.2	24.5 Sep##	

Industrial

rate -0.8 in October. **Year ending June. 11 Latest three months. 14 Not seasonally adjusted. §§Centred 3-month average

Metals

The ups and downs in the prices of industrial metals since the beginning of 2008 have reflected the fluctuating fortunes of the world economy. The copper price, which peaked in April 2008, had fallen by over two-thirds from that high by December 30th last year, when it hit bottom. The price of nickel fell by a whopping 72.3% from peak to trough. Prices have recovered as growth has returned to most rich countries. Copper is now selling for more than it did at the beginning of last year. The price of zinc has doubled from its low point last December, though it is still 2.9% cheaper than it was at the start of 2008. The nickel price has risen by nearly two-thirds in the year to November 24th.



The Economist commodity-price index

2000=100			% change on		
	Nov 17th	Nov 24th*	one month	one year	
Dollar index	/deveste	regionalist		EQ :	
All items	204.4	207.1	+3.7	+31.6	
Food	209.5	207.8	+3.7	+18.5	
Industrials			Ma not		
All	197.9	206.2	+3.7	+53.8	
Nfa†	170.0	174.3	+10.9	+48.4	
Metals	213.0	223.6	+0.9	+56.1	
Sterling index		tz mbankie			
All items	184.5	189.4	+2.2	+21.4	
Euro index					
All items	127.4	128.1	+2.8	+14.4	
Gold		years offer	isma ta	EIV	
\$ per oz	1139.50	1165.95	+12.5	+43.9	
West Texas Int	ermediate				
\$ per barrel	79.17	74.94	-5.6	+47.1	