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# Weekly Focus

# Will US consumers be daunted by higher inflation?

After the flurry of central bank meetings and strong US jobs report last week (see *US Labour Market Monitor - Stronger jobs report but participation remains subdued*), markets calmed down somewhat at the start of this week. However, **another strong upside surprise in US October CPI inflation** (printing at 6.2%, highest since 1990) turned the tables, highlighting the risk that inflation will be more persistent than expected by the Federal Reserve and thus raising the probability of a faster tightening of monetary policy (see *Global Inflation Watch - Highest US wage growth in more than 10 years*). The market response was clear with a jump in global bond yields and equities selling off. Markets have now priced in three 25bp Fed hikes in 2022, which pushed EUR/USD below the 1.15 level amid broad USD strengthening. Spill-overs were also seen in European fixed income markets, with higher yields and spread widening between EU-Core and periphery government bonds. US Brent oil moved back above USD85 per barrel after the US administration signalled it will refrain from releasing strategic reserves to the market.

# A string of Chinese data released during the weak, continued to paint a mixed picture. On the back of booming (US) goods demand, exports beat expectations in October. Producer price inflation jumped more than expected to a 26-year high, but CPI inflation at 1.5% also remained comfortably below the PBOC's 3% inflation target. The credit impulse has turned higher, but strains in Chinese property markets linger, with stress spreading to investment grade bonds and the Chinese off-shore USD high-yield index reaching a new record high. Media reported that the government is mulling steps to ease bond issuance rules for developers and preparing capital injections from banks and institutional investors. German ZEW economic expectations surprised on the upside in November, rising for the first time since May, while inflation expectations continued to ease. It will be interesting to see whether November PMI figures show a similar pattern, after clouds have darkened over to the euro area macro outlook of late (see Euro Area Macro Monitor - Darkening clouds on the horizon).

Next week's key release will be the US retail sales which have continued to surprise on the upside in recent months. Elevated US goods consumption remains an important driver behind the global supply chain pressures and Tuesday's figures will reveal whether goods spending has started to weaken in October on the back of high inflation. A range of Fed speakers will also be keenly watched by the market for monetary policy hints. In the euro area, final HICP figures will reveal more details about the trend in underlying inflation pressures, after core inflation surged to the highest level since 2002 in October. In China, we expect Monday's retail sales and industrial production figures for October to be on the soft side, given disruptions from power shortages and another Covid-19 wave. Given the Bank of England's renewed focus on labour market outcomes to determine the hiking cycle, the UK jobs report on Tuesday (as well as the CPI figures on Wednesday) will also be of interest. US President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping are scheduled to hold a virtual summit next week. In Japan, new PM Kishida will reveal a new stimulus package to kick-start the recovery. In Australia the central bank will keep a close eye on Q3 wage inflation data, a key indicator for Reserve Bank of Australia's transitory inflation view, and a low print could push back on market's aggressive rate hike pricing.

### Key market movers

- Mon: China retail sales & industrial production
- Tue: UK jobs report, US retail sales
- Wed: UK CPI, Euro area HICP, Australia wage inflation

# Selected reading from Danske Bank

- Euro Area Macro Monitor -Darkening clouds on the horizon, 5 November
- US Labour Market Monitor -Stronger jobs report but participation remains subdued, 8
   November
- Global Inflation Watch Highest US wage growth in more than 10 years, 11 November

# Will high US goods demand start to ease up in light of high inflation?



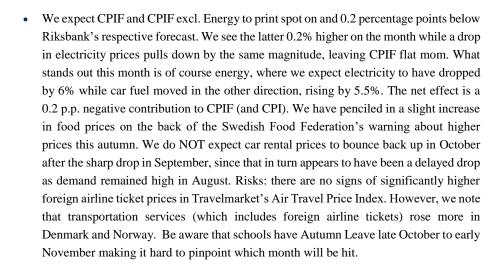
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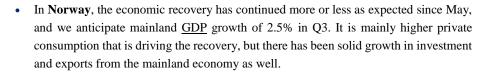
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# Scandi market movers

In Denmark, we get the GDP indicator for Q3 on Monday. The Danish economy
maintained its momentum in Q3 and we expect that the GDP indicator will show growth
of 0.7%. Industry has looked strong, and the service economy has experienced a
powerful tailwind in the wake of the reopening, which has also created a record number
of jobs.

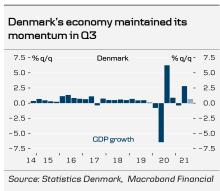
Danish employer organisation DA is set to publish private sector wage data for Q3 on the same day. It will be interesting to see whether the tight labour market has begun to have an impact on wage growth.



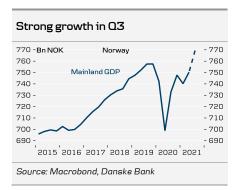


We will also be keeping an eye on Norges Bank's quarterly <u>expectations survey</u>. It does not normally attract much attention, but in the August edition there was a sharp rise in both wage and price expectations among the social partners, economists and business leaders alike. We are particularly interested to see how wage expectations move this time around.

Finally, the week brings the Q4 <u>oil investment survey</u>. We predict only minor changes to the estimate for this year, with it still showing a moderate decline from 2020. As usual with the November survey, we expect a solid upward revision of expectations for next year, since the oil companies now have a better picture of the projects for which they have filed applications. The revision will probably be much smaller than last year, though, such that the survey shows a drop in oil investment of 5-6% in 2022. This would, however, be in line with expectations.







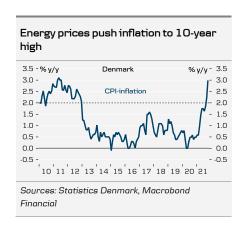


# Scandi update

# Denmark - Energy prices push inflation to 10-year high

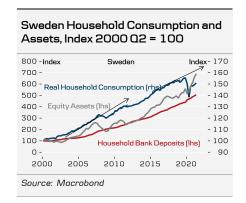
Total exports rose by 4.6% in September, and imports ditto. Goods exports were up slightly after declining in August, but the bigger picture is that the export of goods has essentially stalled since March. This underlines that global problems with sourcing labour and supplies are also being felt in Denmark. In contrast, service exports are surging, with shipping performing particularly well. Labour and supply chain issues look set to continue for some time yet, which will continue to hinder the growth of goods exports.

Consumer prices were up 3.0% year-on-year in October. Hence, inflation has risen since September, when it was 2.2%, and is now at its highest level since 2011. Energy prices have been the main driver, with early October in particular marked by high electricity and gas prices, plus petrol prices have also shot up. Rising electricity, gas, petrol and diesel prices helped boost inflation by 1.6 percentage points. Food prices rose just a modest 1.3% compared to a year ago, even though global food prices have risen by considerably more. Consumer prices ex. energy and non-processed foods rose 1.4% relative to the same month last year. We expect inflation to top out in Q4 21 and ease next year as energy prices soften.



# Sweden - some colour to Q3 GDP

Since the GDP-indicator for the third quarter has already been released (strong +1.8%~q/q), this week's production value index (PVI) and consumption indicator only gave some colour to the GDP number which gave some mixed signals. A strong bounce back from the drop in August was seen in production but at the same time manufacturing new orders actually decreased on the month which poses questions about the production looking forward. No doubt that supply chain problems and lack of component stills weighs on the manufacturing industry. Regarding household consumption, the development has been sideways since May 2021 and still below the pre-pandemic level. Restrictions as work from home was lifted by the end of September meaning that the figures do not capture this, which makes the October figures much more interesting. However, if looking historically, data since 2000 shows that consumption almost reach the pre-crisis level but not the pre-crisis trend path and hence no "pent up demand" tend to be seen.



# Norway - Wage and price inflation set to rise

Core inflation has slowed considerably since summer last year, driven by a stronger NOK and base effects, and dropped to 0.9% y/y in October. We believe, however, that core inflation will now bottom out as both of these drivers fade or reverse. We also think the strong growth in commodity and energy prices and freight costs will probably push up consumer prices in Norway before long. Moreover, the week brought data showing that wage growth is now clearly headed upwards, even when adjusted for distortions due to the pandemic. Wage growth could therefore turn out somewhat higher than we had anticipated, especially next year.





# Activity tracker

Euro area	Last obs	Value	Last 4 months	1W chg.	1M chg.	Low
Bundesbank weekly activity index*	Week 45	0.06		0.29	0.35	-5.8
German truck toll mileage (1w m.a.), % y/y	03-Nov	-1.5%	many many	-2.3 p.p.	-2.7 p.p.	-16.2%
OpenTable restaurant bookings, Germany (1w m.a.)**	10-Nov	5.8%	money	-17.1 p.p.	-20.3 p.p.	-100%
USA						
NY Fed weekly economic index*	Week 45	7.06	~~~~	-0.19	-0.49	-11.3
Transaction card spending, (1w m.a.), % y/y	27-0ct	26.1%	W. m.	5.5 p.p.	6.1 p.p.	-40.6%
OpenTable restaurant bookings (1w m.a.)**	10-Nov	-9.7%	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	0.4 p.p.	-1.1 p.p.	-100%
Google mobility trends retail & recreation (1 w m.a.)**						
Germany		-5.6%	morning	-3.3 p.p.	-3.9 p.p.	-67.3%
France		-6.4%	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	-0.3 p.p.	0.6 p.p.	-88.0%
Italy		-9.0%		-2.9 p.p.	-2.7 p.p.	-88.9%
Spain	08-Nov	-11.9%	~~~~	-1.3 p.p.	-0.9 p.p.	-91.7%
ик		-10.1%		-3.1 p.p.	O.1 p.p.	-77.6%
Japan		-3.3%	~~~~~	0.4 p.p.	7.1 p.p.	-37.9%
United Statss		-6.1%	~~~~	-0.3 p.p.	-0.4 p.p.	-46.1%
Electricity demand (1w m.a.)***						
Germany		-0.9%		-0.2 p.p.	1.4 p.p.	-8.1%
France		2.2%	www.	5.6 p.p.	3.9 p.p.	-22.0%
Italy	11-Nov	1.7%	~~~~~	-1.3 p.p.	2.2 p.p.	-8.8%
Spain	11-1400	-1.6%	~~~~~	1.7 p.p.	3.8 p.p.	-23.6%
ик		0.0%		O p.p.	O p.p.	-22.2%
Japan		-2.2%		3 p.p.	0.8 p.p.	-7.3%
United States	11-Nov	-0.9%	~~~~	-2.2 p.p.	-4.3 p.p.	-12.5%
*NOWcast, Actual index value, **Relative to same day/week in 201	9, *** Relative to san	ne day/week in 1.	5-19 avg.			

Source: Google mobility data, ENTSO-E, EIA, Open Table, Statistisches Bundesamt, TextilWirtschaft, Bundesbank, NY Fed, Macrobond Financial

# Calendar

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		per 15, 2021		Period	Danske Bank	Consensus	Previous
0:50	JPY	GDP deflator, preliminary	у/у	3rd quarter		-1.2%	-1.1%
0:50	JPY	GDP, preliminary	q/q ann.	3rd quarter		-0.2% -0.7%	0.5% 1.9%
3:00	CNY	Fixed assets investments	у/у	Oct		6.2%	7.3%
3:00	CNY	Industrial production	у/у	Oct		3.0%	3.1%
3:00	CNY	Retail sales	у/у	Oct		3.7%	4.4%
5:30	JPY	Industrial production, final	m/m y/y	Sep	0.534		-5.4% -2.3%
8:00	DKK	GDP indicator	q/q	3rd quarter	0.7%		2.2%
8:00	NOK	Trade balance	NOK bn	Oct			53.7
8:30	DKK	Wages in private employment	у/у	3rd quarter	0.00/10 ==:	0.10/17 ===	3.1%
9:30	SEK	Underlying inflation CPIF	m/m y/y	Oct	0.0% 2.9%	0.1% 3.0%	0.5% 2.8%
9:30	SEK	CPI	m/m y/y	Oct		0.1% 2.7%	0.5% 2.5%
11:00	EUR	Trade balance	EUR bn	Sep		00.1	11.1
14:30	USD	Empire Manufacturing PMI	Index	Nov Period	Danske Bank	20.1 Consensus	19.8 Previous
		ber 16, 2021			Danske bank	Consensus	
6:30	NOK	Consumer confidence	Net. bal.	4th quarter			10.9
8:00	SEK	Prospera inflation expectations		_			
8:00	GBP	Unemployment rate (3M)	%	Sep		4.5%	4.5%
8:00	GBP	Average weekly earnings ex bonuses (3M)	у/у	Sep		5.0%	6.0%
8:45	FRF	HICP, final	m/m y/y	Oct		0.5% 3.2%	0.5% 3.2%
10:00	ITL	HICP, final	m/m y/y	Oct		3.1%	3.1%
11:00	EUR	GDP, preliminary	q/qly/y	3rd quarter		2.2% 3.7%	2.2% 3.7%
11:00	EUR	Employment, preliminary	q/qly/y	3rd quarter	1.055	0.10/	0.7% 1.8%
14:00	HUF	Central Bank of Hungary rate decision	%	0	1.95%	2.1%	1.8%
14:30	USD	Retail sales control group	m/m	Oct		1.4%	0.8%
14:30	USD	Import prices	m/m y/y	Oct		1.0%	0.4% 9.2%
15:15	USD	Capacity utilization	%	Oct		75.8%	75.2%
15:15	USD	Industrial production	m/m	Oct		0.8%	-1.3%
15:15	USD	Manufacturing production	m/m	Oct		0.8%	-0.7% 80.0
16:00	USD	NAHB Housing Market Index	Index	Nov		80.0	80.0
18:00	USD	Fed's Barkin (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
18:00	USD	Fed's Bostic (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
21:30	USD	Fed's Daly (non-voter, neutral) speaks					01.0
22:00	USD	TICS international capital flow, Net inflow	USD bn	Sep		0	91.0
		ember 17, 2021		Period	Danske Bank	Consensus	Previous
0:50	JPY	Exports	y/y (%)	Oct		0.1	0.1
0:50	JPY	Import	y/y [%]	Oct		0.3	0.4
0:50	JPY	Trade balance, s.a.	JPY bn	Oct		-609.2	-624.8
8:00	GBP	CPI	m/m y/y	Oct		0.8% 3.8%	0.3% 3.1%
8:00	GBP	CPI core	у/у	Oct		3.1%	2.9%
11:00	EUR	HICP inflation, final	m/m y/y	Oct		0.8% 4.1%	0.8% 3.4%
11:00	EUR	HICP - core inflation, final	у/у	Oct		2.1%	2.1%
14:30	CAD	CPI	m/m y/y	Oct			4.4%
14:30	USD	Building permits	1000 (m/m)	Oct		1630	1586.0 (-7.8%)
14:30	USD	Housing starts	1000 (m/m)	Oct		1575	1555.0 (-1.6%)
16:30	USD	DOE U.S. crude oil inventories	К				1002
17:00	USD	Fed's Bowman (voter, neutral) speaks					
17:20	USD	Fed's Mester (voter, hawkish) speaks					
18:40	USD	Fed's Daly (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
22:05	USD	Fed's Evans (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
22:10	USD	Fed's Bostic (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
Thursday		nber 18, 2021		Period	Danske Bank	Consensus	Previous
12:00	TRY	Central Bank of Turkey rate decision	%		16.0%	15.0%	16.0%
14:00	USD	Fed's Bostic (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
14:30	USD	Philly Fed index	Index	Nov		22.0	23.8
14:30	USD	Initial jobless claims	1000			260	267
20:00	USD	Fed's Evans (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
21:30	USD	Fed's Daly (non-voter, neutral) speaks					
Friday, No	ovembe	r 19,2021		Period	Danske Bank	Consensus	Previous
	EUR	Moody's may publish Greece's debt rating					
0:30	JPY	CPI - national ex. fresh food	y/y	Oct		0.1%	0.1%
0:30	JPY	CPI - national	y/y	Oct		0.1%	0.2%
1:01	GBP	GfK consumer confidence	Index	Nov		-18.0	-17.0
7:30	FRF	ILO unemployment	%	3rd quarter		7.9%	8.0%
8:00	NOK	GDP (total)	q/q	3rd quarter			1.1%
8:00	GBP	Retail sales ex fuels	m/m y/y	Oct		0.4% -3.4%	-0.6% -2.6%
8:00	NOK	GDP (mainland)	q/q	3rd quarter	2.5%	2.5%	1.4%
8:00	NOK	GDP (mainland)	m/m	Sep		0.5%	1.1%
9:30	SEK	Capacity utilization, industry	%	3rd quarter			91.3%
10:00	EUR	Current account	EUR bn	Sep			13.4
14:00	EUR	ECB's Weidmann speaks in Frankfurt					
14:30	CAD	Retail sales	m/m	Sep			2.1%
18:15	USD	Fed vice chair Clarida (voter, neutral) speaks	,				
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Source: Do	analı- D						

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# Macroeconomic forecast

			ndinavia Private	Public	Fixed	Ex-	lm-	Infla-	\\/ogs	Unem-	Public	Public	Current
	Year	GDP 1	cons. <sup>1</sup>	cons. <sup>1</sup>	inv. <sup>1</sup>	ports <sup>1</sup>	ports <sup>1</sup>	tion <sup>1</sup>	Wage growth <sup>1</sup>	ploym <sup>3</sup>	budget <sup>4</sup>	debt <sup>4</sup>	acc.4
Denmark	2020	-2.1	-1.4	-1.7	5.1	-7.0	-4.1	0.4	2.3	4.6	-0.2	42.1	8.1
	2021	4.0	3.4	3.8	8.9	3.5	3.3	1.8	3.1	3.9	-1.4	37.8	7.8 7.6
		3.0	3.4	-0.8	2.9	6.1	5.1	1.8	2.8	3.2	0.4	36.9	
Sweden	2020	-3.1 3.9	-4.7 3.8	-0.5 2.9	0.6 6.5	-5.2 6.0	-5.8 7.3	0.5 2.0	2.1 2.7	8.3 8.8	-2.8 -0.8	37.7 37.0	1.4 5.3
	2022	3.5	4.1	1.7	5.2	3.0	4.0	1.6	1.8	7.5	0.2	33.0	4.7
Norway	2020	-2.5	-6.9	1.7	-3.8	-0.5	-11.9	1.3	3.1	5.0	-	-	-
	2021	3.8 4.0	4.2 7.0	3.0	1.0 2.0	2.7 7.0	3.5 7.0	3.2	3.0	3.1 2.3	-	-	-
	2022	4.0	7.0	1.7	2.0	7.0	7.0	1.6	3.3	2.3		-	-
Macro	foreca	st. Euro	oland										
			Private	Public	Fixed	Ex-	lm-	Infla-	Wage	Unem-	Public	Public	Current
	Year	GDP 1	cons.1	cons.1	inv.1	ports <sup>1</sup>	ports <sup>1</sup>	tion <sup>1</sup>	growth <sup>1</sup>	ploym <sup>3</sup>	budget <sup>4</sup>	debt <sup>4</sup>	acc.4
Euro area	2020	-6.5	-8.0	1.3	-7.3	-9.4	-9.3	0.3	-0.6	7.9	-7.2	97.3	2.6
	2021	5.3	3.6	3.3	3.8	9.5	6.7	2.3	3.1	7.8	-7.8 7.5	102.2	3.1
_	2022	4.2	5.9	1.8	2.2	4.5	4.1	2.0	2.0	7.5	-3.5	100.4	3.2
Germany	2020	-4.9 3.4	-6.1 0.0	3.5 2.7	-3.0 2.2	-10.1 9.1	-9.2 8.4	0.4 2.7	0.0 1.2	3.9 3.7	-4.3 -7.5	68.7 73.0	6.9 7.5
	5055	4.4	5.4	2.1	2.0	4.7	3.8	1.7	1.8	3.4	-2.5	72.1	6.9
Finland	2020	-2.9	-4.7	0.5	-0.7	-6.8	-6.5	0.3	1.8	7.8	-5.5	69.5	0.8
	2021	3.3 3.0	4.0 3.5	2.5 1.0	4.0 4.0	3.5 6.5	4.5 6.5	2.0 1.8	2.5 2.7	7.7 7.1	-4.4 -2.6	70.5 70.5	0.6 0.6
	EUEE	5.0	3.3	1.0	4.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	L./	7.1	-2.0	70.5	0.0
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			Private	Public	Fixed	Ex-	lm-	Infla-	Wage	Unem-	Public	Public	Current
	Year	GDP 1	cons.1	cons.1	inv.1	ports <sup>1</sup>	ports <sup>1</sup>	tion <sup>1</sup>	growth <sup>1</sup>	ploym <sup>3</sup>	budget <sup>4</sup>	debt <sup>4</sup>	acc.4
USA	2020	-3.4	-3.8	2.5	-2.7	-13.6	-8.9	1.2	4.6	8.1	-16.0	126.4	-2.1
	2021	5.6 3.3	7.8 2.6	0.8 0.8	8.9 4.1	4.3 2.4	13.7 3.6	4.6 4.1	2.0 2.3	4.7 3.5	-12.2 -7.2	132.3 131.9	-2.1 -2.1
China													
Cnina	2020	2.3 8.0	-0.8 11.1	-	4.6 5.2	-	-	2.4 0.5	4.0 5.5	-	-11.2 -7.5	66.3 68.9	1.8 1.6
	2022	4.5	5.0	-	3.5	-	-	1.8	5.5	-	-6.8	72.0	1.5
UK	2020	-9.7	-10.5	-6.3	-9.1	-14.7	-16.8	0.9	2.0	4.5	-12.9	104.5	-2.0
	2021	7.5 6.4	5.1 7.9	10.2 2.1	10.2 9.7	-0.5 5.5	0.2 8.0	2.4 2.7	1.2 1.6	4.7 4.1	-13.9 -3.2	97.6 99.4	-3.8 -3.6
			-6.5	2.8	-4.3	-11.8	-7.3	-0.2	_	2.8			<b></b>
	2020						-/ >						
Japan	2020	-4.7 2.4	-6.5 2.0	2.0 1.9	0.5	13.2	7.6	-0.2	-	2.8		-	-

Source: OECD and Danske Bank. 1] % y/y. 2] % contribution to GDP growth. 3] % of labour force. 4] % of GDP.

# Financial forecast

Bond and money n	narkets							
		Key int. rate	3m interest rate	2-yr swap yield	10-yr swap yield	Currency vs EUR	Currency vs USD	Currency vs SEK
USD	12-Nov	0.25	0.15	0.78	1.61	114.5	-	874.8
	+3m	0.25	0.11	0.65	1.75	114.0		886.0
	+6m	0.25	0.11	0.80	1.85	112.0		919.6
	+12m	0.50	0.51	1.20	2.05	110.0	-	954.5
EUR	12-Nov	-0.50	-0.56	-0.29	0.20		114.5	1001.7
	+3m	-0.50	-0.54	-0.35	0.40	-	114.0	1010.0
	+6m	-0.50	-0.54	-0.30	0.50	-	112.0	1030.0
	+12m	-0.50	-0.54	-0.20	0.65	-	110.0	1050.0
JPY	12-Nov	-0.10	-0.09	0.01	0.12	120.5	114.1	8.31
	+3m	-0.10	-	-	-	131.1	115.0	7.70
	+6m	-0.10	-	-	-	129.9	116.0	7.93
	+12m	-0.10	-	-		127.6	116.0	8.23
GBP	12-Nov	0.10	0.11	1.10	1.19	85.5	134.0	1171.8
	+3m	0.10	0.37	1.00	1.45	85.0	134.1	1188.2
	+6m	0.25	0.44	1.10	1.50	84.0	133.3	1226.2
	+12m	0.50	0.67	1.15	1.60	83.0	132.5	1265.1
CHF	12-Nov	-0.75	-0.78	-0.52	0.19	105.7	92.3	948.0
	+3m	-0.75	-	-		107.0	93.9	943.9
	+6m	-0.75	-	-		108.0	96.4	953.7
	+12m	-0.75	-	-		109.0	99.1	963.3
DKK	12-Nov	-0.60	-0.27	0.01	0.45	743.70	649.50	134.68
	+3m	-0.60	-0.28	-0.05	0.65	744.00	652.63	135.75
	+6m	-0.60	-0.28	-0.02	0.75	744.50	664.73	138.35
	+12m	-0.60	-0.28	0.08	0.90	744.50	676.82	141.03
SEK	12-Nov	0.00	-0.10	0.33	0.96	1001.7	874.8	100.0
	+3m	0.00	-0.03	0.15	0.95	1010.0	886.0	
	+6m	0.00	-0.03	0.15	0.95	1030.0	919.6	
	+12m	0.00	-0.03	0.15	1.05	1050.0	954.5	
NOK	12-Nov	0.25	0.78	1.65	1.90	994.2	868.2	100.8
	+3m	0.50	0.96	1.45	2.10	1020.0	894.7	99.0
	+6m	0.75	1.24	1.55	2.15	1040.0	928.6	99.0
	+12m	1.00	1.49	2.20	2.20	1040.0	945.5	101.0

Commodities											
		2021			2022				Average		
	12-Nov	K1	K2	К3	К4	K1	K2	КЗ	К4	2021	2022
ICE Brent	81	55	65	70	75	75	75	75	75	66	75

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