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|                          |            | 2024 |      |      |      | 2025 |      |      |             | 2026        |             |             |             | 2024 | 2025        | 2026        | 2027        |
|--------------------------|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          |            | Q1   | Q2   | Q3   | Q4   | Q1   | Q2   | Q3   | Q4          | Q1          | Q2          | Q3          | Q4          |      |             |             |             |
| <b>Global GDP Growth</b> | y/y % chng |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             | 3.3  | 3.2         | 3.1         | 3.2         |
| <b>Japan</b>             |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | -2.1 | 1.0  | 2.7  | 1.4  | 1.5  | 2.1  | -2.3 | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | -0.2 | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | -1.2 | -1.2 | 0.8  | 0.7  | 1.6  | 1.9  | 0.7  | <b>0.4</b>  | <b>0.3</b>  | <b>0.0</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 2.5  | 2.7  | 2.8  | 2.9  | 3.8  | 3.4  | 2.9  | <b>3.0</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>2.9</b>  | <b>3.2</b>  | <b>2.6</b>  | 2.7  | <b>3.3</b>  | <b>2.9</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 2.6  | 2.6  | 2.5  | 2.5  | 2.5  | 2.5  | 2.6  | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | 2.5  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.4</b>  |
| 3-Month Interest Rate    | %          | 0.1  | 0.3  | 0.4  | 0.5  | 0.8  | 0.8  | 0.8  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | <b>1.5</b>  | <b>1.5</b>  | 0.3  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | <b>1.5</b>  |
| 10-Year Government Bond  | %          | 0.7  | 0.9  | 0.9  | 1.0  | 1.4  | 1.4  | 1.6  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>2.3</b>  | 0.9  | <b>1.5</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>2.4</b>  |
| <b>United Kingdom</b>    |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | 3.4  | 2.5  | 1.0  | 1.0  | 2.7  | 1.1  | 0.3  | <b>-0.1</b> | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | 1.1  | <b>1.4</b>  | <b>0.6</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | 0.3  | 0.9  | 1.4  | 1.9  | 1.8  | 1.4  | 1.3  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.4</b>  | <b>0.6</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 3.5  | 2.1  | 2.1  | 2.5  | 2.8  | 3.5  | 3.8  | <b>3.4</b>  | <b>3.0</b>  | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.2</b>  | 2.5  | <b>3.4</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 4.3  | 4.3  | 4.2  | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.7  | 5.0  | <b>5.1</b>  | <b>5.1</b>  | <b>5.0</b>  | <b>4.9</b>  | <b>4.9</b>  | 4.3  | <b>4.8</b>  | <b>5.0</b>  | <b>4.8</b>  |
| 3-Month Interest Rate    | %          | 5.2  | 5.2  | 4.9  | 4.7  | 4.5  | 4.2  | 4.0  | <b>3.8</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | 5.0  | <b>4.1</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  | <b>3.6</b>  |
| 10-Year Government Bond  | %          | 4.0  | 4.2  | 4.0  | 4.3  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.6</b>  | <b>4.6</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  | 4.1  | <b>4.6</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.7</b>  |
| <b>Euro Area</b>         |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | 1.1  | 0.9  | 1.8  | 1.5  | 2.3  | 0.6  | 1.1  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | 0.8  | <b>1.4</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | 0.5  | 0.5  | 1.0  | 1.3  | 1.6  | 1.6  | 1.4  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.1</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 2.6  | 2.5  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.3  | 2.0  | 2.1  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | 2.4  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.4  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | 6.4  | <b>6.4</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.1</b>  |
| 3-Month Interest Rate    | %          | 3.9  | 3.8  | 3.6  | 3.0  | 2.6  | 2.1  | 2.0  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | 3.6  | <b>2.2</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  |
| 10-Year Government Bond  | %          | 2.3  | 2.5  | 2.3  | 2.3  | 2.6  | 2.5  | 2.7  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>2.7</b>  | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | 2.3  | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>2.6</b>  | <b>2.6</b>  |
| <b>Germany</b>           |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | -0.4 | -1.0 | 0.1  | 0.7  | 1.2  | -0.8 | 0.0  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.8</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | -0.5 | <b>0.3</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | -0.5 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.2 | 0.2  | 0.3  | 0.3  | <b>0.3</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 2.7  | 2.6  | 2.2  | 2.5  | 2.6  | 2.1  | 2.1  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  | 2.5  | <b>2.3</b>  | <b>2.1</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 5.9  | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.3  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.0</b>  | <b>6.0</b>  | <b>6.0</b>  | 6.0  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.1</b>  | <b>6.0</b>  |
| <b>France</b>            |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | 0.5  | 0.8  | 1.5  | -0.2 | 0.4  | 1.3  | 2.2  | <b>0.1</b>  | <b>0.4</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | 1.1  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.1</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | 1.7  | 1.0  | 1.1  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 0.7  | 0.9  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>0.6</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 3.0  | 2.5  | 2.1  | 1.7  | 1.2  | 0.8  | 0.9  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.3</b>  | <b>1.1</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | 2.3  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 7.5  | 7.4  | 7.4  | 7.3  | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.7  | <b>7.7</b>  | <b>7.6</b>  | <b>7.5</b>  | <b>7.5</b>  | <b>7.5</b>  | 7.4  | <b>7.6</b>  | <b>7.5</b>  | <b>7.5</b>  |
| <b>Italy</b>             |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | saar : %   | 0.3  | 0.9  | 0.1  | 0.7  | 1.3  | -0.3 | 0.5  | <b>0.6</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | 0.5  | <b>0.6</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  |
|                          | y/y % chng | 0.3  | 0.6  | 0.6  | 0.5  | 0.8  | 0.5  | 0.6  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.4</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  |      |             |             |             |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 1.0  | 1.0  | 1.1  | 1.3  | 1.9  | 1.8  | 1.7  | <b>1.5</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>0.9</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.5</b>  | 1.1  | <b>1.7</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.6</b>  |
| Unemployment Rate        | %          | 7.1  | 6.7  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.3  | 6.3  | 6.1  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  | 6.6  | <b>6.2</b>  | <b>6.3</b>  | <b>6.2</b>  |
| <b>China</b>             |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Real GDP                 | y/y % chng | 5.3  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 5.4  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 4.8  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.3</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.6</b>  | <b>4.6</b>  | 5.0  | <b>5.0</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  | <b>4.5</b>  |
| CPI All Items            | y/y % chng | 0.0  | 0.3  | 0.5  | 0.2  | -0.1 | 0.0  | -0.2 | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>0.5</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.1</b>  | <b>1.2</b>  | 0.2  | <b>0.0</b>  | <b>1.0</b>  | <b>1.5</b>  |
| Current Account Balance  | % of GDP   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             | 2.3  | <b>3.3</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | <b>2.5</b>  |
| <b>Exchange Rates</b>    |            |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |      |             |             |             |
| Yen                      | ¥/US\$     | 149  | 156  | 149  | 152  | 152  | 144  | 148  | <b>154</b>  | <b>155</b>  | <b>154</b>  | <b>153</b>  | <b>152</b>  | 151  | <b>150</b>  | <b>154</b>  | <b>148</b>  |
| Euro                     | US\$/€     | 1.09 | 1.08 | 1.10 | 1.07 | 1.05 | 1.13 | 1.17 | <b>1.16</b> | <b>1.18</b> | <b>1.18</b> | <b>1.19</b> | <b>1.20</b> | 1.08 | <b>1.13</b> | <b>1.19</b> | <b>1.21</b> |
| Pound                    | US\$/£     | 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.30 | 1.28 | 1.26 | 1.34 | 1.35 | <b>1.33</b> | <b>1.34</b> | <b>1.34</b> | <b>1.35</b> | <b>1.35</b> | 1.28 | <b>1.32</b> | <b>1.35</b> | <b>1.36</b> |
| Pound/Euro               | £/€        | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 0.85 | 0.87 | <b>0.87</b> | <b>0.88</b> | <b>0.88</b> | <b>0.88</b> | <b>0.89</b> | 0.85 | <b>0.86</b> | <b>0.88</b> | <b>0.89</b> |
| Yen/Euro                 | ¥/€        | 161  | 168  | 164  | 163  | 160  | 164  | 172  | <b>179</b>  | <b>183</b>  | <b>182</b>  | <b>182</b>  | <b>182</b>  | 164  | <b>169</b>  | <b>182</b>  | <b>179</b>  |
| Yuan                     | CNY/US\$   | 7.19 | 7.24 | 7.16 | 7.19 | 7.27 | 7.23 | 7.16 | <b>7.09</b> | <b>7.04</b> | <b>7.03</b> | <b>7.02</b> | <b>7.00</b> | 7.20 | <b>7.19</b> | <b>7.02</b> | <b>6.97</b> |

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