Decision Analyst Global Economic Indices

November 2016

Arlington, Texas—The following chart compares Decision Analyst's U.S. Economic Index to the Economic Indices for other countries. South America is in trouble. Colombia has declined by 7 points in the past 12 months, and Argentina has declined by 5 points. There are glimmers of hope in Europe. France has increased 8 points in the past 12 months, while the Russian Federation has increased 7 points. However, Germany has declined 5 points in the past 12 months.

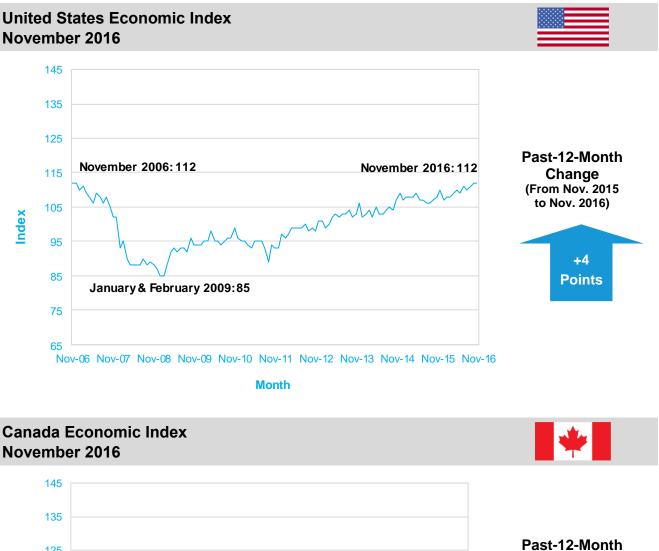
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North America		November 2016 Index	Past-12-Month Change (From Nov. 2015 to Nov. 2016)
	United States	112	1 +4
*	Canada	92	↑ +2
٠	Mexico*	96	↑ +2
South Am	nerica		
۲	Argentina*	86	↓ -5
	Brazil*	96	↑ +7
*	Chile*	91	↓ -3
	Colombia*	100	↓ -7
ê	Peru*	104	↓ -1
Europe			
	France	89	+ 8
	Germany	105	↓ -5
	Italy	96	↑ +3
	Russian Federation*	98	↑ +7
- <u>186</u>	Spain*	101	↑ +5
	United Kingdom	107	↓ -1
Australia	/Asia		
*	Australia*	93	↓ -3
•	India*	127	↑ +5

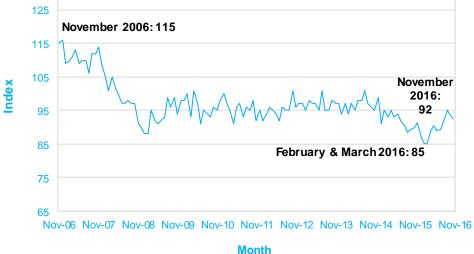
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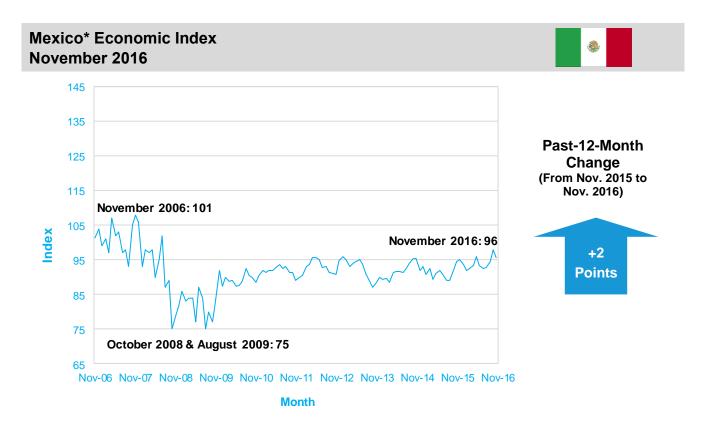
North America



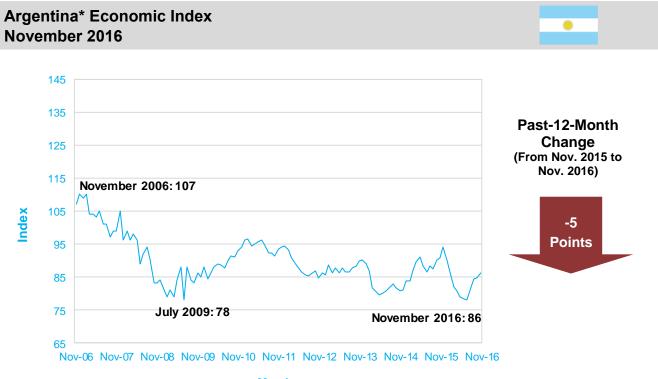


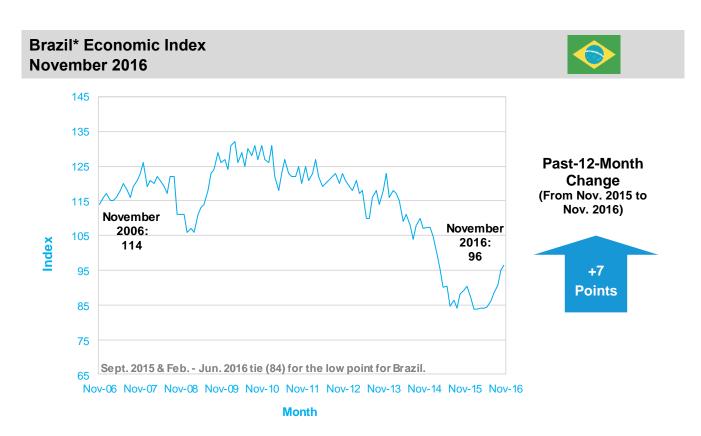


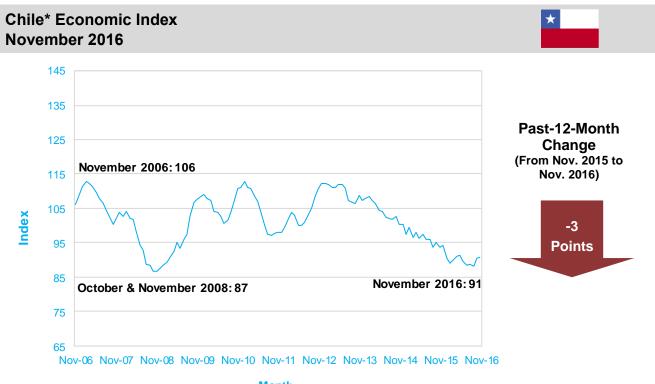
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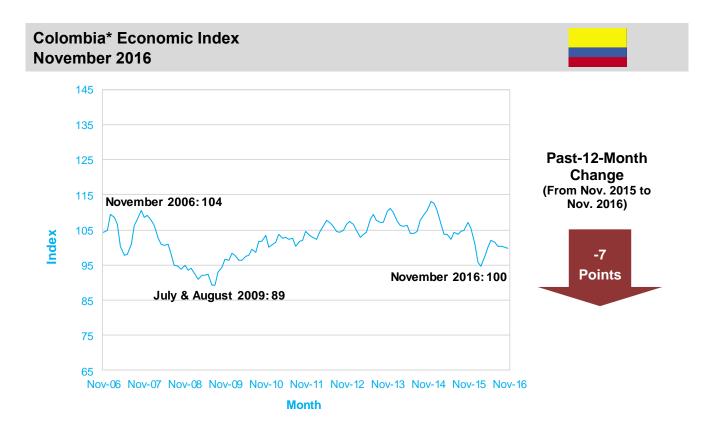
South America

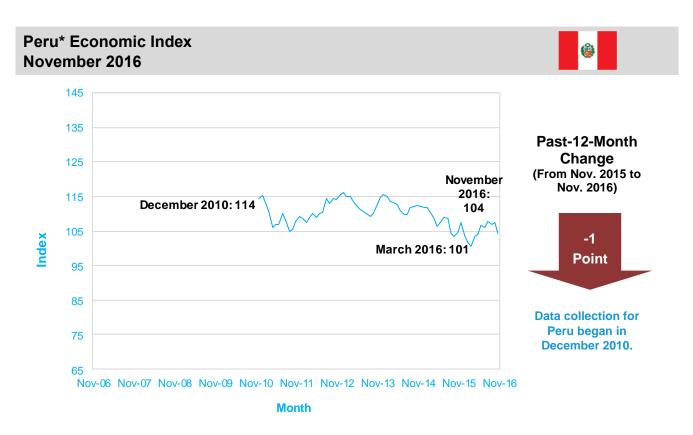




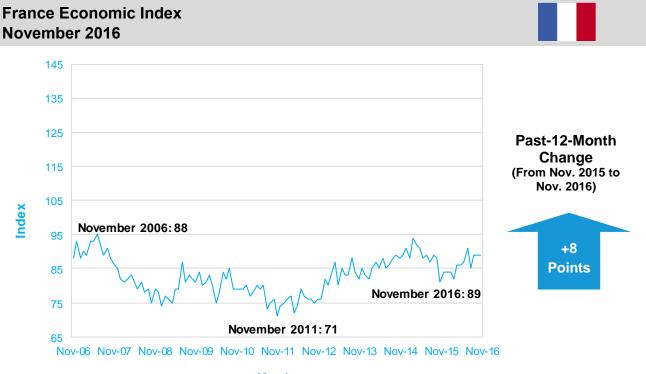


Month



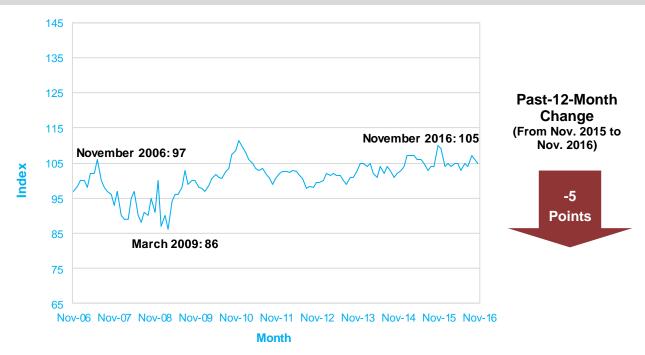


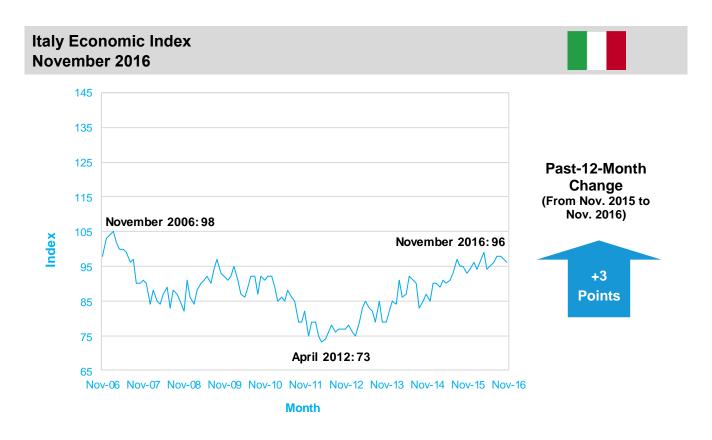
Europe



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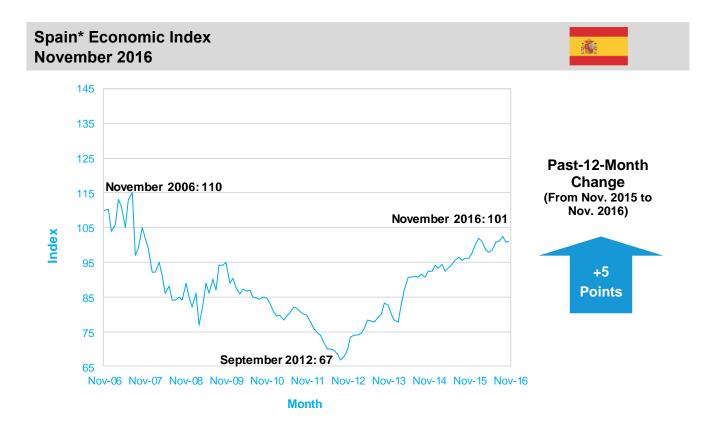
Germany Economic Index November 2016





Russian Federation* Economic Index November 2016

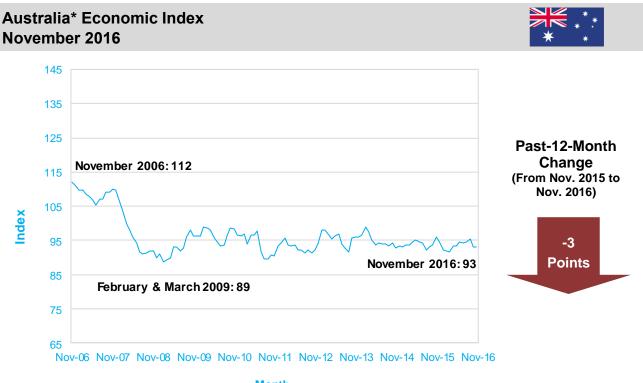




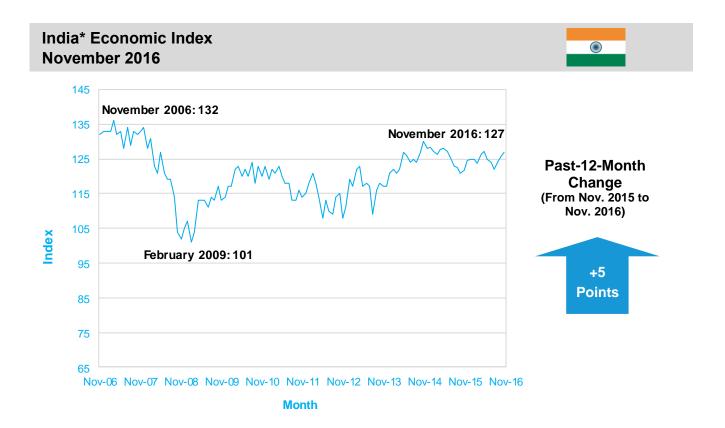
United Kingdom Economic Index November 2016



Australia/Asia



Month



*Three-Month Moving Average

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Methodology

The Decision Analyst Economic Index is based on a monthly online survey of several thousand households balanced by gender, age, and geography. The scientific survey is conducted in the last 10 days of each month. The Economic Index is calculated from 9 different economic measurements using a sophisticated econometric model. The result is a snapshot of coming economic activity in each country surveyed, as seen through the eyes of representative consumers living in the respective countries.

Decision Analyst conducts its concurrent economic surveys each month in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, France, Germany, India, Italy, Mexico, Peru, the Russian Federation, Spain, United Kingdom, and the United States. Whenever the Decision Analyst Economic Index is greater than 110, it tends to signal an expanding economy. An Index value of 90 to 110 suggests a no-growth or slow-growth economy, and near or below 90 generally indicates economic contraction. These guidelines vary by country, however.

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