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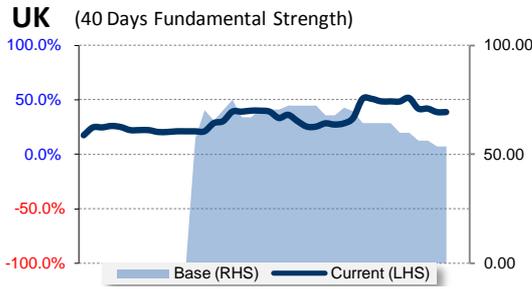
UK ECONOMY In a glance.

19-Nov-2013 (Tuesday)

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Figure 1: Fundamental Strength Index for last 40 days.



BASE SUMMARY:

INFLATION INDICATORS :	3.6	/ 17.9
GROWTH INDICATORS :	21.4	/ 42.9
EMPLOYMENT INDICATORS :	4.5	/ 7.1
HOUSING INDICATORS :	8.9	/ 10.7
BUSINESS SURVEY :	15.2	/ 17.9
CONSUMER SURVEY :	0.0	/ 3.6
BASE STRENGTH :	BULLISH	53.57 / 100
SHORT-TERM STRENGTH :	BULLISH	38.71%

* HOW TO USE THESE? - see footnote on Fundamental Strengths.

BRITISH POUND (£) BROADLY BULLISH, RECENT MOMENTUM BEARISH.

U.K. Fundamentals Strong (53.57/100); Recent momentum MODERATELY BULLISH at 38.71%.

(Fig2.1) UK inflation moderate at 2.20%, lower of BOE 1%-3% target.(Fig2.3) Prices of retails goods & services weak.(Fig2.4) Producer's cost remains low, no inflationary pressure.(Fig3.1) GDP Stable.(Fig3.2) Estimated productions for previous 3 months strong.(Fig3.5) Manufacturing production weak, but seemed to have bottomed.(Fig3.6) Domestic retail sales stabilizes.(Fig4.4) Business investment stabilizes.(Fig4.5) UK Job market posting evident recovery.(Fig4.6) Jobless claims dropped continued strong trend at -41.7k.(Fig5.1) UK Housing Price growth strong.(Fig5.3) Mortgage takeup rate increases.(Fig5.4) UK managers optimistic on Manufacturing industry outlook.(Fig5.5) UK managers optimistic on Services industry outlook.(Fig6.2) Industrial orders outlook stabilizes.(Fig6.3) UK domestic Sales outlook strong.

Conclusion: Inflation remained subdued, with latest inflation coming in at 2.20%, job market however, continues to improve and is currently strong. Inflationary pressure is still low. Domestic growth growing stale, but housing market is strong, with UK consumer and business optimistic on the economy. Generally bullish with rate hike potential if inflation strengthens.

Table 1: Pending Fundamental Events for UK & Past 15 economic data release.

UPCOMING FUNDAMENTAL EVENTS						
DATE	TIME	DETAILS	FORECAST	PREVIOUS	IMPACT	
20-Nov Wednesday	5:30pm	MPC Asset Purchase Facility Votes			!!!	
20-Nov Wednesday	5:30pm	MPC Official Bank Rate Votes			!!!	
21-Nov Thursday	5:30pm	Public Sector Net Borrowing	10.1B	9.4B	!!	
21-Nov Thursday	7:00pm	CBI Industrial Order Expectations	0.00	-4.00	!!	
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PAST ECONOMIC EVENTS:						
DATE	TIME	DETAILS	ACTUAL	FORECAST	PREVIOUS	
18-Nov Monday	7:01am	Rightmove HPI m/m	-2.40%	-	2.80%	→
14-Nov Thursday	4:30pm	Retail Sales m/m	-0.70%	0.00%	0.60%	↓
13-Nov Wednesday	4:30pm	Claimant Count Change	-41.70	-33.20	-44.70	↑
13-Nov Wednesday	4:30pm	Unemployment Rate	7.60%	7.60%	7.70%	↑
13-Nov Wednesday	4:30pm	Average Earnings Index 3m/y	0.70%	0.70%	0.80%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	7:01am	RICS House Price Balance	57.00%	59.00%	53.00%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	CPI y/y	2.20%	2.50%	2.70%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	PPI Input m/m	-0.60%	-0.80%	-1.00%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	RPI y/y	2.60%	3.00%	3.20%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	Core CPI y/y	1.70%	2.00%	2.20%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	HPI y/y	3.80%	4.10%	3.70%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	4:30pm	PPI Output m/m	-0.30%	0.00%	0.00%	→
12-Nov Tuesday	5:00pm	CB Leading Index m/m	1.50%	-	1.20%	→
08-Nov Friday	4:30pm	Trade Balance	-9.80	-9.10	-9.60	↓
06-Nov Wednesday	7:01am	BRC Shop Price Index y/y	-0.50%	-	-0.20%	→

Quantified Fundamental Strengths are consolidated and Paired (i.e: CCY/CCY) to generate Auto-Suggested Trades in Summary Report. Auto-suggested trades are automatically paired on the basis of Strongest Currency Fundamental against Weakest Currency Fundamentals.

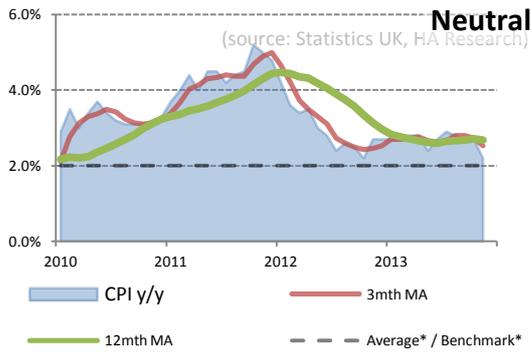
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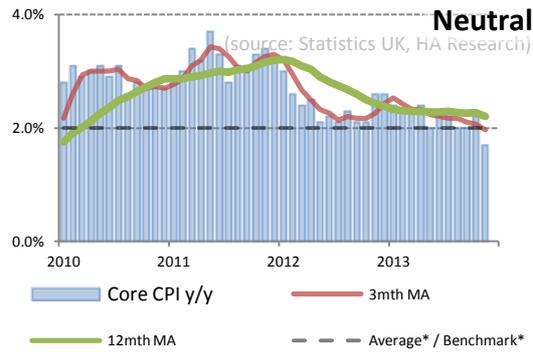
INFLATION INDICATORS

(Fig2.1) UK inflation moderate at 2.20%, lower of BOE 1%-3% target.



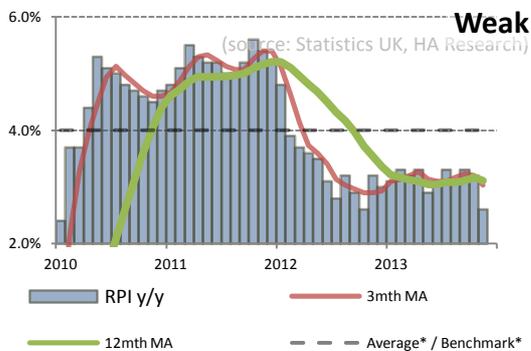
Consumer Price Index Change in the price of goods and services purchased by consumers; BOE mandated inflation target

(Fig2.2) Core inflation neutral at 1.70%, non event.



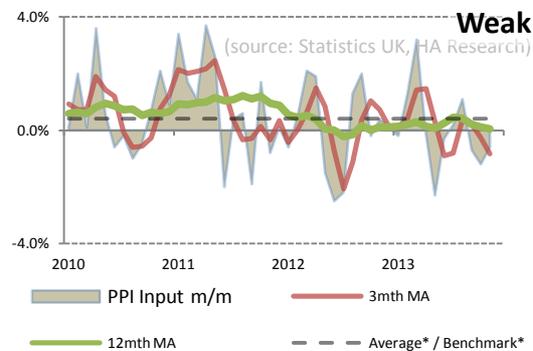
Core CPI Change in the price of goods and services purchased, excluding food, energy, alcohol, and tobacco items

(Fig2.3) Prices of retails goods & services weak.



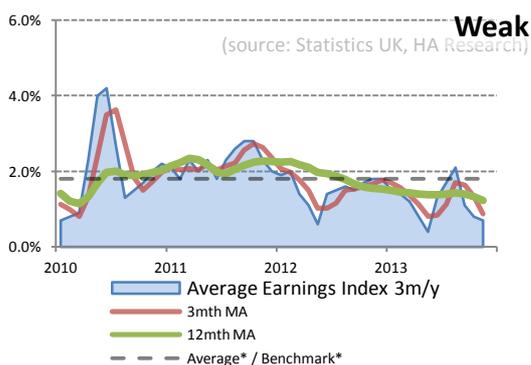
Retail Price Index Change in the price of goods and services purchased by consumers for the purpose of consumption;

(Fig2.4) Producer's cost remains low, no inflationary pressure.



Producer Price Index Change in the price of goods and raw materials purchased by manufacturers;

(Fig2.5) Average earnings of labor stale, weak.



Avg Earnings Index Change in the price businesses and the government pay for labor, including bonuses;

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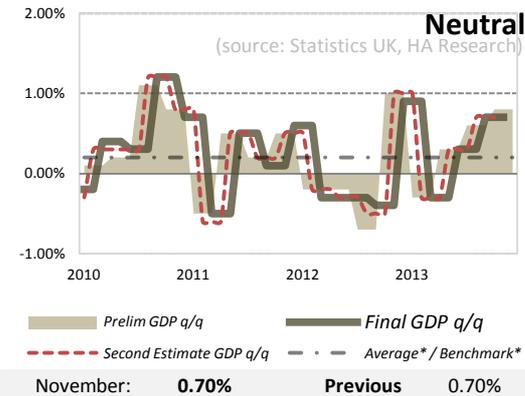
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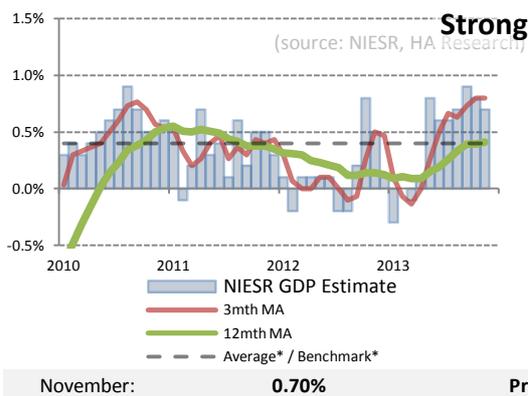
GROWTH INDICATORS

(Fig3.1) GDP Stable.



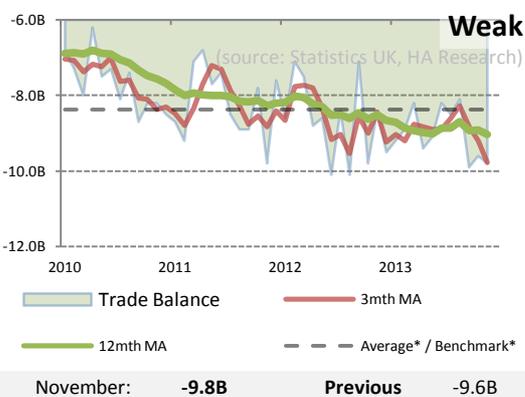
GDP q/q Change in the inflation-adjusted value of all goods and services produced by the economy;

(Fig3.2) Estimated productions for previous 3 months strong.



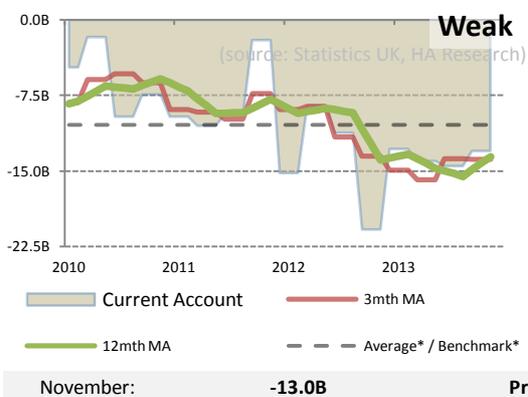
NIESR GDP Estimate Change in the estimated value of all goods and services produced by the economy during the previous 3 months;

(Fig3.3) UK Trade Balance weak.



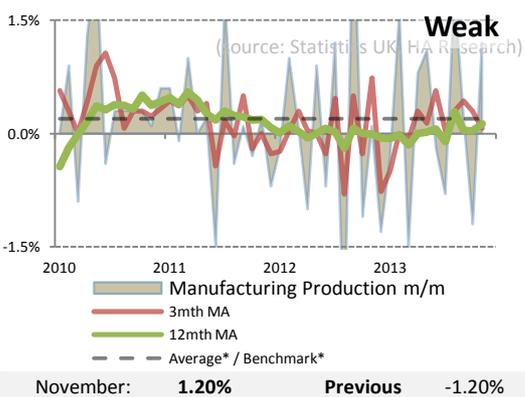
Trade Balance Difference in value between imported and exported goods during the reported month;

(Fig3.4) UK Current Account weak.



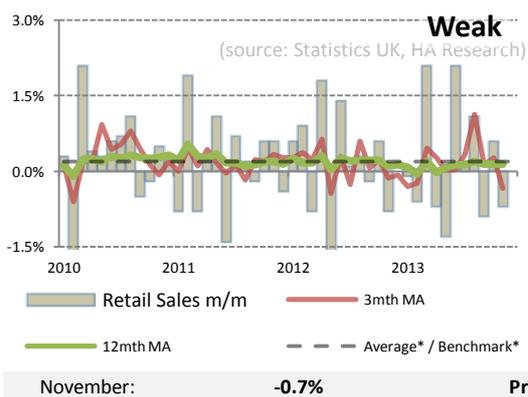
Current Account Difference in trade balance, income flows, and unilateral transfers during the previous quarter;

(Fig3.5) Manufacturing production weak, but seemed to have bottomed.



Manu. Production Change in the total inflation-adjusted value of output produced by manufacturers; Factory production

(Fig3.6) Domestic retail sales weakens considerably.



Retail Sales Change in the total value of inflation-adjusted sales at the retail level;

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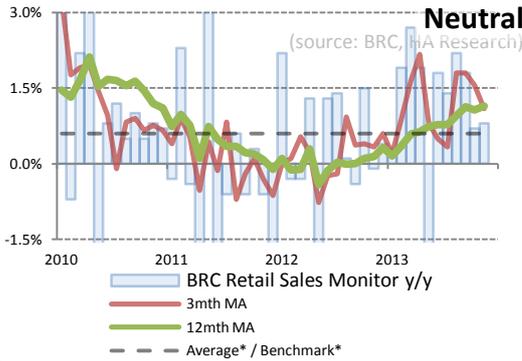
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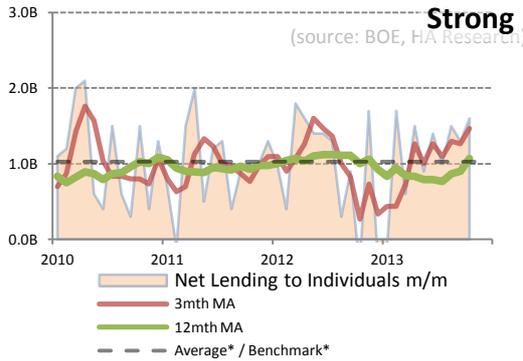
GROWTH INDICATORS (continued)

(Fig4.1) BRC posting increased sales level.



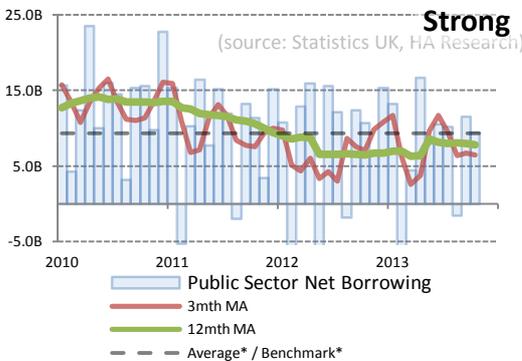
November:	0.80%	Previous	0.70%
BRC Retail Sales	Change in the value of same-store sales at the retail level; British Retail Consortium (BRC);		

(Fig4.2) New credit take-up rate increased, on stable growth.



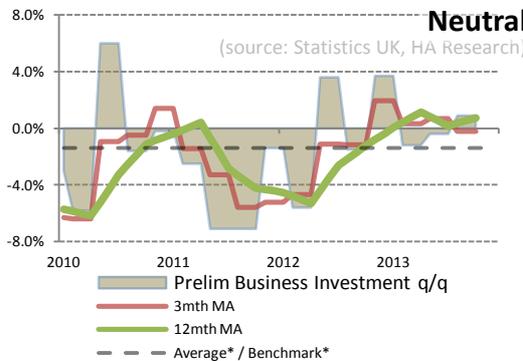
November:	Pending	Previous	1.6B
Net Lending to Individual	Change in the total value of new credit issued to consumers;		

(Fig4.3) UK Government budget betters.



November:	Pending	Previous	9.4B
Gov. Budget Balance	Difference in spending and income for public corporations, governments during the previous month;		

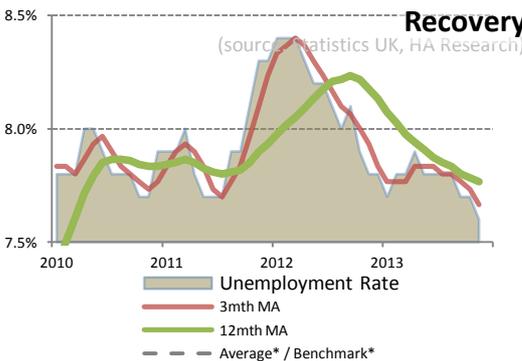
(Fig4.4) Business investment stabilizes.



November:	Pending	Previous	0.9%
Total Biz. Investments	Change in the total inflation-adjusted value of capital investments made by businesses and the government;		

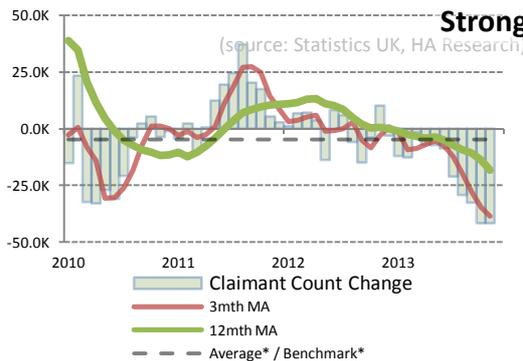
EMPLOYMENT INDICATORS

(Fig4.5) UK Job market posting evident recovery.



November:	7.6%	Previous	7.7%
Jobless Rate	% of total work force that is unemployed and actively seeking employment during the past 3 months;		

(Fig4.6) Jobless claims dropped continued strong trend at -41.7k.



November:	-41.7K	Previous	-41.7K
Jobless Claims	Change in the number of people claiming unemployment-related benefits during the previous month;		

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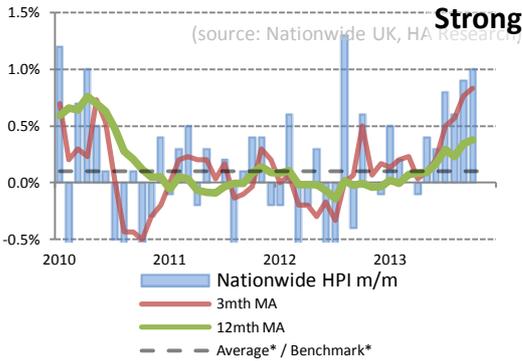
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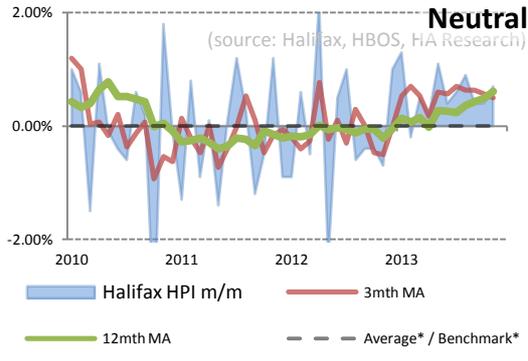
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HOUSING INDICATORS

(Fig5.1) UK Housing Price growth strong.



(Fig5.2) UK Housing Price posting strong growth, momentum.



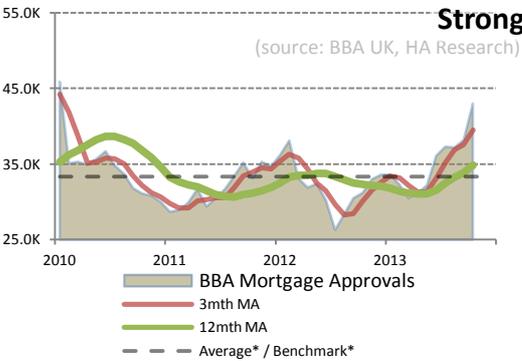
November: **Pending** **Previous** 1.0%

Nationwide HPI Change in the selling price of homes with mortgages backed by Nationwide; House Price Index (HPI);

November: **0.7%** **Previous** 0.4%

Halifax HPI Change in the price of homes financed by HBOS; Halifax Bank of Scotland (HBOS);

(Fig5.3) Mortgage takeup rate increases.

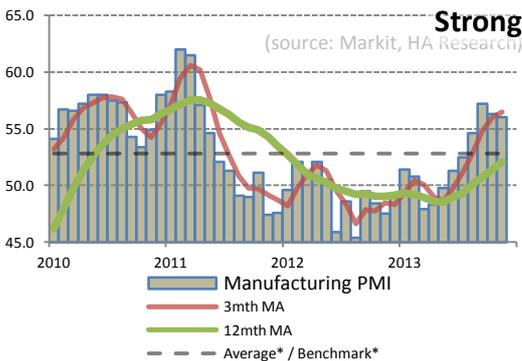


November: **Pending** **Previous** 43.0K

BBA Mortgage Number of new mortgages approved for home purchase by BBA-represented banks during the previous month;

BUSINESS SURVEY

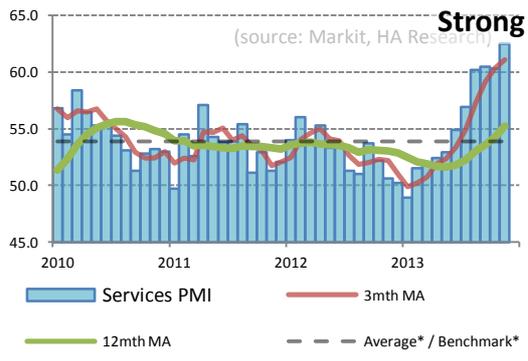
(Fig5.4) UK managers optimistic on Manufacturing industry outlook.



November: **56.0** **Previous** 43.0

Manufacturing PMI Survey of 600 purchasing managers to rate business conditions; jobs, production, orders, price & stock;

(Fig5.5) UK managers optimistic on Services industry outlook.



November: **62.5** **Previous** 60.3

Services PMI Survey of purchasing managers to rate business conditions including job, production, orders, prices, & inventories;

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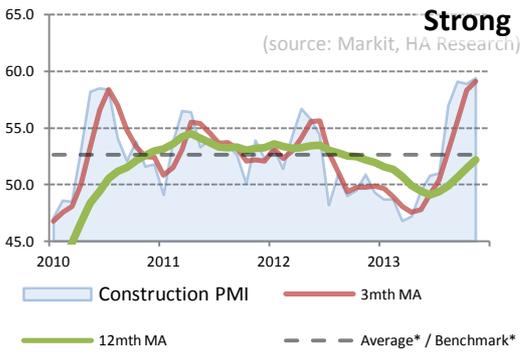
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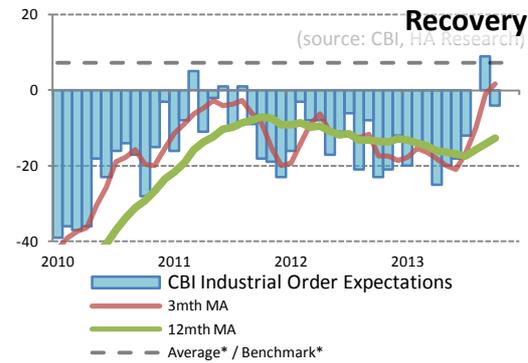
BUSINESS SURVEY (continued)

(Fig6.1) Construction outlook in UK remains optimistic.



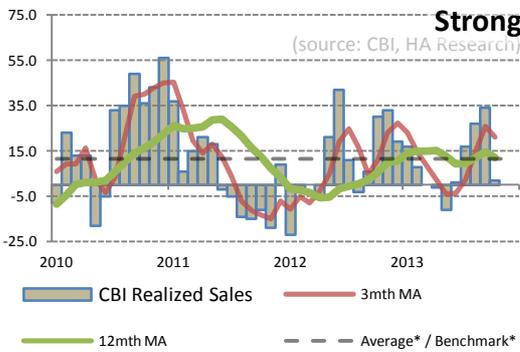
November:	59.4	Previous	58.9
Construction PMI	Level of a diffusion index based on surveyed purchasing managers in the construction industry;		

(Fig6.2) Industrial orders outlook stabilizes.



November:	Pending	Previous	-4.0
CBI Industrial Order Exp.	Survey of 550 manufacturers to rate order volume expected during next 3 months; Confederation of British Industry (CBI);		

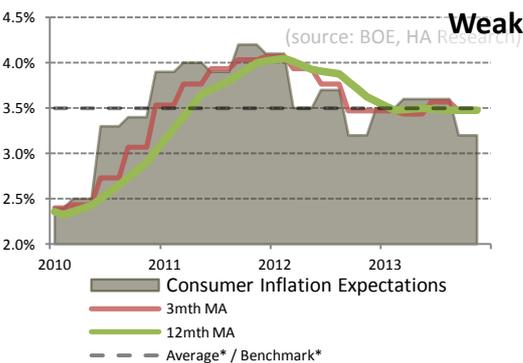
(Fig6.3) UK domestic Sales outlook strong.



November:	Pending	Previous	2.0
CBI Realized Sales	Survey of 150 retail and wholesale companies to rate the relative level of current sales volume;		

CONSUMER SURVEY

(Fig6.4) Inflation outlook remained subdued.



November:	3.2%	Previous	3.2%
Con. Inflatn Expectn	Survey of 2,000 consumers, conducted by GfK, where they expect prices to be 12 months in the future;		

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