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## Top Stories

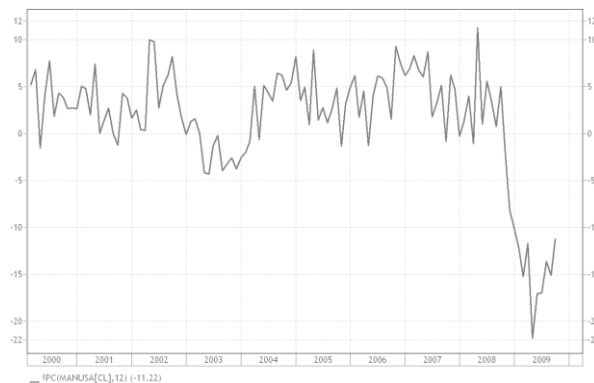
1. German state approves 8.5 billion euros in fiscal measures  
Source: [www.busrep.co.za](http://www.busrep.co.za). 09 Nov 09
2. German October consumer prices unexpectedly decline  
Consumer prices dropped 0.1 percent after slipping an annual 0.5 percent in September  
Source: [www.bloomberg.com](http://www.bloomberg.com). 10 Nov 09
3. Manufacturing slump slows as recovery draws near  
Factory output dropped an annual 11.4 percent after declining a revised 15.2 percent in August  
Source: [www.busrep.com](http://www.busrep.com). 11 Nov 09
4. Japan's producer prices fall 6.7%, 10th monthly drop  
Source: [www.bloomberg.com](http://www.bloomberg.com). 12 Nov 09
5. Eskom unveils new director  
Eskom said on Thursday that former Group Five chief financial officer Paul O'Flaherty will take up his duties as finance director from January  
Source: [www.fin24.co.za](http://www.fin24.co.za). 12 Nov 09
6. Finance minister says inflation targeting stays  
South Africa's inflation targeting guidelines will remain the framework of monetary policy, Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan said  
Source: [www.busrep.co.za](http://www.busrep.co.za). 13 Nov 09
7. South African banks downgraded by Moody's  
South Africa's five biggest banks had their financial strength ratings downgraded by Moody's Investors Service  
Source: [www.bloomberg.com](http://www.bloomberg.com). 13 Nov 09
8. Recession ends across Europe  
Both the 16-nation eurozone and the 27-nation European Union as a whole, home to half a billion people, posted growth of 0.4 percent in the mainstay single currency area and 0.2 for the whole EU in the third quarter  
Source: [www.busrep.co.za](http://www.busrep.co.za). 13 Nov 09
9. German economic recovery accelerated in third quarter  
Gross domestic product increased a seasonally adjusted 0.7 percent from the second quarter  
Source: [www.bloomberg.com](http://www.bloomberg.com). 13 Nov 09
10. Trade deficit in U.S. increases by most since 1999  
The trade deficit in the U.S. widened in September by the most in a decade, reflecting rising demand for imported oil and automobiles  
Source: [www.bloomberg.com](http://www.bloomberg.com). 13 Nov 2009

## Top Charts

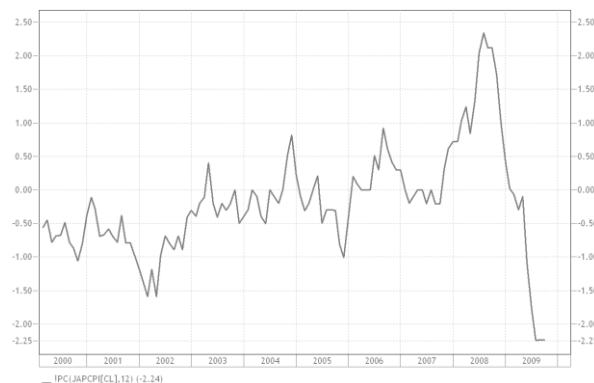
German Consumer Inflation Rate, Monthly  
Jan 00 - Sep 09



SA Manufacturing Production, Annual Change, Monthly  
Jan 00 - Sep 09



Japanese Consumer Inflation Rate, Monthly  
Jan 00 - Sep 09



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