The Market Place

- Global equities fell -1.8% last week
- The ongoing geopolitical tensions and the move to price in additional rate hikes led to further declines in equities
- Brent crude returned -1.0% over the week to \$93.5 a barrel
- Gold returned 2.1% to \$1898.4 per ounce

US

US equities fell -1.5% last week

January's month-on-month PPI reading came in at 1.0% vs +0.5% expected, the fastest monthly pace in eight months

Empire State Manufacturing Survey's Prices Received Index reached a record high of 54.1 in February, and prices paid also held roughly steady at 76.6 vs 76.7 prior

US weekly initial jobless claims for the week ending 12th February came in at 248k vs 218k expected

Retail sales expanded by 3.8% vs expectations of 2.0%, their fastest monthly gain since last March

Industrial production grew by 1.4% month-on-month in January vs 0.5% expected

Existing home sales were faster than expected with 6.5m sales vs expectations of 6.1m

The Philadelphia Fed's manufacturing business outlook survey fell to 16.0 vs 20.0 expected

The New York Fed's Survey of Consumer Expectations for January saw a decline in short and medium-term inflation expectations

Europe

European equities returned -1.9% last week

The German ZEW survey for February came in slightly below expectations but was an improvement on January's readings. The headline expectations component rose to a 7-month high of 54.3 and the current situation index improved to -8.1 from -10.2 the month prior

UK

UK equities fell -1.7% last week

January's CPI release came in at a post-1992 high of 5.5%

Core CPI was similarly above expectations at 4.4%

Job vacancies hit a record high of 1.298m in the three months to January. The number of payrolled employees in January was also up 108k and the unemployment rate was in line with expectations at 4.1% for the three months to December

Asia / ROW

The benchmark Global Emerging Markets index returned -0.7% last week

Japanese equities fell -1.9% over the week

Chinese equities returned -1.6% last week

Japan's economy expanded at an annualised rate of 5.4% quarter-on-quarter (vs 6.0% estimated). The nation's economy grew by 1.7% in 2021, recording its first expansion in three years

Japanese exports grew by less than expected to 9.6% year-onyear (vs 17.1% expected) due to slowing demand coupled with global supply constraints

Japan's CPI reading for January came in at 0.5% year-on-year, down from 0.8% in December

China's CPI came in at 0.9% year-on-year vs 1.0% expected, whilst PPI fell to 9.1% vs 9.5% expected

The PBOC injected 100bn yuan (net) into the banking system via its medium-term lending facility to counter the economic slowdown

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Performance

Asset Class/Region	Currency	Week ending 18 Feb 2022	Month to date	YTD 2022	12 Months
Developed Market Equities					
United States	USD	-1.5%	-1.8%	-8.6%	12.2%
United Kingdom	GBP	-1.7%	0.8%	2.8%	19.7%
Continental Europe	EUR	-1.9%	-1.2%	-6.9%	12.6%
lapan	JPY	-1.9%	2.5%	-3.4%	1.2%
Asia Pacific (ex Japan)	USD	-0.6%	3.9%	-1.3%	-13.7%
Australia	AUD	0.3%	3.5%	-2.8%	8.7%
Global	USD	-1.8%	-0.7%	-7.6%	7.9%
Emerging markets equities					
Emerging Europe	USD	-4.8%	-0.2%	-7.7%	3.2%
Emerging Asia	USD	-0.7%	3.3%	-1.7%	-17.1%
Emerging Latin America	USD	-0.2%	6.2%	11.8%	5.6%
BRICs	USD	-1.2%	3.4%	-0.7%	-21.8%
China	USD	-1.6%	4.3%	-1.2%	-33.9%
MENA countries	USD	1.3%	2.3%	8.6%	35.0%
South Africa	USD	1.1%	9.8%	12.9%	4.4%
ndia	USD	0.4%	1.6%	-0.5%	12.5%
Global emerging markets	USD	-0.7%	3.5%	0.1%	-11.7%
Bonds					
JS Treasuries	USD	0.0%	-1.2%	-2.9%	-3.1%
US Treasuries (inflation protected)	USD	0.1%	-1.4%	-3.8%	3.0%
JS Corporate (investment grade)	USD	-0.9%	-2.4%	-5.7%	-4.7%
US High Yield	USD	-0.3%	-1.5%	-4.3%	-0.5%
UK Gilts	GBP	1.8%	-1.4%	-4.4%	-4.4%
JK Corporate (investment grade)	GBP	0.9%	-2.3%	-4.9%	-5.3%
Euro Government Bonds	EUR	0.5%	-2.6%	-3.3%	-4.8%
Euro Corporate (investment grade)	EUR	0.2%	-2.2%	-3.2%	-3.7%
Euro High Yield	EUR	-0.2%	-2.2%	-3.4%	-1.5%
apanese Government	JPY	-0.3%	-1.1%	-1.8%	-1.4%
Australian Government	AUD	-0.2%	-1.8%	-3.2%	-4.6%
Global Government Bonds	USD	0.1%	-1.0%	-3.0%	-6.6%
Global Bonds	USD	-0.1%	-1.3%	-3.5%	-6.7%
Global Convertible Bonds	USD	-1.3%	0.3%	-5.5%	-13.1%
Emerging Market Bonds	USD	-0.4%	-1.8%	-5.7%	-7.5%

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	Currency				
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Property					
US Property Securities	USD	-0.9%	-2.6%	-10.4%	22.1%
Australian Property Securities	AUD	3.0%	3.6%	-7.5%	21.2%
Asia Property Securities	USD	0.0%	3.4%	4.1%	-3.7%
Global Property Securities	USD	-0.5%	-0.4%	-6.4%	12.7%
Currencies					
Euro	USD	-0.7%	1.5%	-0.6%	-6.3%
UK Pound Sterling	USD	-0.1%	1.4%	0.4%	-2.7%
Japanese Yen	USD	0.7%	0.1%	0.0%	-8.2%
Australian Dollar	USD	-0.2%	2.6%	-1.5%	-7.6%
South African Rand	USD	-0.5%	3.2%	5.2%	-3.3%
Swiss Franc	USD	0.5%	1.1%	-1.1%	-2.7%
Chinese Yuan	USD	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	2.6%
Commodities & Alternatives					
Commodities	USD	0.9%	4.4%	13.2%	41.0%
Agricultural Commodities	USD	0.3%	3.7%	7.3%	33.3%
Oil	USD	-1.0%	3.9%	20.3%	46.3%
Gold	USD	2.1%	6.0%	3.8%	6.9%
Hedge funds	USD	-0.2%	0.6%	-1.2%	0.2%

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