

Goldman Sachs revenues fell 20%, missing expectations, China's GDP fell to 3.90%, down 52%, and Wall Street closed with mixed results.

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The U.S. and European stock markets began the shortened trading week with mixed results from several issues.

The first issue was the fourth quarter 2022 earnings from Goldman Sachs that delivered results that were 20% less than anticipated; we shall discuss the earnings below.

The second issue is China; the National Bureau of Statistics of China announced that its GDP growth for 2022 was a paltry 3.90%, or 52% less than its 2021 GDP of 8.11%.

We became used to China delivering outsized economic growth; however, since COVID-19 became part of China's daily reality, its economy began to unravel.

When Covid-19 hit at the end of 2019 and grew out of control globally, China's GDP for 2020 dwindled to 2.24%. Then China implemented the Government's long-standing Zero-Covid Strategy, and by 2021 its GDP returned to a whopping 8.11%. However, as you and I know, Communism regimes are not known for their transparency and data availability. Throughout the past two years, a series of events have disrupted global supply chains to transportation and shipping costs due to continued COVID-19 outbreaks in China.

Corporate Earnings Parade:

- **Goldman Sachs (GS)**: reported its fourth quarter 2022 earnings with revenues of \$10.59 billion, down 16%, and net income of \$1.33 billion, which missed estimates. For the full year 2022, it reached revenues of \$47.57 billion, down 20%, and a net income of \$11.26 billion. The stock closed at \$349.82, down \$24.08 or 6.44%.
- Morgan Stanley (MS): reported its fourth quarter 2022 earnings with revenues of \$ 12.7 billion, down 12.4%, and net income of \$2.36 billion, which beat estimates. For the full year 2022, it reached revenues of \$53.66 billion, down 10.20%, and a net income of \$11.029 billion, down 26.63%. The stock closed at \$97.06, up \$5.40 or 5.89%.

Key Economic Data:

- Canada Consumer Price Index YoY: fell to 6.32%, compared to 6.80% last month.
- Canada Inflation Rate: fell to 6.32%, compared to 6.80% last month.
- Germany Consumer Price Index YoY: fell to 8.60%, compared to 10.00% last month.
- **ZEW Indicator of Economic Sentiment for Germany:** rose to 16.90, up from -23.30 last month.
- **UK ILO Unemployment Rate**: is unchanged at 3.70%, compared to 3.70% last month.

- **Japan Industrial Production Index MoM:** is at -0.10%, compared to -3.25% last month.
- **Japan Machinery Orders YoY**: rose to 5.29%, compared to 2.39% last month.
- China Real GDP QoQ: rose to 3.90%, compared to -2.60% last quarter.

Puerto Rico COVID-19 Update January 17:

Daily Cases: 241

Positivity Rate: 21.39%Hospitalizations: 253

• Deaths: 8

Source P.R. Department of Health.

Eurozone Summary for January 17:

- Stoxx 600 closed at 456.04, up 1.41 points or 0.31%.
- FTSE 100 closed at 7,851.03, down 9.04 points or 0.12%.
- Dax Index closed at 15,177.90, up 43.46 points or 0.29%.

Wall Street Summary for January 17:

- Dow Jones Industrial Average closed at 33,910.85, down 391.76 points or 1.14%.
- S&P 500 closed at 3,990.97, down 8.12 points or 0.20%.
- Nasdaq Composite closed at 11,095.11, up 15.96 points or 0.14%.
- Birling Capital Puerto Rico Stock index closed at 2,629.01, up 0.58 points or 0.02%.
- U.S. Treasury 10-year note closed at 3.53%.
- U.S. Treasury 2-year note closed at 4.18%.



Canada CPI, Canada Inflation Rate, Germany CPI, ZEW Indicator of Economic Sentiment for Germany and UK Unemployment

- Canada Consumer Price Index YoY (I:CPIYY)
- Canada Inflation Rate (I:CIRUMY)
- Germany Consumer Price Index YoY (I:GCCPNGCS)
- ZEW Indicator of Economic Sentiment for Germany (I:ZEWIESG)
- UK ILO Unemployment Rate: Aged 16-64 (I:UKILSEZC)



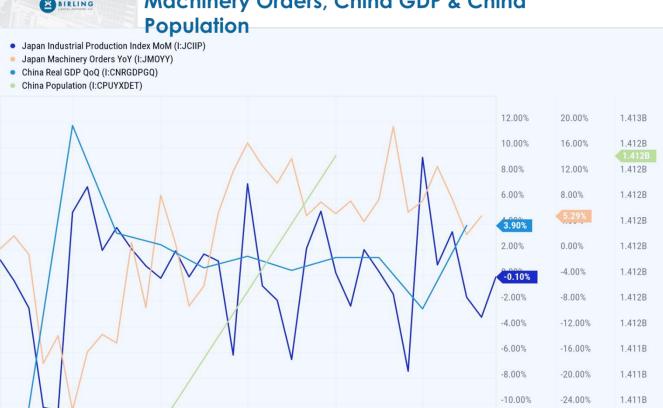


Jul '20

Jan '21

Jul '21

Japan Industrial Production Index, Japan Machinery Orders, China GDP & China



Jan '22

-12.00%

Jul '22

-28.00%

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