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**AUSTRALIA** 

AiG Perf of Mfg Nov prev 53.2 (9.30am) RP Data-Rismark House Prices Nov prev 1.3% (10.00am)

TD-MI Inflation Nov prev 0.1% (10.30am) Building Approvals Oct exp -3.0% prev 14.4% (11.30am)

Business Indicators Q3 (11.30am) Company Profits exp 1.0% prev -0.8% Inventories exp -0.3% prev 0.2% Invent. cont to GDP exp -0.2ppts prev 0.2%

**CHINA** 

HSBC-Markit Mfg PMI Nov exp 50.5 prev 50.9 (12.45pm)

**EURO ZONE** 

Mfg PMI Nov final exp 51.5 prev 51.5 (8pm)

Capital Spend. Q3 y/y prev 0.0% (10.50am)

**NEW ZEALAND** 

Terms of Trade Q3 prev 4.9% (8.45am) UNITED KINGDOM

PMI Mfg Nov exp 56.5 prev 56.0 (8.30pm)

**UNITED STATES** 

US Fed Chairman Bernanke Speech (12:30am)

ISM Mfg Nov exp 55.0 prev 56.4 (2am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

ANZ Job Ads Nov prev -0.1% (11.30am)

CHINA

CPI Nov y/y prev 3.2% (12.30pm) PPI Nov y/y prev -1.5% (12.30pm)

**EURO ZONE** 

German Industrial Production Oct prev

-0.9% (10pm)

JAPAN

Current Acc't Oct prev ¥587.3bn (10.50am) GDP Q3 prev 0.5% (10.50am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

Balance of Payments Q3 (11.30am) Current Account exp -\$11.9bn prev -\$9.4bn Net Exports Cont. to GDP exp 0.4ppts prev 0.0ppts

Retail Sales Oct exp 0.5% prev 0.8% (11.30am)

Govt Finance Statistics Q3 (11.30am) RBA Cash Rate Decision Dec exp 2.50% prev 2.50% (2.30pm)

CHINA

Non-Mfg PMI Nov prev 56.3 (12pm) **EURO ZONE** 

PPI Oct exp -0.2% prev 0.1% (9pm)

UNITED KINGDOM

PMI Construction Nov exp 59.0 prev 59.4 (mq0E.8)

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Housing Finance Oct (11.30am)

Value of Total exp 2.0% prev 5.3%

No. Owner Occupiers exp 1.0% prev 4.4%

NAB Bus Confidence Nov prev 5 (11.30am)

NAB Bus Conditions Nov prev -4 (11.30am)

Indust. Prod'n Nov y/y prev 10.3% (4.30pm)

Retail Sales Nov y/y prev 13.3% (4.30pm)

Industrial Prod'n Oct prev 0.9% (8.30pm)

Trade Balance Oct prev -£3.3bn (8.30pm)

NFIB Small Bus Optimism Nov prev 91.6

IBD/TIPP Eco Optimism Dec exp 43.0 prev 41.4 (2am)

**WED** 

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**AUSTRALIA** 

AiG Perf of Services Nov prev 47.9 (9.30am) GDP Q3 (11.30am)

g/g exp 0.7% prev 0.6% v/v exp 2.5% prev 2.6%

HSBC-Markit Services PMI Nov prev 52.6 (12.45pm)

**EURO ZONE** 

Services PMI Nov fin exp 50.9 prev 50.9

Comp. PMI Nov fin exp 51.5 prev 51.5 (8pm) GDP Q3 exp 0.1% prev 0.1% (9pm) Retail Sales Oct prev -0.6% (9pm)

UNITED KINGDOM

PMI Services Nov prev 62.5 (8.30pm)

**UNITED STATES** 

ADP Employment Change Nov exp 173k prev 130k (12.15am)

Trade Balance Oct exp -US\$40.2bn prev -US\$41.8bn (12.30am)

ISM Non-Mfg Nov exp 55.1 prev 55.4 (2am) New Home Sales Sep & Oct exp 430k (2am) Federal Reserve's Beige Book (6am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

Trade Balance Oct exp -\$400mn prev -\$284mn (11.30am)

**EURO ZONE** 

ECB Interest Rate Decision exp 0.25% prev 0.25% (11.45pm)

ECB Deposit Rate exp 0.00% prev 0.00% (11.45pm)

UNITED KINGDOM

BoE Rates exp 0.50% prev 0.50% (11pm) BoE Asset Purchase Target exp £375bn prev £375bn (11pm)

**UNITED STATES** 

GDP Q3 annualized 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate exp 3.1% prev 2.8% (12.30am)

Factory Orders Oct exp -1.0% prev 1.7% (2am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

AiG Perf of Constr'n Nov prev 54.4 (9.30am)

Trade Nov prev US\$31.1bn (8 Dec)

Exports v/v prev 5.6%

Imports y/y prev 7.6%

**EURO ZONE** 

German Factory Orders Oct exp -0.9% prev 3.3% (10pm)

**UNITED STATES** 

Non-Farm Payrolls Change Nov exp 183k prev 204k (12.30am)

Unemployment Rate Nov exp 7.2% prev 7.3% (12.30am)

Personal Income Oct exp 0.3% prev 0.5% (12.30am)

Personal Spending Oct exp 0.2% prev 0.2% (12.30am)

**UoM Consumer Confidence Dec preliminary** prev 75.1 (1.55am)

Consumer Credit Oct exp US\$14.5bn prev US\$13.7bn (7am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

Lending Finance Oct (11.30am)

Industrial Production Oct final (3.30pm)

**NEW ZEALAND** 

Business NZ PMI Nov prev 55.7 (8.30am) ANZ Consumer Confidence Dec prev 128.4

(11am) **UNITED STATES** 

PPI Nov exp 0.1% prev -0.2% (12.30am)

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**AUSTRALIA** 

WBC-MI Consumer Confidence Dec prev 110.3 (10.30am)

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Machine Orders Oct prev -2.1% (10.50am)

**AUSTRALIA** 

**WBC-MI Consumer Inflation Expectations** Dec prev 1.9% (11am)

WBC-MI Employment Expect'ns Dec (11am) Labour Force Nov (11.30am) Employment Change exp 15.0k prev 1.1k

Unemployment Rate exp 5.8% prev 5.7% Participation Rate exp 64.8% prev 64.8%

**EURO ZONE** 

ECB Monthly Report (8pm) Industrial Production Oct prev -0.5% (9pm)

**NEW ZEALAND** 

RBNZ Official Cash Rate prev 2.50% (7am)

**UNITED STATES** 

Retail Sales Nov exp 0.3% prev 0.4%

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CHINA  HSBC Flash Mfg PMI Dec prev 50.4 (12.45pm)  EURO ZONE  PMI Manufacturing Dec (8pm)  PMI Composite Dec (8pm)  PMI Services Dec (8pm)  Trade Balance Oct prev €14.3bn (9pm)  JAPAN  Tankan Large Mfg Q4 prev 12 (10.50am)  UNITED STATES  NY Empire Mfg Dec prev -2.21 (12.30am)  Total Net TIC Flows Oct prev -US\$106.8bn (1am) Industrial Prod'n Nov prev -0.1% (1.15am)	AUSTRALIA Conference Board Leading Index Oct prev 0.3% (10am) RBA Board Meeting Minutes Dec (11.30am) New Motor Vehicle Sales Nov prev -3.1% (11.30am) RBA Assistant Governor Debelle Speech EURO ZONE Employment Change Q3 prev 0.9% (9pm) ZEW Eco Sentiment Dec prev 60.2 (9pm) CPI Nov prev -0.1% (9pm) UNITED KINGDOM PPI Inputs Nov prev -0.6% (8.30pm) PPI Outputs Nov prev -0.3% (8.30pm) CPI Nov y/y prev 2.2% (8.30pm) Core CPI Nov y/y prev 1.7% (8.30pm) UNITED STATES CPI Nov prev -0.1% (12.30am) Current Account Q3 prev -US\$98.9bn (12.30am) NAHB Housing Index Dec prev 54 (2am)	AUSTRALIA WBC Leading Index Nov prev 0.1% (10.30am) DEWR Vacancies Nov prev -0.1% (11am) CHINA Property Prices Nov (12.30pm) MNI Business Sentiment Dec (12.45pm) Conf Board Leading Econ Index Nov (1pm) EURO ZONE Ger. IFO Bus Climate Dec prev 109.3 (8pm) JAPAN Trade Nov prev -¥1092.7bn (10.50am) NEW ZEALAND Current Acc't Q3 prev -NZ\$1.3bn (8.45am) ANZ Bus Confidence Dec prev 60.5 (11am) UNITED KINGDOM Bank of England Minutes (8:30pm) Jobless Claims Chg Nov prev -41.7k (8.30pm) ILO Unemploy. Rate Oct prev 7.6% (8.30pm) UNITED STATES Housing Starts Nov (12.30am) Building Permits Nov prev 6.7% (12.30am) FOMC Rate Decision prev 0.25% (6am) Fed's Monthly Asset Purchases Dec exp \$85bn prev \$85bn (6am)	AUSTRALIA RBA Monthly Bulletin Q4 (11.30am) EURO ZONE Current Account Oct prev €13.7bn (8pm) NEW ZEALAND ANZ Job Ads Nov prev 4.5% (8am) GDP Q3 prev 0.2% (8.45am) UNITED KINGDOM Retail Sales Nov prev -0.7% (8:30pm) UNITED STATES Philadelphia Fed Index Dec prev 6.5 (2am) Existing Home Sales Nov prev -3.2% (2am) Leading Index Nov prev 0.2% (2am)	EURO ZONE Consumer Confidence Dec prev -15.4 (2am) German GfK Consumer Confidence Jan prev 7.4 (6pm) JAPAN BoJ Target Rate prev 0.10% BoJ Monetary Base Target 2014 prev ¥270tn UNITED KINGDOM GfK Consumer Confidence Dec (11.05am) Current Account Q3 prev -£13.0bn (8.30pm) GDP Q3 3 <sup>rd</sup> estimate prev 0.8% (8.30pm) UNITED STATES GDP Q3 3 <sup>rd</sup> estimate (12.30am) Kansas City Fed Mfg Dec prev 7 (3am)
UNITED STATES Chicago Fed National Activity Nov prev -0.18 (12.30am) Personal Income & Spending Nov (12.30am) UoM Consumer Confidence Dec final (1.55am)	UNITED STATES Durable Goods Orders Nov prev -2.0% (12.30am) House Price Index Oct prev 0.3% (1am) New Home Sales Nov (2am) Richmond Fed Mfg Dec prev 13 (2am)	AUSTRALIA Christmas Day Public Holiday	AUSTRALIA Boxing Day Public Holiday JAPAN Housing Starts Nov (4pm)	CHINA Industrial Profits Nov y/y YTD prev 13.7% (12.30pm) JAPAN Jobless Rate Nov prev 4.0% (10.30am) National CPI Nov y/y prev 1.1% (10.30am) Industrial Production Nov (10.50am) Retail Trade Nov prev -1.0% (10.50am)



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UNITED STATES Pending Home Sales Nov prev -0.6% (2am) Dallas Fed Mfg Dec prev 1.9 (2.30am)	AUSTRALIA Private Sector Credit Nov (11.30am) UNITED STATES ISM Milwaukee Dec (1am) S&P/Case-Shiller Home Prices Oct prev 1.0% (1am) Chicago PMI Dec prev 63.0 (1.45am)			

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