

# Key events in developed markets next week

Next week's calendar looks light in the US, with much of the data unlikely to have a significant impact, the highlights being existing home sales and the leading index. Despite the UK entering a technical recession in the final quarter of 2023, we expect PMI data to point to a recovery in activity during the first quarter. Inflation in Canada to hover above 3%



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## ✓ US: Existing home sales and leading index the highlights of next week

Federal Reserve interest rate cut expectations have been significantly scaled back in the wake of strong GDP, jobs and consumer price inflation. At the start of the year, the market was looking for 175bp of cuts this year starting in March, today the pricing is for a mere 100bp of cuts starting in June. The upcoming data is unlikely to have that much impact though with next week's calendar looking light. Existing home sales and the leading index will be the highlights in terms of the data, but we will at least have several Fed speeches to digest and the minutes of the 31 January FOMC

meeting.

## IV UK: PMIs to point to recovery in activity during 1Q

The UK entered a technical recession in the final quarter of 2023, though in practice the economy broadly stagnated last year. Things are looking up in 2024 though, and we've seen an encouraging recovery in the service-sector purchasing managers index (PMI) over the past couple of months. Interestingly that's in contrast to the eurozone equivalent index, which has been more subdued. We think the economy should return to modest growth both in this and coming quarters, with the consumer outlook improving and rate cuts on the horizon. That said, the growth figures aren't what will determine the timing of the first rate cut from the Bank of England, which instead is focused on services inflation and wage growth as key guiding metrics.

## 🗹 Canada: Inflation hovering just above 3%

In Canada we will have inflation data which is likely to show inflation hovering just above 3%. This won't be enough to trigger an imminent Bank of Canada policy rate cut, but we do expect them to start easing by the June policy meeting.

Country	Time Data/event	ING	Survey	Prev.
	Monday 19 February			
Sweden	0700 Jan CPI (MoM%/YoY%)	-/-	/	0.7/4.4
	0700 Jan CPIF (YoY%)	3.0	/	2.3
	Tuesday 20 February			
	1500 Jan leading index (MoM%)	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1
Canada	1330 Jan CPI Inflation (MoM%/YoY%)	0.3/3.2	0.4/3.3	-0.3/3.4
	1330 Jan CPI BoC Core (MoM%/YoY%)	-		-0.5/2.6
Eurozone	0900 Dec Current Account SA, EUR	-		24.6
	Wednesday 21 February			
US	1700 Jan 31 FOMC meeting minutes	-	-	-
Eurozone	1500 Feb Consumer Confidence Flash	-		-16.1
	Thursday 22 February			
US	1330 Initial Jobless Claims	225	-	212
	1330 Continuing Jobless Claims	1910	-	1895
	1445 Feb S&P Global Manufacturing Flash PMI	-	50.1	50.7
	1445 Feb S&P Global Services Flash PMI	-	52	52.5
	1445 Feb S&P Global Composite Flash PMI	-		52
	1500 Jan existing home sales (mn)	3.92	3.97	3.78
Germany	0830 Feb S&P Global Manufacturing Flash PMI	45.7		45.5
	0830 Feb S&P Global Service Flash PMI	47.3		47.7
	0830 Feb S&P Global Composite Flash PMI	47.1		47
France	0815 Feb S&P Global Composite Flash PMI	-		44.6
UK	0930 Feb Flash Composite PMI	53.1		52.9
	0930 Feb Flash Manufacturing PMI	47.5		47
	0930 Feb Flash Services PMI	54.5		54.3
Canada	1330 Dec Retail Sales (MoM%)	-		-0.2
Eurozone	0900 Feb S&P Global Manufacturing Flash PMI	-		46.6
	0900 Feb S&P Global Services Flash PMI	-		48.4
	0900 Feb S&P Global Composite Flash PMI	-		47.9
	1000 Jan CPI (YoY%)	-		3.3
	Friday 23 February			
Germany	0700 Q4 GDP Detailed (QoQ%/YoY%)	-0.3/-0.4	/	-0.3/-0.4
	0900 Feb Ifo Business Climate	85.5		85.2
	0900 Feb Ifo Current Conditions	87.5		87
	0900 Feb Ifo Expectations	83.7		83.5
Eurozone	0900 Jan Money-M3 Annual Grwth	-		0.1
	0900 Jan Broad Money	-		16112378

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