ST.GEORGE MONTHLY ECONOMIC CALENDAR FEBRUARY 2012 MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY 2 3 1 AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA AiG Manufacturing PMI Jan prev 50.2 (9.30am) Bldg Approvals Dec exp -1.0% prev 8.4% AiG Performance of Services Index Jan prev HIA Home Sales Dec prev 6.8% (11am) (11.30am) 49.0 (9.30am) ABS House Prices Q4 (11.30am) Trade Balance Nov exp \$1.3bn prev \$1.4bn CHINA g/g exp 0.0% prev -1.2% Non Manufacturing PMI Jan prev 56.0 (12pm) (11.30am) y/y exp -2.7% prev -2.2% EURO ZONE HSBC Services PMI Jan prev 52.5 (1.30pm) CHINA PPI Dec exp -0.1% prev 0.2% (9pm) Leading Index Dec prev 100.18 (3-5 Feb) Mfg PMI Jan exp 49.6 prev 50.3 (12pm) NEW ZEALAND EURO ZONE HSBC Mfg PMI Jan prev 48.7 (1.30pm) Employment Change Q4 prev 0.2% (8.45pm) PMI Comp. Jan fin exp 50.4 prev 50.4 (8pm) EURO ZONE Unemployment Rate Q4 prev 6.6% (8.45pm) PMI Services Jan fin exp 50.5 prev 50.5 (8pm) PMI Mfg Jan final exp 48.7 prev 48.7 (8pm) UNITED KINGDOM Retail Sales Dec exp 0.3% prev -0.8% (9pm) UNITED KINGDOM PMI Construction Jan exp 52.5 prev 53.2 UNITED KINGDOM N'wide House Prices Jan exp -0.2% prev -(8.30pm) PMI Services Jan exp 53.3 prev 54.0 (8.30pm) UNITED STATES UNITED STATES 0.2% (6pm) Unit Labour Costs Q4 exp 0.9% prev -2.5% PMI Mfg Jan exp 50.0 prev 49.6 (8.30pm) Non Farm Payrolls Jan exp 150k prev 200k Halifax House Prices Jan prev -0.9% (1-9 Feb) (12.30am) (12.30am) UNITED STATES Non-farm Productivity Q4 exp 0.8% prev 2.3% Unemployment Rate Jan exp 8.5% prev 8.5% ADP Employment Jan exp 183k prev 325k (12.30am) (12.30am) ISM Non-Mfg Jan exp 53.2 prev 52.6 (2am) (12.15am) Const'n Spendg Dec exp 0.5% prev 1.2% (2am) Factory Orders Dec exp 1.5% prev 1.8% (2am) ISM Mfg Index Jan exp 54.5 prev 53.9 (2am) 6 7 8 9 10 AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA CHINA AUSTRALIA TD-MI Inflation y/y Jan prev 2.4% (10:30am) AiG Construction PMI Jan prev 41.0 (9.30am) WBC-MI Cons Conf Feb prev 2.4% (10.30am) PPI Jan y/y prev 1.7% (12.30pm) RBA Statement on Monetary Policy (11.30am) ANZ Job Ads Jan prev -0.9% (11.30am) Overseas & Arrivals Dec (11:30am) JAPAN CPI Jan y/y prev 4.1% (12.30pm) CHINA Retail Sales (11.30am) RBA Board Meeting & Cash Rate Decision Current Account Dec prev ¥138.5bn (10.50am) EURO ZONE Trade Balance Jan prev US\$16.5bn Exports Jan y/y prev 13.4% Dec (values) exp 0.3% prev 0.0% Feb exp 4.00% prev 4.25% (2.30pm) ECB Rate Decision exp 1.0% prev 1.0% Q4 (volumes) exp 0.3% prev 0.6% EURO ZONE (11.45pm) Imports Jan y/y prev 11.8% EURO ZONE German Indust. Prod'n Dec prev -0.6% (10pm) JAPAN JAPAN **NEW ZEALAND** GDP Q4 prev 1.4% (10.50am) German Factory Orders Dec prev -4.8% (10pm) Machine Orders Dec prev 14.8% (10.50am) Avg Hourly Earnings Q4 prev 1.3% (8.45pm) UNITED KINGDOM JAPAN Consumer Confidence Jan prev 38.9 (4pm) Machine Tool Orders Jan prev 17.4% (6-10 NIESR GDP Estimate Jan prev 0.1% (2am) JAPAN UNITED KINGDOM Leading Index Dec prev 93.2 (4pm) PPI Input Jan prev -0.6% (8.30pm) Febl Industrial Production Dec prev -0.7% (8.30pm) UNITED KINGDOM UNITED KINGDOM Trade Balance Dec prev -£2566m (8.30pm) PPI Output Jan prev -0.2% (8.30pm) BRC Sales y/y Jan prev 2.2% (11.01am) Lloyd's Employment Confidence Jan prev -75 BoE Asset Purchase Target Feb prev £275bn UNITED STATES (11.01am) UNITED STATES (11pm) Trade Dec exp -US\$46.3bn prev -US\$47.8bn IBD/TIPP Eco Optimism Feb prev 47.5 (2am) BoE Int rates exp 0.50% prev 0.50% (11pm) (12.30am) Consumer Credit Dec exp US\$8.5bn prev -UNITED STATES UoM Consumer Confidence Feb preliminary US\$20.4b (7am) Wholesale Inventories Dec prev 0.1% (2am) prev 75.0 (1.55am) 13 14 15 16 17 AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIA CHINA Housing Finance Dec (11.30am) RBA Ass't Governor Debelle Speech (8.30am) WBC Leading Index Dec prev -0.2% (10.30am) RBA Ass't Governor Lowe Speech (9.10am) MNI Flash Business Sentiment Feb (12.35pm) NAB Business Survey Jan (11.30am) Lending Finance Nov (11.30am) WBC-MI Cons Infl'n Exp Feb prev 2.8% (11am) Property Prices Jan (18th Feb) No. owner occupier loans exp 1.5% prev 1.4% Value of all loans exp 1.0% prev 2.2% EURO ZONE Motor Vehicle Sales Jan prev -2.9% (11.30am) WBC-MI Unemployment Expectns Feb (11am) EURO ZONE Current Account Dec prev -€1.8bn (8pm) NEW ZEALAND

REINZ Housing Price Index Jan prev -0.1% (13th –16th Feb)

JAPAN

Tertiary Industry Index Dec prev -0.8% (10.50am)

UNITED KINGDOM

Nationwide Consumer Confidence Jan prev 38 (13 – 18 Feb)

Industrial Production Dec prev 0.0% (9pm) ZEW Eco Sentiment Feb prev -32.5 (9pm) NEW ZEALAND QV House Prices Jan y/y prev 2.4% [10am] JAPAN Industrial Production Dec (3.30pm)

Bank of Japan Target Rate exp 0.1% prev 0.1% UNITED KINGDOM

RICS House Prices Jan prev -16% (11.1am) DCLG House Prices Dec prev -0.3% [8.30pm] CPI Jan prev 0.4% (8.30pm)

UNITED STATES

Import Price Index Jan prev -0.1% [12.30am] Retail Sales Jan prev 0.1% (12.30am) Business Inventories Dec prev 0.3% (2am)

EURO ZONE GDP Q4 (9pm)

Trade Balance Dec prev €6.1bn (9pm) NEW ZEAL AND

Retail Sales ex Inflation Q4 prev 2.2% (8.45am) UNITED KINGDOM

Jobless Claims Cha Dec prev 1.2k (8.30pm) ILO Unemploy. Rate Dec prev 8.4% (8.30pm) Bank of England Inflation Report (9.30pm) UNITED STATES

Empire Mfg Feb prev 13.48 (12.30am) Total Net TIC Flows Dec prev US\$48.6bn (1am) Industrial Production Jan prev 0.4% (1.15am) NAHB Housing Market Index Feb prev 25 (2am) Federal Reserve FOMC Minutes (6am)

Labour Force Jan (11.30am) Employment Chg exp 15k prev -29.3k Unemployment Rate exp 5.5% prev 5.2% Participation Rate exp 65.4% prev 65.2% EURO ZONE ECB Monthly Report Feb (8pm) NEW ZEALAND

ANZ NZ Job Ads Jan prev -2.3% (8.00am) Business NZ PMI Jan (8.30am) ANZ Cons Confidence Feb prev 7.1% [11am] UNITED STATES

Producer Prices Jan prev -0.1% (12.30am) Housing Starts Jan prev -4.1% (12.30am) Building Permits Jan prev -0.1% (12.30am) Philadelphia Fed Index Feb prev 7.3 (2am)

Construction Output Dec prev 0.8% (9pm)

UNITED KINGDOM

Retail Sales Jan prev 0.6% (8.30pm) UNITED STATES Consumer Prices Jan prev 0.0% (12.30am)

Leading Indicators Jan prev 0.4% (2am)

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20 AUSTRALIA Merchandise Imports Jan (11:30am) EURO ZONE PMI Manufacturing Feb (21-25 th Feb) NEW ZEALAND Performance Services Index Jan (8.30am) PPI Output Q4 prev 0.2% (8.45am) RBNZ 2yr Inflation Exp Q1 prev 2.8% (1pm) JAPAN Merchandise Trade Balance Jan (10.50am) Leading Index Dec (4pm) UNITED KINGDOM Rightmove House Prices Feb prev -0.8% (11.01am)	21 AUSTRALIA Minutes of the RBA Board Meeting (11.30am) RBA Governor Stevens Panel Speech (1.30pm) JAPAN All Industry Activity Index Dec prev –1.1% (3.30pm) UNITED KINGDOM Public Sector Net Borrowing Jan (8.30pm) UNITED STATES Chicago Fed Nat'l Activity Jan prev 0.17 (12.30am)	22 AUSTRALIA Conf Board Leading Index Dec prev -0.3%(10am) DEWR Internet Skilled Vacancies Jan prev -1.1% (11am) Wage Cost Index Q4 (11.30am) q/q exp 0.8% prev 0.7% y/y exp 3.4% prev 3.6% CHINA HSBC Flash Mfg PMI Feb prev 48.8 (22-25 Feb) EURO ZONE Consumer Confidence Feb (2am) Industrial New Orders Dec (9pm) UNITED KINGDOM BoE Board Meeting Minutes (8.30pm) UNITED STATES Existing Home Sales Jan prev 5.0% (2am)	23 AUSTRALIA Average Weekly Wages Nov Qtr (11.30am) q/q exp 1.0% prev 1.2% y/y exp 4.7% prev 5.3% RBA Head of Finl Stability Ellis Speech (9am) EURO ZONE PMI Composite Feb (23 rd -29 th Feb) PMI Services Feb (23 rd -29 th Feb) German IFO Bus Climate Feb prev 108.3 (8pm) JAPAN Small Business Confidence Feb (23- 29 Feb) UNITED KINGDOM BBA Loans for House Purchase Jan (8.30pm) UNITED STATES House Price Index Dec prev 0.2% (2am) Kansas City Fed Mfg Feb prev 7 (3am)	24 AUSTRALIA RBA Governor Stevens Semi-Annual Testimony before Parliament (9.30am) CHINA MNI Business Conditions Survey Feb (12.35pm) UNITED KINGDOM GDP Q4 (8.30pm) Index of Services Dec (8.30pm) UNITED STATES UoM Consumer Confidence Feb final (1.55am) New Home Sales Jan prev -2.2% (2am)
27 AUSTRALIA CBA/HIA House Affordability Q4 prev 57.2 (11am) CHINA Leading Index Jan (27 th -29 th Feb) NEW ZEALAND Trade Balance Jan (8.45am) UNITED KINGDOM Nationwide House Prices Feb (27 th Feb - 1 st Mar) UNITED STATES Pending Home Sales Jan prev -3.5% (2am) Dallas Fed Manufacturing Feb (2.30am)	28 EURO ZONE Business Climate Indicator Feb (9pm) Consumer Confidence Feb (9pm) Economic Confidence Feb (9pm) German GfK Cons Conf Mar prev 5.9 (6pm) German CPI Feb (28 th -29 th Feb) JAPAN Retail Trade Jan (10.50am) Durable Goods Orders Jan prev 3.8% (12.30am) S&P/Case Shiller Home Prices Dec (1am) Consumer Confidence Feb (2am) Richmond Fed Mfg Index Feb (2am)	29 AUSTRALIA RP-Data-Rismark House Prices Jan (10.30am) HIA New Home Sales Jan (11am) Private Sector Credit Jan exp 0.3% prev 0.3% (11.30am) Construction Work Done Q4 exp 4.0% prev 12.5% (11.30am) Retail Sales Jan (11.30am) EURO ZONE CPI Jan prev 0.3% (9pm) German Retail Sales Jan (29 th Feb – 6 th Mar) NEW ZEALAND Building Permits Jan (8.45am) JAPAN Industrial Production Jan (10.50am) Construction Orders Jan (4pm) Housing Starts Jan (4pm) UNITED KINGDOM GfK Consumer Confidence Survey Feb (11.01am) Mortgage Approvals Jan (8.30pm) UNITED STATES GDP Q4 2 nd est. prev 2.8% (12.30am) Personal Consumption Q4 (12.30am) Chicago Purchasing Manager Feb (1.45am) NAPM-Milwaukee Feb (2am) Fed's Beige Book (6am)		

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