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▶▶▶ Economy

Reuters

► UK trade deficit narrows, manufacturing disappoints

Britain's trade deficit plunged in December to its lowest since July 2012, driven by erratic goods such as aircraft, but smaller-than-expected manufacturing growth underscored the challenge of rebalancing the economy.

The Sacramento Bee

► US producer prices dip 0.1 percent in February

The prices companies receive for their goods and services fell slightly in February, the latest sign that inflation is tame.

DEPOSITIONCurrencies

Daily FX

► Next Week is Critical for Equities From a Timing Perspective

EUR/USD recorded a new multi-year high yestersday before encountering strong resistance at the 50% retracement of the 2008/2010 decline near 1.3970.

Money Control

► GBP/USD holds steady after downbeat U.K. trade data

The pound was steady against the U.S. dollar on Friday, weighed by the release of disappointing U.K. trade balance data, while investors eyed upcoming U.S. economic reports to be published later...

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► All eyes on India inflation data as elections approach

As in prior votes, the economy is set to play a key role - and the government is under pressure to make sure growth is on track.

CNN

Mark Zuckerberg calls Obama to complain about NSA

"When our engineers work tirelessly to improve security, we imagine we're protecting you against criminals, not our own government," Zuckerberg wrote in a Facebook post Thursday afternoon.

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China Daily

▶ US threatens 'serious' steps against Russia

The top American envoy told some senators that Russia has an estimated 20,000 troops in Crimea, home to the Russian Black Sea Fleet, as the Russian-majority autonomous region is well certain to vote to leave....

The Hill

▶ Obama: Enough people have joined to make ObamaCare 'stable'

President Obama said Friday that enough people have already signed up for ObamaCare that he is "confident" his signature legislative accomplishment will function properly.

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Investing.com

► Gold futures near 6-month highs in risk-off trade

Gold futures were trading near six-month highs on Friday, as mounting concerns over tensions between Ukraine and Russia, coupled with worries over the outlook for growth in China boosted demand for the safe haven precious metal.

MarketWatch

► What Sunday's Crimea vote means for markets

Complacency is dangerous, so it's no surprise to see some position-squaring ahead of a Sunday referendum that's likely to see citizens...

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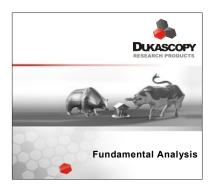
How many times since the start of the Great Recession have you heard a story like this one, from USA Today?

William Pesek

► China's 'House of Cards' Bond Market

The default of Shanghai Chaori Solar Energy Science & Technology Co. this month is being heralded as a watershed moment for China's bond market.













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