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▶▶▶ Economy

The Japan Times

▶ BOJ sees extra stimulus as counterproductive for now

Bank of Japan policymakers view further monetary easing to shore up inflation as a counterproductive step at present, amid concern it could trigger declines in the yen that damage confidence, sources said.

RTT News

▶ <u>U.S. Import Prices Fall Sharply Amid Continued Drop In Fuel Prices</u>
With fuel prices showing another substantial decrease, the Labor Department released a report on Friday showing another steep drop in U.S. import prices in the month of January.

▶▶▶ Currencies

FX Street

▶ GBP/USD edges higher after US data

The GBP/USD pair went from being a tad weaker at 1.5380 to modestly higher at 1.5395 levels after the data in the US showed the pace of decline in import prices slowed down in January.

WBP Online

► EUR/USD: Euro Falls Below \$1.14 as Morning Rally Fades

The pair failed to hold onto its morning gains and the rally was sold-off quickly, with the euro diving again below the \$1.14 mark.

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Bloomberg

► Obama Cybersecurity Plan Increases Bureaucracy: Hurd

U.S. Representative William Hurd, a Texas Republican, talks about President Barack Obama's proposals to combat cybersecurity.

CNBC

► Texas hit hard by oil's decline

CNBC's Brian Sullivan travels to the Lone Star state to get a first-hand look at how low crude prices have impacted oil-producing states.

▶▶▶ Politics

Business Insider

Angela Merkel has had an epically busy week

Kiev, Moscow, Munich, Washington, Ottawa, Minsk and Brussels -- all in a week's work for Angela Merkel, whose tireless efforts to broker peace in...

International Business Times

► <u>At Least 8 Killed In Ukraine Clashes In 24 Hours Despite Ceasefire</u> Deal And EU Warning

At least eight Ukrainian service personnel were killed and 34 others injured in clashes with pro-Russian rebels in the eastern part of the country in the last...

▶▶▶ Markets

Market Watch

Gold futures edge up, but weekly loss in sight

Gold futures edged higher Friday, with a second consecutive advance helping to narrow a weekly loss for the precious metal.

Reuters

► As U.S. oil tanks swell at record rate, traders ask: for how long?

Oil is flooding into U.S. storage tanks at an unprecedented rate, leading traders to wonder how long the hub in Cushing, Oklahoma, can keep absorbing its share of the global supply glut.

▶▶▶ Opinions

Chris Kimple

► Commodities: Bottom Right Now? Only 30% Of Investors Are Bullish

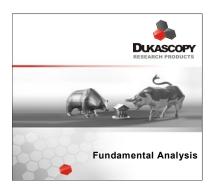
The large decline in Crude Oil and some other leading commodities of late has caused many to wonder if the world is entering into a period of "deflation."

Neil Staines

► No inflation? No problem!

Inflation, or more pertinently the lack thereof, has become the dominant driver of financial markets and global central bank policy over the past months and quarters.













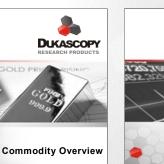
















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