

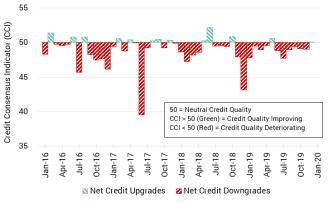
Credit Consensus Indicator (CCI) UK, EU & US Industrials

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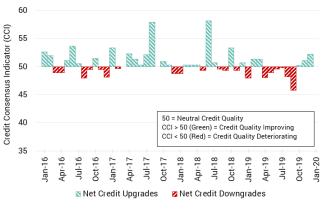


UK Industrials: Downgrade Trade Halted; Minimal Improvement

After 6 months of continuous net downgrades, UK Industrials have edged back into positive territory.

The improvement is marginal however, and the CCI sits at 50.05 this month.

The recent change of government has provided optimism for the sector after months of deterioration.

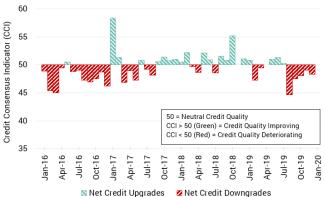


EU Industrials: CCI Continues to Improve

EU Industrials are showing small month-on-month improvements, with net upgrades for a third month running.

This month, the CCI sits at 52.2.

Economists have warned that EU manufacturing may be hit by coronavirus-related supply chain disruptions, so these improvements may prove short lived.



US Industrials: Negative Trend Persists

US Industrials have entered a fifth month of net downgrades.

This month the CCI sits at 48.3, a deterioration from last month's CCI of 49.1.

An interim trade deal with China is a positive step towards industrial gains, but many high tariffs still remain and the sector remains under pressure.

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