Arlington, Texas—The following table compares Decision Analyst's U.S. Economic Index to its Economic Indices for other countries. In Europe, Spain increased 5 points, followed by Germany, which increased 4 points. Russia's Economic Index, however, is down 9 points over the past year. In South America, Brazil's Economic Index has declined 23 points in the past year, while Argentina has increased 5 points. The Economic Index for each country tends to lead economic activity in each country by 6 to 12 months.

Decision Analyst Global Economic Indices July 2015			
North America		July 2015 Index	Past-12-Month Change (From July 2014 to July 2015)
	United States	107	<b>↑</b> +4
*	Canada	92	<b>↓</b> -6
	Mexico*	91	→ +/-0
South America			
•	Argentina*	86	<b>↑</b> +5
	Brazil*	85	<b>↓</b> -23
*	Chile*	96	<b>↓</b> -6
	Colombia*	104	→ +/-0
۵	Peru*	109	<b>↓</b> -1
Europe			
	France	89	<b>↑</b> +4
	Germany	105	<b>↑</b> +3
	Italy	93	<b>↑</b> +2
	Russian Federation*	96	<b>↓</b> -9
	Spain*	96	<b>↑</b> +5
	United Kingdom	108	<b>↑</b> +1
Australia/Asia			
* *	Australia*	94	→ +/-0
	India*	125	<b>↑</b> +1

\* The Index numbers for Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, India, Mexico, Peru, the Russian Federation, and Spain are 3-month moving averages to smooth out month-to-month fluctuations. The reported Index number averages the current month with the previous 2 months.



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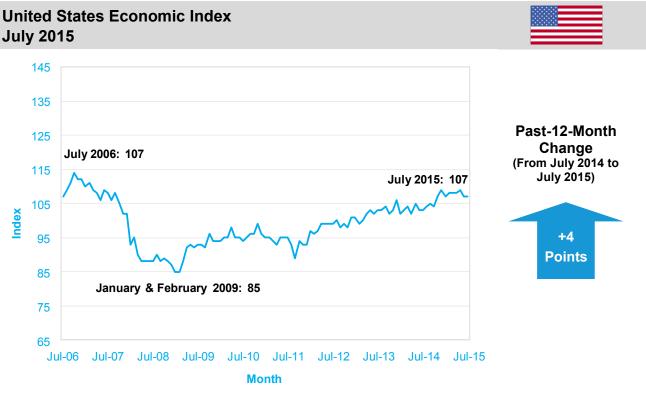
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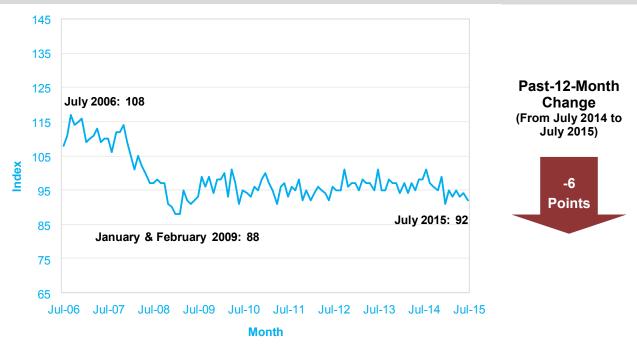
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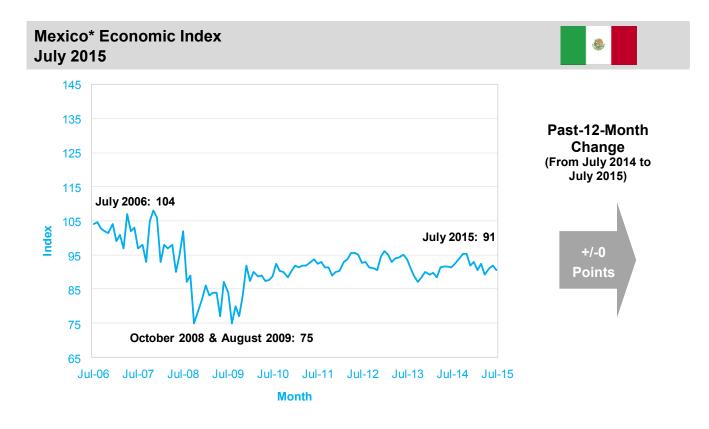
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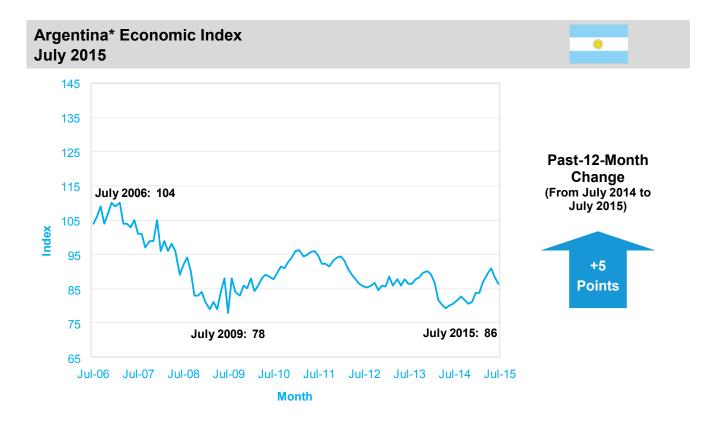


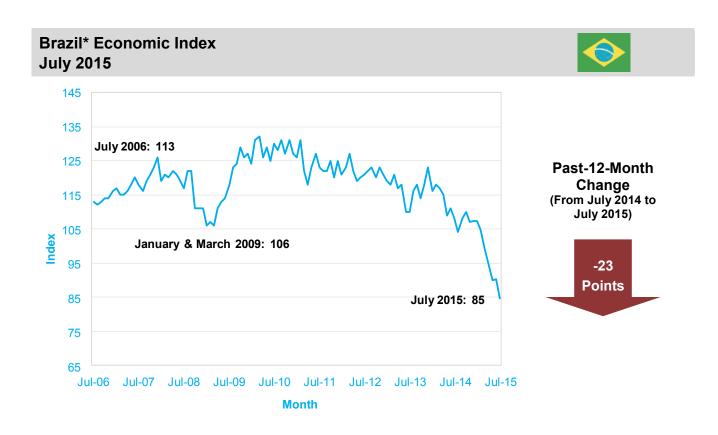
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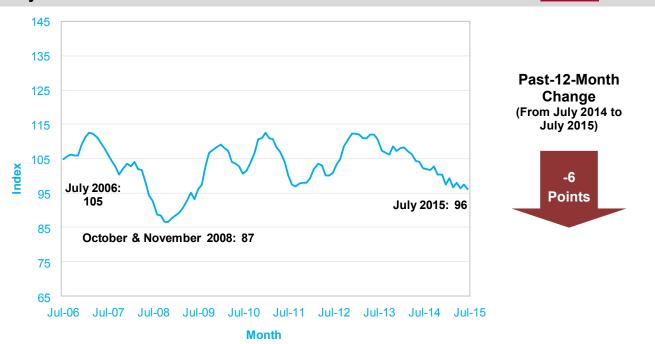


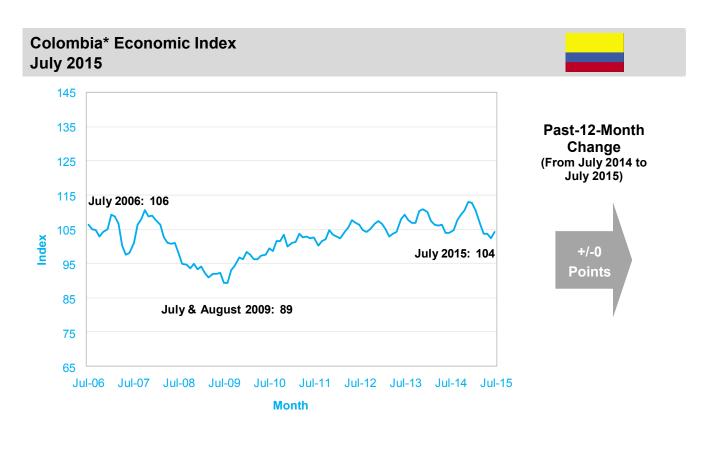
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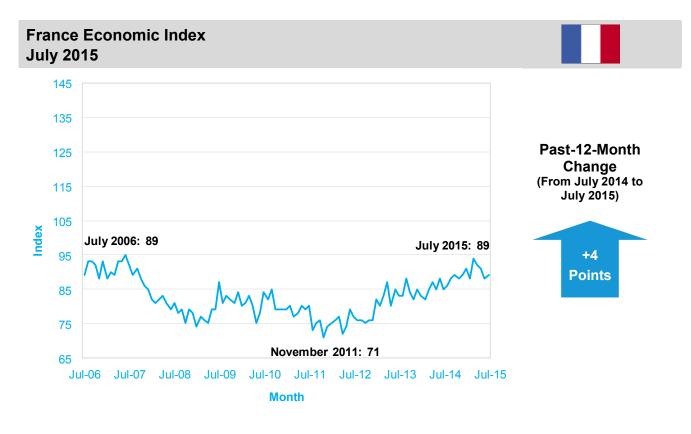


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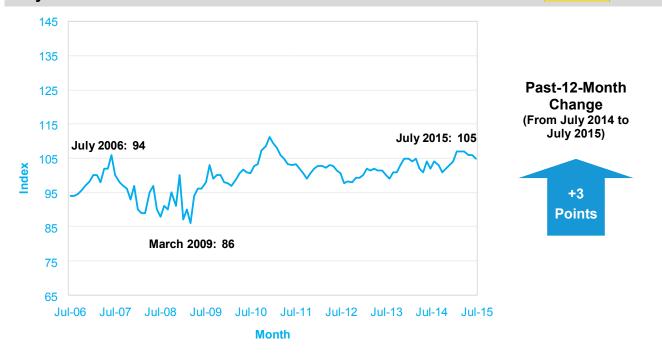


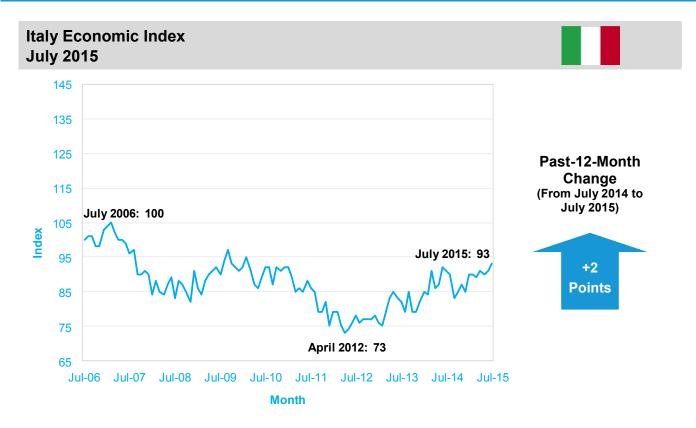
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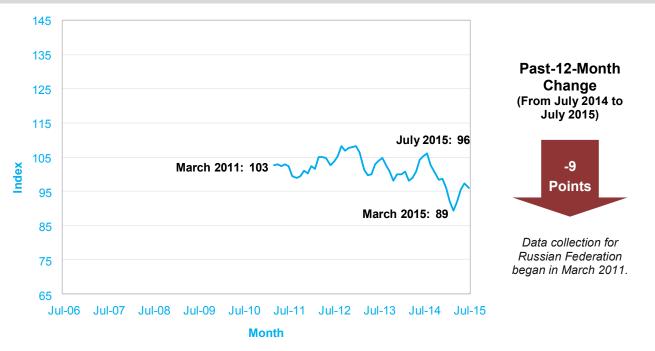


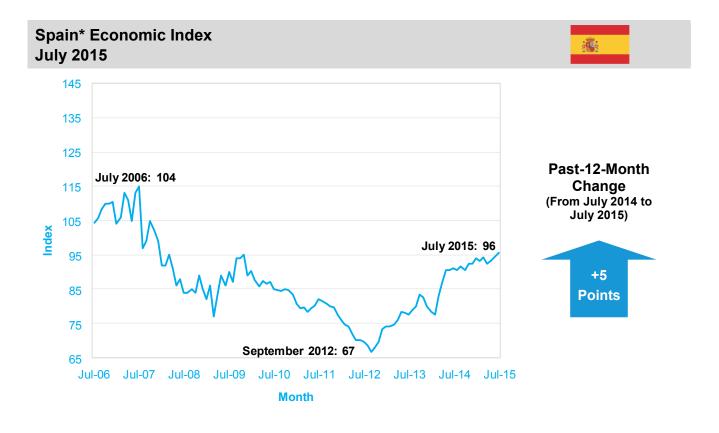
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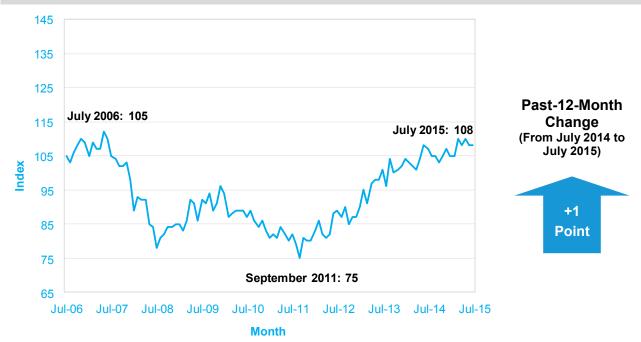


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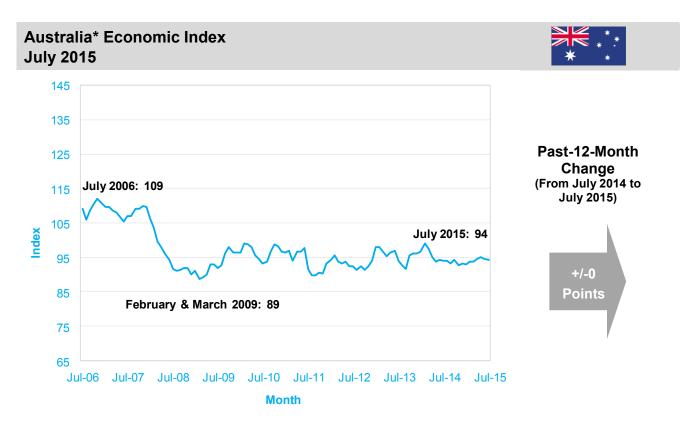




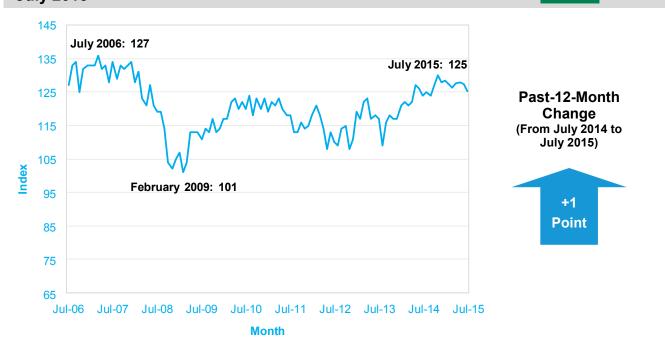
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## Australia/Asia



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### \*Three-Month Moving Average

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### **Methodology**

The Decision Analyst Economic Index is based on a monthly online survey of several thousand households balanced by gender, age, and geography. The scientific survey is conducted in the last 10 days of each month. The Economic Index is calculated from 9 different economic measurements using a sophisticated econometric model. The result is a snapshot of coming economic activity in each country surveyed, as seen through the eyes of representative consumers living in the respective countries.

Decision Analyst conducts its concurrent economic surveys each month in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, France, Germany, India, Italy, Mexico, Peru, the Russian Federation, Spain, United Kingdom, and the United States. Whenever the Decision Analyst Economic Index is greater than 110, it tends to signal an expanding economy. An Index value of 90 to 110 suggests a no-growth or slow-growth economy, and near or below 90 generally indicates economic contraction. These guidelines vary by country, however.

## **About Decision Analyst**

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