

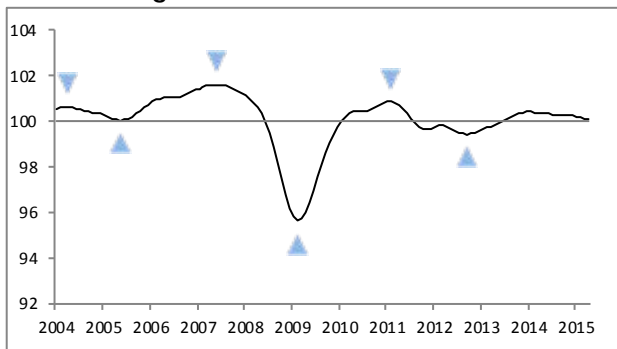
Composite leading indicators point to growth convergence in most major economies

Composite leading indicators (CLIs), designed to anticipate turning points in economic activity relative to trend, point to growth convergence across most major economies and within the OECD.

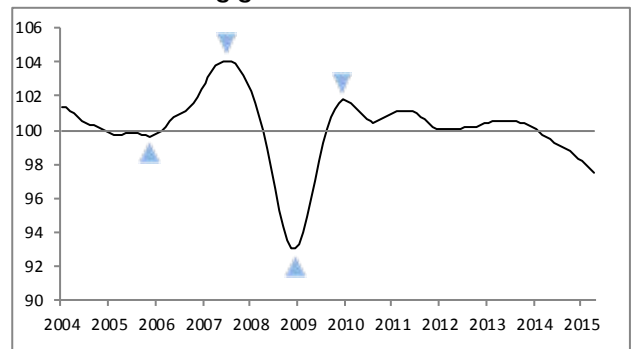
The CLIs point to firming growth in the **Euro area**, particularly in **France** and **Italy**, while growth momentum shows signs of easing in **Canada** and the **United States**. Stable growth momentum is anticipated in the **United Kingdom**, **Germany** and **Japan**.

Amongst other major economies, tentative signs of a positive change in growth momentum are emerging in **Russia** while the CLIs continue to point to stable growth momentum in **India** and to easing growth in **China**. However, a loss in growth momentum remains the outlook for **Brazil**.

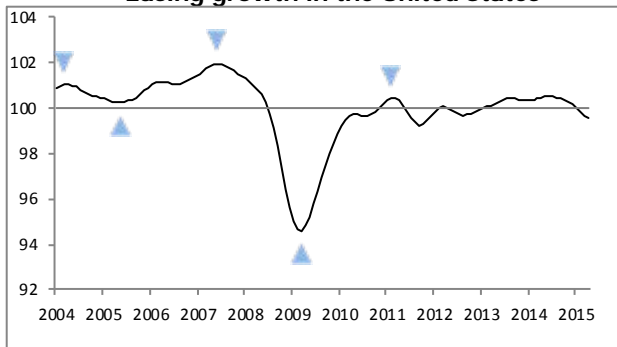
Stable growth momentum in the OECD area



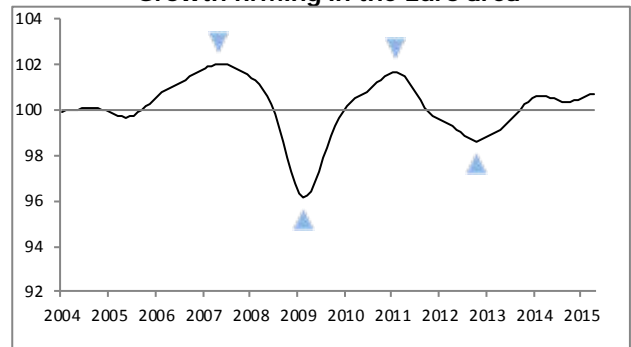
Easing growth in China



Easing growth in the United States



Growth firming in the Euro area



The above graphs show country specific composite leading indicators (CLIs). Turning points of CLIs tend to precede turning points in economic activity relative to trend by approximately six months. The horizontal line at 100 represents the trend of economic activity. Shaded triangles mark confirmed turning-points of the CLI. Blank triangles mark provisional turning-points that may be reversed.

Methodological Notes:

The CLI methodological notes are available at: www.oecd.org/std/leading-indicators/44728410.pdf

Watch our video explaining the CLIs: [HTTP://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?FEATURE=PLAYER_EMBEDDED&V=UY8iPW0GVAo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=UY8iPW0GVAo)

Access data: : http://stats.oecd.org/Index.aspx?DataSetCode=MEI_CLI

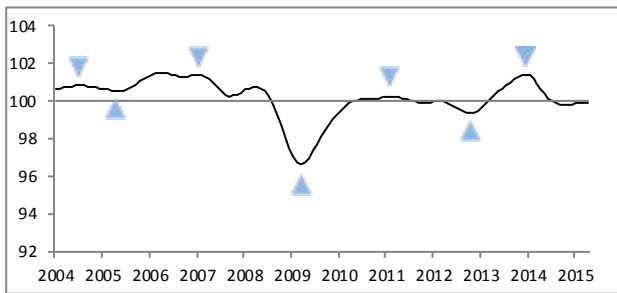
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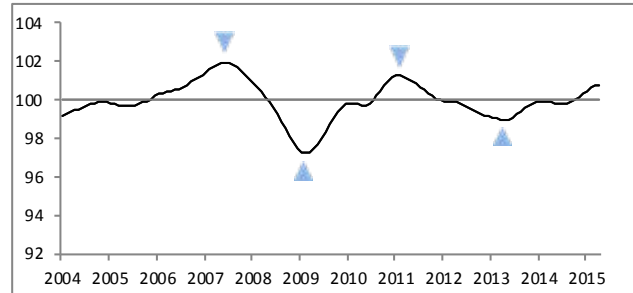
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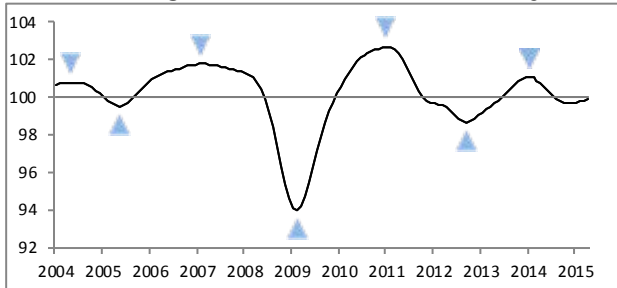
Stable growth momentum in Japan



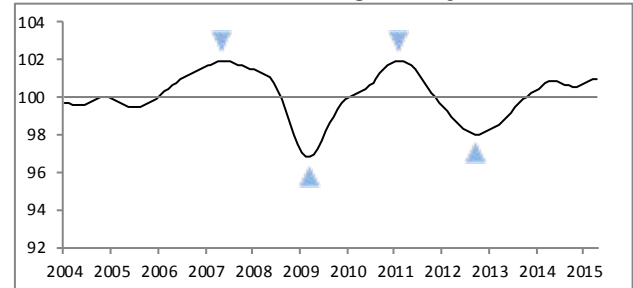
Growth firming in France



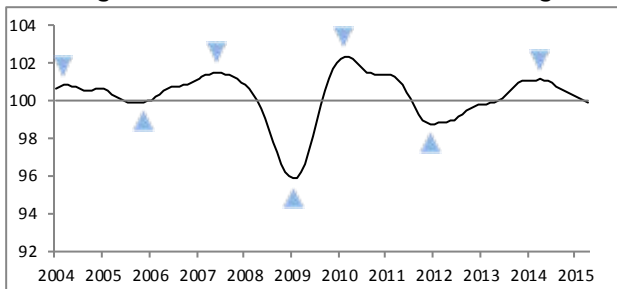
Stable growth momentum in Germany



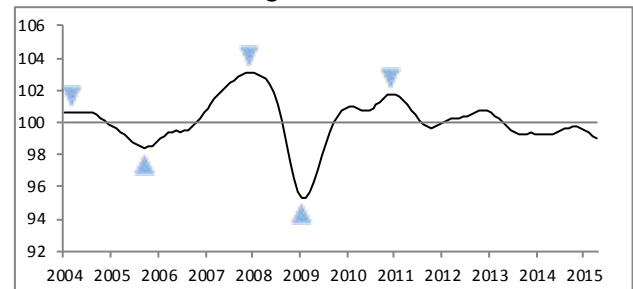
Growth firming in Italy



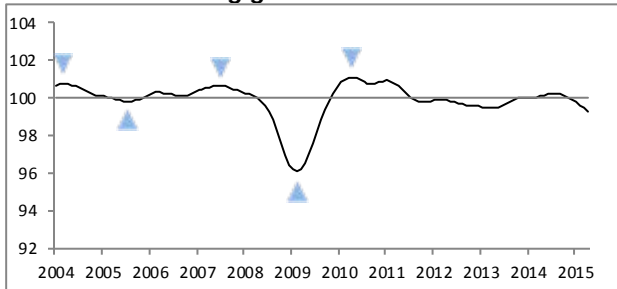
Stable growth momentum in the United Kingdom



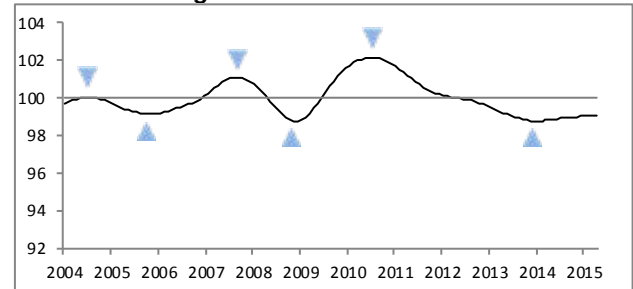
Growth losing momentum in Brazil



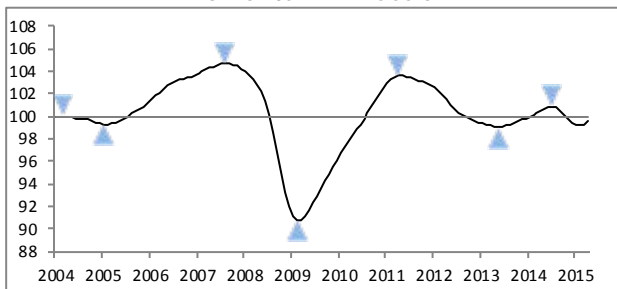
Easing growth in Canada



Stable growth momentum in India



Tentative signs of positive change in growth momentum in Russia



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Table 1: Composite Leading Indicators**

	Ratio to trend, amplitude adjusted					Month on Month change					Year on Year change	Growth cycle outlook
	(long term average =100)					(%)					(%)	
	2014		2015			2014		2015			Latest month	
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr		
OECD Area	100.3	100.2	100.2	100.1	100.1	-0.02	-0.02	-0.04	-0.05	-0.06	-0.30	Stable growth momentum
Euro Area	100.5	100.5	100.6	100.7	100.7	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.06	0.04	0.13	Growth firming
Major Five Asia*	99.1	99.0	98.9	98.7	98.6	-0.08	-0.09	-0.11	-0.11	-0.13	-1.07	Easing growth
Major Seven	100.1	100.1	100.0	99.9	99.8	-0.05	-0.06	-0.07	-0.08	-0.07	-0.70	Easing growth
Canada	99.9	99.8	99.6	99.5	99.3	-0.13	-0.15	-0.15	-0.15	-0.15	-0.78	Easing growth
France	100.3	100.5	100.6	100.7	100.8	0.17	0.17	0.14	0.10	0.06	0.91	Growth firming
Japan	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	100.0	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	-0.71	Stable growth momentum
Germany	99.7	99.7	99.8	99.8	99.9	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	-0.87	Stable growth momentum
Italy	100.7	100.8	100.9	100.9	101.0	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.06	0.16	Growth firming
United Kingdom	100.3	100.3	100.2	100.1	100.0	-0.09	-0.09	-0.09	-0.10	-0.11	-1.16	Stable growth momentum
United States	100.1	100.0	99.8	99.7	99.5	-0.12	-0.14	-0.16	-0.15	-0.14	-0.90	Easing growth
Brazil	99.6	99.5	99.3	99.1	99.0	-0.08	-0.12	-0.17	-0.20	-0.19	-0.26	Growth losing momentum
China	98.4	98.2	98.0	97.7	97.5	-0.20	-0.21	-0.22	-0.20	-0.23	-2.07	Easing growth
India	99.0	99.0	99.0	99.0	99.0	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.20	Stable growth momentum
Russia	99.4	99.2	99.2	99.3	99.6	-0.36	-0.22	-0.02	0.15	0.27	-0.96	Tentative signs of positive change in growth momentum

* China, India, Indonesia, Japan and Korea.

**CLI data for 33 OECD member countries and 6 OECD non-member economies are available at:

http://stats.oecd.org/wbos/default.aspx?datasetcode=MEI_CLI