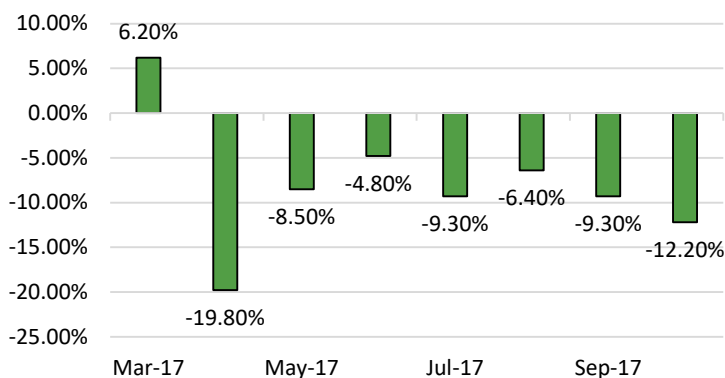


Here is a summary of the five most important economic stories of the week:

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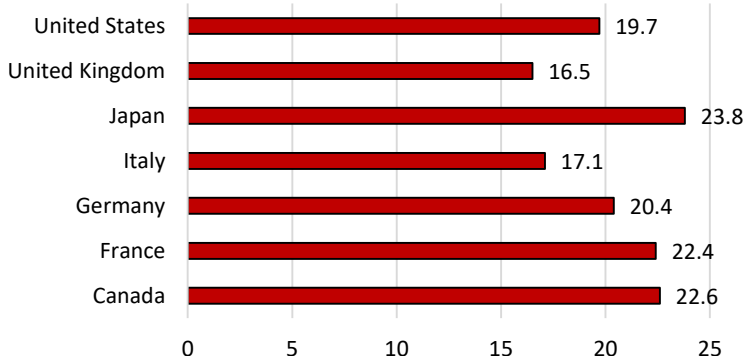


Car Registrations (12 Month Change):

UK car registrations fell for the seventh month in a row, with October bringing the fastest decline since the credit crunch.

To what extent is government policy on diesel cars affecting these figures?

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Capital Investment (% of GDP):

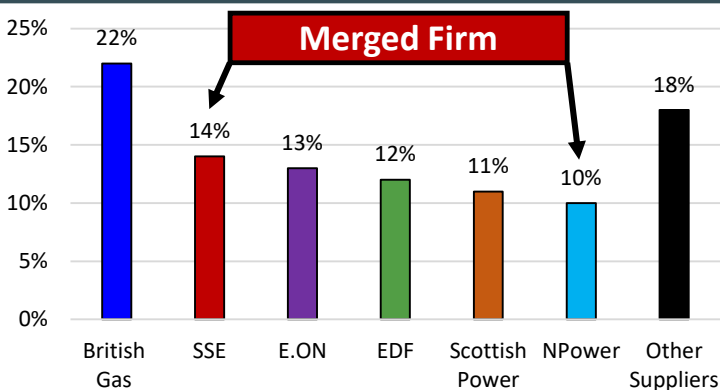
Figures by the ONS show the UK invested the lowest proportion of GDP on capital investment in the G7 in 2016.

UK Wages Impact?

Productivity Impact?

Growth Impact?

3



UK Energy Market Consolidation:

Two of the 'big six' energy firms in the UK have proposed a merger to raise efficiency.

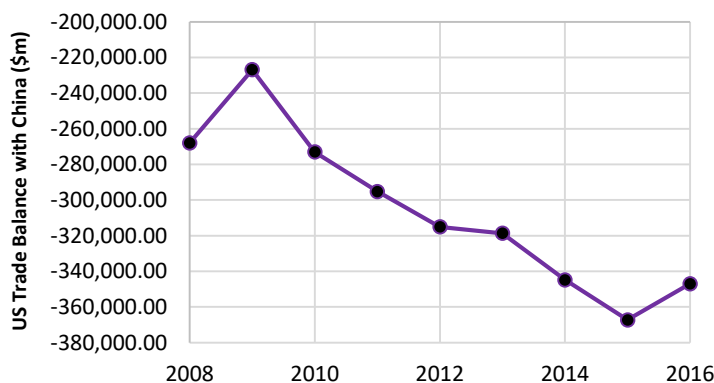
Profits?

Prices?

Rivalry?

Will the CMA allow this merger?

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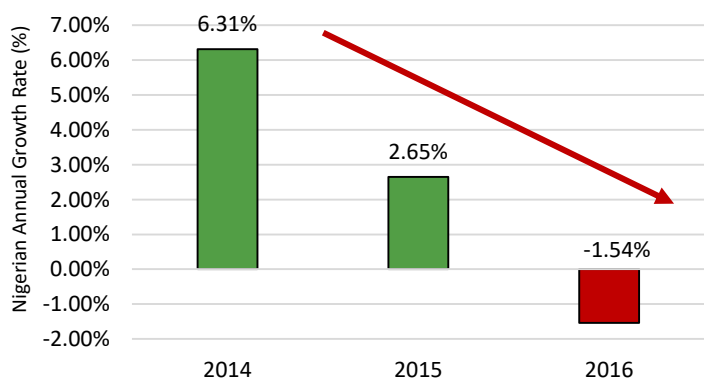


US Current Account Deficit with China:

Trump toughened his stance on trade with China, Japan and South Korea on his 12 day tour of Asia.

Who are the winners and losers of greater layers of US protectionism?

5



Nigerian 2017 Budget Response:

In order to remove Nigeria's reliance on oil prices, the government launched a record budget of £21.4bn to upgrade public infrastructure.

Nigerian LRAS Curve Impact?