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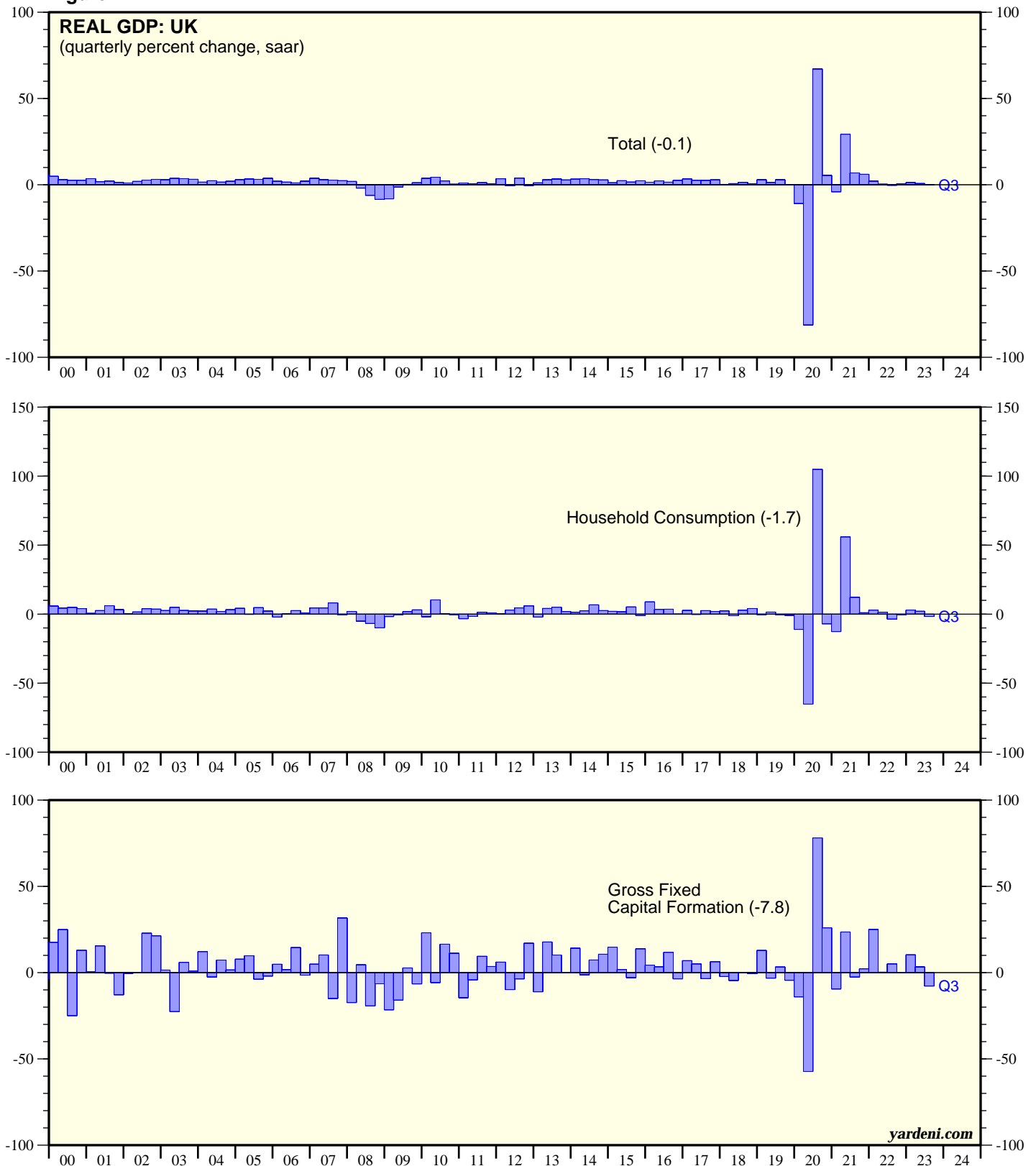
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# Real GDP

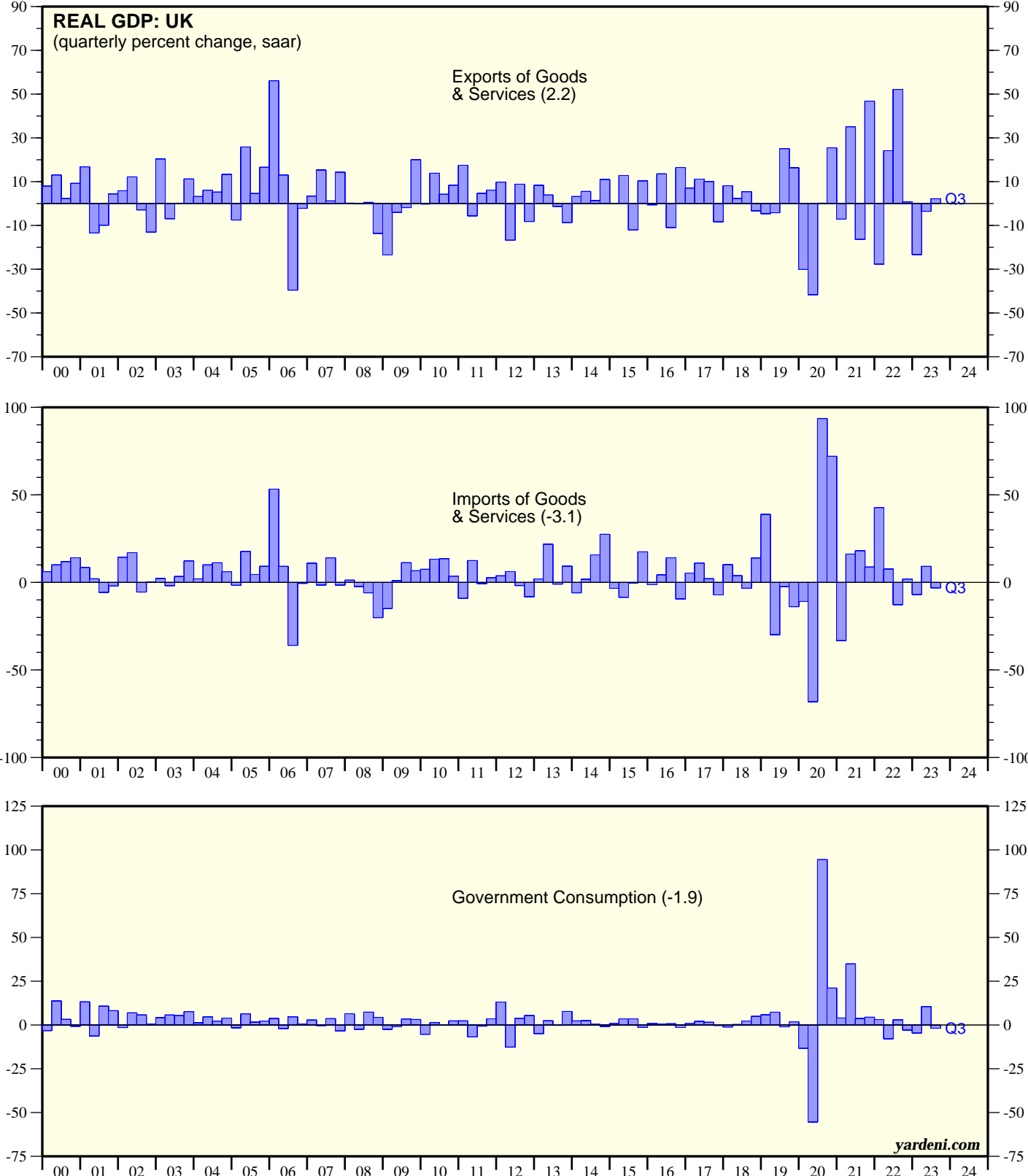
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Source: Office for National Statistics and Haver Analytics.

# Real GDP

Figure 2.



Source: Office for National Statistics/Haver Analytics.

# Industrial Production

Figure 3.

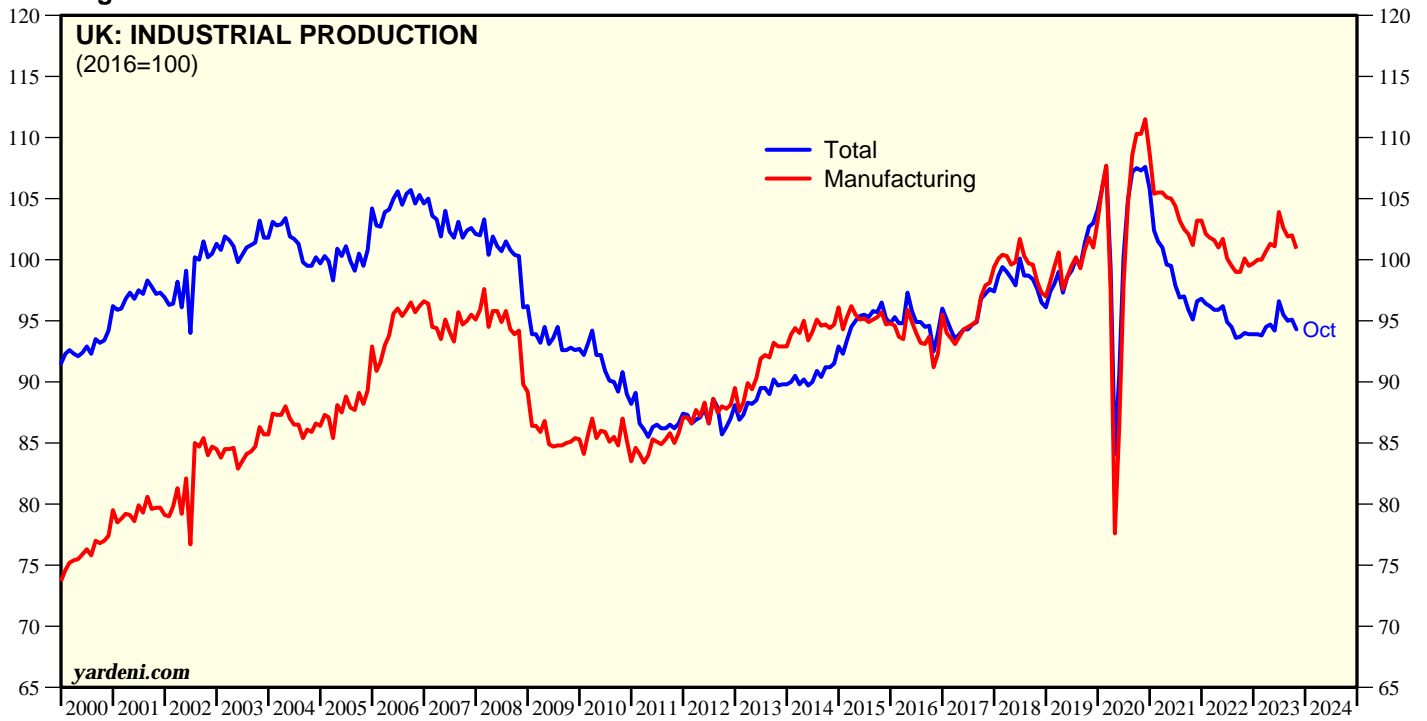
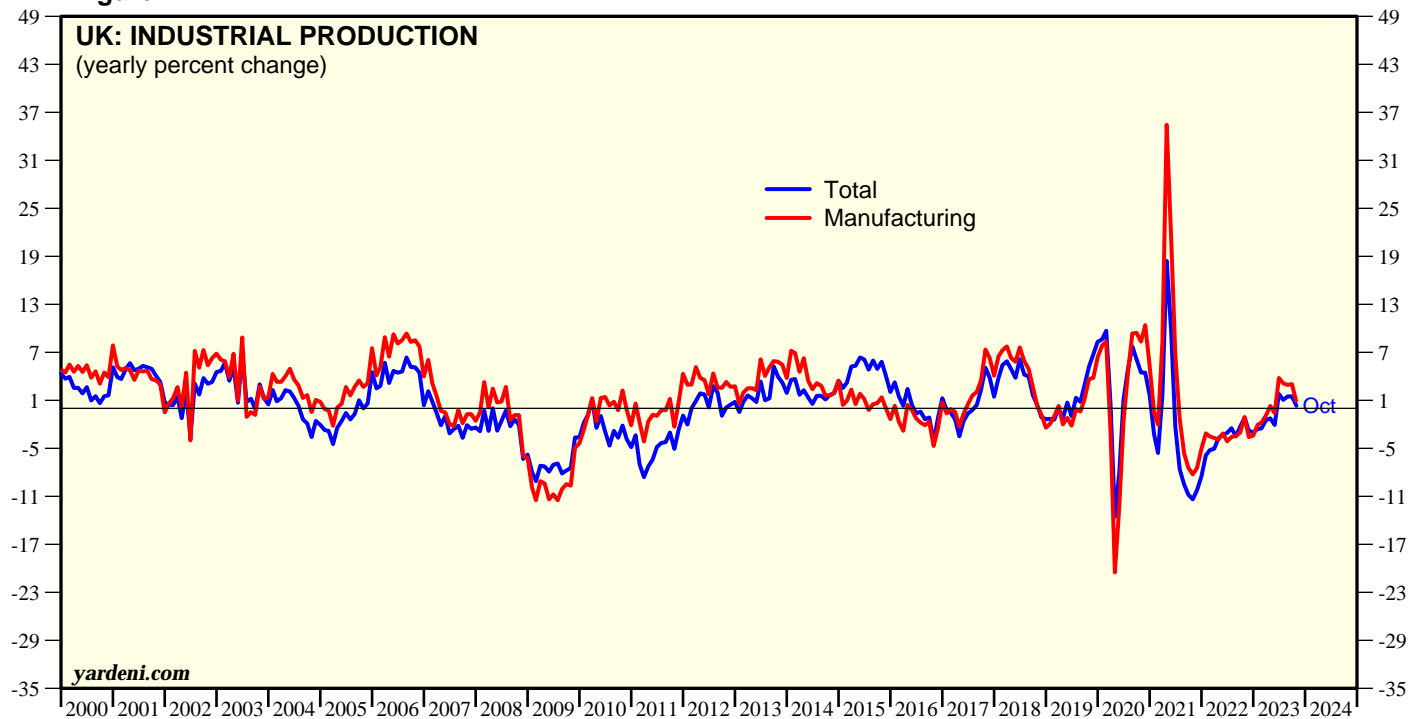
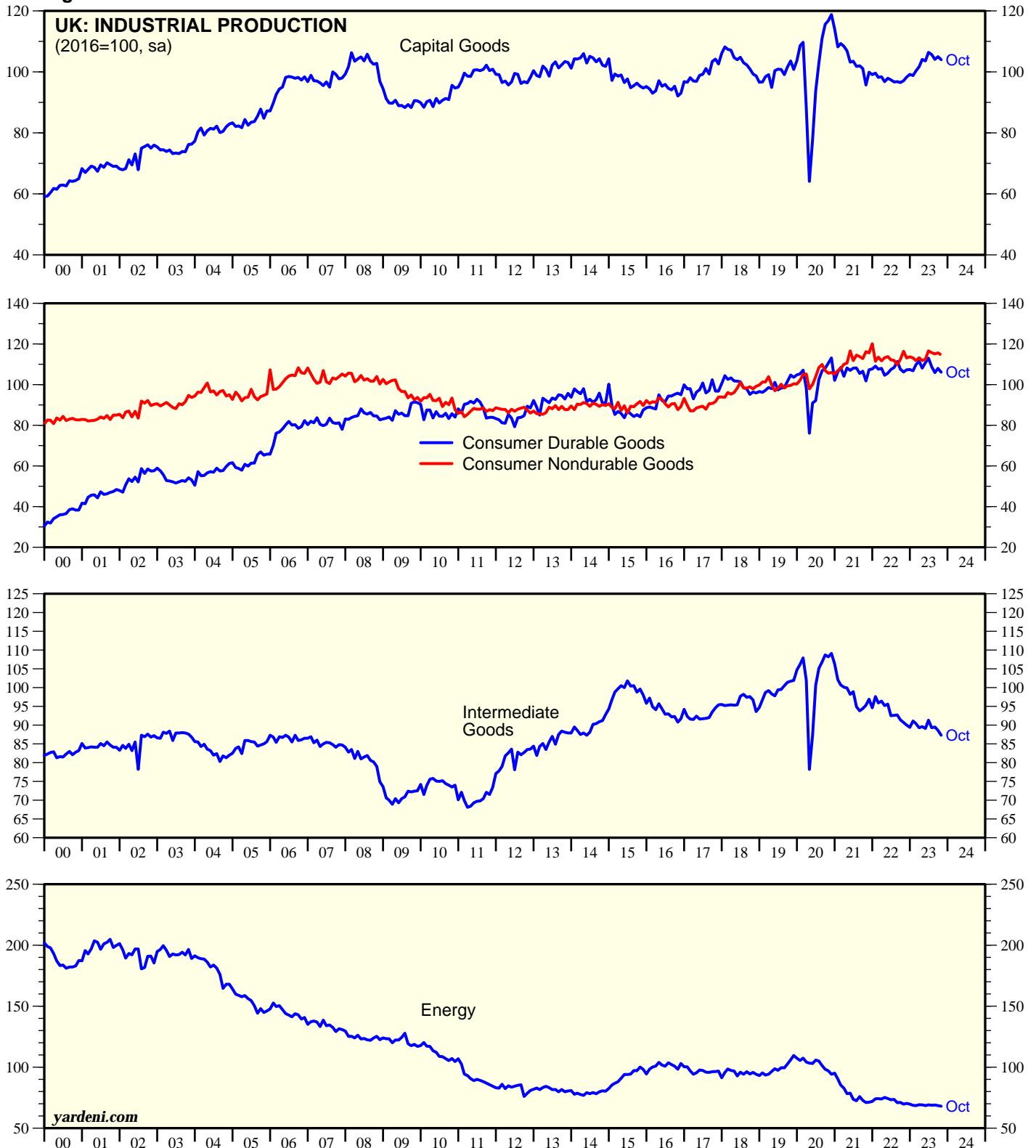


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# Industrial Production

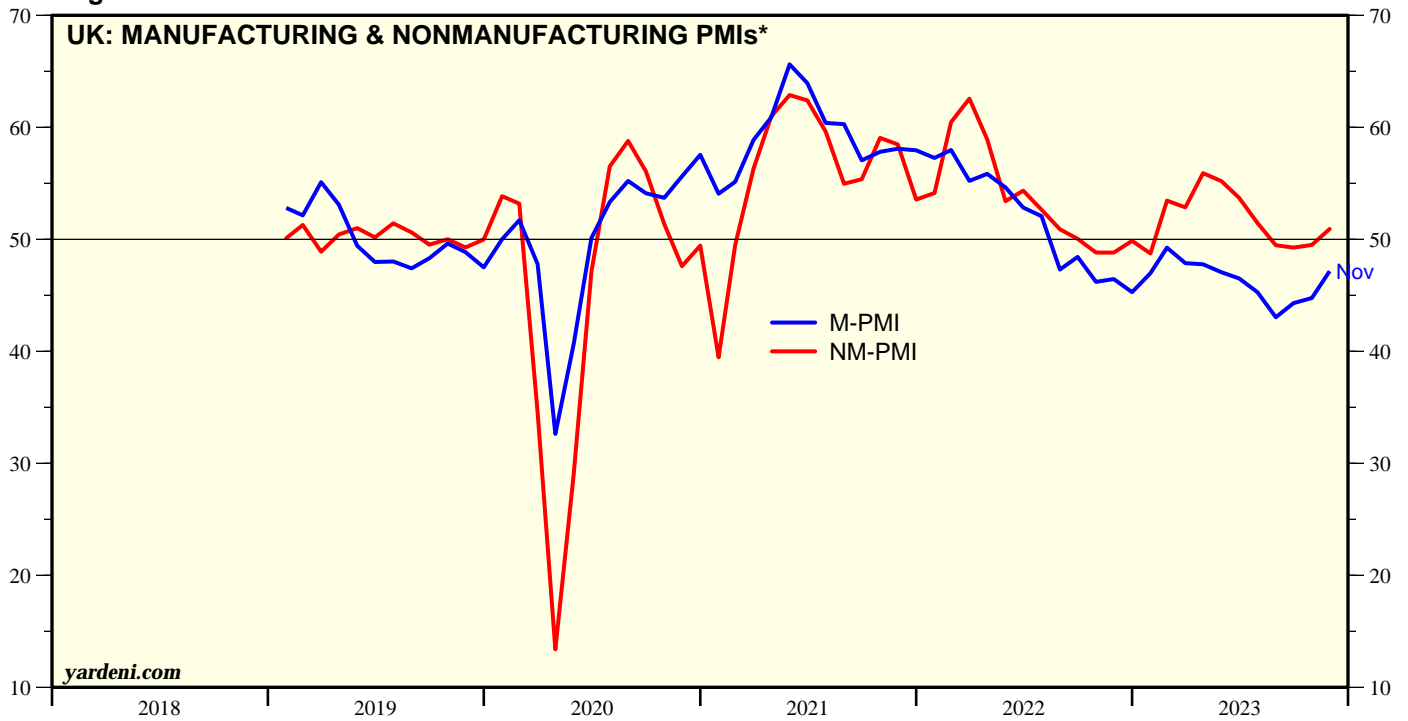
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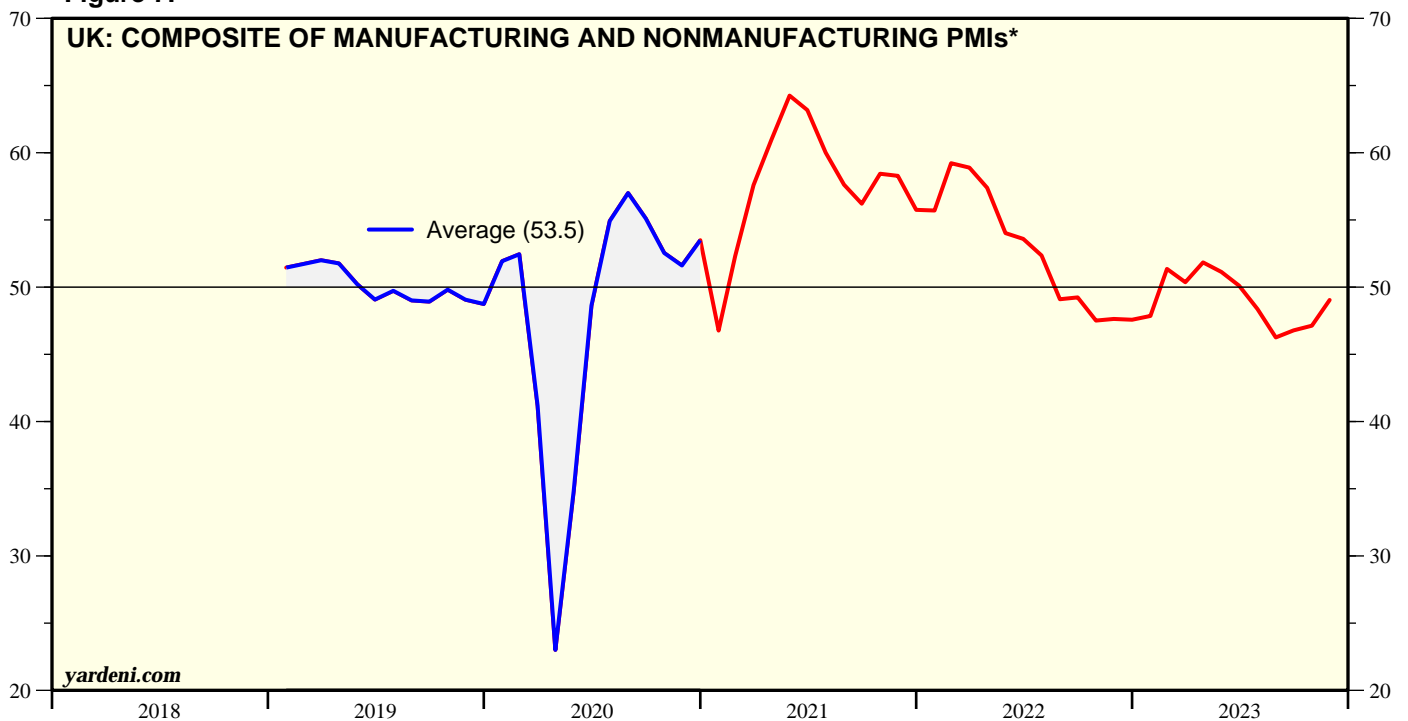
# Purchasing Managers Indexes

Figure 6.



\* An index above 50 indicates an increase in manufacturing activity. An index below 50 indicates a decrease in manufacturing activity.  
Source: Haver Analytics.

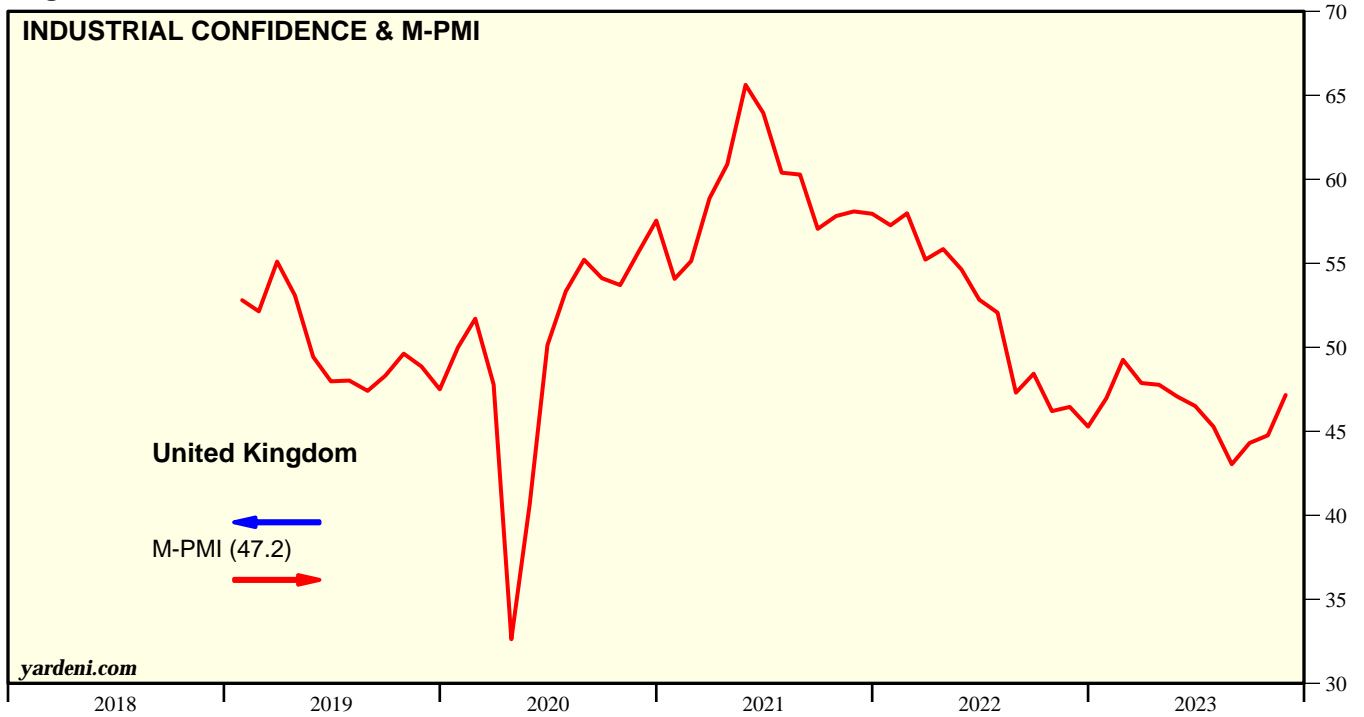
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# Production Expectations & M-PMI

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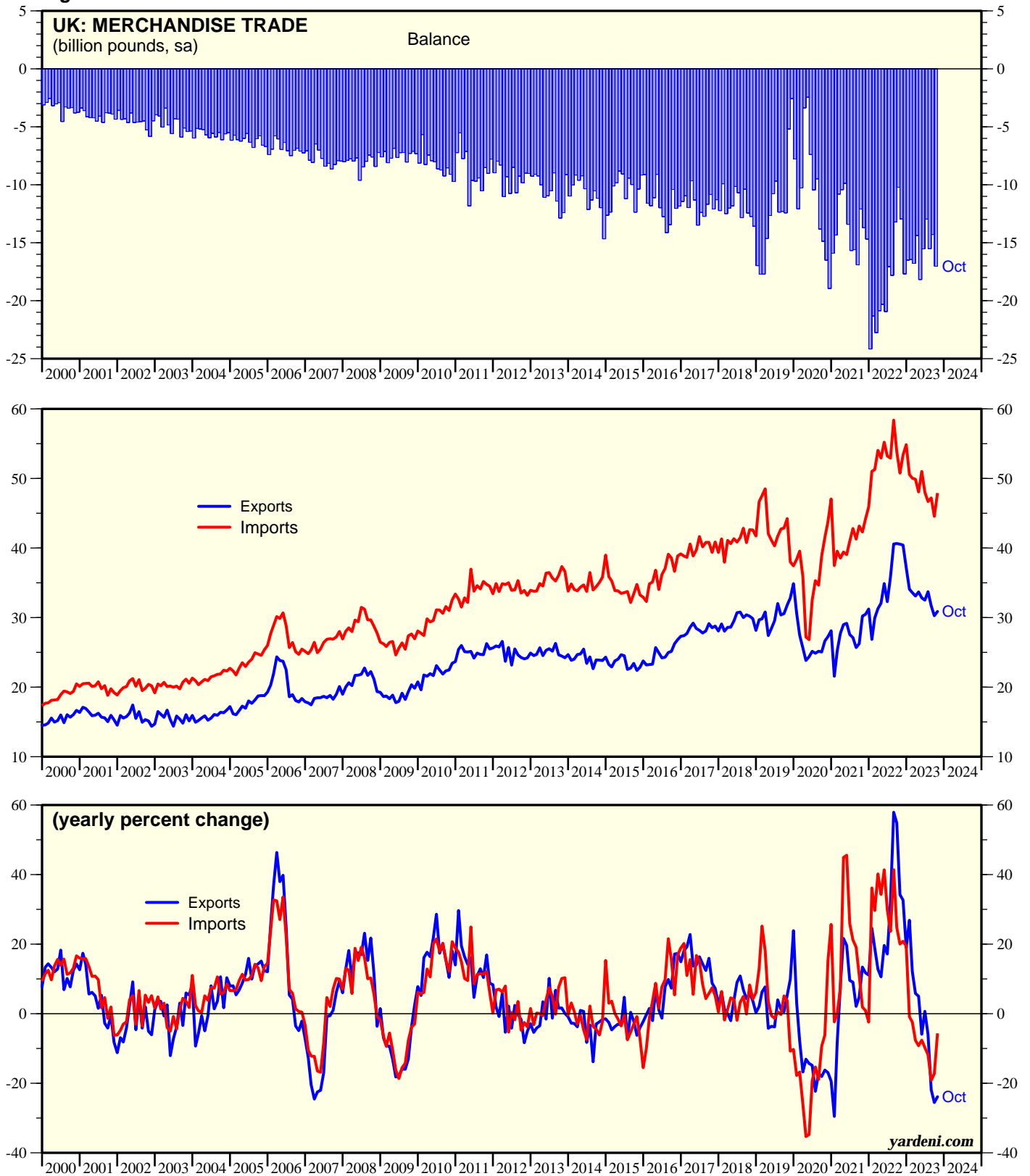


Source: European Commission and Markit.



# Merchandise Trade

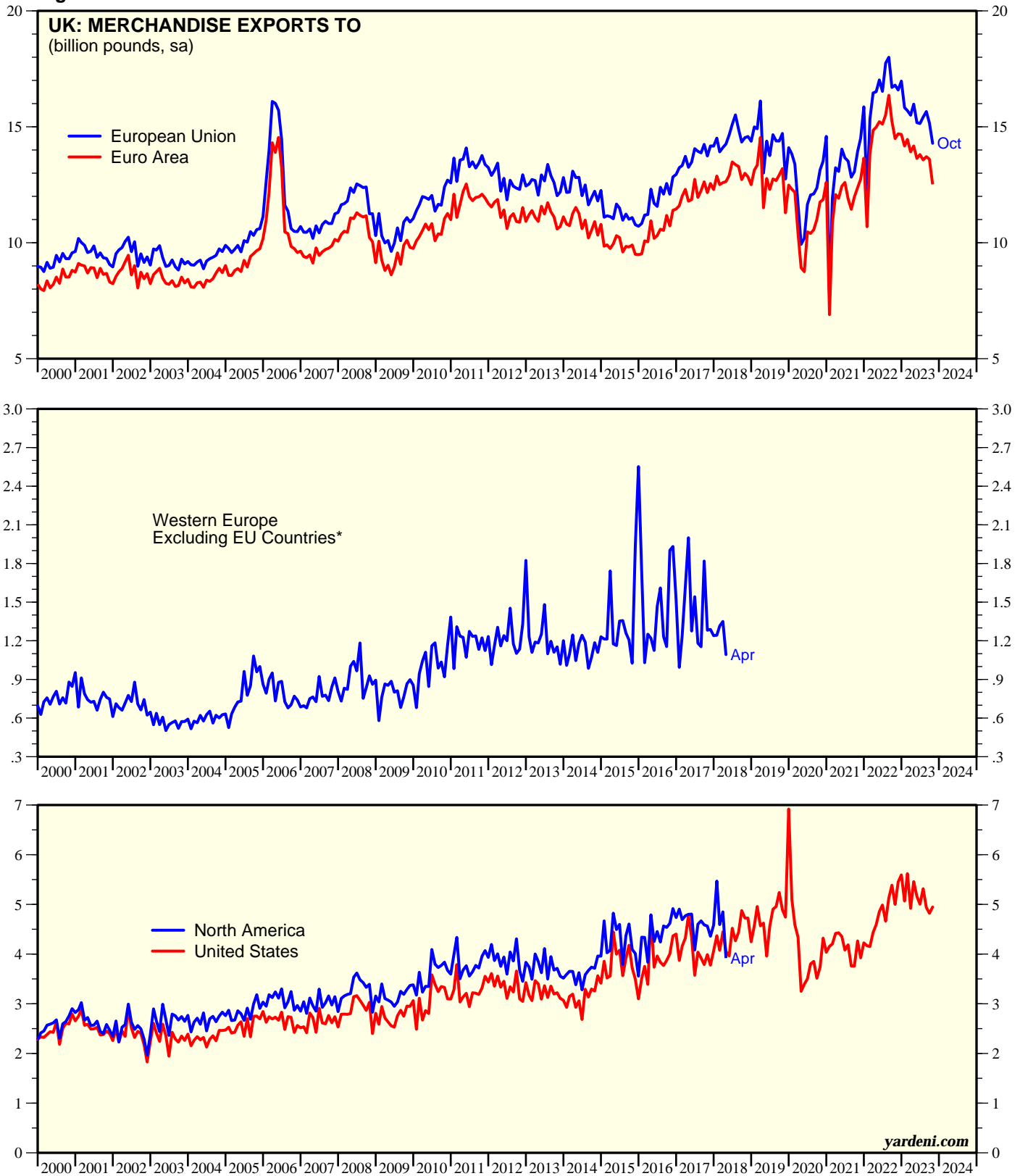
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Source: Office for National Statistics.

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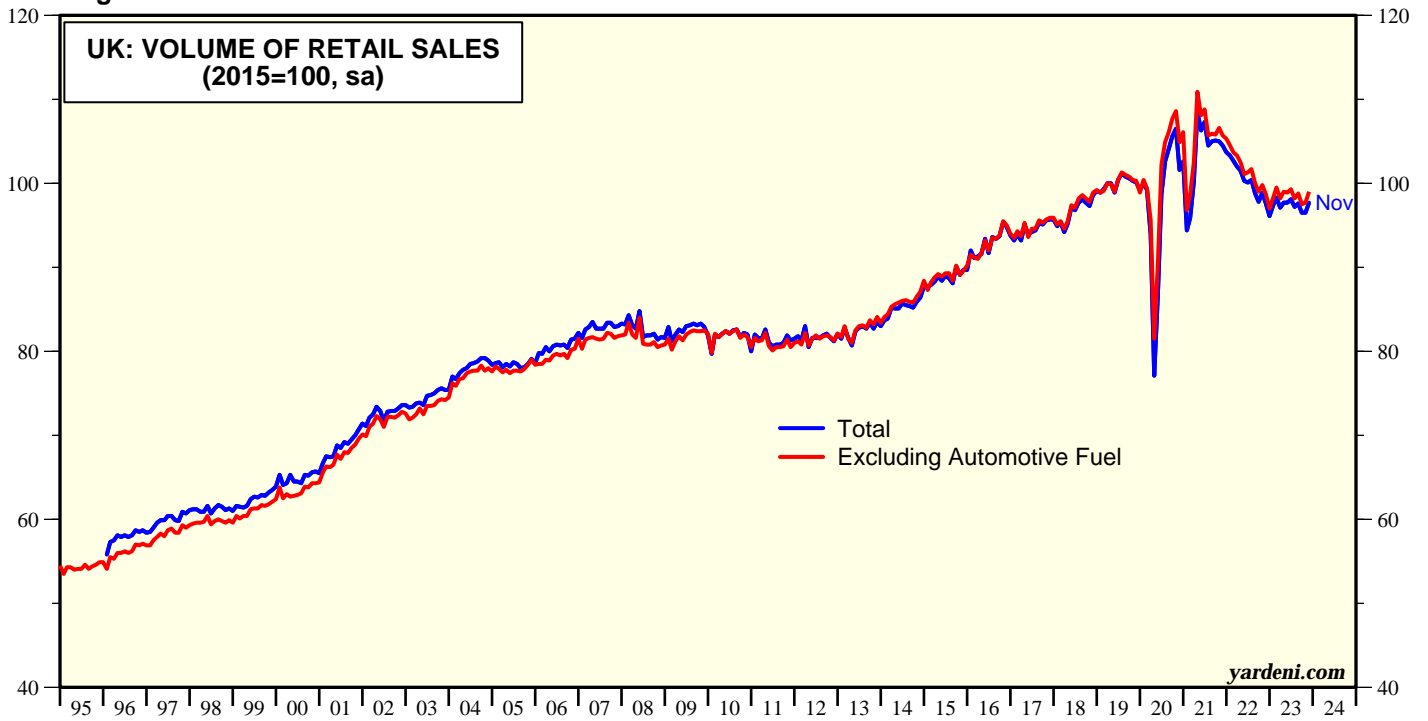
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\* Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, and Turkey.  
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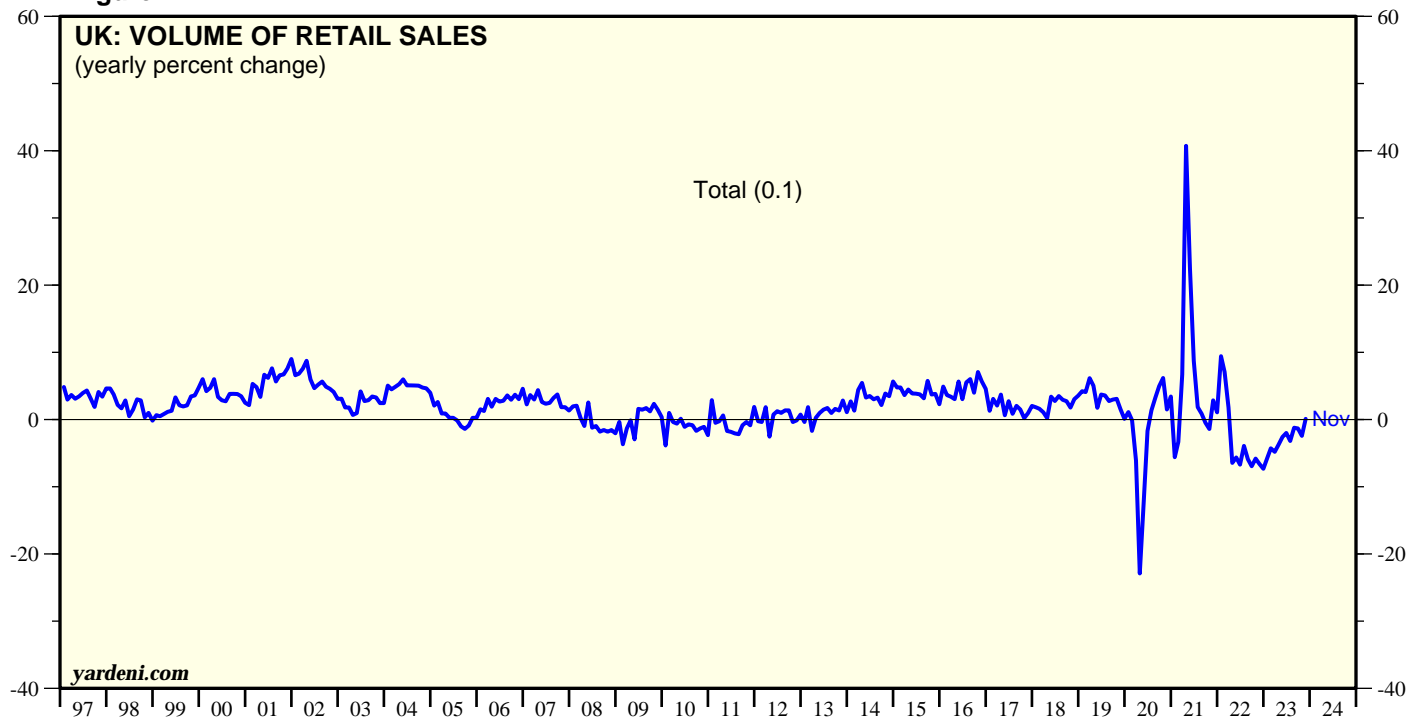
# Retail Sales

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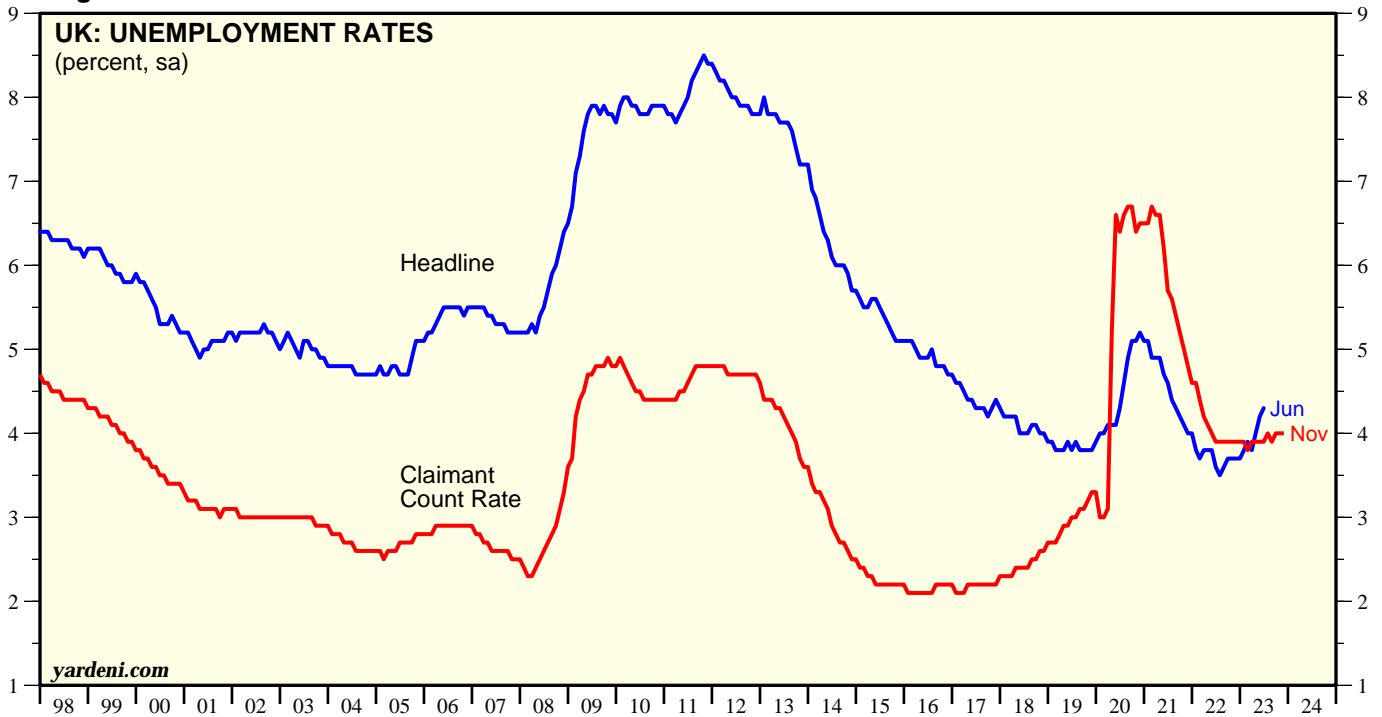
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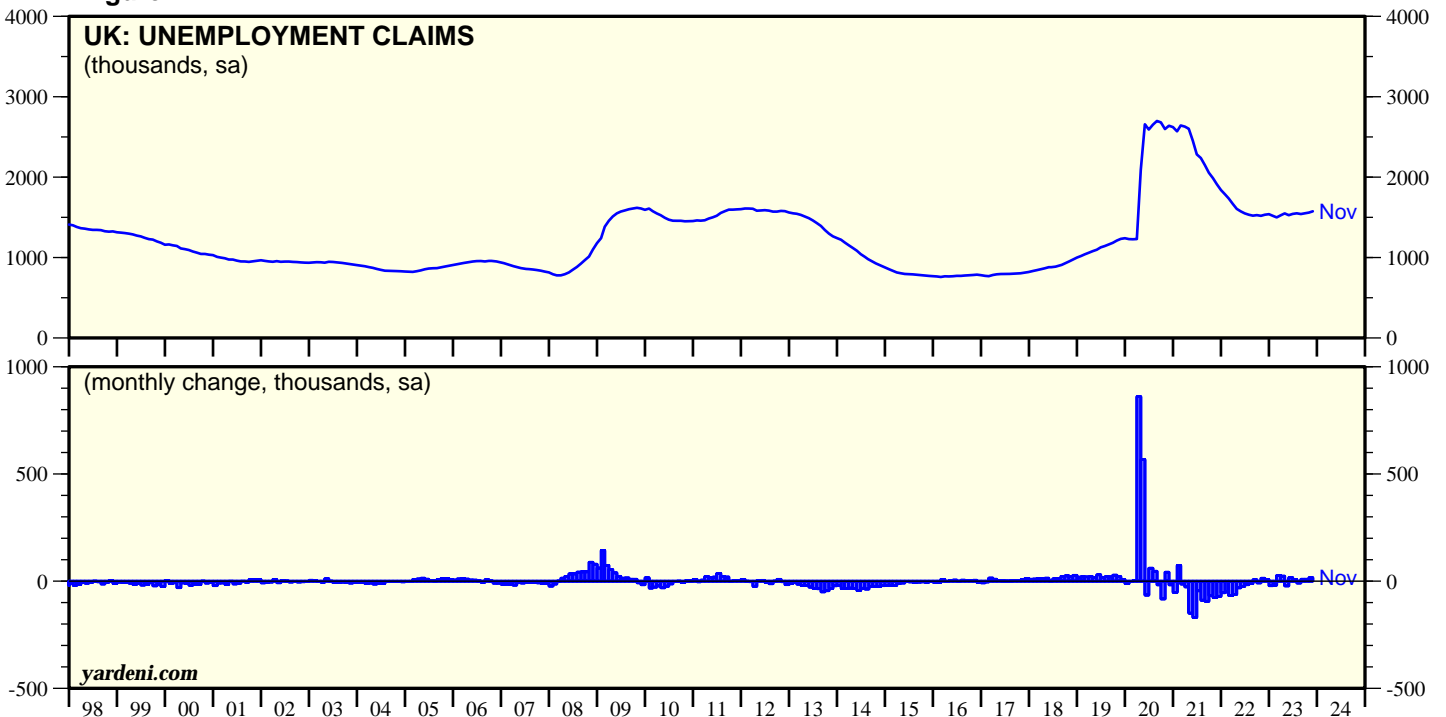
# Unemployment Measures

Figure 13.



Source: Central Statistical Office.

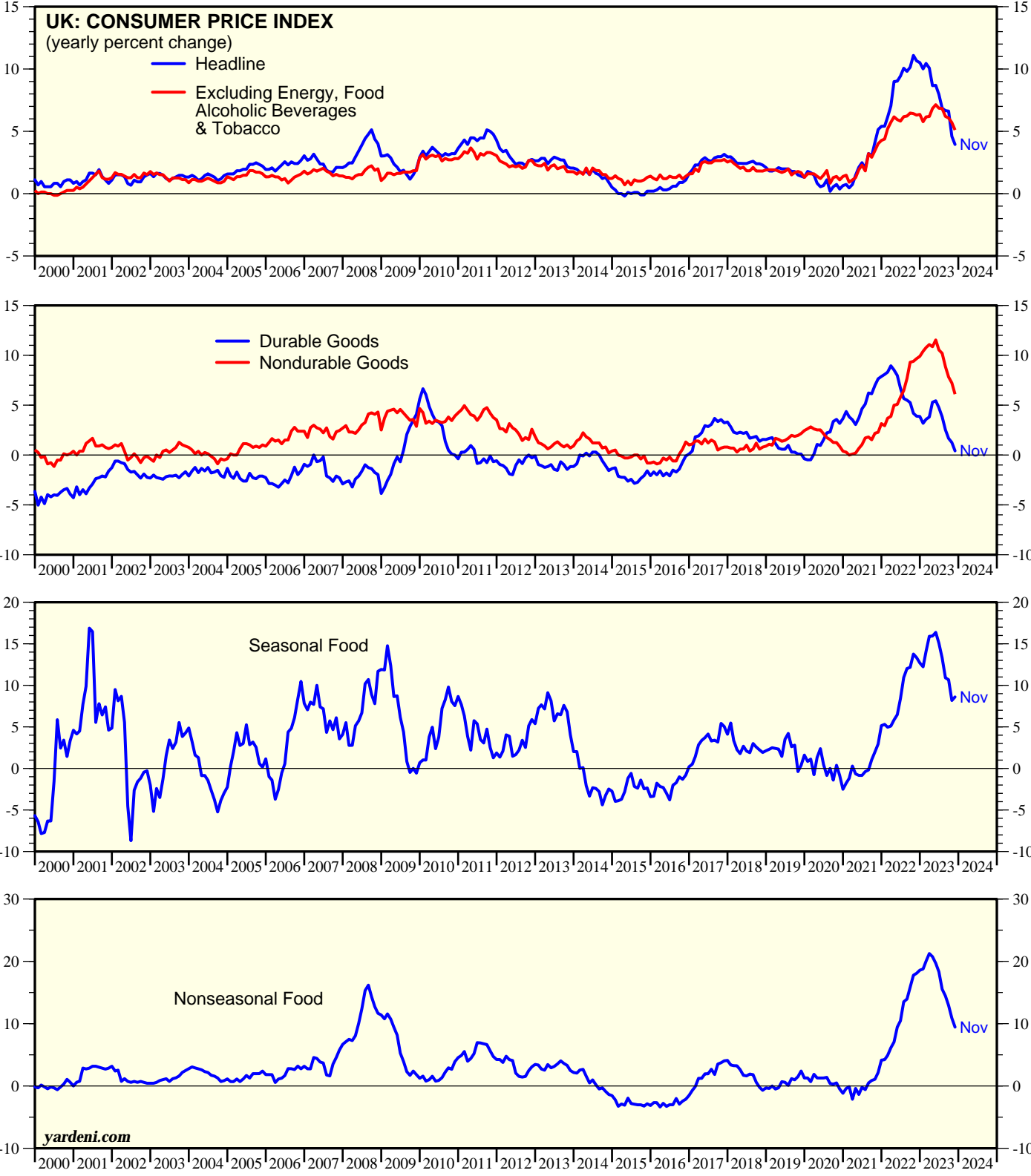
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# Consumer Prices

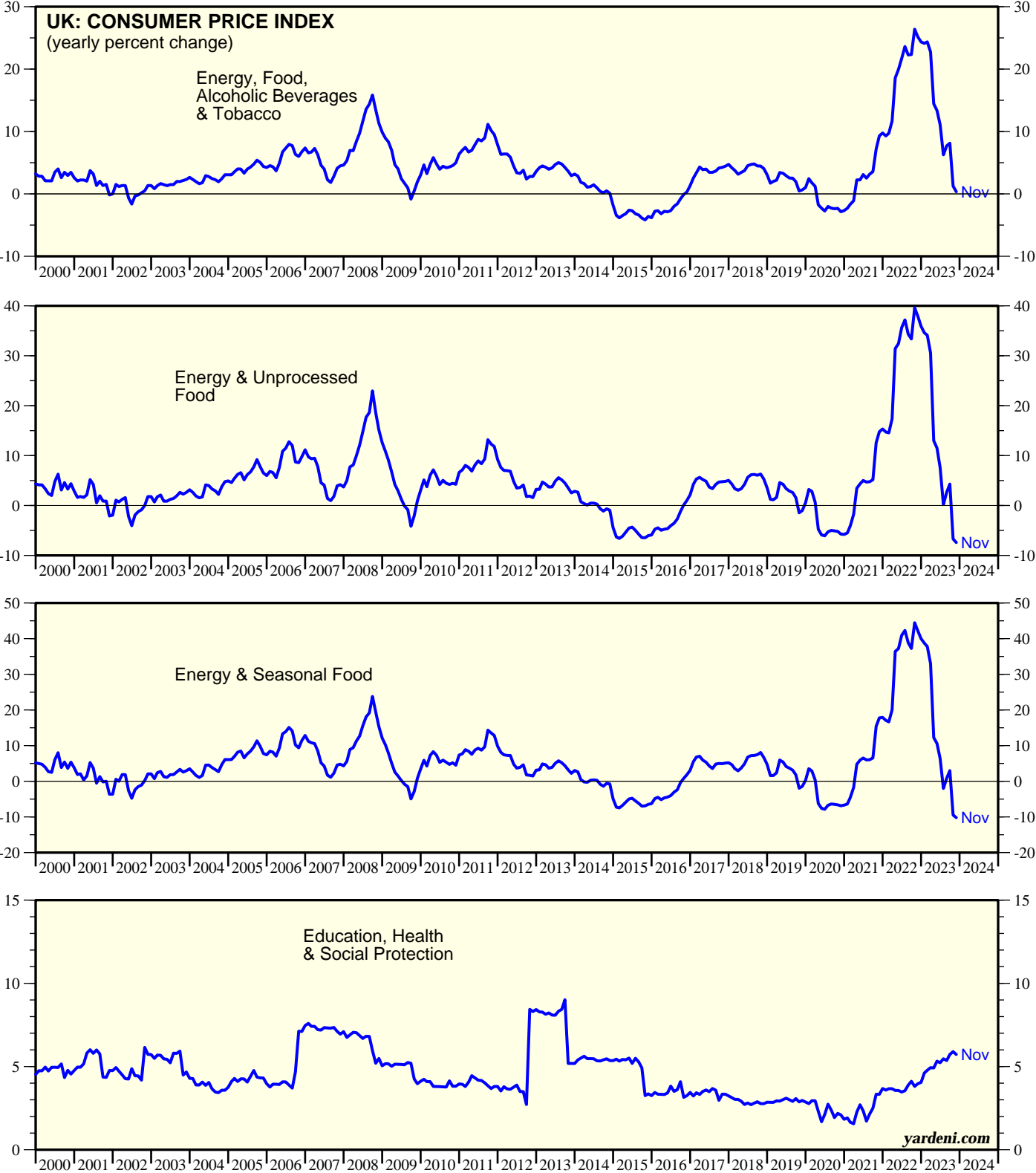
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Source: Office of National Statistics.

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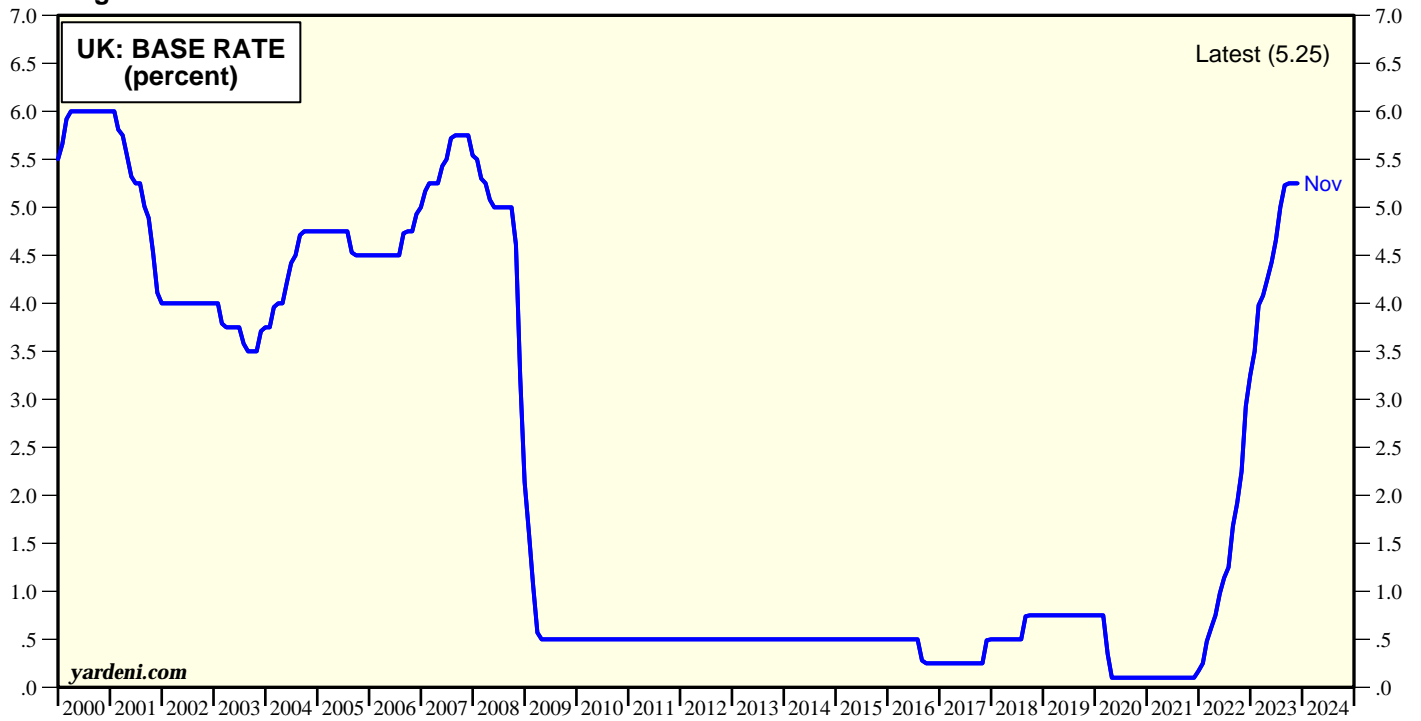
Figure 16.



Source: Office of National Statistics.

# Financial

Figure 17.



Source: Bank of England.

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