Monthly Economic Calendar

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Canada Top/roman characters *United States** *Bottom/italics characters*		**1** ***10:00*** *- Construction spending (December)* ***10:00*** *- ISM manufacturing index (January)* ***17:00*** *- Total unit auto sales (January)*	**2** ***8:30*** *- Initial unemployment claims (Jan. 28)* ***8:30*** *- Productivity and unit labor costs (Q4)* ***N.A.*** *- Chain store sales (January)*	**3** **7:00** - Labor force survey: employment and unemployment rate (January) **8:15** - International reserves (January)
6 **10:00** - PMI-Ivey index (January)	**7** **8:30** - Building permits (December) ***15:00*** *- Consumer credit (December)*	**8** **8:15** - Housing starts (January)	**9** **8:30** - New housing price index (December)	***8:30*** *- Employment report (January)* ***10:00*** *- ISM non-manufacturing index (January)* ***10:00*** *- Factory orders (December)*
13	**14** **8:30** - New motor vehicle sales (December) ***8:30*** *- Trade price index (January)* ***8:30*** *- Retail sales (January)* ***10:00*** *- Business inventories (December)* ***N.A.*** *- Bank of Japan meeting*	**15** ***8:30*** *- Empire manufacturing index (February)* ***9:15*** *- Industrial production and production capacity utilization rates (January)* ***14:00*** *- Release of FOMC minutes*	***7:00*** *- Bank of England meeting (February 8 and 9)* ***7:45*** *- European Central Bank meeting* ***8:30*** *- Initial unemployment claims (February 4)* ***10:00*** *- Wholesale trade (December)*	**10** **8:30** - International merchandise trade (December) ***8:30*** *- Trade balance (December)* ***10:00*** *- Michigan's consumer sentiment index – preliminary (February)* ***14:00*** *- Federal budget (January)*
20 Markets closed (Family Day in Ontario) *Markets closed (President's Day)*	**21** **8:30** - Wholesale trade (December) **8:30** - Retail sales (December)	**22** ***10:00*** *- Existing home sales (January)*	**16** **8:30** - International transactions in securities (December) **8:30** - Manufacturing sales (December) ***8:30*** *- Initial unemployment claims (February 11)* ***8:30*** *- Producer price index (January)* ***8:30*** *- Housing starts and building permits (January)* ***10:00*** *- Philadelphia Fed index (February)*	**17** **7:00** - Consumer price index (January) **8:30** - Leading indicator (January) ***8:30*** *- Consumer price index (January)* ***10:00*** *- Leading indicator (January)*
27	**28** ***8:30*** *- Durable goods orders (January)* ***9:00*** *- S&P/Case-Shiller home price index (December)* ***10:00*** *- Consumer confidence (February)* ***14:00*** *- Release of the Beige Book*	**29** ***8:30*** *- Real GDP (Q4s)* ***9:45*** *- Chicago PMI index (February)*	**23** **8:30** - Employment, earnings and hours (December) **8:30** - Quarterly financial statistics for enterprises (Q4) **10:30** - Release of the Bank of Canada Review ***8:30*** *- Initial unemployment claims (February 18)*	**24** ***10:00*** *- Michigan's consumer sentiment index – final (February)* ***10:00*** *- New home sales (January)*

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