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UK property briefing

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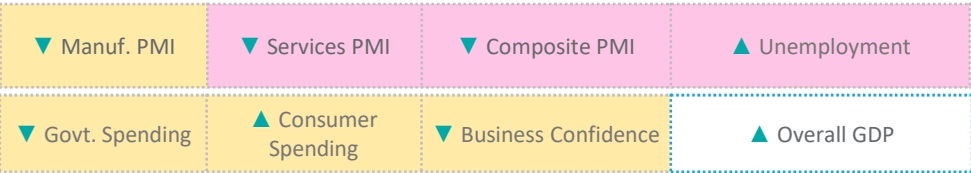
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UK Growth & Inflation

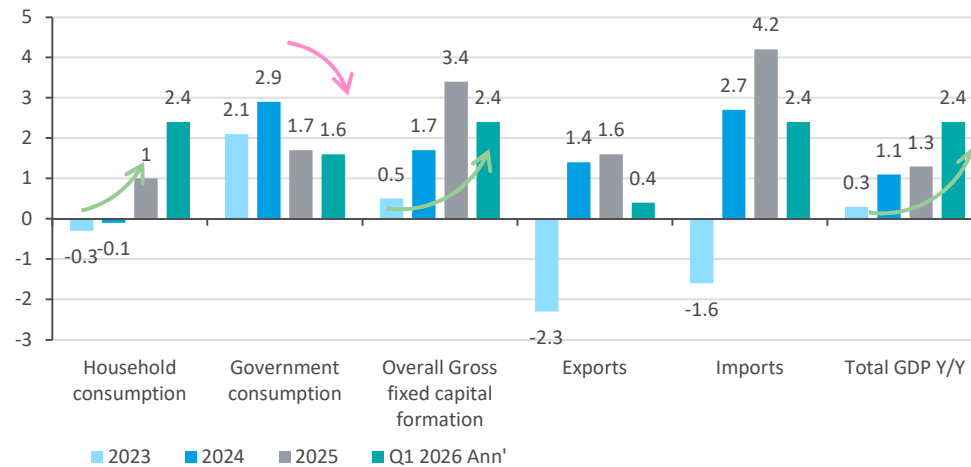
The Iran conflict has adversely affected the UK’s inflation and growth outlook. Inflation remains high, dampening consumer confidence and raising costs. Growth forecasts have been lowered, with declining PMIs indicating reduced business activity and increased market uncertainty.

Growth



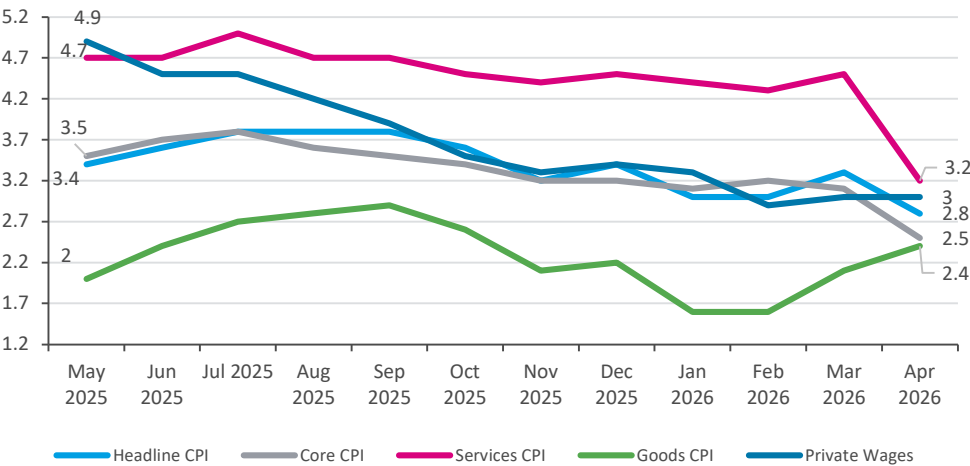
Key: Background: RAG status of economic metric, worsening to improving. Arrow: Direction of travel

UK GDP YoY% By Expenditure

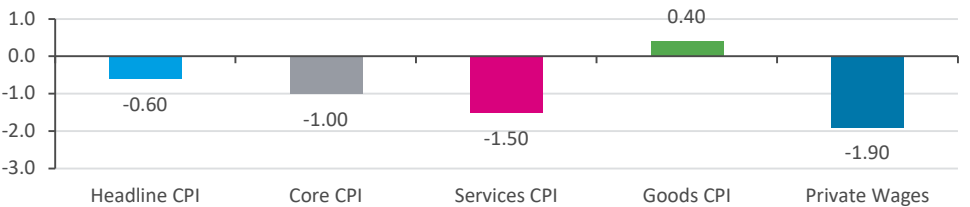


Inflation

CPI YoY% Over 12 Months



Change Over 12 Months

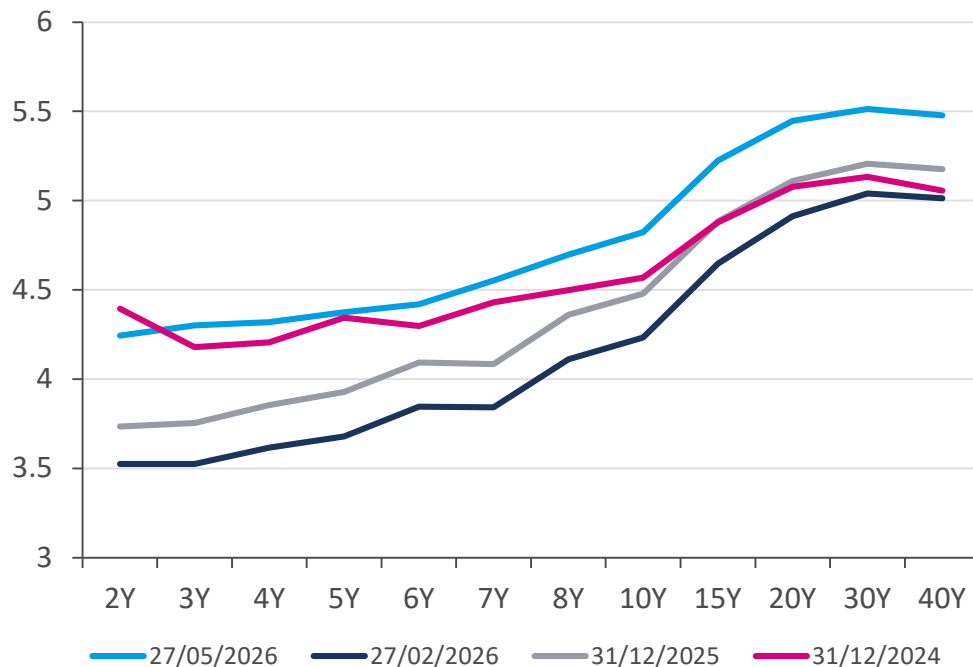


Source: Bloomberg, ONS, CCLA as at May 2026. The market review, analysis, and any projections contained in this document represent the current house view and should not be relied upon to form the basis of any investment decisions. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

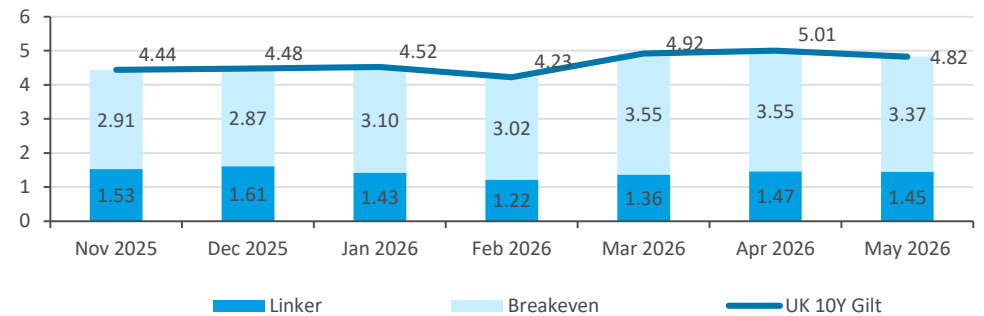
Markets

The Bank of England cut rates in Dec 2025. Markets have shifted from pricing two further cuts this year to now expecting almost *three* hikes by year-end. The curve is now higher than it was two years ago.

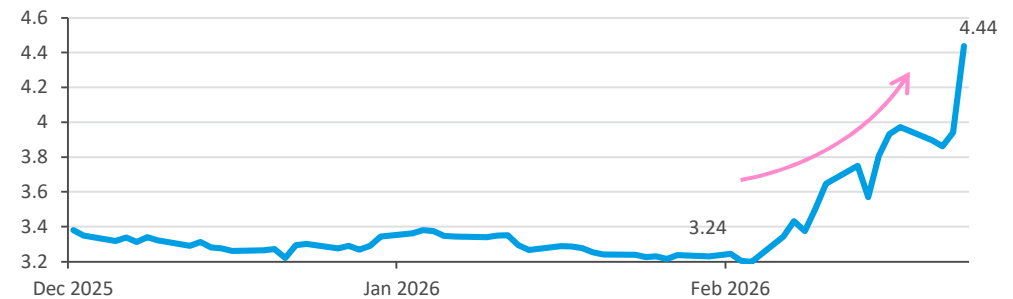
UK Gilt Curve Over Time



Last 7 Months 10Y Yield Breakdown



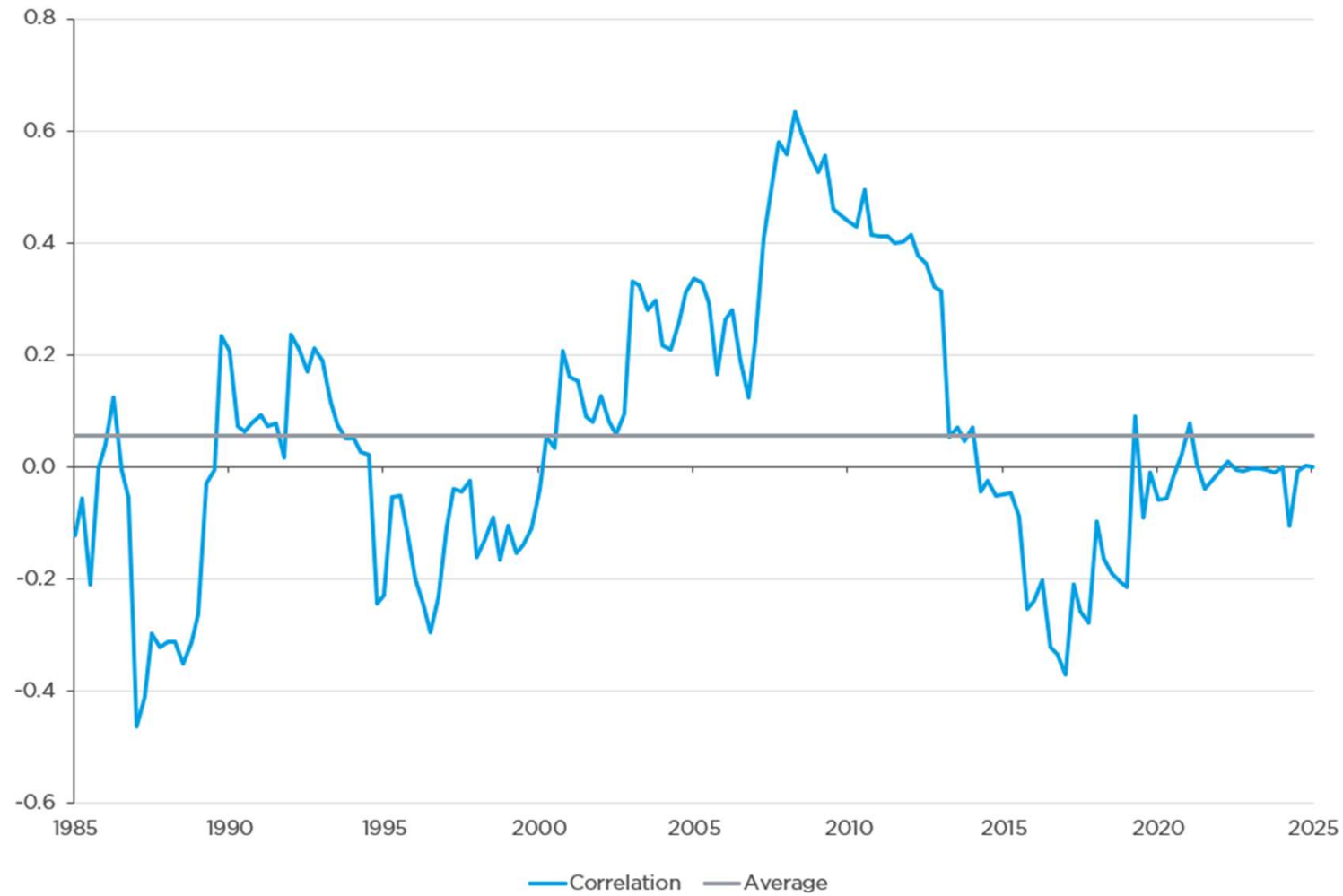
UK Dec 2026 Rate Expectation



Source: Graph: ONS, CCLA as at May 2026. *RPI-CPI conversion: -0.75%. The market review, analysis, and any projections contained in this document represent the current house view and should not be relied upon to form the basis of any investment decisions. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Property investment rationale - diversification

Rolling 5Y Correlation: MSCI World vs MSCI UK Quarterly Property Index



Source: CCLA, as at 31 December 2025.

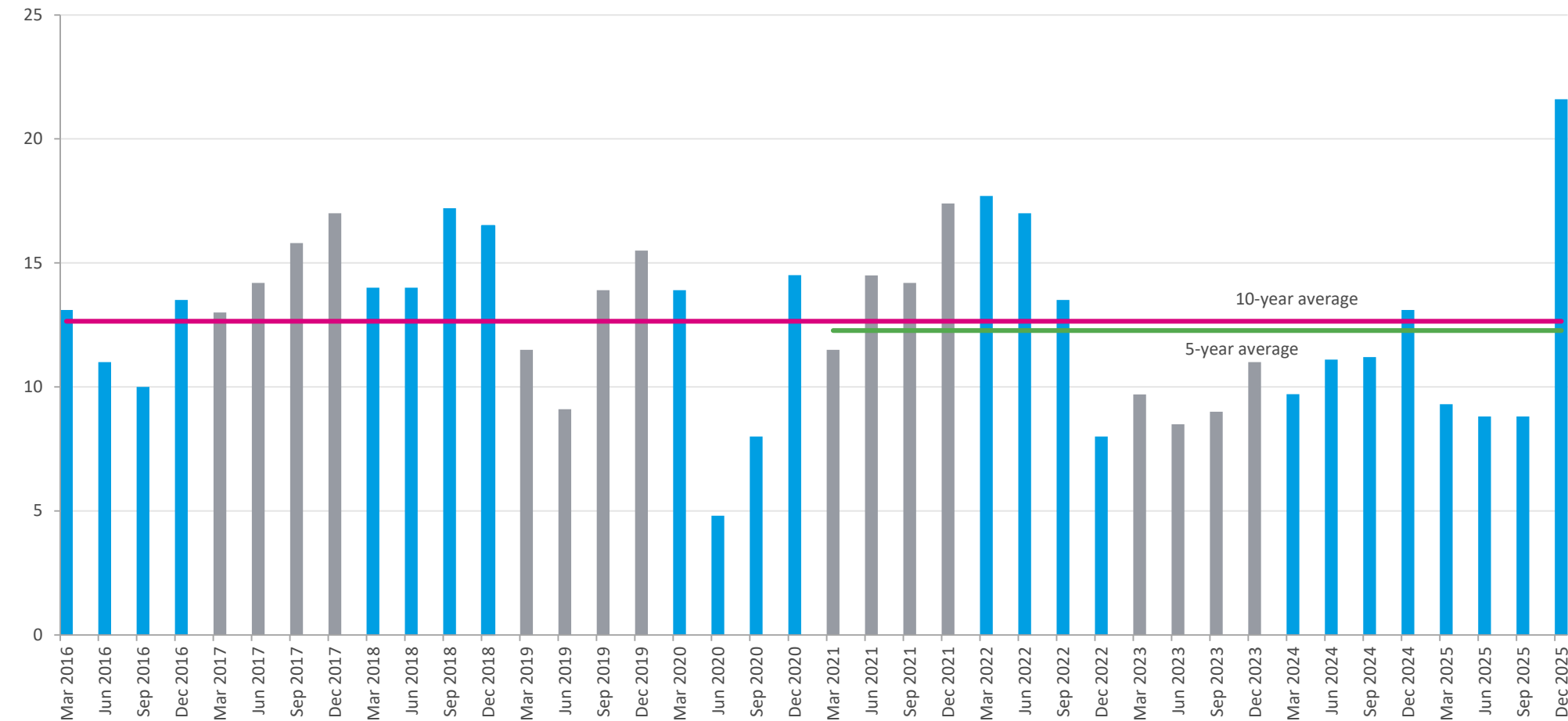
Property investment rationale

Annualised total returns for All Property real total returns of c+4.4% since 1981

REAL RETURNS BY PERIOD (CPI-ADJUSTED, ANNUALISED)	
PERIOD	PROP REAL TR
1981–1990	+4.78%
1991–2000	+6.33%
2001–2010	+4.41%
2011–2020	+5.00%
2021–Present	-1.64%
Full Period	+4.35%

Source: CCLA, MSCI UK Quarterly Property Index January 1981 to December 2025. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

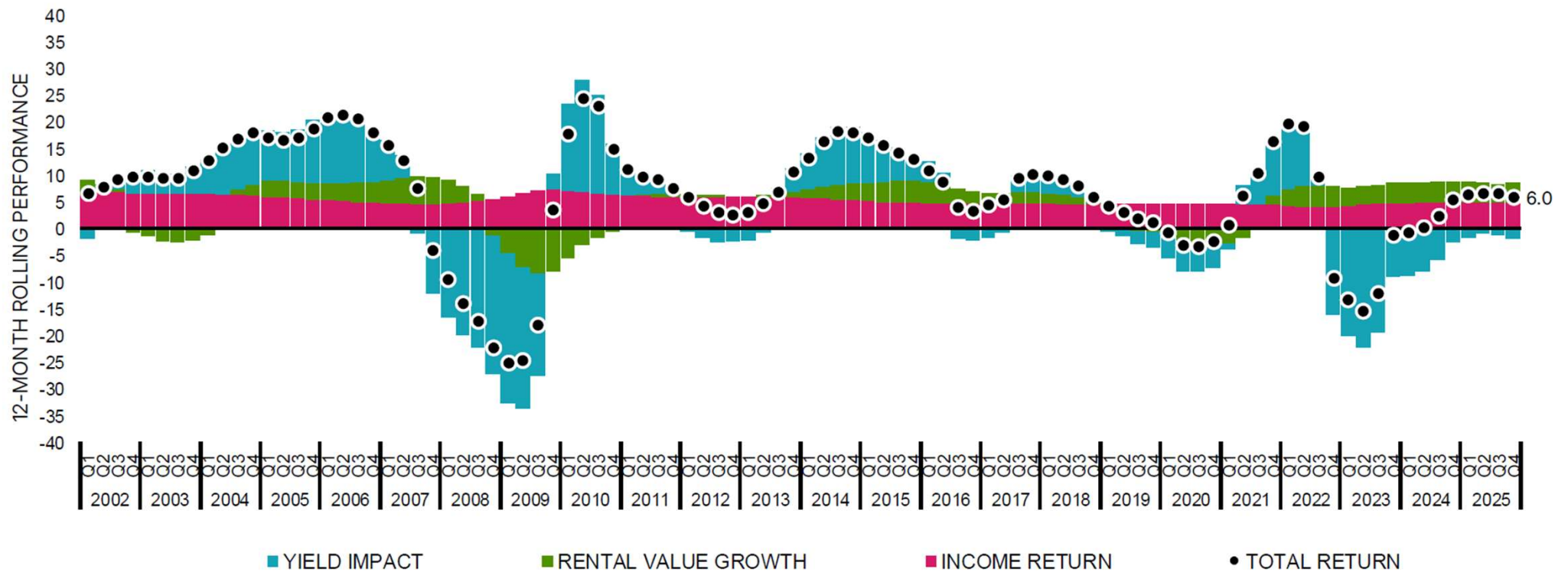
UK investment volume (£bn)



Source: Lambert Smith Hampton, as at 31 December 2025.

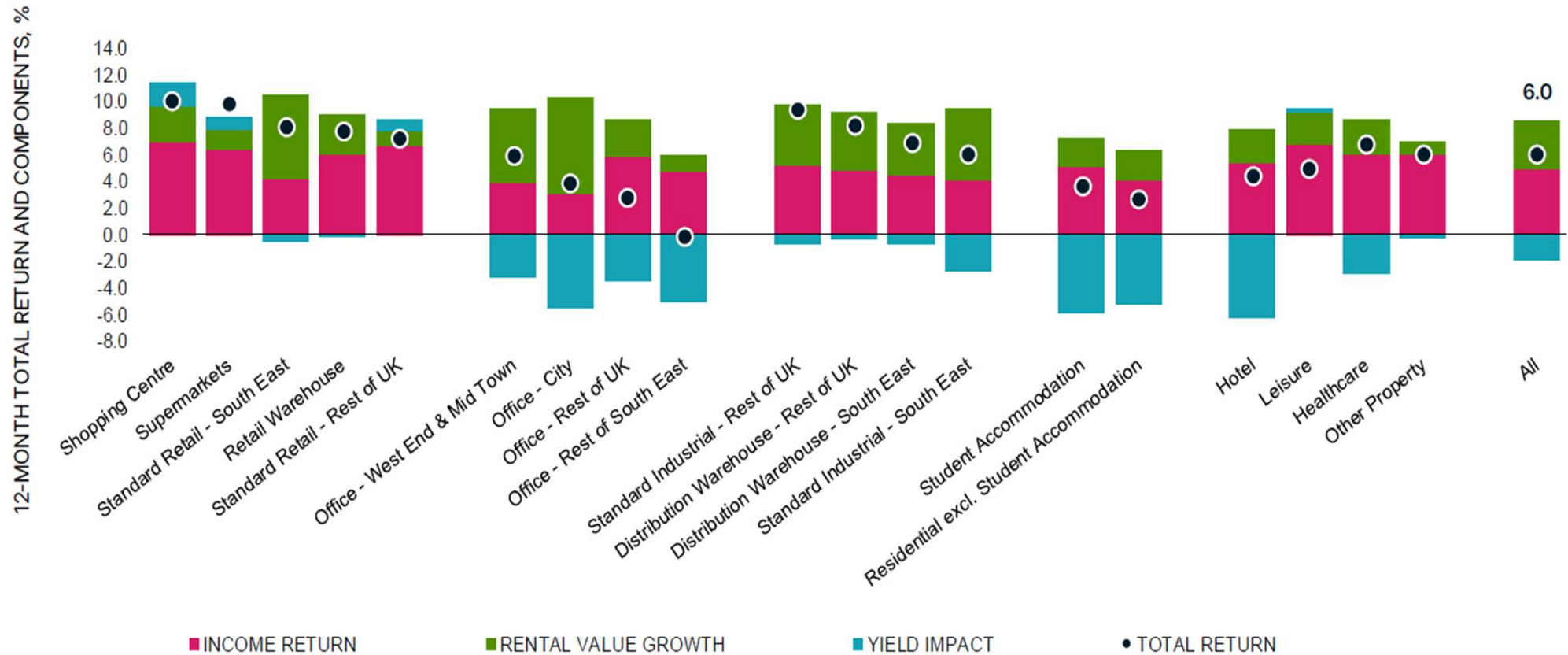
UK commercial property market update

UK quarterly index decomposition 12-month rolling (%)



Source: MSCI Quarterly Index, March 2022 to December 2025, as at February 2026.

12m total return and return components by sector



Source: MSCI Real Assets Index Intel as at December 2025. Sourced February 2026. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Property sector - quarterly and annual total returns

TOTAL RETURNS BY PROPERTY TYPE

	3-MONTH TOTAL RETURNS (%)		12-MONTH TOTAL RETURNS (%)	
ALL PROPERTY	1.3		5.6	
RETAIL	1.8		7.8	
Standard Retail - South East	1.9		7.5	
Shopping Centres	1.8		8.9	
Retail Warehouses	1.8		7.3	
Supermarkets	1.6		8.7	
Standard Retail - Rest of UK	1.6		6.6	
Office	1.6		4.3	
Offices - West End	2.1		6.6	
Offices - Rest of South East	1.7		1.5	
Offices - Rest of UK	1.3		3.3	
Offices - City	0.8		3.8	
Industrial	1.2		6.3	
Distribution Warehouse - Rest of UK	1.5		7.5	
Distribution Warehouse - South East	1.3		6.2	
Standard Industrial - South East	1.0		4.7	
Standard Industrial - Rest of UK	0.7		7.7	
Residential	-0.3		2.0	
Student Accommodation	0.4		3.2	
Residential excl. Student Accommodation	-1.2		0.7	
Hotel	1.1		4.6	
Leisure	1.6		5.7	
Healthcare	1.9		7.0	
Other Property	0.3		5.1	

Sorted by 3-month total return

Source: MSCI Quarterly Index, as at 31 March 2026. Sourced May 2026.

Market Summary – Q1 2026

- **Transactions increased post budget** – Q4 a record quarter for volume & No up 7%. Institutions net buyers again and consistent flows of **international capital**.
- Awaiting Q1 transaction data; early signs indicate **Iran conflict** **slowdown** ➡
- **Capital values stable** over Q4 & Q1 – **market proving resilient**
- **Total returns look attractive - MSCI Monthly Index** recorded **6.5%** for **all-property for** 12 months to March 2026, with **Industrial (7.3%) and retail warehouse (8%)** both outperforming on a relative basis
- **Rental growth continues**, currently running at **c.3.1% p.a.***
- According to the Bank of England's Credit Conditions Survey, the net balance of lenders planning to **improve the availability of credit** to property in Q2'26 stood at 10% at end of Q1 (contrasts with corp lending at 2%). Favourable due to secured lending and positive outlook for capital values.

Source: *MSCI Monthly Index – All Property - last 12 months to March 2026.

Market Outlook – Q2 2026 & Beyond

- **Transactional activity will slow** until Iran conflict ends & outlook for inflationary impact and its affect on interest rates / gilts is clearer.
- **Iran war:** sectors most exposed to rising energy costs & lower consumer spending are likely to be retail, leisure, hotels & manufacturing. **Logistics OK: pass costs on.**
- **If quick resolution to Iran war: rental growth** is expected to continue across many sectors, **generating capital growth & income growth**
- As industrial rental growth slows from historic highs, **property level characteristics will become more important than sector weightings**
- Future **out-performance** likely to be driven by:
 - i. **Repurposing or selling underperforming assets**, especially offices
 - ii. Protecting and enhancing **income by:**
 - effective **asset management** (experience of team is critical).
 - focus on high **rent collection**
 - disciplined **cost control and prudent capital expenditure**

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