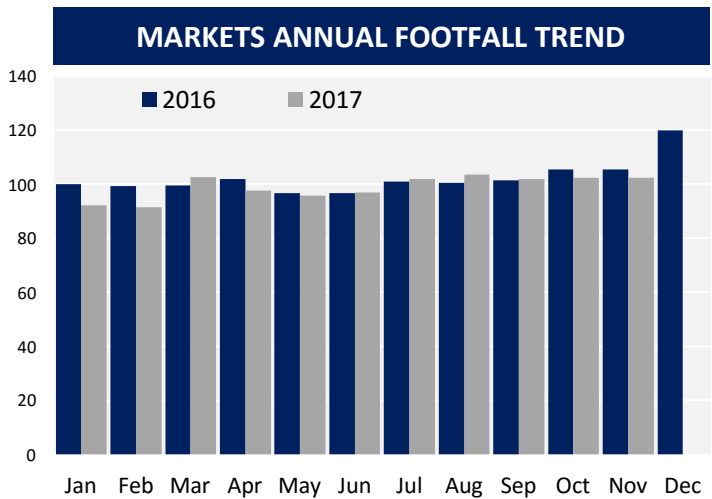
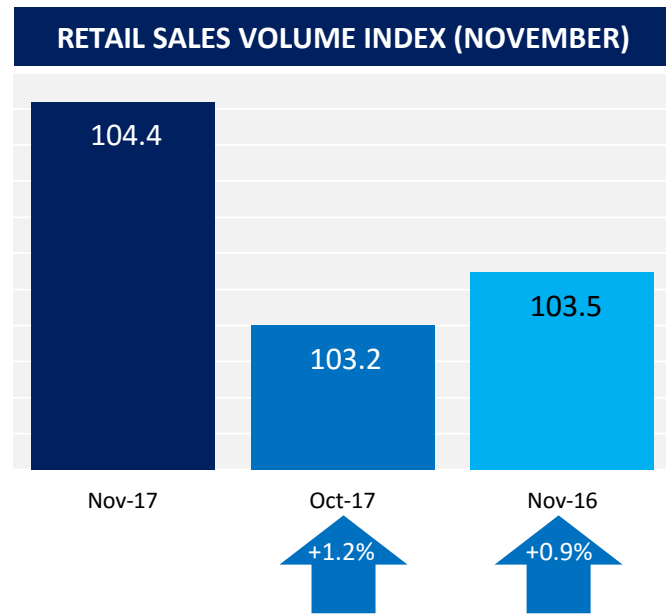
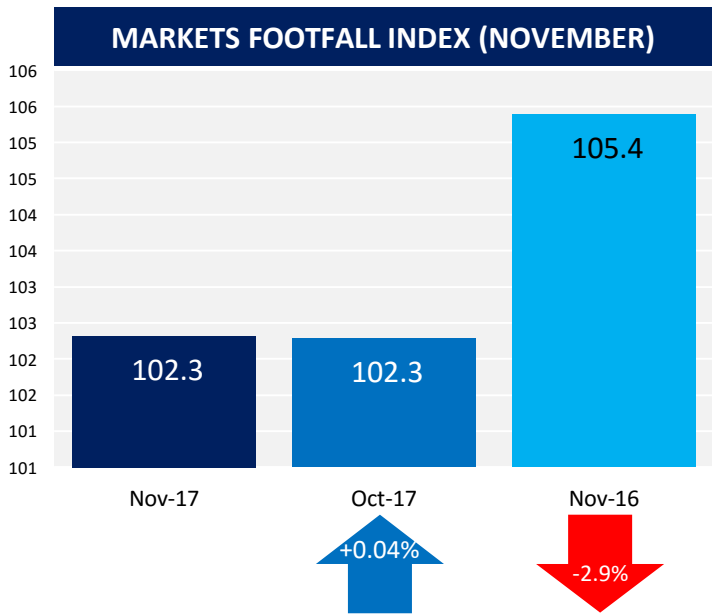


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1 st to 7 th Nov 2017		8 th to 17 th Nov 2017		18 th to 24 th Nov 2017		25 th to 30 th Nov 2017	
Bright autumnal weather with some rain		Turning colder and wetter		Wet & windy, especially in the North West		Cold and frosty, with some sleet and snow	

This year's Black Friday experience (November 24th) has surely confirmed the discount-fest as an unwanted development for UK retail. Online sales were up by +11.3% during the week prior to Black Friday – but footfall in retail locations took a further hit, with Friday itself showing a decline of -4.2% and the whole weekend down by -0.9%, according to data from Springboard. Predictably retail parks were busy on Saturday 25th, as customers took advantage of their free parking to pick up click & collect purchases.

Across the month of November shopping centres showed a decline of -1.3%, continuing towards a very weak year for the sector.

With the weather wintry for most of the month, retail markets echoed the weak footfall theme, with data from PFM Intelligence showing a YoY decline of -2.9%. The markets sector will hope for a fillip from the opening of a large slate of Christmas Markets around the end of the month.