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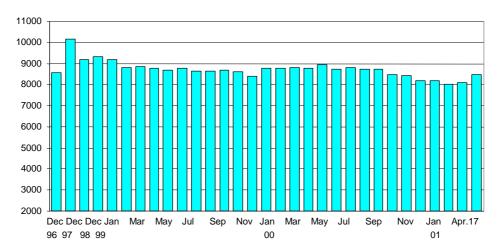
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Net International Reserves increased US\$ 346 million

As of April 17, the net international reserves (NIR) of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru amounted to US\$ 8 457 million, up US\$ 346 million from end-March. This increase is mainly due to the increment in financial system deposits (US\$ 340 million) and investment yields (US\$ 21 million), which were partially offset by the withdrawal of public sector deposits (US\$ 10 million) and sales of foreign currency to the public sector (US\$ 5 million). On the other hand, the exchange position amounted to US\$ 2 632 million, similar to end-March level since the sales of foreign currency to the public sector (US\$ 5 million) were offset by interest and valuation changes.

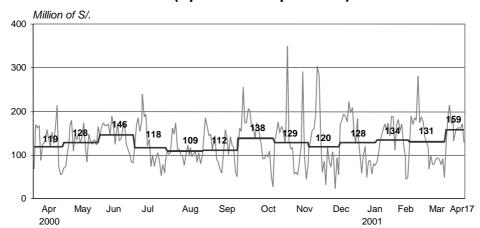
BCRP net international reserves (December 1996 - April 2001)



Banks' current account balance at S/. 159 million

As of April 17, the banks' current account was S/. 159 million on a daily average basis, lower than in March (S/. 170 million). For April the range announced by the Bank for this variable is S/. 130 million to S/. 140 million.

Banks' current account at the BCRP (April 2000 - April 2001)



From April 1 to 17, the Central Bank injected liquidity through 4 auctions of 1-day repurchase of CDBCRP by S/. 444 million on average. The average interest rate was 11,3 percent versus 10,1 percent in March.

As of April 17, the Central Bank redeemed CDBCRP by S/. 150 million. Since no further auctions of these certificates were carried out, the balance of CDBCRP as of April 17 reached S/. 1 905 million.

Monetary operations: daily average (Million of S/.)

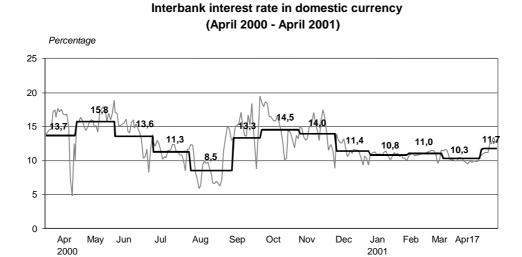
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		9				Current account			Interbank			
						of banking system		after Central Bank	interest rate			
			rediscounts of the		bank's current	before Central		operations				
		Banco de la Nación	Central Bank		account balance	Bank operations						
		2	3	4	5		7					
		Z	ა	4	0		1					
September 2000	113	-31	-16	31	46	149	-32	112	13,3			
October	139	-47	-73	22	32	75	65	138	14,5			
November		-33	-139	21	35		118		14,0			
December		-38	-107	41	20		83		11,4			
January 2001		-39	-80	9	60		52		10,8			
February		-29	-80	22	40		46		11,0			
March		-34	-13	16	37		-7		10,3			
April 1-17		-80	-316	15	37		352		11,7			

Average monetary base at S/. 5 129 million

As of April 17, the daily average balance of the monetary base was S/. 5 129 million, up 2,2 percent from March average. On April 17, the monetary base amounted to S/. 5 119 million, up 3,1 percent (S/. 155 million) from end-March, reflecting temporary purchases of CDBCRP (S/. 335 million), redemption of CDBCRP (S/. 150 million) and overnight deposits (S/. 29 million), that was partially offset by higher public sector deposits (S/. 350 million) and sales of foreign currency (S/. 18 million).

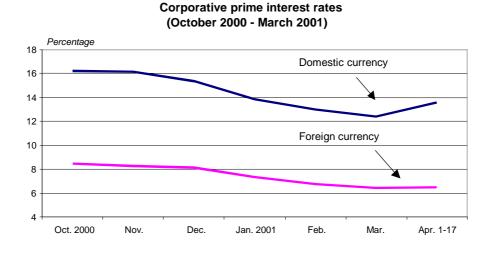
Interbank interest rate in domestic currency at 11,7 percent

As of April 17, the interbank interest rate in domestic currency averaged 11,7 percent, higher than in March (10,3 percent).



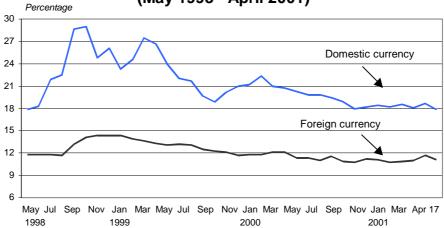
Average lending rates in domestic and foreign currency

As of April 17, the corporative prime interest rate in domestic currency (for 90-day loans to low-risk clients) was 13,6 percent, higher than in March (12,4 percent). In foreign currency, this rate was 6,5 percent, slightly higher than in March (6,4 percent).



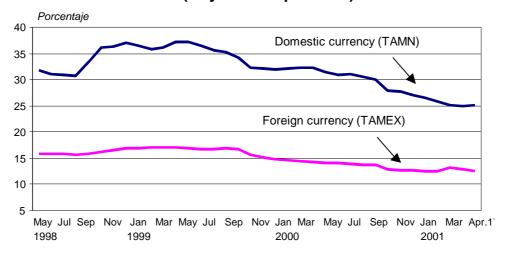
The 90-day prime interest rate on soles-denominated loans averaged 17,8 percent, lower than in March (18,6 percent). On the other hand, the rate on dollar-denominated loans passed from 11,7 to 11,0 percent.

Prime interest rates (May 1998 - April 2001)



On the other hand, the average lending interest rate in domestic currency (TAMN) was 25,1 percent, higher than last month's average (24,9 percent), while the rate in foreign currency (TAMEX) was 12,6 percent, lower than in March (12,8 percent).

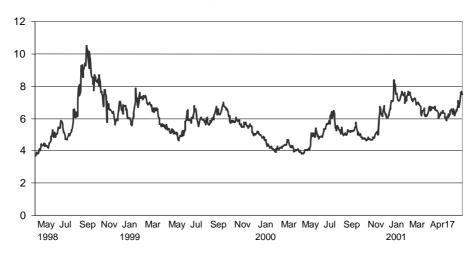
Lending interest rates (May 1998 - April 2001)



Spread of PDI Brady bond at 7,1 percent

As of April 17, the spread of the Peruvian Past Due Interest Brady bonds relative to the US Treasury bonds (a proxy for the country risk perceived by investors) was 7,1 percent, higher than in March (6,3 percent).

Stripped spread of PDI Brady bonds (May 1998 - April 2001)



Exchange rate at S/. 3,54

From April 1 to 17, the average ask exchange rate in the banking system rose 0.5 percent to S/. 3.54. On April 17, the exchange rate came to S/. 3.56.

From April 10 to 17, the daily average of sales of foreign currency in the forward market exceeded redemptions by US\$ 9 million, whereas new purchases also exceeded redemptions by US\$ 9 million. In the spot market, net purchases to the public averaged US\$ 16 million, compared with US\$ 11 million last week.

Banks' exchange market operations to the public: Daily average (Million of US\$)

(Million of CC4)												
	January	February	March	P	April							
	January	rebluary	IVIAICII	1-9	10-17							
i. Forward sales to the public	<u>5</u>	<u>-1</u>	3	4	9							
- Purchase	18	17	19	29	23							
- Sales	13	18	16	25	14							
ii. Forward purchases to the public	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-6</u>	<u>9</u>							
- New purchases	15	10	11	15	<u>9</u> 15							
- Redemptions	11	9	10	21	6							
iii. Net spot purchases to the public	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	9	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>							
- Purchases	84	89	92	110	106							
- Sales	82	79	83	99	90							
Memo:												
Close balance as of:				April 9	April 17							
- Forward sales	747	704	795	849	922							
- Forward purchases	307	289	352	349	407							

Monetary accounts: March 22

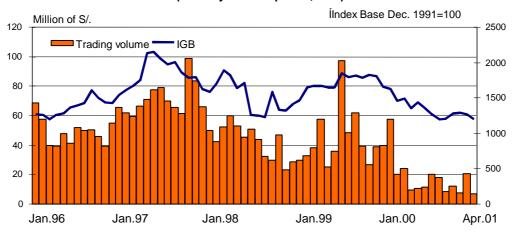
From February 22 to March 22, liquidity in domestic currency rose 0,3 percent (S/. 48 million) to S/. 13 968 million. In annual terms, this aggregate grew 4,9 percent. On the other hand, credit to the private sector in domestic currency fell 0,9 percent (S/. 83 million) to S/. 8 915 million but grew 0,7 percent in the last 12 months.

Liquidity in domestic currency rose 0,3 percent (US\$ 26 million) to US\$ 9 468 million, whereas short-term external liabilities of the banking system increased 4,9 percent (US\$ 73 million). Credit to the private sector decreased 0,8 percent in the last 4 weeks and 1,3 percent in annual terms.

General index decreases 5,7 percent

As of April 17, the Lima Stock Exchange decreased with respect to end-March by 5,7 percent in the General Index and 5,2 percent in the Blue Chip Index. In the year, these indices have increased 0,8 and 1,4 percent, respectively.

Stock market indicators (January 1996 - April 17,2001)



Lima, April 20, 2001

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BCRP - Indicadores Económicos / Economic Indicators			2000			2001									_
		SET	OCT	NOV.	DRI.	ENE.	FEB.	30 Mar.	MAR.			11 Abc	16 Ahr.	17 Abr	ABS
RESERVAS INTERNACION	ALES (Mills. US\$) / INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (Mills. of US\$)								Vir						Var
Posición de cambio / Net intern	ational position	2.555	2 5 6 7	2.582	2 624	2 626	2 637	2 632	-6	2 636	2 635	2 630	2.631	2 632	
Reservas internacionales netas / Net international reserves			8 465	8.442	8 130	8 201	8 018	8 111	94	-	8 418		-	8 457	34
Depósitos del sistema financiero en el BCRP / Financial system deposits at BCRP		3 297	3 066	2.960	2 952	A STATE OF THE REAL PROPERTY.	2 787	2 895	108						-
Empresse bancarios / Banky		3.057	2 9 2 8	2.806	2 762	2.782	2 657	2 778	121	3 098					-
Banco de la Nación / Banco de la Nación		216	115	130	168	107	104	93	-11	99	103		1000	101	
Sector privado / Private sector		23	24	2.000	22	21	26	2 650	-29	27	27			27	
Depósitos de privatización	e) BCRP / Public sector deposits at BCRP	2 910 306	2 826 262	2 961	2 694	2 723 171	2 678 165	180	16					2 640	
Otros depósitos / Other *		2 604	2 564	2 684	2 535	2 552	2 514	2 469	-44		2 479				
	BCRP (Mill. USS)/BCRP FOREKIN OPERATIONS (Millions USS)	Acom.	Acum	Acum.	Acum.	Acum	Acum.	240	Acum.	2 410	- 410	2 -00	2400	2 400	Acum
	imaria External origin of the monetary base	2	0	0	21	0	-1	-11	0	- 5	-5	0.	-0	- 0	1
the state of the s	scisción / Over-the-counter net purchases of foreign currency	0.	- 0	- 0	0	0	0	0	- 0	0	- 0	0	0	.0	8
Operaciones swaps netas / Net.		0	- 0	0	1	. 0	0	0	- 0	- 5	-5	0	0	0	1 3
Operaziones con el Sector Púb	lien / Public sector	0	-0	. 0	20	0	0	0	- 0	0	- 0	. 0	0	0	
TIPO DE CAMBIO (S/ por US\$) / EXCHANGE RATE		Prom.	Prom.	From.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.		Prom.						Prom
Compra interbancario/Interbank	biaPromedio / Average	3,485	3,500	3,529	3,519	3,523	3,528	3,523	3,520	3,544	3,545	3,542	3,546	3,561	3,5
	Apertura / Opening	3,486	3,502	3,530	3,520	3,524	3,530	3,526	3,521	3,542	3,545	3,544	3,544	3,552	3,5
Venta Interbancario	Mediodis / Midday	3,486	3,502	GAS SOM	3,521	3,524	3,530	3,524	3,521	3,544	-0.00				
Interhank Ask	Cierre / Close	3,486	3,502		3,520		3,529	3,524	3,520		-		3,550		
	Promedio / Average	3,486	3,502				3,529	3,524		3,545					
Sistema bancario	Compra / Bid	3,484	3,499	3,527			3,528	3,523	3,519						
Banking System	Venta / Ask	3,486	3,502		3,521	3,524		3,525	3,521	3,540	3,544	3,543	3,546	3,561	3,5
	994=100) / Real exhange rate Index (1994=100) OS / MONETARY INDICATORS	105,1	104,7	104,9	105,3	105,9	105,7		103,0						
Moneda nacional / Domestic co															
Emission Primaria	To the second se	5.7	2,0	-0.7	14,6	-10.2	-2,1	0.1	0.1	1.0					
Monetary base	(Var. % mensual) / /% monthly change) (Var. % últimos 12 meses) / /% /2-month change)	-5,2 1,9	-0,1	-1,0	-4,0	-0.3	4,0	0,1	1,6						
Oferta monetaria	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	1,2	0,0		6,3	-3.7	-0,9	· '	6,00	1					
Money Supply	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-wowth change)	3,0	3,2	3.0	3.5	4.3	6,0								
Crédito sector privado	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	1.7	-0.9	3.9	1,0	-0.6	-0,6								
Crédit to the private sector	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% /2-month change)	-7.2	-6.7	-2,8	2,3	1.8	0.8	1.000000							
	mensual) / 708E average balance (% monthly change)	0,1	-1,6	2,5	1,3	1.7	1,2	0.8	0,8	-2.0	-0,9	-2,4	-0.8	-0,9	
Superiivit de encaje promedio	(% respecto al TOSE) / Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)	0,5	0,7	0,8	1,3	1.0	0,8	0,6	0,6	1,0	1,1	1,2		1,3	
Cuenta corriente de los bancos (saldo mill. S/.)/Banks' current account (balance mills: of S/.)		112	138	129	120	128	134	50	131	133	154	163	172	130	
	saria (millones de S/) / Rediscounts (Millions of S/.)	- 0	- 0	20	- 0		- 0	- 0	- 0		- 0			- 0	
	m el BCRP (suldo Mill. S/.) / Public sector deposits at the BCRP (Balance m		509	531	319		515	475	475	892				825	
	'RP (saldo Mill St.) / CDBCRP balance (Millions of St.)	2 050	1 755	1.770	1 360	1.950	1 995	2 055	2 055	1 955	1 955	1 955		1.905	_
Operaciones de reporte con C	DBCRP (saldo Mill. 8/.)/CDBCRP repos (Balance millions of 8/.)	40	4)	30	- 0		20	30	30	380	425		_	365	
	TAMN / Average	27,9	27,7	27,1	26,5	25,9	25,2	24,6	24,9	A		25,1	24,9	25,2	
Total Astronomy (BC)	Interbancaria / Interbank	13,3	14,5	14.0	11,4		11,0	10,6	10,3	12,4		13,5		12,6	
Tasa de interés (%)	Preferencial para descuento 90 días / Prime rate (90 días) Operaciones de reporte con CDBCRP / CDBCRP repos	17,9 20,0	18,2	18,4	18,2	18.5 9.2	18,1	18,8	18,6	11.5	16,9	16,9	11.1	16,2	17
Interest rates (%)	Créditos por regulación monetaria / Rediscounts	s.m.	5.m.	14,0	s.m.	5.00.	5.m.	5.m.	5.m.	s.m.	5.m.	s.m.	5.m	s.m.	
	Del saldo de CDBCRP / CDBCRP balance	13,6	13.5	13.8	13.5	13.3	13.9	12.6	12,6	12.6	12.6			12,6	
Monoda extranjera / foreign cu		10,10	-		1010			1420		120		7440	- 120	1210	
Crédito sector privado	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	-0,5	-0.8	1,4	1,2	-0.3	-0,2								
Credit to the private sector	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / /% /2-month change)	-2,4	-3,6	-1,8	-2,3	-1,9	-1,1								
TOSE saldo promedio (Var.9	mensual) / TOSE average balance (% monthly change)	-0,8	-2.5	-0.7	1,9	-0.7	0,4	0,6	0,6	1,5	1,5	1,7	2,1	2,2	
Superivit de encaje promedio	(% respecto al TOSE) / Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,1	0,1	0,1	0.3	1,9	2,0	1,9	2.1	2,1	
Créditos por regulación mone	turia (millones de US dólares) / Radiscounts (milltons of US\$)	- 0	. 0	50	. 0	- 0	14	- 0.	- 0	- 15	. 0			0	100
	TAMEX / Average	12,9	12,7	12,6		12,6	13,2	12,7	12,8		12,6			12,6	-
Tasa de interés (%)	Interbancaria / Interbank	7,3	7,3	8.2			8,6	8,3	8,6	7,2		6,1	6,5	6,3	
Interest rates (%)	Preferencial pera descuento 90 dias / Prime rate (90 days)	10,7	11,2	11.1	10,7	10,8	11,0	11,0	11,7	12.1	11,5	11,5	11,1	11,7	- 11
n mean name and to	Créditos por regulación monotaria / Rediscounts	8.111.	s.m.	8,5	s.m.	8.05.	8,5	s.m.	5.M.	8,5	s.m.	s.m.	3.m	8.m.	
	S / STOCK MARKET INDICES	Acoms.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acim.		Acum.				100		Acun
Îndice General Bursătil (Var. 9		-5,7	-6,3	-5,5				-0,4	-1,5	-2,4	-0,4				
	%) / Blue Chip Index (% change)	-3,8		-5,2					-2,3						-5
Monto negociado en acciones (11,5	20,3	17.9	8,7	12.2	7,6	8,9	20,5	3,8	6,9	9,5	2,0	2,1	- 6
INFLACIÓN (%) / INFLATIO Inflación mensual (Monthly	tr (%)	10.60	0.22	0.00	0.16	0.10	0.25		0.00	1					
Inflación últimos 12 meses / %	23 months of some	0,56					0.25		0,51 3,58						
	.8(.) / CENTRAL GOVERNMENT (Mills, Of 8.)	3,88	4,25	4,02	3,73	3,80	3,61		3,38						
Resultado primario / Primary 8		32	641	95	-571	510	140								
Ingresos corrientes / Current s		2 186													
Gastos no financieros / Nov-fin		2 175					2 097								
	lls US\$) / FOREIGN TRADE (Mills Of US\$)														
Balanza Comercial / Trade ball		-1	-26	-96	8	-42	-91								
Exportaciones / Exporte		553	680	539	607	549	530								
Importaciones / Imports		554	707	636	599	590	641								
	(Índice 1994-100) / GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (1994-100)														
	nes del año anterior / Annual rate of growth	0,1	0,5			-1.7	-2,5			62					-
	CONALES / INTERNATIONAL QUOTATIONS	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	75585	Prom.	A MINI	-			10,000	Pron
LIBOR a tres meses (%) / LIBO		6,7	6,8	6,8	6,5	5.7	5,3	4.9	5,0	4,7	4.7	4.8	4,8	4,8	4.
Dow Jones (Var %) / 7% chang		-5,0					-3,6	0,6	-6,0						
	uries (30 afios) U.S. Treasuries yield (30 years)	5,8	5,8	5,8	5,5	5,5	5,5	5,4	5,3		_			5,7	
	DL (pbs) / PDI bond stripped spread (basis points)	570	692	735	711	647	642	645	630		763	755	768	748	71
Bonos Brady (%)	FLIRB	60.1	54,9	53,9	56,6	59,6	60,7	62,4	62.5	60,1	58,0	58,1	57,4	57,9	59,
Brady bonds (%)	PDI	65.2	61,9	60,9	63,1	66,5	67.2	68,4	68,3	66,4	63,8	63,9	63,3	64,0	65,