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## Net International Reserves increased US\$ 64 million

As of May 29, the net international reserves (NIR) of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru amounted to US\$ 8191 million, up US\$ 64 million from end-April. This increase reflects the increment in financial system deposits (US\$ 128 million) that was partially offset by the withdrawal of public sector deposits at the Central Bank (US\$ 36 million), sales of foreign currency through the over-the-counter (US\$ 20 million), net interest payments (US\$ 2 million), valuation and other operations (US\$ 5 million) and lower Insurance Deposits Fund deposits (US\$ 1 million). On the other hand, the exchange position amounted to US\$ 2576 million, down US\$ 21 million from end-April level due to sales of foreign currency through the over-the-counter.

BCRP net international reserves
(December 1996-May 2001)


Banks' current account balance at S/. 128 million
From May 1 to 29 , the banks' current account was $\mathrm{S} / .128$ million on a daily average basis, 1,6 percent higher than the same period in April.

## Banks' current account at the BCRP <br> (May 2000 - May 2001)



On May 23, the Central Bank injected liquidity through 1 one-day temporary purchases of CDBCRP by S/. 105 million on average and at average interest rate of 9,5 percent. On May 28, the Bank sold foreign currency by US\$ 10 million.

The Bank also redeemed CDBCRP by S/. 300 million and carried out three auctions of CDBCRP. On May 29 the balance of these certificates came to S/. 1610 million.

Auctions of CDBCRP

| Date | Amount <br> (Million of S/.) | Interest rate <br> $(\%)$ | Term <br> (weeks) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 25 | 20 | 12,6 | 20 |
| May 28 | 100 | 13,7 | 20 |
| May 29 | 450 | 13,8 | 6 |

Monetary operations: daily average

| (Million of S/.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Banks'curren t account balance at the end of previous day's operations | Banks' operations with Banco de la Nación | Redemption of CDBCRP | Other banking operations redemption with the Central Bank | Cash transfers that affect the bank's current account balance | Current account of banking system before Central Bank operations | Central bank operations | Current account after Central Bank operations | Interbank interest rate |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6=1+2+3+4+5$ | 7 | $8=6+7$ |  |
| March 2000 | 130 | -38 | 24 | -5 | 40 | 149 | -19 | 119 | 10,9 |
| April | 120 | -52 | 16 | -42 | 43 | 94 | 34 | 119 | 13,7 |
| May | 125 | -33 | 16 | -22 | 35 | 122 | 9 | 128 | 15,8 |
| December | 120 | -38 | 41 | -107 | 20 | 38 | 83 | 120 | 11,4 |
| January 2001 | 128 | -41 | 10 | -84 | 58 | 77 | 58 | 128 | 10,8 |
| February | 135 | -27 | 27 | -30 | 38 | 157 | -9 | 134 | 11,0 |
| March | 131 | -34 | 16 | -13 | 37 | 137 | -7 | 131 | 10,3 |
| April | 124 | -73 | 16 | -353 | 40 | -243 | 368 | 123 | 12,5 |
| May 29 | 125 | -29 | 15 | -173 | 49 | -11 | 142 | 128 | 12,2 |

## Average monetary base at S/. 5157 million

From May 1 to 29, the daily average balance of the monetary base was S/. 5157 million, up 0,4 percent from April average. On May 29, the monetary base amounted to S/. 5069 million, down 2,2 percent ( $\mathrm{S} / .114$ million) from end-April, reflecting the redemption of temporary purchases of CDBCRP (S/. 395 million) and sales of foreign currency ( $\mathrm{S} / .72$ million), that were partially offset by lower public sector deposits at the Central Bank (S/. 198 million), net redemption of CDBCRP (S/. 135 million) and other outlays (S/. 23 million).

## Interbank interest rate in domestic currency at 12,2 percent

From May 1 to 29, the interbank interest rate in domestic currency was 12,2 percent, lower than in April (12,5 percent).

Interbank interest rate in domestic currency
(May 2000 - May 2001)


## Average lending rates in domestic and foreign currency

As of May 29, the corporative prime interest rate in domestic currency (for 90-day loans to low-risk clients) was 15,5 percent, higher than in April ( 14,2 percent). Conversely, the rate foreign currency decreased from 6,5 percent last month to 5,9 percent.

Corporative prime interest rates in domestic currency and foreign currency
(October 2000-May 2001)


The 90 -day prime interest rate on soles-denominated loans averaged 19,1 percent, higher than in April ( 17,9 percent). On the other hand, the rate on dollar-denominated loans passed from 11,5 to 11,1 percent.

## Prime interest rates <br> (May 1998 - May 2001)



On the other hand, the average lending interest rate in domestic currency (TAMN) was 25,8 percent, higher than last month's average ( 25,4 percent), while the rate in foreign currency (TAMEX) was 12,3 percent, lower than in April (12,5 percent).

Average lending interest rates in domestic and foreign currency
(May 1998 - May 2001)


## Spread of PDI Brady bond at 7,3 percent

On May 29, 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 7,3 percent, lower the end-April ( 8,2 percent). From May 1 to 29 this spread averaged 7,5 percent.

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


Exchange rate at S/. 3,62
On May 29, the average ask exchange rate in the banking system came to $\mathrm{S} / .3,62,0,9$ percent higher than April close level.

Overt this period, the balance of sales of foreign currency in the forward market on a daily average basis exceeded redemptions by US\$ 2 million, whereas new purchases also exceeded redemptions by US $\$ 3$ million.

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

|  | December | January 2001 | February | March | April | May |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 16-22 | 23-29 | 1-29 |
| i. Forward sales to the public | $\underline{0}$ | $\underline{5}$ | -1 | $\underline{3}$ | 7 | $\underline{0}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{2}$ |
| - New sales | 12 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 26 | 15 | 15 | 13 |
| - Redemptions | 12 | 13 | 18 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 10 | 11 |
| ii. Forward purchases to the public | -2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | $\underline{0}$ | 8 | 8 | $\underline{3}$ |
| - New purchases | 6 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 11 | 13 |
| - Redemptions | 8 | 11 | 9 | 10 | 13 | 5 | 3 | 10 |
| iii. Net spot purchases to the public | $\underline{0}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 10 | $\underline{9}$ | 13 | 7 | $\underline{4}$ | -2 |
| - Purchases | 87 | 84 | 90 | 92 | 110 | 89 | 63 | 78 |
| - Sales | 87 | 82 | 80 | 83 | 97 | 82 | 59 | 80 |
| Memo: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Close balance as of: | 653 | 747 | 704 | 789 | 990 | 992 | 1022 | 1022 |
| b. Forward purchases to the public | 213 | 303 | 290 | 352 | 403 | 408 | 453 | 453 |
| c. Net sales to the public ( $\mathrm{a}-\mathrm{b}$ ) | 440 | 444 | 414 | 437 | 587 | 584 | 570 | 570 |
| d. Banks' exchange position | 630 | 584 | 599 | 598 | 573 | 554 | 569 | 569 |

## Central government operations: April 2001

In April, the central government recorded an overall deficit of S/. 65 million, which contrasts with the surplus in April 2000 (S/. 243 million). This result mainly reflects the school allowance (S/. 302 million), which last year was granted in March. In the period January-April, the overall deficit was S/. 330 million, S/. 729 million lower than in the same period a year ago (S/. 1059 million), reflecting the contraction of non-financial expenditure.

Current revenues amounted to S/. 2606 million in April, down 5,6 percent in real terms from the same month a year ago, whereas non-financial expenditures (S/. 2536 million) expanded in real terms by 2,6 percent compared with April 2000.

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
(Million of $\mathrm{S} /$. )

|  | April |  |  | January - April |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2000 | 2001 | Real \% change | 2000 | 2001 | Real \% change |
| 1. CURRENT REVENUE | 2691 | 2606 | - 5,6 | 9325 | 9287 | - 3,7 |
| 2. NON FINANCIAL EXPENDITURE | 2409 | 2536 | 2,6 | 9411 | 8534 | - 12,3 |
| a. Current | 1911 | 2222 | 13,3 | 7771 | 7435 | - 7,5 |
| b. Capital | 498 | 314 | - 38,5 | 1640 | 1099 | - 35,2 |
| 3. OTHER OPERATIONS | 121 | 18 | - 85,8 | 145 | 65 | - 56,7 |
| 4. INTERESTS | 403 | 88 |  | 60 | 818 |  |
| 5. TRANSFERS OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES | 160 | 153 | -7,2 | 1119 | 1149 | - 0,8 |
| 6. OVERALL BALANCE $(1+2++3+4+5)$ | 243 | $\underline{-65}$ |  | $\underline{-1059}$ | -330 |  |

The overall deficit was funded mainly with external resources by S/ . 41 million or US\$ 11 million (as a result of the difference of disbursements -US\$ 39 million- and amortization -US\$ 28 million-). Furthermore, privatization income was recorded by S/. 61 million (US\$ 17 million).

## Monetary accounts: May 15

From April 15 to May 15, liquidity in domestic currency rose 2,7 percent (S/. 374 million) to $\mathrm{S} / .14250$ million. In annual terms, this aggregate grew 7,2 percent. On the other hand, credit to the private sector in domestic currency decreased 0,9 percent ( $\mathrm{S} /$. 80 million) to $\mathrm{S} / .8911$ million. Last 12 months growth for this variable was 4,2 percent.

Liquidity in foreign currency fell 0,1 percent (US\$ 6 million) to US\$ 9159 million. On the other hand, credit to the private sector (US\$ 11542 million) increased 0,8 percent in the last 4 weeks, but decreased 0,3 percent in annual terms.

## General index increases 11,6 percent

As of May 29, the Lima Stock Exchange increased with respect to end-March by 11,6 percent in the General Index and 10,7 percent in the Blue Chip Index. In the year, these indices have increased 10,6 and 10,8 percent, respectively.

Stock market indicators (January 1996 - May 22, 2001)


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