

BANCO CENTRAL DE RESERVA DEL PERU

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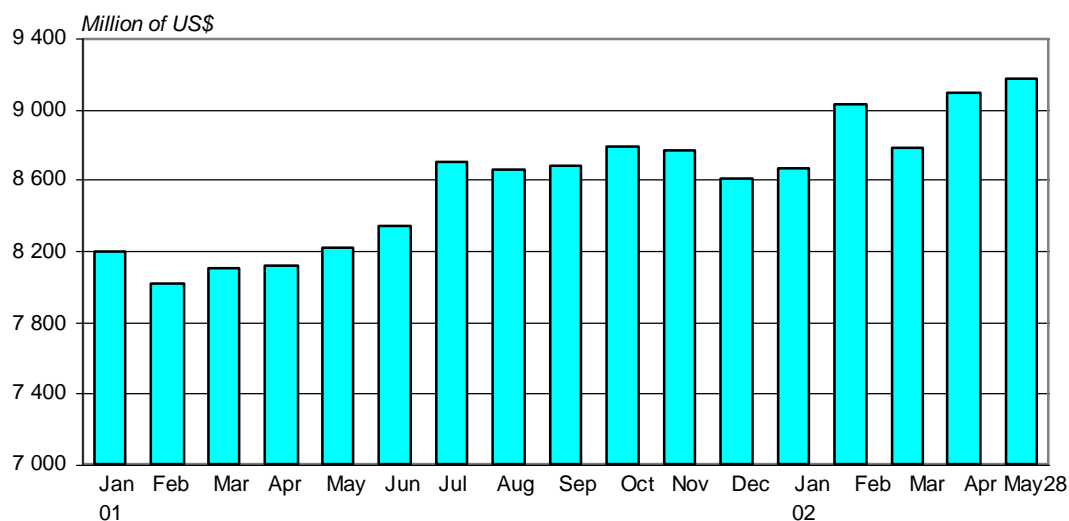
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Net International Reserves at US\$ 9 181 million

As of May 28, the net international reserves (NIR) of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru amounted to US\$ 9 181 million, up US\$ 83 million from end-April due to higher financial system deposits (US\$ 116 million) and investment yields (US\$ 30 million), which were partially offset by the withdrawal of public sector deposits and other operations (US\$ 63 million). On the other hand, the net international position amounted to US\$ 3 160 million, up US\$ 25 million from end-April.

BCR's net international reserves (January 2001 - May 2002)

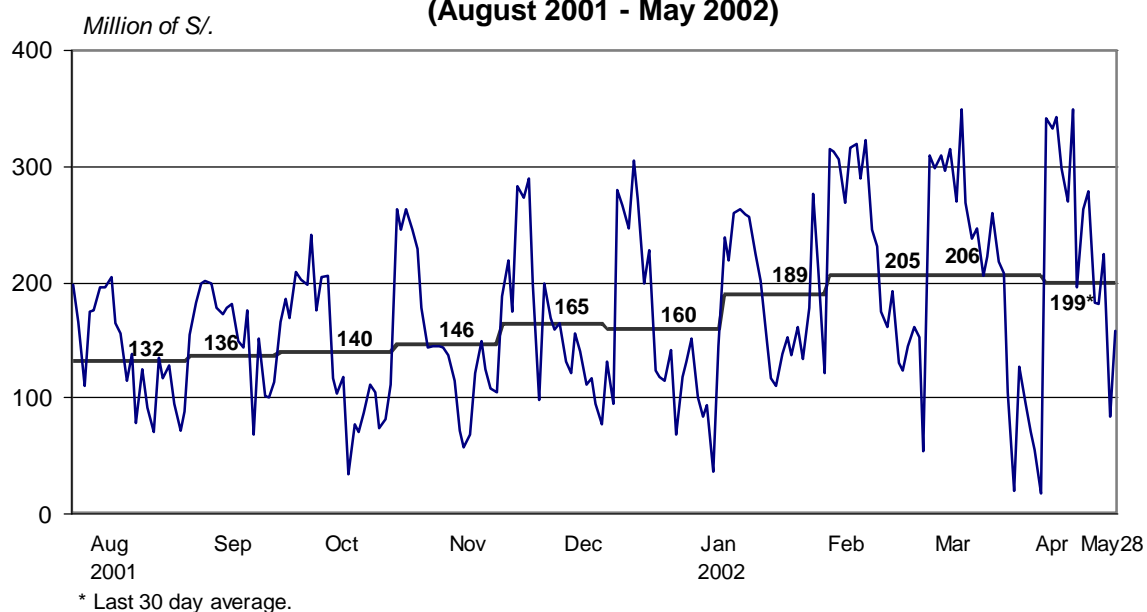


Banks' current account balance at S/. 211 million

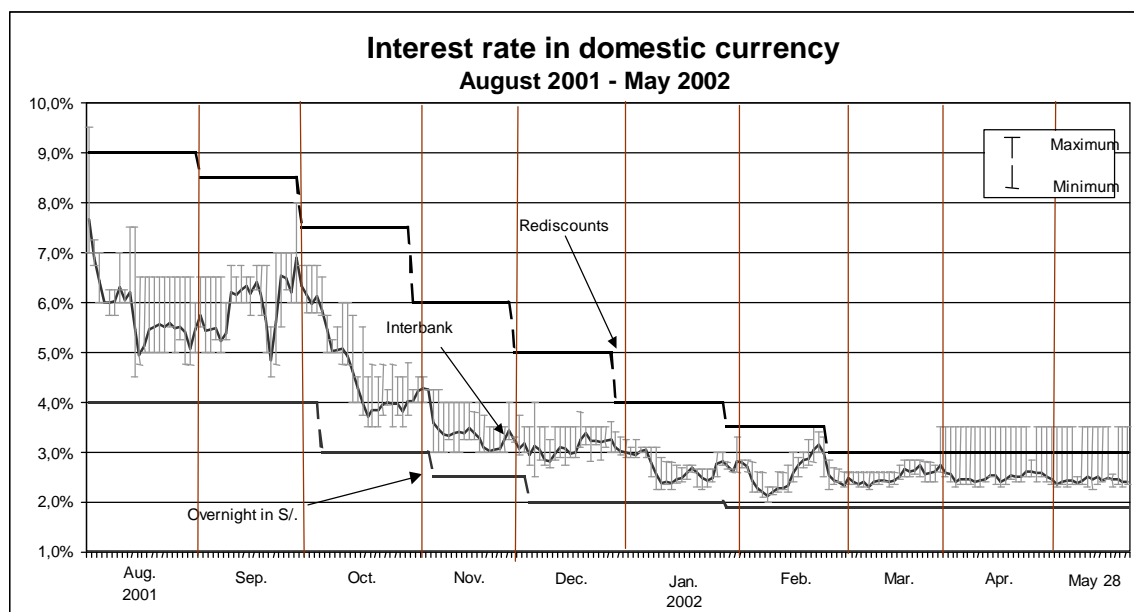
As of May 28, the banks' current account held at the Central Bank was S/. 211 million on a daily average basis. The last 30-day average for this balance was S/. 199 million. The interbank interest rate as of May 28 was 2,5 percent, similar to the last 30 day average.

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**Banks' current account at the BCR
(August 2001 - May 2002)**



**Interest rate in domestic currency
August 2001 - May 2002**



Between May 22 to 28, the Central Bank made temporary purchase of Certificates of Deposits BCRP and Public Treasury bonds amounting to S/. 1 195 million at an average interest rate of 2,3 percent.

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Banks' current account at the Central Bank and monetary operations

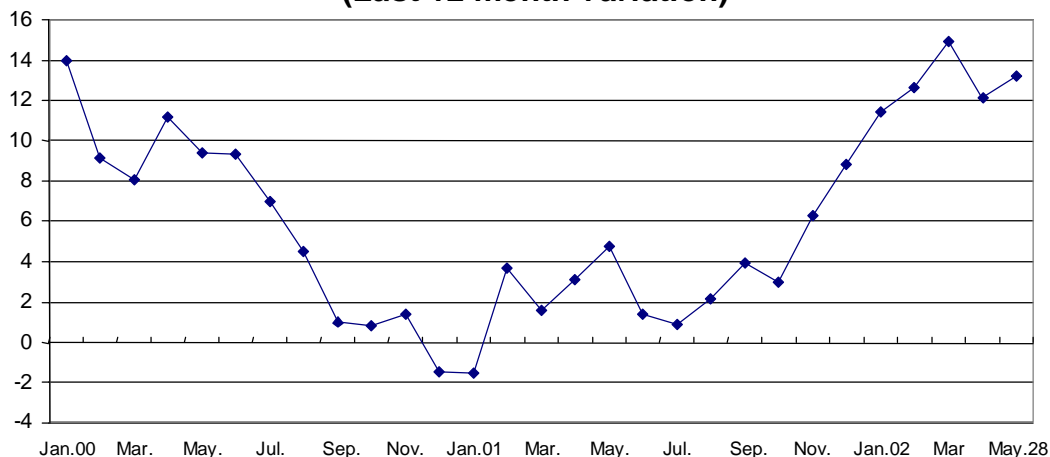
(Million of S/.)

	May				
	22	23	24	27	28
Current account of the banking system before Central Bank operations	19	5	-256	-135	13
2 Central Bank operations	<u>145</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>430</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>70</u>
a. Auction of temporary purchases of CDBCRP and BTP	145	190	430	310	120
- Average interest rate	2,36%	2,42%	2,27%	2,22%	2,28%
b. Overnight deposits		-53		-20	-50
Current account of the banking system after Central Bank operations (1+2)	164	142	174	155	83
Note:					
Last 30 day average of the current account	184	188	190	199	199

Average monetary base at S/. 5 839 million

As of May 28, the daily average balance of the monetary base was S/. 5 839 million, up 1,4 percent from April. On May 21, the monetary base amounted to S/. 5 661 million, down S/. 33 million (0,6 percent) from end-April. Last 12 month average variation passed from 12,1 percent in April to 13,2 percent as of May 28.

Monetary base (Last 12 month variation)

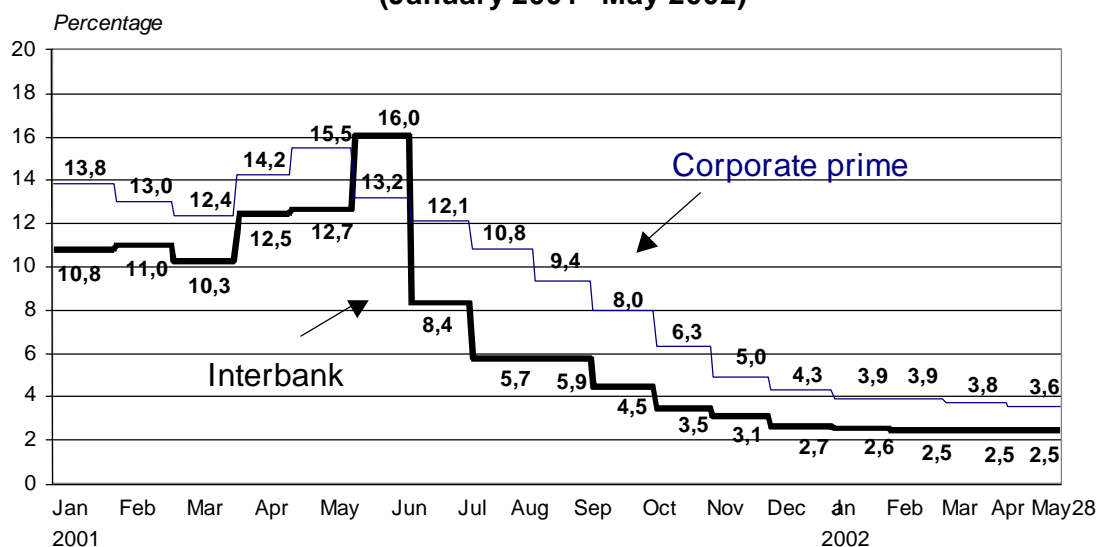


Corporate prime interest rates decreased

As of May 28, the corporate prime interest rate in domestic currency was 3,5 percent, lower than in April (3,8 percent).

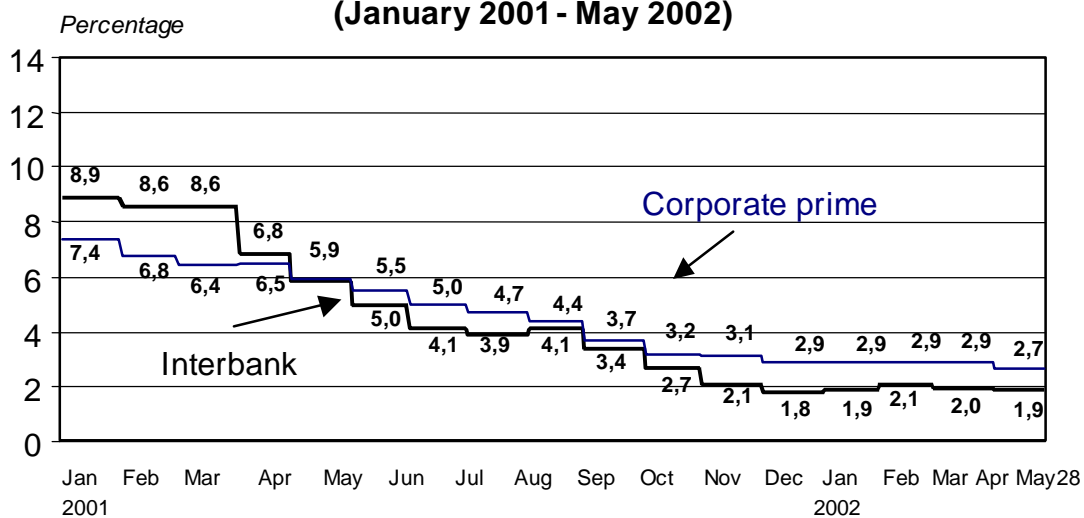
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**Average interest rate in domestic currency
(January 2001 - May 2002)**



In foreign currency, the corporate prime interest rate in foreign currency as of May 28 was 2,7 percent, lower than in April (2,9 percent).

**Average interest rate in foreign currency
(January 2001 - May 2002)**



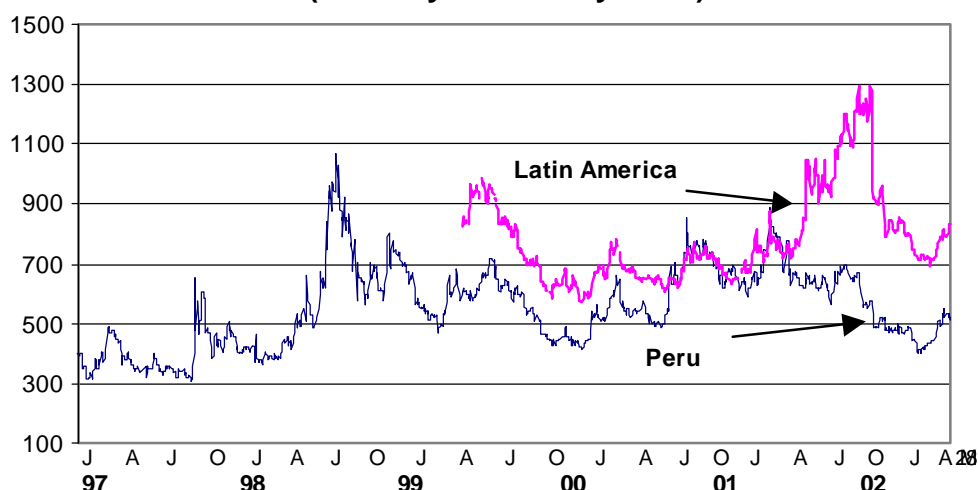
Peru's bonds spread at 5,2 percent

As of May 28, the spread between the yield of Peruvian Brady bonds and the interest rate on US Treasury bills (a proxy for the country risk perceived by investors) was 5,2 percent, higher than in April (4,4 percent).

The spread of the global Peruvian bond spread with a 10 year maturity rose from 4,8 percent in April to 4,9 percent as of May 28.

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Spread of sovereign bonds (January 1997 - May 2002)



Exchange rate at S/. 3,46

As of May 28, the average exchange rate was S/. 3,463, up 0,8 percent from end-April. Over this period, the net forward sales to the public increased US\$ 61 million.

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

			February			
End-of-period balance						
a. Net sales to the public (iii)			741			
i. Forward sales to the public	834	1 064	1 147	1 054	954	1 052
ii. Forward purchases to the public	248	378	406	371	249	286
b. Banks' exchange position	587	590	642	635	696	634
Flows:						
I. Forward sales to the public	-4	9	4	-3	-2	4
- New sales	11	19	24	29	49	48
- Redemptions			20			
II. Forward purchases to the public	-3	5	1	-1	-3	1
- New purchases	12	15	15	8	8	7
- Redemptions	15	10	14	9	11	6
III. Net spot purchases to the public	3	2	-10	21	47	37
- Purchases	78	74	62	111	139	101
- Sales	75	72	72	90	92	64

Liquidity and credit: May 7

As of May 7, liquidity in domestic currency decreased 0,4 percent (S/. 66 million) in the last 4 weeks to S/. 16 174 million. In annual terms, this aggregate grew 13,6 percent. On the other hand, credit to the private sector in domestic currency (S/. 9 022 million) fell 3,9 percent (S/. 366 million) from April 7 to May 7. In annual terms credit to the private sector increased 4,0 percent.

Liquidity in foreign currency decreased 0,7 percent (US\$ 63 million) in the last 4 weeks to US\$ 9 158 million, but decreased 1,5 percent in annual terms. On the other hand, short-term external liabilities expanded by US\$ 66 million (5,1 percent) to US\$ 1 359 million. Credit to the private sector in foreign currency (US\$ 10 677 million) increased 0,4 percent (US\$ 47 million) in the last 4 weeks and fell 3,3 percent in annual terms.

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MONETARY AGGREGATES (End of period)

	MONETARY BASE		LIQUIDITY IN S/		CREDIT IN S/		LIQUIDITY IN US\$		Short-term liabilities ^{1/}		CREDIT IN US\$	
	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year	VAR.(%) Month	VAR.(%) Year
1998												
Dec.	12,8%	5,5%	3,9%	-2,4%	2,2%	6,6%	0,3%	1,3%	-13,0%	-3,5%	-0,6%	8,1%
1999												
Dec.	18,1%	17,0%	5,8%	11,6%	-4,1%	-5,3%	-1,9%	2,4%	1,3%	-36,3%	1,7%	-1,6%
2000												
Dec.	14,6%	-4,0%	5,4%	2,5%	-0,3%	0,9%	0,5%	1,5%	4,6%	-17,2%	-1,0%	-4,5%
2001												
Mar.	0,1%	0,5%	2,5%	3,7%	0,9%	1,0%	0,7%	-1,7%	3,8%	-4,1%	0,8%	-3,4%
Jun.	1,1%	1,6%	-1,1%	3,6%	-0,5%	1,2%	0,8%	-1,2%	6,2%	-4,9%	-0,2%	-3,7%
Sep.	-1,6%	5,1%	0,0%	4,8%	0,2%	1,1%	0,5%	3,1%	-17,1%	-17,3%	-0,7%	-3,9%
Dec.	14,4%	7,9%	8,0%	13,5%	1,6%	2,7%	-1,9%	1,2%	-4,0%	-21,8%	0,7%	-3,8%
2002												
Jan.	-7,8%	10,8%	-3,2%	14,5%	-1,8%	1,1%	-0,8%	1,2%	-2,8%	-21,4%	-1,1%	-3,2%
Feb.	0,7%	13,9%	2,0%	18,3%	1,9%	3,9%	0,3%	1,7%	6,1%	-15,4%	1,1%	-1,9%
Mar.	2,0%	16,1%	2,0%	17,9%	2,7%	5,7%	-2,0%	-1,1%	-5,8%	-23,3%	-0,9%	-3,6%
Apr.	-1,2%	9,9%	-0,5%	14,9%	-3,6%	2,7%	0,1%	-1,5%	5,0%	-14,7%	0,9%	-2,6%
May.07	0,4%	11,1%	-0,4%	13,6%	-3,9%	4,0%	-0,7%	-3,2%	5,1%	-7,4%	0,4%	-3,3%

Memo:

Balance as of Apr.7 (Mill.S./or Mill.US\$)	5 785	16 240	9 388	9 221	1 293	10 630
Balance as of May.7 (Mill.S./or Mill.US\$)	5 808	16 174	9 022	9 158	1 359	10 677

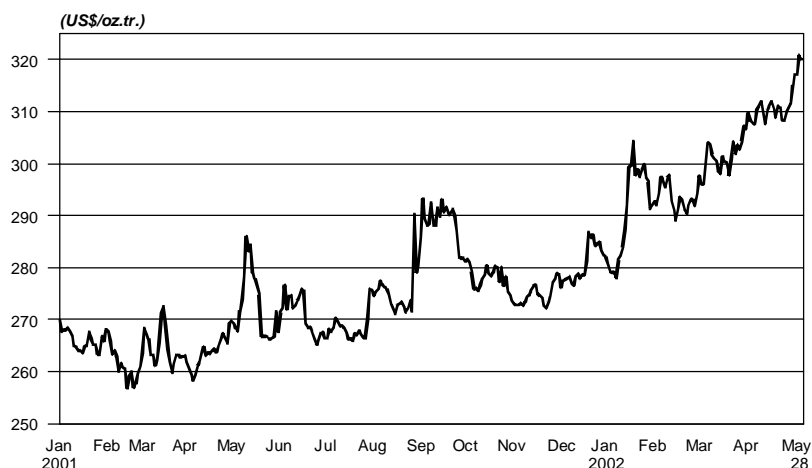
1/ Short-term external liabilities.

International markets

On May 28, the gold international quotation was US\$ 320 per once Troy, 1,6 percent higher than a week ago and recording a rising trend. This increase obeys to the higher risks in currency investments. On the other hand, the silver quotation rose 1,0 percent (to US\$ 4,91 per once Troy) in the last week and 8 percent compared to end-April.

Gold quotation

(January 2001 - May 2002)



The copper quotation came to cUS\$ 73,7 per pound, up 2,9 percent from last week and reflecting the decline of inventories of this material. Thus, copper inventories at the London Metal Exchange totaled 954 675 MT. Furthermore, BHP Billinton's cutback also pushed up the quotation. On the other hand, the zinc quotation grew 0,2 percent to cUS\$ 34,4 per once.

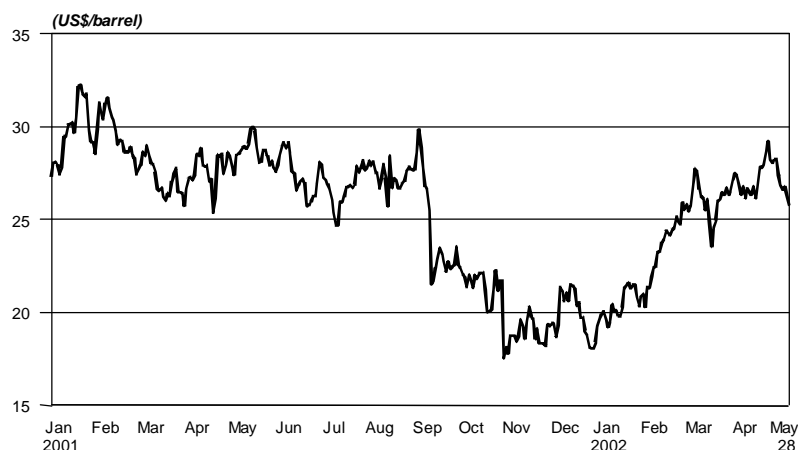
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Copper quotation (January 2001 - May 2002)



The WTI oil quotation was US\$ 25,8 per barrel, 7,5 percent lower than a week ago due to increasing inventories in the US, which offset the Middle East conflict and the tensions between India and Pakistan.

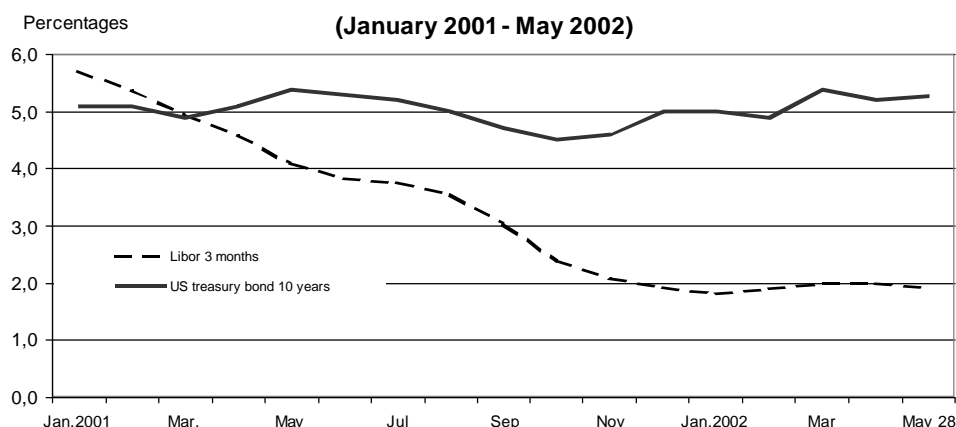
Oil quotation (January 2001 - May 2002)



As of May 28, the 3-month Libor remained steady at 1,90 percent. On the other hand, the yield of the US Treasury bond with a 10 year maturity increased 0,02 basis points to 5,13 percent, despite the fall in the US stock indices.

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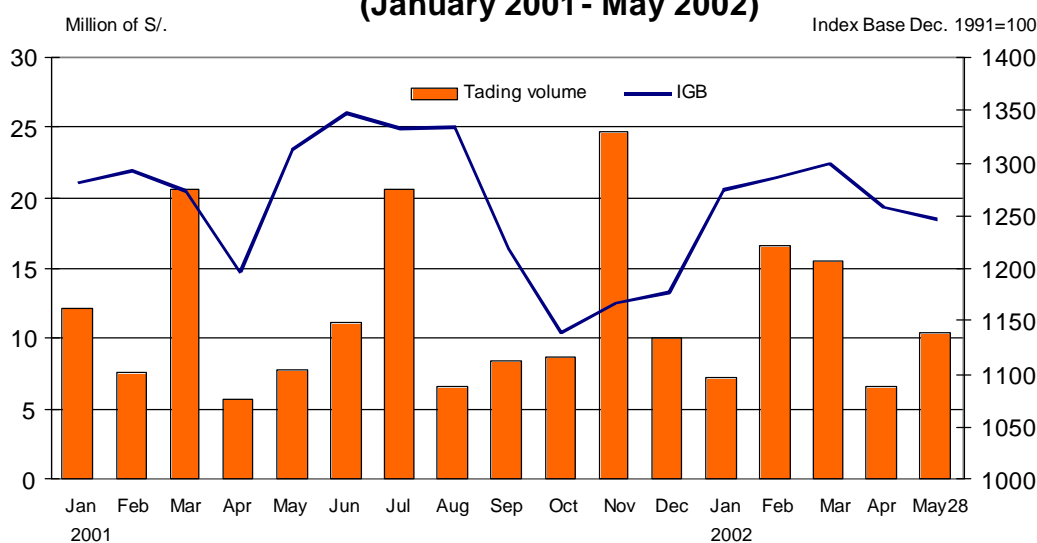
Libor and interest rate of US treasury bonds



General Index decreased 1,0 percent

As of May 28, the Lima Stock Exchange and Blue Chip Index decreased 1,0 percent and 0,7 percent relative to end-April. However, in the year these indices have increased 5,9 and 3,5 percent, respectively.

Stock market indicators (January 2001 - May 2002)



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Indicadores Económicos / Economic Indicators

	2001				2002							
	DIC.	ENE.	FEB.	MAR.	30 Abr.	ABR.	22 May.	23 May.	24 May.	27 May.	28 May.	MAY.
RESERVAS INTERNACIONALES (Mills. US\$) / INTERNATIONAL RESERVES					Var.							
Posición de cambio / <i>Net international position</i>	2,915	2,926	3,001	3,020	3,135	115	3,152	3,156	3,155	3,154	3,160	25
Reservas internacionales netas / <i>Net international reserves</i>	8,613	8,667	9,028	8,786	9,098	312	9,191	9,214	9,201	9,200	9,181	83
Depósitos del sistema financiero en el BCR / <i>Financial system deposits at BCR</i>	3,196	3,245	3,111	2,967	3,226	259	3,359	3,380	3,379	3,361	3,342	116
Empresas bancarias / <i>Banks</i>	2,945	3,011	2,891	2,737	2,990	252	3,123	3,140	3,128	3,109	3,094	104
Banco de la Nación / <i>Banco de la Nación</i>	0	201	185	195	197	2	199	202	212	213	210	13
Sector privado / <i>Private sector</i>	33	33	35	35	39	4	38	38	38	39	39	-1
Depósitos del sector público en el BCR / <i>Public sector deposits at BCR</i>	2,536	2,520	2,944	2,822	2,753	-70	2,694	2,693	2,685	2,701	2,694	-59
Depósitos de privatización	139	138	14	17	19	2	20	20	21	21	21	2
Otros depósitos / <i>Other *</i>	2,397	2,382	2,930	2,806	2,734	-72	2,674	2,673	2,664	2,680	2,673	-61
OPERACIONES CAMBIARIAS BCR (Mill. US\$) / BCR FOREIGN OPERATIONS	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.							
Origen externo de la emisión primaria / <i>External origin of the monetary base</i>	79	0	-1	3	8	91	0	0	-0	0	0	1
Compras netas en Mesa de Negociación / <i>Net purchases of foreign currency</i>	58	0	0	0	8	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
Operaciones swaps netas / <i>Net swap operations</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-0
Operaciones con el Sector Público / <i>Public sector</i>	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TIPO DE CAMBIO (\$/ por US\$) / EXCHANGE RATE	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.							
Compra interbancario / <i>Interbank b</i>	3.435	3.460	3.476	3.455	3.433	3.438	3.469	3.467	3.451	3.455	3.468	3.449
Venta Interbancario / <i>Interbank Ask</i>	3.436	3.460	3.479	3.457	3.436	3.440	3.468	3.470	3.458	3.451	3.464	3.450
Sistema bancario (SBS) / <i>Banking System</i>	3.436	3.463	3.478	3.456	3.435	3.439	3.471	3.468	3.453	3.458	3.473	3.451
Compra / <i>Bid</i>	3.436	3.462	3.478	3.456	3.433	3.439	3.472	3.464	3.451	3.461	3.471	3.451
Venta / <i>Ask</i>	3.436	3.461	3.478	3.456	3.434	3.439	3.471	3.468	3.453	3.456	3.470	3.450
Índice de tipo de cambio real (1994 = 100) / <i>Real exchange rate Index (1994 = 100)</i>	100.7	100.7	99.0	98.3	97.4							
INDICADORES MONETARIOS / MONETARY INDICATORS												
Moneda nacional / Domestic currency												
Emisión Primaria / <i>Monetary base</i>	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	14.4	-7.8	0.7	2.0	-1.2	-1.2					
	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	7.9	10.8	13.9	16.1	9.9	9.9					
Oferta monetaria / <i>Money Supply</i>	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	8.0	-3.2	2.0	2.0	-0.5	-0.5					
	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	13.5	14.5	18.3	17.9	14.9	14.9					
Crédito sector privado / <i>Crédit to the private sector</i>	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	1.6	-1.8	1.9	2.7	-3.6	-3.6					
	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	2.7	1.1	3.9	5.7	2.7	2.7					
TOSE saldo promedio (Var. % mensual) / <i>TOSE average balance (% monthly change)</i>		4.3	-1.0	2.6	-0.5	-1.5	-1.5	2.0	1.5	-1.1	0.2	1.0
Superávit de encaje promedio (% respecto al TOSE) / <i>Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)</i>		0.7	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
Cuenta corriente de los bancos (saldo mill. S./) / <i>Banks' current account (balance)</i>		165	160	189	205	18	206	164	142	174	155	83
Créditos por regulación monetaria (millones de S./) / <i>Rediscounts (Millions of S./)</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Depósitos públicos en el BCR (millones S./) / <i>Public sector deposits at the BCR (Mills. S./)</i>		195	252	501	302	596	596	566	589	815	743	631
Certificados de Depósitos BCRP (saldo Mill. S./) / <i>CDBCRP balance (Millions of S./)</i>		1,840	2,350	2,185	2,250	2,215	2,215	2,360	2,360	2,360	2,360	2,360
Operaciones de reporte (saldo Mill. S./) / <i>repos (Balance millions of S./)</i>		0	25	355	95	30	30	145	190	430	310	120
Tasa de interés (%) / <i>Interest rates (%)</i>	Préstamos y descuentos hasta 360 días / <i>Loans & discount Interbancaria / Interbank</i>	17.2	16.5	16.1	15.5	14.9	14.6	14.4	14.6	14.5	14.5	14.4
	Interbancaria / <i>Interbank</i>	3.1	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5
	Preferencial para descuento 90 días / <i>Prime rate</i>	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
	Preferencial corporativa a 90 días / <i>Corporate Prime</i>	5.0	4.3	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
	Operaciones de reporte con CDBCRP / <i>CDBCRP repos</i>	s.m.	3.0	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.3
	Créditos por regulación monetaria / <i>Rediscounts</i>	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.
	Del saldo de CDBCRP / <i>CDBCRP balance</i>	7.6	6.6	6.0	5.4	5.2	5.2	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9
Moneda extranjera / foreign currency												
Crédito sector privado / <i>Crédit to the private sector</i>	(Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	0.7	-1.1	1.1	-0.9	0.9	0.9					
	(Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	-3.8	-3.2	-1.9	-3.6	-2.6	-2.6					
TOSE saldo promedio (Var. % mensual) / <i>TOSE average balance (% monthly change)</i>		-1.9	-1.3	-0.4	-1.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1
Superávit de encaje promedio (% respecto al TOSE) / <i>Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)</i>		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.8	1.9	1.0	1.1	0.7
Créditos por regulación monetaria (millones de US dólares) / <i>Rediscounts</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tasa de interés (%) / <i>Interest rates (%)</i>	Préstamos y descuentos hasta 360 días / <i>Loans & discount Interbancaria / Interbank</i>	8.7	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.6	8.6	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.4
	Interbancaria / <i>Interbank</i>	2.1	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.5	1.9	2.0
	Preferencial para descuento 90 días / <i>Prime rate</i>	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
	Preferencial corporativa a 90 días / <i>Corporate Prime</i>	3.1	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
	Créditos por regulación monetaria / <i>Rediscounts</i>	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.
INDICADORES BURSÁTILES / STOCK MARKET INDICES	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.							
Índice General Bursátil (Var. %) / <i>General Index (% change)</i>	0.8	8.3	0.9	1.1	-0.1	-3.2	-0.4	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	1.0	-1.0
Índice Selectivo Bursátil (Var. %) / <i>Blue Chip Index (% change)</i>	0.6	5.5	0.7	2.0	-0.3	-3.7	-0.1	0.4	-0.6	-0.1	1.2	-0.7
Monto negociado en acciones (Mill. S./) - Prom. diario	10.1	7.2	16.9	15.5	6.9	6.6	8.7	8.2	10.1	0.5	18.2	10.4
INFLACIÓN (%) / INFLATION (%)												
Inflación mensual / <i>Monthly</i>	-0.09	-0.52	-0.04	0.54	0.73							
Inflación últimos 12 meses / <i>12 months change</i>	-0.13	-0.83	-1.11	-1.08	0.05							
GOBIERNO CENTRAL (Mill. S./) / CENTRAL GOVERNMENT (Mills. Of S./)												
Resultado primario / <i>Primary balance</i>	-981	492	-245	-205								
Ingresos corrientes / <i>Current revenue</i>	2,190	2,364	1,887	1,901								
Gastos no financieros / <i>Non-financial expenditure</i>	3,260	1,896	2,135	2,124								
COMERCIO EXTERIOR (Mills. US\$) / FOREIGN TRADE (Mills. Of US\$)												
Balanza Comercial / <i>Trade balance</i>	51	-61	-28	47								
Exportaciones / <i>Exports</i>	603	520	500	555								
Importaciones / <i>Imports</i>	548	580	528	508								
PRODUCTO BRUTO INTERNO (Índice 1994=100) / GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT												
Variac. %, respecto al mismo mes del año anterior / <i>Annual rate of growth</i>	4.1	3.9	3.4	1.6								
COTIZACIONES INTERNACIONALES / INTERNATIONAL QUOTATIONS	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.							
LIBOR a tres meses (%) / <i>LIBOR 3-month (%)</i>	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Dow Jones (Var %) / (% change)	2.9	-2.1	1.9	3.2	1.3	-4.4	0.5	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	-1.2	0.4
Rendimiento de los U.S. Treasuries (30 años) / <i>U.S. Treasuries yield (30 years)</i>	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.7	s.c.	5.7	5.7
Stripped spread del EMBI+ PERÚ (pbs) / <i>EMBI+ PERU stripped spread (basis points)</i>	511	480	478	424	495	444	520	531	513	s.c.	516	521

* Incluye depósitos de Promecpi, Fondo de Estabilización Fiscal (FEF), Cofide, fondos administrados por la ONP; y otros depósitos del MEF. El detalle se presenta en el cuadro No.18 del Boletín Semanal.

Fuente: BCR, INEI, Aduanas, Banco de la Nación, BVL, Sunat, SBS, Reuters y Bloomberg.