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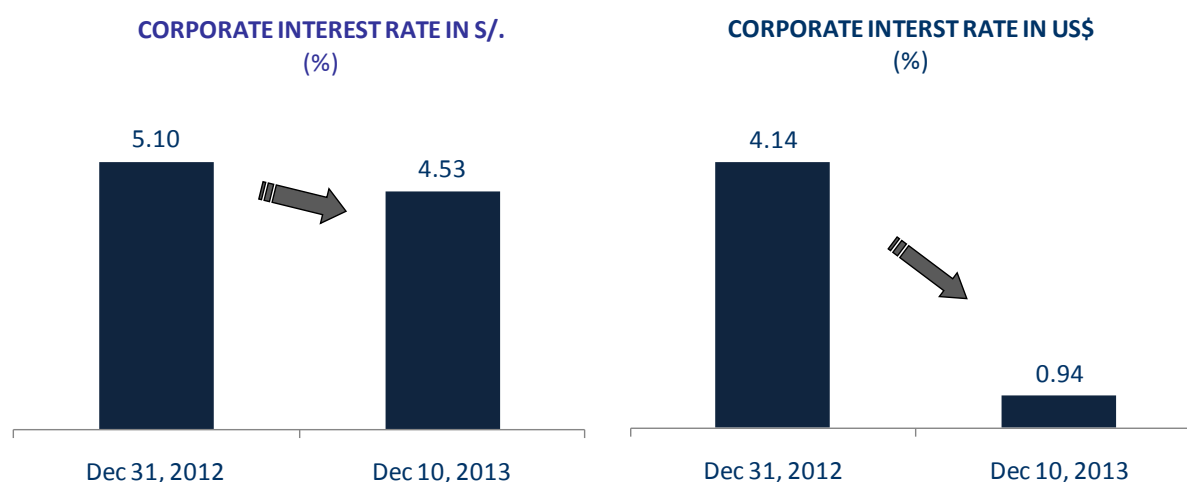
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## Corporate prime rate in dollars at 0.94 percent

On December 10, the **corporate prime rate** –the interest rate commercial banks charge to lower risk businesses– in US dollars showed a daily average rate of 0.94 percent. On the other hand, in the same period the corporate prime rate in soles recorded a daily average rate of 4.53 percent.



The corporate prime rate in soles is the closest in level to the rate of the Central Bank's reference interest rate and tends to be the first to respond to the movements of and expectations about the monetary policy rate.

## Monetary and exchange operations

Year-to-date (at December 10, 2013), the Central Bank has accumulated purchases of FC for a total of US\$ 5.21 billion and sales of FC for a total US\$ 5.20 billion, accumulating purchases of foreign currency for a net total of US\$ 5 million. The Central Bank has also sold FC for a total of US\$ 3.99 billion to the public sector. The BCRP net internal assets have increased by S/. 13.93 billion.

**BCRP OPERATIONS**

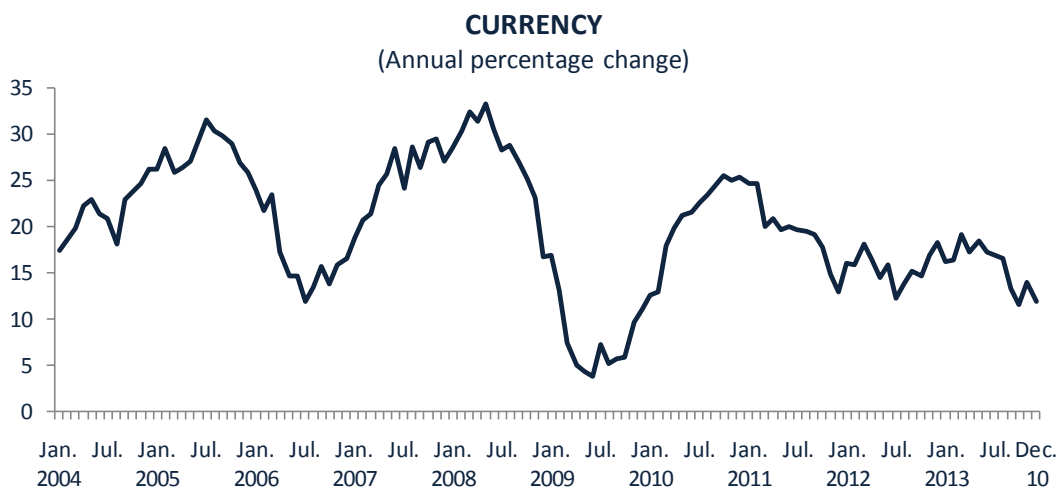
(Million S/.)

|  | Balance        |                |                | Flows          |               |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
|  | Dec 31, 2012   | Nov 30, 2013   | Dec 10, 2013   | 2013*          | Dic-13 *      |
| <b>I. NET INTERNATIONAL POSITION</b>         | <b>117,462</b> | <b>118,308</b> | <b>115,916</b> | <b>-13,257</b> | <b>-1,980</b> |
| (Million US\$)                               | 46,063         | 42,253         | 41,547         | -4,517         | -706          |
| 1. Exchange Operations                       |                |                |                | -3,973         | -760          |
| a. Over the counter operations               |                |                |                | 5              | -760          |
| b. Public sector                             |                |                |                | -3,998         | 0             |
| 2. Rest                                      |                |                |                | -543           | 54            |
| <b>II. NET DOMESTIC ASSET</b>                | <b>-85,217</b> | <b>-85,533</b> | <b>-82,998</b> | <b>13,930</b>  | <b>2,123</b>  |
| 1. Monetary Sterilization                    | -51,567        | -45,524        | -48,361        | 3,207          | -2,837        |
| a. Certificates and Term deposits            | -30,053        | -22,689        | -23,189        | 6,863          | -500          |
| BCRP Certificates of Deposit (CDBCRP)        | -20,805        | -20,013        | -20,213        | 591            | -200          |
| CDR BCRP                                     | 0              | -2,676         | -2,976         | -2,976         | -300          |
| Term Deposits                                | -9,248         | 0              | 0              | 9,248          | 0             |
| b. Reserve requirements in Domestic Currency | -20,491        | -19,863        | -23,458        | -2,967         | -3,595        |
| c. Other monetary operations                 | -1,024         | -2,972         | -1,714         | -689           | 1,258         |
| 2. Fiscal Sterilization                      | -39,939        | -39,409        | -39,372        | 567            | 37            |
| 3. Other                                     | 6,289          | -600           | 4,735          | 10,157         | 4,923         |
| <b>III. CURRENCY **</b>                      | <b>32,244</b>  | <b>32,775</b>  | <b>32,918</b>  | <b>673</b>     | <b>143</b>    |
| (Monthly percentage change)                  | 10.6%          | 1.0%           | 0.4%           |                |               |
| (Accumulated percentage change)              | 33.6%          | 1.6%           | 2.1%           |                |               |
| (YoY)  | 18.3%          | 13.9%          | 11.9%          |                |               |

\* As of December 10, 2013.

\*\* Preliminary data.

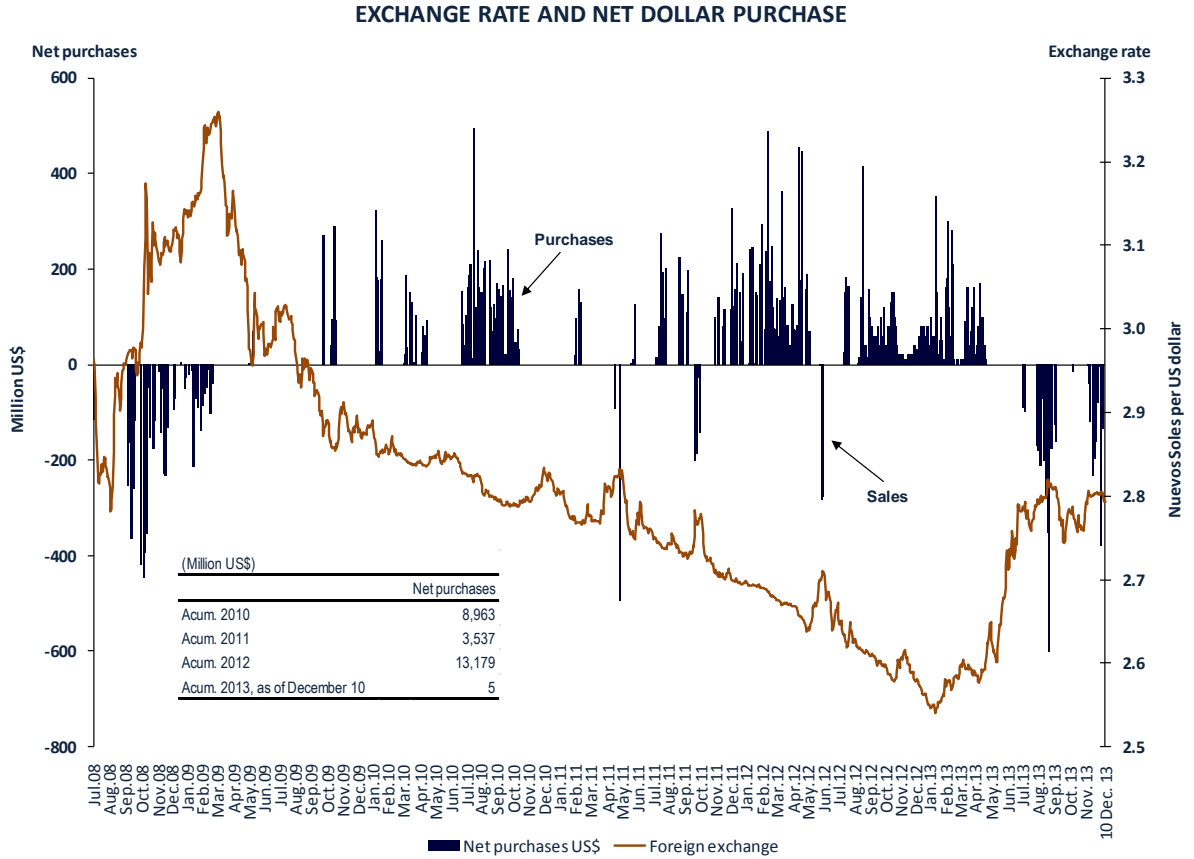
**Currency in circulation** at December 10 showed a balance of S/. 32.92 billion and a growth rate of 11.9 percent in the last 12 months.



**Exchange rate: S/. 2.79 per US dollar**

On December 10, the average selling price of the dollar in the interbank market was S/. 2.79 per dollar.

Between 2012 and 2013, the Central Bank purchased foreign currency for a total of US\$ 19.06 billion and sold foreign currency for a total of US\$ 5.88 billion. In net terms, purchases of foreign currency are higher than sales by US\$ 13.18 billion.



**International reserves amount to US\$ 66.09 billion**

**International reserves** at December 10, 2013, amounted to US\$ 66.09 billion. This amount of reserves is US\$ 2.10 billion higher than the amount of reserves recorded at end-2012.

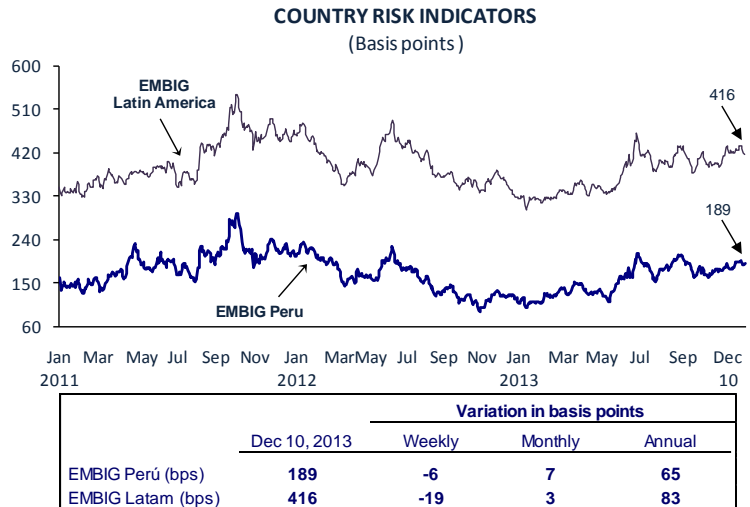


## International Markets

### Country risk declined to 189 basis points

In December 3-10, the country risk indicator, measured by the **EMBIG Peru** spread, declined from 195 to 189 basis points.

Moreover, the EMBIG Latin America spread fell 19 basis points within a context of encouraging growth indicators in the United States in Q3 and the positive trade data registered by China in November.



### Price of gold rose to US\$ 1,266.3 per troy ounce

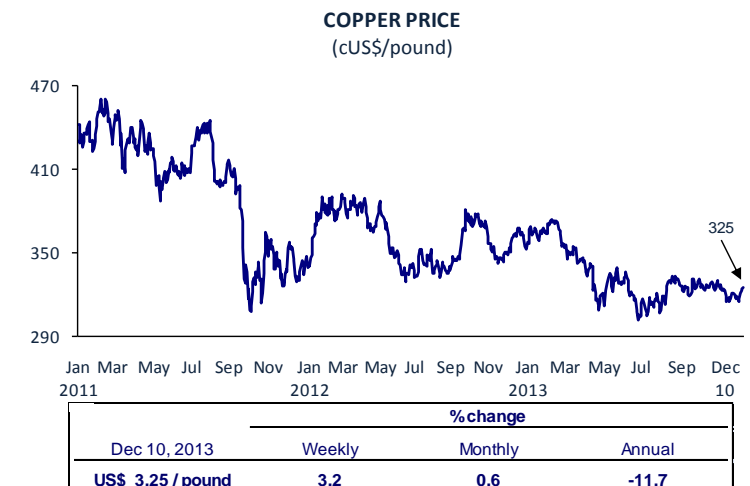
In the same period, the price of **gold** rose 4.0 percent to US\$ 1,266.3 per troy ounce.

The price of gold was favored by the depreciation of the dollar against the euro, by China's increased demand which reached its highest level since early October, and by the hedge purchases carried out by some investment funds before the monetary policy meeting of the Federal Reserve next week.



Between December 3 and 10, the price of **copper** rose 3.2 percent to US\$ 3.25 per pound.

The price of copper increased due to the tightness of short-term supply due to the decline of inventories at the London Metal Exchange, where inventories currently register their lowest level since mid-February. Another factor that contributed to this price rise was the positive data recorded by China's imports of metals in November.



In the period of analysis, the price of **zinc** rose 4.4 percent to US\$ 0.88 per pound.

The price of zinc was influenced on the upside by expectations of a higher demand following positive data of China's imports of metals in November and the decline of inventories registered at the London Metal Exchange.

**ZINC PRICE**  
(cUS\$/pound)

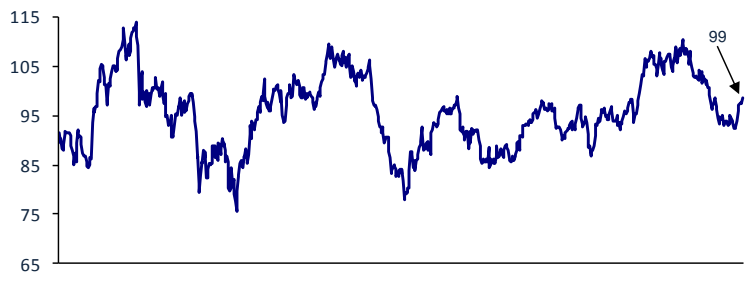


| Dec 10, 2013             | % change   |            |             |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                          | Weekly     | Monthly    | Annual      |
| <b>US\$ 0.88 / pound</b> | <b>4.4</b> | <b>4.0</b> | <b>-5.2</b> |

The price of **WTI crude oil** rose 2.6 percent to US\$ 98.5 per barrel in the week of December 3-10.

This price rise is explained by lower stocks of crude in the United States and by expectations of a decline of Cushing crude inventories in Oklahoma after the great pipeline that will take hydrocarbons from the central areas of the USA to the Gulf of Mexico begins operations.

**WTI OIL PRICE**  
(US\$/barrel)



| Dec 10, 2013              | % change   |            |             |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                           | Weekly     | Monthly    | Annual      |
| <b>US\$ 98.5 / barrel</b> | <b>2.6</b> | <b>4.1</b> | <b>15.1</b> |

**US dollar depreciated against the euro**

Between December 3 and 10, the **dollar** depreciated 1.3 percent against the **euro**.

The dollar lost ground against the euro influenced by the European Central Bank's decision of not cutting further its benchmark interest rate as well as by reduced expectations of new monetary relief measures.

**EVOLUTION OF US\$ PER EURO**  
(US\$/Euro)



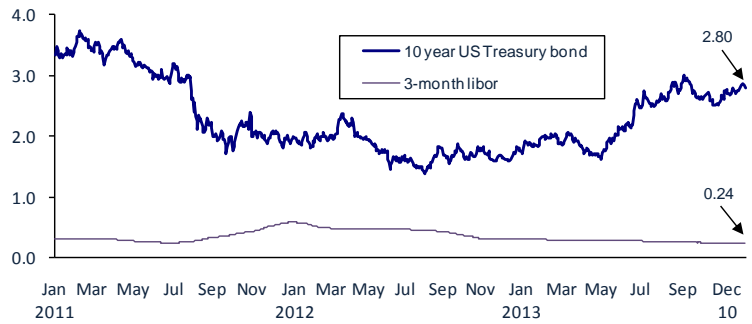
| Dec 10, 2013          | Level       | % change   |            |            |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                       | Weekly      | Monthly    | Annual     |            |
| <b>US dollar/Euro</b> | <b>1.38</b> | <b>1.3</b> | <b>2.9</b> | <b>6.3</b> |

**Yield on 10-year US Treasuries at 2.80 percent**

Between December 3 and 10, the **3-month Libor** remained at 0.24 percent.

On the other hand, the yield on the **10-year US Treasury bonds** rose 2 basis points to 2.80 percent amid increased expectations that the FED will start tapering in December.

**3-MONTH LIBOR AND 10-YEAR US TREASURIES**  
(Percentage)



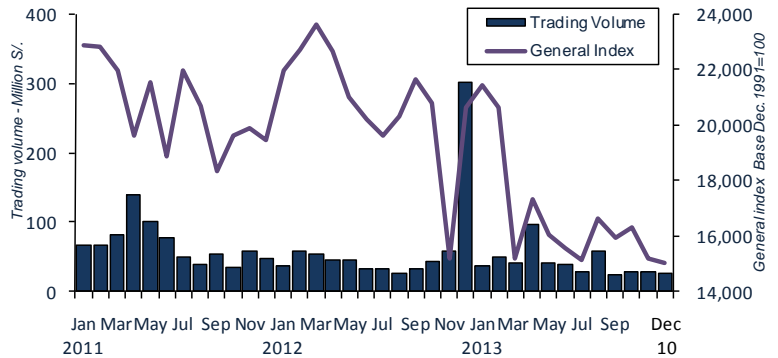
|                    | Variation in basis points |        |         |        |
|--------------------|---------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
|                    | Dec 10, 2013              | Weekly | Monthly | Annual |
| 3 months Libor (%) | 0.24                      | 0      | 0       | -7     |
| US Treasuries (%)  | 2.80                      | 2      | 5       | 119    |

**Lima Stock Exchange**

So far this month, at December 10, the **General Index** of the Lima Stock Exchange (LSE) and the **Selective Index** of the LSE fell 1.0 percent and 0.9 percent, respectively.

In the week of December 3-10, both the General Index and the Selective Index rose 1.9 percent and 2.4 percent, respectively, driven by mining and industrial shares as a result of the good performance of basic metals and the positive trade data registered by China in November.

**LIMA STOCK EXCHANGE INDICATORS**



|                 | As of:       |             | %change compared to: |              |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------|
|                 | Dec 10, 2013 | Dec 3, 2013 | Nov 30, 2013         | Dec 31, 2012 |
| General Index   | 15,045       | 1.9         | -1.0                 | -27.1        |
| Selective Index | 21,908       | 2.4         | -0.9                 | -29.3        |

Year-to-date, the indices of the LSE accumulate losses of 27.1 and 29.3 percent, respectively.

