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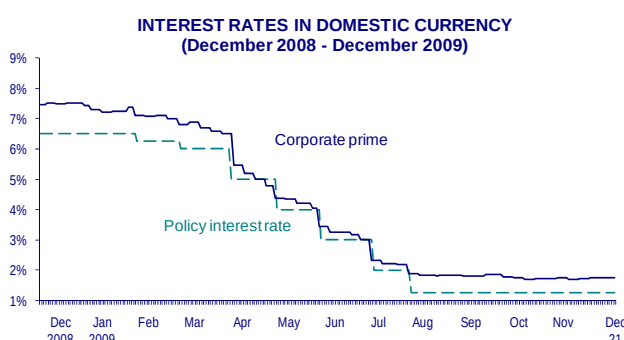
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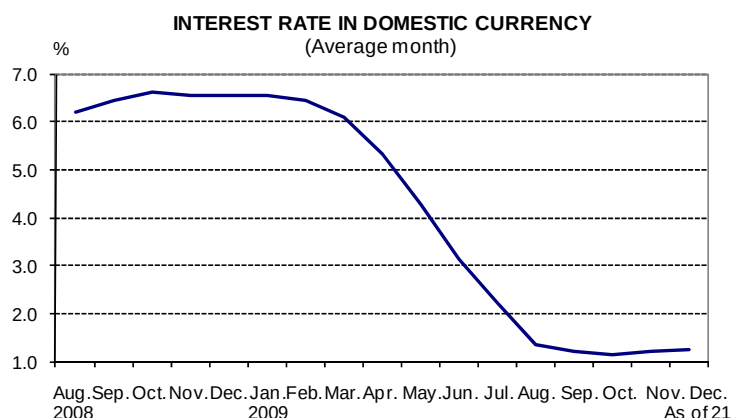
Corporate interest rate in nuevos soles at 1.74 percent

Between **December 15 and 21**, the daily average of the 90-day corporate rate in domestic currency went from 1.73 to 1.74 percent, while this rate in dollars went from 1.19 to 1.07 percent.



Average interbank interest rate at 1.24 percent in December

So far this month, the average daily interbank interest rate in domestic currency is 1.24 percent, higher than the average rate recorded in November (1.22 percent). As of December 21, the interbank interest rate was 1.25 percent.



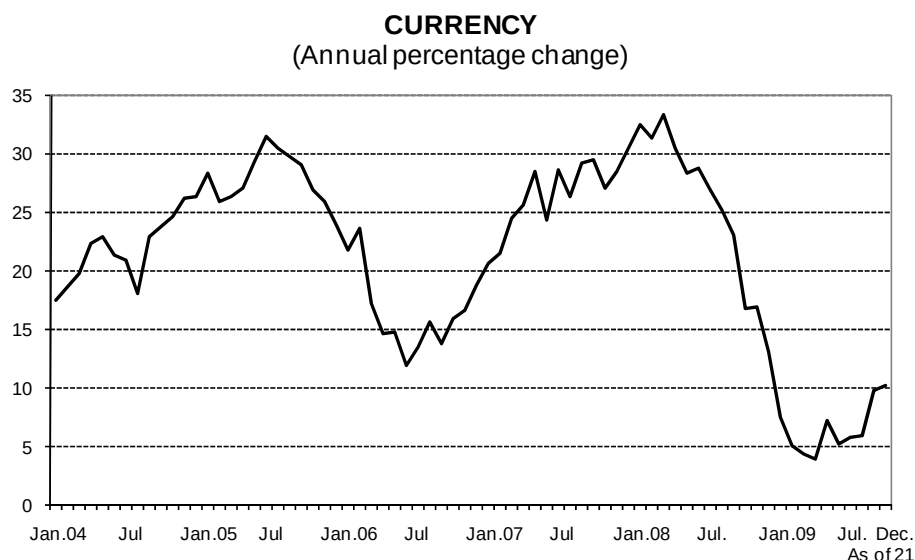
	Average interbank rate	
	Average	S.D
December	6.54%	0.03
January 2009	6.55%	0.15
February	6.44%	0.32
March	6.08%	0.13
April	5.33%	0.47
May	4.29%	0.42
June	3.13%	0.40
July	2.23%	0.49
August	1.34%	0.27
September	1.20%	0.07
October	1.15%	0.07
November	1.22%	0.07
December 21	1.24%	0.03

Monetary operations

Between **December 16 and 21 of 2009**, the BCRP made the following monetary operations: i) auctions of 1-day to up to 173-day CDBCRP for a daily average of S/. 1,711.9 million. The average interest rate on these operations, which reached a balance of S/. 14,077.1 million, was 1.21 percent; ii) swaps of temporary purchases of foreign currency for a total of S/. 6.0 million; and iii) overnight deposits in domestic currency for a total of S/. 112.6 million.

Currency in circulation increased to S/. 18,879 million

Between December 15 and 21, **currency in circulation** increased by S/. 938 million to S/. 18,879 million and thus accumulated an increase of S/. 1,548 million. With this, currency in circulation records a growth rate of 10.2 percent in the last 12 months, a lower rate than the one observed at end November (9.7 percent).



BCRP OPERATIONS (Millions of nuevos soles)

	FLOW				BALANCE		
	Nov-09	From 12/15 to 12/21	Cummulated:		31-Dec-08	30-Nov-09	21-Dec-09
			Monthly *	Annual			
I. NET INTERNATIONAL POSITION	1,026	-259	-893	4,490	67,087	67,210	66,315
(Millions of US\$)	356	-90	-311	1,661	21,365	23,337	23,026
A. Foreign Exchange Operations	3	93	130	-3			
1 Over the counter operations	0	0	0	108			
2 Net swap auctions in FC	1	2	2	102	0	100	102
3 Public Sector	0	90	127	-216			
4 Other operations	2	1	1	3			
B. Rest of operations	353	-183	-440	1,664			
II. NET INTERNAL ASSETS	-608	1,197	2,311	-2,942	-49,751	-49,749	-47,436
A. Monetary operations	234	506	1,888	491	-37,346	-38,744	-36,860
1 Sterilization	419	506	1,888	5,903	-42,759	-38,744	-36,860
a. BCRP Indexed Certificates of Deposit (CDR)	0	0	0	4,425	-4,425	0	0
b. BCRP Certificates of Deposit (CD BCRP)	362	652	1,460	-6,356	-7,721	-15,537	-14,077
c. BCRP Certificates of Deposit with restricted negotiation	230	0	0	6,483	-6,483	0	0
d. Overnight Deposits	-34	-90	-44	-135	-23	-113	-158
e. Public Sector Deposits in soles	-112	-57	472	1,296	-23,568	-22,745	-22,272
f. Other operations	-28	0	0	190	-538	-348	-353
2 Injection	-184	0	0	-5,412	5,412	0	0
B. Reserve Requirements in DC **	130	154	-893	718	-4,975	-3,364	-4,257
C. Rest	-972	538	1,316	-4,151			
III. CURRENCY **	418	938	1,419	1,548	17,336	17,465	18,879
(Monthly percentage change)					8.9%	2.5%	8.1%
(Accumulated percentage change)					16.7%	0.7%	8.9%
(YoY)					16.7%	9.7%	10.2%

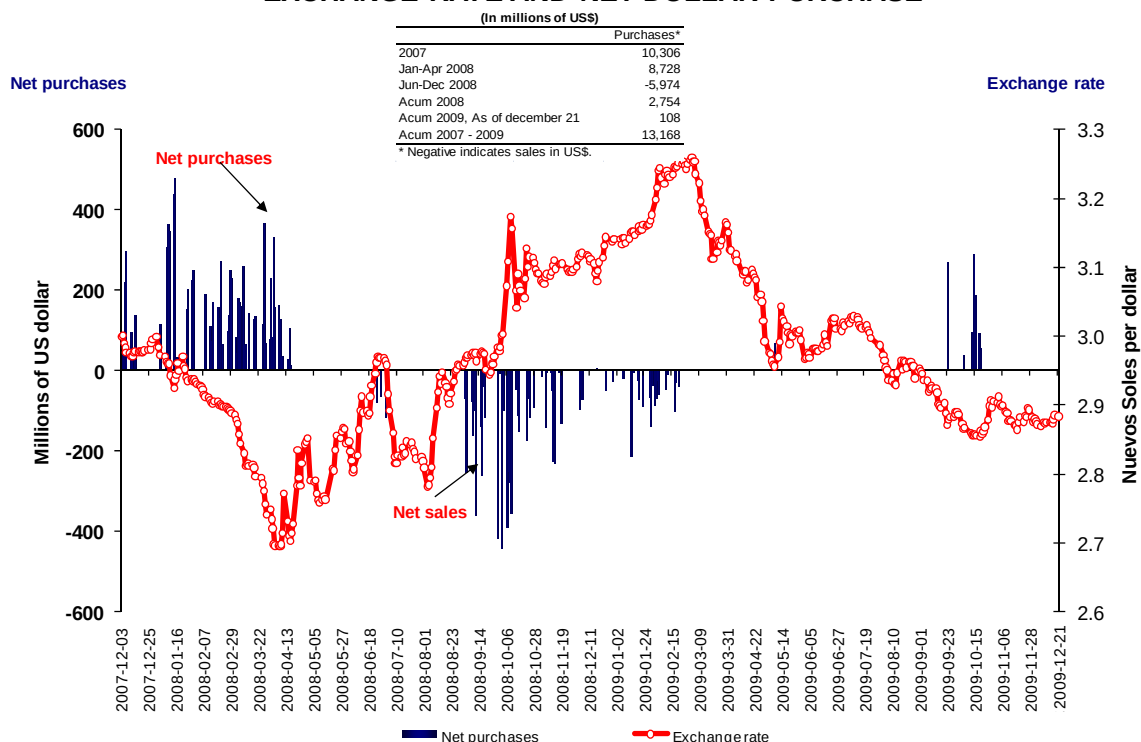
* As of December 21, 2009.

** Preliminary data.

Exchange rate: US dollar traded at S/. 2.883

Between December 15 and 21, the average interbank ask price of the dollar increased from S/. 2.875 to S/. 2.883, which represented a depreciation of the nuevo sol of 0.29 percent. The BCRP did not intervene in the foreign exchange market in this period.

EXCHANGE RATE AND NET DOLLAR PURCHASE



Between December 14 and 21, banks' balance of net forward purchases of foreign currency declined by US\$ 18 million.

Compared with end November, the balance of net forward purchases accumulated a decline of US\$ 453 million.

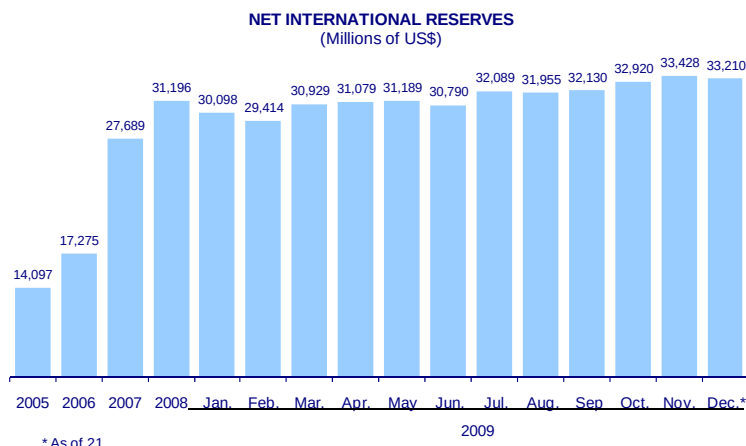
BALANCE OF NET FORWARD PURCHASES OF FOREIGN CURRENCY

(January 2008 - December 2009)



International reserves

Net international reserves (NIRs), which amounted to US\$ 33,210 million on December 21, have increased by US\$ 2,014 million respect to the end of 2008. This recent level has decreased by US\$ 218 million compared with end November. This decrease is mainly explained by lower valuation of reserve assets by US\$ 442 million. This was partially offset by the higher deposits of banks (up US\$ 76 million) and the public sector (up US\$ 22 million).



The international investment position of the BCRP on December 21 was US\$ 23,026 million.

Credit to the private sector has grown 2.5 percent in November

In the last four weeks, **total liquidity in the private sector** has increased 1.8 percent (S/. 1,091 million). At component level, the liquidity in soles increased S/. 1,743 million (2.9 percent) and liquidity dollar did by \$ 55 million (0.3 percent). With respect to October 2008 the growth rate of total liquidity was 9.6 percent.

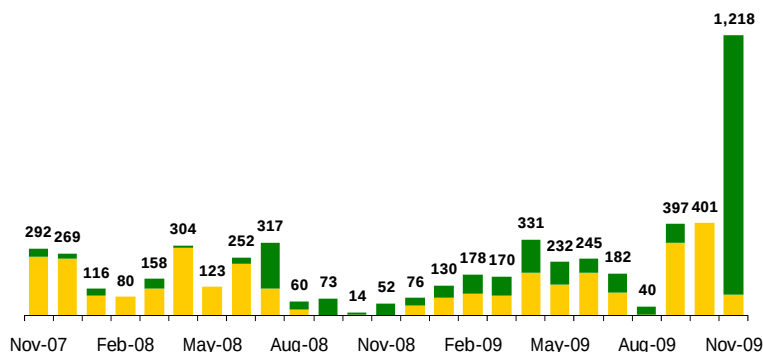
The **total credit to private sector** increased by S/. 2,528 million in November (2.5 percent), the highest monthly change rate ever achieved since November 2008. The credit in soles increased 2.7 percent in the month (S/. 1,482 million) and loans in dollars increased 2.2 percent (US\$ 363 million). In annualized terms, the rate of credit growth compared with November 2008 was 9.7 percent.

Additionally, private companies obtained **financing through the capital market** by a record amount of S/. 1,218 million. Overall, the flow of funding that the private sector got on both ways was S/. 3,746 million, the highest since October 2007 (S/. 4,114 million).

LOANS OF NON-FINANCIAL COMPANIES' BONDS

Flows in millions of nuevos soles 1/

■ Emissions in Soles ■ Emissions in US dollars



1/ Balance in US Dollars values to the constant exchange rate of November 2008.

The balance of credit in November includes the effect of converting a EDPYME into Financiera Confianza –as was the case of Financiera Crear in October–, so more loans joined by S/. 315 million. Isolating this effect, credit growth would be 2.1 percent in November and 9.1 percent in the last 12 months.

Economic deficit of S/. 1,565 million as November 2009

The operations of the non-financial public sector recorded a deficit of S/. 1,253 million in November, and S/. 1,565 million, so far this year which represents 0.5 percent of the GDP.

NON FINANCIAL PUBLIC SECTOR OPERATIONS (NFPS) 1/
(Millions of nuevos soles)

	NOVEMBER			JANUARY-NOVEMBER		
	2008	2009	Real % chg.	2008	2009	Real % chg.
1. General Government Revenue	5,635	5,744	1.6	71,708	64,165	-13.3
a. Tax revenue	4,344	4,439	1.9	54,837	48,441	-14.4
National	4,244	4,354	2.3	53,629	47,315	-14.6
Local	100	85	-15.2	1,208	1,126	-9.7
b. Non tax revenue	1,291	1,305	0.8	16,870	15,723	-9.7
National	1,094	1,185	8.0	14,060	13,091	-9.8
Local	160	104	-35.0	1,790	1,882	1.9
Regional	37	15	-58.1	1,020	750	-28.7
2. General Non Financial Expenditure	5,219	6,360	21.5	55,806	61,972	7.6
a. Current	3,843	4,382	13.7	43,678	45,927	1.9
b. Capital	1,375	1,979	43.5	12,128	16,046	28.2
Of which: Gross Capital Formation	1,349	1,742	28.7	11,647	14,609	21.6
3. Other 2/	104	-152		-172	1,165	
4. Primary Balance	520	-769		15,730	3,358	
5. Interests	346	485	39.8	5,537	4,922	-13.8
External	225	368	63.2	3,074	3,011	-5.1
Domestic	121	117	-3.6	2,463	1,912	-24.8
6. NFPS Overall Balance	174	-1,253		10,193	-1,565	
(Percentage of GDP)	0.6	-3.8		3.0	-0.5	

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Includes Capital revenue of General Government and state companies primary balance.

Source: MEF, BN, Sunat, EsSalud, public welfare agencies, state companies and public institutions.

The general government current revenue of November amounted to S/. 5,744 million, which represents a real growth of 1.6 percent compared to the same period last year, explained mainly by increased tax revenues (S/. 95 million).

Non-interest expense of the general government (S/. 6,360 million) recorded a real growth of 21.5 percent compared to the same period in 2008. This was due to increased purchases of goods and services (30.6 percent) and the increase in gross capital formation (28.7 percent).

International Markets

Country risk at 175 basis points

Between December 14 and 21, the country risk indicator, measured by the **EMBIG Peru** spread, fell from 175 basis points to 187 basis points, while the region's debt spread fell 2 basis points in this period.

During the week, Moody's revised upward the foreign currency sovereign debt rating of Peru from Ba1 to Baa3, the first level within the scale of investment grade. Fitch and Standard & Poor's awarded to Peru investment grade last year.

COUNTRY RISK INDICATORS
(January 2007 - December 2009)



Level	Variation in basis points		
Dec 21, 09	Weekly	Monthly	Annual
175	-12	-15	-339

Price of gold fell to US\$ 1,102.5 a troy ounce

In the same period, the price of **gold** fell 1.9 percent to US\$ 1,102.5 per troy ounce.

The main factor which influenced the downward trend in price is the strengthening of the dollar in financial markets. As well as a profit taking by investors who are affecting the price of the precious metal.



Between December 14 and 21, the price of **copper** fell 0.6 percent to US\$ 3.12 a pound.

The price of copper continued to fall in line with the increased availability of metal. Inventories of copper metal exchanges rose more than 3 percent and reached to 668 thousand metric tons (equivalent to 2 weeks of world consumption of copper).



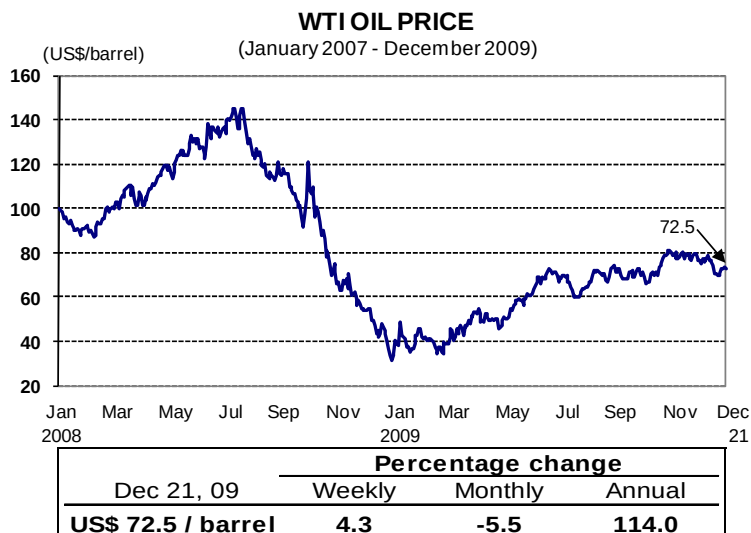
In the same period, the price of **zinc** rose 5.5 percent to US\$ 1.09 a pound.

The rise of the price of zinc was associated with falling inventories in London Metal Exchange by 0.2 percent to 56 thousand metric tons and with prospects of increased demand next year supported by an economic recovery.



The price of **WTI oil** increased 4.3 percent and reached US\$ 74.3 a barrel between December 14 and 21.

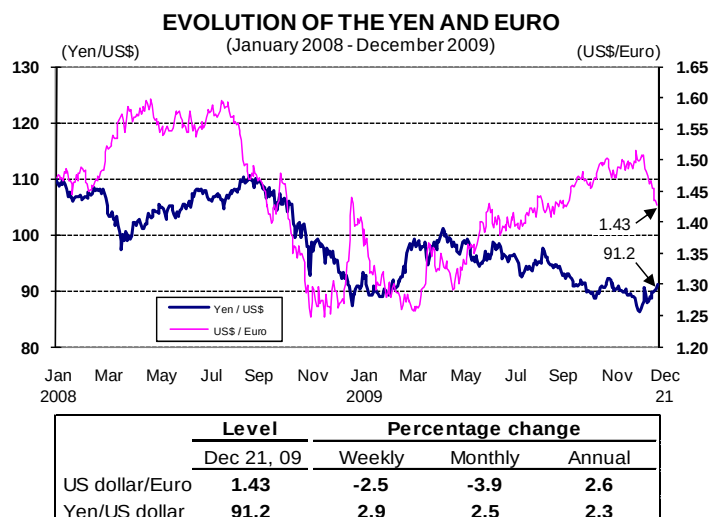
Declining US inventories and increased demand for petroleum derived products from India and China, have supported the price level. Another factor that is driving demand for oil is a strong winter in the Northern Hemisphere.



Dollar appreciated against the euro

Between December 14 and 21, the **dollar** appreciated 2.5 percent against the **euro** and 2.9 against the **yen**.

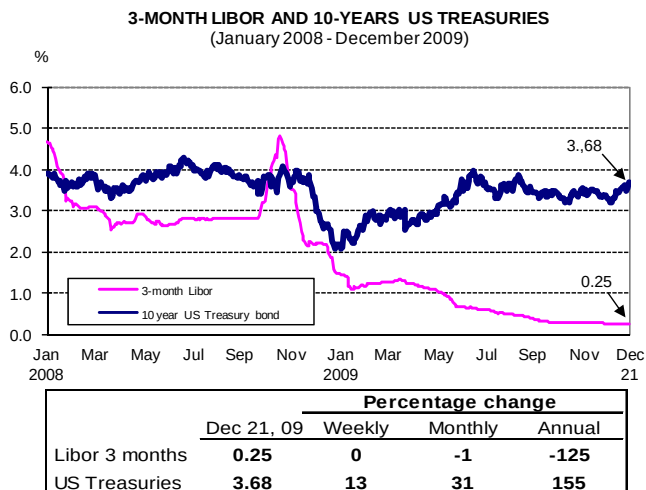
This evolution of the dollar was initially characterized by increased risk aversion generated by the reduction of the rating of Greece, then responded to the better prospects for US growth and signals that the FED will keep low interest rates.



Yield on the 10-year US Treasuries increased to 3.68 percent

In the same period, the **3-month Libor** remained at 0.25 percent, while the yield on the **10-year Treasury bond** increased from 3.55 to 3.68 percent.

The yield on US Treasuries rose basically favorable indicators of economic activity released in the US.

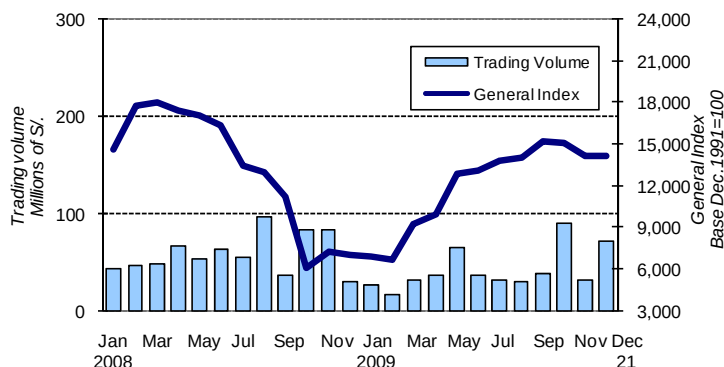


Profitability at the Lima Stock Exchange reached 96.8 percent

The **General** and **Blue Chip** indices of the Lima Stock Exchange (LSE) at December 21 drop 1.8 and 3.2 percent respectively.

During the week of analysis (December 14 to 21), the General Index and the Selective Index decreased 2.6 and 3.0 percent, respectively. Due to a decline in the stocks of agriculture and mining sector (due to lower metal prices).

LIMA STOCK EXCHANGE INDICATORS
(January 2007 - December 2009)



	As of:	Percentage change respecto to:			
	Dec 21, 09	Dec 14, 09	Nov 30, 09	Dec 31, 08	
General Index	13,874	-2.6	-1.8	96.8	
Blue Chip Index	22,067	-3.0	-3.2	88.7	

So far this year, the General and Blue Chip indices of the LSE have accumulated gains of 96.8 and 88.7 percent, respectively.

* Incluye depósitos de Promcepri, Fondo de Estabilización Fiscal (FEF), Cofide, fondos administrados por la ONP; y otros depósitos del MEF. El detalle se presenta en el cuadro No.24 de la Nota Semanal.

** A partir del 18 de enero, el BCRP utiliza los depósitos a plazo en moneda nacional como instrumento monetario.

*** A partir del 7 de agosto de 2009, esta tasa se redujo a 2,05%.

*** Las tasas de interés para los créditos de regulación monetaria en dólares serán a la tasa Libor a un mes más un punto porcentual.

***** Desde el 29 de setiembre de 2006, el JP Morgan, de acuerdo a sus criterios de liquidez de mercado, ha incluido dentro de su EMBIG PERÚ los bonos globales Peru 2025 y 2033. Al ser los spreads de dichos bonos cercanos a los 200 pbs, ello explica el aumento de cerca de 40 pbs en el EMBIG PERÚ a partir del 29 de setiembre.

Fuente: BCRP, INEI, Banco de la Nación, BVL, Sunat, SBS, Reuters y Bloomberg

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