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Indicators

- ↗ Corporate interest rate at 3.76 percent
- ↗ Interbank interest rate: 2.45 percent
- ↗ Exchange rate: S/. 2.796 per US dollar
- ↗ Trade surplus of US\$ 445 million in July
- ↗ Annual profitability of the LSE: 11.4 percent

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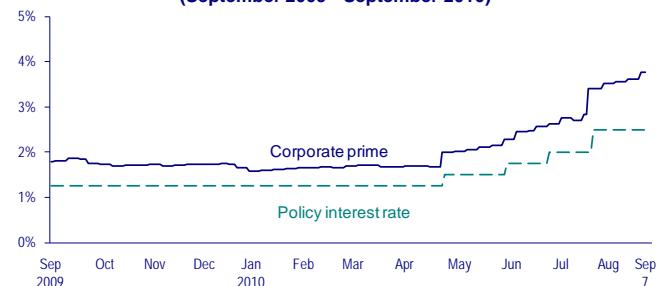
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Corporate interest rate in nuevos soles at 3.76 percent

Between **August 31 and September 7**, the average corporate interest rate in domestic currency rose from 3.62 to 3.76 percent.

The average corporate interest rate in foreign currency fell from 3.62 percent to 2.97 percent.

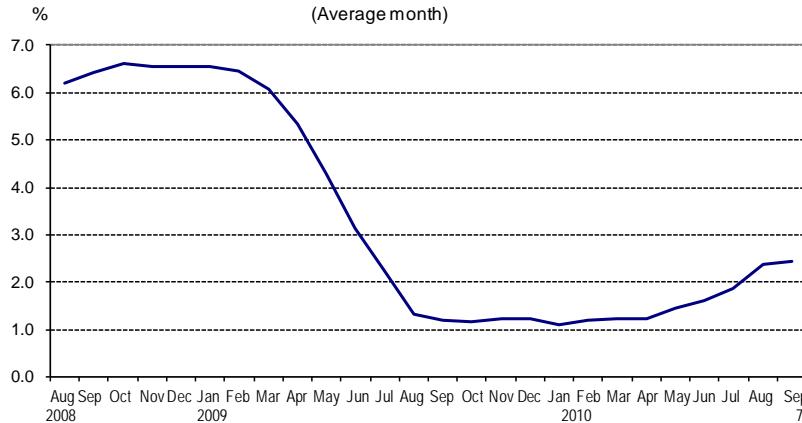
INTEREST RATES IN DOMESTIC CURRENCY
(September 2009 - September 2010)



Average interbank rate at 2.45 percent

On September 7 the interbank rate in domestic currency was 2.45 percent, as a result of which the daily average rate so far this month also recorded 2.45 percent.

INTEREST RATE IN DOMESTIC CURRENCY
(Average month)



	Average interbank rate	Average	S.D.
December 2008	6.54%	0.03	
March 2009	6.08%	0.13	
June	3.13%	0.40	
September	1.20%	0.07	
December	1.24%	0.02	
January 2010	1.09%	0.16	
February	1.21%	0.03	
March	1.23%	0.02	
April	1.22%	0.02	
May	1.45%	0.12	
June	1.62%	0.11	
July	1.90%	0.12	
August	2.38%	0.18	
September 7	2.45%	0.00	

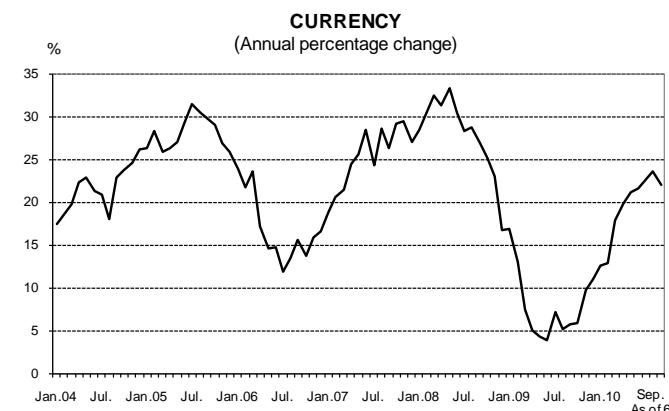
Monetary operations

Between **September 1 and 7**, the Central Bank made the following monetary operations:

- Auctions of 1-day to up to 110-day CDBCRP for a daily average of S/. 3,758 million. The average interest rate on these operations, which reached a balance of S/. 23,020 million, was 2.47 percent;
- purchases of foreign currency for a total of US\$ 462 million; and
- repurchase agreements for a total of US\$ 9 million.

Currency in circulation: S/. 20,752 million on September 6, 2010

Between August 31 and September 6, **currency in circulation** increased by S/. 184 million and amounted to S/. 20,752 million. With this, currency in circulation accumulates an increase of S/. 1,511 million so far this year and records a growth rate of 22.0 percent in the last 12 months.



BCRP OPERATIONS

(Millions of nuevos soles)

	FLOWS				BALANCE		
	Aug-10	From 08/31 to 06/09	Accumulated		Dec 31, 2009	Aug 31, 2010	Sep 6, 2010
			Monthly*	Annual*			
I. EXCHANGE OPERATIONS	4,914	1,337	1,267	20,313			
(Millions of US\$)	1,757	480	454	7,198			
1. Over the counter operations	1,784	482	462	7,284			
2. Public Sector	0	0	0	-50			
3. Other exchange operations 1/	-27	-2	-8	-36			
II. MONETARY OPERATIONS	-5,400	2,454	2,982	-14,983	-36,323	-54,288	-51,306
1. Sterilization	-5,400	2,454	2,982	-14,983	-36,323	-54,288	-51,306
a. BCRP Certificates of Deposit (CDBCRP)	-5,675	1,752	2,630	-8,501	-14,121	-25,252	-22,622
b. Public Sector Deposits in soles	-86	550	346	-6,989	-21,006	-28,341	-27,995
c. Other monetary operations 2/	360	152	6	507	-1,196	-695	-689
2. Injection (Repos)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
III. RESERVE REQUIREMENTS IN DC	212	-3,674	-4,505	-4,903	-4,307	-4,705	-9,210
IV. OTHER 3/	110	67	62	1,083			
V. CURRENCY **	-164	184	-194	1,511	19,241	20,946	20,752
(Monthly percentage change)					10.3%	-0.8%	-0.9%
(Accumulated percentage change)					29.5%	8.9%	7.9%
(YoY)					11.0%	23.6%	22.0%

* As of September 6, 2010.

** Preliminary data.

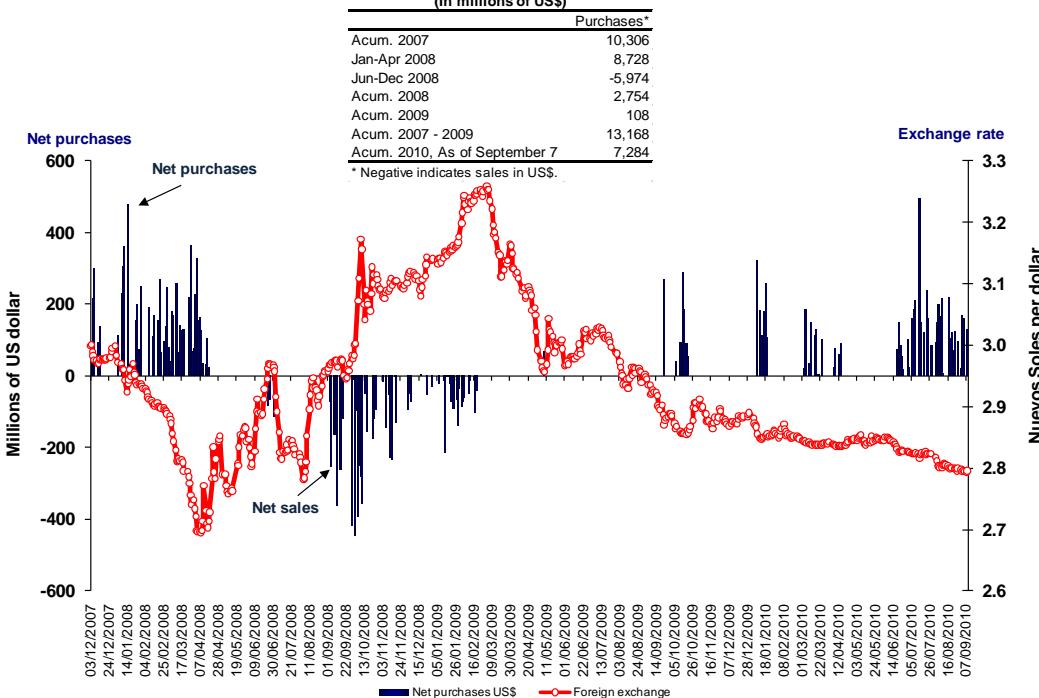
1/ Includes Swaps auctions in FC and operations outside the counter.

2/ Includes overnight deposits and Deposit Insurance Funds.

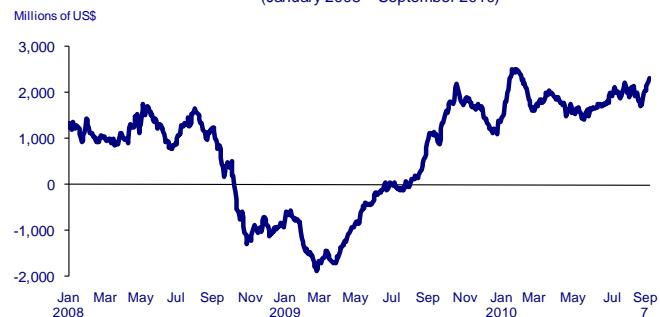
3/ Includes BCRP operative expenses, interest by deposits in the BCRP (overnight, terms and specials), net interest by CDBCRP placements and Central Bank profit transfers to the public sector.

Exchange rate: USD traded at S/. 2.796

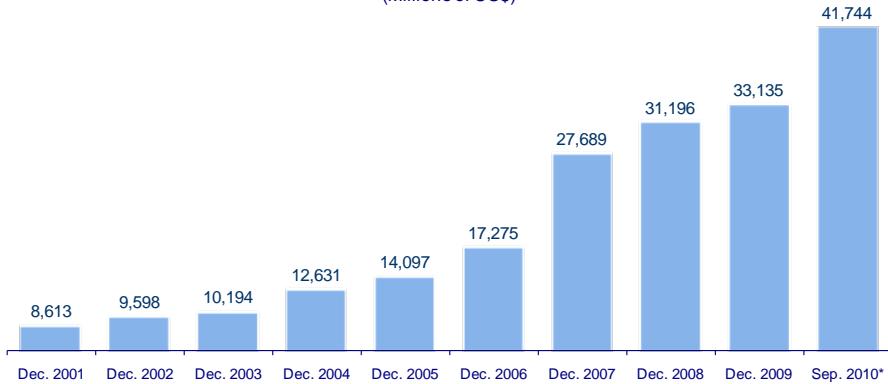
Between August 31 and September 7, the average interbank ask price of the dollar fell from S/. 2.798 to S/. 2.796. In this period the BCRP intervened in the foreign exchange market buying FC for a total of US\$ 482 million.

EXCHANGE RATE AND NET DOLLAR PURCHASE
(In millions of US\$)

Between August 31 and September 7, banks' balance of net forward purchases of foreign currency increased by US\$ 265 million. In August, the balance of net forward purchases of FC accumulated a decline of US\$ 29 million.

BALANCE OF NET FORWARD PURCHASES OF FOREIGN CURRENCY
(January 2008 - September 2010)**International reserves amounted to US\$ 41,744 million**

On September 7 net international reserves (NIRs) amounted to US\$ 41,744 million. This amount of reserves is US\$ 1,540 million higher than the one recorded at the close of August.

NET INTERNATIONAL RESERVES
(Millions of US\$)

* As of 7.

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The increase of NIRs observed so far this month was mainly due to banks' increased deposits at the Central Bank (up US\$ 1,025 million), public sector's higher deposits (US\$ 64 million), and the Central Bank purchases of FC (462 million).

The foreign exchange position of the BCRP on September 7 was US\$ 30,228 million, higher by US\$ 450 million than the one recorded at the close of August.

Trade balance recorded surplus of US\$ 3,532 million between January and July

The **trade balance**, which showed a positive result of US\$ 445 million in July, registered a surplus of US\$ 3,532 million in the January-July period.

Exports in July (US\$ 2,964 million) grew 25.9 percent in nominal terms compared with July 2009. The average prices of exports grew 23.0 percent due to the higher prices of mining and fishing commodities, while the volume of exports grew 2.3 percent as a result of increased shipments of non traditional exports (16.3 percent), such as agricultural and chemical products (up 20.5 percent and 44.3 percent, respectively).

	TRADE BALANCE (Value FOB in millions of US\$)									
	2009		2010			% chg. July		January-July		
	Monthly Average	Jul.	IQ Average	IIQ Average	Jul.	Previous months	Last 12 months	2009	2010	% Chg.
1. EXPORTS	2,240	2,355	2,635	2,709	2,964	- 4.1	25.9	13,912	18,995	36.5
Traditional products	1,714	1,826	2,081	2,095	2,312	- 3.6	26.6	10,480	14,839	41.6
Non-traditional products	513	517	533	593	636	- 4.9	22.9	3,355	4,013	19.6
Other products	13	12	21	21	16	- 31.3	42.6	77	143	85.1
2. IMPORTS	1,751	1,749	2,112	2,203	2,519	10.1	44.0	11,460	15,463	34.9
Consumption goods	330	320	376	416	463	1.4	44.8	2,152	2,839	31.9
Raw materials	840	839	1,057	1,085	1,270	18.8	51.4	5,212	7,697	47.7
Capital goods	571	583	657	687	773	2.8	32.7	4,022	4,803	19.4
Other goods	10	8	22	15	13	21.5	58.8	74	125	67.9
3. TRADE BALANCE	489	605	523	506	445			2,453	3,532	

The value of imports, which amounted to US\$ 2,519 million in July, was 44.0 percent higher than in July 2009. The total volume of imports grew 34.1 percent compared to July 2009 due to the higher volume of imports of durable consumer goods (42.3 percent), industrial inputs (34.9 percent), and capital goods (29.4 percent). The average price of imports increased 7.4 percent relative to July 2009 due to the higher prices of crude and derivatives (10.7 percent) and to the higher prices of industrial inputs (14.9 percent).

The terms of trade in July were 14.6 percent higher than in the same period in 2009 and 1.6 percent lower than in the previous month. The prices of exports increased 23.0 percent, while the prices of imports increased 7.4 percent.

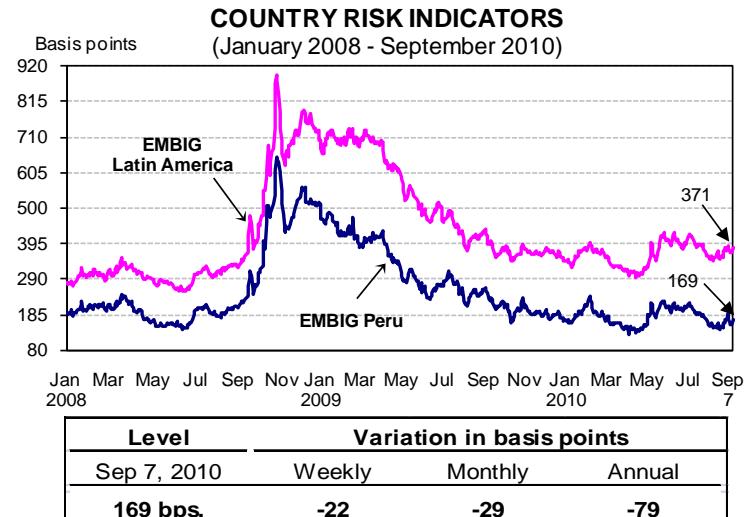
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International Markets

Country risk fell to 169 basis points

Between August 31 and September 7, the country risk indicator – measured by the **EMBIG** Peru spread– fell from 191 to 169 basis points.

Likewise, the spread of the debt of the Latin American region fell by 6 basis points due to higher risk aversion associated with some favorable indicators of economic activity in the United States and China.



Price of gold rose to US\$ 1,257/troy ounce

In the same period, the price of **gold** rose 0.7 percent to US\$ 1,257 per troy ounce.

The price of gold recorded again an increase in this week due to the weakening of the dollar in financial markets and to investors' high demand.



Between August 31 and September 7, the price of **copper** rose 2.2 percent to US\$ 3.41 a pound.

The rise in the price of this basic metal was associated with favorable data of economic activity in the United States (manufacturing and construction) and with the reduction of inventories in global stock markets.

Inventories at the close of August fell 2.3 percent compared with July and reached a level of 590 thousand tons.



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Between August 31 and September 7, the price of **zinc** rose 4.4 percent to US\$ 0.97 a pound.

China's increased demand for this metal (imports of refined zinc) and the reduction of inventories at the London Metal Exchange (LME) accounted for the rise in the price of zinc.

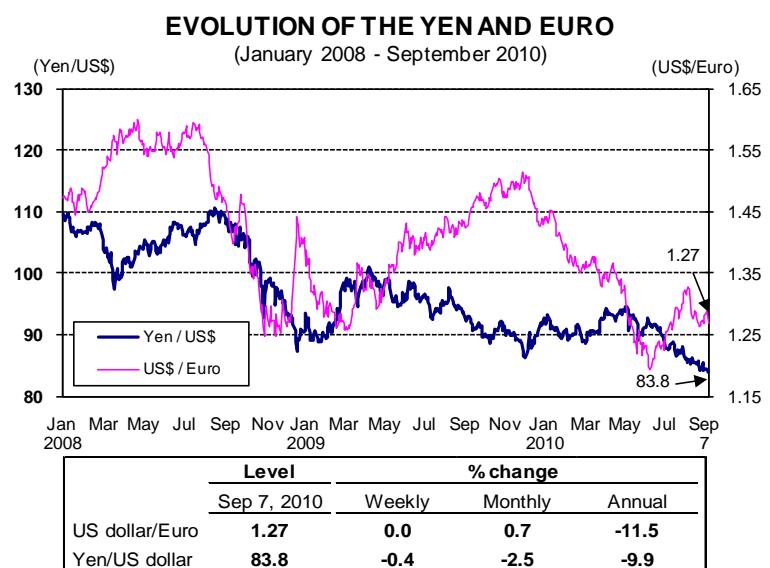
The price of **WTI oil** recorded an increase of 3.0 percent and reached US\$ 74.1 per barrel between August 31 and September 7.

The price of crude continued recovering due to the positive results recorded in the manufacturing sector (United States and China). The temporary closure of refineries in the United States and Europe (maintenance) and the decline of crude inventories in the United States also favored the increase in the price of oil.



US dollar depreciated against the yen

Between August 31 and September 7, the **dollar** depreciated slightly against the yen (0.4 percent), while it remained almost unchanged against the euro during the week.



Yield on 10-year US Treasuries increased to 2.60 percent

Between August 31 and September 7, the 3-month Libor fell from 0.30 percent to 0.29 percent, while the yield on the **10-year Treasury bond** rose from 2.47 to 2.60 percent.

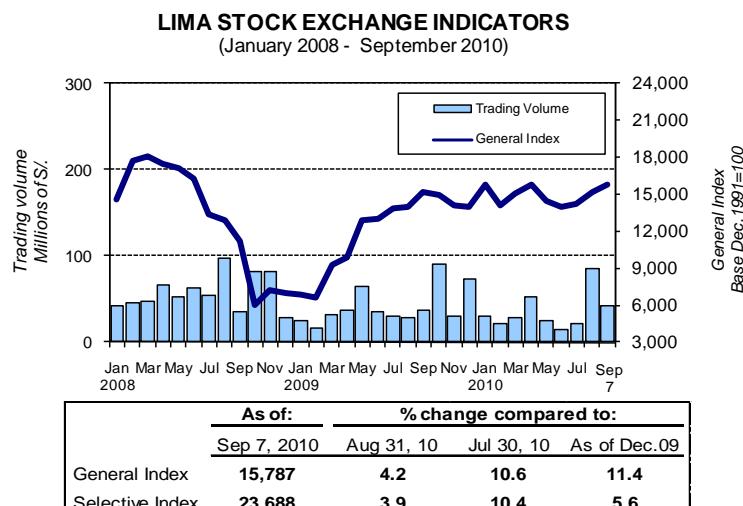
The yield on the US T-bond rose given that favorable data on some indicators (employment and manufacturing activity) discouraged the search for safer assets.



Profitability of the Lima Stock Exchange reached 11.4 percent at September 7

During the week of analysis (August 31-September 7), the General Index and the Selective Index of the LSE grew 4.2 and 3.9 percent, respectively.

The favorable evolution of these indices was due to the good performance of mining and industrial shares at the LSE, in line with the advance recorded by most global bourses and with the higher international prices of metals.



Year-to-date, the General Index and the Selective Index of the LSE have accumulated gains of 11.4 percent and 5.6 percent, respectively.

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Resumen de Indicadores Económicos / Summary of Economic Indicators

	2007	2008	2009	Mar	Jun	Jul	31 Ago.	Ago	1 Set.	2 Set.	3 Set.	6 Set.	7 Set.	Set	
	Dic	Dic.	Dic.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.							Var.
RESERVAS INTERNACIONALES (Mills. US\$) / INTERNATIONAL RESERVES															
Posición de cambio / Net international position	19 622	21 365	22 988	25 168	25 858	27 953	29 779	29 779	29 989	30 003	30 172	30 301	30 228	450	
Reservas internacionales netas / Net international reserves	27 689	31 196	33 135	35 269	35 341	38 635	40 204	40 204	41 324	41 540	41 631	41 631	41 744	1 540	
Depósitos del sistema financiero en el BCRP / Financial system deposits at BCRP	4 635	6 581	5 853	6 011	6 349	7 540	7 193	7 193	8 111	8 312	8 214	8 092	8 218	1 025	
Empresas bancarias / Banks	4 396	6 297	5 462	5 438	5 609	6 907	6 690	6 690	7 606	7 826	7 700	7 611	7 715	1 025	
Banco de la Nación / Banco de la Nación	174	255	302	488	643	546	393	393	392	384	384	384	407	13	
Resto de instituciones financieras / Other financial institutions	65	29	89	85	97	87	110	110	112	102	129	98	97	-13	
Depósitos del sector público en el BCRP / Public sector deposits at BCRP *	3 407	3 274	4 304	4 056	3 079	3 126	3 238	3 238	3 230	3 231	3 251	3 252	3 302	64	
OPERACIONES CAMBIARIAS BCR (Mill. US\$) / BCR FOREIGN OPERATIONS	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.	Acum.		Acum.							Acum.
Compras netas en Mesa de Negociación / Net purchases of foreign currency	656	-331	85	956	536	1 808	26	1 755	171	0	159	123	0	454	
Operaciones swaps netas / Net swap operations	854	-289	0	956	526	1 858	20	1 784	171	0	159	132	0	462	
Compras con compromiso de recompras en ME (neto) / Net swaps auctions in FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Operaciones con el Sector Público / Public sector	-200	-33	82	0	0	-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TIPO DE CAMBIO (S/. por US\$) / EXCHANGE RATE	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.	Prom.		Prom.							Prom.
Compra interbancario/Interbank	2,980	3,113	2,877	2,839	2,838	2,822	2,796	2,801	2,794	2,795	2,794	2,792	2,795	2,794	
Promedio / Average	2,983	3,117	2,879	2,840	2,840	2,824	2,799	2,804	2,796	2,795	2,796	2,795	2,795	2,795	
Apertura / Opening	2,982	3,115	2,878	2,840	2,839	2,823	2,797	2,802	2,795	2,797	2,795	2,792	2,795	2,795	
Mediodía / Midday	2,983	3,117	2,879	2,840	2,838	2,824	2,798	2,802	2,796	2,797	2,794	2,794	2,797	2,796	
Cierre / Close	2,982	3,115	2,878	2,840	2,839	2,823	2,797	2,802	2,796	2,797	2,795	2,792	2,795	2,795	
Venta Interbancario	2,982	3,115	2,878	2,840	2,839	2,823	2,797	2,802	2,795	2,797	2,795	2,792	2,795	2,795	
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Sistema Bancario (SBS) / Banking System	2,980	3,113	2,877	2,838	2,837	2,822	2,796	2,802	2,794	2,796	2,794	2,792	2,794	2,794	
Compra / Bid	2,982	3,115	2,878	2,840	2,839	2,823	2,798	2,803	2,795	2,796	2,795	2,793	2,795	2,795	
Venta / Ask	2,980	3,113	2,877	2,838	2,837	2,822	2,796	2,802	2,794	2,796	2,794	2,792	2,794	2,794	
Indice de tipo de cambio real (2001 = 100) / Real exchange rate Index (2001 = 100)	104,5	99,4	100,3	96,1	94,1	95,0		95,0							
INDICADORES MONETARIOS / MONETARY INDICATORS															
Moneda nacional / Domestic currency															
Emisión Primaria (Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	14,3	11,8	13,1	3,2	2,5	10,1	-1,4	-1,4							
Monetary base (Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	28,2	25,5	5,5	16,3	20,9	23,2		26,8							
Oferta monetaria (Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	5,2	2,3	5,3	3,3	1,6	2,3									
Money Supply (Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	33,6	26,5	15,0	24,0	25,9	23,7									
Crédito sector privado (Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	2,9	-3,8	0,7	1,7	1,9	2,0									
Crédito sector privado (Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	37,9	46,4	17,6	16,3	20,1	21,2									
TOSE saldo fin de período (Var. % acum. en el mes) / TOSE balance (% change)	0,0	0,8	-0,6	3,4	1,2	4,5	6,4	6,4	-0,9	-1,0	-0,6	-0,4			
Superávit de encaje promedio (% respecto al TOSE) / Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)	0,4	1,0	0,1	0,1	0,4	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,7	0,6	0,7	0,5	0,9	
Cuenta corriente de los bancos (saldo mill. S/) / Banks' current account (balance)	531	1 779	1 202	1 450	352	1 589	872	2 109	6 597	6 221	6 055	4 832	4 660		
Créditos por regulación monetaria (millones de S/) / Rediscounts (Millions of \$.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Depósitos públicos en el BCRP (millones S.) / Public sector deposits at the BCRP (Mills.S.)	16 924	23 568	21 006	22 224	27 823	28 255	28 341	28 171	28 115	28 035	27 995	27 774			
Certificados de Depósito BCRP (saldo Mill.S.) / CDBCRP balance (Millions of \$.)	21 458	7 721	14 121	21 753	17 570	19 577	25 252	25 252	20 015	20 597	21 081	22 622	23 020		
Depósitos a Plazo (saldo Mill.S.) / Time Deposits Auctions (Millions of \$.)**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CDBCRP con Negociación Restringida (Saldo Mill.S.) / CDBCRP-NR balance (Millions of \$.)	0	6 483	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CD Reajustables BCRP (saldo Mill.S.) / CDRBCRP balance (Millions of \$.)	0	3 990	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Operaciones de reporte (saldo Mill.S.) / repos (Balance millions of \$.)	0	5 412	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tasa de interés (%) / Interest rates (%)															
TASA MÍNIMA / TAMIN / Average lending rates in domestic currency	22,27	23,04	19,93	19,49	19,13	18,23	18,29	18,07	18,30	18,31	18,29	18,22	18,21	18,27	
Préstamos y descuentos hasta 360 días / Loans & discount	13,24	15,25	11,13	10,77	10,77	12,86	12,61	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	
Interbancaria / Interbank	4,99	6,54	1,24	1,23	1,62	1,90	2,45	2,38	2,45	2,45	2,45	2,45	2,45	2,45	
Preferencial corporativa a 90 días / Corporate Prime	5,60	7,51	1,74	1,69	2,31	2,66	3,62	3,41	3,62	3,76	3,76	3,76	3,76	3,73	
Operaciones de reporte con CDBCRP / CDBCRP repos	s.m.	6,96	s.m.	s.m.	2,55	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	
Créditos por regulación monetaria / Rediscounts ***	5,75	7,25	2,05	2,05	2,55	2,80	3,30	3,30	3,30	3,30	3,30	3,30	3,30	3,30	
Del saldo de CDBCRP / CDBCRP balance	5,46	5,87	1,70	1,50	1,57	1,98	2,42	2,42	2,43	2,43	2,44	2,44	2,45	2,45	
Del saldo de depósitos a Plazo / Time Deposits	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.							
Del saldo de CDBCRP-NR / CDBCRP-NR balance	s.m.	7,27	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	
Moneda extranjera / foreign currency															
Crédito sector privado (Var. % mensual) / (% monthly change)	2,9	2,0	1,3	1,9	0,8	1,9									
Crédito sector privado (Var. % últimos 12 meses) / (% 12-month change)	29,5	16,7	0,8	7,3	11,6	12,1									
TOSE saldo fin de período (Var. % acum. en el mes) / TOSE balance (% change)	6,1	-1,1	-0,5	0,9	3,9	9,7	-2,8	-2,8	1,8	2,4	3,4	2,9			
Superávit de encaje promedio (% respecto al TOSE) / Average reserve surplus (% of TOSE)	0,3	1,0	0,5	0,5	0,3	0,5	0,8	0,8	2,0	2,3	2,1	1,8			
Créditos por regulación monetaria (millones de US dólares) / Rediscounts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tasa de interés (%) / Interest rates (%)															
TAMEX / Average lending rates in foreign currency	10,46	10,55	8,62	8,27	8,03	8,28	8,42	8,33	8,65	8,68	8,67	8,67	8,75	8,68	
Préstamos y descuentos hasta 360 días / Loans & discount	9,68	9,86	6,45	6,00	5,82	5,82	6,13	5,87	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	
Interbancaria / Interbank	5,92	1,01	0,20	0,38	0,42	1,92	0,26	3,72	1,51	1,50	1,39	1,25	1,24	1,33	
Preferencial corporativa a 90 días / Corporate Prime	6,40	5,09	1,10	1,32	1,66	2,24	3,62	3,56	3,62	2,97	2,97	2,97	2,97	3,10	
Créditos por regulación monetaria / Rediscounts ****	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.							
Compras con compromiso de recompras en ME (neto)	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.	s.m.							

* Incluye depósitos de Promecipri, 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 6 de agosto de 2010, esta tasa subió a 3,30%.

**** 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: BCP, INEI, Banco de la Nación, BVL, Sunat, SBS, Reuters y Bloomberg.

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