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- ↗ SPNF surplus in November: S/. 1.12 billion
- ↗ Price of gold: US\$ 1,227.0 per troy ounce

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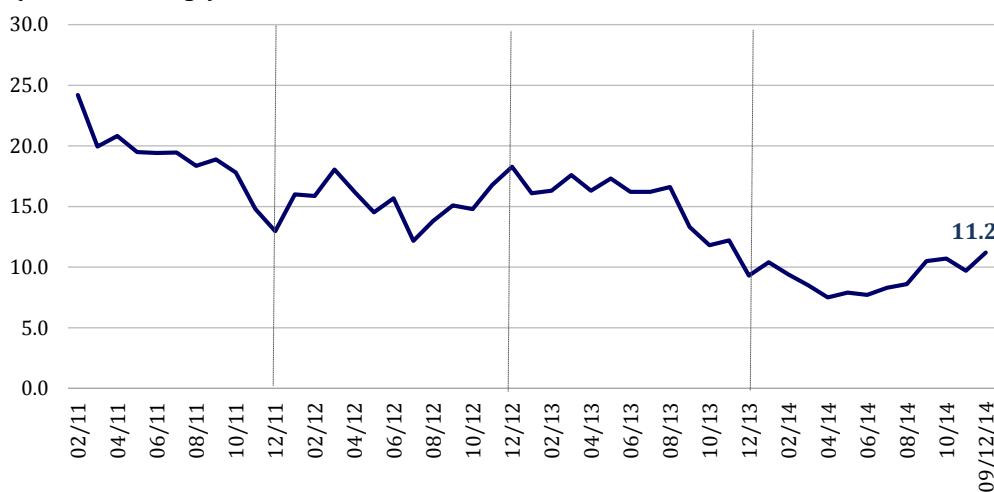
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Currency

On December 9, 2014, **currency in circulation** –that is, banknotes and coins held by the public– showed a growth rate of 11.2 percent in the last 12 months, the highest rate of this year.

Currency in circulation

(Annual % change)



Corporate prime rate in soles at 4.5 percent

On December 9, the **corporate prime rate** –the interest rate charged by commercial banks to lower risk businesses– in soles recorded a daily average rate of 4.5 percent (4.4 percent rate observed in the previous month). On the other hand, the corporate prime rate in dollars was 0.7 percent in the same period.

Average interest rate

(%)

Domestic currency

Interbank

06/14	4.0
07/14	3.8
08/14	3.8
09/14	3.7
10/14	3.5
11/14	3.6
09/12/14	4.0

90-days corporate prime rate

06/14	5.0
07/14	4.7
08/14	4.6
09/14	4.5
10/14	4.4
11/14	4.4
09/12/14	4.5

Foreign currency

Interbank

06/14	0.1
07/14	0.1
08/14	0.1
09/14	0.2
10/14	0.3
11/14	0.2
09/12/14	0.2

90-days corporate prime rate

06/14	0.6
07/14	0.7
08/14	0.7
09/14	0.8
10/14	0.9
11/14	0.8
09/12/14	0.7

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Interest rate and monetary operations

On December 9, the interbank interest rate in soles showed a rate of 4.26 percent.

The monetary operations carried out by the Central Bank at December 9 were aimed at injecting liquidity into the market in the short-term to meet financial entities' current account requirements. The Central Bank also continued with its regular placements of BCRP-CDs three times a week, placing CDs for a total of S/. 300 million with the purpose of contributing to increase liquidity in the secondary market of these instruments.

- Repos: At December 9, the BCRP has placed overnight repos for a daily average of S/. 3.50 billion and 3-month repos for a total of S/. 300 million. The balance of these operations at December 9 was S/. 5.32 billion, with an average interest rate of 4.05 percent.
- Repos-Currency Swaps: At December 9, the BCRP has placed 12-month Repos-Currency Swaps for a total of S/. 800 million. The balance of these operations at December 9 was S/. 4.99 billion, with an average interest rate of 4.25 percent.
- BCRP-CDs: 6-month BCRP-CDs for a total of S/. 100 million were placed at an average rate of 3.53 percent; 12-month BCRP-CDs for a total of S/. 100 million were placed at an average rate of 3.45 percent, and 18-month BCRP-CDs for a total of S/. 100 million were placed at an average rate of 3.46 percent.
- Overnight deposits: At December 9, overnight deposits show a daily average of S/. 548 million. The balance of overnight deposits at this date was S/. 602 million.

In the period of December 1 to December 9, the Central Bank also made operations in the spot foreign exchange market to reduce volatility in the foreign exchange rate.

- Interventions in the foreign exchange market: the BCRP sold FC for a total of US\$ 455 million in the spot market at an average exchange rate of S/. 2.95 per US dollar.
- FX-Swaps: the BCRP placed Sell-Currency Swaps for a total of S/. 3.0 billion (US\$ 1.02 billion). The balance of these instruments at December 9 was S/. 15.06 billion.
- CDR BCRP: the Central Bank placed CDR-BCRP for a total of US\$ 227 million (S/. 670 million) at an average interest rate of 0.06 percent. The balance of these operations at December 9 was US\$ 844 million (S/. 2.50 billion).

Monetary and foreign exchange operations

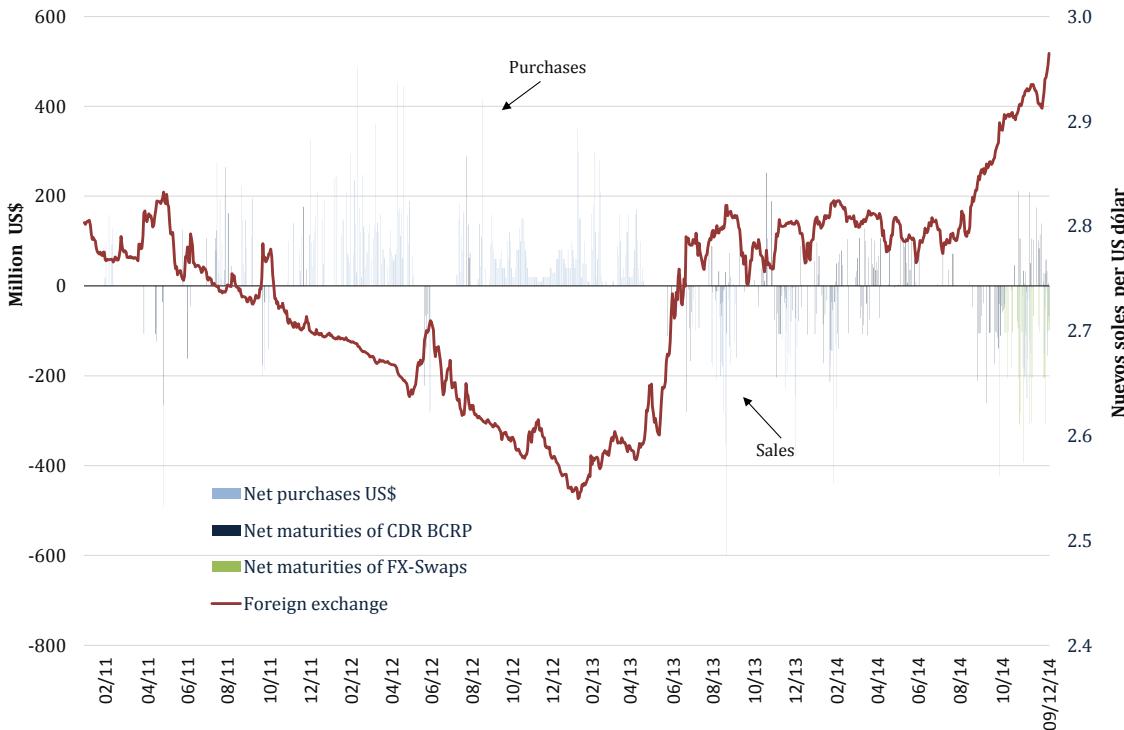
(Million S./.)

		Balance (Interest rate)		Placement (Interest rate)						Maturities
		30/11/14	9/12/14	Overnight	2-month	3-month	6-month	12-month	18-month	
Monetary operations	Injection	Repos	1,515 (3.73%)	5,315 (4.05%)	20,995 (4.24%)	300 (4.62%)				17,195
		Repos -Currency Swaps	5,092 (4.15%)	4,992 (4.25%)				800 (4.39%)		900
	Sterilization	CD BCRP	15,635 (3.66%)	15,935 (3.66%)			100 (3.53%)	100 (3.45%)	100 (3.46%)	3,873
Foreign exchange operations		Overnight deposits	1,188 (2.30%)	602 (2.30%)	3,287 (2.30%)					
		CDR BCRP	2,740 (0.10%)	2,495 (0.07%)		290 (0.04%)	380 (0.07%)			915
	FX-Swaps	12,659 (0.04%)	15,059 (0.03%)		1,800 (0.00%)	300 (-0.03%)	900 (-0.02%)			600

Exchange rate and foreign exchange operations

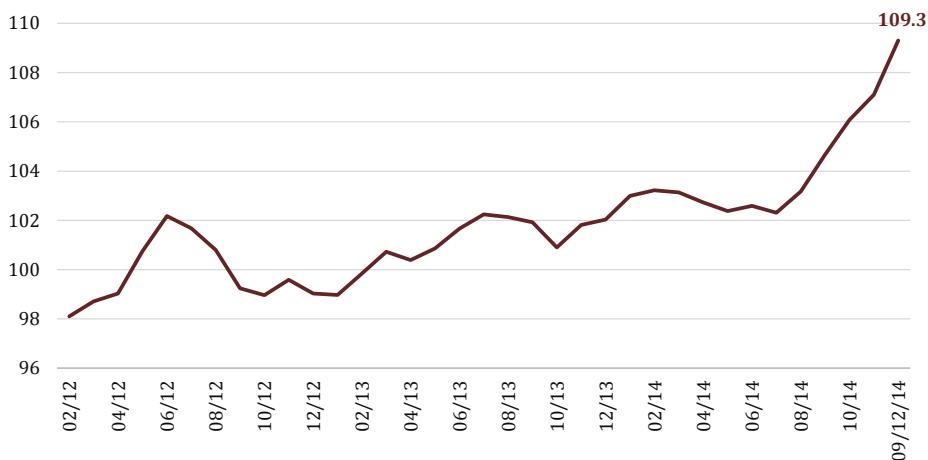
On December 9, the average selling price of the dollar in the interbank market was S/. 2.960 per dollar, which represents an increase of 0.5 percent in the exchange rate in the past week.

Exchange rate and foreign exchange intervention



The dollar has been showing an appreciatory trend against most other currencies in recent months, as reflected in the evolution of the FED index since January 2013. This appreciation of the dollar is associated with expectations that the Federal Reserve (Fed) will start normalizing its interest rates after it decided to end its quantitative easing program in October.

Fed index 1/

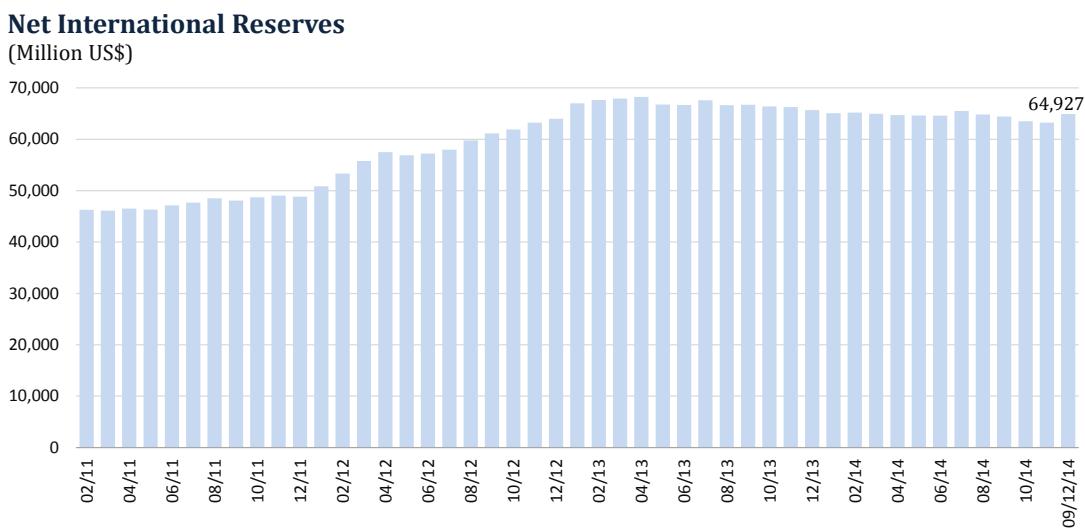


1/ Calculated taking into account currencies of US trading partners weighted by contributions. A rise in the index represents an appreciation of the US dollar.
Source: FED.

In December 1–9, the BCRP sold FC for a total of US\$ 455 million in the spot market (average exchange rate of S/. 2.95 per US dollar) and placed Sell-Currency Swaps for a net total of US\$ 812 million (placement for US\$ 1.02 billion and maturities for US\$ 206 million) to reduce volatility in the foreign exchange rate.

International reserves amount to US\$ 64.93 billion on December 9

International reserves on December 9, 2014, amounted to US\$ 64.93 billion. On the same date, the foreign exchange position of the BCRP was US\$ 38.39 billion.



Non-Financial Public Sector registered a surplus of S/. 9.75 billion in the period of January-November

In November, the operations of the non-financial public sector registered a surplus of S/. 1.12 billion and thus accumulated a surplus of S/. 9.75 billion in the period of January-November.

The national government's tax revenues increased 4.4 percent in the period of January-November, associated with the income tax paid by non-residents

In the period of January-November 2014, the non-financial expenditure of the general government grew 7.2 percent in real terms, by higher current expenditures in the three levels of government, mainly national government. The investment decreased 2.8 percent in the same period by lower accrued payments of regional governments.

Operations of the Non-Financial Public Sector 1/ (Million S./.)

	November			January - November		
	2013	2014	Real % Chg.	2013	2014	Real % Chg.
1. General government current revenues	10,375	11,527	7.7	110,094	117,577	3.4
a. Tax revenues	7,842	9,134	12.9	83,205	89,600	4.3
b. Non-tax revenues	2,533	2,394	-8.4	26,890	27,977	0.8
2. General government non-financial expenditure	9,916	10,116	-1.1	92,300	102,151	7.2
a. Current	6,396	7,148	8.3	65,316	74,940	11.1
b. Capital <i>of which:</i>	3,519	2,967	-18.3	26,984	27,211	-2.3
<i>Gross capital formation</i>	3,200	2,906	-12.0	24,892	24,961	-2.8
<i>National government</i>	1,270	1,015	-22.5	7,916	8,452	3.5
<i>Regional governments</i>	704	548	-24.5	5,945	5,289	-13.7
<i>Local governments</i>	1,227	1,343	6.1	11,031	11,220	-1.5
<i>Other capital expenditure</i>	319	61	-81.4	2,092	2,250	4.4
3. Other 2/	187	372		1,306	459	
4. Primary Balance (=1-2+3)	647	1,784		19,100	15,884	
5. Interests	495	664	30.0	5,946	6,132	-0.2
6. Overall Balance (=4-5)	152	1,120		13,154	9,753	

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Includes capital revenues from the General government and primary result of public companies.

Source: MEF, SUNAT, Banco de la Nación, public charities, public institutions and companies.

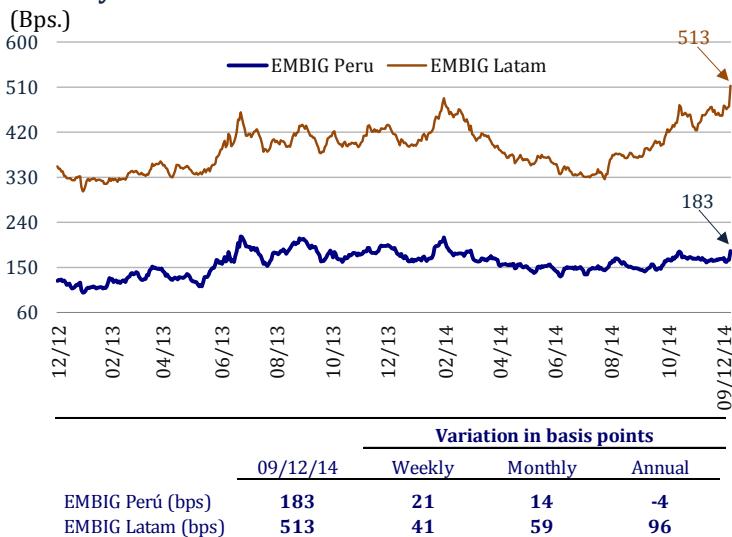
International markets

Country risk at 183 basis points

Between December 2 and December 9, the country risk indicator, measured by the **EMBIG Peru** spread, rose from 162 to 183 bps.

Likewise, the **EMBIG LatinAmerica** spread increased 41 bps in a context marked by weak activity data in the world and few announcements of greater stimulus actions by European Central Bank.

Country Risk Indicators



Price of gold: US\$ 1,227.0 per troy ounce

In the same period, the price of **gold** rose 2.7 percent to US\$ 1,227.0 per troy ounce.

The rise in the price of gold was supported by a greater physical demand for this metal in Asia and purchase of 2.4 tons of SPDR Gold Trust, the world's largest gold-backed fund traded in Stock Exchange markets.

Gold Price



Copper Price



In the week of December 2-9, the price of **copper** fell 0.8 percent to US\$ 2.90 per pound.

The price of copper was influenced by uncertainty that the demand will decrease after weak trade data in China and concerns about growth in the Eurozone.

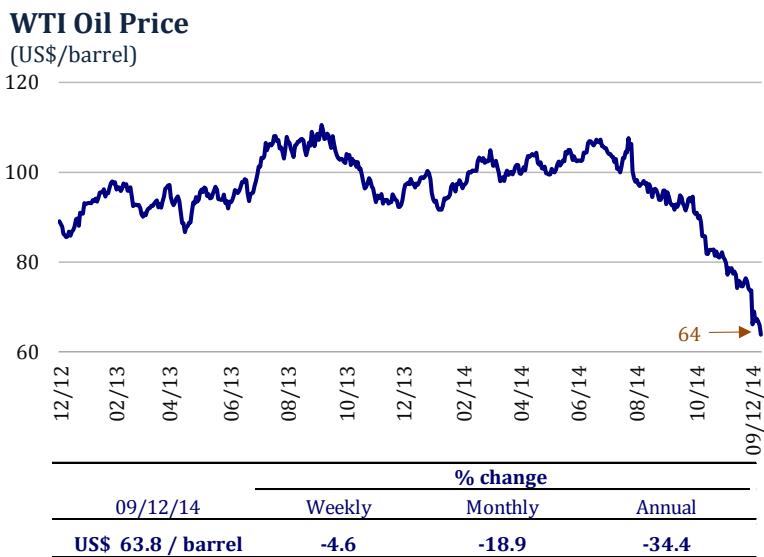
Between December 2 and December 9, the price of **zinc** declined 0.9 percent to US\$ 0.99 per pound.

The decline of zinc due to greater exports from China and tight credit conditions in this country.



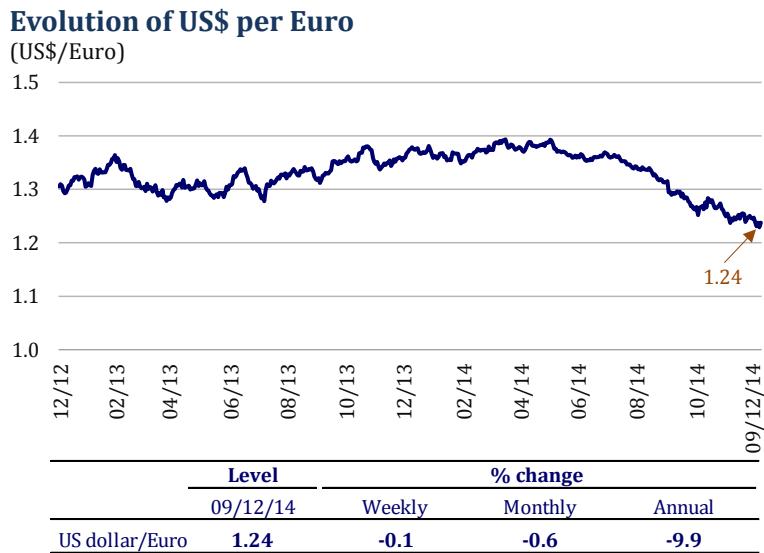
In the same period, the price of **WTI oil** fell 4.6 percent to US\$ 63.8 per barrel.

The price of crude oil dropped due to oversupply signals and to decision of Saudi Arabia and Iraq to cut its export price of crude to markets in the United States and Asia since January.



US dollar appreciated against the euro

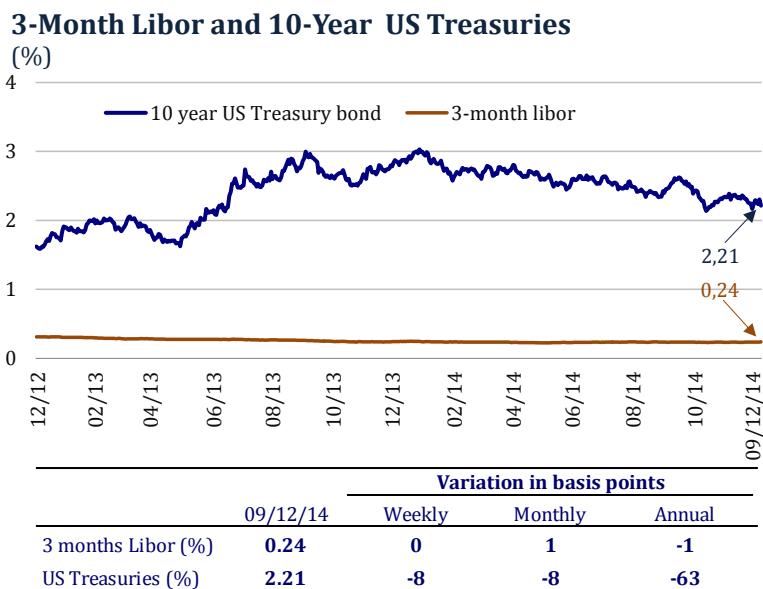
In December 2-9, the **dollar** appreciated slightly 0.1 percent against the **euro** amid decision of the European Central Bank (ECB) to keep its main interest rates at historic lows.



Yield on 10-year US Treasuries: 2.21 percent

Between December 2 and December 9, the **3-month Libor** remained at 0.24 percent.

On the other hand, the yield on the **10-year US Treasuries** declined 8 basis points to 2.21 percent, influenced by concerns about global growth offsetting the economic impulse in the United States.



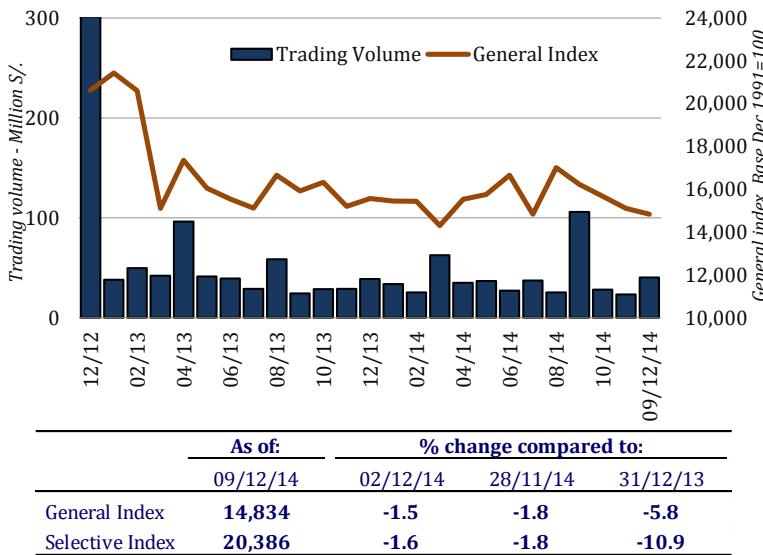
Lima Stock Exchange

In the week of December 2-9, the **General Index** of the Lima Stock Exchange (LSE) fell 1.5 percent and the **Selective Index** declined 1.6 percent.

The LSE indices were affected by the lower performance of the mining and industrial stocks, due to the fall in commodity prices

Year-to-date, the General Index and the Selective Index have fallen 5.8 percent and 10.9 percent, respectively.

Lima Stock Exchange Indicators



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* Incluye depósitos de Promecapi, Fondo de Estabilización Fiscal (FEF), Cofide, fondos administrados por la ONP; y otros depósitos del MEF. El detalle se presenta en el cuadro No.12 de la Nota Semanal.

*** A partir del 18 de enero de 2008, el BCRP utiliza los depósitos a plazo en moneda nacional como instrumento monetario.

*** A partir del 6 de octubre de 2010, el BCRP utiliza Certificado de Depósito en Moneda Nacional con Tasa de Interés Variable (CDL BCRP) y CD Liquidables en Dólares (CDLDL BCRP) como instrumentos monetarios.

**** Las empresas reportan a la SRS información más segmentada de las tasas de interés. Estos cambios introducidos por la SRS al reporte de tasas actuales (Resolución N° 11356-2008 - Oficio Múltiple N° 247419-2010-SRS) son a partir de julio de 2010.

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***** A partir del 12 de setiembre de 2014, esta tasa bajó a 4,30%.

***** Las tasas de interés para los créditos de regulación monetaria

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