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In Mexico, the industrial production data surprised strongly to the downside in April, posing a downward bias to our 2Q GDP growth forecast. Meanwhile, In Chile the survey of CB expectations is anticipating to two rate cuts in the next twelve months, which we believe is an overreaction to recent dovish statements made by the central bank. Today markets will focus on civil works in Colombia that are expected to be one of the main drivers of economic activity in 2H13.

Mexico - Industrial production surprised strongly to the downside

Industrial production surprised strongly to the downside in April, as it fell 1.7% MoM sa, against expectations of a monthly expansion, the second largest monthly drop since June 2009. In annual terms, the index fell 2.1% YoY. The dynamic shown by the industry in April confirms and deepens the moderating trend seen in the first months of the year, as Q2 data are failing to show the expected rebound. We maintain our GDP growth forecast of 3.1% for 2013, but with a downward bias.

Chile - CB survey showed expectations of monetary easing in July's meeting

The CB's economic expectations survey revealed a growth forecast for the monthly economic activity index of 4.5% YoY in May (BBVAe: 4.0% YoY) and inflation at 0.3% MoM in June (BBVAe: 0.5% MoM). In terms of monetary policy, analysts do not expect any changes in the reference rate at Thursday's meeting (in line with our view) but for next month the results of the survey anticipate a 25bp cut and another one for the same amount in a one-year horizon, taking the rate to 4.5%. In a two-year horizon, the survey anticipates a reversion of those cuts that would take the policy rate back to 5%. We believe there has been some misinterpretation of the recent dovish statement from the Board, due to concerns over a process of deceleration in the economy. Finally, we do not expect any interest rate cuts in the short term if we do not see a stronger deceleration in private consumption.

What to watch today

Chile - CB Financial Traders Survey (first half of June, 08:30 hrs NYT)

We expect the survey to show inflation estimates at around 0.5% MoM for June and expectations of a monetary easing during 2H13 (decoupling from our view of a stable policy rate this year). The latter, in response to the Board's concerns over the deceleration process in the economy. Finally, we anticipate short-term exchange-rate estimates in the order of CLPUSD500.

Colombia - Civil engineering works (1Q13, 12:00 hrs NYT)

We expect a 17% YoY growth explained by a favourable statistical base in 1Q12 that will offset a moderate quarterly slowdown. Together with good completion of residential works, the civil works confirms the construction sector as being the main driver of economic activity in 2H13.

Calendar: Indicators

Brazil	Date	Period	Consensus	BBVAe	Actual	Prior
IGP-M Inflation 1st Preview	10 Jun	Jun	0.25%	--	0.43%	0.03%
FGV CPI IPC-S	10 Jun	2-jun	0.36%	--	0.48%	0.32%
CNI Capacity Utilization (SA)	10 Jun	Apr	82.30	--	82.2%	82.2%
FIPE CPI - Weekly	11 Jun	2-jun	0.16%	--	0.13%	0.18%
Retail Sales (MoM)	13 Jun	Apr	1.2%	1.5%	--	-0.1%
FGV Inflation IGP-10 (MoM)	14 Jun	Jun	0.45%	--	--	-0.09%
Economic Activity Indx MoM SA	14 Jun	Apr	0.85%	--	--	0.72%
CAGED Formal Job Creation	14-21 Jun	May	--	--	--	196913
Tax Collections	15-22 Jun	May	--	--	--	98713M
Chile						
Central Bank's Economist Survey	11 Jun	Jun	--	--	--	--
Central Bank's Traders Survey	12 Jun	Jun	--	--	--	--
Nominal Overnight Rate Target	14 Jun	2-jun	5.00%	5.00%	--	5.00%
Colombia						
Colombia Monetary Policy Minutes	14 Jun	Jun	--	--	--	--
Outstanding Loans	14-21 Jun	Apr	--	--	--	\$253.0B
Mexico						
Trade Balance	10 Jun	Apr F	--	--	-1226.9M	-1225.0M
Industrial Production (YoY)	11 Jun	Apr	5.3%	0.8%	3.3%	-4.9%
Peru						
Trade Balance (INEI)	11 Jun	Apr	-\$382M	--	-\$378.4M	\$302M
Reference Rate	14 Jun	Jun	4.25%	4.25%	--	4.25%
Economic Activity Indx YoY NSA	14 Jun	Apr	6.9%	--	--	3.0%
Unemployment	15 Jun	May	--	--	--	5.6%

Most recent Latam reports

Date	Description
10-06-2013	➤ Mexico Real Estate Flash: Construction in energy, ahead on its own
10-06-2013	➤ Mexico Flash: Industrial production, with sharp drop in April. Confirms and amplifies the negative trend
7-06-2013	➤ Brazil Flash: Inflation: stable around the target ceiling for now, but moving up soon
7-06-2013	➤ Flash Chile: CPI had no variation in May but it may increase 0.5% MoM in June
7-06-2013	➤ Mexico Inflation Flash: Inflation in May: Supply Shocks Within Non Core Inflation Prevents Headline Inflation from Falling
7-06-2013	➤ Mexico Flash: A more dovish tone strengthens the rate cut perspectives, once inflation is below 4.0%
6-06-2013	➤ Brazil Flash: Monetary policy minutes highlight concerns on inflation
5-06-2013	➤ Flash Colombia: Inflation stood at 2.0% YoY in May, with a slight deceleration against April
5-06-2013	➤ Flash Chile: Monthly activity increase of 4.4% YoY in April is not a pleasant surprise, but still not enough to start a expansionary monetary cycle
5-06-2013	➤ Mexico Economic Outlook Second Quarter 2013

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