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Chile - Trade surplus reached USD608mn in June

The balance of trade was a positive USD608mn in June, below both our expectations and those of the market. The figure was driven by exports that amounted to USD6.5bn (-3.7% YoY, BBVAe: USD6.8bn) while imports reached USD5.9mn (+2.3% YoY, BBVAe: USD5.8bn). Copper exports disappointed and came out at USD3.4bn (-8.0% YoY). Although durable and capital goods imports remained dynamic (+16.6% YoY and +6.1% YoY, respectively), total imports were relatively stable, another indicator that the monthly economic activity index will increase by less than 4% YoY in June.

Colombia - Energy consumption anticipates a better manufacturing performance in June

Energy demand grew 1.3% YoY in June, despite there being one working day less than in the same month last year. This result coincides with our outlook which anticipates a recovery in industrial production starting 2Q13e, although we expect this recovery to be slow due to the excess capacity in the sector.

What to watch today

Mexico - Inflation (June, 09:00hrs NYT)

We expect June inflation to confirm a sharp downward trend. We forecast a fall in headline inflation to 4.1% YoY in June (-0.05% MoM) from 4.6% in May, driven by a monthly drop in non-core prices as supply shocks in recent months continued to ease, and anchored by low and stable core inflation which we expect to decrease to 2.81% YoY in June (0.15% MoM) from 2.88% in May.

Colombia - Exports (May, 17:00 hrs NYT)

Exports in May should show the first positive annual growth in 2013e, at 1.8% (USD5.5 bn). The main drivers of the expected recovery are coal exports and an upturn in industrial export shipments.

Calendar: Indicators

Brazil	Date	Period	Consensus	BBVAe	Actual	Prior
FGV CPI IPC-S	08 Jul	2-Jul	0.33%		0.23%	0.35%
CNI Capacity Utilization (SA)	08 Jul	May	83.00%		82.20%	83.30%
SELIC Target - Central Bank	10 Jul	2-Jul	8.50%	8.50%		8.00%
Retail Sales (MoM)	11 Jul	May	0.00%	0.00%		0.50%
Economic Activity Indx MoM SA	12 Jul	May				0.84%
Chile						
Trade Balance in US\$ Million	08 Jul	Jun	\$900	\$1044	\$608.0	\$639.0
Central Bank's Traders Survey	10 Jul	Jul				
Central Bank's Economist Survey	10 Jul	Aug				
Nominal Overnight Rate Target	12 Jul	2-Jul	5.00%	5.00%		5.00%
Colombia						
Vehicle Sales	05-10 JUL	Jun				24488
Exports FOB - US\$ million	9 Jul	May	\$5416.6	\$5500		\$4949.5
Consumer Confidence Index	10-16 JUL	Jun	22.0	21.8		20.1
Colombia Monetary Policy Minutes	12 Jul	1-Jan		-		
Mexico						
Vehicle Production (AMIA)	08 Jul	Jun			266351	255474
CPI MoM	9 Jul	Jun	-0.02%	-0.05%		-0.33%
Bi-Weekly CPI	9 Jul	2-Jun	0.03%	-0.03%		-0.05%
Gross Fixed Investment	10 Jul	Apr	5.60%			-5.50%
Trade Balance	10 Jul	May	-308.8M			-469.9M
Industrial Production (YoY)	12 Jul	May	0.50%	-1.20%		3.30%
Overnight Rate	12 Jul	2-Jul	4.00%	4.00%	-	4.00%
Peru						
Trade Balance (INEI)	10 Jul	May	-\$250M			-\$378M
Reference Rate	12 Jul	Jul	4.25%	4.25%		4.25%

Most recent Latam reports

Date	Description
08-07-2013	Inflation jumped to 2.16% YoY in June, consolidating within the inflation target range
08-07-2013	> CPI inflation for June 0,6% m/m, in line with our forecast, and impacted by transitory elements
05-07-2013	S Brazil Flash: Inflation peaks in June
1-07-2013	S Mexico Migration Flash: Remittances to Mexico recorded 11 consecutive months with declines
1-07-2013	S Flash Peru: Annual inflation kept upward trend in June
28-06-2013	S Mexico Real Estate Flash: The rules arrive at last
28-06-2013	S Mexico Regional Sectorial Outlook
28-06-2013	S Colombia Flash: Central Bank kept policy rate at 3.25% and moderates concerns about local volatility
28-06-2013	Flash Uruguay: Central Bank established a new monetary policy instrument which will have a slight tightening bias
28-06-2013	S Mexico Migration Flash: Do remittances recovered last May?



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