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Chile - Monthly activity figures in November 2013 showed signs of stabilisation

Monthly activity expanded 2.8% YoY in November 2013 (+0.5% MoM), in line with our expectations but below those of the market (BBVAe: 2.9%, consensus: 3.1%) and mainly driven by positive contributions from mining and retail sales. Meanwhile, the services-related sectors remain depressed, although they are stabilising. All in all, the figures remain consistent with a 2013 GDP growth rate slightly above 4%. Finally, the central bank baseline scenario depicted in the last Monetary Policy Report remains achievable, leading us to expect a pause in the policy rate at January's meeting (see our Chile Flash for details).

What to watch today

Chile - Trade balance (December, 07:30hrs NYT)

We expect a USD408mn surplus in the December 2013e trade balance, driven by our expectations of exports at USD6.8bne (-6.7% YoY), while imports should reach USD6.4bne (+2.7% YoY). Finally, we forecast copper exports in the order of USD4.2bne (-1.0% YoY). With these figures the trade balance should accumulate a surplus of USD2.6bn in 2013e, 23% lower than in 2012.

Colombia - Exports (November)

Our expectation for November's exports is USD5,300mne, a 10.2% YoY increase. The good performance is partly explained by higher coal exports since their recovery from the supply shock.



Calendar: Indicators

Brazil	Date	Period	Consensus	BBVAe	Actual	Prior
FIPE CPI - Monthly	6 Jan	Dec	0.60%	-	0.65%	0.46%
FIPE CPI - Weekly	6 Jan	Dec	0.56%	-	0.61%	0.50%
PMI Services	6 Jan	Dec		-	51.7	52.3
PPI Manufacturing MoM	7 Jan	Nov		-		-0.37%
Vehicle Sales Anfavea	7 Jan	Dec		-		302939
FGV Inflation IGP-DI MoM	8 Jan	Dec	0.67%	-		0.28%
FGV CPI IPC-S	8 Jan	Jan	0.77%	-		0.69%
Industrial Production MoM	8 Jan	Nov	-1.00%	-0.50%		0.60%
CNI Capacity Utilization (SA)	8 Jan	Nov				82.1%
FIPE CPI - Weekly	10 Jan	Jan				0.61%
IGP-M Inflation 1st Preview	10 Jan	Jan	0.58%			0.32%
IBGE Inflation IPCA MoM	10 Jan	Dec	0.82	0.75%	==	0.54%
Chile						
Economic Activity YoY	6 Jan	Nov	3.10%	2.90%	2.80%	2.80%
Economic Activity MoM sa	6 Jan	Nov	0.60%	0.40%	0.50%	-0.10%
Trade Balance	7 Jan	Dec	\$225M	\$408M		\$202M
CPI YoY	8 Jan	Dec	2.90%	2.90%		2.40%
CPI MoM	8 Jan	Dec	0.50%	0.50%		0.40%
Colombia						
CPI Core MoM	7 Jan	Dec		0.24%		-0.09%
Exports FOB	7 Jan	Nov	\$4875M	\$5300M	-	\$4835M
Mexico						
Vehicle Production AMIA	8 Jan	Dec		_		255695
Economic Activity IGAE YoY	9 Jan	Oct	1.40%	1.20%		0.79%
CPI MoM	9 Jan	Dec	0.48%	-		0.93%
Industrial Production YoY	10 Jan	Nov	0.04%	1.20%		0.10%
Gross Fixed Investment	10 Jan	Oct	-4.80%	-		-5.50%
Peru						
Trade Balance	10 Jan	Nov	-\$329M	-		-\$303M
Reference Rate	10 Jan	Jan	4.00%	4.00%	=	4.00%



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Date	Description
06-01-2014	Chile Flash: Monthly activity figures in November 2013 showed signs of stabilization
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03-01-2014	Chile Automobile Market Outlook 2013
02-01-2014	> Chile Flash: changes in the CPI weights (in Spanish)
02-01-2014	> Peru Flash: Annual inflation closed 2013 within the target range
02-01-2014	Chile Flash: Growth of fiscal expenditure could be higher than 5% in real terms in 2014, among the highest in recent years (in Spanish)
30-12-2013	Chile Flash: Activity data by sector anticipates Imacec at 2.9% YoY in November
26-12-2013	Peru 2013 Real Estate Outlook (in Spanish)
23-12-2013	Chile Flash: December CPI should come in at 0.5% m/m (in Spanish)
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