

MONTHLY ECONOMIC MONITOR

TURKEY

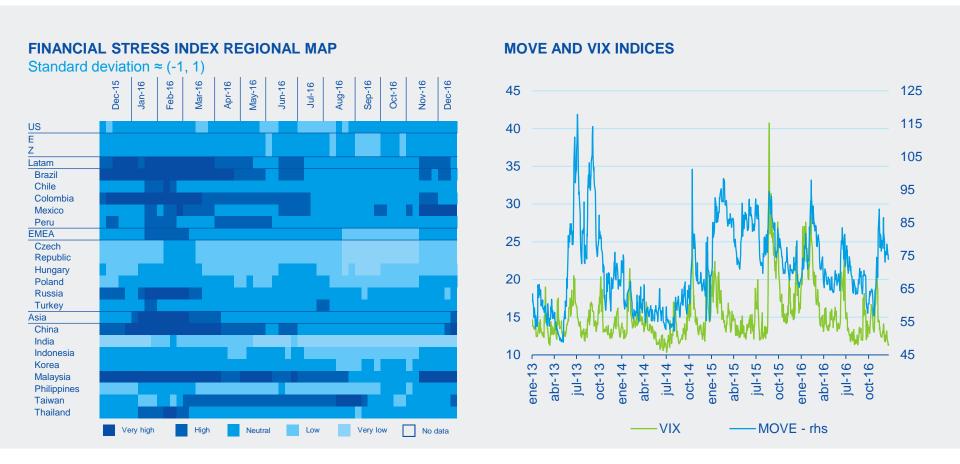
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Global Developments

Financial tensions escalated in Asia mainly due to the concerns on China on top of depleting reserves by mid-December. Volatility in global bond markets remains high

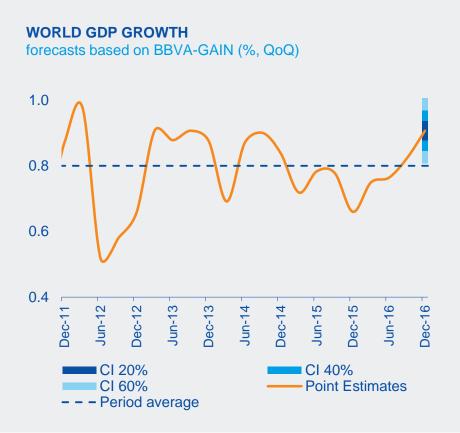


Source: BBVA Research & Bloomberg



Global Developments

BBVA research global growth model signals continuum of gradual recovery in the world economy, backed by stronger manufacturing PMI data

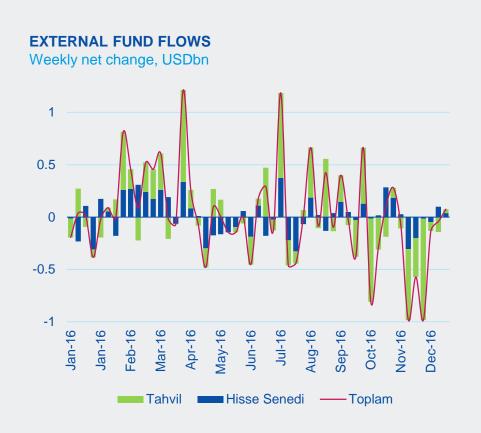


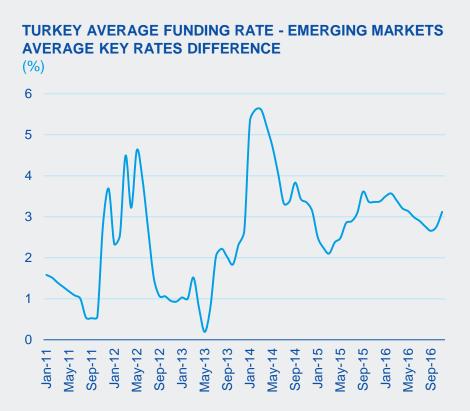




Flows to Turkish Assets

Outflows from Turkish markets finally turned into slight inflows in mid-December

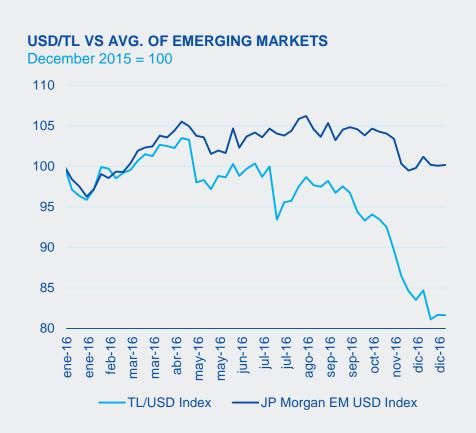


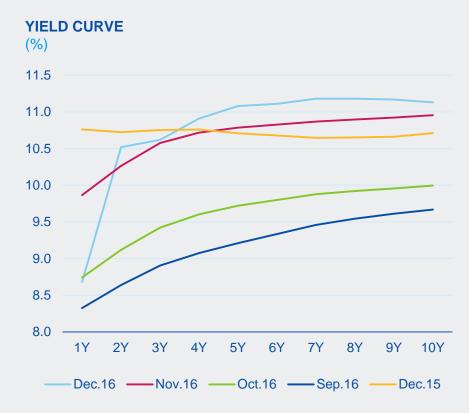




Exchange & Interest Rates

Turkish lira hovered above 3.50 levels in December, while the the yield curve bear-steepened







Economic Activity: GDP

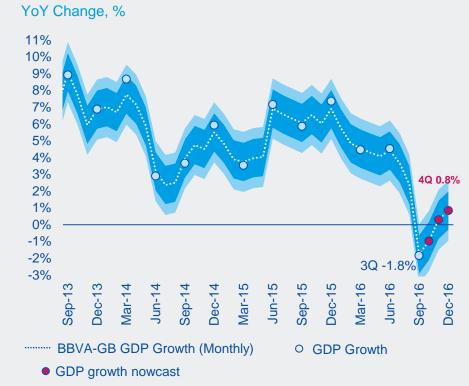
3Q GDP contracted, confirming our monthly indicator nowcast. The GDP series were revised substantially, causing changes in our indicators in turn. The indicator now points to a slight recovery in 4Q.

ACTIVITY INDICATORS

3 MA, YoY Change, %

		2015	2016					
	Mean	Dec	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Industrial Production	3.7	7.5	2.9	0.1	-1.4	-3.2	-0.4	
Non-metal Mineral	1.5	5.4	0.4	-3.3	-1.5	-3.0	2.3	
Electricity Production	4.1	6.5	6.9	6.4	6.8	3.1	3.3	3.3
Auto Sales	3.9	3.5	2.5	-4.6	-13.3	-15.2	4.5	
Tourist Arrivals	0.4	-3.9	-35.6	-37.4	-38.3	-36.0	-33.1	
Number of Employed	3.7	3.1	2.4	1.7	1.3	1.4		
Number of Unemployed	4.3	1.8	4.4	8.0	11.2	12.8		
Auto Imports	6.5	5.9	2.6	-3.5	-9.7	-10.2	8.9	31.3
Auto Exports	7.3	23.1	21.6	24.3	14.7	12.2	9.9	12.4
Financial Conditions	76.0	80.5	86.7	91.2	88.4	88.6	80.2	92.6
Credit Growth-13Week	20.5	10.2	13.5	8.8	9.1	6.0	10.0	8.2
PMI Manufacturing	51.5	52.2	47.4	47.6	47.0	48.3	49.8	48.8
Real Sector Confidence	107.4	108.8	104.3	106.3	103.0	107.1	103.8	107.6
MICA Forecast						-1.8%	-1.0%	0.3%
GDP YoY		7.4%	4.5%					
	Contraction		Slow-down		Growth		Boom	

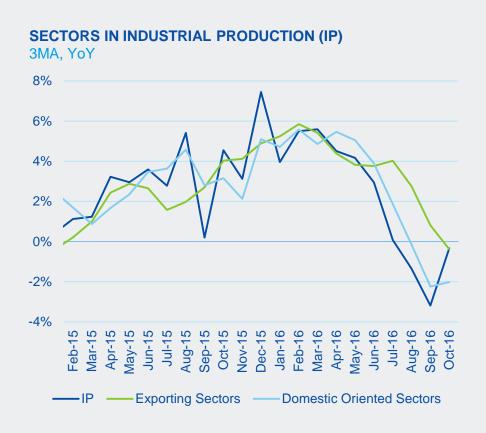
MONTHLY GDP GROWTH & ESTIMATE





Economic Activity: Sectors

IP showed a slight recovery in October thanks to the domestic oriented sectors. We expect a further improvement in November. Although slowed down, the fall in tourist arrivals remains sharp.

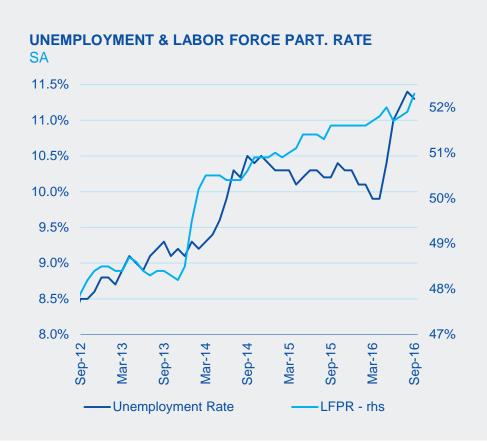


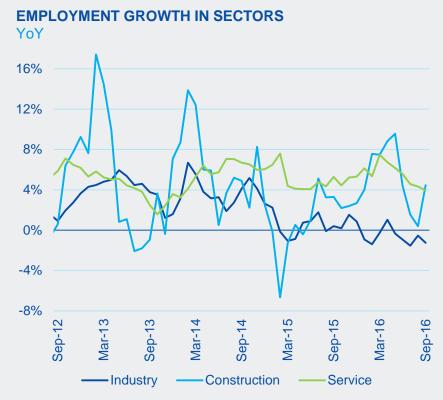




Economic Activity: Employment

Following a 4 consecutive month increase, the 3M moving average unemployment rate declined slightly in September, supporting our expectations of a modest recovery in 4Q.

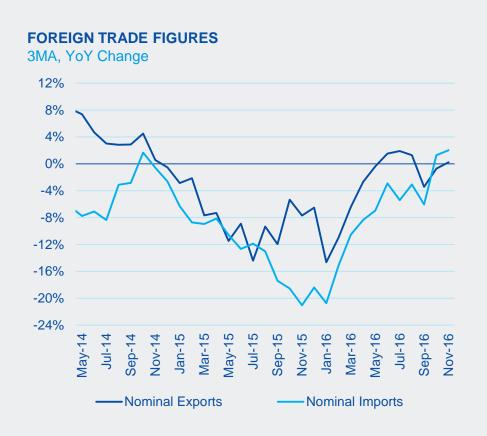


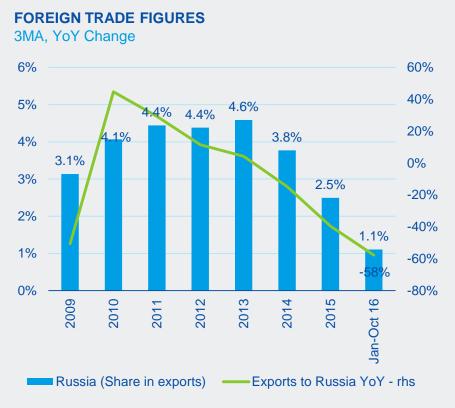




Economic Activity: Trade

Imports grew slightly in November on the recovery in oil prices and the modest pick-up in domestic demand. Exports to Russia, one of Turkey's critical trade partners, continued to shrink to its lowest levels.

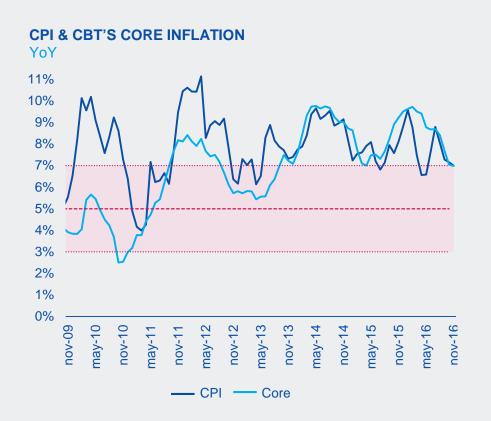






Inflation

CPI inflation moderated further to 7% in November, though we expect an increase in December due to FX pass-thru, rise in energy prices and tax and transportation fee hikes.

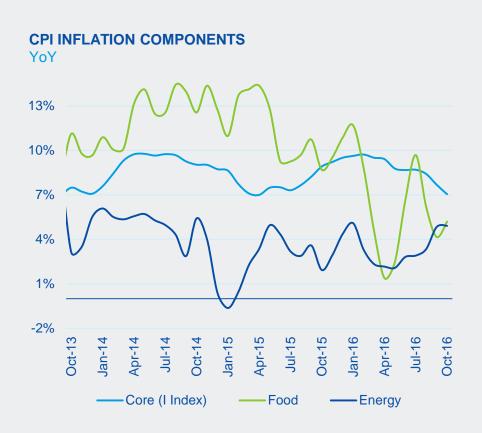


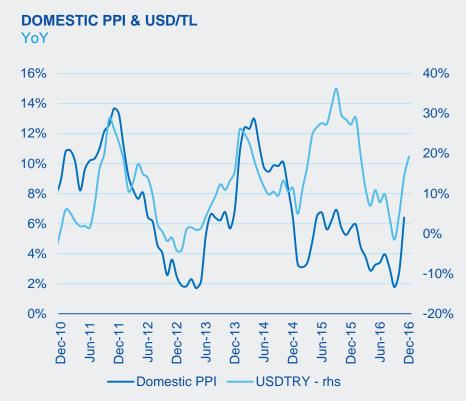




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In November, food inflation was below its seasonal average and we expect a similar picture in December. Depreciation in TL and the recovery in oil prices pushed the producer prices up

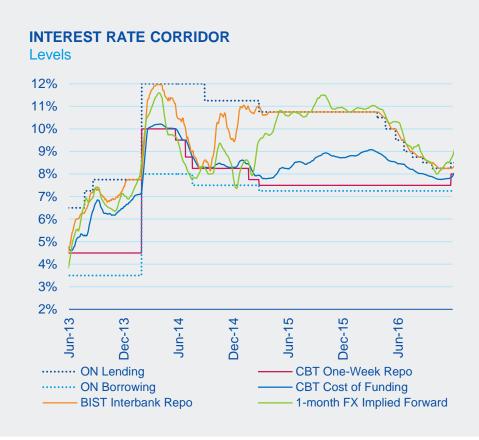


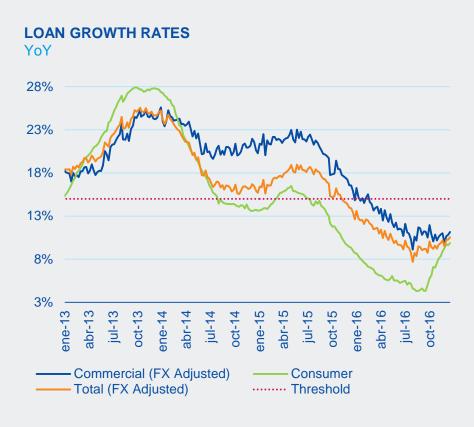




Monetary Policy

The CBRT kept its interest rates intact in the last meeting of the year and settled for a wait-and-see mode. The Bank will weigh the counterbalancing impact of modest demand against the increased import prices.

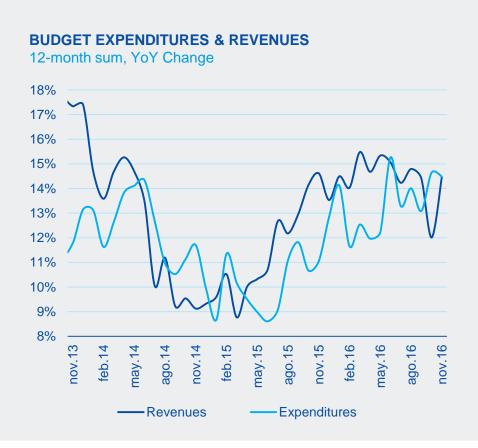


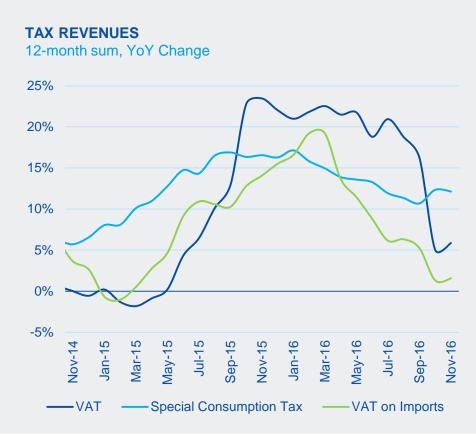




Fiscal Policy

According to the new GDP series, budget balance/GDP ratio is below 1% by the end of 3Q. November figures, on the other hand confirm a level better than targeted figure

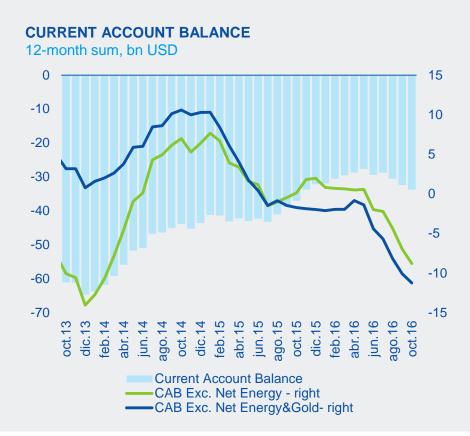


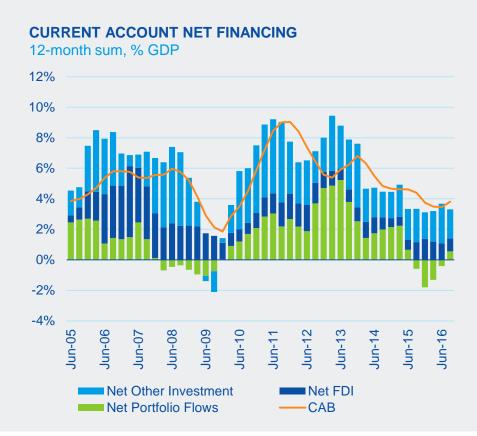




External Balance: CAB & Financing

Core 12m cum CAB (exc net gold and energy trade) increased to USD11.2bn in October, the worst figure since May 2012. CAD/GDP ratios improved with the new GDP series . 2Q ratio was revised down from 4.2% to 3.4% and 3Q ratio was recorded as 3.8%







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