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1. GLOBAL

Growth is taking hold, but there are still risks





Positive global dynamic takes hold

The main trends continue...

...and the probability of the baseline scenario increases

Recovery of industrial activity and international trade confirmed

Substantial stimulus to the US economy seems less likely...

No stresses in financial markets

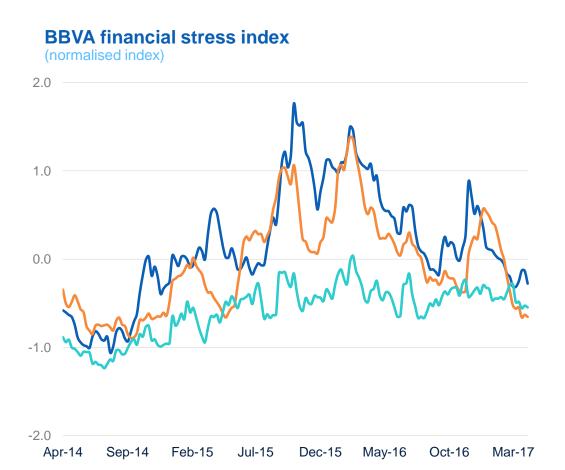
...but so do more protectionist scenarios

Headline inflation continues to rise, but core inflation holds steady

Central banks move towards normalisation



Financial stresses remain low



Asia

Developed countries

- Volatility has fallen despite uncertainty about economic policy
- Monetary stimulus measures mask a certain underlying unease
- Europe has been the exception, with sovereign spreads widening somewhat in connection with the French elections and the overall political panorama

Source: BBVA Research



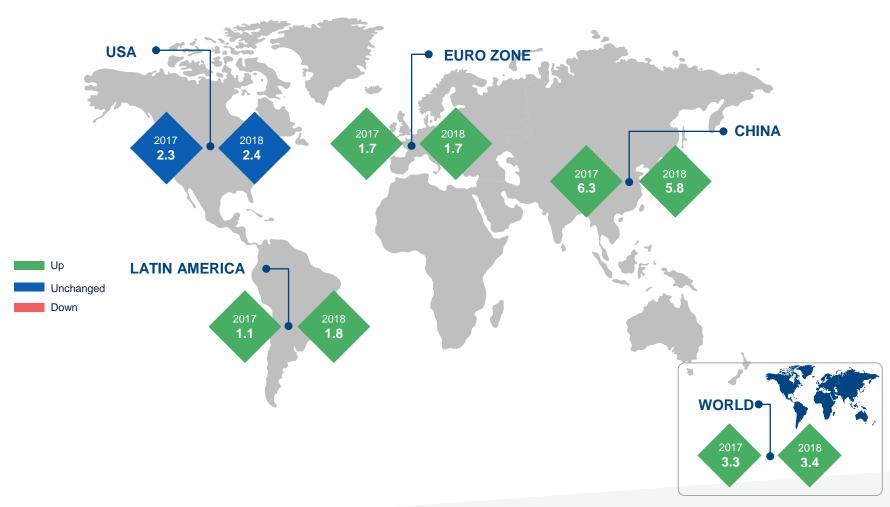
Central banks move towards normalisation of their policies

US Federal Reserve and European Central Bank (ECB) interest rates

(bps) 2.5 -2.0 **ECB** 1.5 End of QE, but policy of reinvestment **ECB** An end to full allocation **Reduction of QE** 0.5 Oct-16 Jan-18 Source: BBVA Research, FED and BCE FED **ECB**



World growth revised upwards...





USA: expected boost to the economy delayed

GDP growth

(YoY, %)



- Accelerating activity in 2017 due to the expected improvement in investment; however, consumption is rather less dynamic
- Economic policy risk continues despite the more optimistic tone in recent months

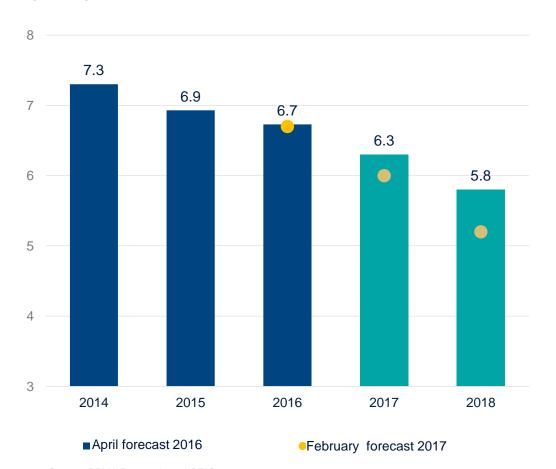
Source: BBVA Research and the BEA



China: a new push from old drivers

GDP growth

(YoY, %)



- We have revised our growth forecasts for 2017 and 2018 upwards in the light of recent figures and fiscal support. Gradual slowdown under way.
- Nevertheless, medium-term risk is still considerable:
 - The rebalancing process toward services and consumer spending has stagnated
 - Economic policy mistakes may lead to a disorderly deleveraging process

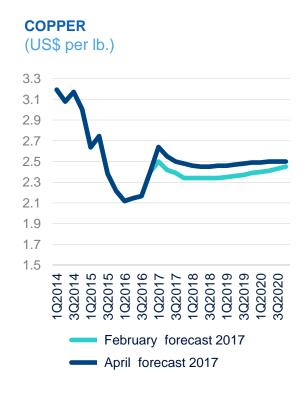
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Commodities: we continue to see commodity prices gently converging to their long-term equilibrium

BRENT CRUDE (US\$ per barrel) 120 100 80 60 40 20 3Q2016 1Q2017 1Q2018 3Q2018 3Q2017 1Q2019 February forecast 2017 April forecast 2017

Source: BBVA Research and Bloomberg



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Oil prices continue to rely on the OPEC agreement on production limits and the increase in demand. Copper prices benefit not only from greater demand but also from interruptions in supply. No significant change in long-term outlook for commodities.



The main global risks for the region and for Peru centre on policies in the US and rebalancing in China

Lingering uncertainty about **measures to be** taken in the US, especially regarding trade

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The monetary policy stimulus measures taken to

bolster the recent strength of investment in **China** may hold up the process of reducing imbalances

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Election results in France and Italy in the (unlikely) event of a win for anti-EU parties

Risks associated with the **normalisation of monetary policy**, especially in the US.

Source: BBVA Research



2. PERU

Growth hit by weak domestic demand and the "El Niño Costero" weather phenomenon



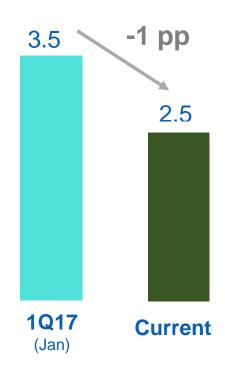


Economic activity



We are cutting back our growth forecast for 2017





Source: Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research

1 pp less growth:

Figures for the first two months of the year weaker than expected

Effects of the "El Niño Costero" weather phenomenon

Fall in business confidence

Less public spending on infrastructure (Lima Metro Line 2 and Talara Refinery modernisation)

Public spending on emergency/reconstruction (implying a deficit of 2.9% of GDP)













"El Niño Costero": damage to infrastructure estimated at equivalent to 1.9% of GDP

Damage to infrastructure caused by El Niño Costero*

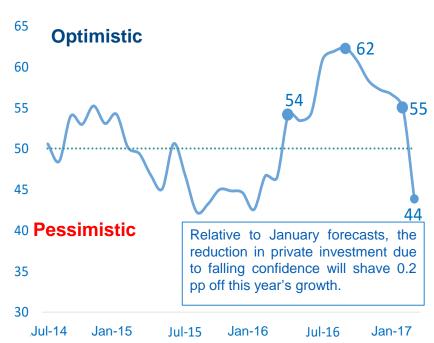
Sectors	Units	USD Millions	% Part.	% GDP
Roads (Km)	8,951	1,424	35	0.7
Housing (Units)	278,123	944	24	0.4
Bridges (Units)	839	474	12	0.2
Farming areas (Ha)	82,083	234	6	0.1
Schools (Units)	2,165	152	4	0.1
Irrigation canals (Km)	23,176	628	16	0.3
Country tracks (Km)	12,843	68	2	0.0
Health centres (Units)	742	91	2	0.0
Total		4,015	100	1.9



Confidence in negative territory

Business confidence

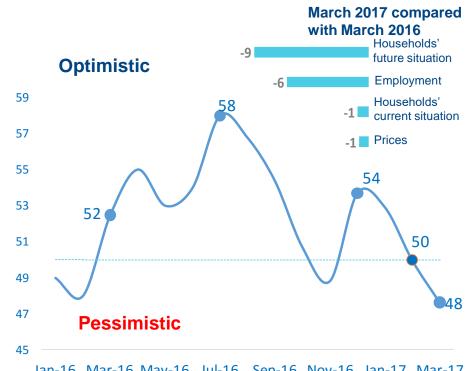
(index in points*)



*Values of more (less) than 50 indicate expectations of better (worse) economic performance in the next three months

Consumer confidence

(index in points)



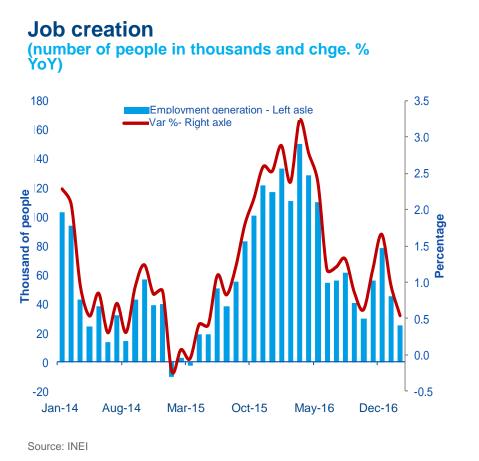
Jan-16 Mar-16 May-16 Jul-16 Sep-16 Nov-16 Jan-17 Mar-17

Source: Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research

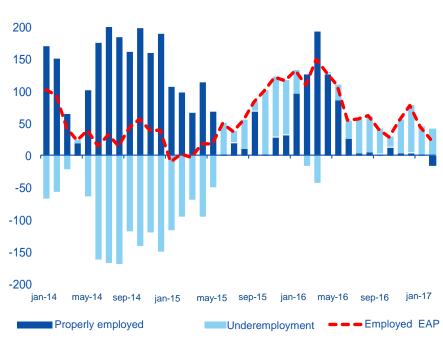
Source: Apoyo Consultoría and BBVA Research



Job creation in Greater Lima slows, with a fall in suitable employment for the first time since 2005







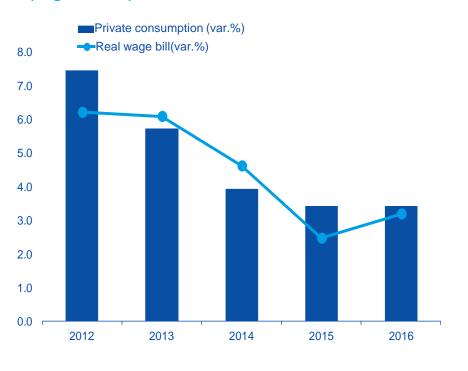
Source: INEI



Slowdown in job creation and deterioration in quality of employment affects total household incomes and will slow consumption in the remainder of the year

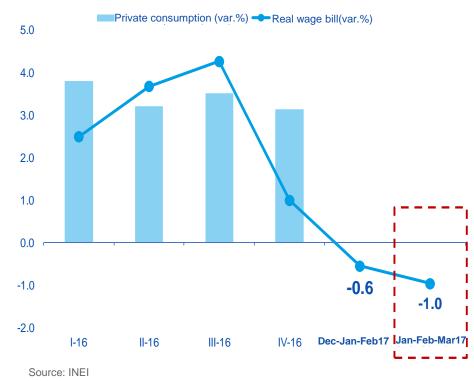
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(chge. % YoY)



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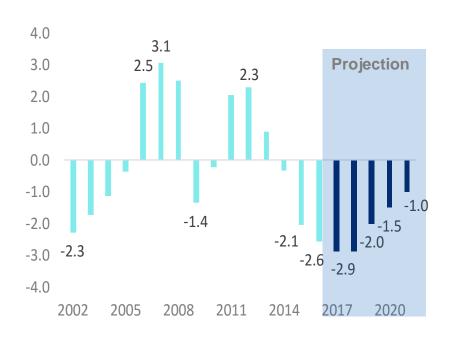


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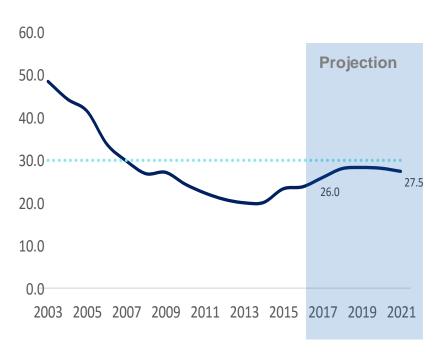
Public deficit will increase temporarily due to the reconstruction effort, but without endangering fiscal sustainability





Source: Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research

Public Debt (% of GDP)



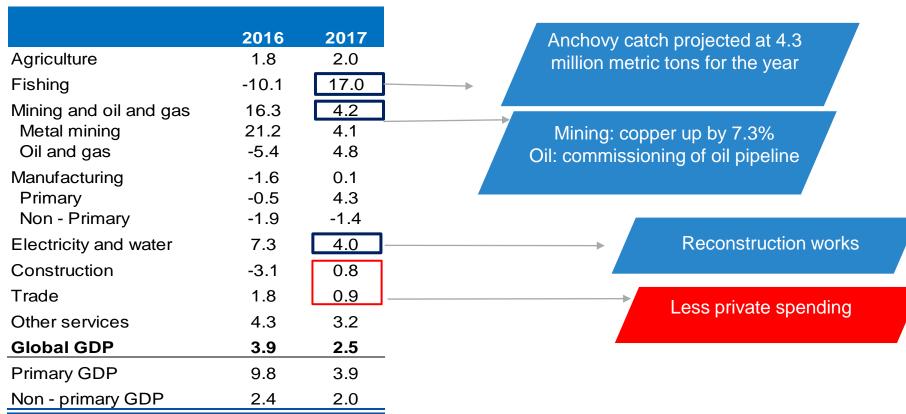
Source: Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research



Peru: GDP growth in 2017 by sector

GDP by sector

(chge. % YoY)



Source: BBVA Research



Peru: GDP growth in 2017 from the expenditure point of view

GDP from expenditure point of view

(chge. % YoY)

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	2016	2017
1. Domestic Demand	0.9	2.1
a. Private Consumption	3.4	2.7
b. Public Consumption	-0.5	5.4
c. Gross Domestic Investment Gross Fixed Investment	-4.9 -5.0	-1.4 0.4
- Private	-6.1	-1.5
- Public	-0.5	8.0
2. Exports	9.7	2.2
3. GDP	3.9	2.5
4. Imports	-2.3	0.5
Contribution to growth (pp)		
Private Expenditure	1.0	1.4
Public Expenditure	-0.1	1.0



Public spending up due to reconstruction, taking fiscal deficit to 2.9% of GDP

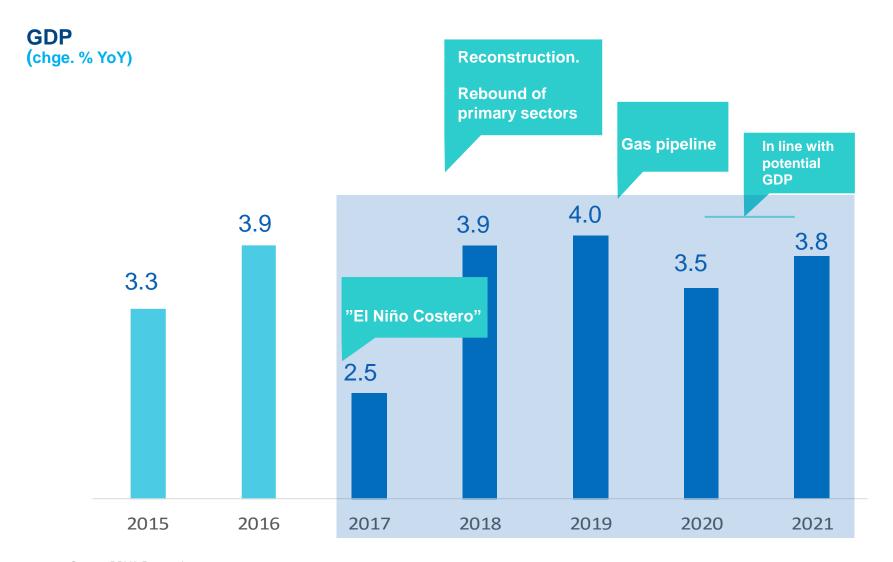


Private demand will remain weak: falling investment and slowing consumption

Source: Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research



Peru: temporary acceleration in growth in 2018 and 2019



Source: BBVA Research



Peru: risks to growth forecasts

External

More marked slowdown in China's economy

Uncertainty about policies of the new US administration (fiscal, trade, deregulation and immigration)

Domestic

More delays in carrying out infrastructure works

Confidence failing to recover, or even continuing to fall

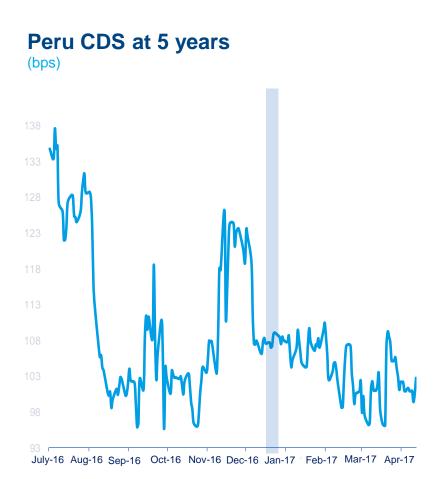
Execution of public spending not achieved



Financial markets and exchange rate



Risk indicators have moderated so far this year...





Source: Bloomberg

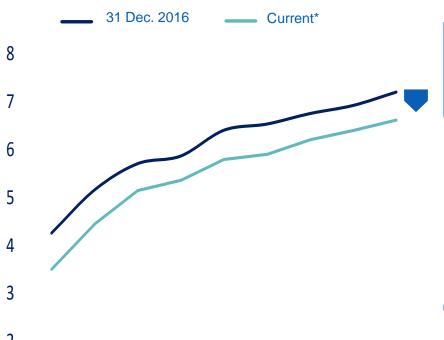
Source: Bloomberg



...Sovereign bond yields decline...

Yields on Sovereign Bonds

(%)



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(% and bps)

Bond	Yield (%)		Var. Actual data vs.	
	Dec-16	Actual data	(en pbs)	
	(A)	(B)	Dec-16	
2020	5.2	4.5	-70.0	
2023	5.7	5.1	-56.0	
2024	5.9	5.3	-52.0	
2026	6.4	5.8	-59.3	
2031	6.8	6.2	-55.0	
2037	6.9	6.4	-51.0	
2042	7.2	6.6	-65.0	

2017 2020 2023 2024 2026 2028 2031 2037 2042



... while non-residents' holdings increase

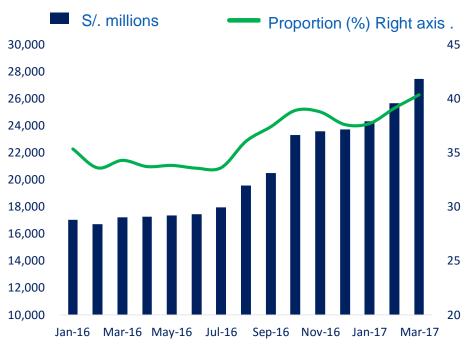
Balance of Sovereign Bonds

(S/. millions)



Non-residents' holdings of Sovereign Bonds*

(S/. millions and %)



Source: MEF

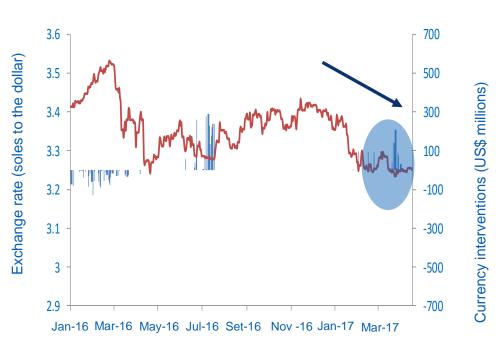
(*) So far this year issues have totalled S/. 5.3 billion



Also, the PEN has shown a slight tendency to appreciate

Exchange rate and currency interventions of the BCRP*

Exports and imports (cumul., 12 mths, US\$ billions)





Source: Bloomberg and BCRP Source: Central Bank of Peru

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^(*) So far this year the central bank has bought US\$1.54 billion

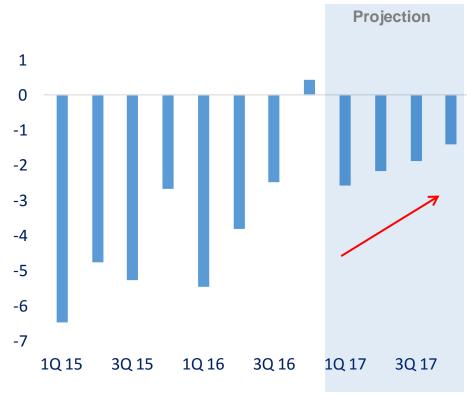


Going forward, slight depreciation due to reduction in interest rate differential, mitigated by lower external financing requirements





Balance of payments on current account (% of GDP)



Source: Central Bank of Peru



Inflation



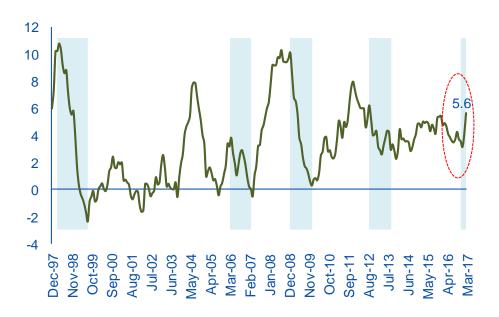
In March, inflation rose due to increases in food prices. The evidence points to the shock being temporary.

Inflation* (change % YoY)

	Var. % m/m	Var. % y/y
	mar-17	mar-17
Core Inflation	0.74	2.6
Goods	0.18	3.0
Services	1.09	2.4
Transport	0.09	2.1
Comunications	0.03	0.2
Education	L3.93	4.9
Rental	0.22	0.5
Other services	0.02	1.0
Non core inflation	<u>1.85</u>	<u>5.5</u>
Food	0.35	3.9
Food (underlying)	4.94	8.4
Fuel	-0.15	7.8
Electricity	0.08	1.2
Inflation	1.30	4.0

CPI for food and beverages

(chge. % MoM)





Inflation will tend to decrease in the second half of the year, creating room for an easing of monetary policy.

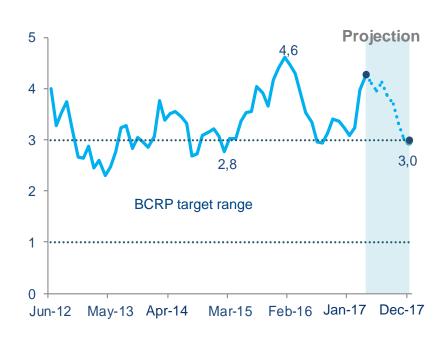
Inflationary expectations

(chge. % YoY expected of CPI)



Inflation

(chge. % YoY in CPI)



Source: INEI, Central Bank of Peru and BBVA Research

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Reversal of food price hikes, but.,

...increase in expectations will make the fall in inflation more gradual.

Absence of demand pressures and limited depreciation in the remainder of the year



Monetary policy rate



Monetary policy adopts a more dovish stance



MONETARY PROGRAM FOR APRIL 2017 BCRP MAINTAINED THE POLICY INTEREST RATE AT 4.25%

- 1. The Board of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru approved to maintain the monetary policy interest rate at 4.25 percent. This decision is consistent with an inflation forecast in which inflation converges to the target range during 2017 and takes into account the following factors:
 - The faster pace of inflation observed recently is transitory and is associated with the supply shocks caused by the effects of El Niño;
 - ii) Expectations of inflation in 12 months are temporarily close to the upper band of the inflation target range;
 - iii) The pace of growth of domestic economic activity has continued to slow down in the first quarter of 2017, showing a pace of growth below its potential growth level. Economic activity is expected to gradually show greater dynamism in the following quarters as a result of increased government spending and higher export prices, and
 - iv) The global economy shows signals of recovery, although there is still uncertainty about developed countries' policies.



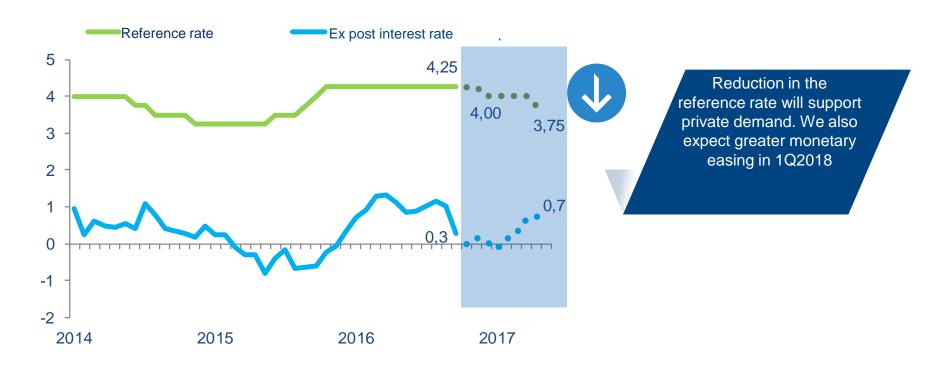
The Board oversees new data on inflation and inflation determinants, giving particularly close attention to data about the reversal observed in terms of supply shocks, to ease the monetary policy stance in the short term.



As inflation starts to ease, we foresee a cut of 50 bps in the base rate in the remainder of the year

Monetary policy reference rate

(%)





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Macroeconomic projections for 2017

Main macroeconomic variables

	2014	2015	2016	2017 (p)
GDP (chge. % YoY)	2.4	3.3	3.9	2.5
Inflation (eop, chge. % YoY)	3.2	4.4	3.2	3.0
Exchange rate (per US\$, eop)	2.96	3.38	3.40	3.36
Policy interest rate (%, eop)	3.50	3.75	4.25	3.75
Private consumption (chge. % YoY)	4.1	3.4	3.4	2.7
Public consumption (chge. % YoY)	9.7	9.3	-0.5	5.4
Investment (chge. % YoY)	-2.1	-5.0	-5.0	0.4
Fiscal result (% of GDP)	-0.3	-2.1	-2.6	-2.9
Current Account (% of GDP)	-4.0	-4.8	-2.7	-2.0

Source: BCRP (Central Reserve Bank of Peru), INEI (National Statistics and IT Institute) and BBVA Research Peru

