

LatAm Daily | We expect a pause in MPR in Chile

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At the MP meeting today in Chile we expect the CB of Chile to keep MPR at 3.5%. In Brazil we expect retail sales to have decreased again in February.

What to watch today

Chile - Economic expectations survey (April, 07:30hrs NYT)

We expect the surveys to show inflation expectations in a range of +0.2%/+0.3% MoM for April and anchored to long-term inflation expectations. Short-term activity and inflation data should support expectations of a pause in the monetary normalisation process at today's meeting, and a more dovish stance for rates for the rest of the year. Our view is that the most likely scenario is that the survey will show expectations of a prolonged pause in policy rates, at least for the whole year. Downward revision of GDP growth forecast for 2016-17 should ease.

Brazil - Retail sales (February, 8:00hrs NYT)

Retail sales are expected to decrease again in February, although not as sharply as in January (-1.5% MoM), as confidence remains low, inflation continues high and the labor market deteriorates further.

Calendar indicators

	Date	Period	Consensus	BBVAe	Actual	Prior
Brazil						
Retail Sales MoM	12-abr	Feb	-0,2	-0,3		-1,50%
Economic Activity MoM	13-abr	Feb	-0,6	-0,5		-0,61%
FGV Inflation IGP-10 MoM	14-abr	Apr	0,34			0,58%
CNI Industrial Confidence	14-abr	Apr				37,4
Tax Collections	15-22 Apr	Mar	93110			87851m
Chile						
Central Bank's Economist Survey	12-abr					
Overnight Rate Target	12-abr	Apr 12	3,5	3.50%		3,50%
Central Bank's Traders Survey	13-abr					
Colombia						
Retail Sales YoY	14-abr	Feb	2,5	2,3		2,20%
Industrial Production YoY	14-abr	Feb	6,8	6,1		8,20%
Consumer Confidence Index	14-abr	Mar	-16,65	-14		-21
Mexico						
Industrial Production NSA YoY	11-abr	Feb	1,4		2,6	1,10%
Industrial Production SA MoM	11-abr	Feb	-0,25		-0,1	1,20%
ANTAD Same-Store Sales YoY	11-abr	Mar	7		5,8	9,60%
Formal Job Creation Total	12-13 Apr	Mar	125			142.3k
Peru						
Trade Balance	08-11 Apr	Feb	-227,5		-249	-\$519m
Reference Rate	15-abr	Apr 14	4,25	4,25%		4,25%
Economic Activity YoY	15-abr	Feb	4,75	5,50%		3,40%
Unemployment Rate	15-abr	Mar	7			6,90%

Source: Bloomberg and BBVA Research

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