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LatAm Daily | Mexican oil exports fell 36.8% YoY in July

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Today we will look at the publication of 2Q15 GDP in Brazil, where we estimate a contraction of 1.4% QoQ. Today we also expect the minutes of the last monetary policy meeting in Chile, where the neutral bias for the policy rate will be reinforced.

Mexico - July's trade deficit amounted to USD2,267mn

Mexico's trade deficit came in above expectations (USD1,590mn BBVAe; USD1,327mn consensus), and it shows that the annual growth rate of non-oil exports (1.3%) failed to offset the decline in oil exports (-36.8%) in that month. On the other hand, the annual growth rate of total imports in July was a moderate 1.1%. This figure also suggests the need for more dynamic growth of non-oil exports to compensate for the growth of total imports.

What to watch today

Brazil - GDP QoQ (2Q15, 02:00 pm NYT)

We expect 2Q15 GDP to have contracted 1.4% QoQ. The deterioration of confidence indicators, already at very low levels, and labour markets are some of the drags behind this contraction. On the other hand, external factors such as China's slowdown has had a negative impact on the economy.

Chile - Monetary policy minutes (August, 07:30hrs NYT)

August' monetary policy minutes should show concerns about annual inflation figures above 4%, but particularly regarding the risk of a persistent exchange-rate depreciation -due to Fed tapering, and expectations of a sharper slowdown in China. Also, the assessment of growth should reflect concerns over slack in both domestic and external demand. In this context, the neutral bias for policy rates will be reinforced.

Calendar indicators

| | Date | Period | Consensus | BBVAe | Actual | Prior |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-------|----------|----------|
| Brazil | | | | | | |
| FGV CPI IPC-S | 24-Aug | Aug | | | 0.27 | 0.36% |
| FGV Consumer Confidence | 25-Aug | Aug | | | 80.6 | 82.0 |
| National Unemployment Rate | 25-Aug | Jun | 8.2 | | 8.3 | 8.10% |
| Current Account Balance | 25-Aug | Jul | | | -6162.99 | -\$2547M |
| Foreign Direct Investment | 26-Aug | Jul | | | 5993.8 | \$5398M |
| Total Outstanding Loans | 27-Aug | Jul | | | 3110.762 | 3102B |
| Central Govt Budget Balance | 27-Aug | Jul | | | -7.224 | -8.2B |
| CNI Consumer Confidence | 28-Aug | Aug | | | 98.9 | 97.9 |
| FGV Inflation IGPM MoM | 28-Aug | Aug | | | 0 | 0.69% |
| GDP QoQ | 28-Aug | 2Q | -1.8 | -1.4 | | -0.20% |
| Primary Budget Balance | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | -9.3B |
| Nominal Budget Balance | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | -36.3B |
| Net Debt % GDP | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | 34.50% |
| Chile | | | | | | |
| Central Bank's Traders Survey | 26-Aug | | 0 | | | 0.00% |
| Central Bank Meeting Minutes | 28-Aug | | 0 | | | 0.00% |
| Colombia | | | | | | |
| Retail Confidence | 24-Aug | Jul | | 13 | 18.2 | 20.6 |
| Industrial Confidence | 24-Aug | Jul | | 3 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Mexico | | | | | | |
| Bi-Weekly CPI | 24-Aug | Aug 15 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.08% |
| Bi-Weekly Core CPI | 24-Aug | Aug 15 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.12 | 0.06% |
| Bi-Weekly CPI YoY | 24-Aug | Aug 15 | 2.69 | 2.67 | 2.64 | 2.72% |
| Current Account Balance | 25-Aug | 2Q | | | -7980.09 | -\$9446M |
| Trade Balance | 27-Aug | Jul | -1327 | -1590 | -2266.88 | -749.0M |
| Unemployment Rate NSA | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | 4.41% |
| Unemployment Rate SA | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | 4.39% |
| Budget Balance YTD | 28-Aug | Jul | | | | -345.0B |

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