

# **BANCO CENTRAL DO BRASIL - FOCUS**

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*Median of market expectations for inflation measured by the IPCA in 2000 remained stable at 7.0%.* For the year 2001, **to be reported from now on**, the median is at 4.0%. Market forecasts for the IGP-DI for 2000 were revised to 8.0% from a median of 8.5% recorded last week. For the next year, to be reported from now on, expectations are at 5.0%. GDP growth expectations for 2000 remained at 3.00%. Expectations point out to a trade surplus of US\$ 4.00 billion in 2000, increasing to US\$ 5.35 billion in 2001. The current account deficit is expected to reach US\$ 23.2 billion this year and US\$ 22.6 billion in 2001. Expectations for other economic indicators are quoted in the tables below and in the figures on the next page.

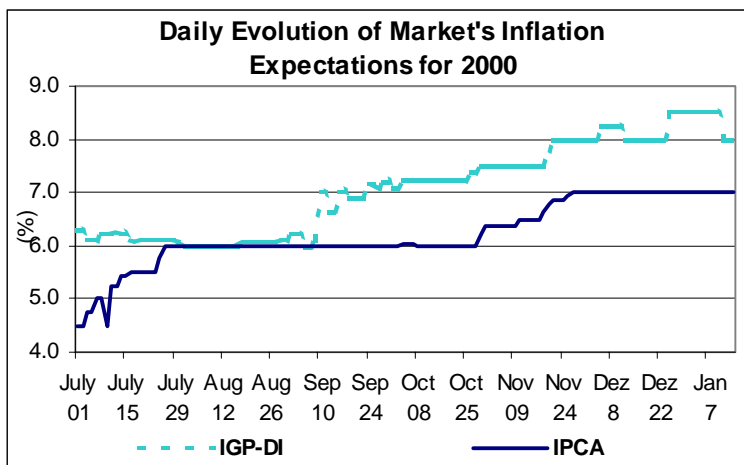
## **Market Readout**

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Median of Market Expectations**

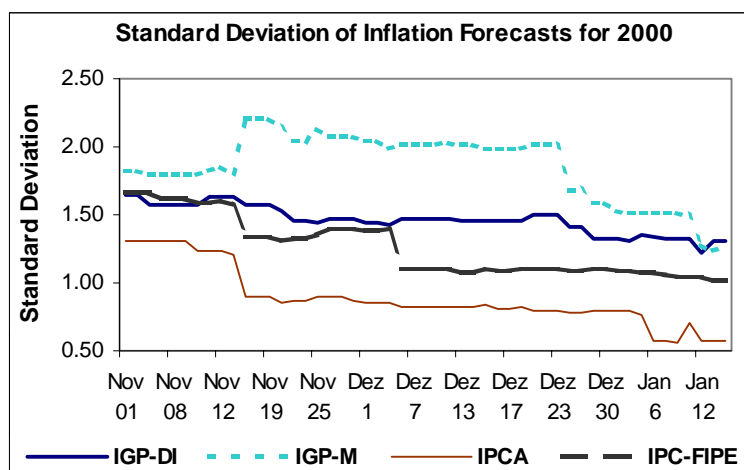
Price indices (% change)	for 2000		for 2001	
	as of Jan 7	as of <b>today</b>	as of <b>today</b>	
IGP-DI	8.50	8.00	5.00	
IGP-M	8.00	8.00	5.00	
IPC-Fipe	6.48	6.50	4.00	
INPC	6.51	6.95	4.00	
IPCA	7.00	7.00	4.00	
	for January		for February	
(% change)	as of Jan 7	as of <b>today</b>	as of Jan 7	as of <b>today</b>
IGP-DI	0.90	0.90	0.61	0.62
IGP-M	0.93	0.96	0.61	0.58
IPC-Fipe	0.70	0.70	0.48	0.50
INPC	0.60	0.76	0.60	0.57
IPCA	0.80	0.70	0.60	0.55
<b>Other Economic Indicators</b>	for 2000		for 2001	
	as of Dec 7	as of <b>today</b>	as of <b>today</b>	
<b>GDP growth (%)</b>	3.00	3.00		
<b>Trade Balance (US\$ billion)</b>	4.00	4.00	5.35	
<b>Current account (US\$ billion)</b>	-23.00	-23.15	-22.60	
<b>Fiscal Figures (% of GDP)</b>				
Primary balance	3.00	3.00		
Nominal balance	-4.50	-4.50		

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Evolution of Median Expectations for Inflation



Dispersion of Inflation Forecasts for 2000



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