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Median of market expectations for inflation measured by the IPCA for 2000 increased to 6.98% from 6.94% recorded last week. The median of market forecasts for the IGP-DI for 2000 were revised to 8.20%, from 8.10% over last week. Median expectations for the IPC-Fipe moved to 6.62% from 6.60%. For the year 2001 all median expectations for price indices remained at the same level over the week. GDP growth expectations for 2000 remained at 3.00%. Expectations for the trade balance remained unchanged at US\$ 4.0 billion for 2000, and US\$ 5.65 billion for 2001. Market participants expect a current account deficit of US\$ 23.15 billion in 2000, and US\$ 22.60 in 2001.

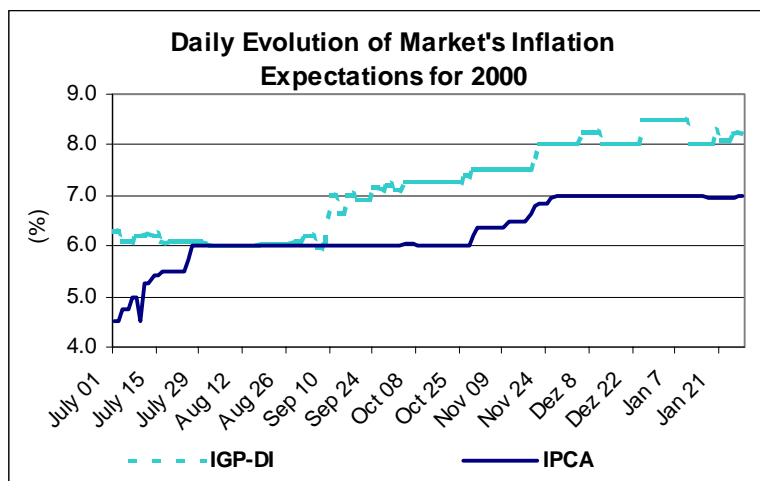
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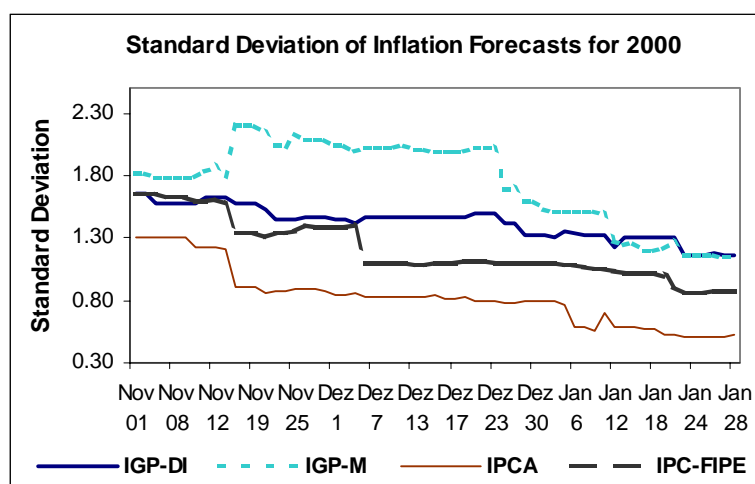
Price indices	for 2000		for 2001	
	as of Jan 21	as of today	as of Jan 21	as of today
(% change)				
IGP-DI	8.10	8.20	5.00	5.00
IGP-M	8.10	8.10	5.00	5.00
IPC-Fipe	6.50	6.62	4.00	4.00
INPC	6.70	6.70	4.00	4.00
IPCA	6.94	6.98	4.00	4.00
	for January		for February	
(% change)	as of Jan 21	as of today	as of Jan 21	as of today
IGP-DI	1.10	1.10	0.64	0.68
IGP-M	1.20	-	0.60	0.60
IPC-Fipe	0.56	0.56	0.51	0.52
INPC	0.62	0.62	0.52	0.52
IPCA	0.70	0.70	0.51	0.50
Other Economic Indicators	for 2000		for 2001	
	as of Dec 21	as of today	as of Dec 21	as of today
GDP growth (%)	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00
Trade Balance (US\$ billion)	4.00	4.00	5.65	5.65
Current account (US\$ billion)	-23.15	-23.15	-22.60	-22.60
Fiscal Figures (% of GDP)				
Primary balance	3.00	3.00		
Nominal balance	-4.40	-4.40		

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Evolution of Median Expectations for Inflation



Dispersion of Inflation Forecasts for 2000



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