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Median of market expectations for inflation measured by the IPCA for 2000 declined to 6.91% from 6.93% recorded last week. For 2001, expectations are at 4.20%. The median of market forecasts for the IGP-DI for 2000 were revised to 8.30%, from 8.10% over the week. Median expectations for this year's inflation measured by IPC-FIPE and INPC did not move, in spite of downward revisions of February figures. GDP growth remained at 3% for 2000 and 4% for 2001. Expectations for the trade balance remained unchanged at US\$ 4.0 billion for 2000, changing to US\$ 5.3 billion in 2001. Expectations for other economic indicators are listed below.

Market Readout

Central Bank Daily Survey on Market Expectations
Median of Market Expectations

PRICE INDICES

| | February | | March | |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| (% change) | as of Feb 4 | as of today | as of Feb 4 | as of today |
| IGP-DI | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.70 | 0.70 |
| IGP-M | 0.60 | 0.55 | 0.63 | 0.63 |
| IPC-FIPE | 0.50 | 0.39 | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| INPC | 0.51 | 0.50 | 0.60 | 0.55 |
| IPCA | 0.50 | 0.45 | 0.50 | 0.54 |

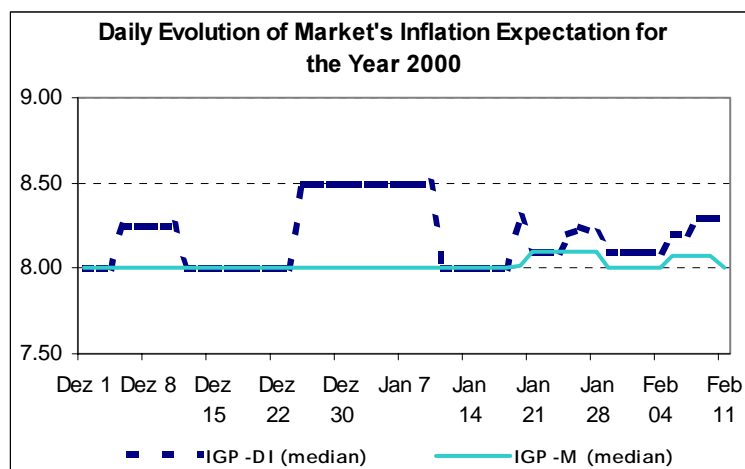
| | 2000 | | 2001 | |
|----------|------|------|------|------|
| IGP-DI | 8.10 | 8.30 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| IGP-M | 8.00 | 8.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| IPC-FIPE | 6.50 | 6.50 | 4.00 | 4.10 |
| INPC | 6.70 | 6.70 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| IPCA | 6.93 | 6.91 | 4.10 | 4.20 |

OTHER ECONOMIC INDICATORS

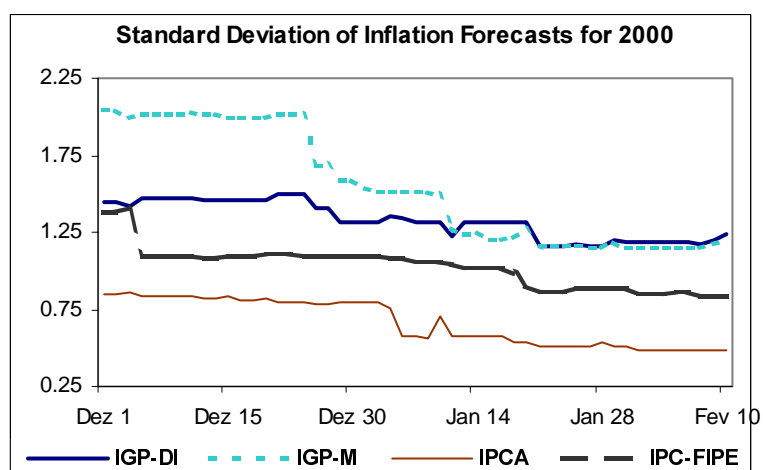
| | 2000 | | 2001 | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | as of Feb 4 | As of today | as of Feb 4 | as of today |
| GDP growth (%) | 3.00 | 3.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Trade Balance (US\$ billion) | +4.00 | +4.00 | +5.40 | +5.30 |
| Current Account (US\$ billion) | -23.25 | -23.20 | -22.35 | -22.70 |
| Fiscal Figures (% of GDP) | | | | |
| Primary Balance | 3.00 | 3.00 | | 2.90 |
| Nominal Balance | -4.35 | -4.50 | | -3.13 |

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Evolution of Median Expectations for Inflation



Dispersion of Inflation Forecasts for 2000



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