



## MACRO OUTLOOK

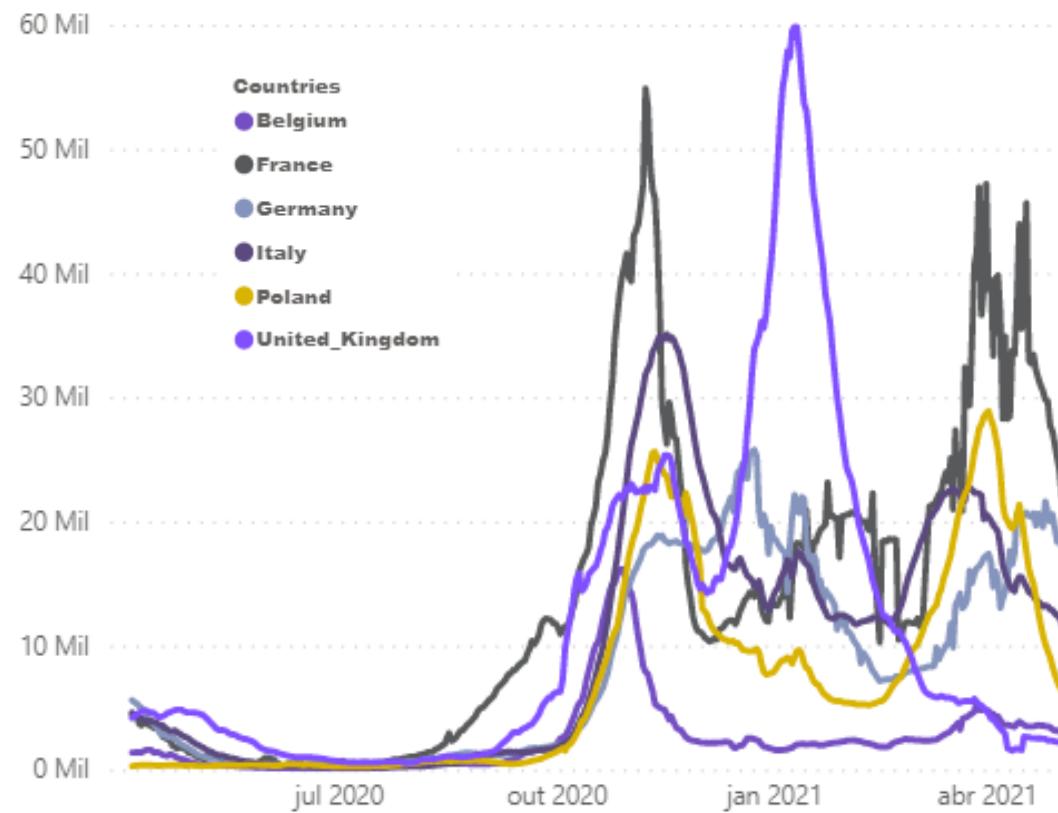
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- » Covid-19 vaccination campaigns advance in several countries, global activity being revised up
- » Pandemic deepens in Brazil, as vaccines rollout hit supply constraints
- » Brazil: Modest recovery in 2021 that will benefit from the base-effect from 2020
- » We revised up our inflation forecast to 4.9%, on the back of strong commodities and a depreciated BRL
- » Our Selic rate projection was revised to 5.5% in the end of the year
- » The commitment to fiscal consolidation has weakened

» Second wave recedes resonating restraining and vaccination measures

World –Covid-19 Cases, 7-day moving average



USA –Covid-19 Cases, 7-day moving average

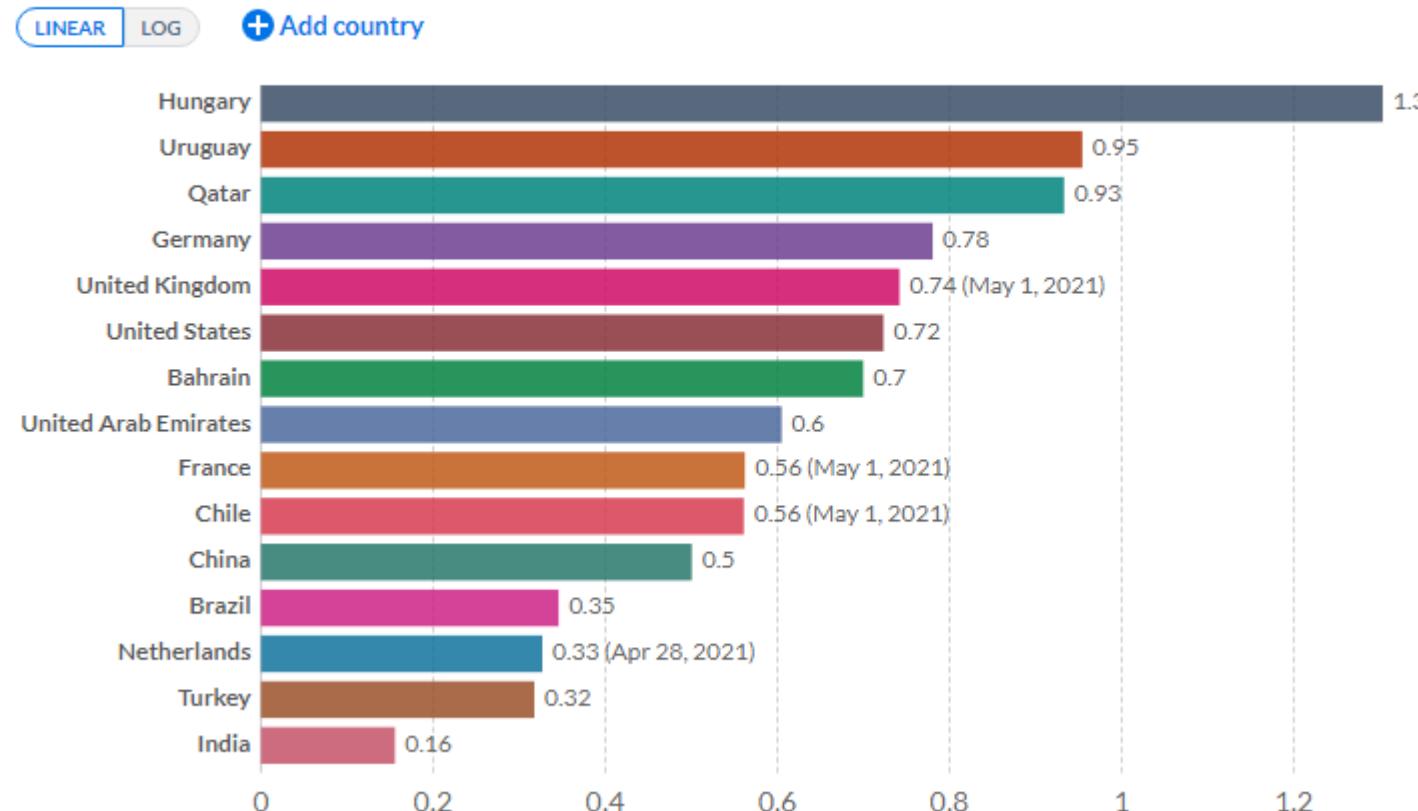


## » Vaccination advanced in the USA and UK

### Daily COVID-19 vaccine doses administered per 100 people, May 2, 2021

Shown is the rolling 7-day average per 100 people in the total population. This is counted as a single dose, and may not equal the total number of people vaccinated, depending on the specific dose regime (e.g. people receive multiple doses).

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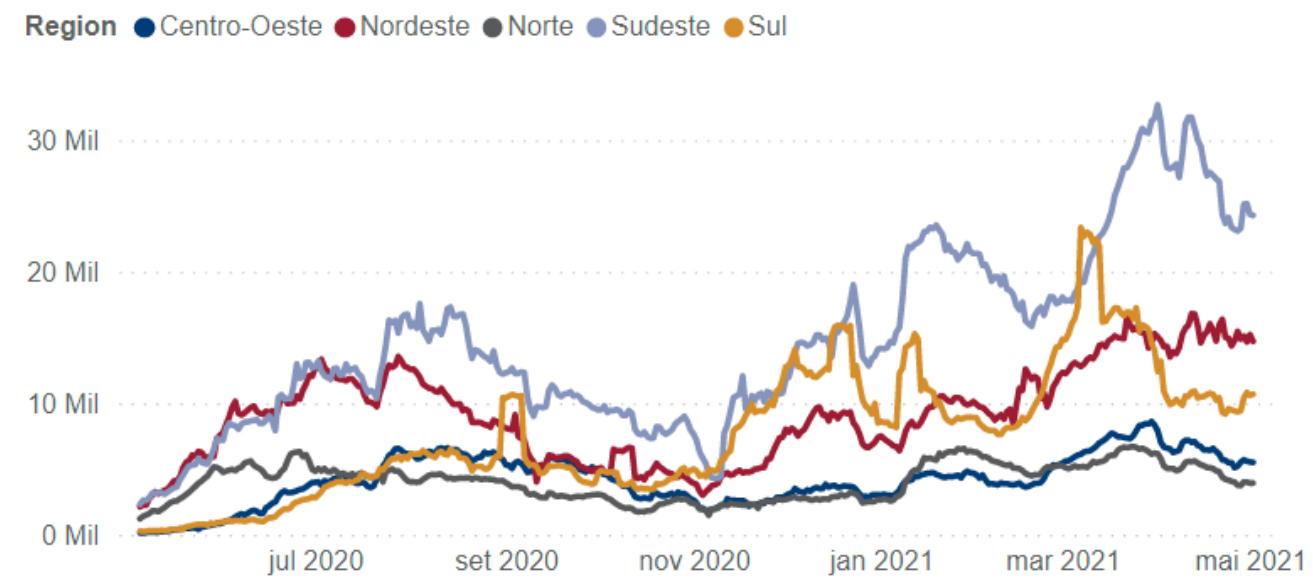
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» Deaths and cases slow down in Brazil, but still are in a high level

Brazil – Covid-19 Cases, 7-day moving average

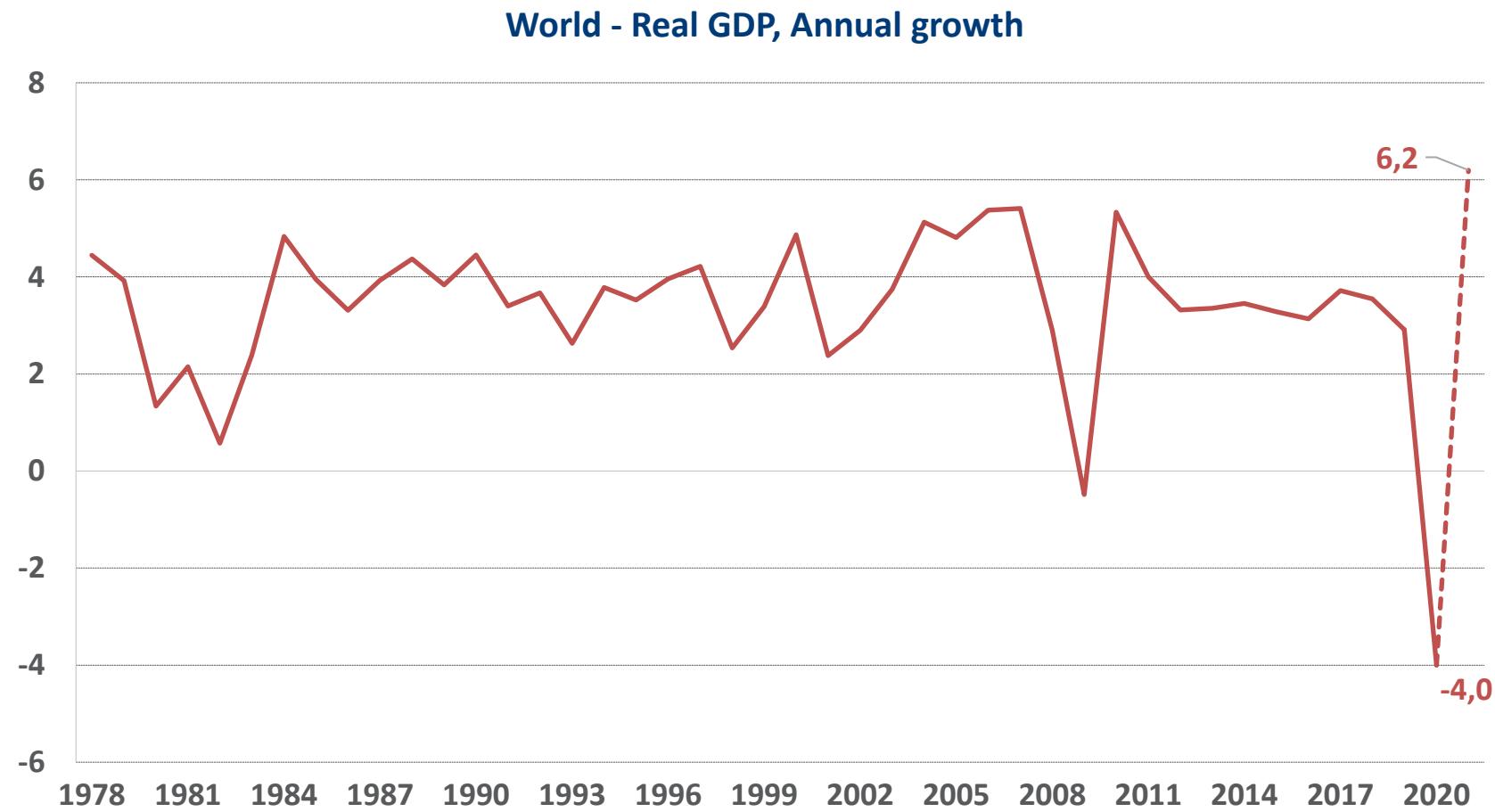


Brazil – Covid-19 Cases, 7-day moving average



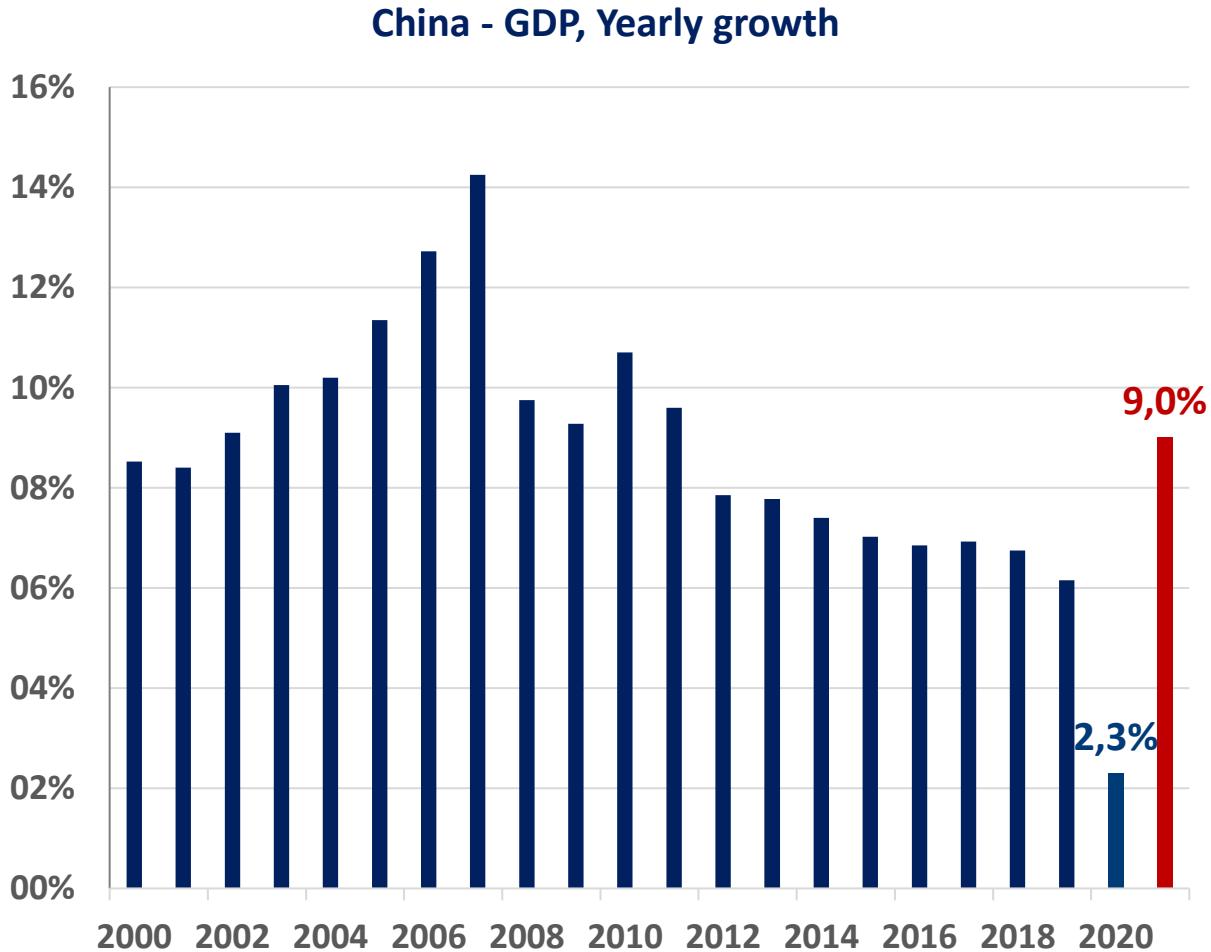
# Global: GDP Growth

» Global economy should post strong recovery in 2021

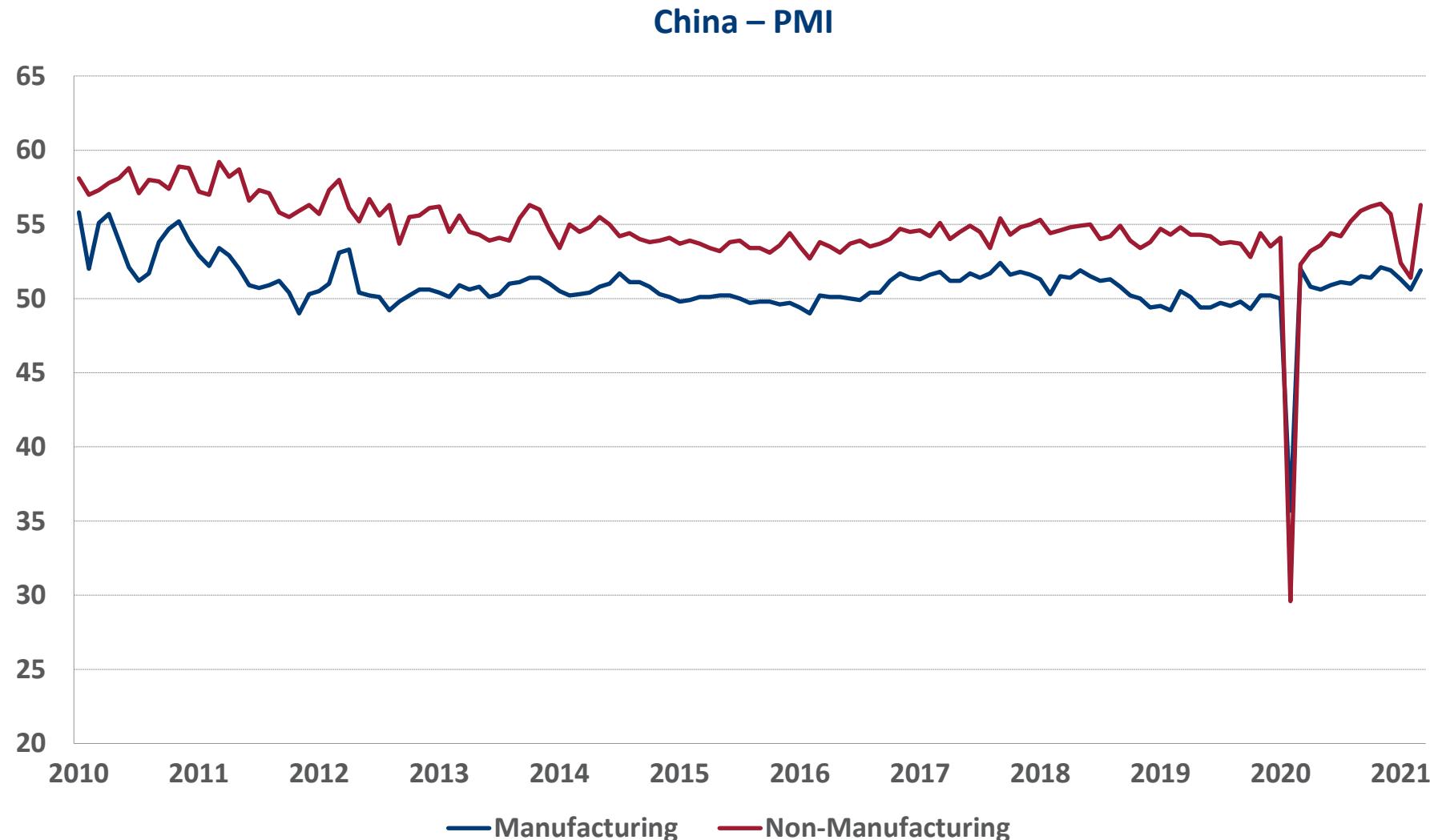


# China: Activity

» Chinese economy recovers fast, with services gaining pace over the fourth quarter

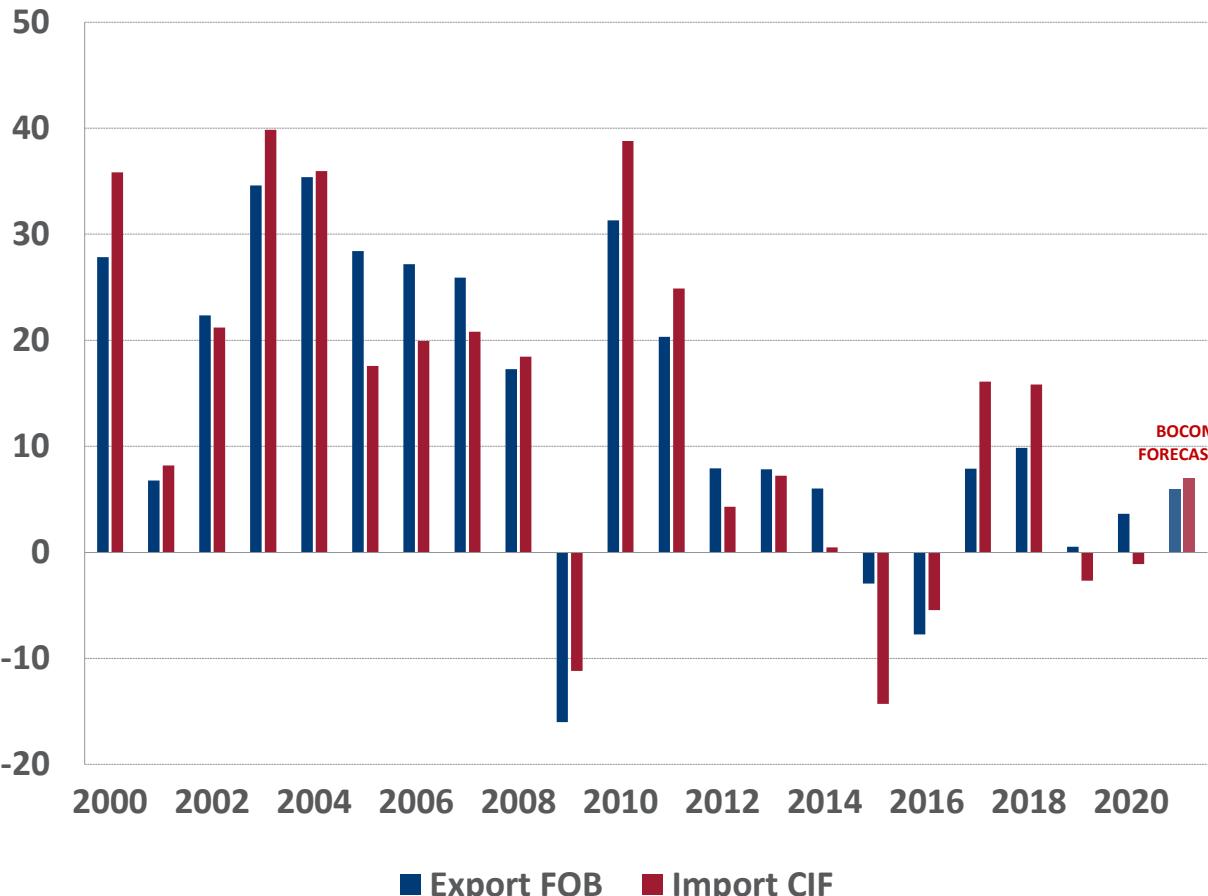


» But PMIs suggest a slowdown in the beginning of 2021

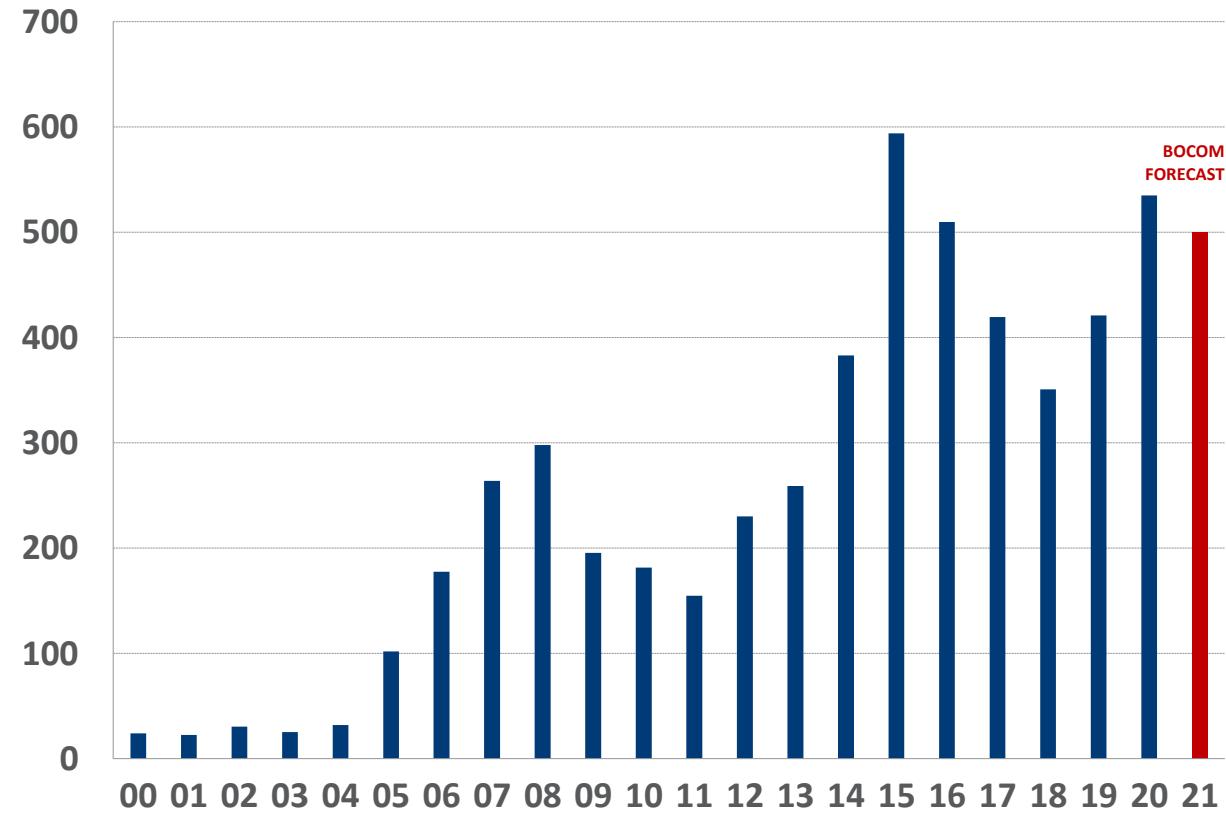


» Imports will accelerate, but trade balance will remain elevated

### China - Foreign Trade ( % YoY )

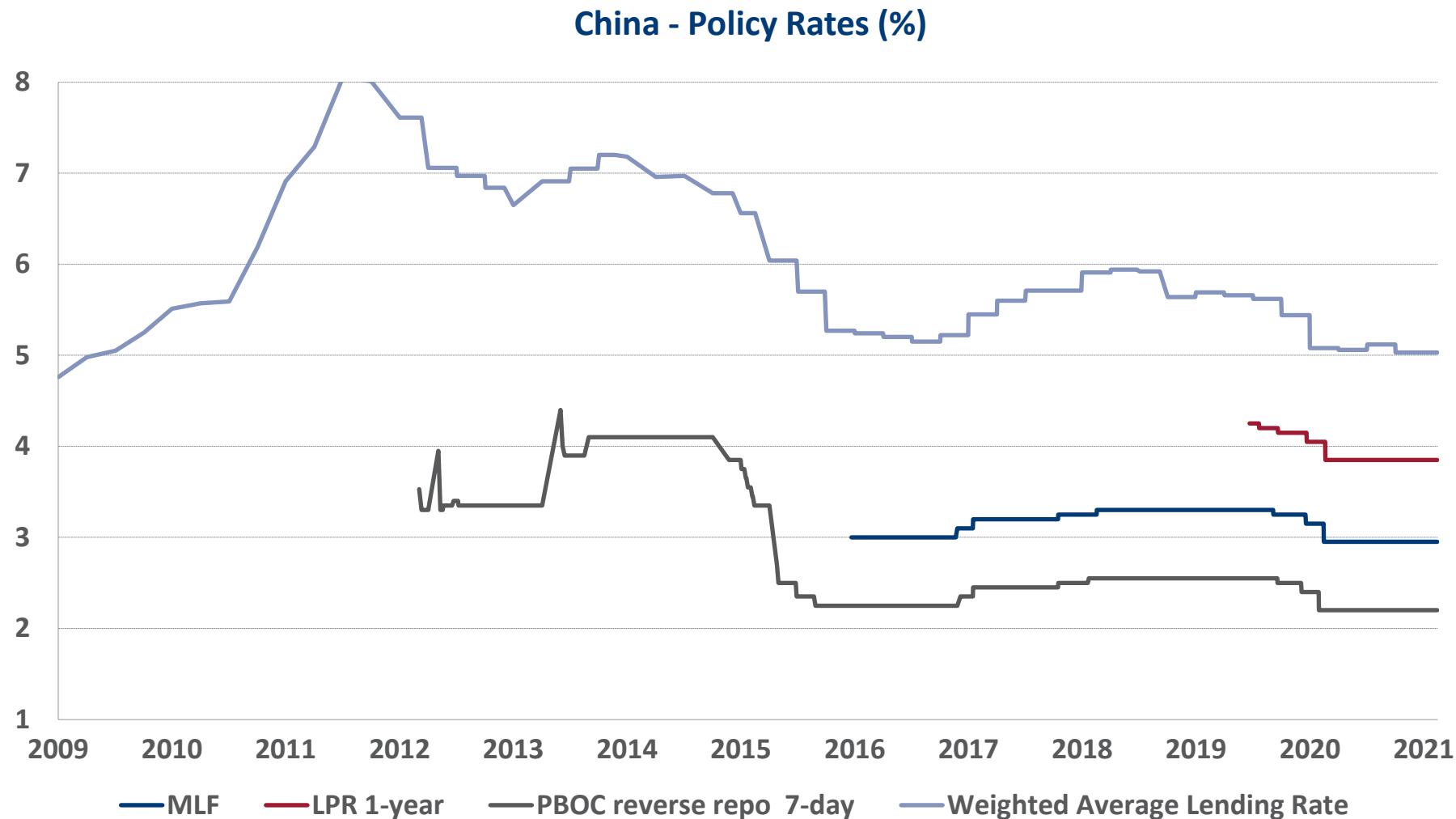


### China - Trade Balance (USD Billions)



# China: Monetary Policy

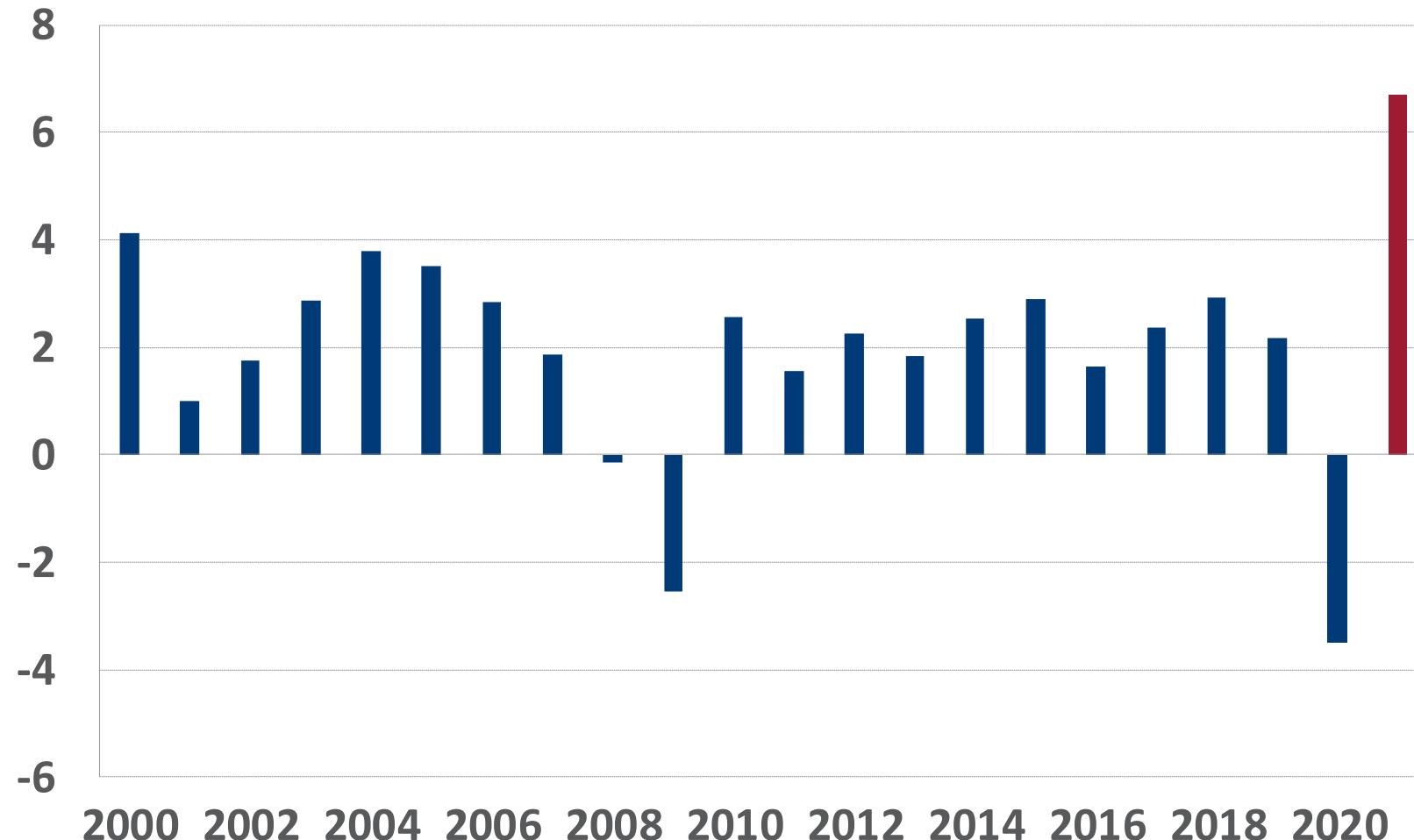
» Monetary policy will remain “prudent, precise and flexible” in 2021; no rate hikes in sight



# US: 2021 Outlook

- » Growth being revised upwards especially on the back of extra fiscal spending

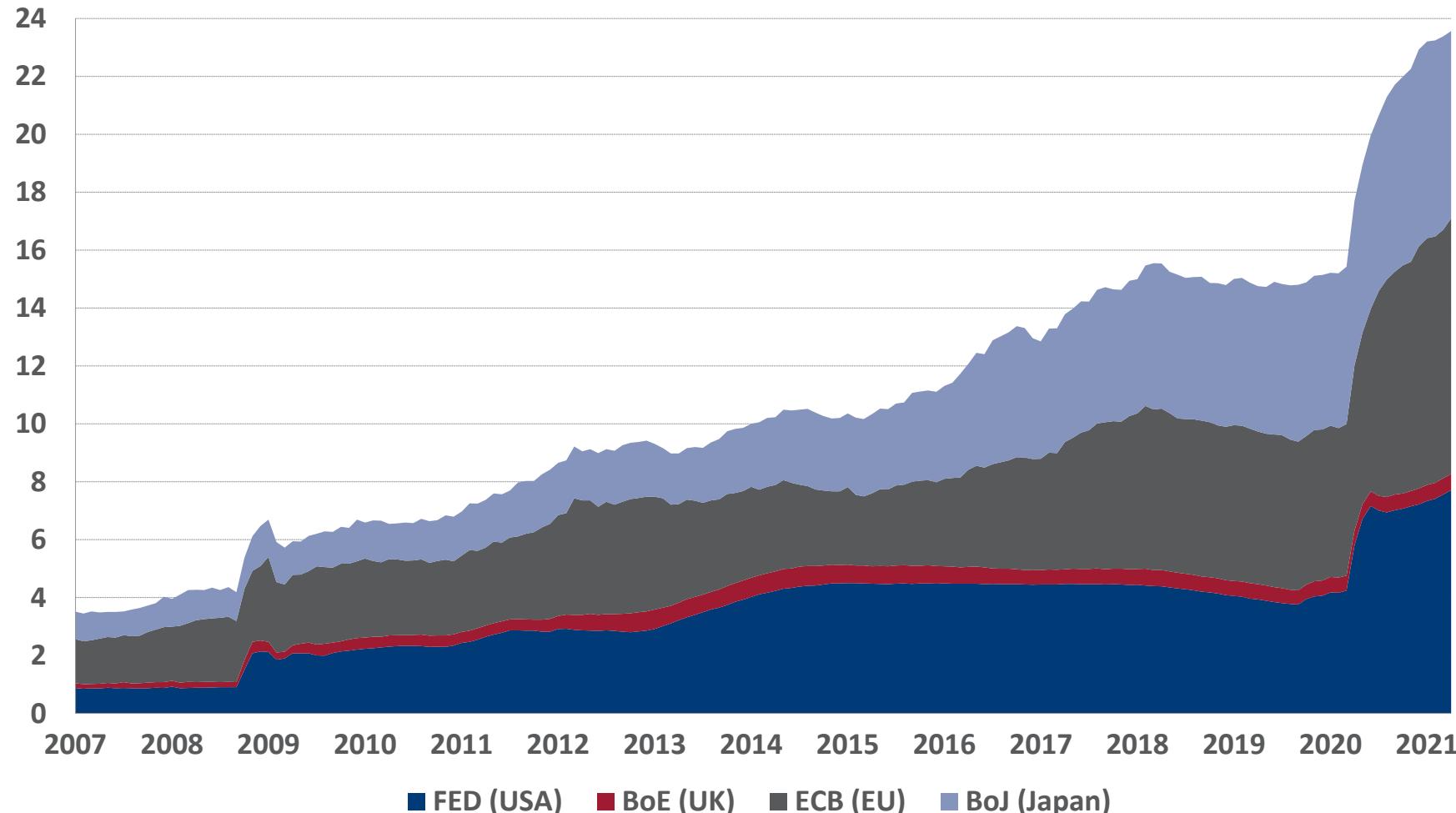
USA - Gross Domestic Product (% Growth)



# Global: Monetary Expansion

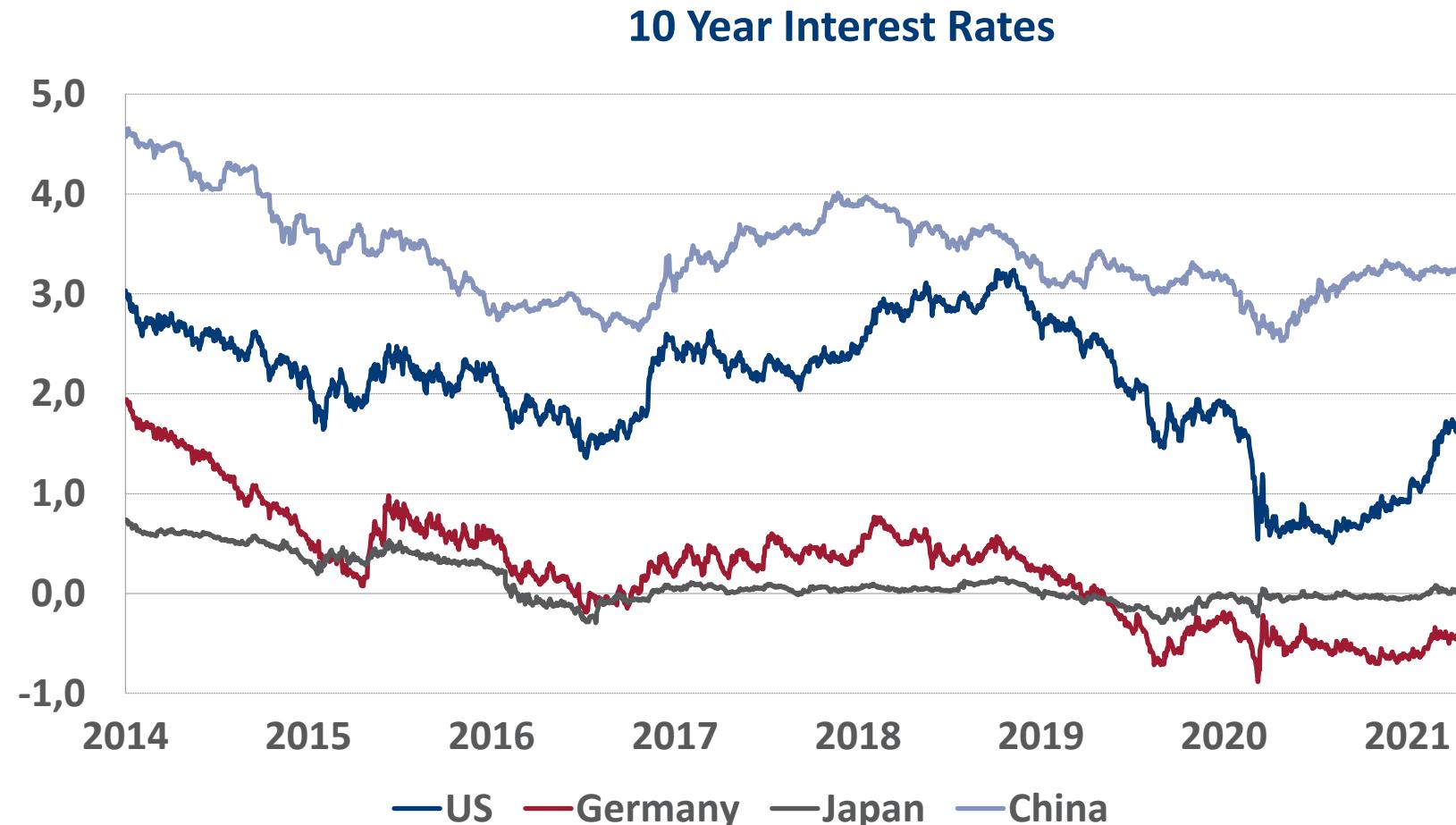
- » Balance of G10 Central Banks will continue expanding in 2021, sustaining the elevated global liquidity environment

Central Bank Balance Sheet (US\$ trillion)



# Global Interest Rates

» Long term Interest rates rise on the back of upside revisions to activity and inflation



# Global: Negative Interest Rates

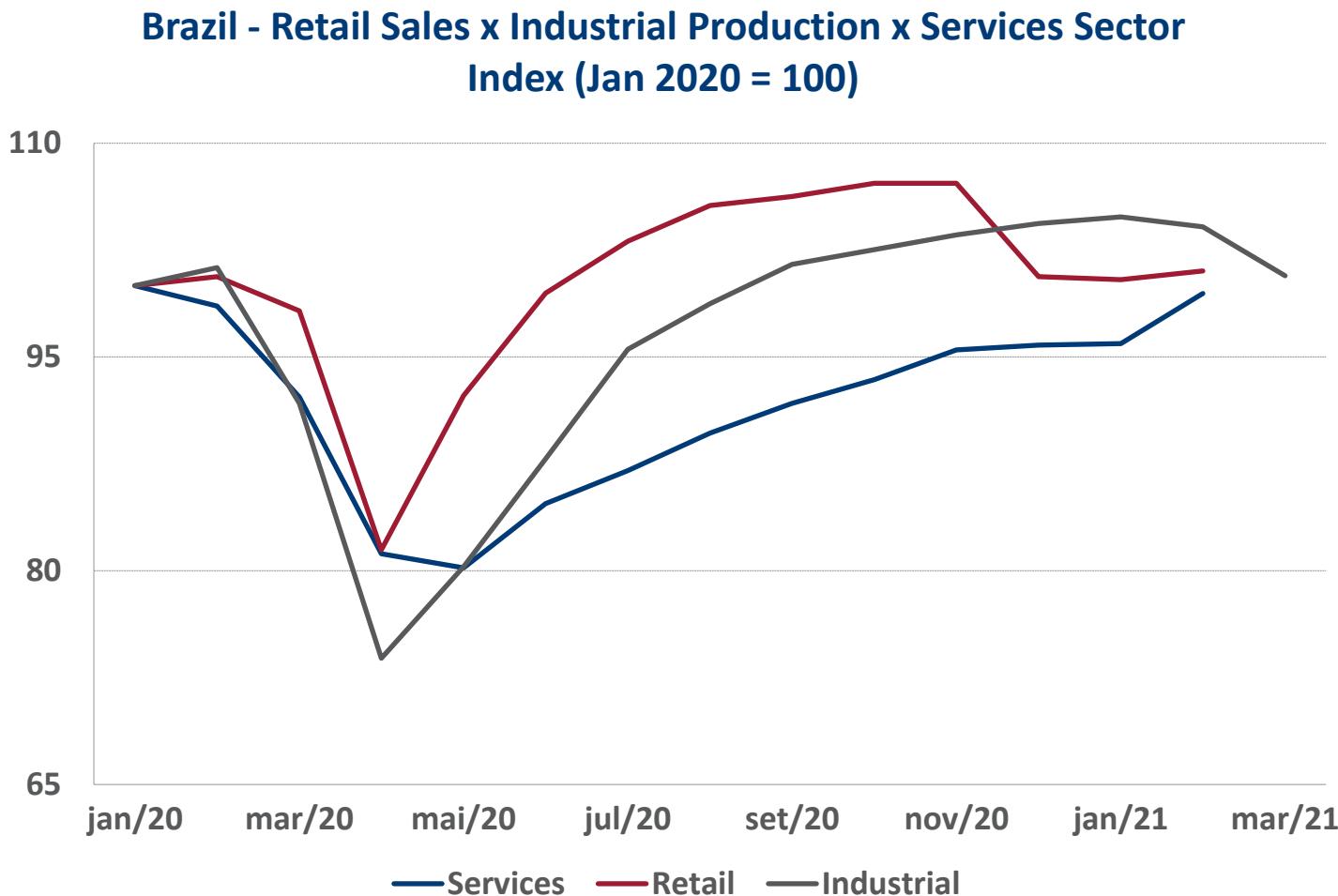
» Driving the volume of negative yielding sovereign debt down

Global Negative Yielding Debt, Market Value (US\$ Trillion)



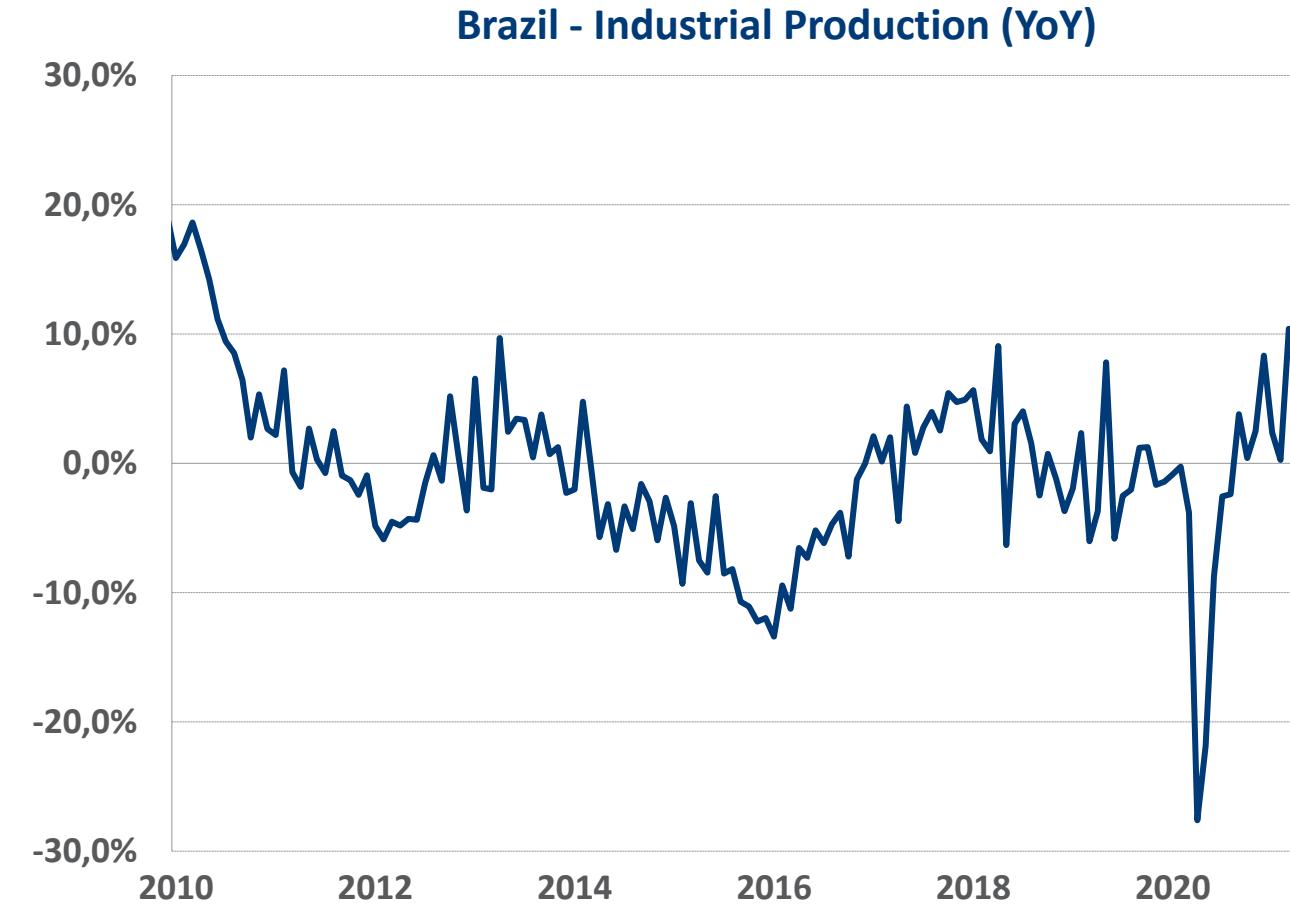
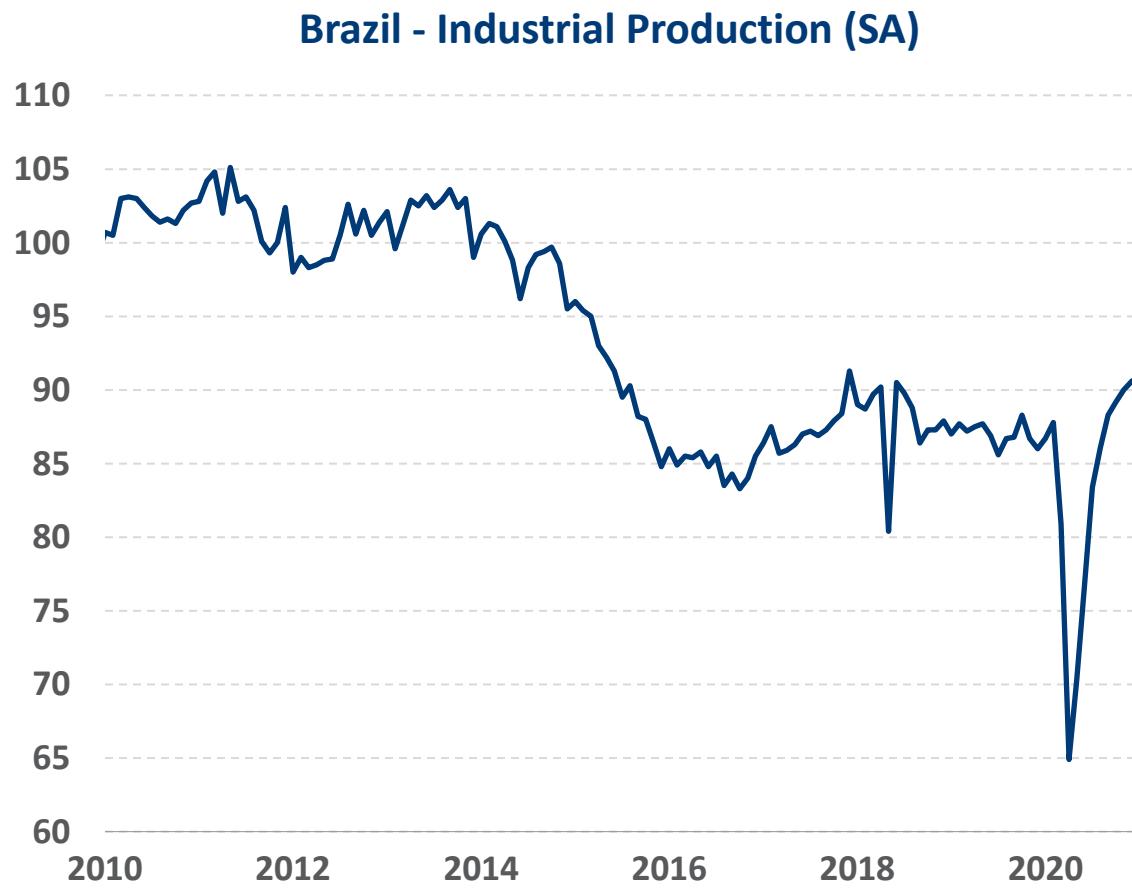
ECONOMIC FORECASTS	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021F	2022F
GDP Growth (%)	-3,3%	1,3%	1,3%	1,1%	-4,1%	3,8%	2,5%
Inflation (%)	6,3%	2,9%	3,7%	4,3%	4,5%	4,9%	3,7%
Unemployment Rate, SA (eoy ,%)	12,6%	12,4%	12,2%	11,7%	13,9%	13,0%	13,0%
Policy Rate (eoy, %)	13,8%	7,0%	6,5%	4,5%	2,0%	5,5%	5,5%
<b>External Accounts</b>							
Trade Balance (US\$ bn)	48	67	53	48	51	66	46
Current Account Balance (US\$ bn)	-23	-10	-42	-51	-13	0	-16
Current Account Balance (% of GDP)	-1,3%	-0,7%	-2,2%	-2,8%	-0,9%	0,0%	-0,9%
<b>Fiscal Policy</b>							
Fiscal Primary Balance (% of GDP)	-2,5%	-1,7%	-1,7%	-1,2%	-9,5%	-3,2%	-2,2%
Government Gross Debt (% of GDP)	69,4%	73,7%	75,3%	74,3%	88,8%	86,4%	88,0%

» The recovery in activity in the first two months of the year was stronger than we expected



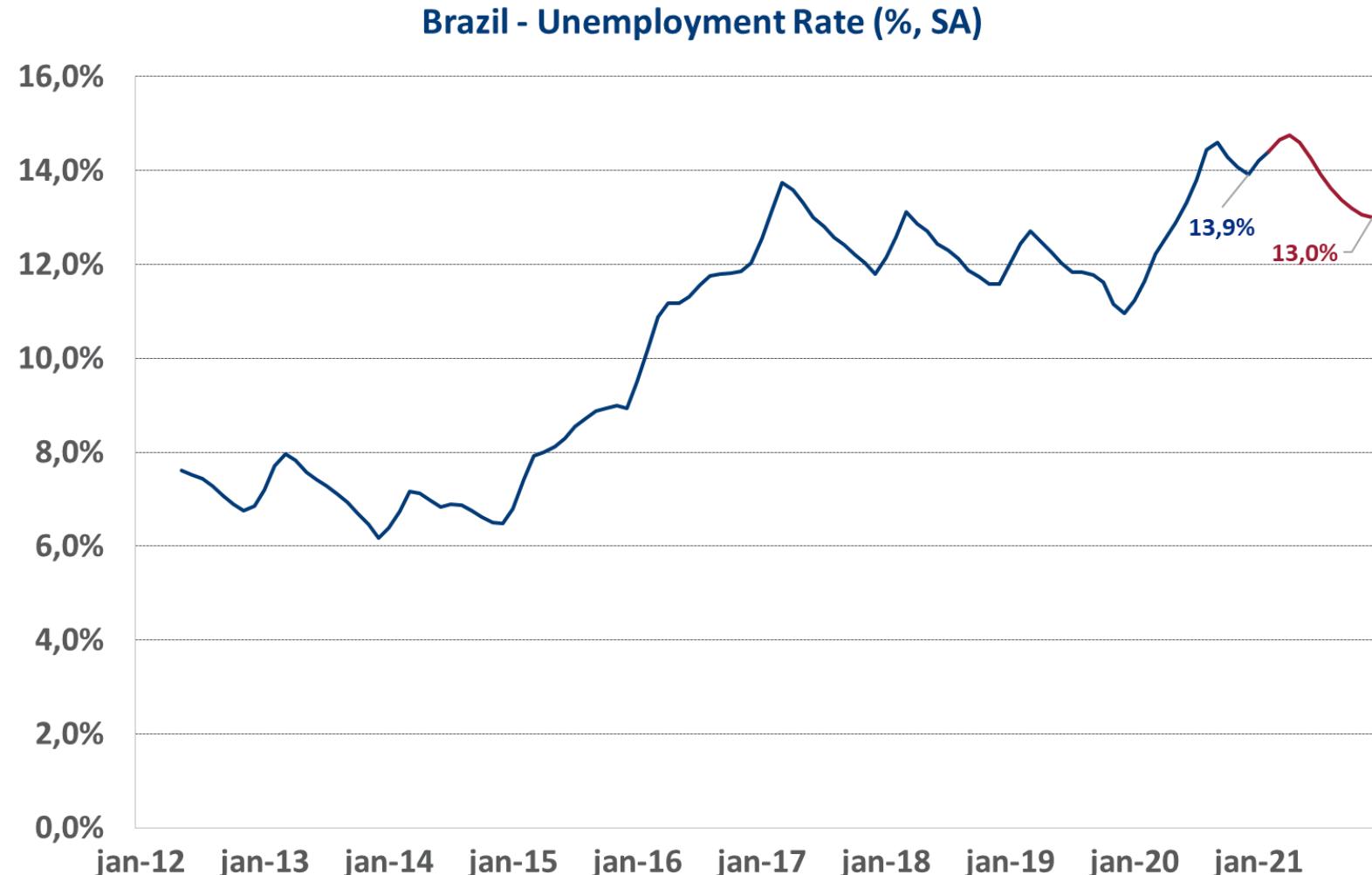
# Brazil: Activity

» Due to the pandemic and the inputs shortage, industrial production fell again in March



# Brazil: Labor Market

- » Unemployment rate should increase over the next months as more people look for jobs, but will decrease throughout 2021



# Brazil: Inflation

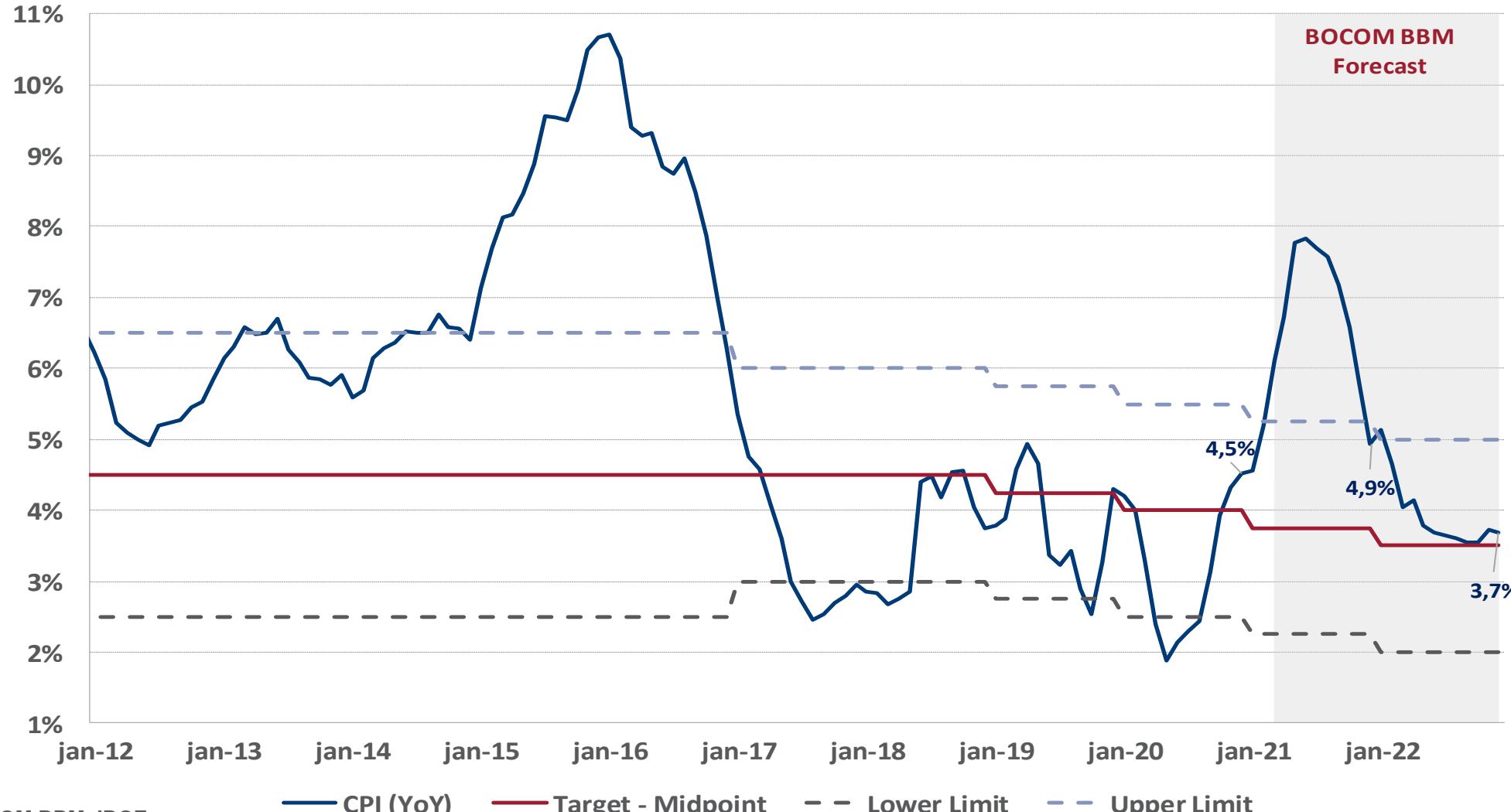
- » Base effect will lead to sharp decrease on 12-month inflation in second half of the year
- » 12-month CPI will reach 7,8% during the second quarter and will bring discomfort to the Central Bank

Baseline Scenario (YoY)						
	IPCA	Regulated	Non-Regulated	Services	Food-at-Home	Industrial Products
<b>19 Q4</b>	4,3%	5,5%	3,9%	3,5%	7,8%	1,7%
20 Q1	3,3%	4,8%	2,9%	3,1%	5,1%	1,2%
20 Q2	2,1%	2,6%	2,8%	2,1%	9,0%	0,2%
20 Q3	3,1%	2,1%	3,8%	1,1%	15,4%	1,3%
<b>20 Q4</b>	4,5%	2,6%	5,5%	1,7%	18,2%	3,2%
21 Q1	6,1%	7,0%	6,1%	1,6%	17,6%	5,5%
21 Q2	7,8%	11,6%	6,8%	2,7%	16,1%	7,0%
21 Q3	7,2%	10,9%	5,9%	3,6%	11,5%	6,0%
<b>21 Q4</b>	4,9%	8,4%	3,8%	2,7%	6,0%	4,0%
22 Q1	4,0%	4,9%	3,8%	3,4%	7,1%	2,1%
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<b>22 Q4</b>	3,7%	4,0%	3,6%	4,1%	5,7%	1,4%

# Brazil: Inflation

» Inflation forecast revised to 4,9% in 2021, close to the target's upper limit

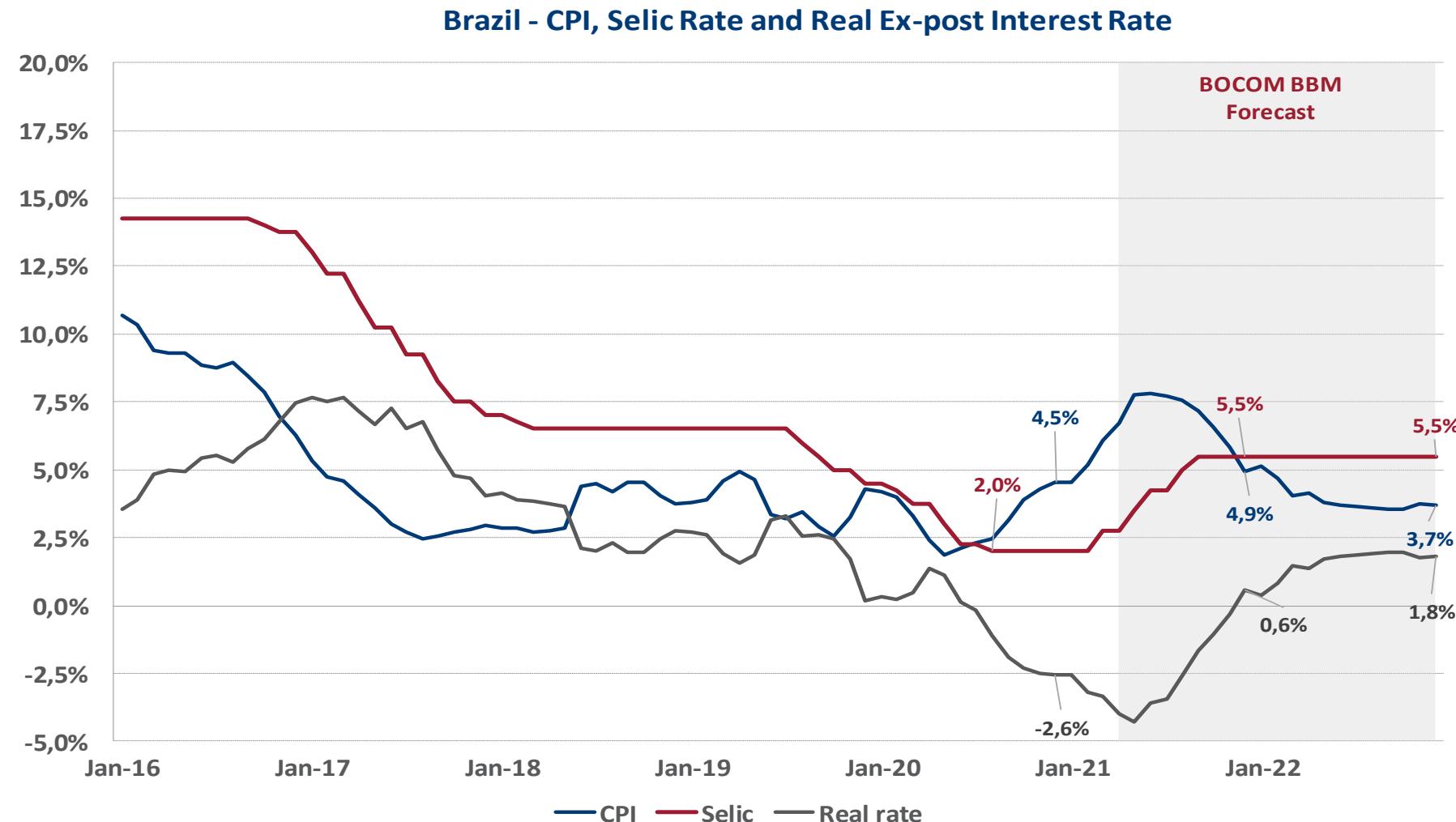
Brazil - CPI and Inflation Targets



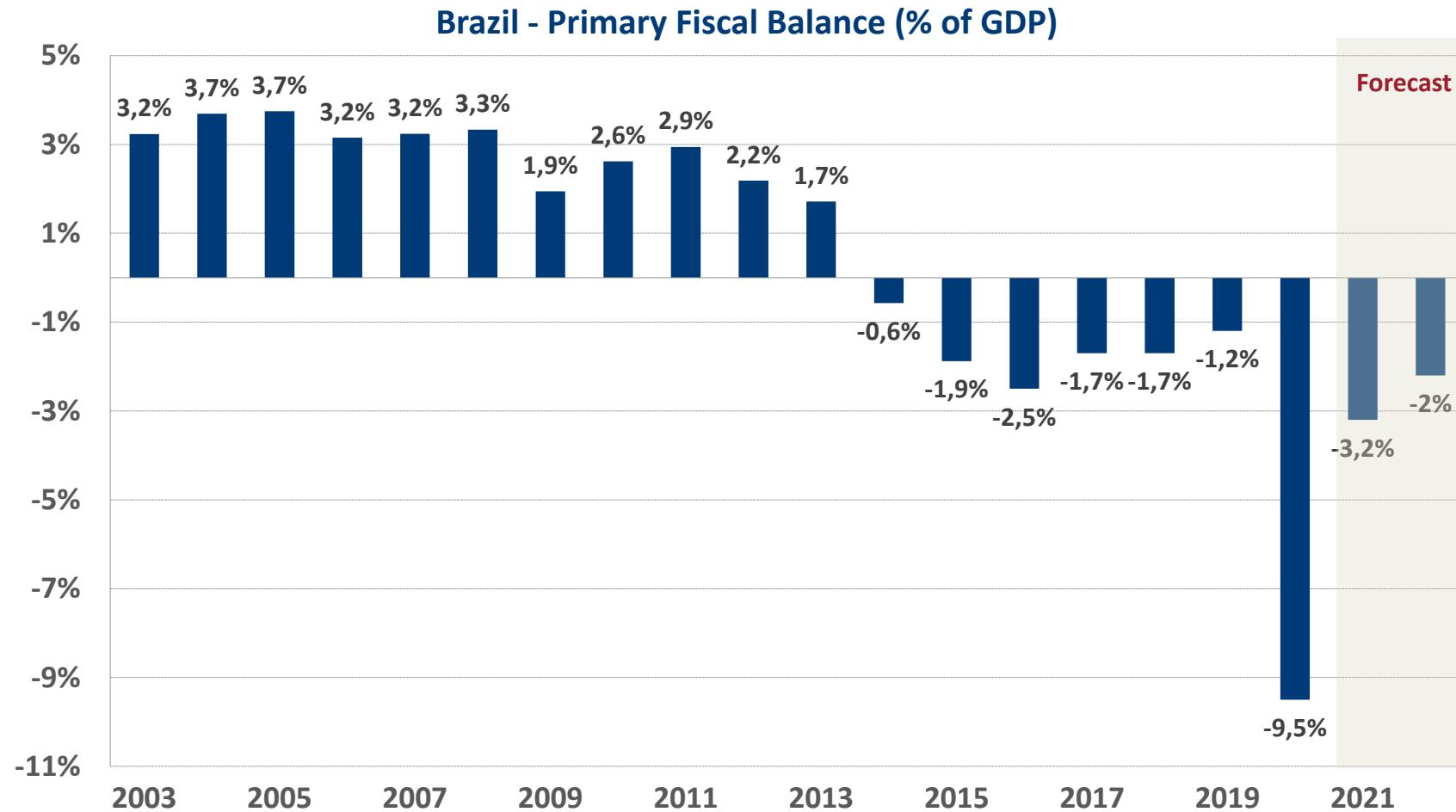
- » Despite of the inflationary path above the target, we see several upside risks:
  1. Further foreign exchange passthrough to industrial goods
  2. Faster recovery of the service sector and consequently of the labor market
  3. Additional pressure from commodities
  4. Additional pressure from regulated prices
- » However, a cycle of foreign exchange rate appreciation could mitigate these pressures

# BRAZIL: MONETARY POLICY

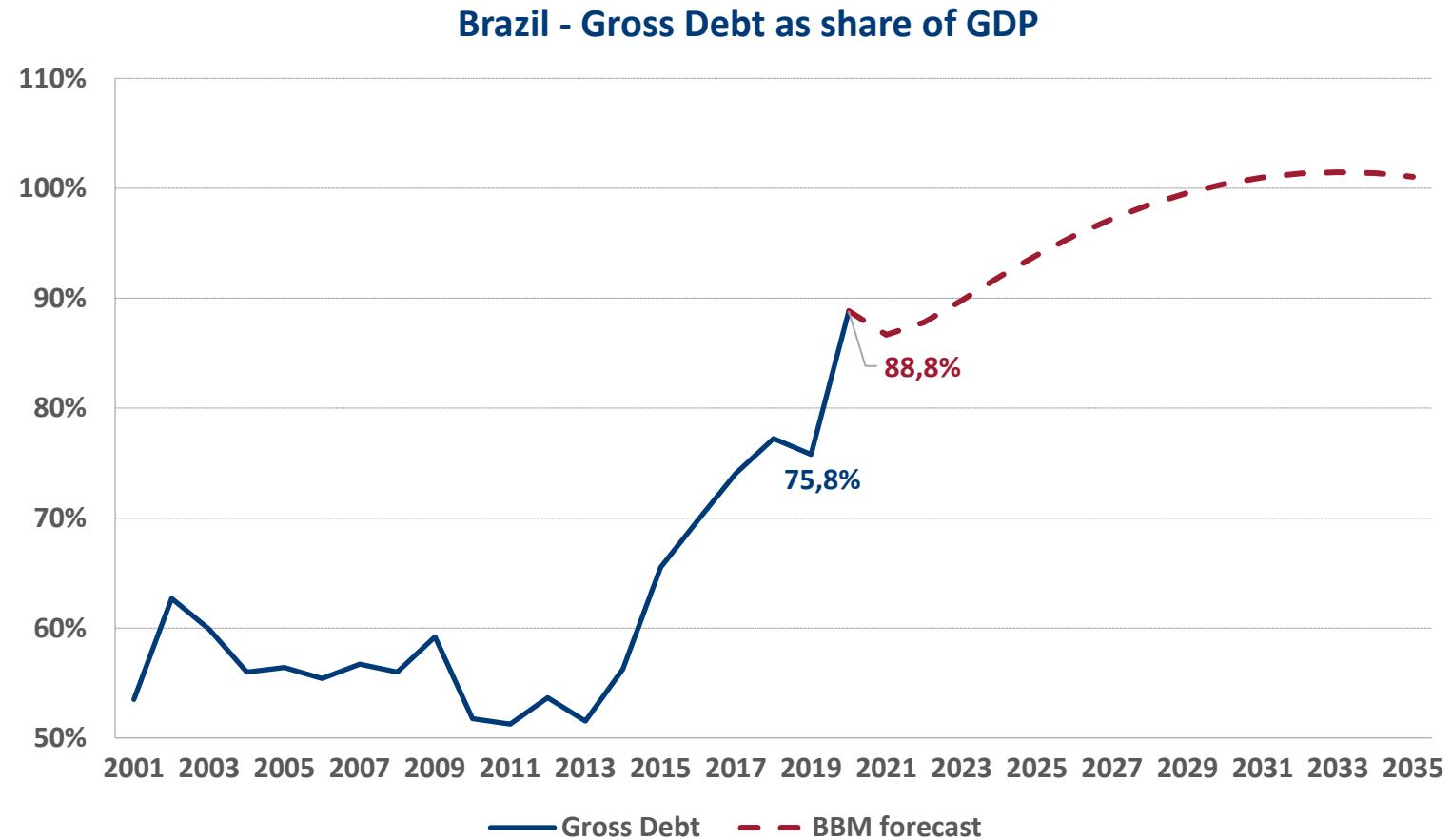
» Our Selic rate projection was revised to 5,5% in the end of the year with the cycle's end in September



- » Measures to mitigate economic impacts from the pandemic elevated the primary deficit in 2020, but deficits should return to 3% of GDP in 2021 as the spending cap remains in place



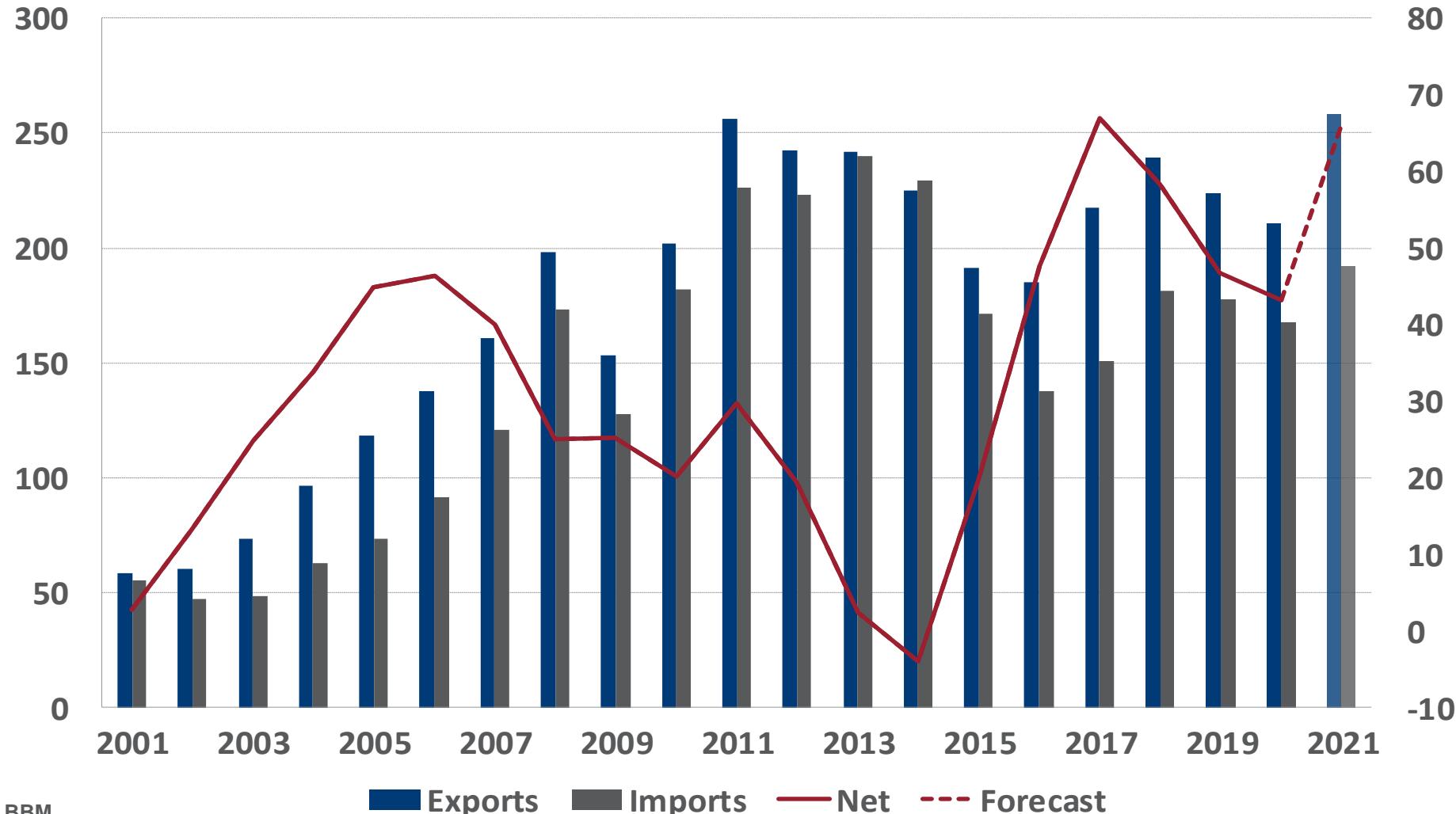
- » Fiscal measures to mitigate economic fallout will result in a sharp rise in the Debt/GDP ratio
- » Important to keep the fiscal deterioration contained to 2020 and adhere to the spending ceiling in 2021



# Brazil: Trade Balance

» Trade balance stays sound after methodological revision which increased imports

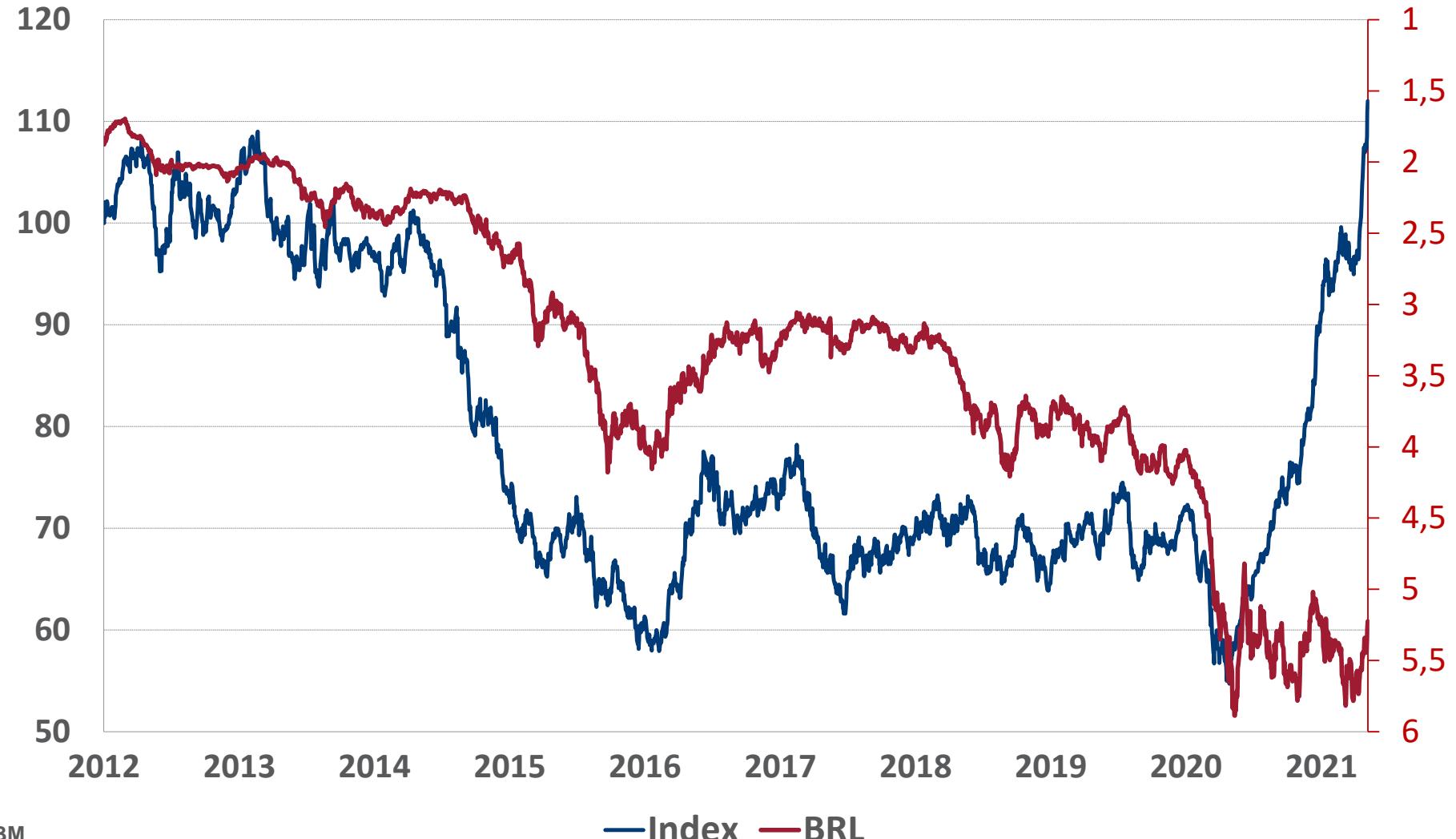
Brazil - Trade Balance (US\$ Bi - 12m)



# Brazil: Trade Balance

» Appreciation of commodity prices has not yet translated into a more appreciated Real

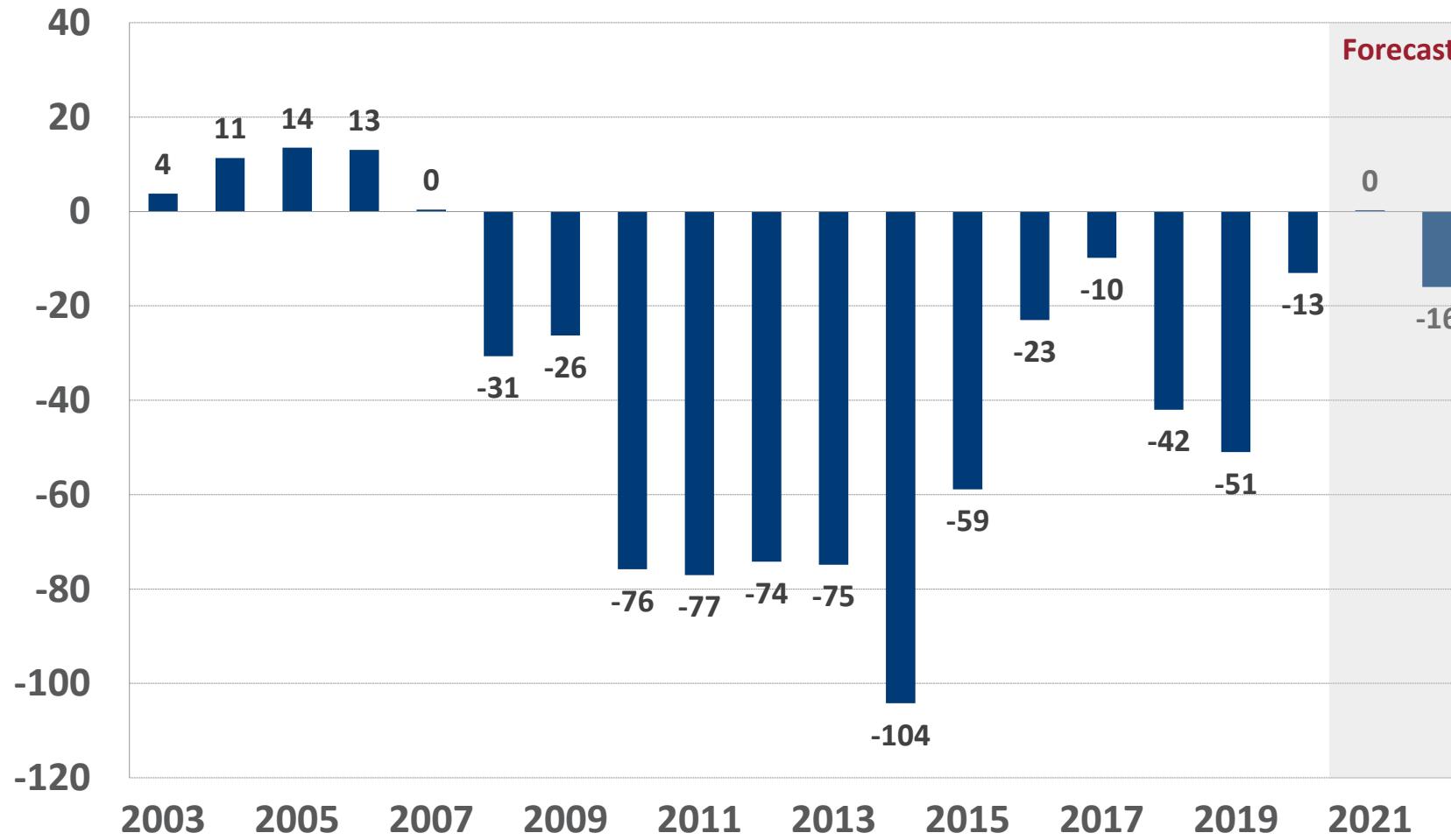
Brazil - Commodity Index vs BRL



# Brazil: Balance of Payments

» Trade balance helping an improvement of the current account deficit for 2021

Current Account Balance - USD Billion



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