



#### MACRO OUTLOOK

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## **Macro Outlook**

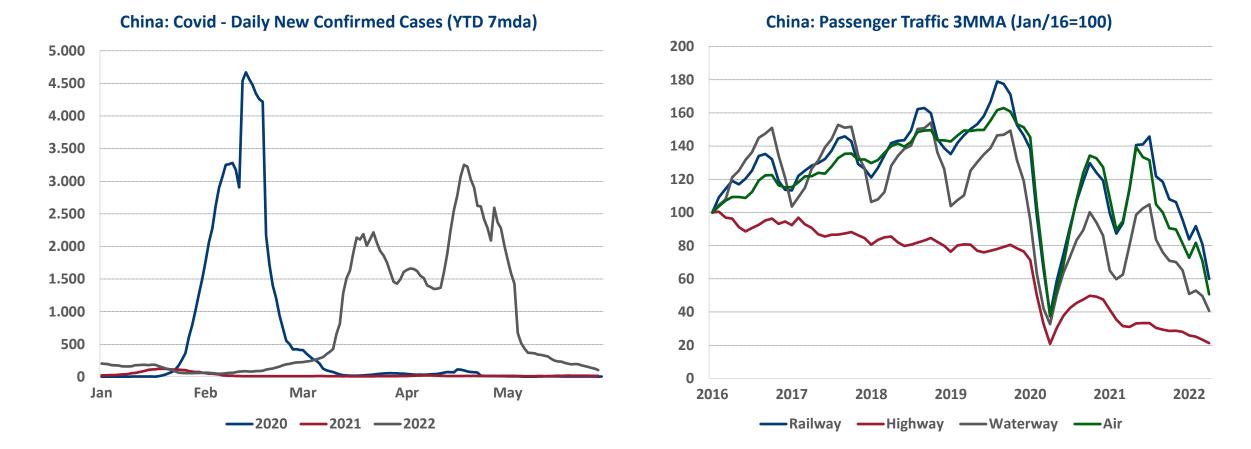


- Tight monetary policies in developed economies are starting to showcase effects, as real time data indicates activity is slowing down alongside the change in goods to services consumption. On the other hand, we see China starting to recover from the Covid wave, which should pressure commodities prices further;
- The GDP data for the 1Q22 were below expectations. On the supply side, the negative surprise came from agriculture, which posted a -8% YoY growth due to the unfavorable weather in the begininng of the year. Services see continued improvement. On the demand side, investment decreased strongly, impacting long run growth perspectives;
- Whigh frequency data on activity showed improvement in the last month. Industrial production was in line with expectations, posting the third consecutive gain on a monthly basis. Services to families are picking up. The same pattern is seen in the labor market, with unemployment rate decreasing to 10.5% (NSA) in April;
- Our growth forecast for 2022 increased to 1.4%. The projection considers the carry over effect of some activities, the recovery of the labor market, and the recovery of some services that are still below their pre pandemic level;
- Our inflation forecast is at 9.4% in 2022 and it considers services inflation inertia and expectations deterioration. In 2022, there is a major downside risk stemming from the cap to ICMS that is being discussed on the senate and could reduce CPI by 170 bps. In 2023, our projection is at 5% due to the inertia of services inflation. However, we consider industrial goods inflation in 2023 will be considerably lower;
- >>> Our Selic rate projection is at 13.5% by the end of 2022 and at 9.0% by the end of 2023;
- Fiscal results have continually improved with the better outlook with increases in tax collection and a lower debt to GDP ratio. Local governments (states and municipalities) continue surprising on the upside. We expect the public sector in all its spheres to post a surplus in 2022;

## China: Covid - 19



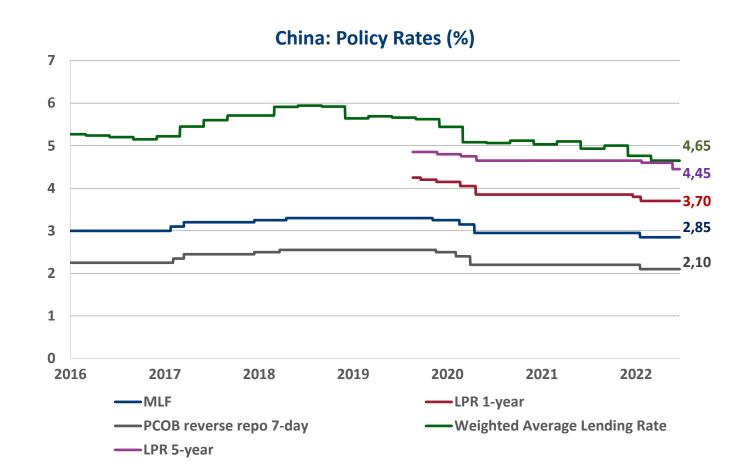
- >>> After 2 months, the isolation measures in Shanghai were lifted as scheduled on June 1;
- >>> In Beijing, several establishments reopened;



## **China: Policy Rates**

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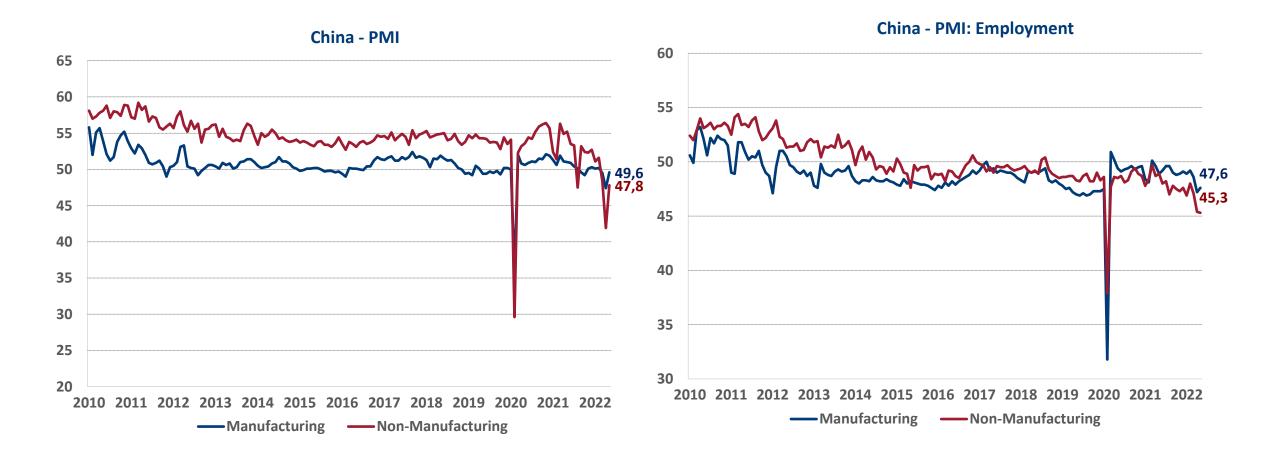
- >>> 5-year LPR (long-term borrowing reference rate) decreased by 15bps, reaching 4.45%;
- >>> First-home mortgage rate floor was lowered to 10-bps below 5-year LPR, reaching 4.25%;
- >>> Local governments have further relaxed rules on the housing market;



## **China: PMI**

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- Manufacturing PMI rose to 49.6 in May, due to resumption of production in provinces where Covid-19 cases dropped, and restrictions eased;
- >>> Non-manufacturing PMI increased to 47.8 in May from 41.9 in April, driven by the services sector rebound;



## **USA: Inflation**

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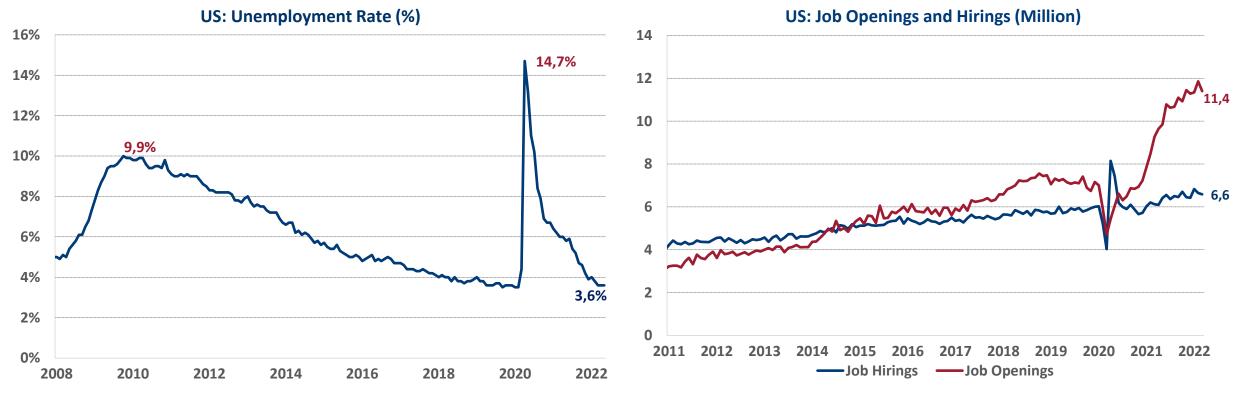
- >>> US inflation show signs of easing, decreased from its highest level of 8.7% to 8.2% YoY;
- >>> While prices are still rising, the pace has slowed down in comparison to the previous month;
- >>> The FED continues to raise interest rates, and will begin to reduce its asset balance in June;



#### **USA: Labor Market**



- >>> Unemployment data came in line with expectations in May, while the Jolts report came slightly above expectations;
- >>> The unemployment rate remains at a very low level (3.6%);
- The number of job openings fell slightly from the record level announced in April. In any case, we still see a mismatch between the number of hirings and openings, suggesting little relief for employers struggling to attract and retain workers;



Source: BOCOM BBM, FED

#### **Global: Interest Rates**



» Long-term interest rates of some major developed countries presented an upward trend due to expectations of monetary policy normalization amid a high inflation scenario.



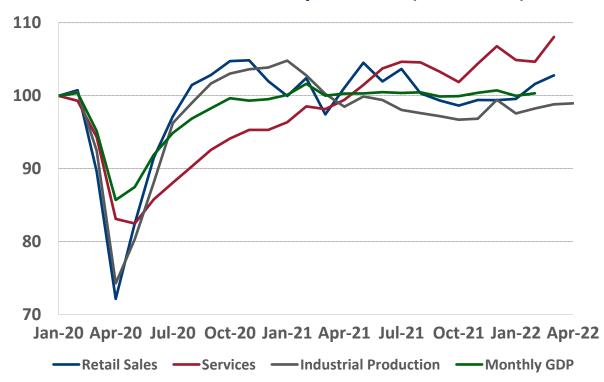


ECONOMIC FORECASTS	2019	2020	2021	2022F	2023F
GDP Growth (%)	1,1%	-3,9%	4,6%	1,4%	0,5%
Inflation (%)	4,3%	4,5%	10,1%	9,4%	<b>5,0%</b>
Unemployment Rate (eoy ,%)	11,7%	<b>13,9%</b>	11,1%	<b>10,8%</b>	11,6%
Policy Rate (eoy, %)	4,5%	2,0%	9,3%	<b>13,5%</b>	<b>9,0%</b>
External Accounts					
Trade Balance (US\$ bn)	48	32	36	68	45
Current Account Balance (US\$ bn)	-65	-24	-28	-14	-40
Current Account Balance (% of GDP)	-2,8%	-0,9%	-1,8%	- <b>0,8%</b>	- <b>2,6%</b>
Fiscal Policy					
Central Government Primary Balance (% of GDP)	-1,2%	-10,0%	-0,4%	-0,3%	- <b>0,6%</b>
Government Gross Debt (% of GDP)	74,3%	88,8%	80,3%	77,4%	<b>80,9%</b>

## **Brazil: Activity**

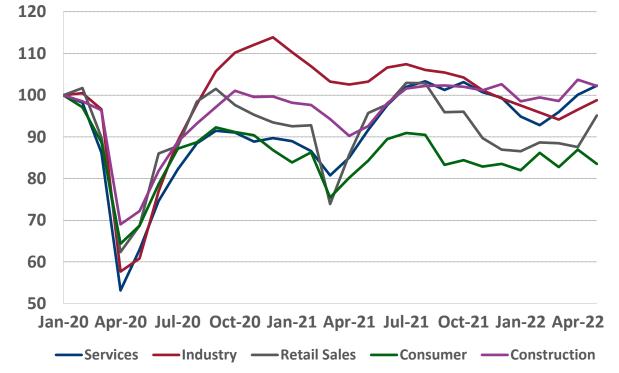


- IQ22 had a good start with positive results for services GDP (1% QoQ) and stability in industry (0.1% QoQ) due to:
  - » normalization of the labor market;
  - » high confidence levels in the services sector;
  - » booming commodity prices, boosting export sectors.



Brazil - Economic Activity Indicators (Jan/20=100)

Brazil - Economic Confidence Index (Jan/20 = 100)



## Brazil: 1Q22 GDP

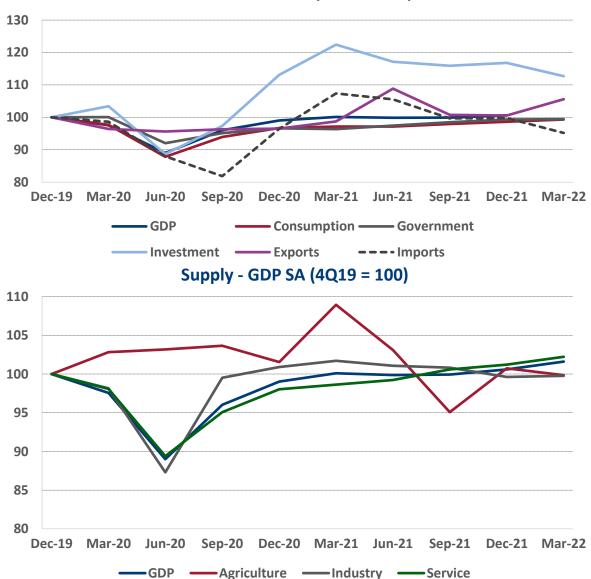
Source: BOCOM BBM,

IBGE



- >>> Brazil's GDP increased by 1% QoQ and 1.7% YoY in 1Q22;
- Demand side: the largest contribution came from households' consumption, increasing by 0.7% QoQ and 2.2% YoY;
- Supply side: the largest contribution came from services which increased by 1% QoQ and 3.7% YoY;

GDP Breakdown	QoQ SA	YoY	
Agriculture	-0,9%	-8,0%	
Industry	0,1%	-1,5%	
Mining	-3,4%	-2,4%	
Manufacturing	1,4%	-4,7%	
Construction	0,8%	9,0%	
Electricity and gas, water, sewage and waste management	6,6%	7,6%	
Services	1,0%	3,7%	
Retail	1,6%	-1,5%	
Transportation	2,2%	9,4%	
Communication	-5,3%	5,5%	
Finance	-0,7%	-1,6%	
Other services	2,2%	12,6%	
Rent	0,7%	0,3%	
Public services	0,5%	2,9%	
Taxes	0,0%	0,5%	
GDP	1,0%	1,7%	
Household consumption	0,7%	2,2%	
Goverment expenditure	0,1%	3,3%	
Investment	-3,5%	-7,2%	
Exports (+)	5,0%	8,1%	
Imports(-)	-4,6%	-11,0%	

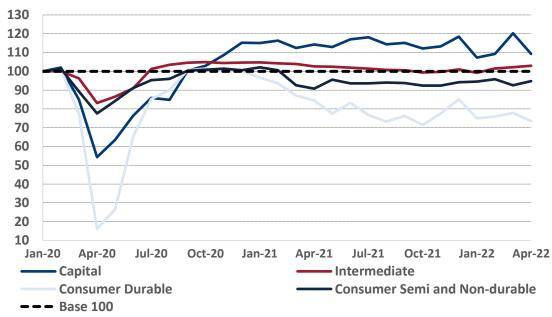


#### Demand - GDP SA (4Q19 = 100)

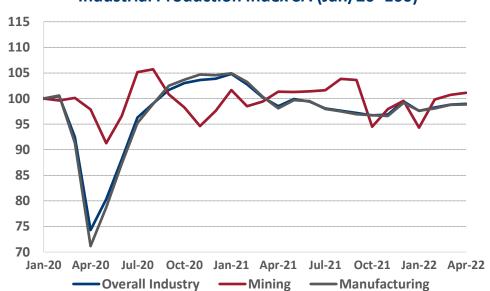
### **Brazil: Industrial Production**



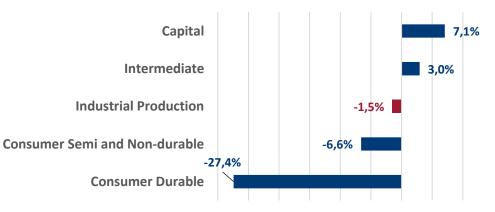
- Industrial production rose by 0.1% MoM in April: the major contribution came from consumer semi durable goods (2.3% MoM) while the most negatively affected was capital goods (-9.2% MoM);
- >>> It's worth mentioning the sector is facing hardships:
  - » <u>Supply side</u>: global inputs shortages and higher interest rates;
  - Demand side: consumption from goods to services and low families income levels.



#### Industrial Production Index SA (Jan/20=100)



# Industrial Production - Distance to pre-pandemic (Apr/22)



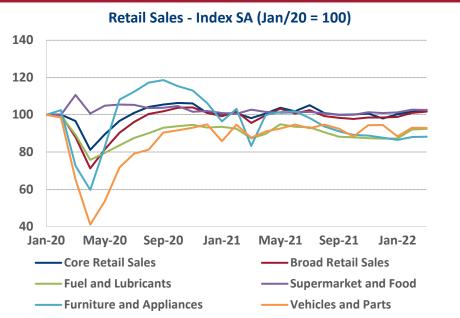
Industrial Production Index SA (Jan/20=100)

-30%-25%-20%-15%-10% -5% 0% 5% 10%

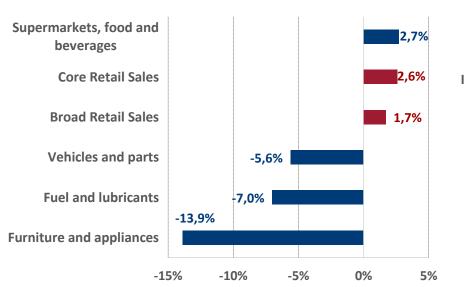
### **Brazil: Retail Sales and Services Sector**

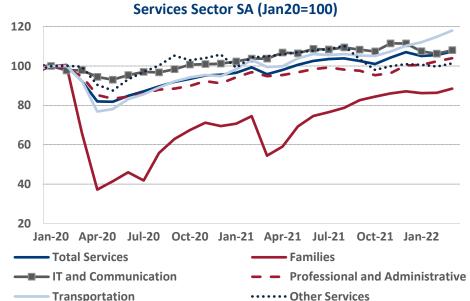


- In March, retail sales increased by 0.7% MoM;
- The services sector increased by 1.7% MoM;
- Both sectors have recovered and are now above their prepandemic levels by 2.6% and 7.2%, respectively.

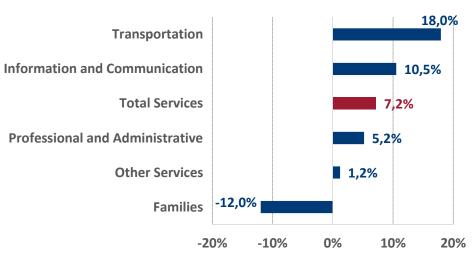


Retail Sales - Distance to pre-pandemic level (Mar/22)





#### Services Sector - Distance to pre-pandemic (Mar/2022)

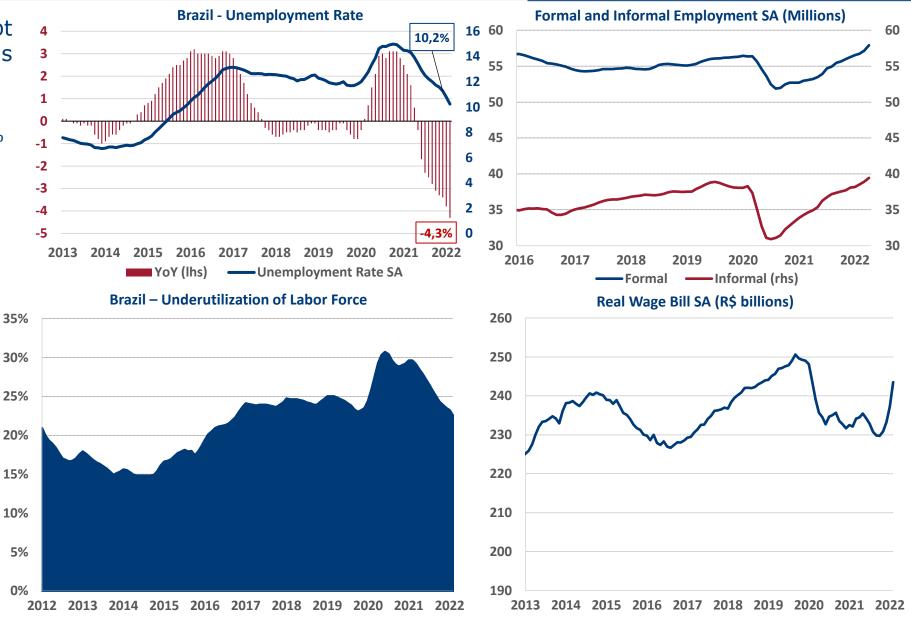


Source: IBGE, Bocom BBM

### **Brazil: Labor Market**



- The labor market kept improving in April on the heels of the normalization process:
  - The unemployment rate fell to 10.2% (10.5% NSA) with the recovery of both formal and informal jobs;
  - The underutilization of labor force is at 22.5%, below it's pre-pandemic levels;
  - Real wage bill still on low levels, however with a strong upward trend due to the increase of the employed population;



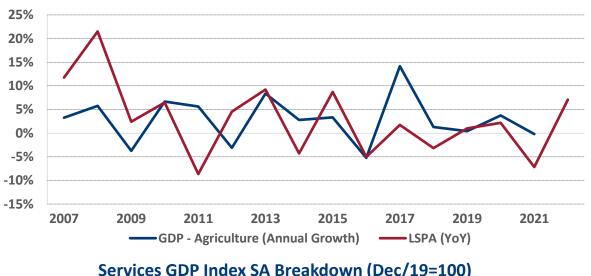
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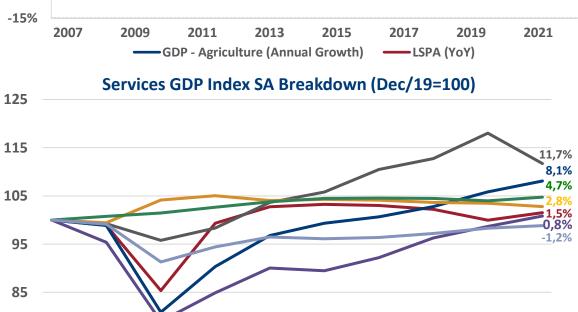
## **Brazil: 2022 GDP Scenario**





- Industry remains the main drag of the economic activity with the manufacturing industry being compromised by elevated cost, supply chain bottlenecks and different consumption composition:
  - After the fast recovery of the sector between 3Q20-3Q21, it's expected that industrial activity slows down;
  - >>> <u>upsides for construction and utility</u> output due to stable hydric scenario and increasing occupation in the construction sector;
  - >>> With the recovery of services, <u>consumption is transitioning from</u> <u>goods to services</u>, compromising industry demand.
- We expect services output to grow, with the recovery of public services, which are below their 4Q19 level (as highlighted in the chart);
  - retail sales is a limiting factor for the services GDP: interest rate hike cycle, tighter financial conditions, high household indebtedness, rising delinquency rate and a soft consumer confidence index, should compromise the sector's performance;
  - Iow unemployment and fiscal stimulus also means stronger activity in the first half of 2022





**Dec-20** 

Jun-21

Information

— Public Services

**Dec-21** 

Financial

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Dec-19

Retail

Other Services

Jun-20

— Transport

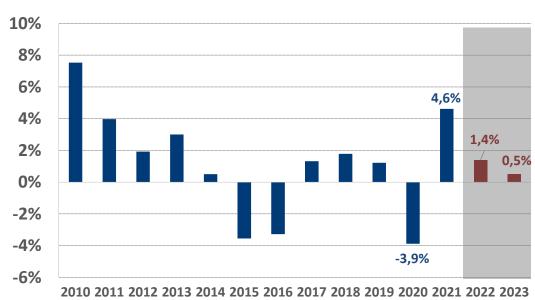
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#### **GDP - Agriculture x LSPA (Harvest)**

Source: BOCOM BBM, IBGE



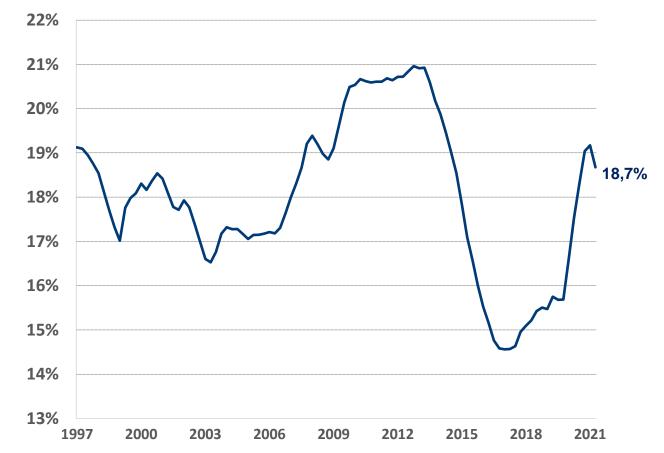
- >>> Our 2022 GDP projection is at 1.4%: positive contribution of the services sector and agriculture
  - » the negative impact of the tight monetary policy should be seen in the 2H22
- >>> Our 2023 GDP projection is at 0.5%: tight monetary policy over next year, but high investment rate should support growth.



GDP Projections 2022					
GDP Breakdown	Weights(%)	2019	2020	2021	
Agriculture	6,9	0,4	3,8	-0,2	2,0
Industry	18,9	-0,7	-3,4	4,5	-1,8
Services	59,4	1,5	-4,3	4,7	2,3
Total GDP		1,2	-3,9	4,6	

#### **GDP Annual Growth (%)**

Brazil – Investment Rate (%GDP)



Source: BOCOM BBM, IBGE

## **Brazil: Inflation**



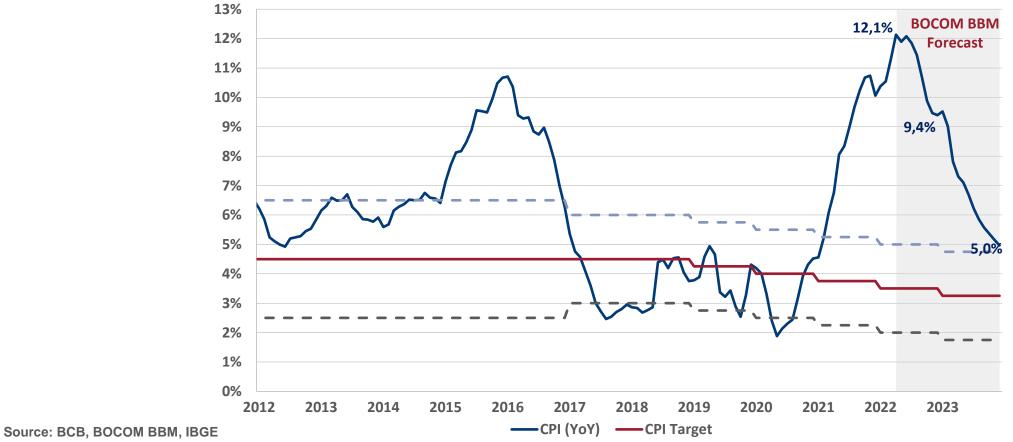
- The CPI peak should be reached in June. But the peak will not be followed by a steep decrease, but something like a plateau;
- The 2022 projection presents a high number due to the persistence of services inflation and the impacts of the war, that have increased industrial goods and food at home projections;
- » In 2023, regulated items readjustments, services inflation inertia and the smaller GDP gap in line with the recovery of the labor market will bring inflation above the target's upper limit.

Baseline Scenario (YoY)						
IPCA	Pogulatod	Non-	Services	Food-at-	Industrial	
	IPCA	Regulated	Regulated	Services	Home	Products
20 Q4	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	8,3%	13,0%	7,0%	2,2%	15,3%	8,8%
21 Q3	10,2%	15,8%	8,5%	4,4%	14,7%	10,6%
21 Q4	10,1%	17,0%	7,8%	4,7%	8,2%	12,0%
22 Q1	11,3%	14,8%	10,1%	6,3%	13,7%	13,4%
22 Q2	12,1%	12,4%	12,1%	8,6%	16,6%	14,1%
22 Q3	10,7%	10,6%	10,8%	8,9%	12,0%	12,7%
22 Q4	9,4%	8,3%	9,8%	8,6%	11,6%	10,5%
23 Q1	7,8%	7,4%	8,0%	8,6%	6,9%	7,8%
23 Q2	6,7%	8,5%	6,1%	7,5%	4,2%	5,1%
23 Q3	5,6%	6,7%	5,2%	6,7%	4,0%	3,7%
23 Q4	5,0%	5,6%	4,7%	6,2%	4,5%	2,7%

## **Brazil: Inflation**

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- >>> Our 9.4% 2022 CPI projection takes into account a high persistence of services inflation, high food stuff and industrial goods inflation due to effects of the war, and green flag to electric energy at the end of the year;
- In 2023, CPI forecast at 5%, above the target's upper limit, considering the secondary effects of the shock, the deterioration of expectations, the persistence of services inflation and considering the GDP gap almost closing in 2022 due to the strength of labor market.



**Brazil - CPI and Inflation Targets** 

## **Brazil: Inflation**



In 2022, the 9.4% projection is mainly caused by high inertia in services inflation, high inflation expectations and the impact of Russia-Ukraine war, that has caused the increase in several commodities prices and extended the supply chain disruption. Further risks to 2022 CPI are:

#### **Upside risks:**

- 1. The supply chain bottlenecks could last longer and have higher impact than expected;
- 2. The high prices of fertilizers and the BRL depreciation could increase even more inflation in 2022 and 2023;
- 3. Continued risk of government's fiscal policy to continue decreasing effect of monetary policy and inflation to continue high for longer;
- 4. In 2023, inertia could be higher than estimated and make the disinflation process more difficult.

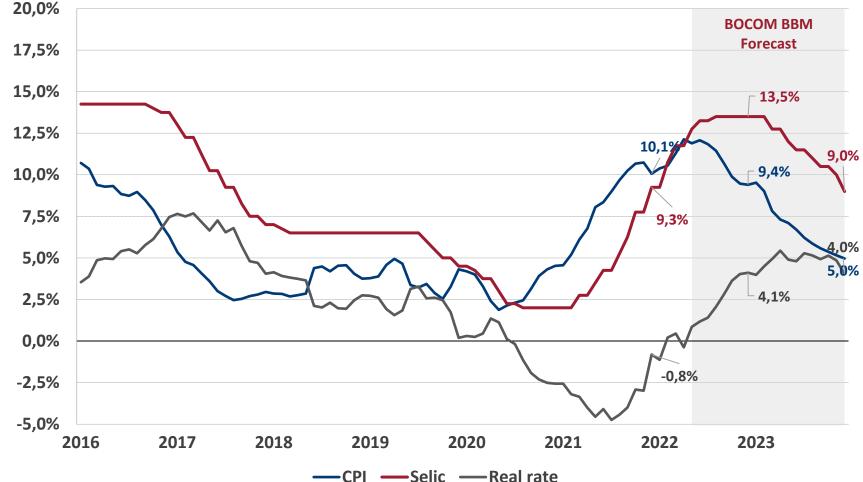
#### **Downside risks**:

- Law project that stablishes ceiling to fuels, electric energy and communication services ICMS (state tax) could decrease CPI in 1.7% in 2022;
- 2. Project that forces enterprises to fully return electric energy tax credits of ICMS on PIS/Cofins could also help reduce CPI and open space to extraordinary revisions for the already allowed readjustments. The impact is uncertain since it depends on when the tax credits are going to be compensated;
- 3. One new risk for 2022 is the suspension of electric tariff readjustments, which could decrease CPI by 1% in this year. But if Congress really approve this measure, this represents a considerable upside risk to 2023;
- In 2023, we expect that secondary effects of the shock continue to impact the economy. Some regulated items readjustments will be impacted by the high inflation. Besides, the above expectations strength of the labor Market is reducing the GDP gap and it is expected that services inflation will show persistence in 2023 in line with higher inflation expectations.

### **Brazil: Interest rates**



- >>> Scenario: Copom hikes Selic by 50 bps in June and 25 bps in August, finishing the hike cycle with 13.5%;
- >>> The last Copom statement has left an open door for an extension in the hiking cycle.

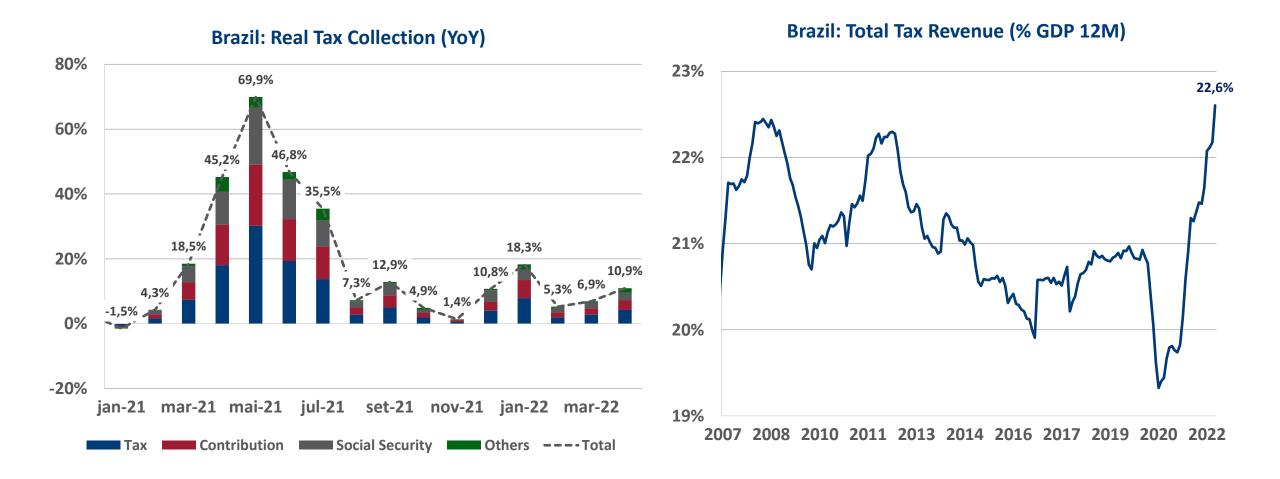


Brazil - CPI, Selic Rate and Real Ex-post Interest Rate (YoY, %)

#### **Fiscal: Central Govt Tax Collection**



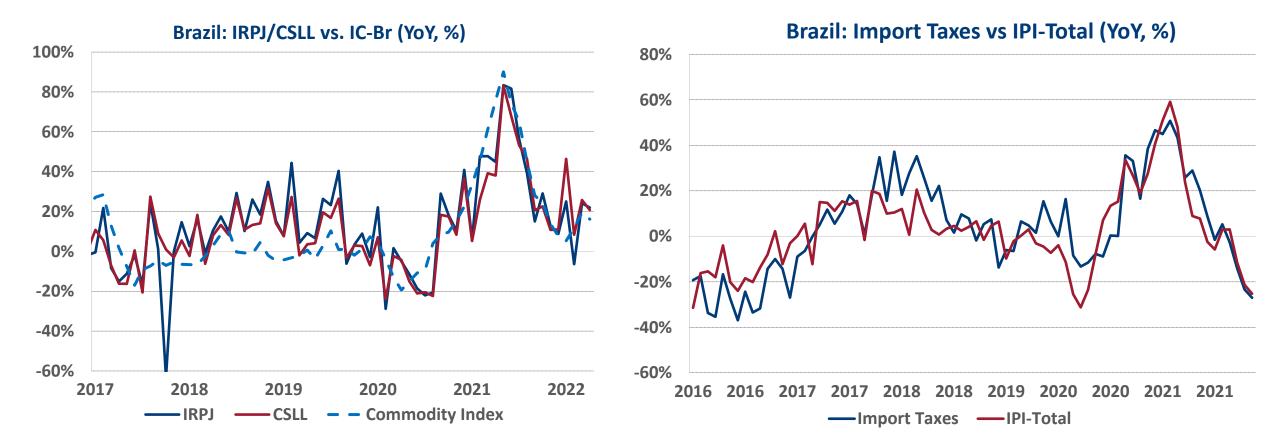
- >>> The April tax collection expanded by 10.9% YoY (adjusted by inflation);
- » Social Security collection increased in the wake of the recovery of formal employment.



### **Fiscal: Central Gov't Tax Collection**

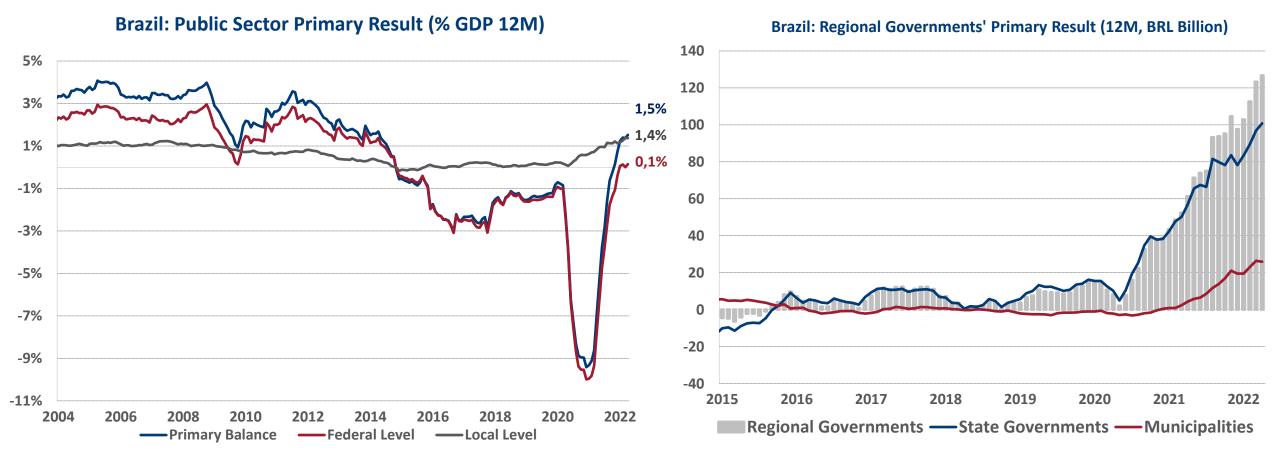


- >>> April's highlights were IRPJ and CSLL, which climbed 21.5% MoM in real terms;
  - >>> due to annual income tax adjustment statement and atypical collection (BRL 3 billion).
- >>> Import tax and industrial production tax fell 27.5% and 25.8%, respectively;
  - » due to BRL appreciation and tax rate cuts.



## **Fiscal: Public Sector Primary Budget Balance**

- The consolidated public sector registered a primary surplus of BRL 38.9 bn in April;
  above market consensus (BRL 30.1 bn) and last year's April result (BRL 24.3 bn);
- The breakdown shows that Central and Regional Governments had a surplus of BRL 29.6 bn and 10.3 bn, respectively, while state-owned enterprises had a deficit of BRL 1.0 bn.

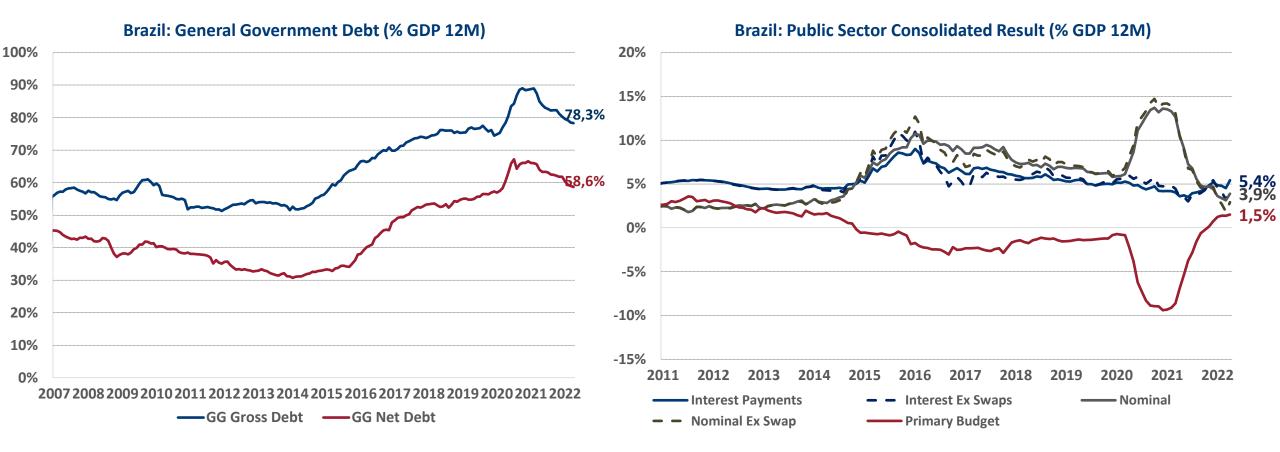


#### **Fiscal: Public Sector Primary Budget Balance**

The General Government Gross Debt reached 78.3% of GDP in April (from 78.5% in March) thanks to nominal GDP growth and net issuances;

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>>> In 12 months, nominal interest payments reached BRL 489.4 bn (5.4% of GDP).



### **Fiscal: Debt to GDP**

GDP ratio in 2022;

Selic scenarios;

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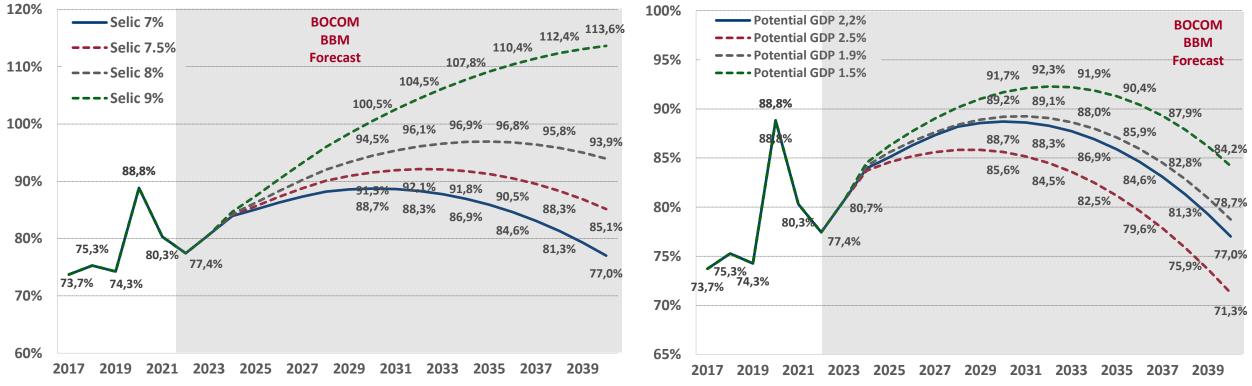
Other Hypothesis:	
Long Term Selic Rate	7%
Implicit Selic Rate	7.75%
GDP Deflator	3.5
Long Term CPI	3%
Potential GDP Growth	2.2%

#### Debt to GDP Ratio - Different Selic Scenarios

In our base scenario, we currently expect a 77.4% result for the debt to

The trajectory of the debt changes depending on the potential GDP and

Debt to GDP Ratio - Different Potential GDPs

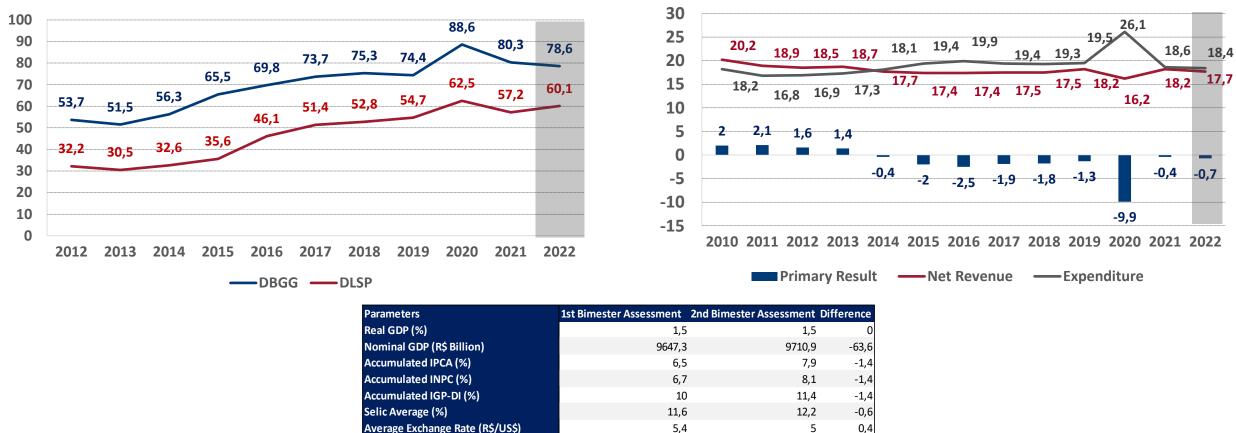


- >>> The government projection of gross debt shows a reduction in 2022;
- >>> Primary result projection of the central government still negative for this year;

Average Oil Price (US\$/Barrel)

Minimum Wage (R\$)

Nominal Wage Mass (%)



103.4

1212

15.4

102.8

1212

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#### **Debt Evolution (% GDP)**

#### Fiscal Environment (% of GDP)

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## **Fiscal: Updates**



- ICMS: complementary bill (PLC) 18/22 is under discussion, which unburdens energy, fuels, telecommunications and transportation tariffs to 17%:
  - » currently the tax rates vary by state;
  - >>> the measure also aims to curb inflation.

ICMS Reduction 2022 (BRL Billion)						
	Before	Cut to 17%	Result			
Communication Services (1)	27,6	20,7	-6,9			
Energy (2)	69,3	24,3	-45,0			
TUST, TUSD and charges (2.1)	36,9	0,0	-36,9			
Fuels (3)	121,8	85,8	-36,0			
Total (1 + 2 + 3)	218,7	130,8	-87,9			
Total tax collection (States)	891,4	803,5	-87,9			
*12M March 2022 data used for estimates Fiscal impact (% of total tax collection)	-9,86%					

#### **Budget cut:**

- >>> Cut of BRL 8.2 billion;
- Does not consider 5% readjustment for civil service;
  - » additional blockage of about BRL 5 billion in July is needed.

Budget Cut	
Sentences	<b>BRL Billion</b>
RPVS (Small Value Requisitons)	4,8
Reopening Plano Safra 21/22	1,1
Launch of Plano Safra 22/23	1,2
Increase of Proagro funding	2
Reduction and Others Variations Total	-0,9 8,2

#### **Brazil: External Sector**



- >>> The price of the main commodities exported by Brazil have increased considerably since 2020;
- >>> This remains as an important driver for BRL appreciation as uncertainty persists.

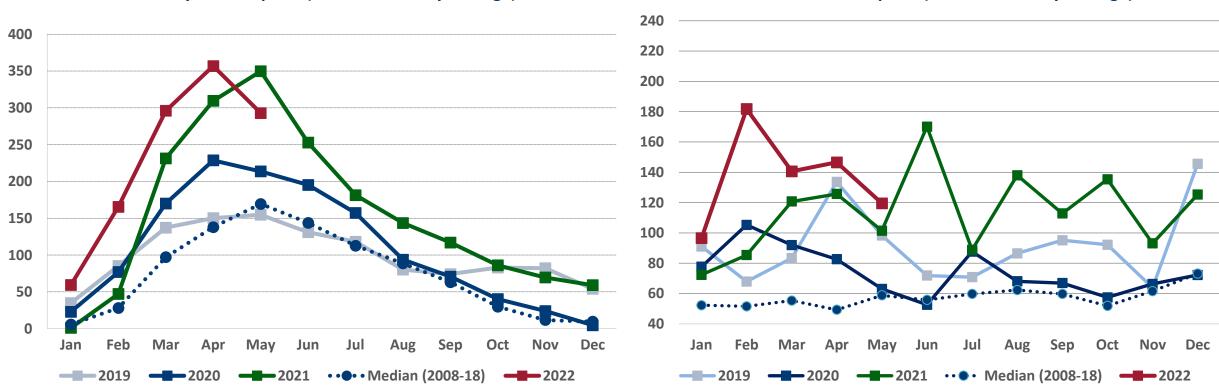


### **Brazil: External Sector**

Brazil: Soybeans Exports (US\$ Million Daily Average)



Trade balance favored by an increase of almost 20% in the price of products exported by the country, especially commodities, such as soybeans and crude oil.

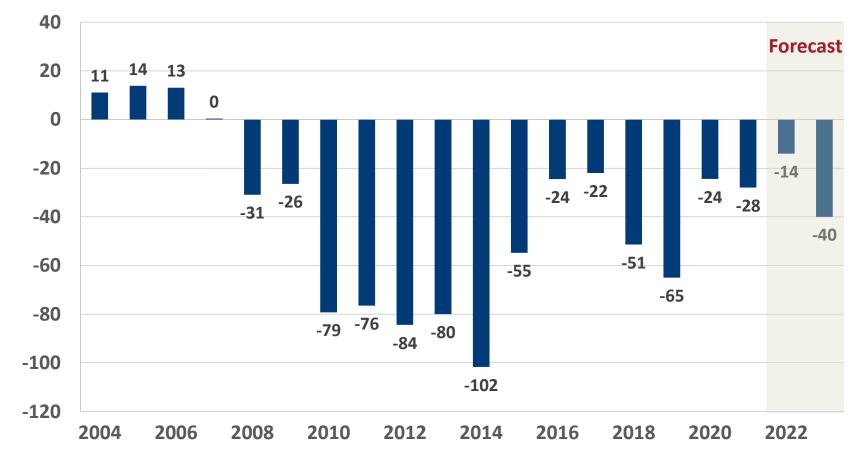


#### Brazil: Crude Oil Exports (US\$ Million Daily Average)

### **Brazil: Balance of Payments**



- Surrent account is expected to display similar results as in 2020 and 2021, considering still elevated commodity prices;
- Our current account forecast remains at -14 billion in 2022, guided by the solid results of the trade balance and of Brazilian exports this year.

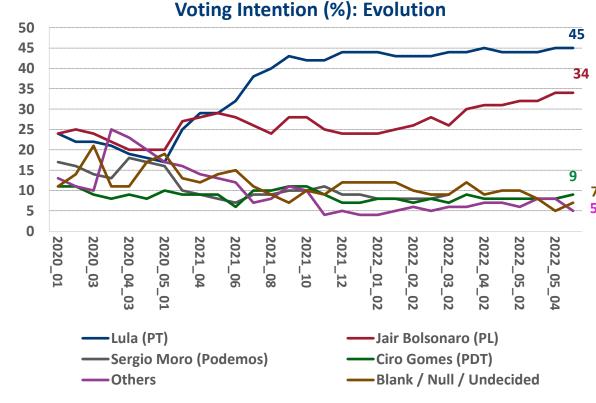


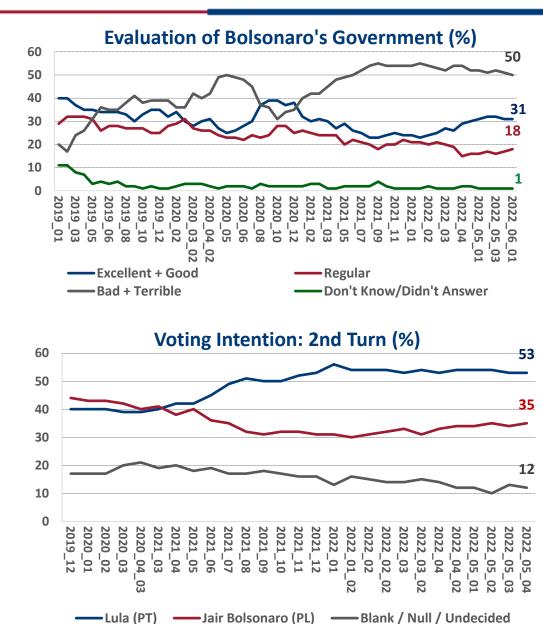
#### **Current Account Balance - USD Billion**

## **Brazil: Presidential Election**



#### **XP/IPESPE:**



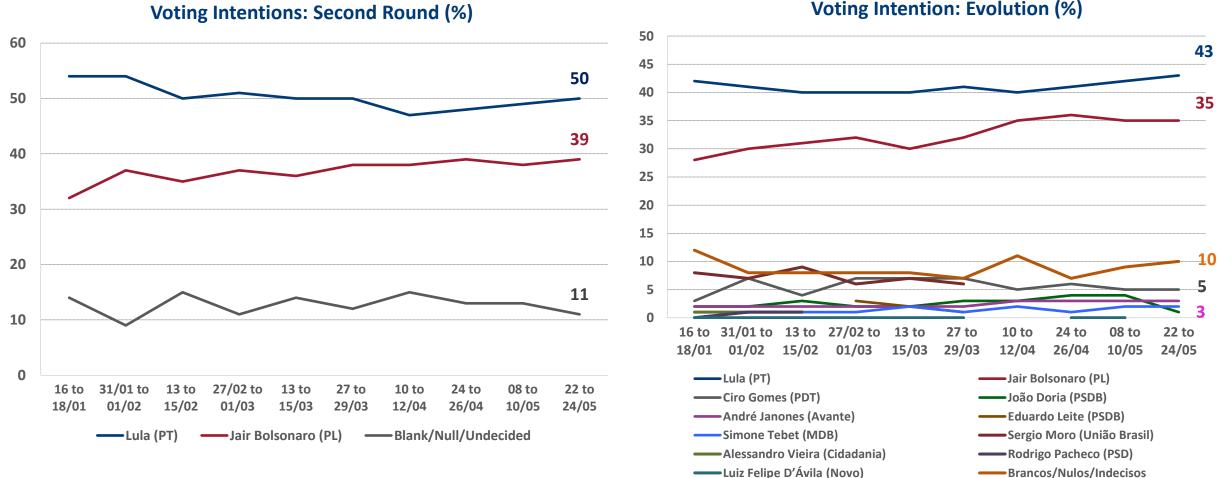


Source: BOCOM BBM, XP/IPESPE

#### **Brazil: Presidential Elections**

#### **PoderData:** >>>

- stimulated poll, 3,000 interviews in 288 municipalities of 27 states;
- distance between Lula (PT) and Bolsonaro (PL) for the second round is 11 percentage points. >>>



**Voting Intention: Evolution (%)** 

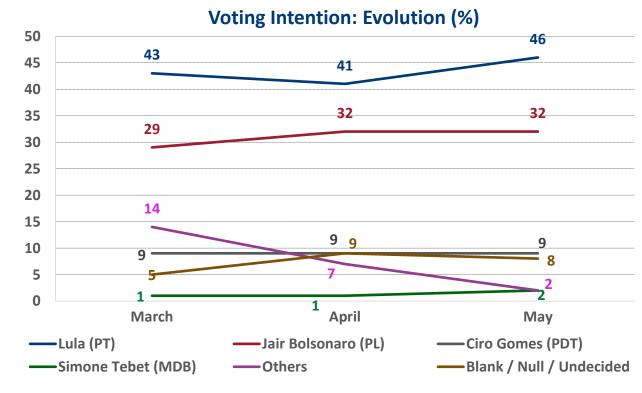


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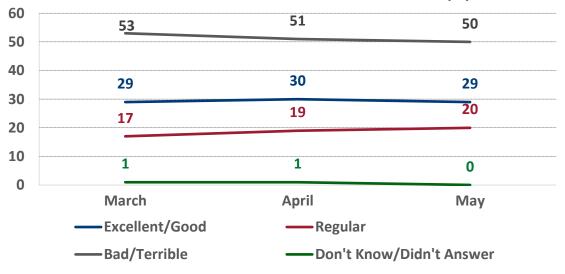


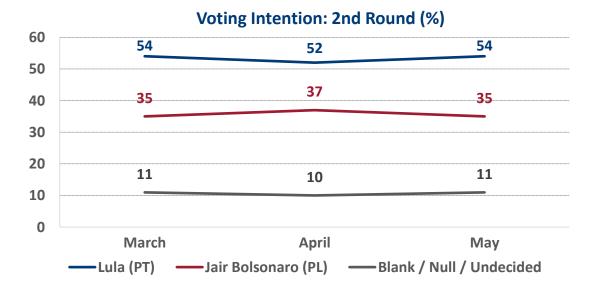
#### **» BTG/FSB:**

- >>> phone survey with 2,000 people;
- Bolsonaro's vote intention is stable at 32%, whereas Lula's vote intentions grew from 41% to 46%;
- >>> vote intentions for remaining candidates decreased to 13%;
- withdrawal from the so-called 3rd way candidates has reinforced the polarization between Lula and Bolsonaro.



**Evaluation of Bolsonaro's Government (%)** 





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