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- ▶ In the quarter ended in October, the unemployment rate reached 6.2%, matching both our call and market forecast. Seasonally adjusted (our estimates), the unemployment rate was unchanged at 6.5% compared to the quarter ended in September.
- ➤ The unemployment rate was stable due to a benign combination of rising employment (+0.2% mom/sa) and a larger labor force (+0.2% mom/sa). The participation rate moved up 0.1 p.p. to 62.3%, with an increase of the labor force larger than the rise of the working age population (+0.1% mom/sa). Formal and informal employment expanded (+0.1% and +0.5% mom/sa, respectively).
- The effective real wage bill moved up 0.9%, driven by stronger employment figures combined with rising wages (+0.5% mom/sa).
- **Our view:** The data released today once again indicated a tight labor market. The unemployment rate was stable (6.5% seasonally adjusted), due to a benign combination of rising employment and a larger labor force. Moreover, the actual real wages increased 0.5% mom/sa in October, after a slight decline in September.

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Source: IBGE, Itaú

Participation rate moved up

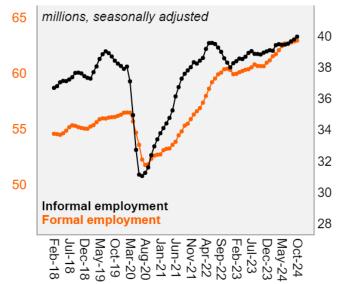


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Employment moved up

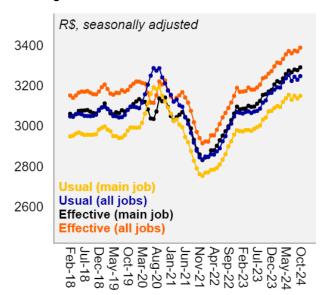


Formal vs. informal employment



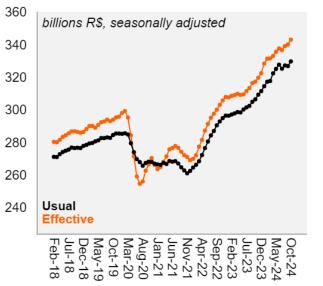
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Real wages



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Real wage bill (all jobs)



Source: IBGE, Itaú

PNAD (IGBE)	Rate (s.a.)			YoY		
Breakdown	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Oct-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Oct-2024
Unemployment rate	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	-1.2p.p.	-1.3p.p.	-1.4p.p.
Participation rate	62.2%	62.2%	62.3%	0.5p.p.	0.6p.p.	0.6p.p.

Source: IBGE, Itaú

PNAD (IGBE)	Vs. the quarter ended in the previous month (s.a.)			YoY		
Breakdown	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Oct-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Oct-2024
Labor Force	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	1.6%	1.7%	1.8%
Employment	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	2.9%	3.2%	3.4%
Formal Employment	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	3.3%	3.7%	3.8%
Informal Employment	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%
Real usual wages (all jobs)	0.6%	-0.5%	0.6%	5.0%	3.7%	3.9%
Real effective wages (all jobs)	0.4%	-0.1%	0.5%	5.3%	4.2%	4.5%
Real effective wage bill (all jobs)	0.7%	0.3%	0.9%	8.5%	7.7%	8.3%

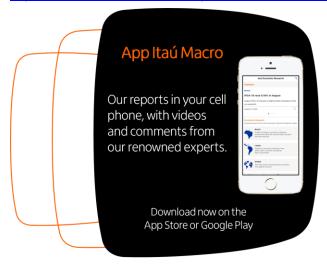
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