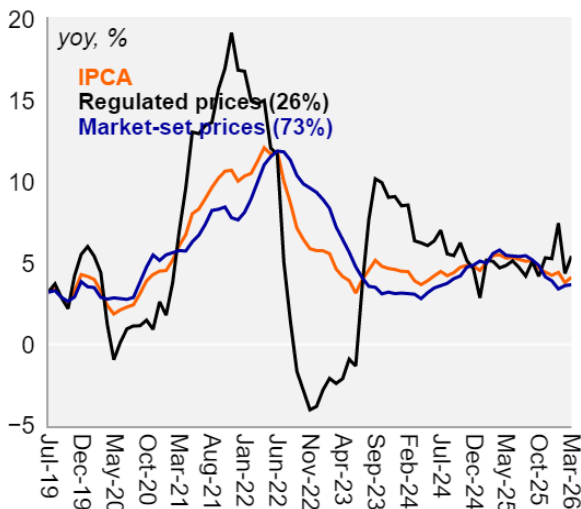


Higher-than-expected IPCA due to oil pressure

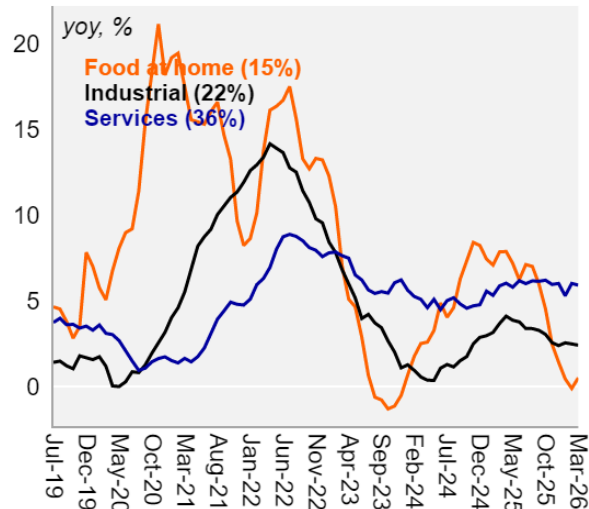
- ▶ March IPCA came in at 0.88%, above both our call (0.77%) and market forecast (0.77%). In 12 months, IPCA rose 4.1%, versus 3.8% in February.
- ▶ Compared to our forecast, we highlight the higher-than-expected prints in gasoline (with more pressure than what we had already anticipated) and personal care. Residential electricity, on the other hand, came in below our forecast. Regarding core metrics, underlying services inflation was in line with our estimates, while underlying industrials came in above expectations led by personal hygiene.
- ▶ In the three-month moving average, with seasonally adjusted and annualized data, underlying services inflation declined to 5.3% (from 5.4%), while underlying industrials moved up to 3.8% (from 3.3%). In the same metric, the average of core inflation measures increased to 4.8% (from 4.2%).
- ▶ Our view: the surprise in the March IPCA was greater in gasoline and underlying industrial prices, but we noted more widespread pressure overall. Not only was the headline index stronger, but the qualitative aspect was also worse than expected, with core inflation measures picking up at the margin. This reading reinforces the upward bias for our year-to-date projection, currently at 4.5%.

IPCA - Market-Set and Regulated Prices



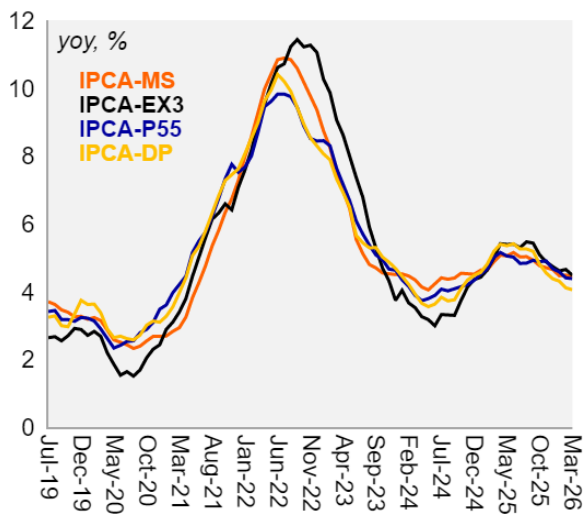
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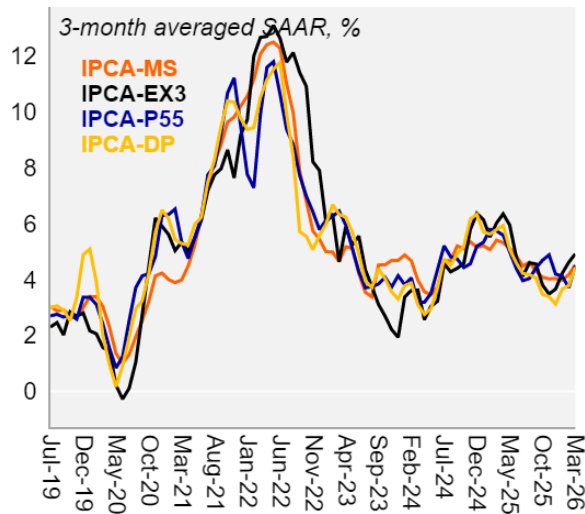
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IPCA - Core



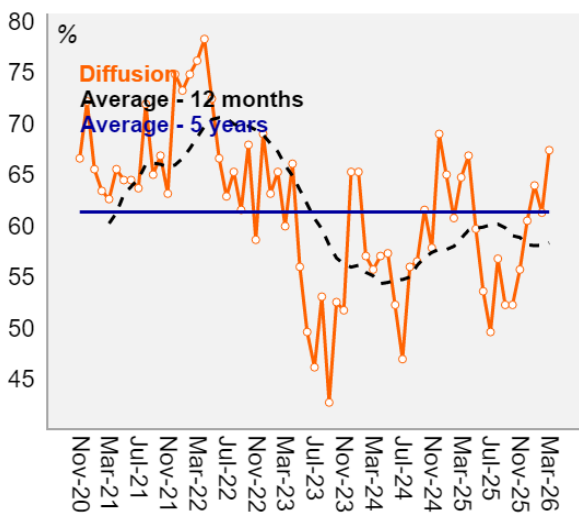
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IPCA - Core s.a. annualized, 3-month averaged



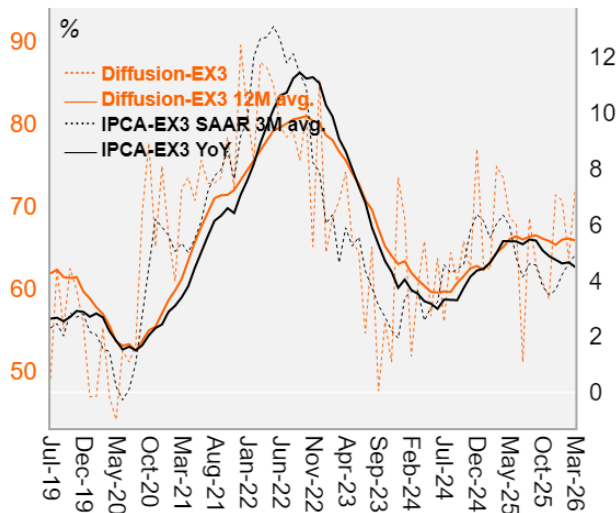
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IPCA - Diffusion Index



Source: IBGE, Itaú

IPCA and diffusion index for EX3 core



Source: IBGE, Itaú

	Weight	Mar-2025		Feb-2026		Mar-2026		Proj.	Δ bps	
		IPCA-15	IPCA	IPCA-15	IPCA	IPCA-15	IPCA			
	100	Headline	0.64	0.56	0.84	0.70	0.44	0.88	0.77	11.0
GROUPS	21	Food & beverage	1.09	1.17	0.20	0.26	0.88	1.56	1.52	0.9
	15	Food at home	1.25	1.31	0.09	0.23	1.10	1.94	1.90	0.6
	6	Food out of home	0.66	0.77	0.46	0.34	0.35	0.61	0.55	0.4
	15	Housing	0.37	0.24	0.06	0.30	0.24	0.22	0.30	-1.2
	3	Household articles	0.03	0.13	0.21	0.13	0.37	0.51	0.26	0.9
	4	Apparel	0.28	0.59	-0.42	0.16	0.47	0.46	0.49	-0.1
	20	Transportation	0.92	0.46	1.72	0.74	0.21	1.64	1.35	5.9
	13	Health and personal care	0.35	0.43	0.67	0.59	0.36	0.42	0.26	2.2
	10	Personal spending	0.81	0.70	0.20	0.33	0.82	0.65	0.56	0.9
	6	Education	0.07	0.10	5.20	5.21	0.05	0.02	0.05	-0.2
4	Communication	0.32	0.24	0.39	0.15	0.03	0.19	0.01	0.8	
BREAKDOWN	26	Regulated prices	0.67	0.18	0.69	0.17	0.17	1.22	1.10	3.0
	4	Residential electricity	0.43	0.12	-1.37	0.33	0.29	0.13	0.50	-1.5
	5	Gasoline	1.83	0.51	1.30	-0.61	-0.08	4.59	3.85	3.8
	74	Market-set prices	0.63	0.70	0.89	0.89	0.54	0.76	0.66	7.1
	15	Food at home	1.25	1.31	0.09	0.23	1.10	1.94	1.90	0.6
	22	Industrials	0.17	0.38	0.44	0.33	0.23	0.31	0.17	3.2
36	Services	0.66	0.63	1.49	1.51	0.49	0.53	0.44	3.3	
CORES AND DIFFUSION	4	Underlying food at home	1.84	1.89	0.30	0.53	0.61	0.52	0.48	0.2
	15	Underlying industrials	0.11	0.43	0.29	0.35	0.25	0.26	0.16	1.5
	21	Underlying services	0.67	0.65	0.66	0.64	0.49	0.49	0.46	0.6
	58	IPCA-EX0	0.47	0.53	1.09	1.06	0.39	0.45	0.34	6.3
	82	IPCA-EX1	0.50	0.51	0.91	0.87	0.37	0.41	0.33	6.3
	41	IPCA-EX2	0.59	0.70	0.48	0.52	0.42	0.41	0.35	2.3
	36	IPCA-EX3	0.44	0.56	0.50	0.52	0.39	0.39	0.33	2.2
	-	IPCA-MS	0.39	0.47	0.51	0.45	0.33	0.41	0.32	-
	-	IPCA-DP	0.50	0.51	0.66	0.58	0.35	0.46	0.36	-
	-	IPCA-P55	0.57	0.48	0.52	0.49	0.31	0.46	0.00	-
-	Diffusion index	61.04	64.72	62.67	61.27	63.22	67.37	-	-	

IPCA-EX0: excludes food and Regulated prices.

IPCA-EX3: underlying indicator for services and industrial products.

IPCA-MS (Smoothed Trimmed Means): before the items with a monthly variation above the 80th percentile or below the 20th percentile are excluded, components with infrequent variations are smoothed.

IPCA-DP (Double Weight): proportionally reduces the weight of more volatile items.

Diffusion: share of subitens with positive price changes during the month.

Source: IBGE, BCB, Itaú

	Weight	Mar-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26
IPCA (monthly)	100.0	0.56	0.33	0.33	0.70	0.88
Regulated prices	26.0	0.18	-0.22	0.53	0.17	1.22
Market-set prices	74.0	0.70	0.52	0.25	0.89	0.76
Food at home	15.2	1.31	0.14	0.10	0.23	1.94
Industrials	22.5	0.38	0.48	0.61	0.33	0.31
Services	36.3	0.63	0.72	0.10	1.51	0.53
IPCA (12-month)	100.0	5.48	4.26	4.44	3.81	4.14
Regulated prices	26.0	5.12	5.29	7.48	4.37	5.45
Market-set prices	74.0	5.61	3.92	3.42	3.63	3.68
Food at home	15.0	7.85	1.42	0.45	-0.11	0.51
Industrials	22.0	3.68	2.39	2.55	2.48	2.41
Services	36.0	5.87	6.01	5.29	6.01	5.91
Core* (monthly)						
IPCA-EX0	59.0	0.53	0.63	0.29	1.06	0.45
IPCA-EX3	37.0	0.56	0.55	0.54	0.52	0.39
IPCA-MS	-	0.47	0.40	0.45	0.45	0.41
IPCA-DP	-	0.51	0.40	0.46	0.58	0.46
IPCA-P55	-	0.48	0.32	0.49	0.49	0.46
Average**	-	0.51	0.46	0.45	0.62	0.43
Core* (12-month)						
IPCA-EX0	59.0	5.01	4.59	4.22	4.64	4.55
IPCA-EX3	37.0	4.99	4.74	4.61	4.66	4.48
IPCA-MS	-	4.88	4.65	4.47	4.49	4.43
IPCA-DP	-	5.18	4.38	4.31	4.11	4.06
IPCA-P55	-	5.01	4.68	4.58	4.41	4.39
Média núcleos**	-	5.01	4.61	4.44	4.46	4.38
Difusão***						
Diffusion index	-	64.72	60.48	63.93	61.27	67.37

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IPCA-DP (Double Weight): proportionally reduces the weight of more volatile items.

IPCA-P55: corresponds to the variation of the 55th percentile of the distribution weighted by the subitem weights.

** Average of IPCA-EX0, EX3, MS, DP and P55.

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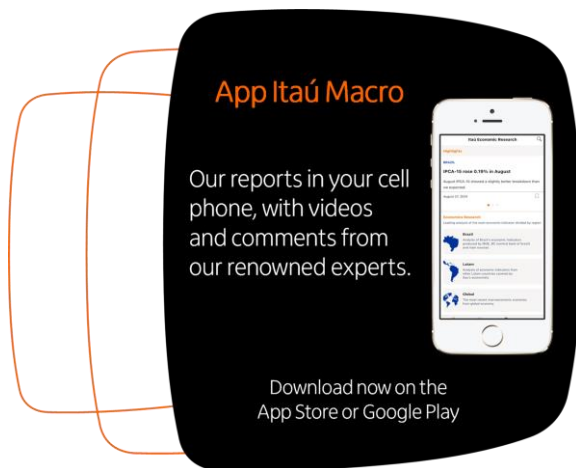
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