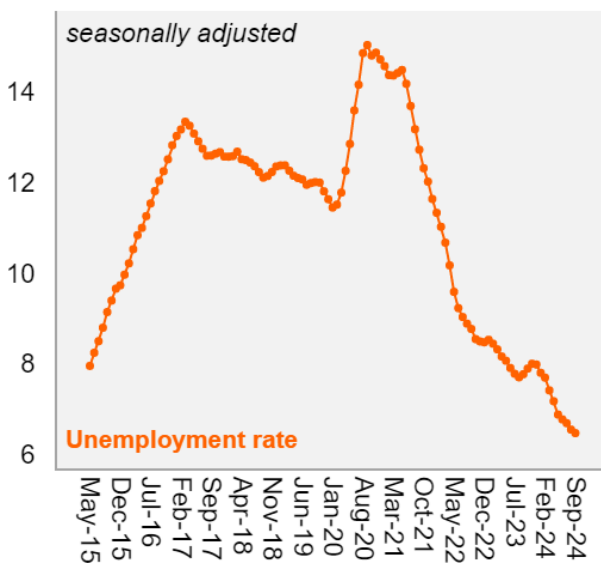


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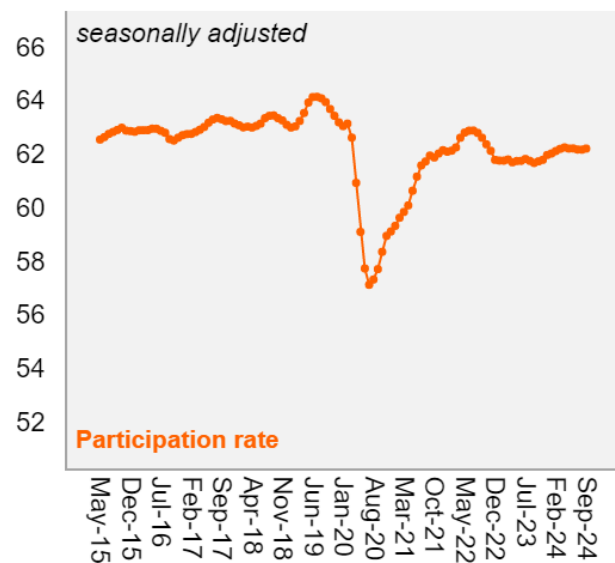
- ▶ In the quarter ended in September, the unemployment rate reached 6.4%, below our call (6.6%) and the market forecast (6.5%). Seasonally adjusted (our estimates), the unemployment rate declined to 6.5%, from 6.6% in the quarter ended in August.
- ▶ The unemployment rate fell due to the expansion of employment (+0.2% mom/sa), which more than offset the increase of the labor force (+0.1% mom/sa). The participation rate was unchanged at 62.2%, while the formal and informal employment expanded (+0.2% in both cases).
- ▶ The effective real wage bill moved up 0.2%, driven by the expansion of employment, which more than offset the reduction of wages (-0.2% mom/sa).
- ▶ **Our view:** the data released today continued, once again, to indicate a tight labor market. The unemployment rate continued to decline, to 6.5% (seasonally adjusted), with an increase in the employed population, both in the informal and formal sectors (despite the stable participation rate). There was a small decline in real wages, but it is worth noting that the real wage bill continued to grow given the increase in employment.

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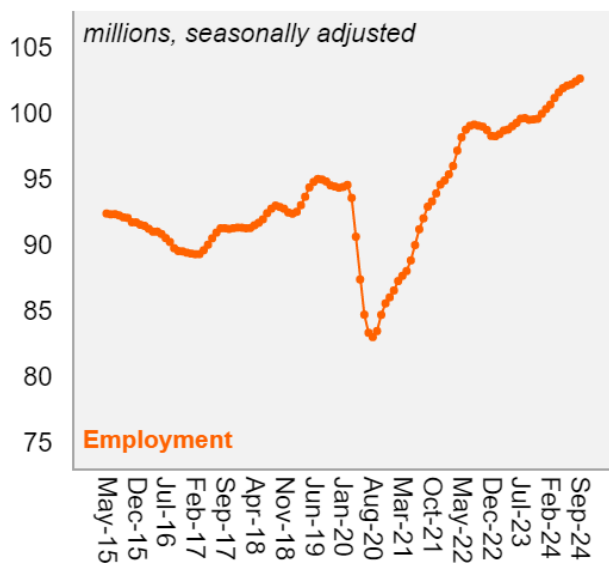
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Participation rate was stable



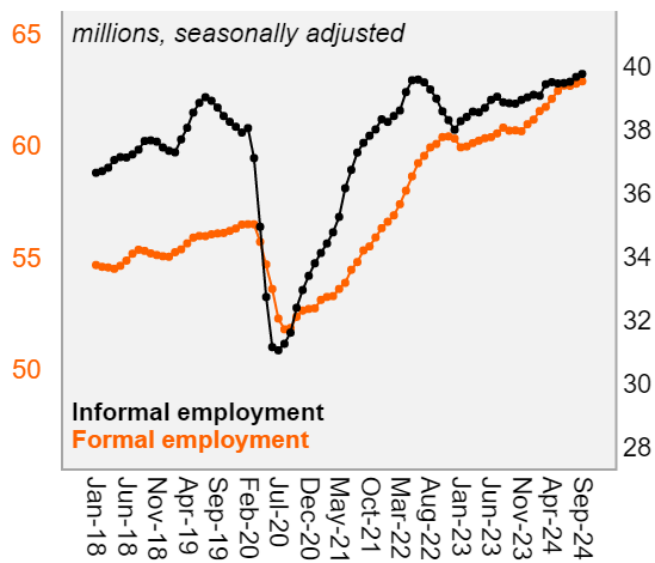
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Employment moved up



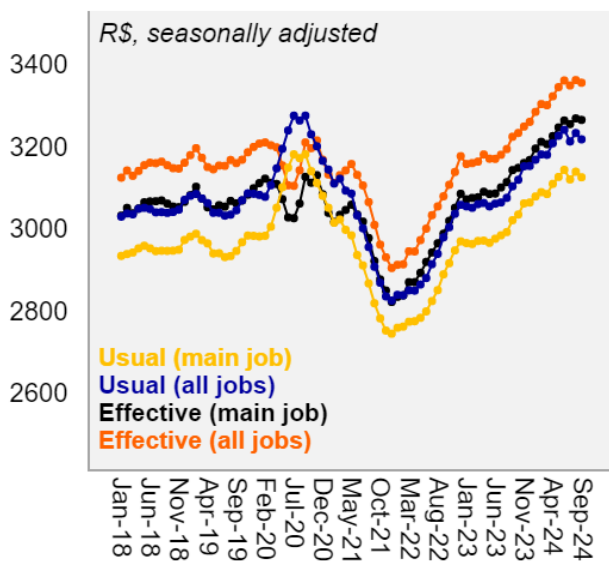
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Formal vs. informal employment



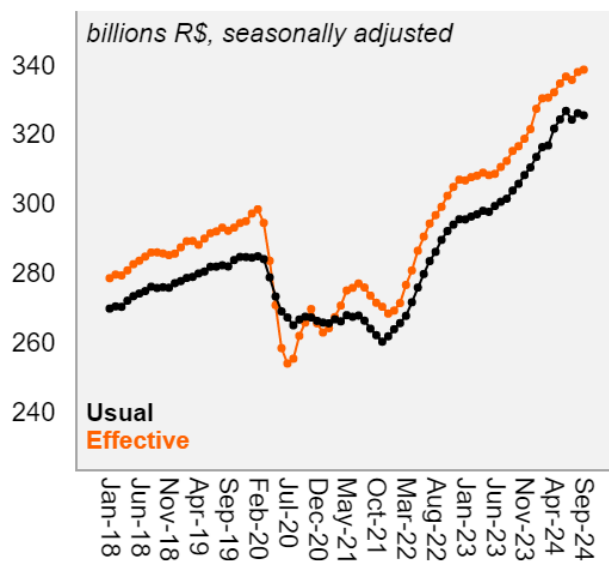
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Real wages



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Real wage bill (all jobs)



Source: IBGE, Itaú

PNAD (IGBE)	Rate (s.a.)			YoY		
	Jul-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Jul-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024
Breakdown						
Unemployment rate	6.7%	6.6%	6.5%	-1.1p.p.	-1.2p.p.	-1.3p.p.
Participation rate	62.2%	62.2%	62.2%	0.4p.p.	0.5p.p.	0.6p.p.

Source: IBGE, Itaú

PNAD (IGBE)	Vs. the quarter ended in the previous month (s.a.)			YoY		
	Jul-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024	Jul-2024	Aug-2024	Sep-2024
Breakdown						
Labor Force	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	1.5%	1.6%	1.7%
Employment	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	2.7%	2.9%	3.2%
Formal Employment	-0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	3.6%	3.3%	3.7%
Informal Employment	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	1.3%	2.2%	2.4%
Real usual wages (all jobs)	-0.9%	0.6%	-0.5%	4.8%	5.1%	3.7%
Real effective wages (all jobs)	-0.4%	0.4%	-0.2%	5.2%	5.3%	4.1%
Real effective wage bill (all jobs)	-0.3%	0.7%	0.2%	8.3%	8.5%	7.7%

Source: IBGE, Itaú

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