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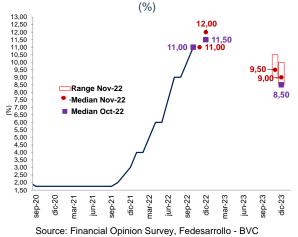


#### **CENTRAL BANK POLICY RATE**

In October, the Board of Directors of the Central Bank increased the intervention rate by 100 bps to 11,0%. The next meeting of the Board of Directors, in which a monetary policy decision will be announced, will take place on December 16.

For November 2022, analysts expect the rate to stay at 11,0% at the end of the month and 12,00% at the end of the year. Finally, they anticipate a reduction throughout 2023 to 9,0% in December, reaching 9,5% in November 2023 (Graph 1).

Graph 1. Central Bank interest rate



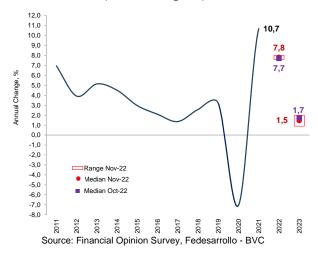
#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH**

In November, the economic growth forecast for 2022 ranges between 7,6% and 8,0%, with 7,8% as median response (7,7% in the previous FOS) (Graph 2). The economic growth forecast for 2023 was at 1,5%, ranging between 0,9% and 2,0%.

In the third quarter, annual growth was 7,0%, higher than analysts forecast for this edition (6,8%). Expectations for fourth quarter 2022 growth ranged between 3,4% and 4,0% with 3,7% as the median response (3,7% in the previous FOS) (Graph 3).

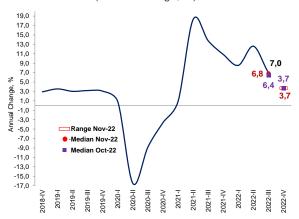
Graph 2. GDP annual growth forecast-2022 and 2023

(Annual Change, %)



Graph 3. GDP growth forecast – third and fourth quarter 2022

(Annual Change, %)



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

#### **INFLATION**

In October, the annual inflation reached 12,22%, above the analysts forecast in the previous edition (12,13%). In November, the analysts expect inflation to reach 12,34% (Graph 4), which means that inflation expectations remain above the target range (2,0% to 4,0%) of the Central Bank.

On the other hand, the experts foresee that the inflation at the end of 2022 will reach the value of 12,36% (in a range between 12,07% and 12,44%). This means that the prediction made at this edition is higher than the one



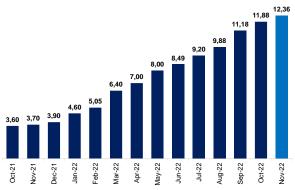


made on the previous month (11,88%) (Graph 5).

**Graph 4. Inflation forecast** 13,0 12,5 12,34 12,22 12,13 12,13 12,0 11,5 Range Nov-22 11,88 11,0 10,5 Median Nov-22 Median Oct-22 7,10 5,5 5,0 4,5 4,0 3,5 3,0 2,5 2,0 Sep-20 Dec-20 Mar-22 Sep-22 Dec-22 Jun-23 Mar-21 Dec-21 Mar-23 Jun-21

Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

**Graph 5. Inflation forecast - End 2022** 



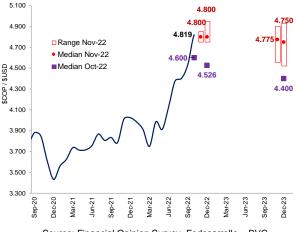
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#### **EXCHANGE RATE**

In October, the exchange rate closed at \$4.819,42 with a monthly depreciation of 6,34%. On October 25 it reached a maximum value of \$4.968,94 pesos per dollar and on October 5 it reached a minimum value of \$4.484,74 pesos per dollar. The exchange rate forecast by the end of the month ranges between \$4.750 and \$4.850, with \$4.800 as median response (Graph 6).

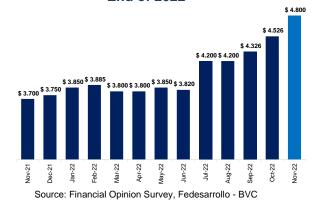
On the other hand, experts forecast that the exchange rate will close at \$4.800 at the end of 2022. This means that the prediction made at this edition is 6,1% higher than the previous month (\$4.526) (Graph 7).

Graph 6. Exchange rate - end of period



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo – BVC

Graph 7. Exchange rate forecast End of 2022



**TES 2024 and 2028 RATE** 

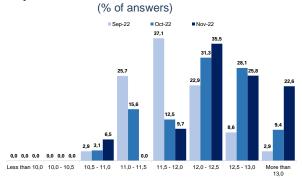
In this edition, the percentage of analysts who considers that the interest rate on the treasury bonds maturing in 2024 will be higher than 11,5% in three months are 93,5% (12,3-pps higher than the previous month). On the other hand, 6,5% estimate that it will be between 10,5% and 11,0% (Graph 8).

For TES maturing in 2028, 100,0% of the analysts expects the rate to be above 12,0% within three months. Particularly, 16,1% projects it to be between 12,0%-13,0%, 58,1% considers a rate amidst 13,0%-14% and 25,8% expect it above 14,0% (Graph 9).





Graph 8. Expectation of TES 2024 performance rate within 3 months

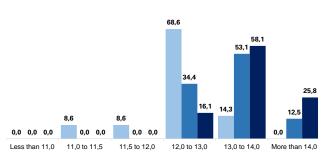


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**Graph 9. Expectation of TES 2028** performance rate within 3 months

(% of answers)

■ Sep-22 ■ Oct-22 ■ Nov-22

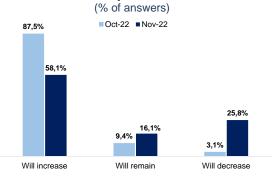


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#### **DEBT SPREAD - EMBI G COLOMBIA**

The debt spread (EMBI G Colombia)¹ closed at 456-bps in October. In November 58,1% of the analysts (29,4-pps less than the previous FOS) expects the spread to increase in the next three months, while 25,81% (22,7-pps plus than previous FOS) expects it to decrease. The remaining 16,13% of the respondents expects for the spread to remain equal (6,8-pps plus than the previous FOS) (Graph 10).

Graph 10. Expectation 3-months debt spread



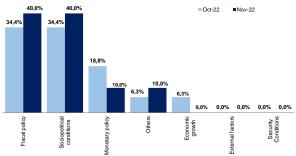
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# **INVESTMENT DETERMINANTS**

In this edition, fiscal policy rank as the most important aspect considered for investing decisions, reaching 40,0% of participation (vs. 34,4% in the previous month). The sociopolitical factors placed second with 40,0% (vs. 34,4% in the previous month). This was followed by monetary policy with 10,0% (vs. 18,8% in the previous month) and economic growth with 10,0% (vs. 6,3% in the previous month). Finally, external factors, security conditions and others are not relevant reasons for analysts (Graph 11).

Graph 11. Most relevant factors for investment decisions

(% of answers)



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

#### **INVESTMENT PREFERENCES**

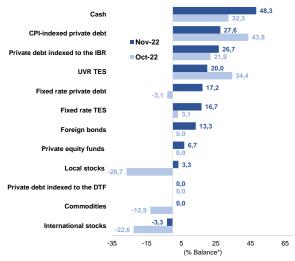
Compared to October, portfolio managers increased their preferences for international stocks, DTF-indexed debt, foreign bonds, fixed-rate TES and cash. In contrast, there is evidence of a deterioration in preferences for local stocks, commodities, UVR TES and debt indexed to IBR, CPI and fixed rate (Graph 12).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The debt spread (EMBI G Colombia) is defined as the difference between the yield of Colombian bonds issued abroad and the yield of American treasury securities.

Graph 12. Projection of positions in the



\*Balance: % of respondents who will increase their position minus% of respondents that will decrease their position Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

## **MSCI COLCAP**

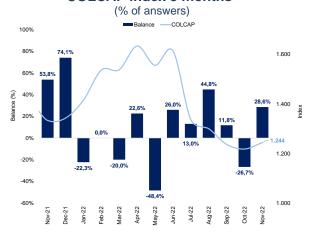
The MSCI COLCAP index is a marketcapitalization weighted index that reflects price changes on the most liquid stocks listed in the Colombia's stock exchange. In November, the 64,3% of the analysts (vs. 36,7% in the previous FOS) expects a valuation of the index within three months (Table 1), while the remaining 35,7% of the analysts expects the index to devaluate (vs. 63,3% in the previous FOS).

Table 1. Expectations about the MSCI **COLCAP** index price at 3 months

(% of answers)				
Index COLCAP Price Level	October 2022	November 2022		
Will increase 10% or more	10,0%	17,9%		
Will increase between 5% and 9,99%	3,3%	14,3%		
Will increase between 0,01% and 4,99%	23,3%	32,1%		
Will remain	0,0%	0,0%		
Will decrease between 0,01% and 4,99%	46,7%	28,6%		
Will decrease between 5% and 9,99%	16,7%	3,6%		
Will decrease between 10% or more	0,0%	3,6%		

Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

Graph 14. Balance on the price of the MSCI **COLCAP index 3 months\*** 



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC \* Balance: % of respondents expecting a valuation minus % of respondents expecting a devaluation. The calculations use the index corresponding to the day on which the EOF was enabled.

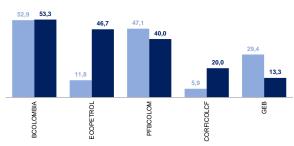
## **MOST ATTRACTIVE COLCAP SHARES**

The FOS inquires the analysts for the most attractive stocks compounding the MSCI COLCAP index. In November, the stock of Bancolombia was ranked in the first place with 53,3%. It was followed by Ecopetrol's stock and Bancolombia's preferential stock (Graph 15).

**Graph 15. More attractive MSCI COLCAP** stocks for investors

(% of the respondents who consider the stock as one of the three more attractive) Oct-22

■ Nov-22



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC

Compared to the last month, there is greater appetite among respondents for shares of oil, holdings and construction, concentrating in financial and oil (Graph 16).



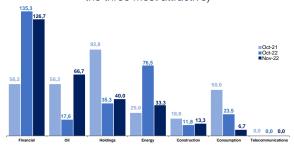


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# Graph 16. Most attractive MSCI COLCAP sectors for investors

(% of the respondents who consider the stock as one of the three most attractive)

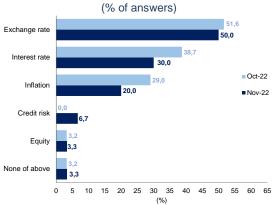


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## **RISK COVERAGE**

The FOS inquires portfolio managers about the types of risk for which they plan to hedge against, in the next three months. In November, 50,0% of the respondents (51,6% in October) were planning to hedge against the exchange rate in the short term (Graph 17). The percentage of managers who expect to hedge against the interest rate is 30,0% and 20,0% against inflation (38,7% and 29,0% in October, respectively).

Graph 17. Coverage of the different types of risk for the next 3 months



Source: Financial Opinion Survey, Fedesarrollo - BVC



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**Table 2. Summary of the Macroeconomic Expectations** 

Variable	Temporality	Observed	Forecast (Median of answers)	
		Oct-22	Oct-22	Nov-22
Inflation (Annual variation, %)	End of month	12,22	12,13	12,34
	End of year 2022		11,88	12,36
	End of year 2023		7,10	7,60
Exchange rate (\$)	End of month	4.819	4.600	4.800
	End of year 2022		4.526	4.800
	End of year 2023		4.400	4.750
Monetary policy interest rate (%)	End of month	11,00	11,00	11,00
	End of year 2022		11,50	12,00
	End of year 2023		8,50	9,00
Growth (%)*	IIIQ-2022	7,0	6,40	6,80
	IVQ-2022		3,70	3,70
	2022		7,70	7,80
	2023	5:	1,70	1,45

Source: Financial Opinion Survey – BVC \* Original series

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