Ahead of the Curve

INEGI's Timely Indicator will likely confirm a slowdown in 3Q21

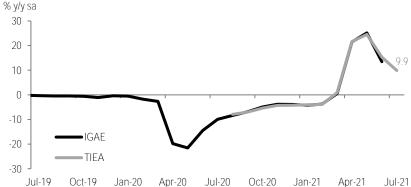
Weekly international reserves report. Last week, net international reserves increased by US\$168 million, closing at US\$205.6 billion (please refer to the following table). According to Banxico's report, this was explained by a positive valuation effect in institutional assets. So far this year, the central bank's international reserves have risen by US\$9.9 billion.

Banxico's foreign reserve accumulation details US\$, million

	2020	Sep 3, 2021	Sep 3, 2021	Year-to-date
	Balance		Flows	
International reserves (B)-(C)	195,667	205,559	168	9,892
(B) Gross international reserve	199,056	211,799	361	12,742
Pemex			0	449
Federal government			-20	248
Market operations			0	0
Other			381	12,046
(C) Short-term government's liabilities	3,389	6,240	193	2,851
Source: Banco de México				

Timely Indicator of Economic Activity (August). This release will include the first estimate for August, along revised figures for July. We recall that June's midpoint forecast stood at 15.3% y/y (using sa figures), much higher than the 13.4% in the GDP-proxy (IGAE). We expect July's estimate, currently at 9.9%, to be revised up. This would be driven by data published since, such as industrial production, which suggest a sequential advance. For August signals are mostly to the downside, with daily COVID-19 cases reaching all-time highs by the middle of the month. This is consistent with some indicators suggesting lower dynamism, such as IMEF's PMIs, business confidence and auto production. Nevertheless, mobility was resilient, possibly limiting a more substantial decline in activity.

Monthly GDP-proxy (IGAE) and the Timely Indicator of Economic Activity (TIEA)



Source: INEGI

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