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December 2009's Monthly Index of Economic Activity Imacec

According to preliminary information, in December the IMACEC increased 3.9% over the same month a year before. The seasonally-adjusted series rose 0.6% with respect to the previous month, while the cyclical trend series recorded an annualized expansion of 5.5%. The month came with the same number of working day as December 2008.

The result of the month reflected increases in retail, electricity gas & water (EGW), and some manufacturing subsectors.

In line with the pre-established calendar of national accounts disclosure, the estimated figure for GDP variation in 2009, along with revisions to the first, second, and third quarters, will be published next 18 March.