

PRESS NOTE

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April 2008's monthly index of economic activity, Imacec

According to preliminary information, April's Imacec increased 4.8% 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 4.2%.

The result was positively influenced by the fact that April this year came with two more working days than April 2007, and by the strength of the retail and communications sectors.