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AUGUST 2006's Monthly Index of Economic Activity, Imacec

According to preliminary information, in August the Imacec rose by 2.7% over the same month a year before. The seasonally adjusted series dropped 0.8% with respect to the previous month, while the cyclical trend series showed an annualized increase of 3.1%.

This result was mainly determined by the decline in mining production and the poor performance of the manufacturing industry.