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Industry confidence drops slightly in May

The Business Confidence Index (ICEI) dropped 0.3 points in May 2022, from 56.8 points to 56.5 points. The result shows a slight drop in confidence compared to April.

Despite the drop, industry remains confident, as the confidence index remains above the 50-point dividing line, which separates confidence from lack of confidence. In addition, Industry confidence remains above its historical average and at a level higher than that recorded throughout the first quarter of 2022.



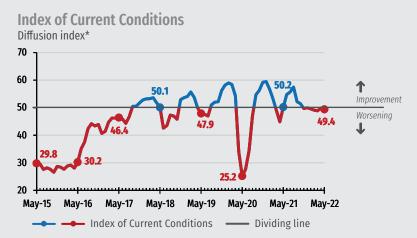
^{*}The index ranges from 0 to 100. Figures above 50 points show entrepreneur confidence. The more above 50 points, the greater and more widespread the confidence. Figures below 50 points show lack of confidence of the entrepreneur. The more below 50 points, the greater and more widespread the lack of confidence.

ICEI components

May's drop in confidence was mainly caused by a worsening of Industry's perception of current conditions, particularly the current conditions of the Brazilian economy.

The Current Conditions Index dropped 0.5 point, to 49.4 points. Moving further below the 50-point dividing line, the index demonstrates a negative perception of current conditions compared to the past six months. Evaluating the components of the Index of Current Conditions, the company's conditions are stable compared to April, while the conditions of the Brazilian economy are down 1.6 points.

The Expectation Index remained virtually stable, with a 0.2 point drop, to 60 points. As it is significantly above the 50-point dividing line, the index indicates optimistic expectations for the next six months.



*The Index ranges from 0 to 100. Figures above 50 indicate that conditions are better than in the last six months, figures below 50 indicate that conditions are worse.

Expectation Index



*The Index ranges from 0 to 100. Figures above 50 show a positive expectation. Figures above 50 show a pessimist expectation.

ICEI and its components Diffusion indices*

	MAY 21	APR 22	MAY 22
ICEI	58.5	56.8	56.5
Current conditions (compared to the last 6 months):	50.2	49.9	49.4
Brazilian economy	45.8	47.4	45.8
Company	52.5	51.2	51.1
Expectations (for the next six months):	62.6	60.2	60.0
Brazilian economy	58.3	56.4	55.9
Company	64.7	62.1	62.1

*Indices range from 0 to 100. Figures above 50 points indicate confident entrepreneurs, improvement in current conditions or optimistic expectations. Figures below 50 indicate lack of entrepreneur confidence, worsening in current conditions or pessimistic expectations.



Technical specifications

Sample profile

1,467 companies: 570 small, 547 medium and 350 large.

Collection period

2 to 6 May 2022.

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