



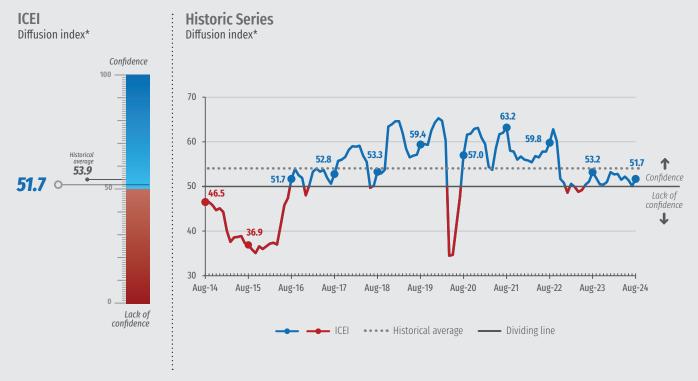




Industry confidence recovers in August

In August 2024, the Industrial Entrepreneur Confidence Index (ICEI) recorded an increase of 1.6 points, advancing from 50.1 points to 51.7 points. The result breaks a sequence of two months of falling industry confidence.

Moving from a level practically on the dividing line of 50 points to a level above the line between July and August, the number indicates a transition from a neutral state back to a confident state of the Brazilian industrial sector.



^{*}The index ranges from 0 to 100. A score above 50 points indicates entrepreneurs' confidence. The further above 50 points, the greater and more widespread is the confidence. A score below 50 points indicates a lack of confidence among entrepreneurs. The further below 50 points, the greater and more widespread is the lack of confidence.

Components of the ICEI

The recovery in August was widespread among all components, mainly the current conditions index.

The current conditions index advanced 2.8 points to 47.2 points in August. The subcomponent related to the current conditions of the company advanced 2.6 points and crossed above the dividing line of 50 points, indicating an assessment of improvement by entrepreneurs of the current conditions of companies compared to the last six months. This is the first time since January 2024 that this subcomponent shows a perception of improvement by entrepreneurs. The assessment of the current conditions of the Brazilian economy also advanced, but remains below 50 points, indicating a negative evaluation.

The expectations index also recorded an advance in August, rising 1.0 point to 53.9 points. The analysis of the components of the expectations index shows that entrepreneurs remain optimistic about the next six months of their own companies, but pessimistic about the next six months of the Brazilian economy.

Index of Current Conditions Diffusion index* 80 70 57.5 60 Improvement 50 Worsening 40 30 20 Aug-18 Aug-21 Aug-17 Aug-19 Aug-20 Aug-22 Aug-23 Aug-24 Index of Current Conditions *The Index ranges from 0 to 100. A score above 50 indicates that conditions are better than in the last six months and a score below 50 indicate that conditions are worse. **Expectation Index**





*The Index ranges from 0 to 100. A score above 50 points indicates positive expectations. A score above 50 indicates a pessimistic expectation.

ICEI and its components Diffusion indices*

	AUG 23	JUL 24	AUG 24
ICEI	53.2	50.1	51.7
Current conditions (compared to the last six months):	47.3	44.4	47.2
Brazilian economy	44.3	37.6	40.6
Company	48.9	47.8	50.4
Expectations (for the next six months):	56.2	52.9	53.9
Brazilian economy	51.5	44.2	46.2
Company	58.6	572	57.8

*Indices range from 0 to 100. A score above 50 points indicates confident entrepreneurs, improved current conditions, or optimistic expectations. A score below 50 indicates entrepreneurs' lack of confidence, worsening current conditions, or pessimistic expectations.



Technical specifications

Sample profile

1,282 companies: 487 small, 485 medium and 310 large.

Collection period

1 to 7 August 2024.

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