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# Central Government Primary Balance

## Central Government Primary Balance Analysis At Current Prices

R\$ Million - Current Prices

	R\$ Million		Variation			R\$ Million		Variation		
	January 2017	January 2018	Difference	% Nominal	% Real (IPCA)	Dec 17	Jan 18	Difference	% Nominal	% Real (IPCA)
I. TOTAL REVENUE	137,374.8	156,371.5	18,996.8	13.8%	10.7%	152,066.1	156,371.5	4,305.4	3.1%	2.8%
II. TRANSFERS BY REVENUE SHARING	18,582.6	19,945.7	1,363.1	7.3%	4.4%	24,880.4	19,945.7	-4,934.7	-19.6%	-19.8%
III. NET REVENUE (I-II)	118,792.2	136,425.9	17,633.7	14.8%	11.7%	127,185.7	136,425.9	9,240.1	7.6%	7.3%
IV. TOTAL EXPENDITURE	100,787.5	105,356.8	4,569.4	4.5%	1.6%	148,275.8	105,356.8	-42,918.9	-28.7%	-28.9%
V. SOVEREIGN FUND OF BRAZIL - FSB	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	-
VI. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PRIMARY BALANCE (III - IV + V)	18,004.7	31,069.0	13,064.3	72.6%	67.8%	-21,090.0	31,069.0	52,159.1	-	-
National Treasury and Central Bank	31,376.8	45,522.9	14,146.1	45.1%	41.1%	-11,378.4	45,522.9	56,901.3	-	-
Social Security (RGPS)	-13,372.1	-14,453.9	-1,081.8	8.1%	5.1%	-9,711.7	-14,453.9	-4,742.2	49.3%	48.8%
VII. PRIMARY BALANCE/GDP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Memo:</b>										
National Treasury Primary Balance	31,515.1	45,696.1	14,181.0	45.0%	41.0%	-11,338.4	45,696.1	57,034.5	-	-
Central Bank Primary Balance	-138.3	-173.2	-34.9	25.2%	21.8%	-40.0	-173.2	-133.2	333.0%	80.2%
Social Security (RGPS) Primary Balance	-13,372.1	-14,453.9	-1,081.8	8.1%	5.1%	-9,711.7	-14,453.9	-4,742.2	48.8%	93.9%

Source: National Treasury

Obs.: Data subject to change

In January 2018, Central Government primary balance in current prices was a surplus of R\$ 31.1 billion compared to a R\$ 18.0 billion surplus in January 2017. A step up in Net Revenue (11.7%, in real terms) explains this result, partially offset by an increase in Total Expenditure (1.6%, also in real terms). Net Revenue was influenced by the Tax Regularization program (Law 13.496/2017). The continuing increase in real terms of Social Security Benefits and Payroll, combined to a low execution of Discretionary Expenses in January 2017, explains the step up in Total Expenditure.

Compared to December 2017, also in nominal terms, there was a step up of R\$ 52.2 billion in Central Government primary balance, varying from a R\$ 21.1 billion deficit in December 2017 to a R\$ 31.1 billion surplus in January 2018. This result is due to a decrease in Total Expenditure (28.9%, in real terms) and to a step up in Net Revenue (7.3%, also in real terms). In addition to seasonal factors, the variation in Net Revenue is largely due to the Tax Regularization program (Law 13.496/2017). The decrease in Total Expenditure is mainly due to the seasonal concentration of payments in December, specially Social Security Benefits, Payroll and Discretionary Expenses.

# Central Government Primary Balance

Monthly Balance Compared to the Same Month of the Previous Year

At Constant Prices - January/2018 (IPCA)

Table 1.2 - Central Government Primary Balance - Brazil - 2017/2018				
	January		Variation	
	2017	2018	Difference	% Real (IPCA)
I. TOTAL REVENUE	141,297.0	156,371.5	15,074.6	10.7%
I.1 Revenues Collected by the Federal Revenue Office	99,497.6	109,849.0	10,351.4	10.4%
I.2 Fiscal Incentives	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
I.3 Net Social Security Revenues	27,665.4	28,912.3	1,246.9	4.5%
I.4 Revenues not Collected by the Federal Revenue Office	14,134.0	17,610.2	3,476.2	24.6%
II. TRANSFERS BY REVENUE SHARING	19,113.1	19,945.7	832.5	4.4%
III. NET REVENUE (I-II)	122,183.8	136,425.9	14,242.0	11.7%
IV. TOTAL EXPENDITURE	103,665.1	105,356.8	1,691.8	1.6%
IV.1 Social Security Benefits	41,419.3	43,366.2	1,946.9	4.7%
IV.2 Payroll	24,905.1	25,614.9	709.7	2.8%
IV.3 Other Compulsory Expenses	24,878.9	21,143.7	-3,735.1	-15.0%
IV.4 Discretionary Expenses - All Branches	12,461.8	15,232.0	2,770.3	22.2%
V. SOVEREIGN FUND OF BRAZIL - FSB	-	-	-	-
VI. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PRIMARY BALANCE (III - IV + V)	18,518.8	31,069.0	12,550.3	67.8%
National Treasury and Central Bank	32,272.7	45,522.9	13,250.3	41.1%
Social Security (RGPS)	-13,753.9	-14,453.9	-700.0	5.1%
<b>Memo:</b>				
National Treasury Primary Balance	32,414.9	45,696.1	13,281.2	41.0%
Central Bank Primary Balance	-142.2	-173.2	-31.0	21.8%
Social Security (RGPS) Primary Balance	-13,753.9	-14,453.9	-700.0	5.1%

Source: National Treasury  
Obs.: Data subject to change

At January 2018 constant prices, Central Government primary balance was a R\$ 31.1 billion surplus, compared to a R\$ 18.5 billion surplus in January 2017, an increase of R\$ 12.6 billion (67.8%) in the primary balance. This variation is due to the step up of R\$ 14.2 billion (11.7%) in Net Revenue, partially offset by an increase of R\$ 1.7 billion (1.6%) in Total Expenditure.

Concerning Net Revenue, it is worth noting the collection of R\$ 7.8 billion related to the Tax Regularization Program - PERT (Law 13.496/2017) and the step up of R\$ 4.1 billion (21.0%) in Contribution to Social Security Financing (COFINS), partially due to an increase in tax rates. Regarding Total Expenditure, the R\$ 2.7 billion (24.4%) increase in Discretionary Expenses was an important factor.

# Central Government Primary Balance

## Monthly Balance Compared to the Previous Month

### At Constant Prices - January/2018 (IPCA)

Table 1.3 - Central Government Primary Balance - Brazil - 2017/2018				
	2017/2018		Variation	
	Dec 17	Jan 18	Difference	% Real (IPCA)
I. TOTAL REVENUE	152,066.1	156,371.5	4,305.4	2.8%
I.1 Revenues Collected by the Federal Revenue Office	77,263.3	109,849.0	32,585.7	42.2%
I.2 Fiscal Incentives	-1,359.9	0.0	1,359.9	-100.0%
I.3 Net Social Security Revenues	49,310.0	28,912.3	-20,397.6	-41.4%
I.4 Revenues not Collected by the Federal Revenue Office	26,852.8	17,610.2	-9,242.6	-34.4%
II. TRANSFERS BY REVENUE SHARING	24,880.4	19,945.7	-4,934.7	-19.8%
III. NET REVENUE (I-II)	127,185.7	136,425.9	9,240.1	7.3%
IV. TOTAL EXPENDITURE	148,275.8	105,356.8	-42,918.9	-28.9%
IV.1 Social Security Benefits	59,021.6	43,366.2	-15,655.4	-26.5%
IV.2 Payroll	30,050.2	25,614.9	-4,435.3	-14.8%
IV.3 Other Compulsory Expenses	16,918.9	21,143.7	4,224.8	25.0%
IV.4 Discretionary Expenses - All Branches	42,285.1	15,232.0	-27,053.1	-64.0%
V. SOVEREIGN FUND OF BRAZIL - FSB	0.0	0.0	-	-
VI. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PRIMARY BALANCE (III - IV + V)	-21,090.0	31,069.0	52,159.1	-
National Treasury and Central Bank	-11,378.4	45,522.9	56,901.3	-
Social Security (RGPS)	-9,711.7	-14,453.9	-4,742.2	48.8%
<b>Memo:</b>				
National Treasury Primary Balance	-11,338.4	45,696.1	57,034.5	-
Central Bank Primary Balance	-40.0	-173.2	-133.2	333.0%
Social Security (RGPS) Primary Balance	-9,711.7	-14,453.9	-4,742.2	48.8%

Source: National Treasury  
 Obs.: Data subject to change

In January 2018, Central Government primary balance was a R\$ 31.1 billion surplus, compared to a R\$ 21.1 billion deficit in December 2017, at January 2018 constant prices. There was an increase in Net Revenue (R\$ 9.2 billion, 7.3%) and a decrease in Total Expenditure (R\$ 42.9 billion, 28.9%). This result in mainly due to seasonal factors from both months.