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Taming inflation while fueling growth

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BCA Consumer Spending Index*

8 % γ_Oγ *YoY changes. Updated as of 30 Sep 2025



BCA Business Transaction Index*

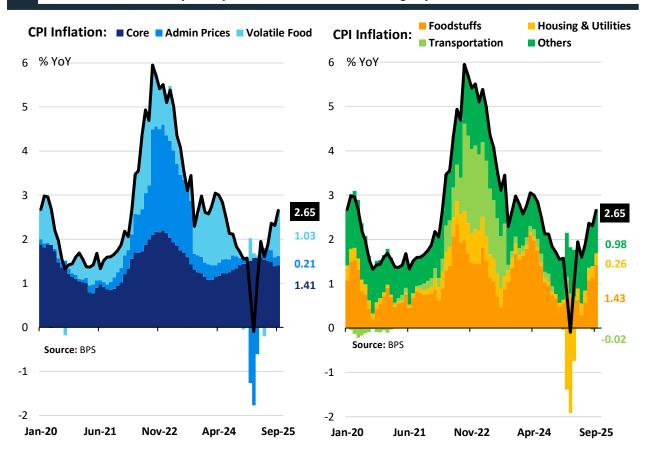


- Inflation accelerated in September 2025, reaching 2.65% YoY (0.21% MoM). On monthly basis, the price increase was primarily driven by foodstuffs (red chili, chicken meat, green chili) and personal care (gold jewelry). The rise in gold prices was in line with global rising safe-haven demand, fueled by concerns over persistent inflation and a global economic slowdown.
- All main components—core, administered prices, and volatile foods—experienced monthly acceleration. Monthly core inflation accelerated due to gold prices and education costs. On annually basis, core inflation also ticked up slightly to 2.19% YoY from 2.17% YoY in August. The YoY growth in gold prices remains the primary driver, but we believe part of this acceleration is also contributed by a slight improvement in demand, as evidenced by the slight acceleration in credit growth data in August and the BCA spending index in September.
- Looking forward, we anticipate inflation will remain above 2.5% mark through the end of 2025, influenced by a low base effect from relatively low food prices in the second half of 2024. The government's policy of transferring IDR 200 T to state-owned banks to be leveraged into credit also carries the potential to drive up inflation, though the effects may be lagged. The same can be said for BI's sustained accommodative policy. In addition, persistently strong gold prices and a depreciating Rupiah, which has now moved above the 16,600 level, will continue to exert upward pressure.
- However, several government initiatives should help keep inflation within a healthy and manageable range. Rice prices are beginning to stabilize thanks to the government's market operation program (SPHP), and the continuation of official transportation fare discounts will also help curb price pressures.

Furthermore, the decision to maintain cigarette taxes in 2026 will further limit inflationary spikes in discretionary spending.

In general, the main risk to inflation at present lies in the event of continued or deeper Rupiah depreciation, which could manifest in higher prices for imported goods or, in a worse-case scenario, lead to adjustments in administered prices. Given this risk, we believe BI's decision at the next meeting (October 21-22) will weigh the pro-stability and progrowth stances with equal consideration.

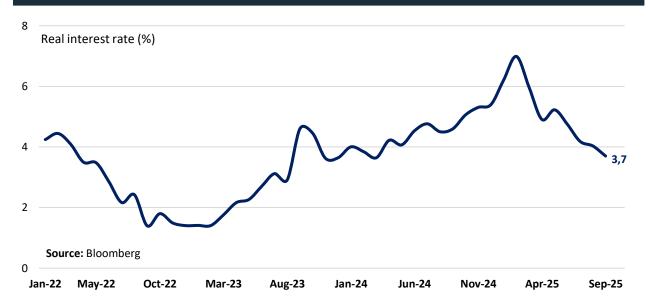
Inflation was driven by food prices, while core inflation slightly accelerated



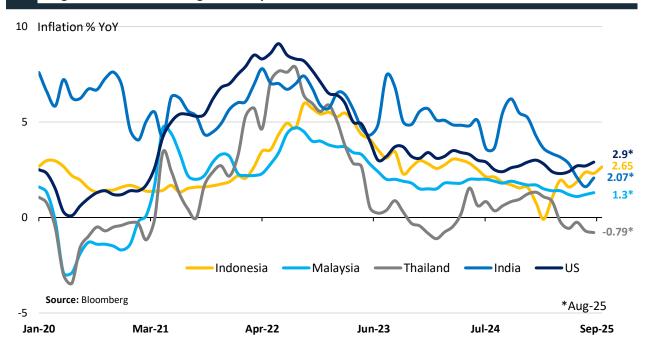
Core inflation is strongly correlated with credit growth



Declining real interest rate creates favorable conditions for credit growth



Is global inflation starting to turn upward?



Selected Macroeconomic Indicators Real Rate Last Trade & Chg **Key Policy Rates** Rate (%) 1-0ct -1 mth Change **Commodities** (%) (%) US Sep-25 1.35 Baltic Dry Index 4.25 1,980.0 2,025.0 -2.2 UK 4.00 Aug-25 0.20 S&P GSCI Index 549.3 549.7 -0.1 EU 2.15 Jun-25 -0.05 Oil (Brent, \$/brl) -4.1 65.4 68.1 Japan 0.50 Jan-25 -2.20 Coal (\$/MT) 107.8 111.5 -3.3 4.75 12.5 China (lending) 2.00 Sep-24 Gas (\$/MMBtu) 3.24 2.88 Korea 2.50 May-25 0.40 Gold (\$/oz.) 3,865.7 3,448.0 12.1 India 5.50 Jun-25 3.43 10,338.2 9,821.7 5.3 Copper (\$/MT) Indonesia 4.75 Sep-25 2.10 14,989.7 15,246.8 -1.7 Nickel (\$/MT) Chg CPO (\$/MT) 1,033.0 1,029.1 0.4 **Money Mkt Rates** 1-Oct -1 mth (bps) Rubber (\$/kg) 1.71 1.76 -2.8 SPN (1Y) 5.00 5.09 -9.0 Chg **External Sector** Jul Aug (%) SUN (10Y) 6.31 6.34 -3.3 INDONIA (O/N, Rp) 4.02 4.68 -65.9 Export (\$ bn) 24.96 24.75 0.87 JIBOR 1M (Rp) 5.16 5.56 -39.5 20.58 Import (\$ bn) 19.48 -5.35 Chq Trade bal. (\$ bn) 5.49 4.17 31.50 Bank Rates (Rp) Jun May (bps) Central bank reserves 150.7 152.0 -0.84 (\$ bn)* Lending (WC) 8.62 8.64 -1.78 Deposit 1M 4.89 4.86 2.28 **Prompt Indicators** Jul Aug Jun 0.71 0.70 0.82 Savings Consumer confidence 1-Oct -1 mth Chg (%) 117.2 Currency/USD 118.1 117.8 index (CCI) **UK Pound** 0.742 0.741 -0.19 Car sales (%YoY) -19.0-18.4-22.50.39 Euro 0.852 0.856 Japanese Yen 147.1 147.1 -0.01 Motorcycle sales 0.7 -0.5 -0.3 (%YoY) Chinese RMB 7.122 7.131 0.12 Indonesia Rupiah 16,610 16,490 -0.72 Chg **Manufacturing PMI** Sep Aug Capital Mkt 1-0ct -1 mth Chg (%) (bps) JCI 8,043.8 7,830.5 2.72 USA 52.0 53.0 -100 DJIA 46,441.1 45,544.9 1.97 Eurozone 49.8 50.7 -90 FTSE -120 9,446.4 9,187.3 2.82 Japan 48.5 49.7 Nikkei 225 44,550.9 42,718.5 4.29 China 51.2 50.5 70 26,855.6 25,077.6 7.09 Hang Seng Korea 50.7 48.3 240 Foreign portfolio Chg Indonesia 50.4 51.5 -110 Jul Aug ownership (Rp Tn) (Rp Tn) 3,760.3 Stock 3,539.4 220.93 Govt. Bond 953.9 1,213.4 -259.57 Corp. Bond 4.5 4.7 -0.16

Source: Bloomberg, BI, BPS

Notes:

^{***}For PMI, >50 indicates economic expansion, <50 otherwise





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^{*}Data from earlier period

^{**}For changes in currency: Black indicates appreciation against USD, Red otherwise

Indonesia - Economic Indicators Projection

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025E
Real GDP growth (% YoY)	5.0	-2.1	3.7	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0
Nominal GDP growth (% YoY)	6.7	-2.5	9.9	15.4	6.7	6.0	7.2
GDP per capita (USD)	4175	3912	4350	4784	4920	4960	5100
CPI inflation (% YoY)	2.7	1.7	1.9	5.5	2.6	1.6	2.2
BI Rate (%)	5.00	3.75	3.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	4.50
SBN 10Y yield (%)	7.04	5.86	6.36	6.92	6.45	6.97	6.57
USD/IDR exchange rate (average)	14,141	14,529	14,297	14,874	15,248	15,841	16,461
USD/IDR exchange rate (end of year)	13,866	14,050	14,262	15,568	15,397	16,102	16,625
Trade balance (USD Bn)	-3.2	21.7	35.3	54.5	37.0	31.0	26.0
Current account balance (% of GDP)	-2.7	-0.4	0.3	1.0	-0.1	-0.6	-0.75

Notes:

· USD/IDR exchange rate projections are for fundamental values; market values may diverge significantly at any moment in time

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