

# Latin American Business Outlook

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# Top Concerns of Latin American CFOs

10. Employee productivity

1.	Economic Uncertainty
2.	Government policies
3.	Weak demand for product/services
4.	Currency risk
5.	Access to capital
6.	Regulatory requirements
7.	Cost of borrowing
8.	Corporate tax code
9.	Raising input or commodity costs

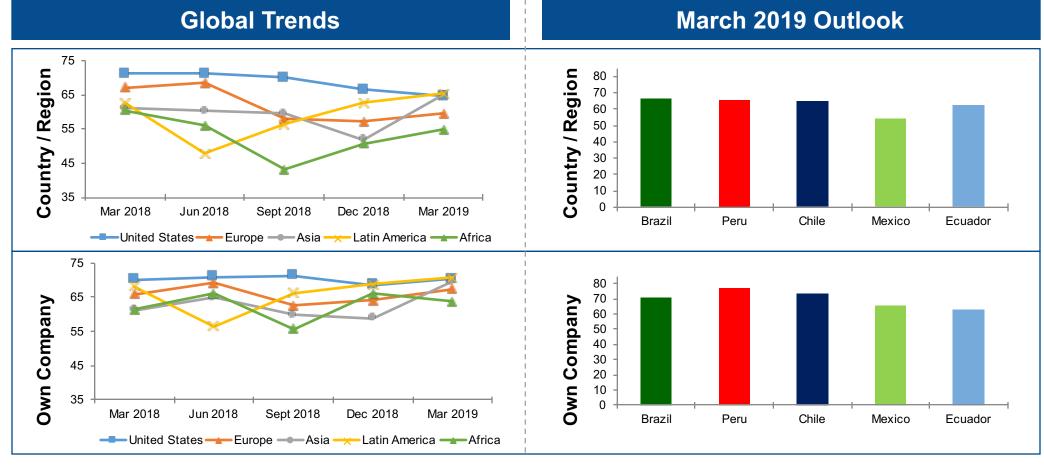


# **Business Optimism Index**

Latin American CFO optimism increases from last quarter. Brazil optimism grows.

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# **Expected Product Price Inflation**

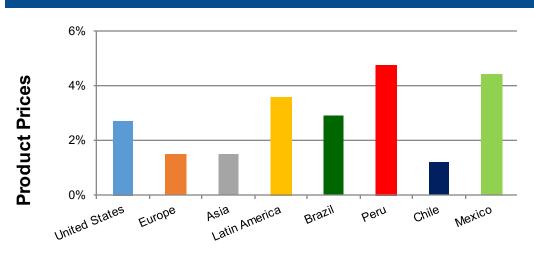
#### Latin American companies expect moderate price increases



#### Inflationary expectations moderate in Latin America

- Latam CFO's price expectations decline slightly
- CFOs in Europe and Asia expect the lowest inflation





#### Inflation expectations highest in Peru

- Prices expected to moderate in Chile
- Import prices drive some of the Latin American price inflation

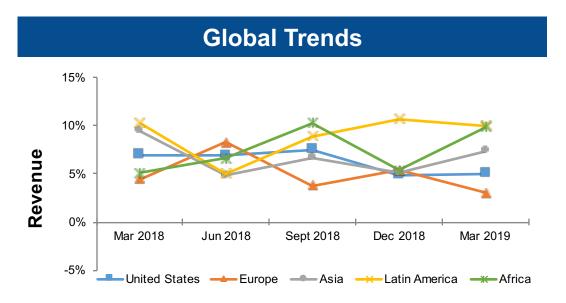


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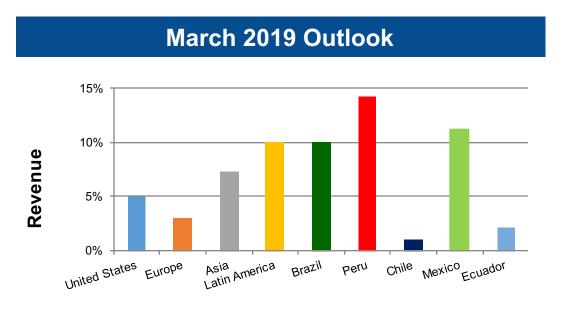
# Expected Growth in Sales Revenue

### Latin America sales revenue expectations slightly decreases



#### Latin American revenue growth slightly decreseas

- Revenue expectations decrease from last quarter
- US, Asia and Africa sales revenue expectations increase



#### Peru and Brazil expect rapid revenue growth

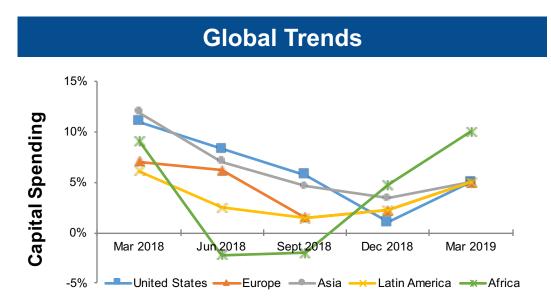
 Overall Latin American revenues pulled down by Ecuador and Chile



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# Capital Spending Plans

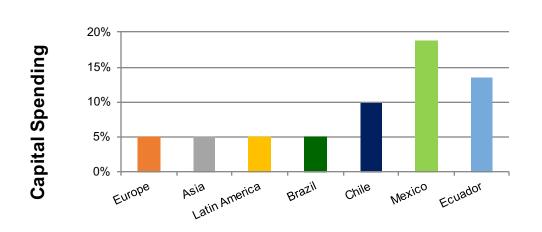
### Latin American capital spending expectations higher this quarter





- Latin American CFOs expect slow spending growth
- Business spending is slowing down in all regions

### March 2019 Outlook



#### **Business spending varies within Latin America**

- Mexico, Ecuador and Chile anticipate moderate growth in capital expenditures
- Flat spending expected in Brazi



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# **Expected Change in Earnings**

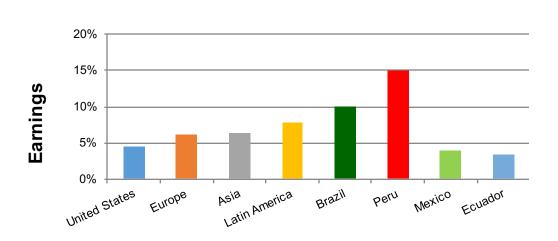
### Earnings expectations unchanged from last quarter



#### Asia and US expect weak earnings

- Europe decreases earnings expectations moderately from last quarter, earnings weak in US
- Latam expects moderate earnings growth

### **December 2018 Outlook**



#### Moderate earnings growth in Latin America

- Peru expects strongest earnings growth
- Earnings are expected to grow moderately in Mexico and Ecuador

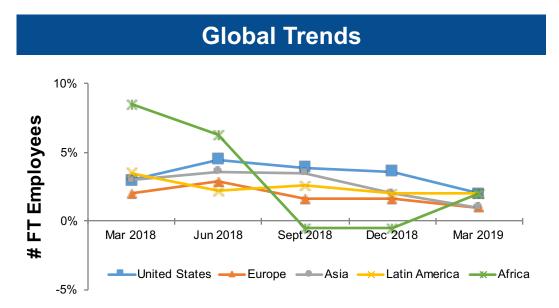


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# Fulltime Employment Outlook

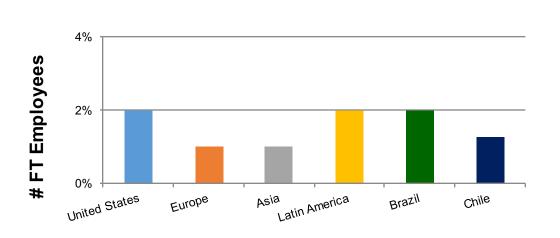
### Latin American CFOs expect moderate fulltime employment growth in 2019



#### Slightly decreased employment outlook in Latin America

- Europe and Latam CFOs expect moderate employment growth in 2018.
- Employment growth stays strong in the US





#### **Employment growth varies across L.A.**

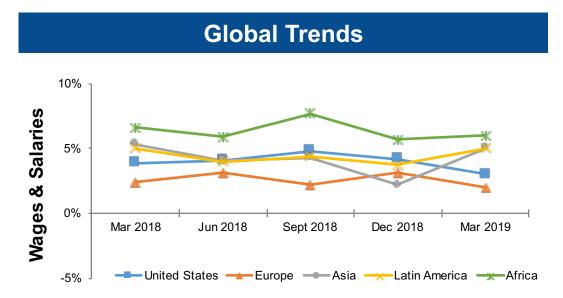
- Employment outlook in Brazil and Chile pulls down the average for all of Latin America
- Employment growth strongest in Mexico



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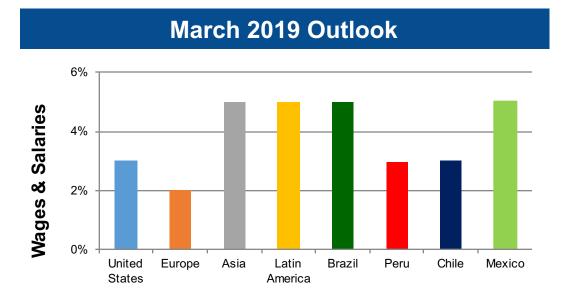
# Expected Wage and Salary Increases

### Latin American wages and salaries are projected to increase by 2.0% in 2019





- Africa expects wages to grow 5.7% in 2018, which is the highest among all regions
- Asia wage growth jumps to the second highest



#### Latin American wages to grow 2.0%

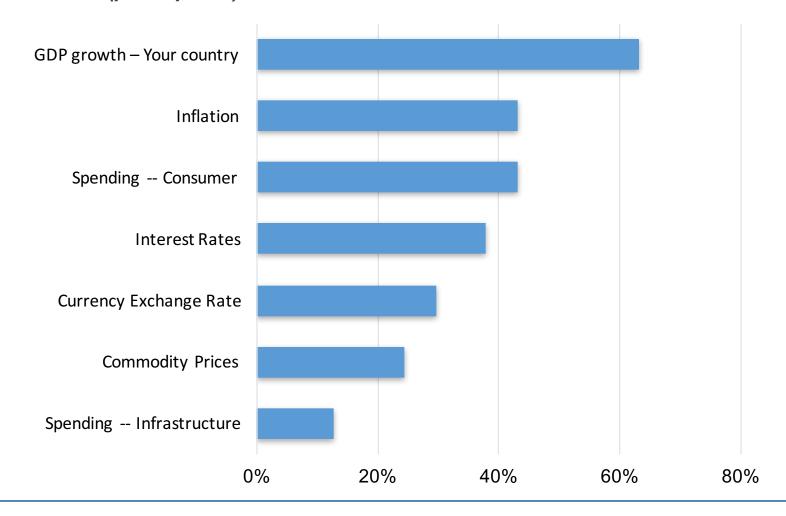
- All participating Latam countries expect moderate wage growth, lowest in Peru
- Wage growth in Brazil marginally beats inflation



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## **Economic Indicators**

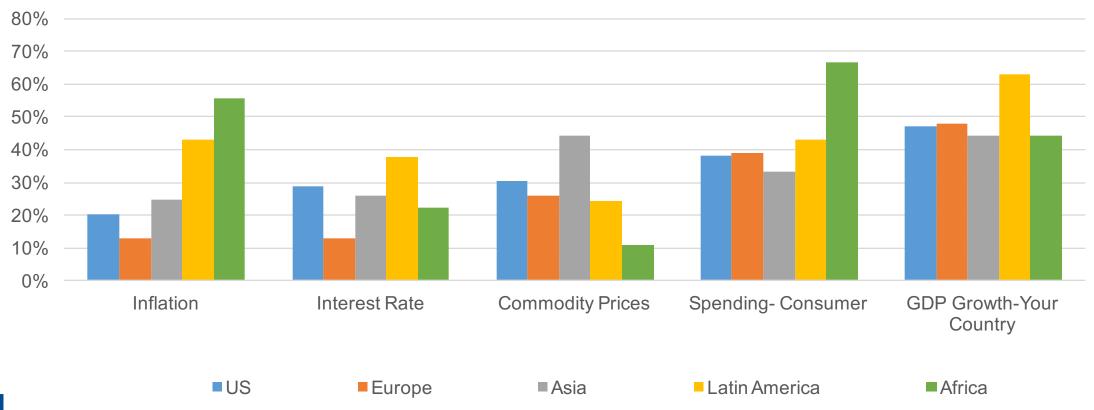
Which economic indicators do you consider most important in causing your firm to actually experience a downside, base case, or upside outcome? (pick up to 3)





## **Economic Indicators Cross Countries**

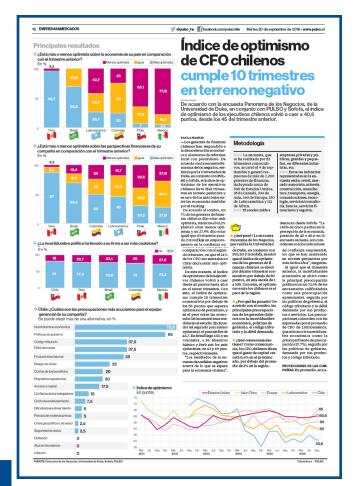
### Economic Indicators Comparison Cross Countries in This Quarter





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## Empresários brasileiros são mais otimistas

Pesquisa mostra que diretores financeiros brasileiros estão mais confiantes no desempenho da economia do que os colegas da Ásia, da Europa e dos EUA

#### Luiz Guilherme Gerhelli

Os empresários brasileiros estão mais otimistas com a economia do que os seus pares no res- estão Ásia (33%), Estados Unitante do mundo. O otimismo dos (22%) e Europa (20%). dos diretores financeiros (CFOs) brasileiros é de 49%, se- em geral estão muito mais otimisgundo a pesquisa Panorama Glo- tas do que o resto do mundo. Esbal dos Negócios realizada pela sa confiança elevada está ligada

túlio Vargas (FGV) e CFO Magazine. Na América Latina, o otimismo é de 38% e, na sequência,

"O Brasil e a América Latina

FGV. Klenio Barbosa e Gledson de Carvalho, autores da pesquisa

em relação ao desempenho da das, esse índice é de 30%. economia, o mesmo não ocorre com a avaliação do funcionamen-

Preocupação. Se há otimismo Nas demais regiões pesquisa-

"O problema do sistema judiciário faz parte do chamado custo da Justica no Brasile na Améri- to Brasil", diz Klenio Barbosa, ca Latina. Para 68% dos direto- também professor da FGV e resres financeiros brasileiros e lati- ponsável pelo estudo. Os proble- no Brasil porque somos grandes no-americanos, o sistema judi- mas apontados são má qualidaciário atual é um entrave para o de dos julgamentos, incertezas desenvolvimento dos negócios. quanto aos procedimentos ado-

Duke University, Fundação Ge- ao crescimento futuro da economia do Brasil", afirma Gledson de Carvalho, professor da Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV) e um dos autores da pesquisa.

Para os próximos 12 meses, os empresários brasileiros esperam um crescimento do emprego de 4,2%. Já os salários pagos deverão ter alta média de 7,6%. tados, demora e custo.

O levantamento também identificou que os empresários brasileiros estão mais suscetíveis a desaceleração das economias europeia e chinesa do que o restante da América Latina. Segundo a pesquisa, 64% das empresas brasileiras estão sendo prejudicadas pelo baixo crescimento da Europa - na América Latina esse medo é de 52%.

Em relação ao desempenho da economia asiática, a preocupação com os efeitos de um crescimento menor é de 47% no Brasil e de 40% na América Latina.

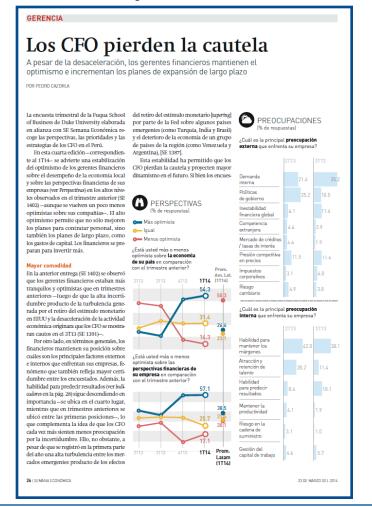
"A Ásia começa a dar sinais de um crescimento mais baixo e isso causa uma preocupação grande produtores de commodities, e os países asiáticos são um dos grandes comparadores", diz Carvalho.



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