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The analysis presented in this edition of the Report concludes that the Colombian financial system continues to maintain adequate capital and liquidity levels that are not only above the regulatory minimums, but, in the aggregate, would even be sufficient to face the materialization of extreme low-probability risks.



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I. Performance of Credit Institutions (CIs)

- CIs in Colombia have adequate capital and liquidity levels to face risk materialization, both at the individual and consolidated levels.
- As of the third quarter of 2024, total assets and the gross loan portfolio of CIs continued to contract, although at a slower pace. The contraction in the loan portfolio is explained by the recovery in disbursements, in an environment of declining interest rates and a recovery in credit demand.
- Compared to the first quarter of 2024, the loan portfolio reported a decline in non-performing loans, although default levels remain high compared to their recent history.
- The profitability of CIs slightly increased during the second and third quarters of 2024, mainly due to higher income from investment valuation.



II. Exposure of the Financial System to Households

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- The share of household debt to disposable income continued to decrease during the third quarter of 2024, in line with the real contraction of the household loan portfolio (consumer and housing) and income growth.
 - Over the last six months, the non-performing loan indicator of the household loan portfolio decreased due to a lower deterioration in the consumer loan portfolio.
 - Banks remain restrictive in granting new consumer and housing loans, although the proportion of institutions that reduced their requirements slightly increased in the third quarter of 2024.



III. Exposure of the Financial System to the Corporate Sector

- During the first half of 2024, corporate sector debt increased slightly as a share of GDP.
- Non-performing loans to the private corporate sector increased throughout 2024 in most sectors, notably in commerce, construction, and manufacturing, and especially in the credit operations of small and medium-sized enterprises.



IV. Non-Bank Financial Institutions (NBFIs)

- The growth in total assets of the financial system recorded in August 2024 was driven by the performance of the portfolio managed by NBFIs, especially by pension and severance fund managers.
- The profitability of NBFIs in the proprietary position recovered after reporting a negative trend

during the first four months of 2024.

- The assets managed by open-end collective investment funds (FICASPP in Spanish) grew significantly throughout 2024.



V. Exposure of the Financial System to Market Risk

- Financial institutions made significant purchases of public debt instruments during 2024, which increases their vulnerability to adverse movements in sovereign risk premiums and local financial markets.



VI. Stress Tests

- The results of the stress tests suggest that, at the aggregate level, credit institutions have sufficient equity capacity to absorb potential losses resulting from a hypothetical, adverse, and unlikely scenario. Similarly, open-end collective investment funds are resilient to extreme hypothetical shocks of capital withdrawals.



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