September 2009's monthly index of economic activity,
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According to preliminary information, in September the Imacec dropped 1.1% from the same month a year ago. The seasonally-adjusted series decreased 0.3% with respect to the previous month, while the cyclical trend series recorded an annualized expansion of 1.8%. The month came with one more working day than September 2008.

The result of the month reflected the drop in manufacturing activity, partly offset by increases in the mining and retail sectors.

In line with the pre-established, public schedule for the disclosure of national accounts, preliminary GDP figures corresponding to the third quarter of 2009, as well as revisions to first- and second-quarter accounts, will be published next 18 November.