

Analysis of the Real Estate Credit Portfolio and Market in Colombia - Special Financial Stability Reports - Second Half 2022

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In a macroeconomic context of high inflation and high interest rates, demand for new housing units has weakened while supply has shown slight signs of recovery. This has reduced the pressures on new housing prices that have been reported in previous editions of this report. When considering a price index that controls for the characteristics of residential units, prices keep rising after adjusting for inflation. Additionally, there was a lower dynamic in credit disbursements for home acquisition, in line with a lower willingness to purchase these assets. In particular, credit disbursements for home acquisition of non-low-income housing (non-VIS) showed a lower growth rate, while the low-income housing (VIS in Spanish) segment continued to show a growing dynamic. In turn, credit disbursements for housing construction maintained a positive growth rate. In terms of interest rates, both home acquisition and housing construction credit disbursements moved in the same direction, in line with a higher monetary policy rate.