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The southeast region's economy showed mixed results. Oil production declined in annual terms due to lower activity in the main fields and operational interruptions, within the context of oversupply and weak demand, which put downward pressure on prices. Agricultural activity contracted due to reduced planted areas and low prices, while livestock activity grew due to higher consumption and greater availability of animals. As for construction, the effectively constructed area continued to decline. Meanwhile, domestic trade increased due to higher household spending. In Villavicencio, unemployment decreased, although informality increased, and inflation rose due to higher prices for unregulated goods and processed foods.

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Oil production in the southeast region declined due to lower activity in major fields and operational interruptions within the context of hydrocarbon oversupply and weak demand, which put downward pressure on prices. Even so, the *Castilla* field showed progress thanks to new technologies, data analysis, and planning.



Agricultural production fell due to reduced planted areas and low prices, although palm oil processing increased thanks to better weather conditions and cultivation practices. Livestock activity expanded, driven by higher demand and greater availability of cattle and pigs.



The construction sector showed signs of recovery in the permitted floor area, although deterioration persisted in the effectively constructed area due to fewer non-residential square meters in Yopal and Villavicencio. Regarding new housing, sales increased thanks to departmental subsidies for down payments and improved credit conditions.



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