

# ANZ-ROY MORGAN AUSTRALIAN CONSUMER CONFIDENCE MEDIA RELEASE

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#### HEADLINE CONSUMER CONFIDENCE EASES SLIGHTLY

- ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence slipped 0.7% last week to 112.6, a touch under its long term average of 112.9. The details were broadly negative, with four out of five sub-indices showing falls.
- The one sub-index improving was the outlook on economic conditions next year, which rose 2.1%, partially offsetting the previous week's 4.5% fall. Meanwhile, consumers were more pessimistic about longer-term future economic conditions; this sub-index slipped 2.8% last week to its lowest value in eight weeks.
- Views about current financial conditions eased slightly (0.5%) last week, after a solid 5.3% jump the previous week. The outlook for future financial conditions fell for the third straight week, bringing the index down to its lowest point in 11 weeks.
- The 'time to buy a major household item' index slipped 0.5% to 132.1 and remains below its long term average of 133.8.
- The weekly value for inflation expectations fell to 4.3% last week after remaining stable at 4.5% for the previous four weeks.

### ANZ'S HEAD OF AUSTRALIAN ECONOMICS, DAVID PLANK, COMMENTED

"It is encouraging to see that households' views towards their current finances remain above the long term average, suggesting that broadly they have been able to weather the pressure on their wallets caused by the jump in energy prices – though not without some hit to retail sales. But, given limited wage gains, slowing house-price growth and an already low savings rate, consumers are increasingly less certain about the future, as reflected in the recent downtrend in future conditions. A similar story holds true for the economic conditions sub-indices.

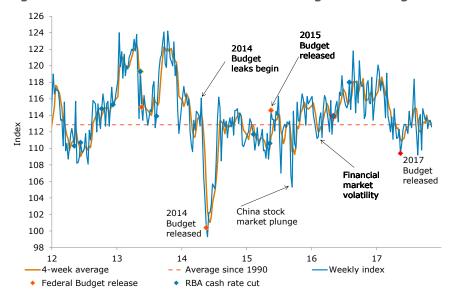
Broadly, consumer confidence continues to track around its long term average supported by still accommodative monetary conditions and a strong labour market. Next week's employment and wage price index release are likely to influence confidence in the coming weeks."

Figure 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

Last week (4-5 Nov)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)	
112.6	-0.7%	112.9	112.9	4.5%	

Data collected last weekend (Saturday and Sunday), based on around 1,000 face-to-face interviews. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 5.

Figure 2. Confidence treads water around long term average



Index 100 Consumer confidence: financial situation compared to a year ago – Average -4 week moving average

Figure 3. Current financial conditions remain above their long term average...



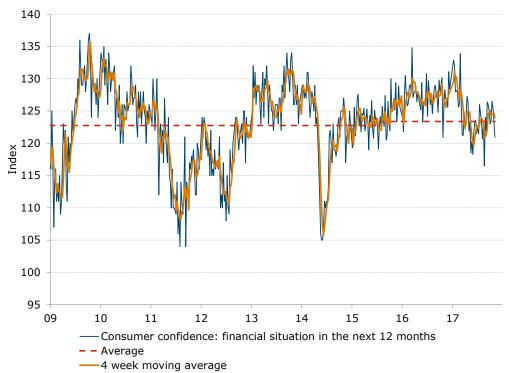


Figure 5. Households are reasonably optimistic about economic conditions in the next 12 months...

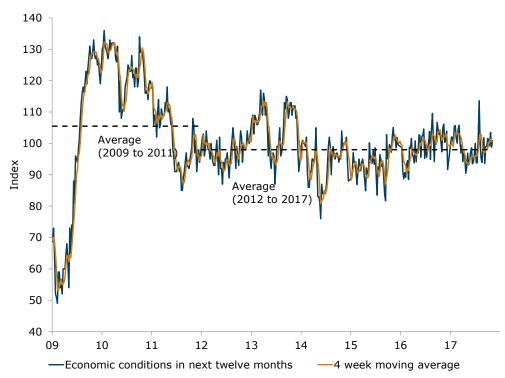
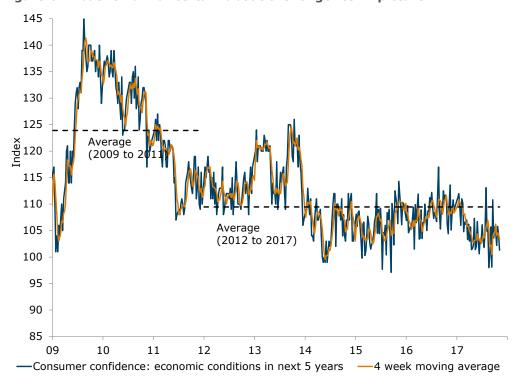


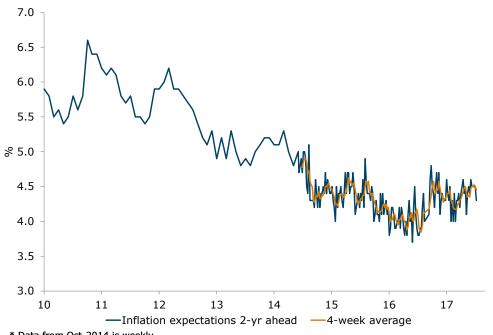
Figure 6. ...but remain uncertain about the longer term picture



Y 135 130 -ANZ-RM consumer confidence: time to buy a major household item Long term average -4 week moving average

Figure 7. Index on 'good time to buy a major item' slipped 0.5% last week

Figure 8. Four-week moving average inflation expectations stable at 4.5%



\* Data from Oct-2014 is weekly. Data prior to that is monthly.

Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

Table 1.	Headline index Subindicies Inflation Expectation:								
	Last week	4-week	1. Financial situation compared to a year ago	2. Financial situation next year	3. Economic conditions next year	4. Economic conditions next 5 years	5. Time to buy a major household item	6. Inflation expectations 2-year ahead (%)	
Avg since			100		105		425		
2001 2010 avg	116 124	-	102 101	124 127	105 124	114 130	135 139	- 5.7	
2011 avg 2012 avg	114 113	-	97 99	117 118	101 97	116 113	140 138	6.0 5.8	
2012 avg 2013 avg	113	-	104	128	106	113	139	5.0	
2014 avg 2015 avg	111 112	-	104 107	121 124	94 94	106 106	132 131	4.9 4.4	
2015 avg 2016 avg	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1	
3-Jan-16 10-Jan-16	116.3 114.1	115.2 115.5	113.3 102.1	124.0 121.8	98.9 98.6	106.9 109.7	138.7 138.3	4.3 4.5	
17-Jan-16 24-Jan-16	113.2 112.2	114.8 114.0	110.9 108.6	127.6 130.5	91.2 88.7	104.6 105.1	131.9 127.9	4.4 4.0	
31-Jan-16	111.2	112.7	105.5	127.5	90.7	105.8	126.8	4.1	
7-Feb-16 14-Feb-16	111.4 113.6	112.0 112.1	106.4 107.7	125.8 126.1	89.2 93.3	105.3 107.0	130.3 134.1	4.3 4.1	
21-Feb-16 28-Feb-16	114.3 111.3	112.6 112.7	110.0 107.0	128.6 129.1	94.5 88.5	109.4 101.5	128.8 130.4	4.1 4.0	
6-Mar-16	114.8	113.5	106.2	127.9	98.8	109.9	131.7	4.4	
13-Mar-16 20-Mar-16	116.4 116.0	114.2 114.6	110.2 110.6	134.8 127.1	98.4 101.6	106.5 109.4	132.4 131.2	4.1 4.4	
27-Mar-16	114.5	115.4	106.1	127.8	96.5	111.9	130.1	4.1	
3-Apr-16 10-Apr-16	113.4 112.0	115.1 114.0	108.9 102.9	128.0 128.8	95.7 93.8	103.4 103.5	130.8 131.0	4.2 4.3	
17-Apr-16	115.8	113.9	106.9	126.4	100.8	108.9	135.9	4.1	
24-Apr-16 1-May-16	111.7 113.9	113.2 113.4	103.4 106.4	128.0 126.8	94.1 98.1	103.5 106.5	129.7 131.7	4.2 3.8	
8-May-16 15-May-16	113.9 115.1	113.8 113.7	105.6 103.7	126.0 125.2	96.9 102.8	106.5 110.0	134.6 133.7	3.9 4.2	
22-May-16	115.7	114.7	105.1	129.4	102.4	107.6	134.0	4.2	
29-May-16 5-Jun-16	113.2 116.8	114.5 115.2	105.8 106.3	123.3 126.4	95.6 102.3	105.0 108.7	136.5 140.2	4.1 3.9	
12-Jun-16	116.4	115.5	108.1	126.0	102.6	108.6	137.0	3.9	
19-Jun-16 26-Jun-16	118.8 116.8	116.3 117.2	111.4 108.8	127.4 130.8	104.6 95.2	111.2 110.3	139.2 139.0	4.0 4.0	
3-Jul-16	115.8	117.0	107.1	124.2	99.7	112.2	135.6	4.2	
10-Jul-16 17-Jul-16	115.2 114.9	116.7 115.7	107.4 107.6	129.7 127.4	95.6 98.6	109.2 107.3	133.9 133.4	3.9 4.2	
24-Jul-16 31-Jul-16	115.5 118.0	115.4 115.9	105.5 112.7	126.0 127.6	100.1 103.8	108.4 107.8	137.3 138.1	4.1 3.9	
7-Aug-16	114.7	115.9	109.6	124.6	94.9	107.8	137.6	3.8	
14-Aug-16 21-Aug-16	117.6 121.8	116.5 118.0	109.5 110.9	126.7 128.5	104.0 109.6	111.6 117.0	136.1 143.0	4.0 3.8	
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4-Sep-16 11-Sep-16	114.3 118.1	118.0 118.2	110.0 111.8	127.5 127.1	94.2 101.8	105.3 110.1	134.7 139.9	4.3 4.0	
18-Sep-16	115.5	116.6	109.8	124.8	100.7	108.6	133.5	4.1	
25-Sep-16 2-Oct-16	120.6 117.9	117.1 118.0	115.7 112.6	129.8 128.0	106.7 104.5	112.5 110.9	138.5 133.3	3.7 4.2	
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