

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence reverses

- After gaining 4.2% in the previous reading, ANZ-Roy Morgan consumer confidence fell 2.1% last week. All the subindices fell except the 'time to buy a major household item'.
- Financial conditions subindices were down significantly and have been volatile for the last few weeks. Current finances were down 4.7% while future finances lost 5.0%.
- Current economic conditions fell 1.7%, while future economic conditions lost 1.1% after gaining 4.2% in the previous reading.
- 'Time to buy a household item' continued to recover after falling to a 10-year low in recent weeks, although it remains below its long term average.
- Inflation expectations inched higher by 0.1 ppt to 4.1%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

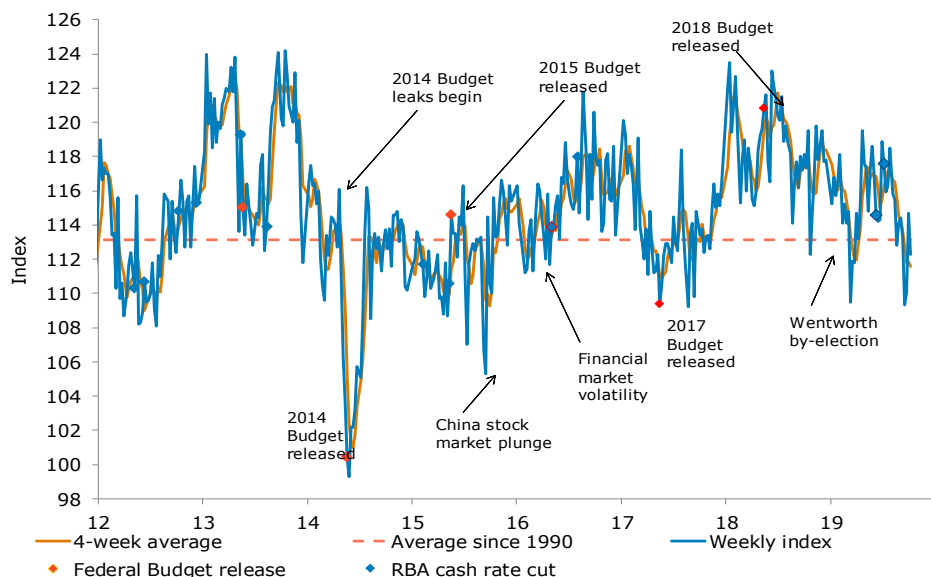
Last week (28-29 Sep)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (4-week ma)
112.3	-2.1%	111.6	113.1	4.1%

Data collected last weekend (Saturday and Sunday), based on around 1,000 face-to-face interviews. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Senior Economist, Felicity Emmett, commented:

"Last week's bounce in ANZ-Roy Morgan consumer confidence wasn't sustained and sentiment is now back below the long term average. Ongoing concerns about the medium term outlook are weighing down sentiment, although consumers continue to feel okay about their current financial circumstances. This divergence in thinking possibly explains the modest bounce in retail sales reported last week: consumers recognise the impact of tax and interest rate cuts on their budgets, but are worried about the outlook, and so unwilling to splash the cash. The RBA is likely to be disappointed about the inability for either confidence or spending to lift materially despite significant monetary and fiscal stimulus."

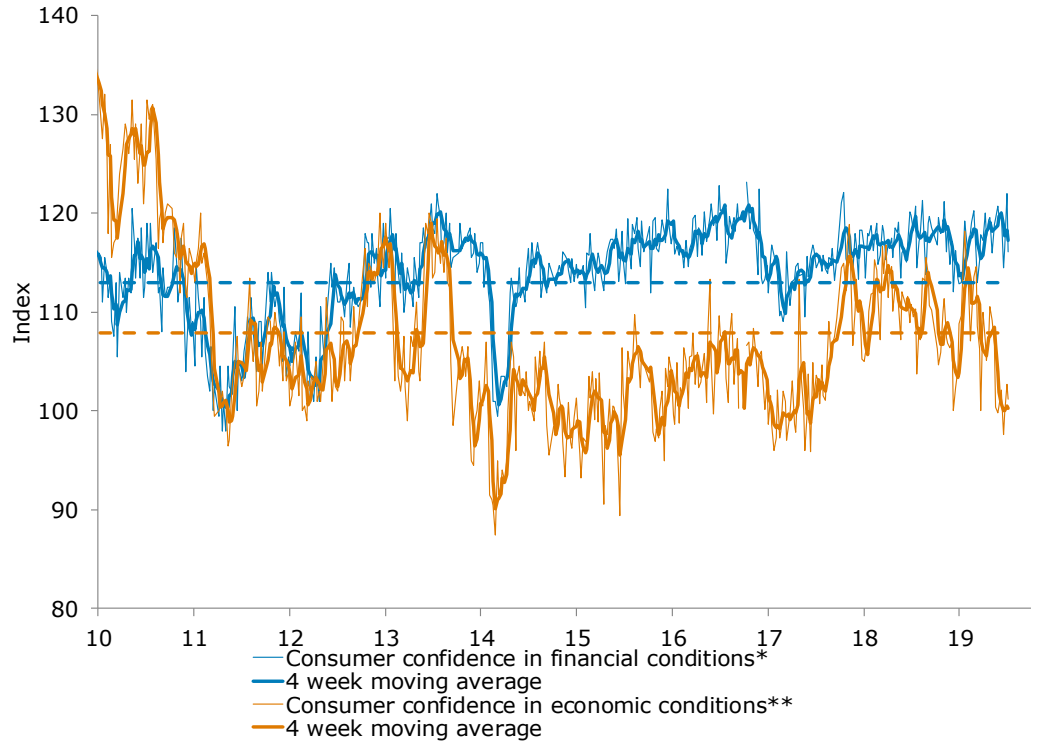
Confidence down 2.1%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



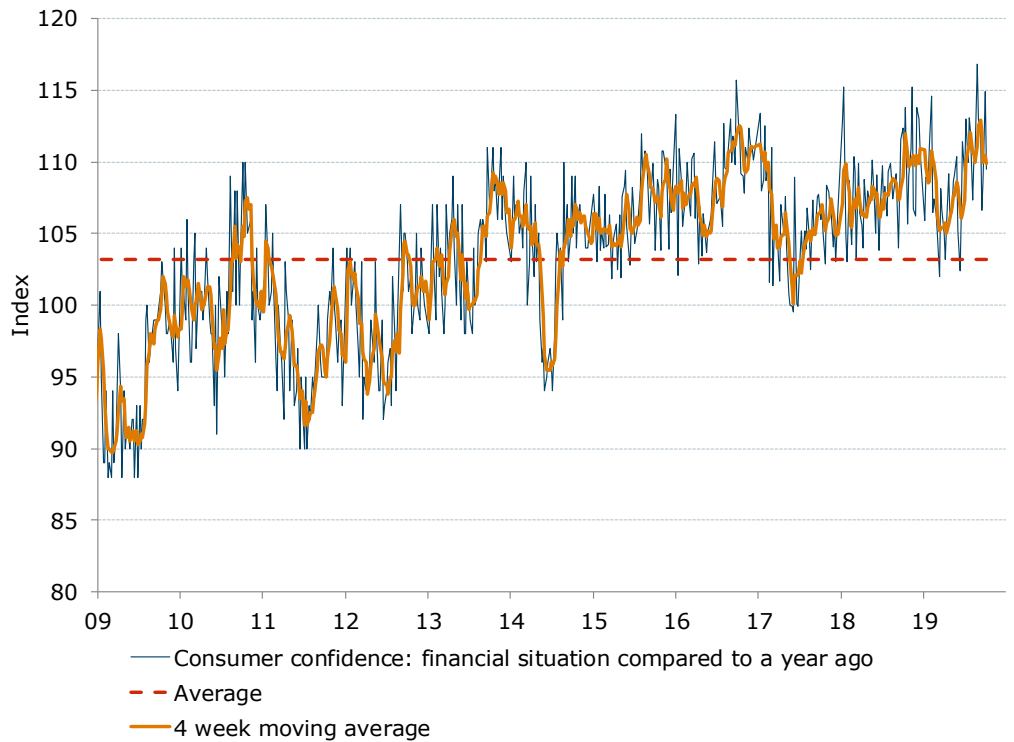
Figure 1. Financial and economic conditions down significantly



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Note: Financial conditions index is an average of 'financial situation compared to a year ago' and 'financial situation next year' sub-indices. Economic conditions index is an average of 'economic conditions in 12 months' and 'economic conditions in five years' sub-indices.

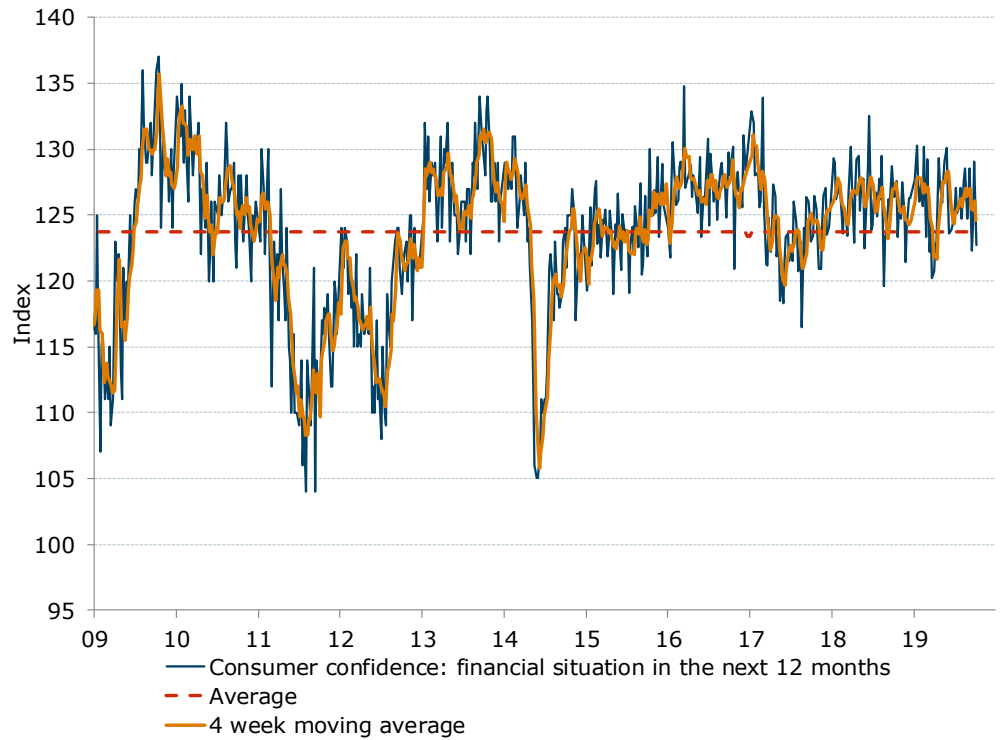
Figure 2. 'Current finances' fell 4.7% last week



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

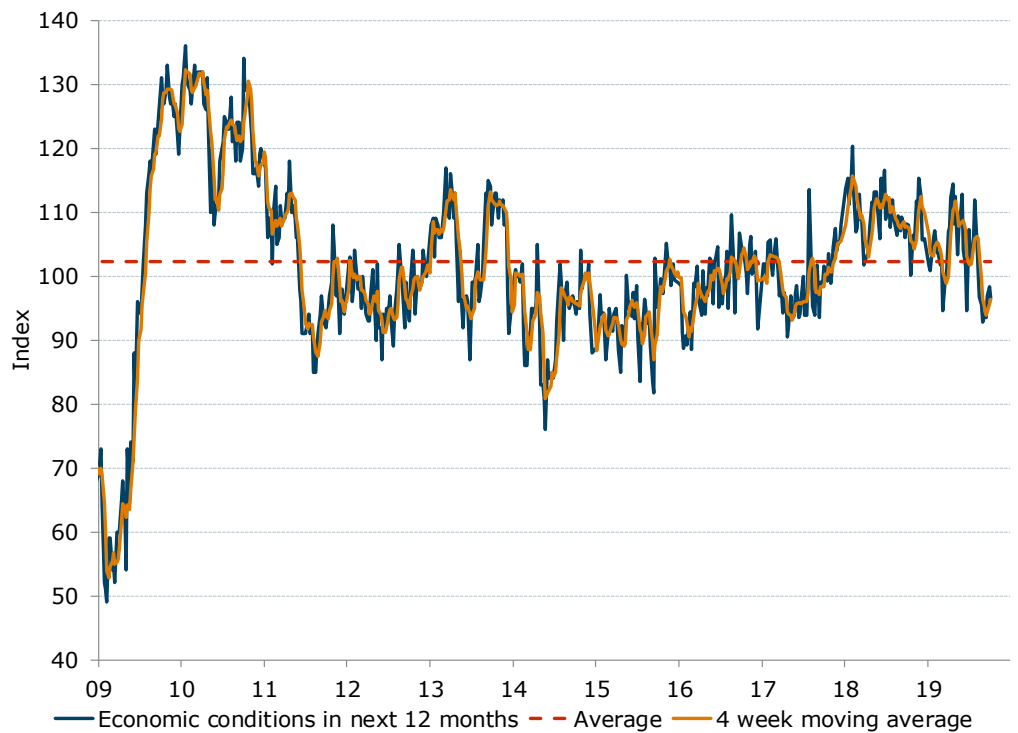


Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' also lost 5%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

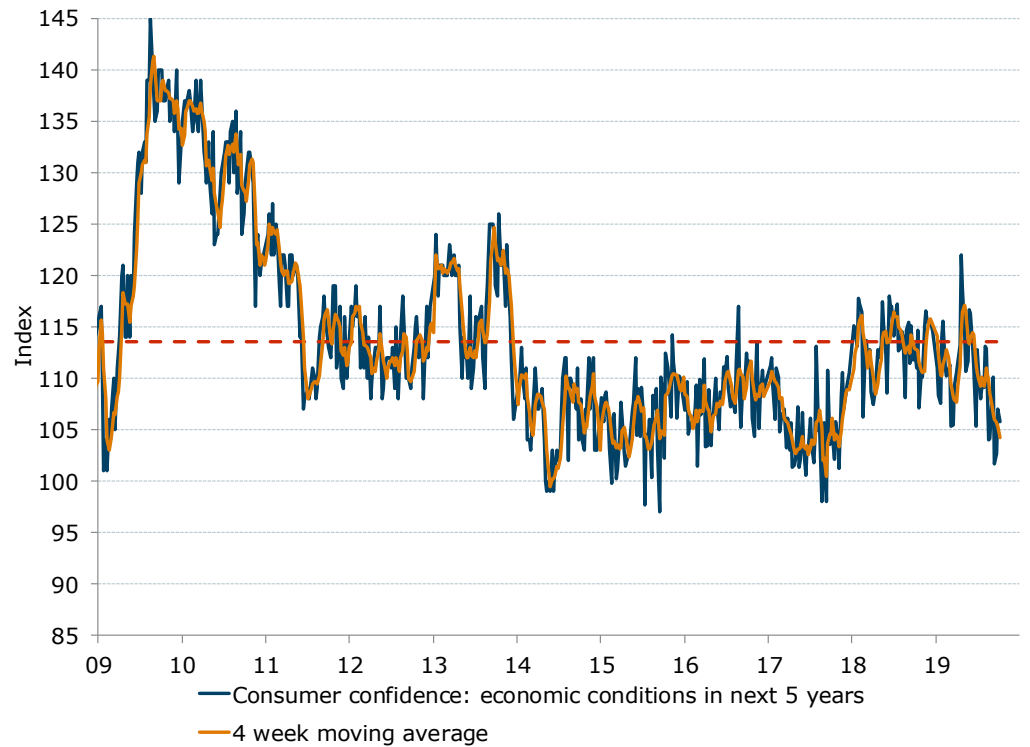
Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' were also in the negative



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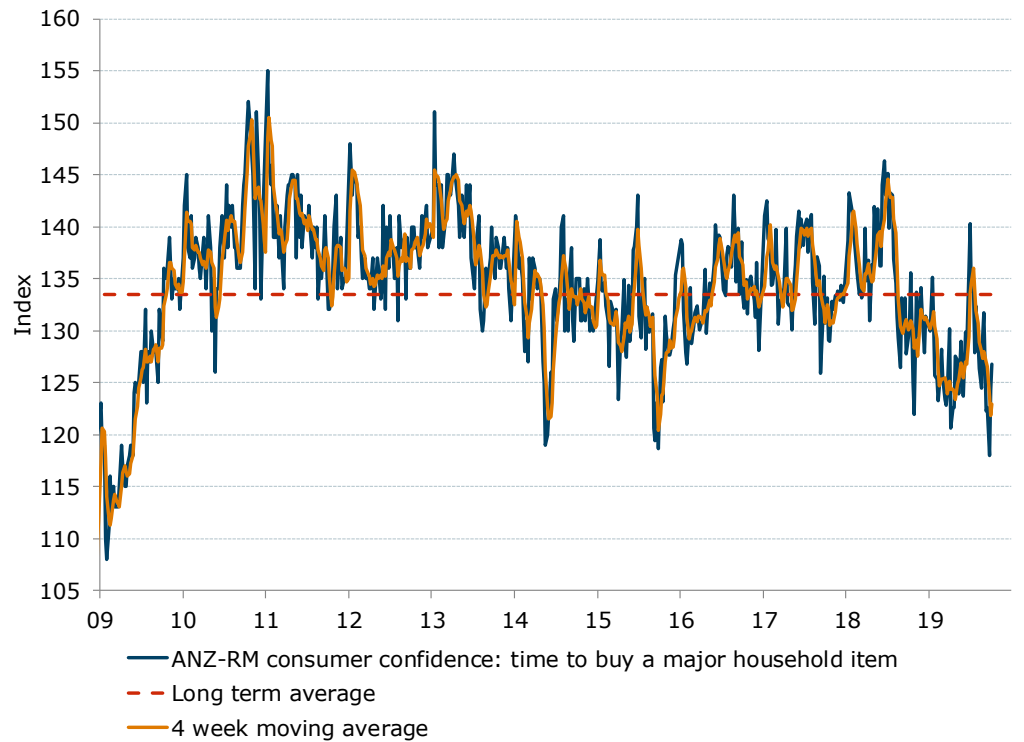


Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' lost 1.1% after gaining 4.2% in the previous week



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

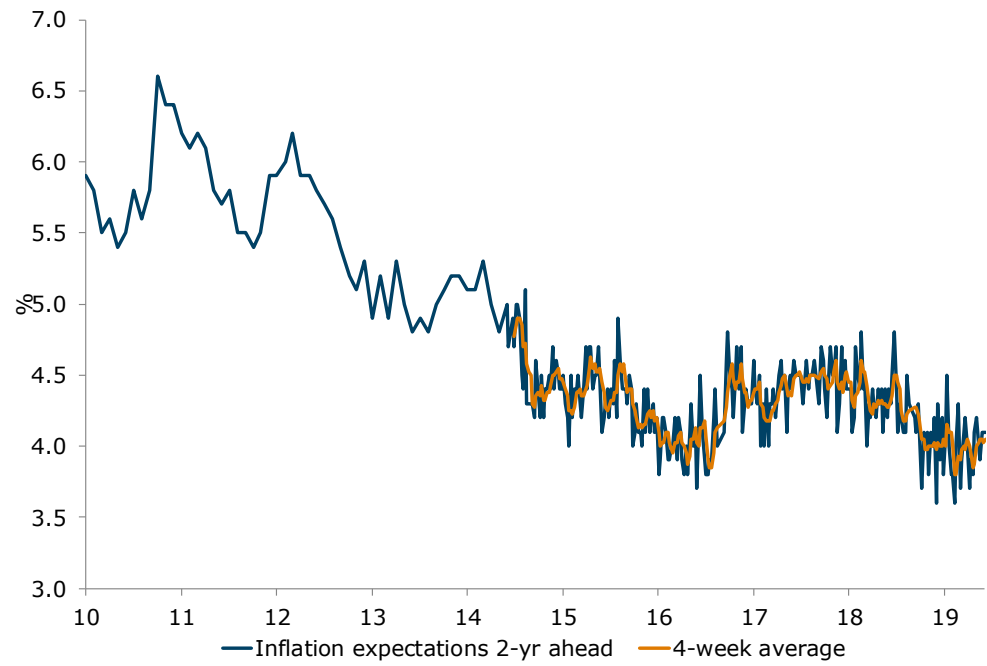
Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item improved again, but remains well below its long run average.'



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Figure 7. Four-week moving average inflation expectations gained 0.1 ppt



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

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Data table

Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline index		Subindices				Inflation Expectations	
	Last week	4-week moving average	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 2001	116	-	103	124	105	114	134	-
2011 avg	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0
2012 avg	113	-	99	118	97	113	138	5.8
2013 avg	119	-	104	128	106	118	139	5.0
2014 avg	111	-	104	121	94	106	132	4.9
2015 avg	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4
2016 avg	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1
2017 avg	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4
2018 avg	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
28-Oct-18	114.6	115.9	109.0	125.2	106.4	110.5	121.9	4.4
4-Nov-18	116.8	115.8	110.9	124.7	104.4	110.1	133.7	4.1
11-Nov-18	119.8	115.9	115.2	127.5	111.7	115.1	129.5	4.3
18-Nov-18	117.8	117.3	106.7	125.2	109.9	116.6	130.7	4.2
25-Nov-18	118.6	118.3	106.2	121.4	115.4	115.7	134.1	4.1
2-Dec-18	119.5	118.9	113.8	124.2	112.5	115.3	131.6	4.1
9-Dec-18	117.7	118.4	113.0	126.3	105.7	115.6	127.9	4.5
16-Dec-18	117.8	118.4	110.7	126.3	105.9	114.6	131.4	4.3
6-Jan-19	115.2	117.6	105.9	127.7	101.5	111.0	130.0	4.2
13-Jan-19	116.8	116.9	108.9	130.3	100.9	108.4	135.1	4.1
20-Jan-19	115.7	116.4	108.6	127.2	104.3	107.6	130.8	4.3
27-Jan-19	116.5	116.1	111.0	126.0	106.1	114.0	125.7	4.1
3-Feb-19	118.1	116.8	114.6	127.7	107.1	115.6	125.3	3.7
10-Feb-19	114.1	116.1	106.5	125.7	103.7	111.2	123.3	4.1
17-Feb-19	115.2	116.0	107.4	130.2	103.5	110.3	124.6	4.0
24-Feb-19	114.1	115.4	106.4	123.3	101.8	110.9	128.2	4.1
3-Mar-19	114.8	114.6	105.0	129.2	102.7	111.4	125.5	3.8
10-Mar-19	109.5	113.4	102.0	122.2	94.6	105.4	123.4	4.1
17-Mar-19	111.9	112.6	108.1	124.3	99.1	105.5	122.8	4.0
24-Mar-19	111.8	112.0	106.6	120.2	99.0	109.3	124.0	4.2
31-Mar-19	114.7	112.0	105.0	120.7	107.0	110.7	130.2	3.6
7-Apr-19	113.2	112.9	103.2	122.8	107.7	111.6	120.6	4.3
14-Apr-19	115.3	113.8	105.4	122.9	112.2	113.3	122.6	3.9
21-Apr-19	119.5	115.7	109.2	129.3	114.4	122.0	122.6	4.2
28-Apr-19	117.6	116.4	106.3	127.4	108.1	118.8	127.5	3.8
5-May-19	117.3	117.4	106.5	125.9	112.5	114.5	127.1	4.1
12-May-19	114.8	117.3	108.6	127.6	103.4	110.7	123.9	4.5
19-May-19	117.2	116.7	109.1	129.1	107.3	111.7	129.0	4.0
26-May-19	118.6	117.0	110.4	130.1	110.5	116.7	125.3	3.8
2-Jun-19	116.9	116.9	105.2	126.4	112.8	116.4	123.7	3.8
9-Jun-19	114.6	116.8	102.4	123.6	104.0	113.1	129.8	3.6
16-Jun-19	114.2	116.1	106.4	123.9	101.6	111.0	128.2	4.0
23-Jun-19	114.3	115.0	111.4	124.2	94.6	105.4	136.0	4.3
30-Jun-19	118.9	115.5	109.0	125.5	107.2	112.8	140.3	3.7
7-Jul-19	117.6	116.3	113.0	127.1	103.3	110.9	133.8	3.9
14-Jul-19	115.9	116.7	110.0	125.2	102.3	108.0	133.8	4.1
21-Jul-19	116.3	117.2	113.1	125.6	105.8	109.1	127.9	4.2
28-Jul-19	118.5	117.1	112.1	127.1	111.9	109.1	132.4	4.0
4-Aug-19	115.8	116.6	107.3	124.7	105.1	113.2	128.9	3.7
11-Aug-19	115.5	116.5	110.1	127.7	100.6	112.9	126.3	3.9
18-Aug-19	112.8	115.7	110.3	128.5	96.8	104.0	124.5	3.8
25-Aug-19	114.1	114.6	116.8	124.7	95.4	104.2	129.5	4.1
1-Sep-19	114.4	114.2	113.0	126.3	92.8	108.2	131.7	4.2
8-Sep-19	113.3	113.7	111.7	128.5	94.1	110.1	122.3	4.0
15-Sep-19	109.3	112.8	106.6	122.3	93.5	101.7	122.6	3.9
22-Sep-19	110.1	111.8	108.6	124.3	96.9	102.7	118.0	4.1
29-Sep-19	114.7	111.9	114.9	129.1	98.3	107.0	124.3	4.1
6-Oct-19	112.3	111.6	109.5	122.7	96.6	105.8	126.8	4.1

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