

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence falls to a record low

- Confidence declined by 9.8% over the past week and is now at its lowest level since the inception of this survey in 1973.
- 'Future financial conditions' was the only subcomponent which was positive, gaining 0.6%. 'Current financial conditions' fell 16.1%.
- 'Current economic conditions' declined by 9.5%, following last week's 37% decline. This is by far the weakest component of the survey. 'Future economic conditions' were a bit calmer, falling just 2.4%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' fell the most over the past week, dropping by 23.8%. The four-week moving average for 'inflation expectations' was up by 0.1ppt to 4.1%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

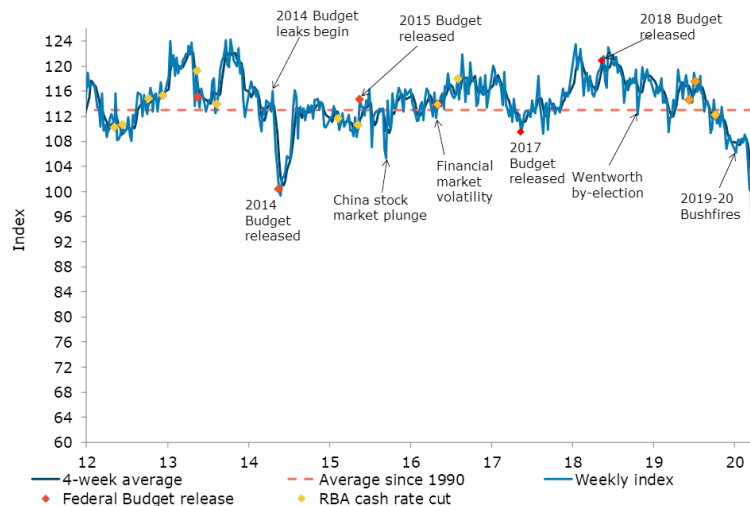
Last weekend (28–29 Mar)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
65.3	-9.6%	84.5	113	4.1%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,508 interviews conducted online and over the telephone on the weekend. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Head of Australian Economics, David Plank, commented:

Sentiment took a further hit over the past week, falling to the lowest ever level in the almost 50-year history of the survey. There were some glimmers of hope. 'Future finances' were up marginally and inflation expectations rose. In fact, there was a sharp uptick in the weekly reading of inflation expectations, which rose to 4.3%. But we aren't getting carried away. 'Current economic conditions' fell more than 9% and are down close to 50% over two weeks, to the lowest ever level. And most other aspects of the survey are exceptionally weak. The announcement of the largest fiscal package yet may stabilise confidence, but much will depend on the how the pandemic evolves.

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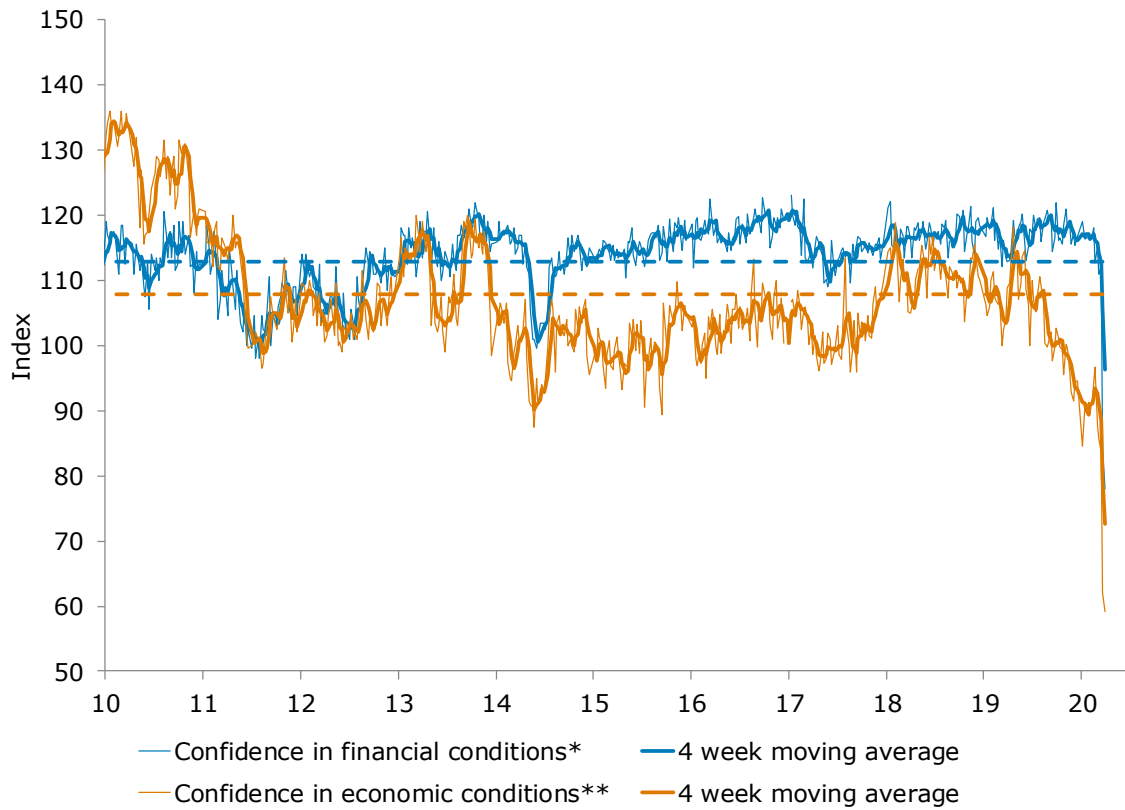


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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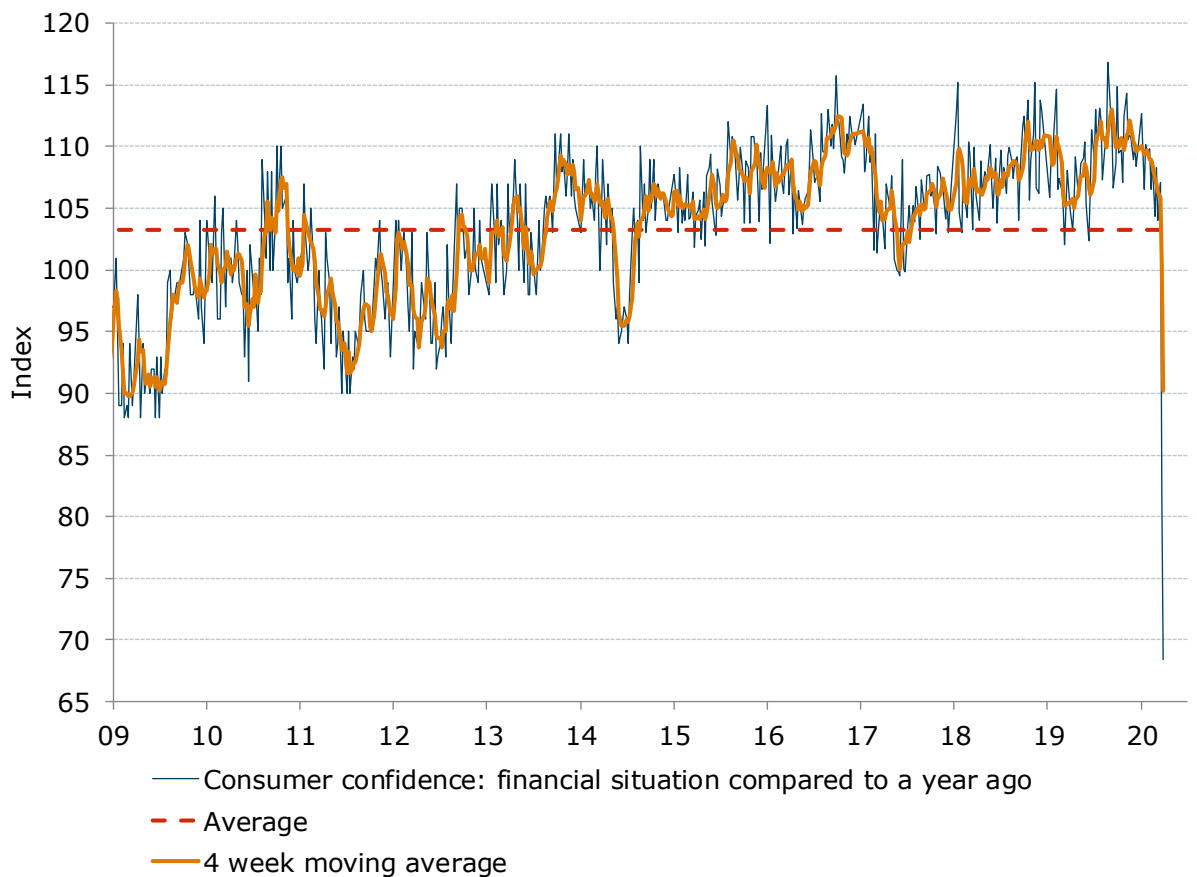
Figure 1. 'Financial' and 'economic' conditions continue to weaken



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' declines by 16.1%

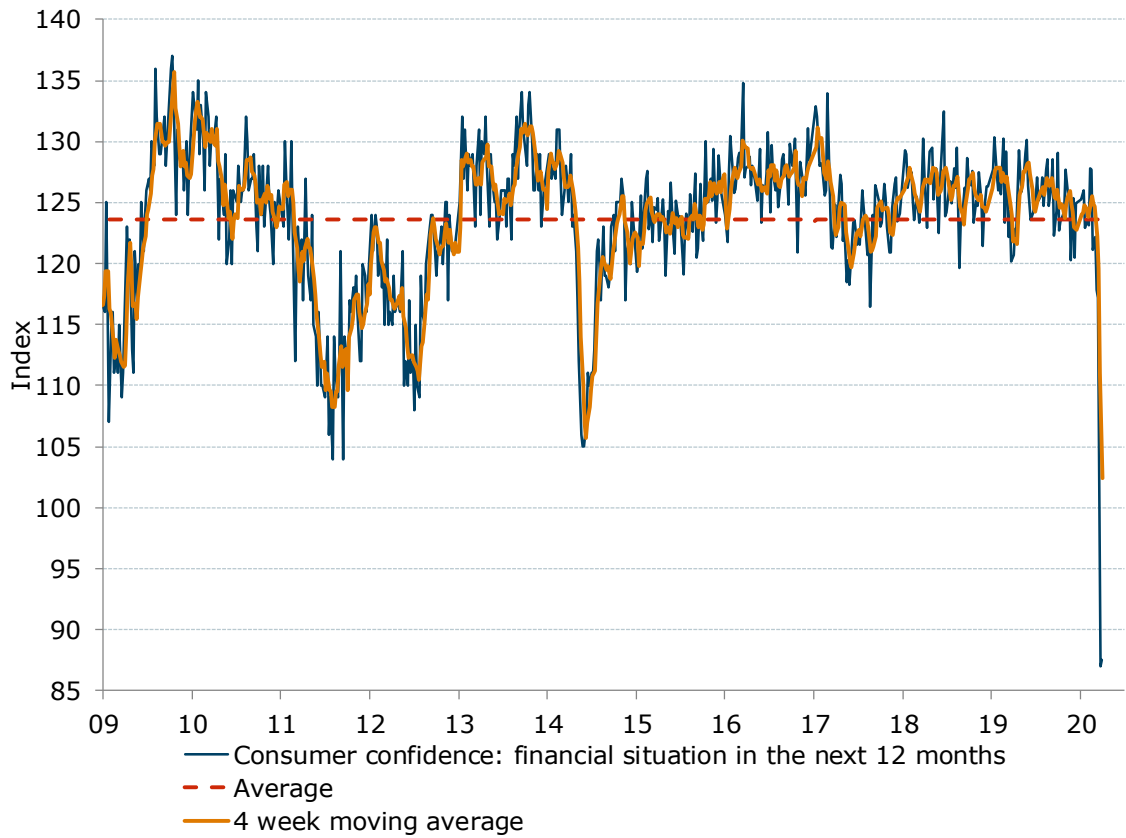


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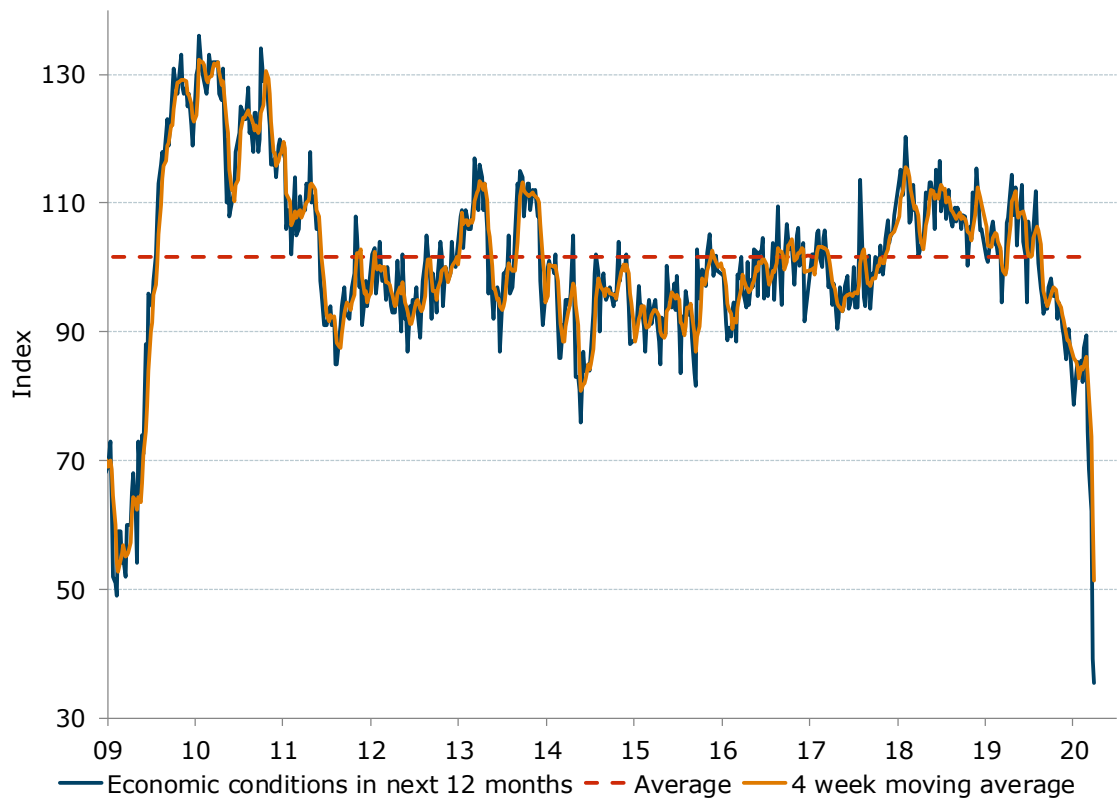
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Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' gain 0.6%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' fall 9.5% compared to 37.1% the previous week

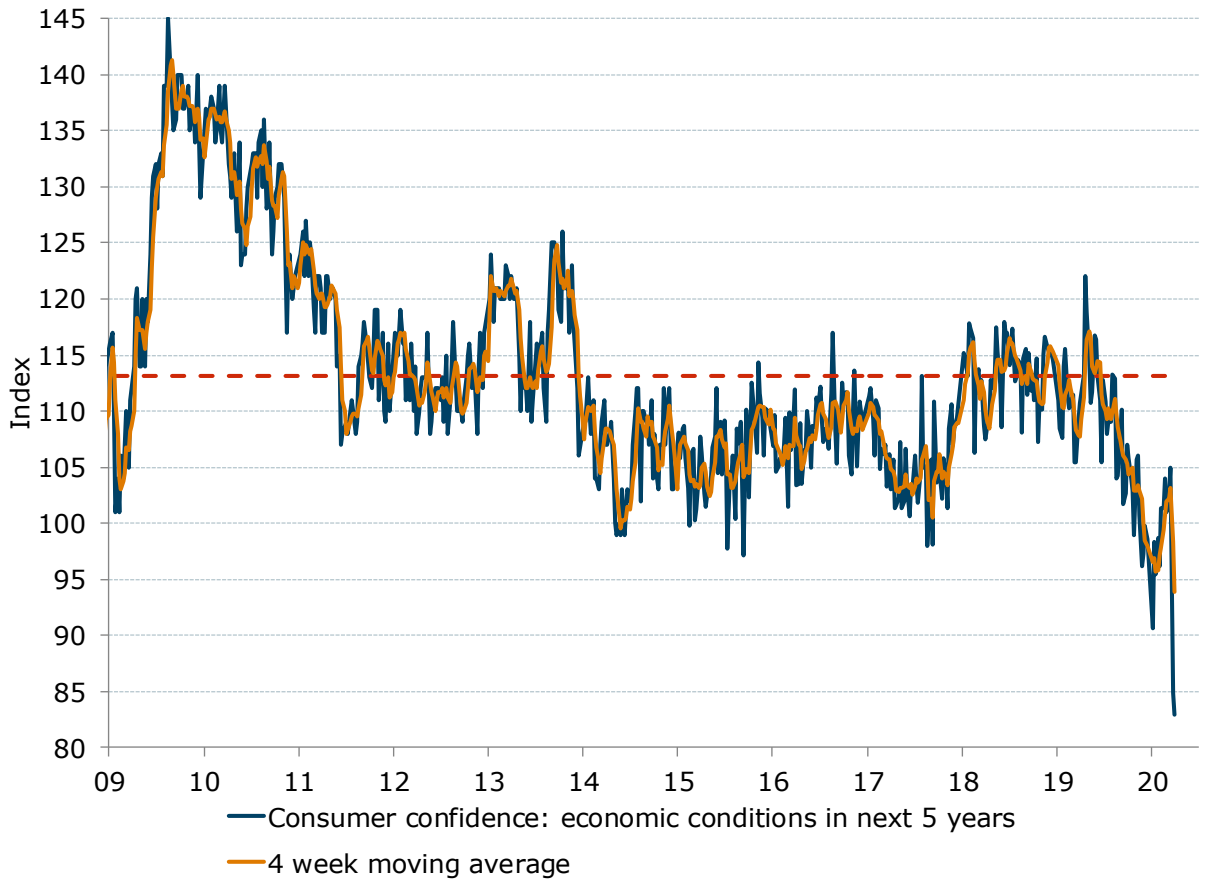


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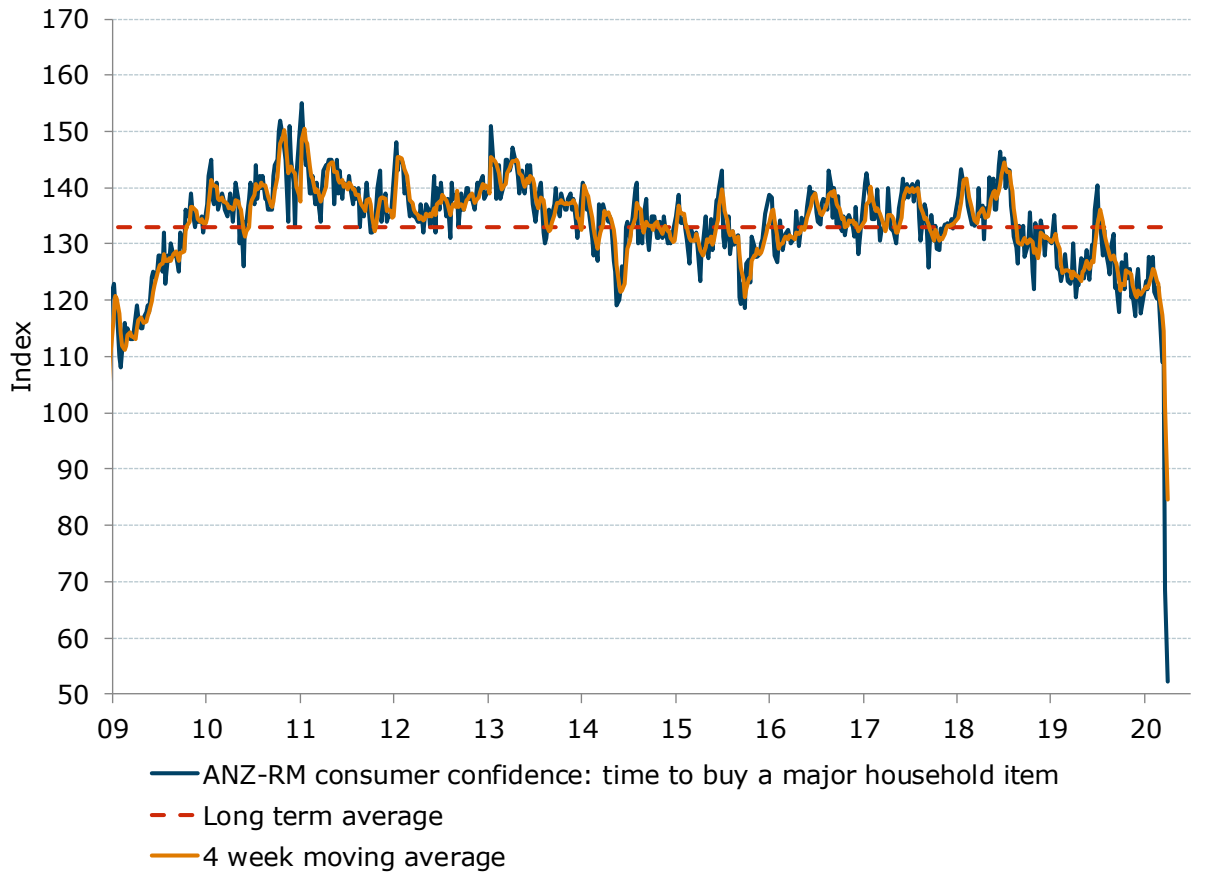
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Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' decline by 2.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' fell the most, dropping 23.8%

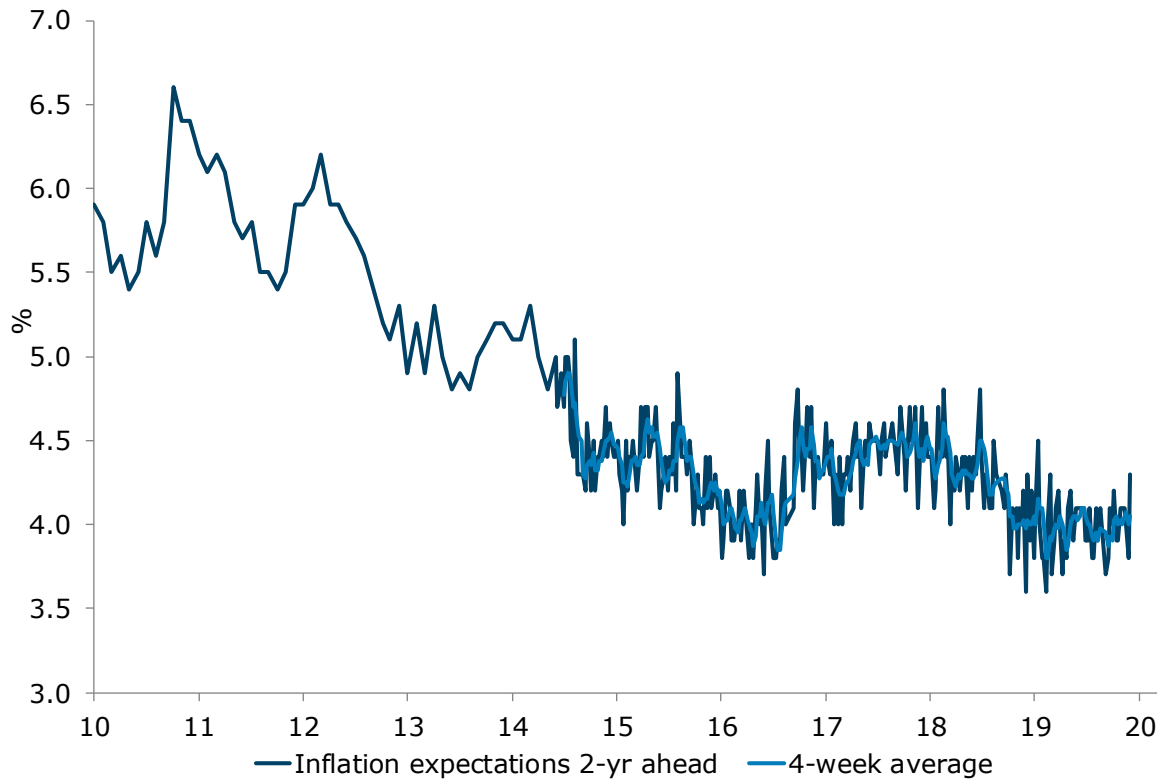


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Figure 7. Four-week moving average 'inflation expectations' up by 0.1ppt to 4.1%



* 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	113	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
2019 avg	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
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
13-Oct-19	110.9	112.0	109.7	123.5	95.6	104.0	121.9	4.1
20-Oct-19	111.6	112.4	107.1	124.0	95.9	102.9	128.1	4.1
27-Oct-19	110.4	111.3	112.5	124.5	92.1	99.0	123.9	3.9
3-Nov-19	113.5	111.6	114.3	127.7	94.5	105.7	125.5	3.9
10-Nov-19	111.1	111.7	110.6	125.6	93.0	106.0	120.6	4.1
17-Nov-19	109.9	111.2	110.9	125.8	90.6	100.8	121.1	3.8
24-Nov-19	106.8	110.3	110.8	120.3	89.4	96.2	117.1	3.8
1-Dec-19	108.1	109.0	109.0	125.4	85.7	97.2	123.3	4.1
8-Dec-19	109.0	108.5	110.1	120.5	89.0	99.8	125.6	3.9
15-Dec-19	108.0	108.0	108.4	124.9	90.4	98.6	117.6	4.1
5-Jan-20	106.2	107.8	112.7	125.3	78.7	90.6	123.3	3.7
12-Jan-20	107.3	107.6	106.5	126.0	83.5	98.4	121.9	3.8
19-Jan-20	108.3	107.5	110.1	122.9	85.3	95.4	127.6	4.1
26-Jan-20	108.0	107.5	109.5	123.5	83.8	98.7	124.5	4.0
2-Feb-20	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2
9-Feb-20	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9
16-Feb-20	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9
23-Feb-20	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1
1-Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
8-Mar-20	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1
15-Mar-20	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0
22-Mar-20	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8
29-Mar-20	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3

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