

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Sharp drop in confidence as restrictions tighten

- Consumer confidence dropped 5.2% last week, its sharpest weekly fall since late March 2020. The fall follows the extension and tightening of the Sydney lockdown and the fifth lockdown in Melbourne. While the decline was sharp, confidence is still well above the levels seen through the first phase of the pandemic in 2020.
- Four out of five of the subindices fell significantly. 'Current financial conditions' was the only component to register a gain of 1.2%, while 'future financial conditions' lost 3.4%.
- 'Current economic conditions' dropped 7.9%, while 'future economic conditions' decreased by 4.5%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' plunged 10.5%. 'Weekly inflation expectations' increased by 0.1ppt to 4.2%, keeping the four-week moving average steady at 4.1%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

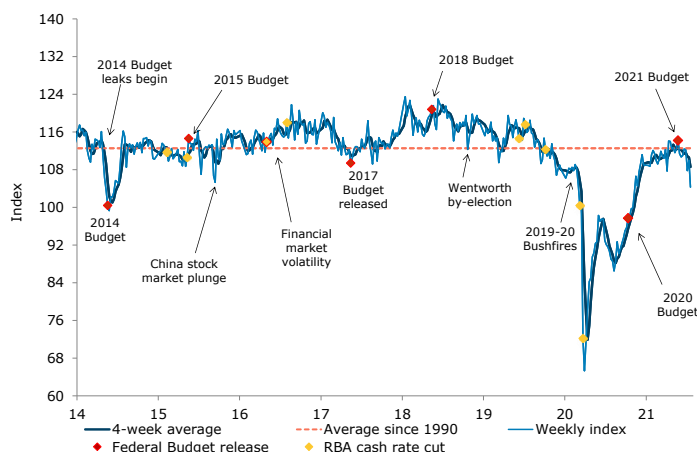
Last weekend (17-18 Jul)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
104.3	-5.2%	108.6	112.6	4.1%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,514 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:

Consumer confidence fell by 5.2% as the lockdown in Sydney was tightened and extended and another lockdown was imposed in Melbourne. Confidence actually dropped the most in Adelaide (-9.5%) and Perth (-8.2%) and was also down sharply in Sydney (-4.8%) and Melbourne (-3.7%). The subindices that capture economic conditions and 'time to buy a major household item' are at their worst levels since early November 2020, highlighting some renewed caution of households – albeit nowhere near the lows seen in the early stage of the pandemic. The four-week moving average for inflation expectations has been at or above the 4.0% mark for the past five weeks, cementing the return to pre-COVID levels.

Figure 1. Confidence down 5.2%

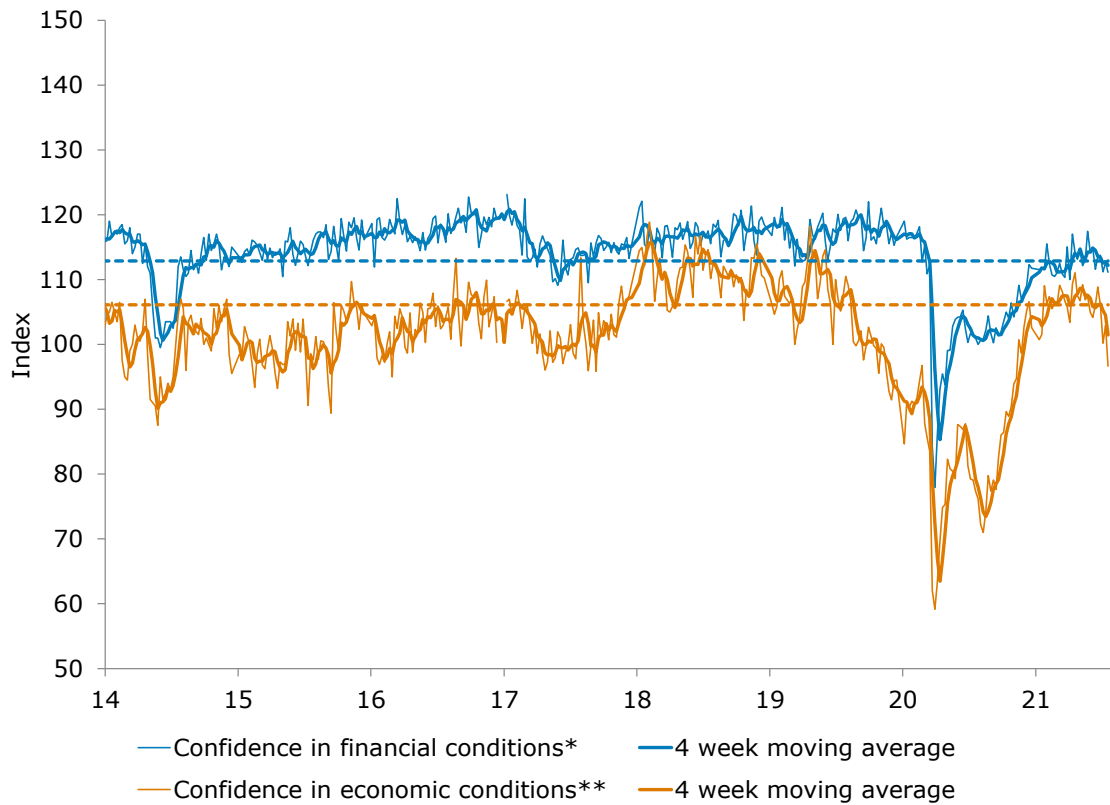


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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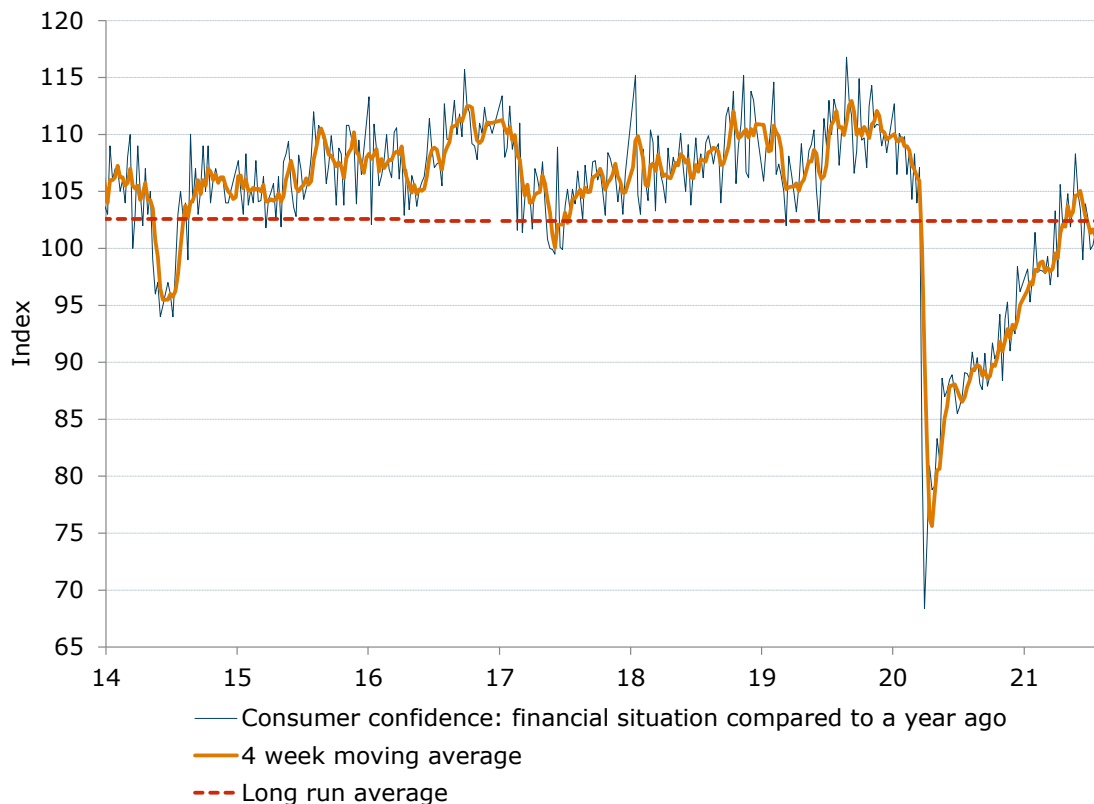
Figure 2. Both financial and economic conditions declined



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 3. 'Current financial conditions' increased by 1.2%

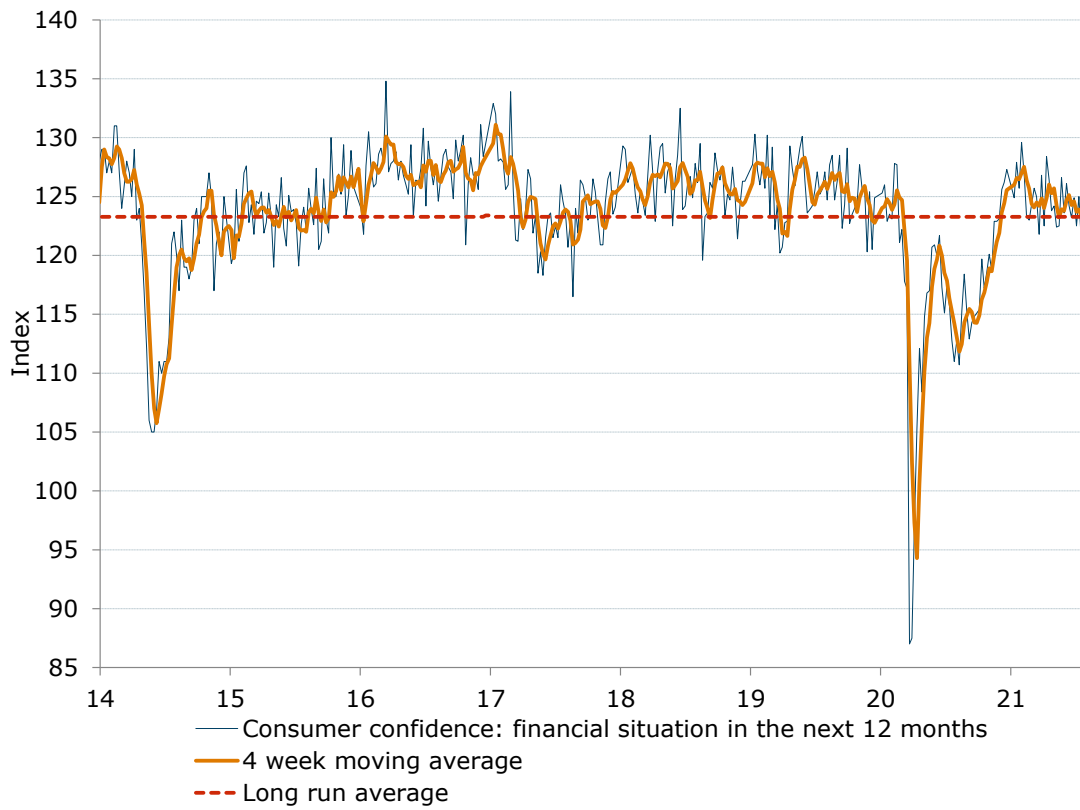


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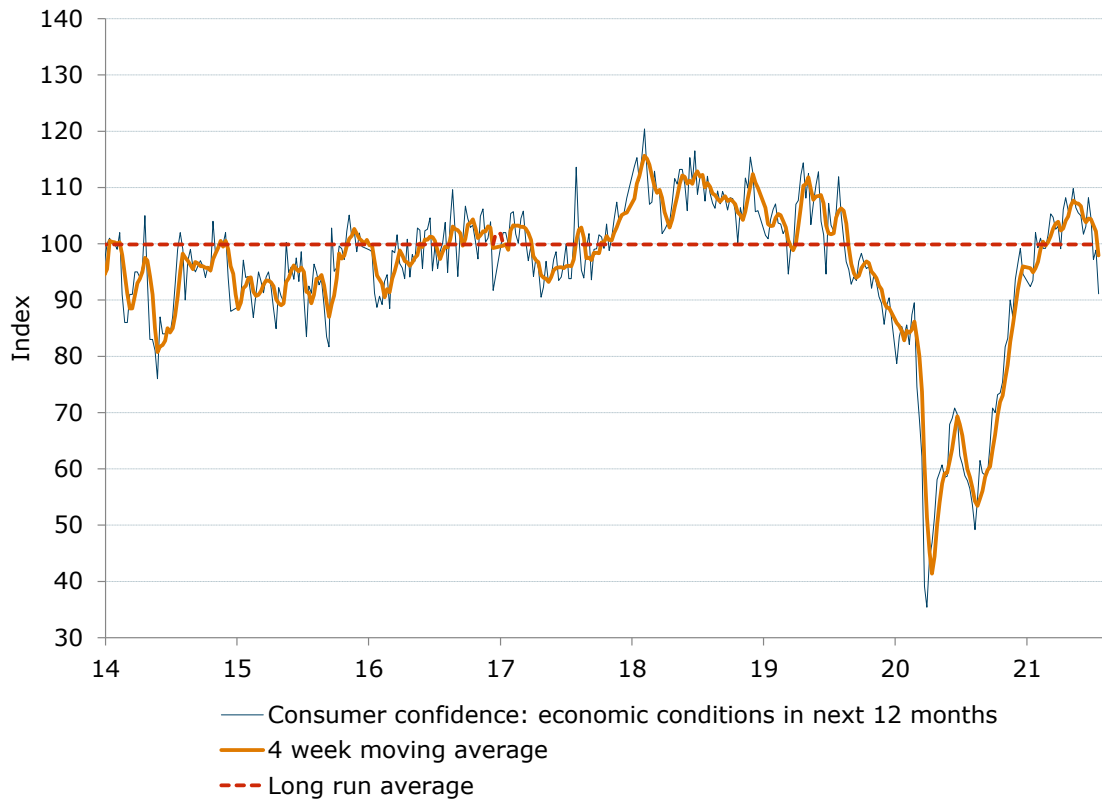
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Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' weakened 3.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' dropped 7.9%

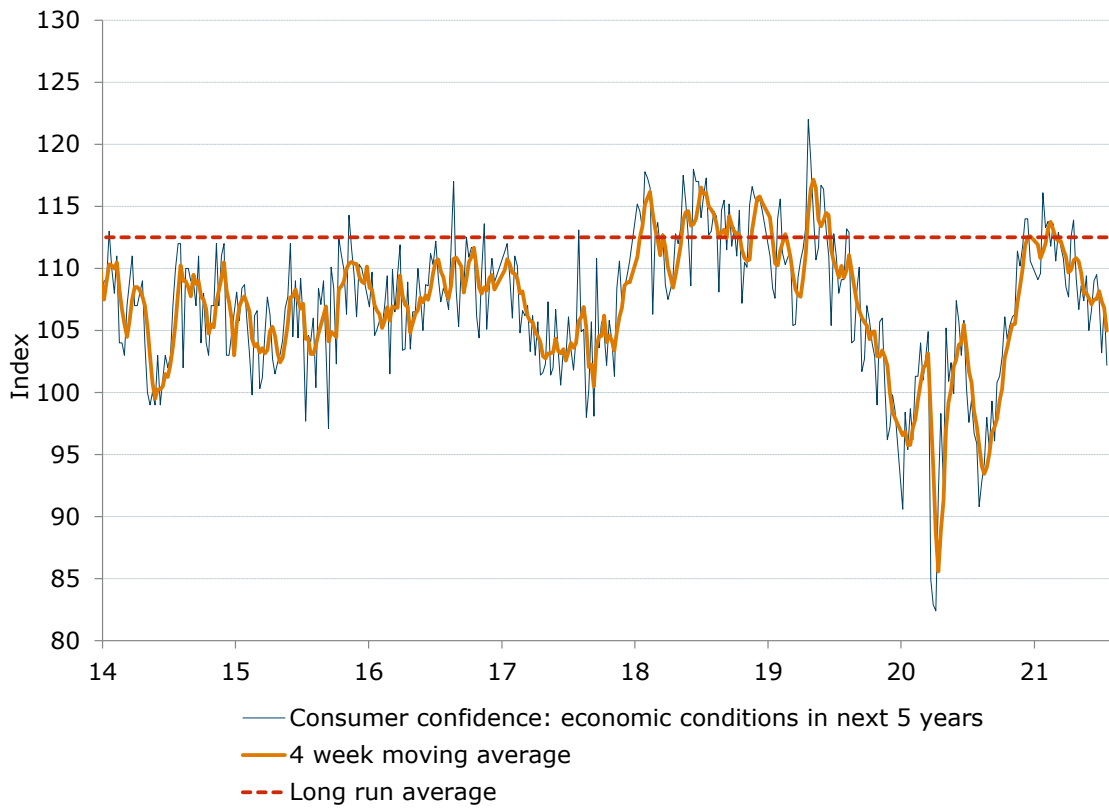


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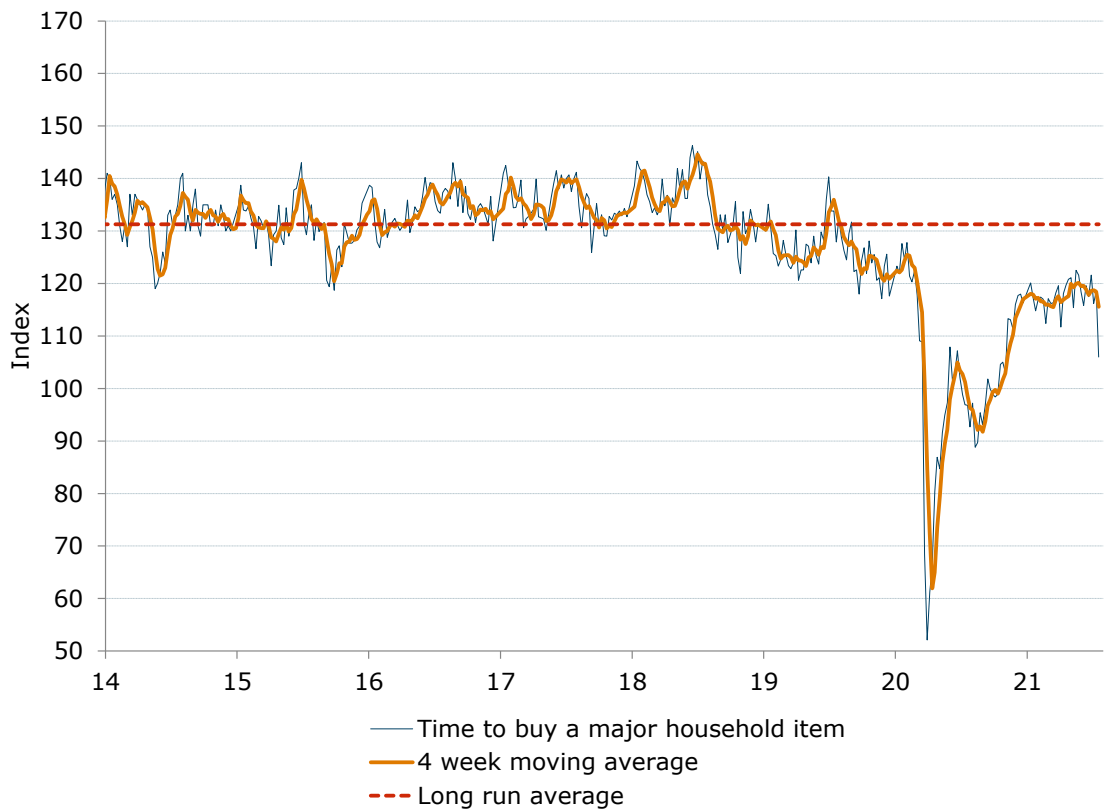
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Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' lost 4.5%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 7. 'Time to buy a major household item' plunged 10.5%

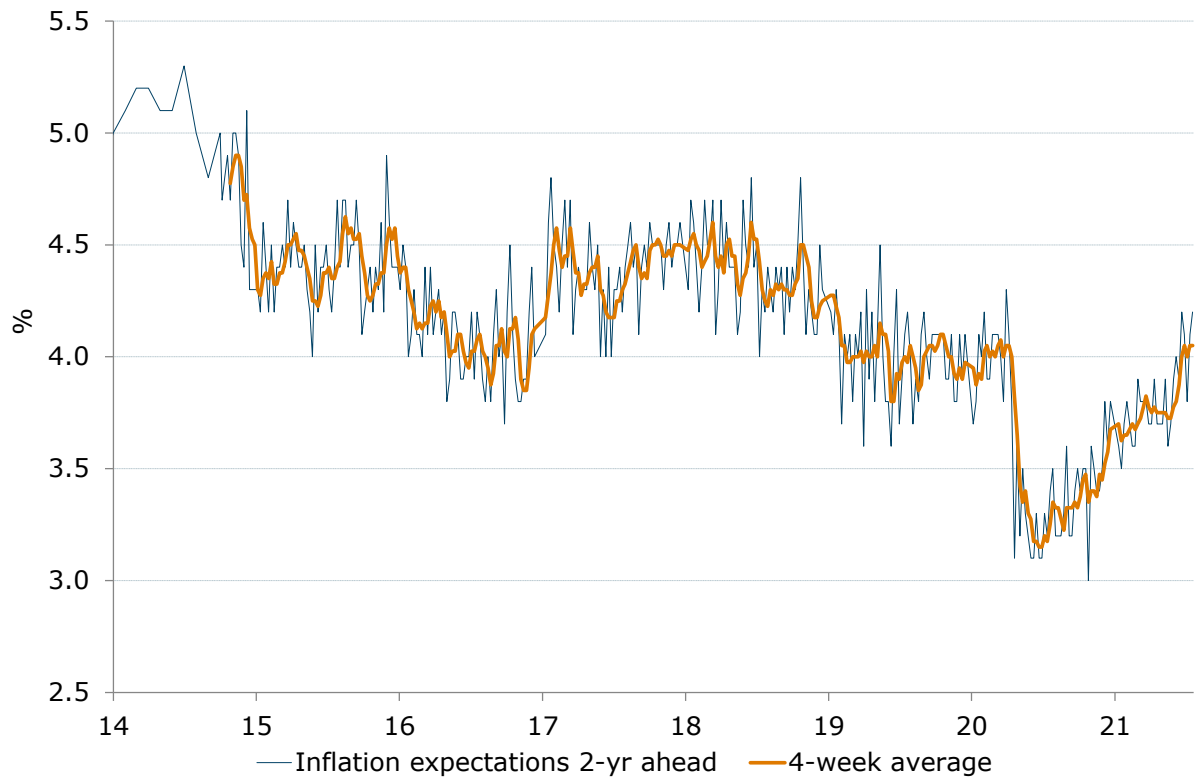


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Figure 8. Weekly inflation expectations rate rose 0.1ppt to 4.2%, keeping the four-week moving average steady at 4.1%



* 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	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-
2010 avg	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7
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
07-Jun-20	97.0	95.1	88.5	120.0	69.0	105.7	101.7	3.1
14-Jun-20	97.5	96.4	88.9	121.7	70.8	103.0	103.0	3.3
21-Jun-20	97.5	97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	107.2	3.1
28-Jun-20	93.0	96.3	85.5	115.1	62.3	100.3	102.0	3.1
05-Jul-20	92.1	95.0	86.1	117.3	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3
12-Jul-20	91.6	93.6	87.1	115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2
19-Jul-20	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4
26-Jul-20	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5
02-Aug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
09-Aug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2
16-Aug-20	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2
23-Aug-20	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3
30-Aug-20	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6
06-Sep-20	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2
13-Sep-20	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2
20-Sep-20	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4
27-Sep-20	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5
04-Oct-20	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4
11-Oct-20	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5
18-Oct-20	98.1	96.6	91.0	117.2	73.5	104.3	104.6	3.5
25-Oct-20	99.7	97.8	94.2	118.6	75.4	105.4	105.0	3.0
01-Nov-20	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6
08-Nov-20	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5
15-Nov-20	106.6	102.3	95.3	122.9	90.0	111.4	113.1	3.4
22-Nov-20	104.5	103.5	91.0	122.9	87.1	110.2	111.3	3.4
29-Nov-20	107.5	105.4	93.1	123.1	93.7	111.8	116.0	3.5
06-Dec-20	109.3	107.0	92.5	125.6	96.4	114.0	117.7	3.8
13-Dec-20	111.2	108.1	98.4	126.2	99.2	114.0	118.0	3.6
20-Dec-20	109.0	109.3	96.2	127.3	94.6	110.6	116.3	3.8
10-Jan-21	108.9	109.6	98.2	124.9	92.4	109.1	120.1	3.6
17-Jan-21	108.7	109.5	95.3	127.9	93.5	109.6	117.2	3.5
24-Jan-21	111.2	109.5	97.6	125.7	102.0	116.1	114.8	3.7
31-Jan-21	112.1	110.2	101.4	129.6	99.3	113.3	117.0	3.8
07-Feb-21	111.4	110.9	97.9	126.9	101.0	113.8	117.4	3.7
14-Feb-21	109.9	111.2	98.1	123.3	99.2	111.8	117.0	3.6
21-Feb-21	109.2	110.7	98.0	123.0	99.2	113.6	112.4	3.6
28-Feb-21	110.3	110.2	97.8	124.3	101.6	110.6	117.1	3.9
07-Mar-21	111.9	110.3	99.3	125.7	105.3	112.9	116.2	3.8
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04-Apr-21	107.7	110.3	97.5	122.5	99.1	107.7	111.7	3.7
11-Apr-21	114.1	111.1	105.6	128.4	106.1	112.5	118.1	3.9
18-Apr-21	114.0	112.0	102.0	126.4	108.2	113.9	119.7	3.7
25-Apr-21	112.4	112.1	102.5	123.8	105.9	109.2	120.8	3.7
02-May-21	112.7	113.3	104.8	124.2	106.8	106.7	121.1	3.7
09-May-21	111.6	112.7	101.9	122.4	109.8	108.6	115.4	3.9
16-May-21	112.5	112.3	103.5	122.5	106.4	107.4	122.5	3.6
23-May-21	114.2	112.8	108.3	126.6	105.5	109.4	121.6	3.7
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