

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence drops after Victoria locks down

- Consumer confidence declined 2.5% last week, as a seven-day COVID lockdown was announced in Victoria on 27 May. Counterintuitively, confidence was down by more in Sydney and Brisbane than it was in Melbourne. All of the confidence subindices have fallen.
- 'Current financial conditions' fell by 3.0%, while 'future financial conditions' softened 2.4%.
- 'Current economic conditions' lost 0.5% and 'future economic conditions' dropped 4.0%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' weakened 2.6%. 'Weekly inflation expectations' increased by 0.2ppt to 3.9%, pushing the four-week moving average up 0.1ppt to 3.8%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

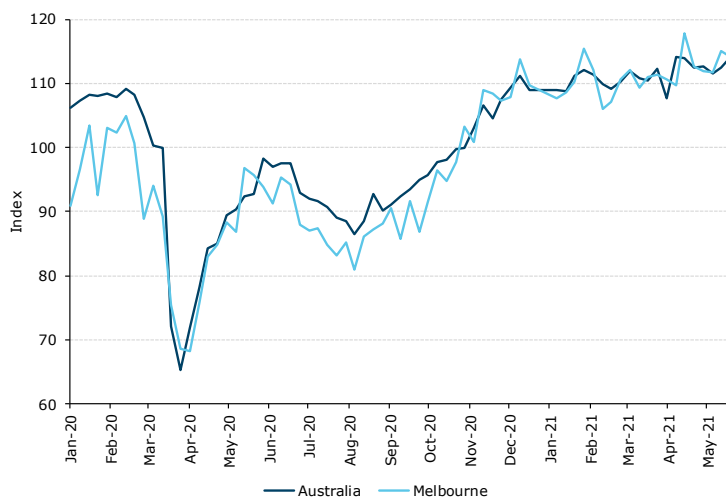
Last weekend (29-30 May)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
111.4	-2.5%	112.4	112.6	3.8%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,531 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:

The announcement of a seven-day lockdown in Victoria in response to an outbreak of COVID-19 has impacted consumer confidence around the country. Confidence fell 3.8% in Melbourne, but was actually down more sharply in Brisbane (-4.7%) and Sydney (-4.5%). ANZ-Roy Morgan survey data show that short lock-downs don't have a lasting impact on consumer sentiment. Nor has Victoria's experience of lockdowns in 2020 driven a wedge between sentiment in that state and the rest of the country. This offers the prospect that even an extension of the current lockdown may not have too dramatic an impact on consumer sentiment. Of course, the absence of JobKeeper for this episode means we need to alert to worse results than the experience to date.

Figure 1. Confidence Australia vs Melbourne – no wedge between the two

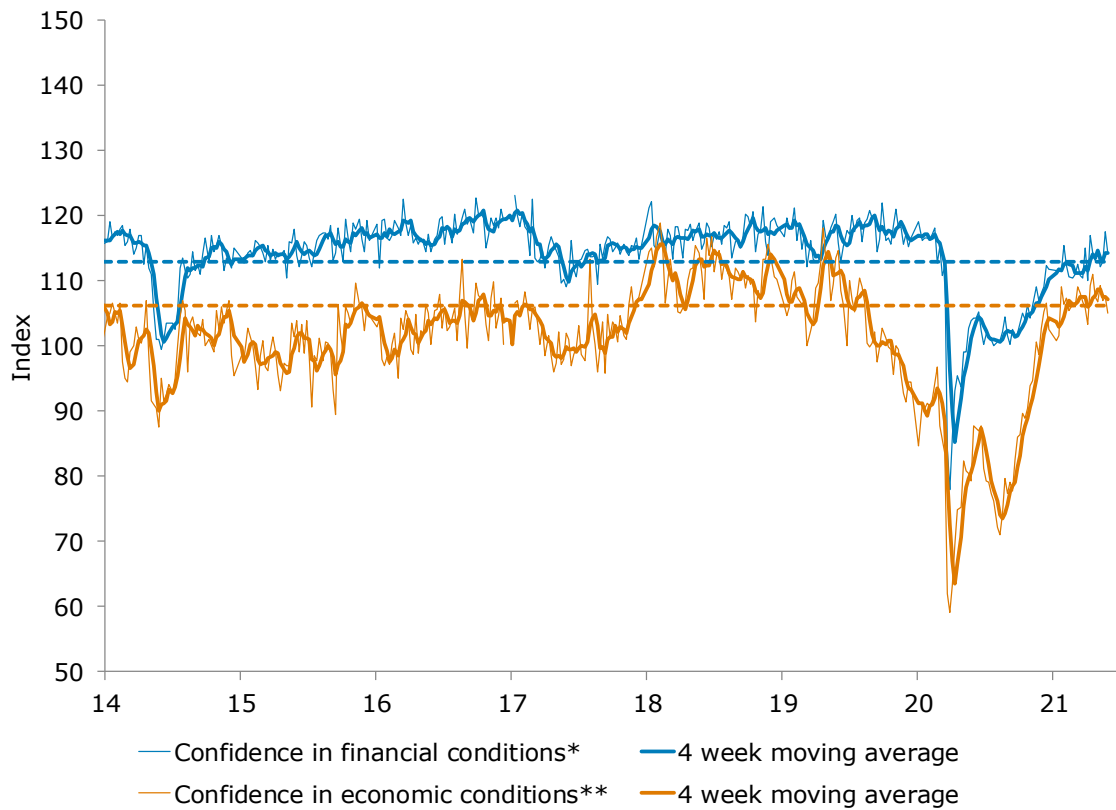


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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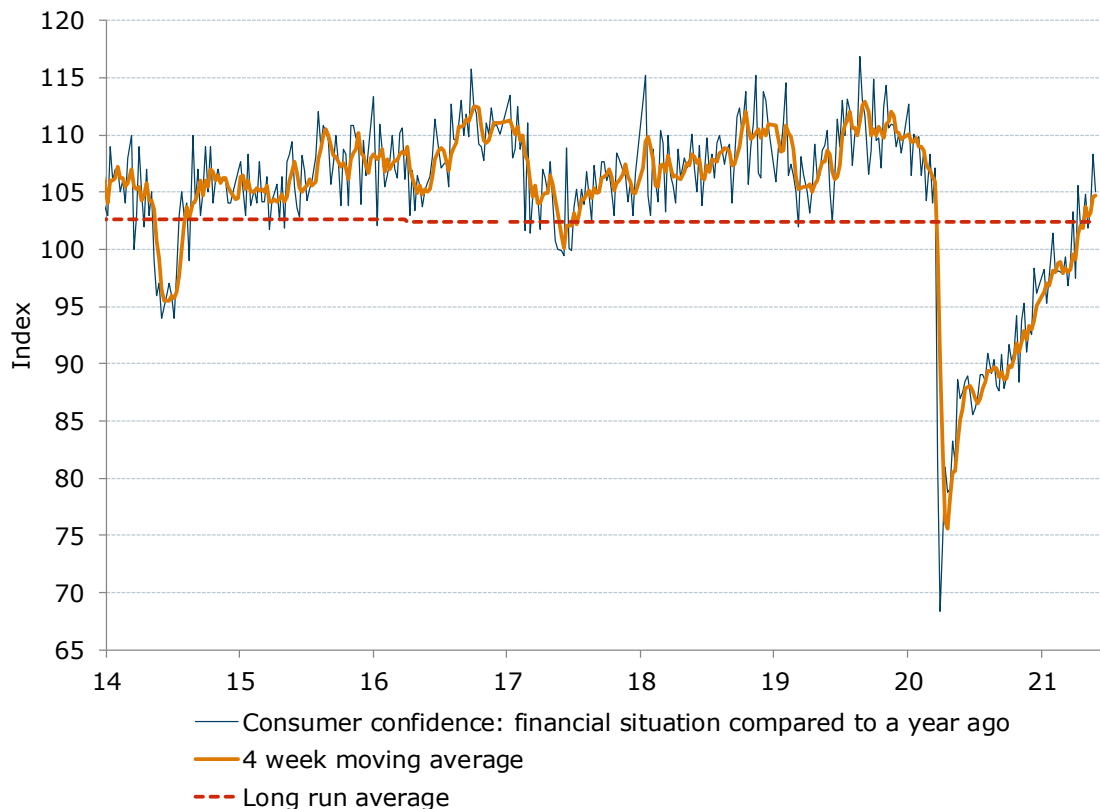
Figure 2. Both financial and economic conditions softened



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' declined 3.0%

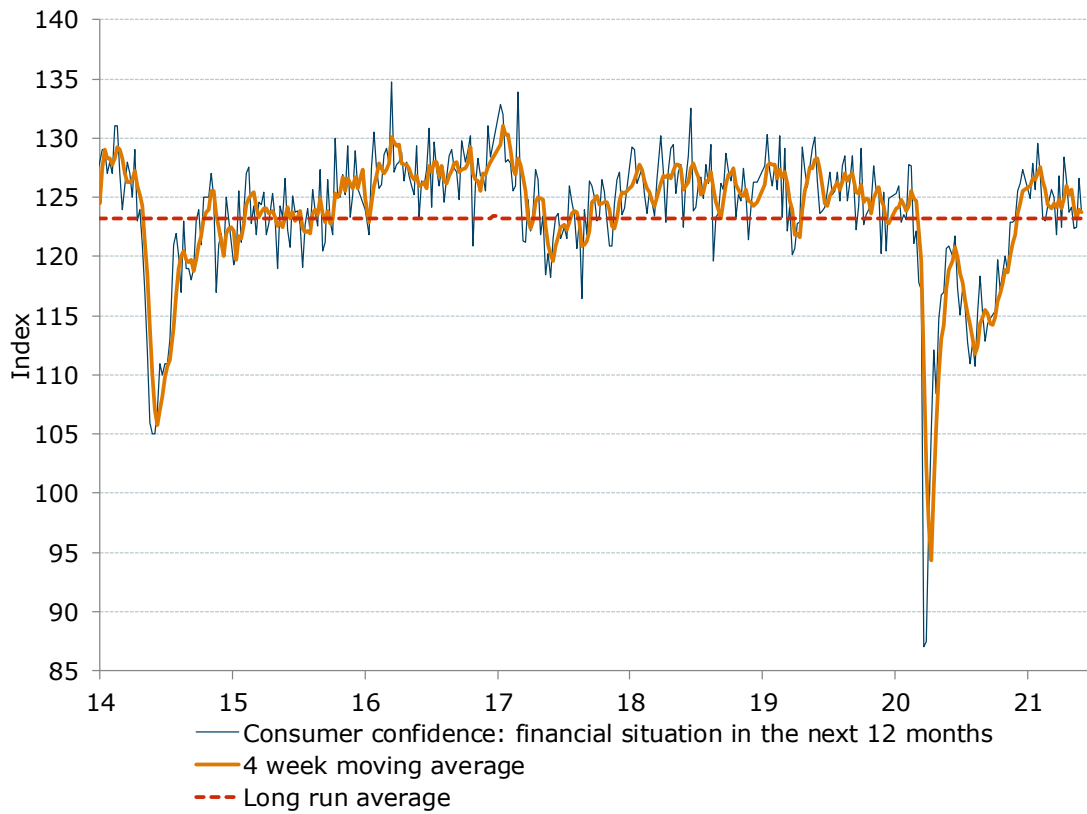


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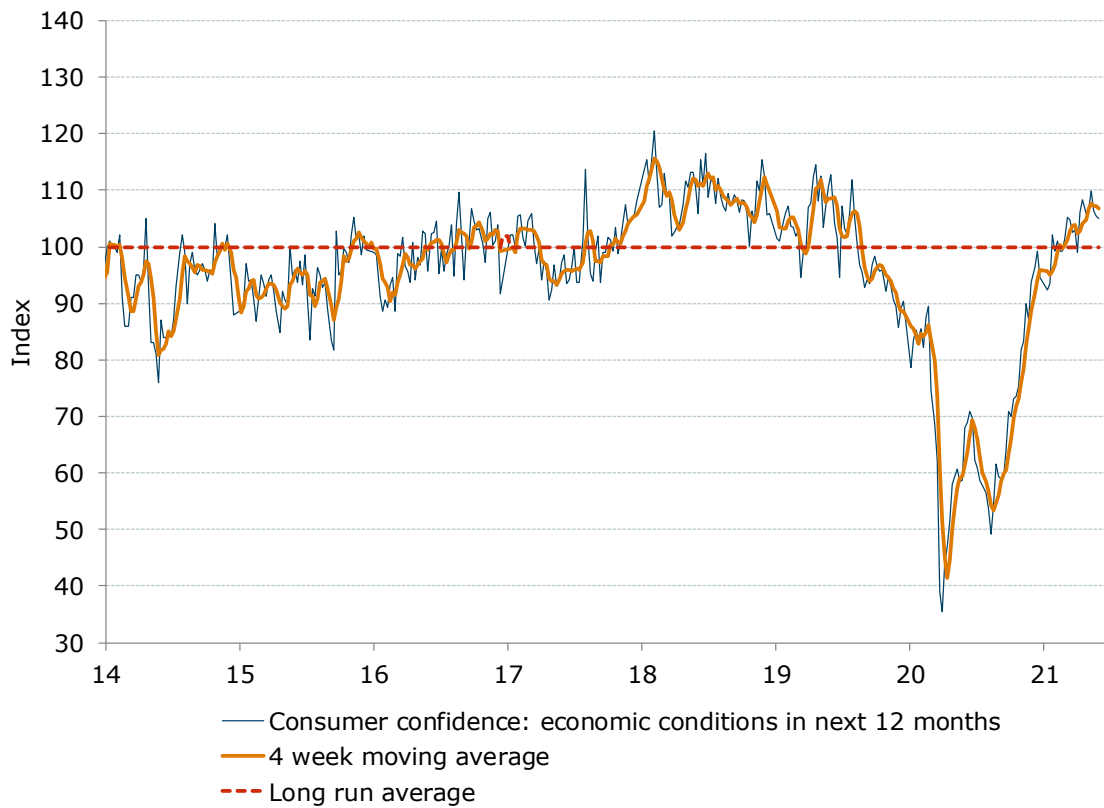
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Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' fell 2.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' weakened by 0.5%

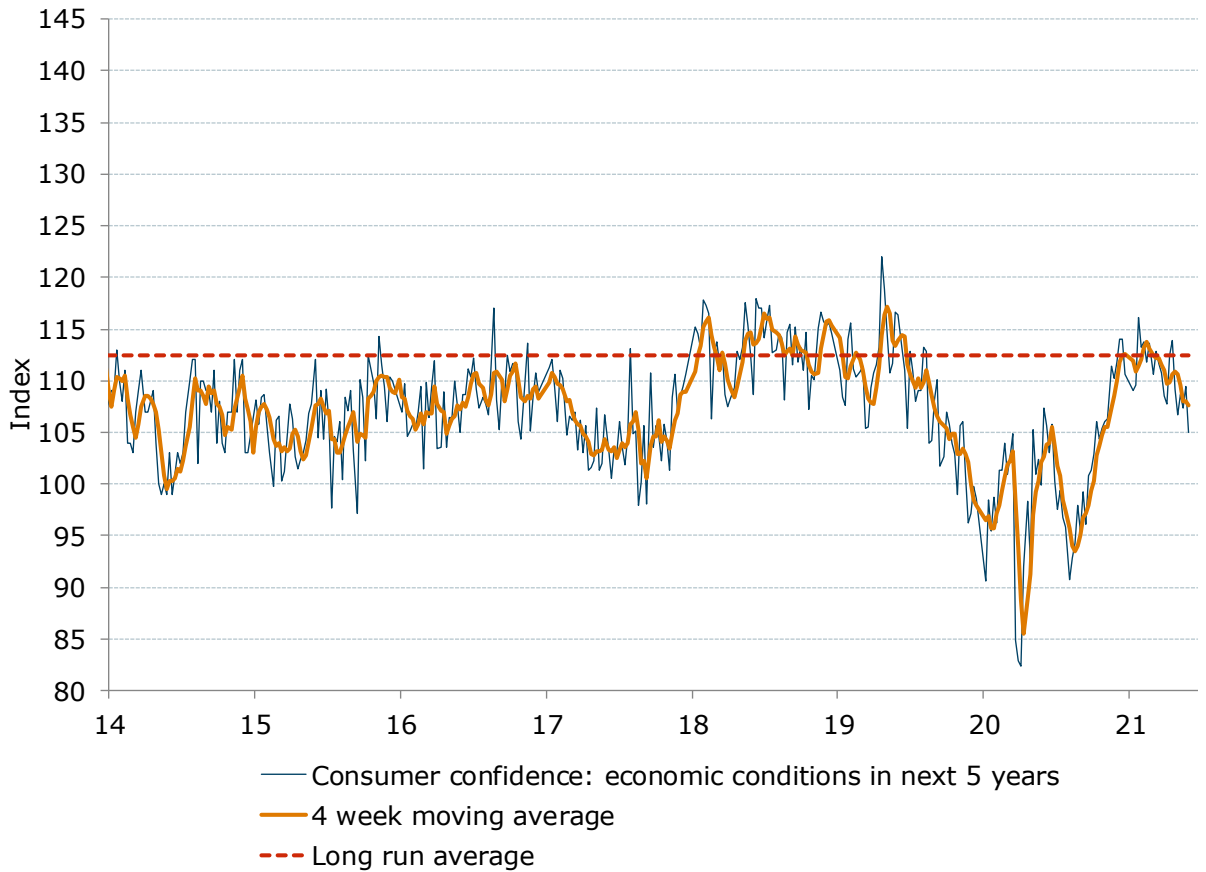


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Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' lost 4.0%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 7. 'Time to buy a major household item' fell 2.6%

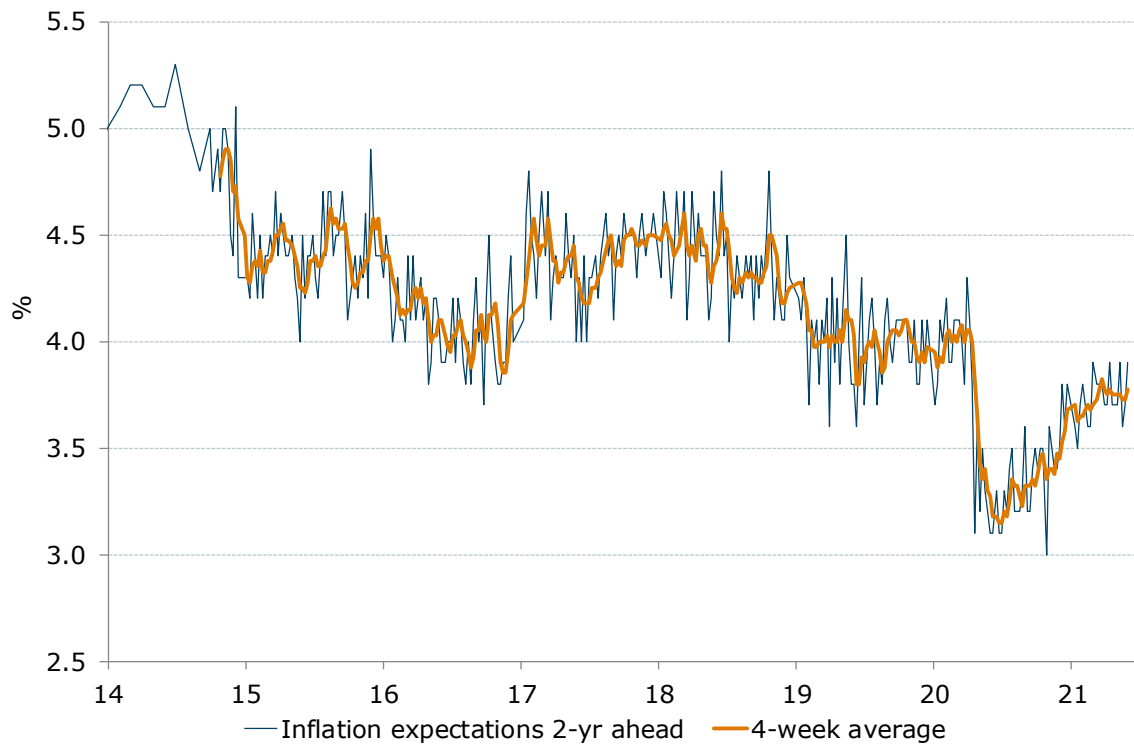


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Figure 8. Weekly inflation expectations rate rose 0.2ppt to 3.9% pushing the four week moving average to 3.8%



* 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
7-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
5-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
2-Aug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
9-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
6-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
4-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
1-Nov-20	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6
8-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
6-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
7-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
7-Mar-21	111.9	110.3	99.3	125.7	105.3	112.9	116.2	3.8
14-Mar-21	110.9	110.6	96.8	125.0	104.7	111.7	116.3	3.8
21-Mar-21	110.4	110.9	98.9	121.8	102.6	110.8	118.2	3.8
28-Mar-21	112.3	111.4	103.3	126.8	103.1	108.5	119.6	3.7
4-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
2-May-21	112.7	113.3	104.8	124.2	106.8	106.7	121.1	3.7
9-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
30-May-21	111.4	112.4	105.0	123.6	105.0	105.0	118.4	3.9

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