

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence softens but expectation of 'bad times' drops to record low

- Confidence declined 1.0% last week, mainly due to the COVID case registered in Sydney that was followed by precautionary restrictions in the area to prevent an outbreak.
- 'Current financial conditions' declined 2.2%, while 'future financial conditions' weakened 1.4%.
- 'Current economic conditions' gained 2.8% with expectations of 'bad times' falling to a record low stretching back over forty years. 'Future economic conditions' improved by 1.8%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' fell, for the first time in five weeks, by 4.7%. 'Weekly inflation expectations' rose 0.2ppt to 3.9%, however, the four-week moving average remained unchanged at 3.8%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

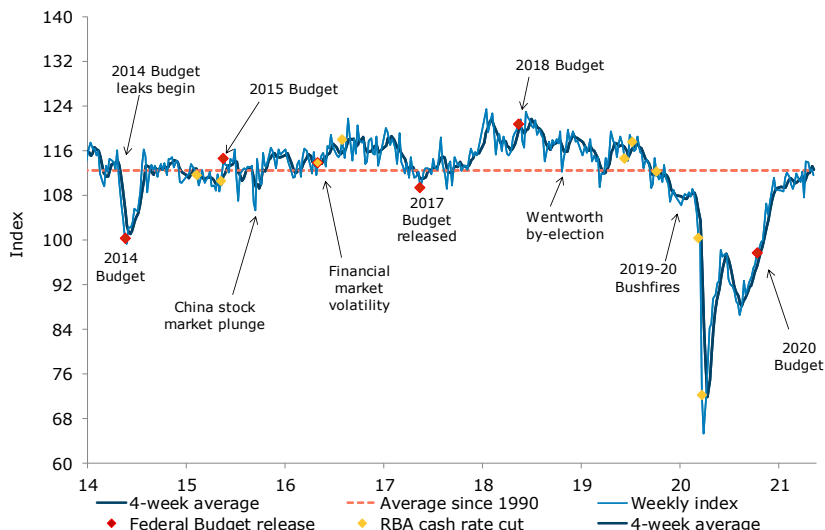
Last weekend (8-9 May)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
111.6	-1.0%	112.7	112.6	3.8%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,499 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 most notable thing from the latest survey is that the proportion of respondents expecting 'bad times' in 'current economic conditions' dropped to just 12%, its lowest level in over forty years. This sharp improvement came about despite the 1% fall in overall consumer confidence and points to positive sentiment about the near-term outlook being very widespread. The fall in overall confidence was not surprising given that Sydney recorded a mysterious case of COVID-19, and restrictions were imposed to prevent any further spread. As a result, confidence in Sydney took a hit of 7.6%.

Confidence softens 1.0%

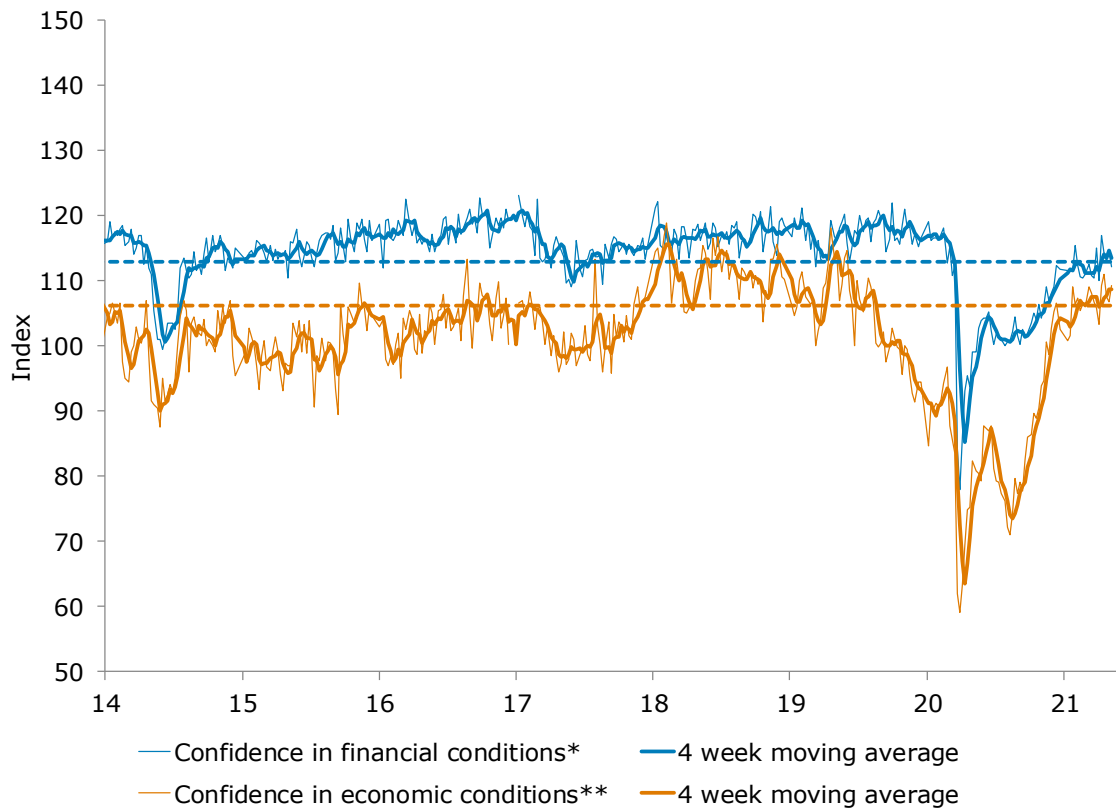


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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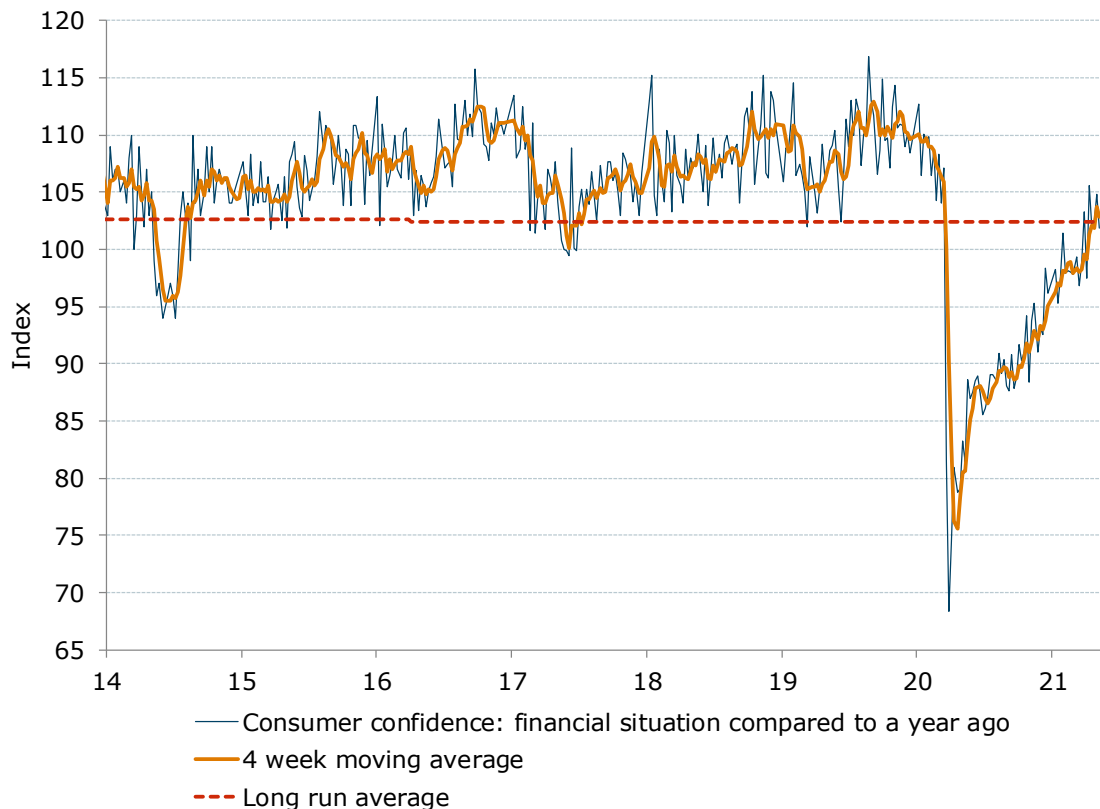
Figure 1. Financial conditions weakened while economic conditions strengthened



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 financial conditions' declined 2.8%

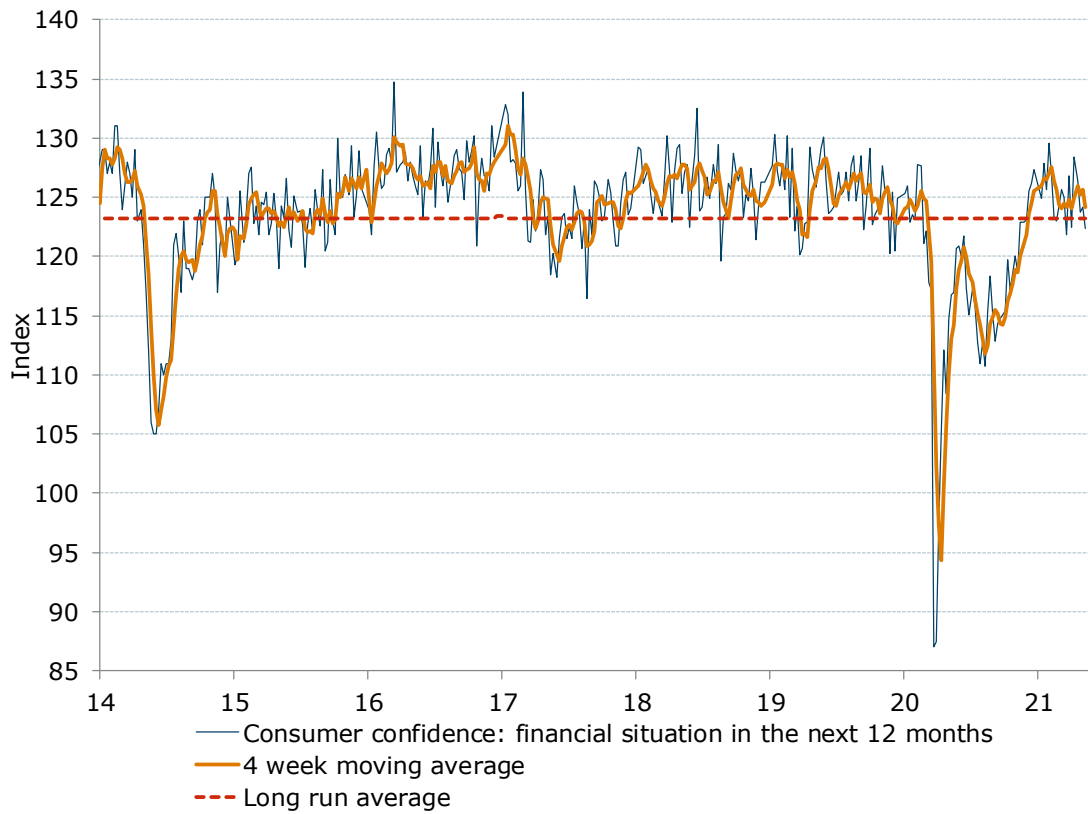


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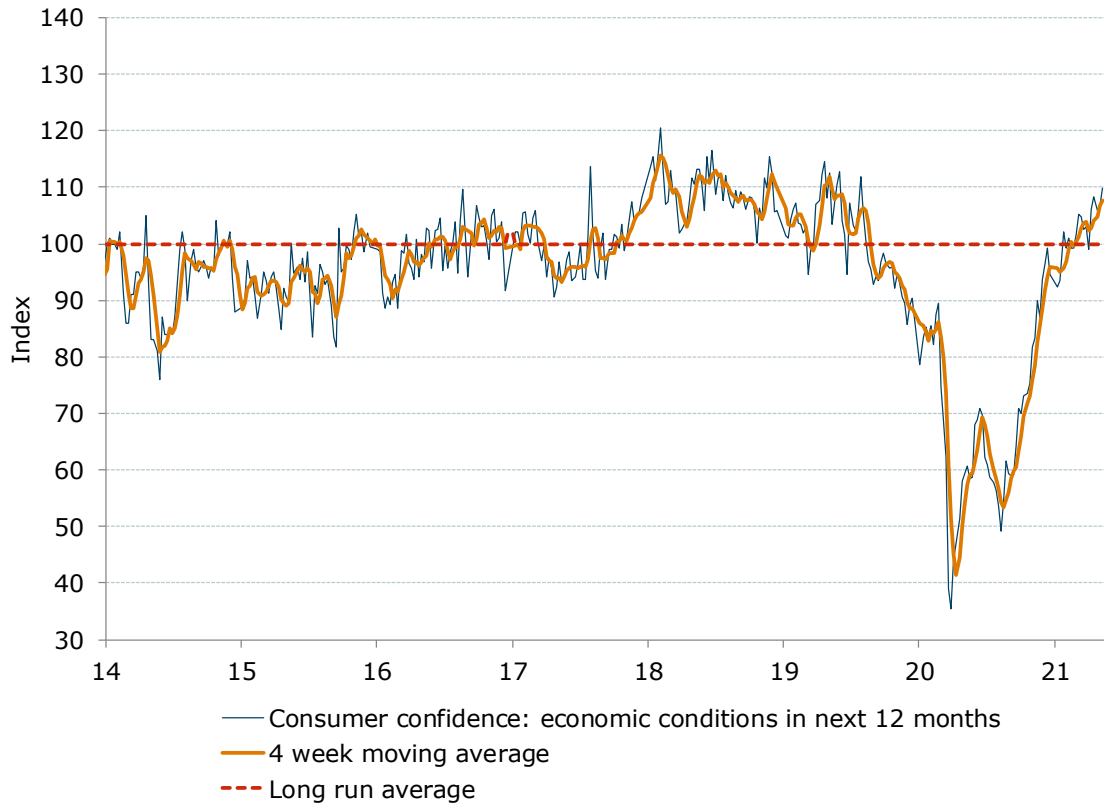
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Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' fell 1.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' improved 2.8%

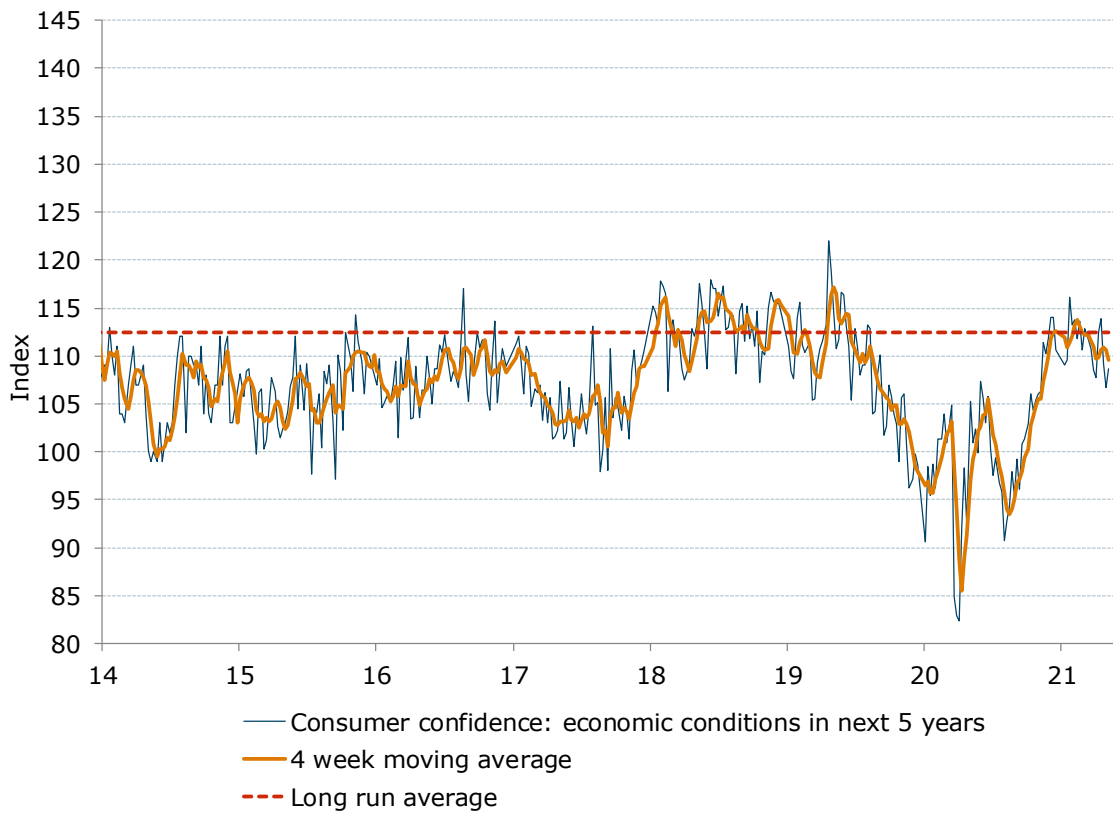


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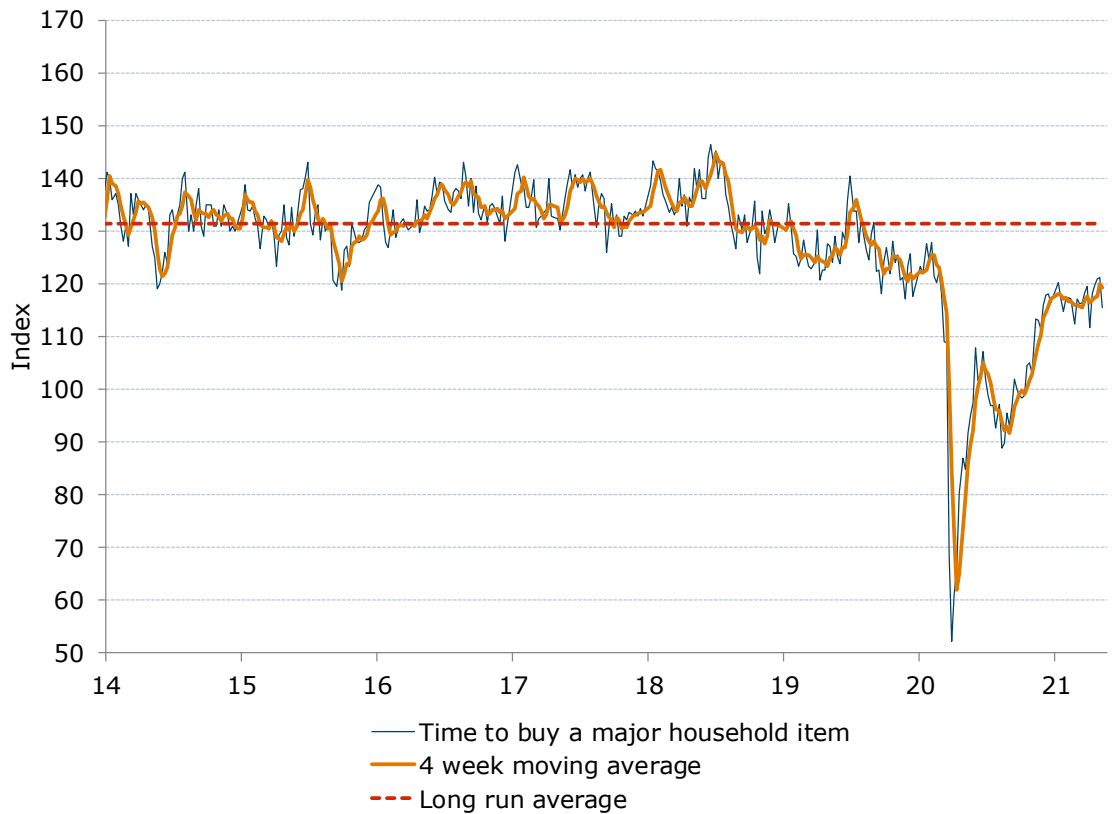
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Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gained 1.8%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a major household item' lost 4.7%

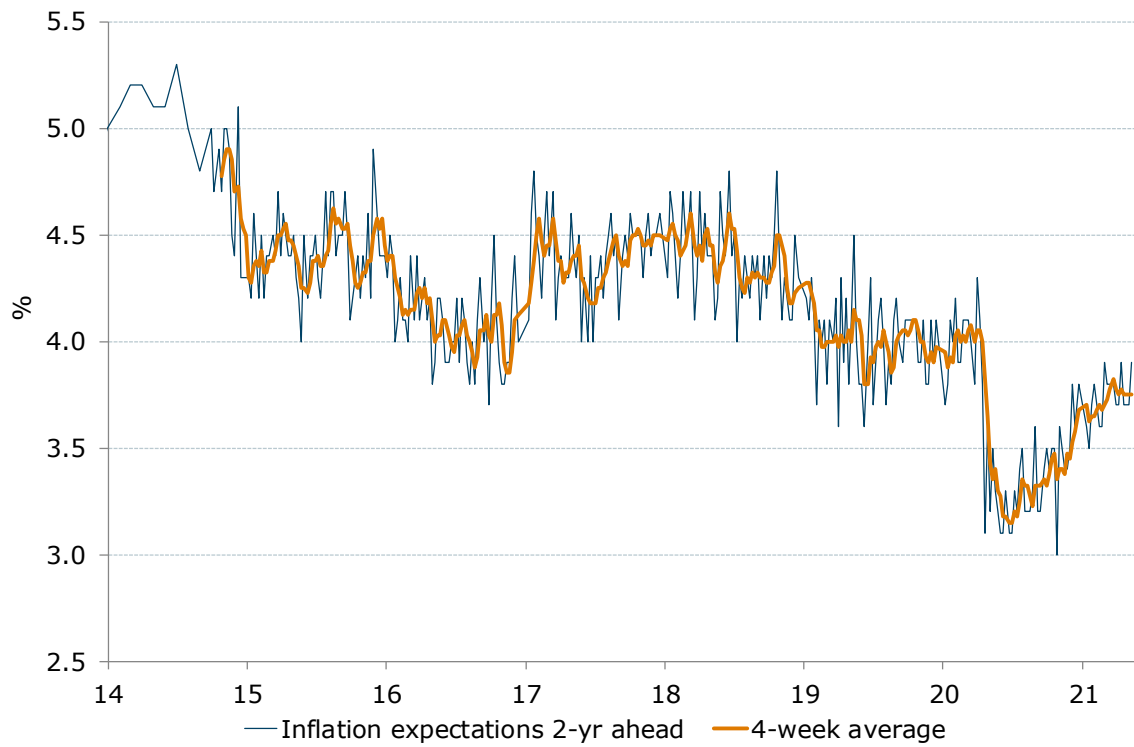


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Figure 7. Weekly inflation expectations rate rose 0.2ppt to 3.9% and the four week moving average remained at 3.8%



* 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
3-May-20	89.5	84.2	83.3	114.8	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2
10-May-20	90.3	87.3	81.4	116.8	60.7	100.9	91.6	3.5
17-May-20	92.3	89.3	88.6	117.0	58.5	102.4	94.9	3.3
24-May-20	92.7	91.2	87.0	120.7	58.7	99.9	97.3	3.2
31-May-20	98.3	93.4	87.5	120.9	67.9	107.4	107.9	3.1
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
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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
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