# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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\*From 3 January 2022, the interviews for the consumer confidence survey have taken place Monday to Sunday. Previously they were done at the weekend (Saturday and Sunday).

## **Consumer confidence remains very low**

- Consumer confidence decreased by 0.5pts last week to 76.5, its third consecutive week below 80. Among the mainland states, confidence rose in Victoria, SA, and WA, while it fell in NSW and Queensland.
- 'Weekly inflation expectations' increased by 0.2ppt to 5.9%, its highest since mid-December. Its four-week moving average rose 0.2ppt to 5.5%.
- Three of the five subindices were down. 'Current financial conditions' rose 0.9pts, after a cumulative fall of 8.6pts over the previous three weeks. 'Future financial conditions' softened 0.3pts.
- 'Current economic conditions' fell 0.7pts. 'Future economic conditions' were up 1pt.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' dropped 3.5pts to its lowest since early April 2020.

#### ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

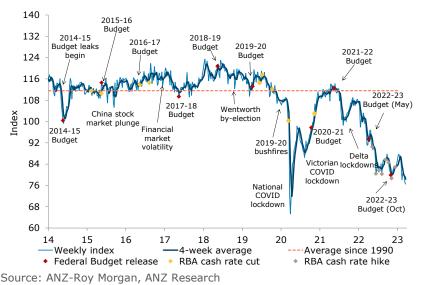
Last week (13-19 Mar)	Weekly change, pts	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)	
76.5	-0.5	78.4	111.6	5.5%	

The weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,482 interviews conducted online and over the telephone during the week to Sunday\*. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

# ANZ Senior Economist, Adelaide Timbrell, commented:

Consumer confidence decreased for a fourth consecutive week and remains at very low levels. The index, in four of the past five weeks, was among the ten worst results since the COVID outbreak. Confidence among those paying off their mortgages fell 4.3pt and are at their lowest since the beginning of the monetary tightening cycle. Confidence among renters and outright homeowners rose a little. The proportion of people saying it is 'a bad time to buy a major household item' rose to 55%, its highest since early April 2020. Confidence about current finances increased 0.9pts but was still at its second lowest level since the initial COVID outbreak in Australia.

#### Consumer confidence down 0.5pts



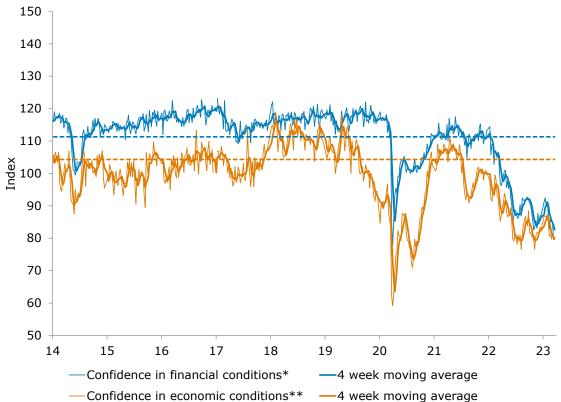


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Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

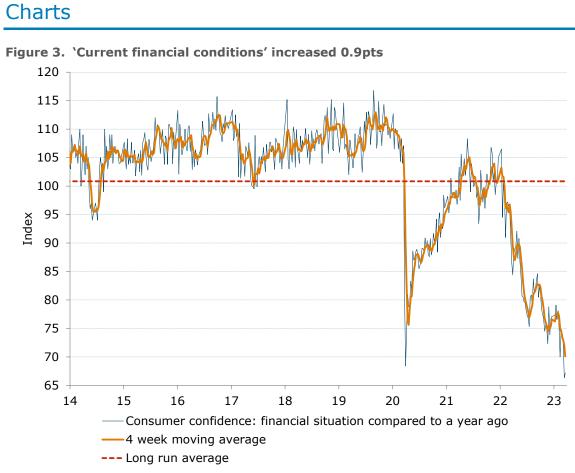
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\*Financial conditions index is an average of 'financial situation compared to a year ago' and 'financial situation next year' sub-indices. \*\*Economic conditions index is an average of 'economic conditions in 12 months' and 'economic conditions in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

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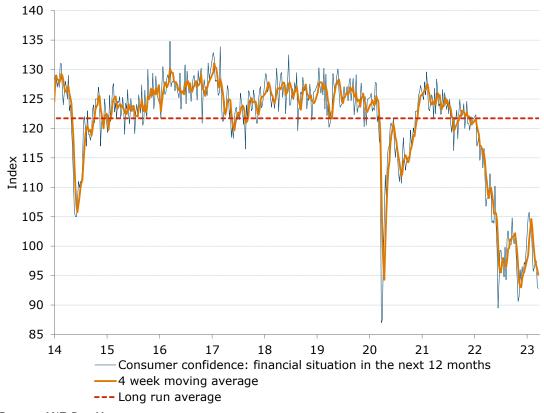


Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' decreased slightly by 0.3pts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



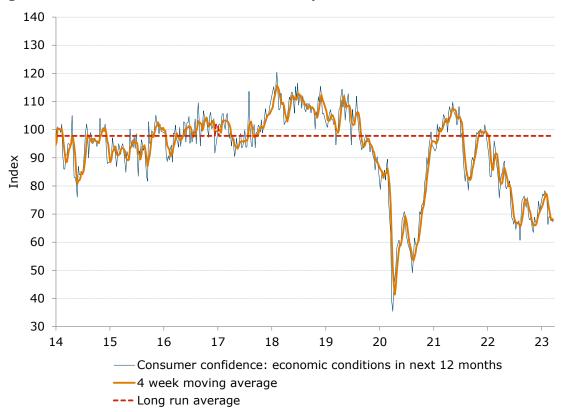


Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' fell 0.7pts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

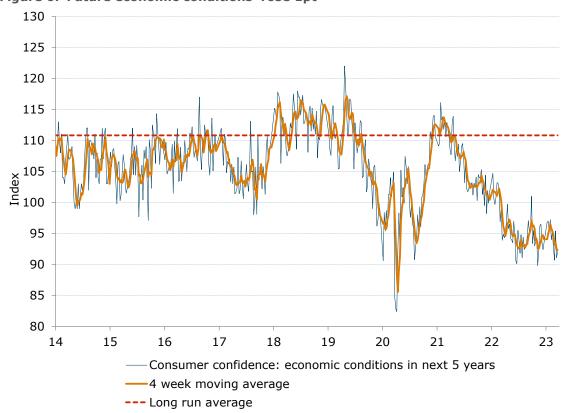
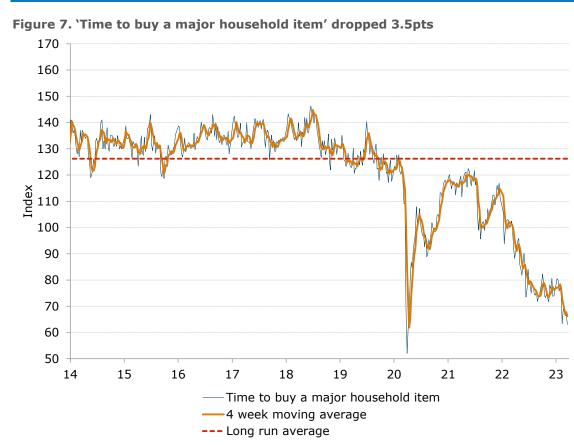


Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' rose 1pt

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



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Charts



## 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	115		102	124	100		122		
2001 2010 avg	115 124	-	102 101	124 127	103 124	113 130	132 139	- 5.7	
2011 avg	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0	
2012 avg	113	-	99	118	97	113	138	5.8	
2013 avg 2014 avg	119 111	-	104 104	128 121	106 94	118 106	139 132	5.0 4.9	
2015 avg	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4	
2016 avg	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1	
2017 avg 2018 avg	114 119	-	105 108	124 126	100 109	105 113	135 135	4.4 4.4	
2019 avg	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0	
2020 avg	96	-	92	117	69	100	102	3.5	
2021 avg 9-Jan-22	108 106.0	- 107.5	101 106.5	123 122.3	98 90.5	106 104.7	113 105.8	4.2 4.9	
16-Jan-22	97.9	105.1	94.5	117.0	83.6	100.6	93.7	4.9	
23-Jan-22	100.1	103.1	100.5	117.7	83.2	99.7	99.6	5.0	
30-Jan-22 6-Feb-22	101.8 99.9	101.5 99.9	98.7 91.0	118.7 114.6	88.1 87.8	100.8 103.2	102.3 103.0	4.7 4.8	
13-Feb-22	103.2	101.3	97.0	117.0	96.0	103.1	102.8	5.0	
20-Feb-22	101.8	101.7	97.2	116.2	93.6	102.0 96.9	100.1	5.1 5.3	
27-Feb-22 6-Mar-22	99.2 100.1	101.0 101.1	96.4 96.5	113.3 116.6	88.9 86.1	96.9 99.0	100.5 102.5	5.2	
13-Mar-22	95.8	99.2	91.5	111.9	82.7	93.9	99.0	5.6	
20-Mar-22 27-Mar-22	91.2 91.1	96.6 94.6	86.6 84.4	106.8 108.1	75.7 80.3	94.9 94.3	92.2 88.2	6.0 6.4	
3-Apr-22	93.4	94.0	88.0	108.3	84.1	94.3	91.2	5.8	
10-Apr-22	94.6	92.6	89.0	109.4	84.7	96.9	92.7	5.8	
17-Apr-22 24-Apr-22	96.8 96.5	94.0 95.3	89.3 92.1	112.3 109.8	87.9 88.8	99.7 95.8	94.9 95.9	5.3 5.1	
1-May-22	90.5	95.5 94.7	87.3	109.8	79.6	96.5	86.0	5.3	
8-May-22	90.5	93.6	90.8	104.3	79.0	94.2	84.1	5.1	
15-May-22 22-May-22	89.3 90.8	91.8 90.3	86.8 84.4	103.9 110.2	80.2 80.6	94.0 93.5	81.8 85.5	5.3	
29-May-22	90.7	90.3	80.7	104.1	81.8	97.0	90.1	5.5	
5-Jun-22	87.0	89.5	80.5	99.6	74.1	95.0	85.9	5.7	
12-Jun-22 19-Jun-22	80.4 81.7	87.2 85.0	79.7 79.5	89.5 94.1	68.8 68.1	90.6 90.1	73.5 76.5	5.6 5.9	
26-Jun-22	84.7	83.5	78.2	99.3	66.4	95.5	84.0	5.7	
3-Jul-22	83.7	82.6	77.3	99.2	68.4	94.0	79.5	5.9	
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24-Jul-22	82.4	82.4	80.5	94.8	66.9	91.1	78.9	6.0	
31-Jul-22 7-Aug-22	84.1 80.3	82.5 82.2	80.9 79.4	99.8 94.3	67.6 60.7	94.4 92.4	77.7 74.6	5.5	
14-Aug-22	84.2	82.8	83.7	101.2	69.1	93.0	74.2	5.8	
21-Aug-22	85.6	83.6	81.2	102.6	74.9	93.1	76.0	5.5	
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18-Sep-22	86.0	85.7	80.5	104.8	72.4	95.3	76.6	5.6	
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13-Nov-22 20-Nov-22	80.8 81.6	80.1 80.3	75.0 72.3	96.0 93.9	68.9 67.2	92.5 96.2	71.6 78.2	6.5 6.3	
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4-Dec-22	82.7	82.1	73.9	94.7	70.3	93.7	80.6	5.8	
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