

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

3 December 2019



This is not personal advice. It does not consider your objectives or circumstances. Please refer to the Important Notice.

Contributors
David Plank
 Head of Australian Economics
 +61 2 8037 0029
David.Plank@anz.com

Shaurya Mishra
 Junior Economist
 +91 80 6795 0463
Shaurya.Mishra@anz.com

Follow us on Twitter
[@ANZ_Research](https://twitter.com/ANZ_Research)

Contact
research@anz.com

Series available at
Bloomberg
 AU: ALLX AUANZ <GO>
 NZ: ALLX NZANZ <GO>

Previous reports available to subscribers on [ANZ Live](#)

Confidence rebounds a touch

- ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence rebounded 1.2% from its multi-year low reading last week, its first gain in four weeks. The biggest gain in the sub-indices was the 5.3% jump in the 'Time to buy a household item', albeit from a ten-year low in the previous reading. The other sub-components were mixed.
- Current finances fell 1.6%, while future financial conditions gained 4.2%.
- Current economic conditions declined 4.1%, to its lowest point in four years. Future economic conditions gained 1%, though this comes after a cumulative loss of almost 10% over the prior two weeks.
- The four-week moving average of inflation expectations was up 0.1ppt to 4.0% as the weekly reading jumped from 3.8% to 4.1%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

Last week (30 Nov–1 Dec)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (4-week ma)
108.1	1.2%	109	113.1	4.0%

Data collected last weekend (Saturday and Sunday), based on around 1,000 face-to-face interviews. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Head of Australian Economics, David Plank, commented:

On the back of strength in future finances and 'Time to buy a household item', consumer confidence recovered some lost ground – though it was only a modest gain after three weeks of decline. Weakness in economic conditions is still a concern, considering it is around multi-year lows. This week's data could significantly impact sentiment, especially Q3 GDP. Annual growth may accelerate a touch, as last year's weak Q3 report drops out, but this hardly points to an economy that is undergoing more than a gentle turn. And yesterday's ANZ job ads for November highlighted that a gentle turn is unlikely to be enough to stop the unemployment rate moving higher. Consumer sentiment looks set to be challenged for a while yet.

Confidence gains 1.2%

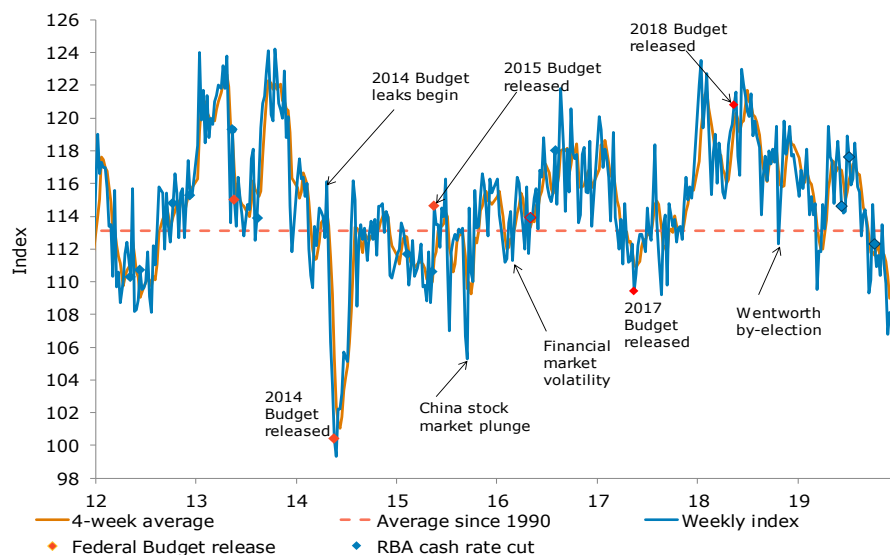
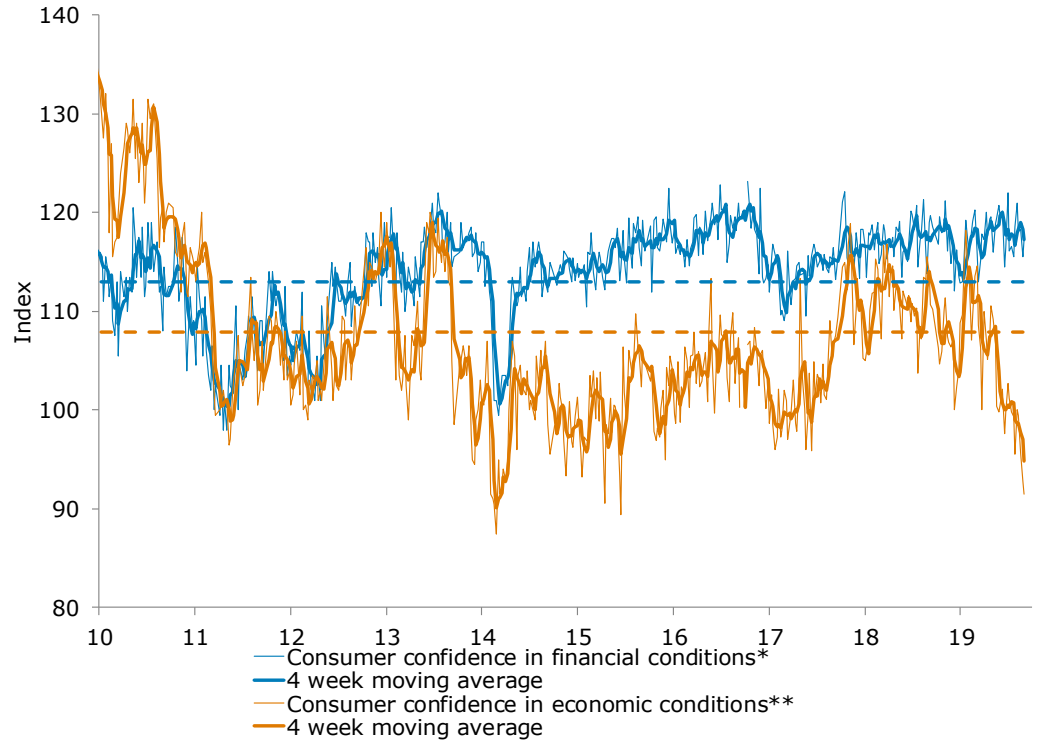




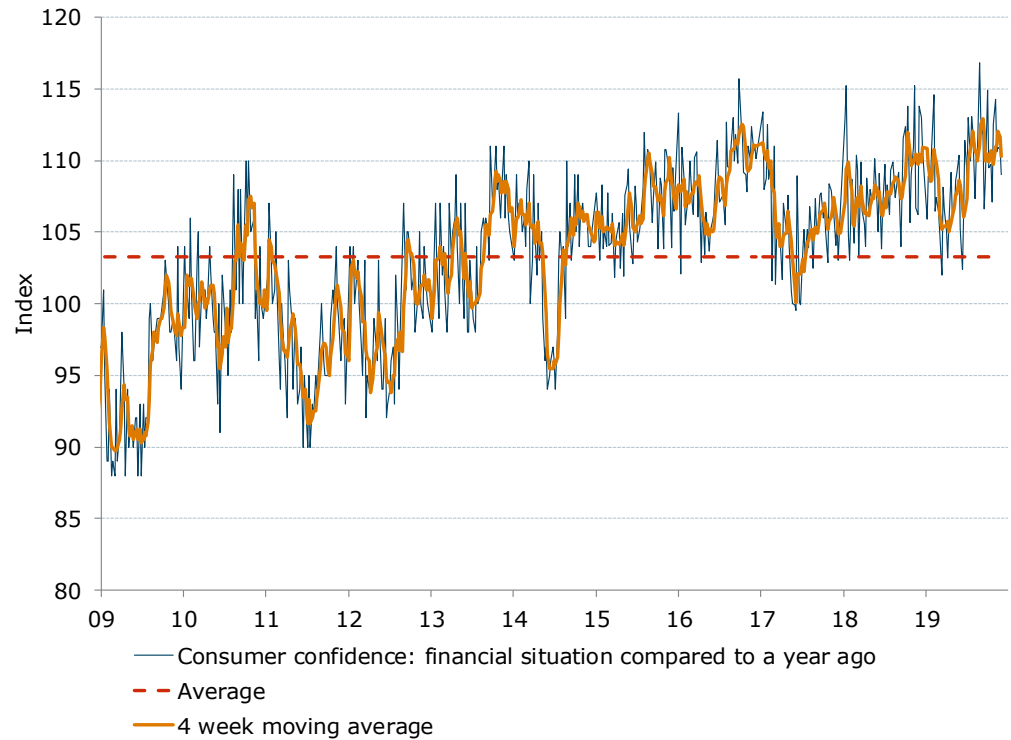
Figure 1. Financial and economic conditions diverge, again



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.

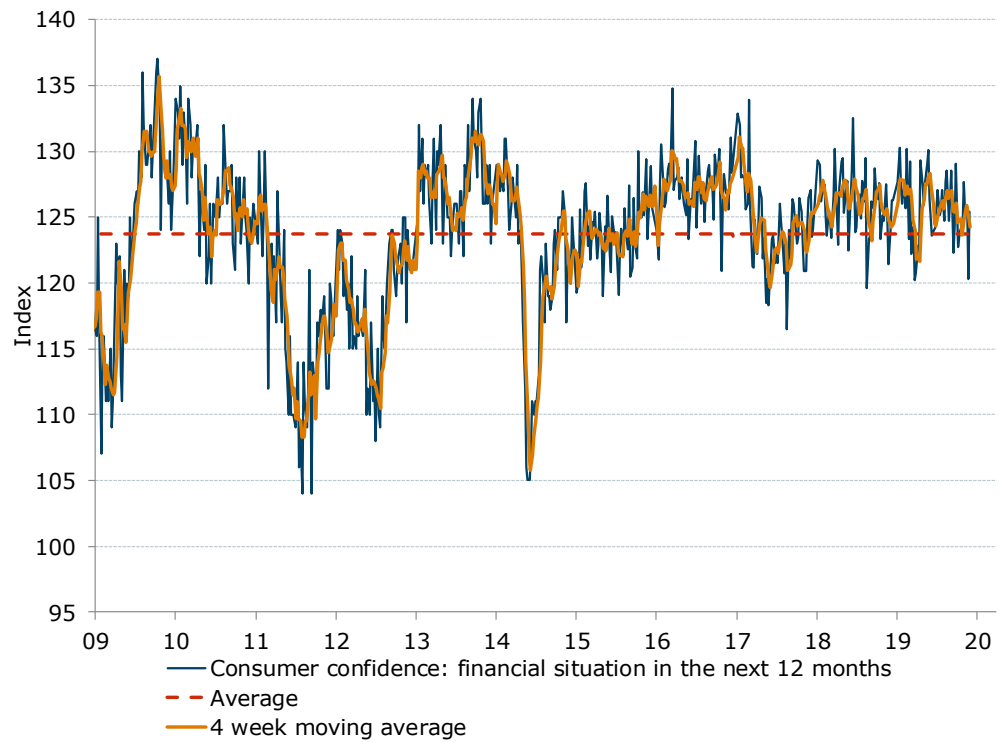
Figure 2. 'Current finances' loses 1.6%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

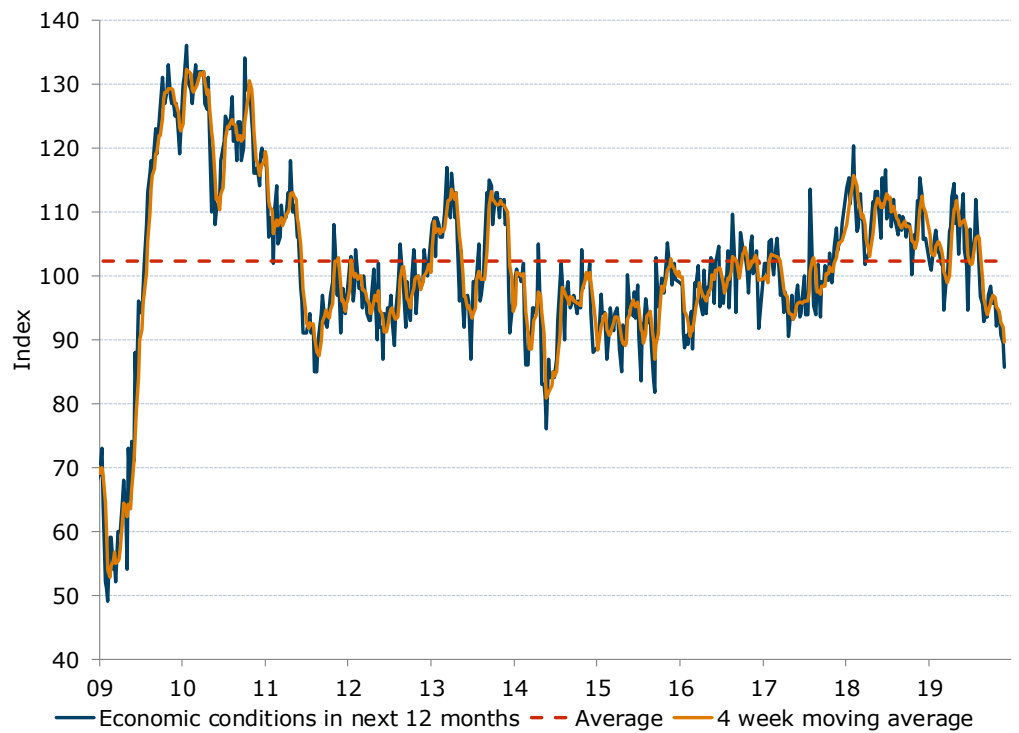


Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' gains 4.2% after falling 4.4% last week



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

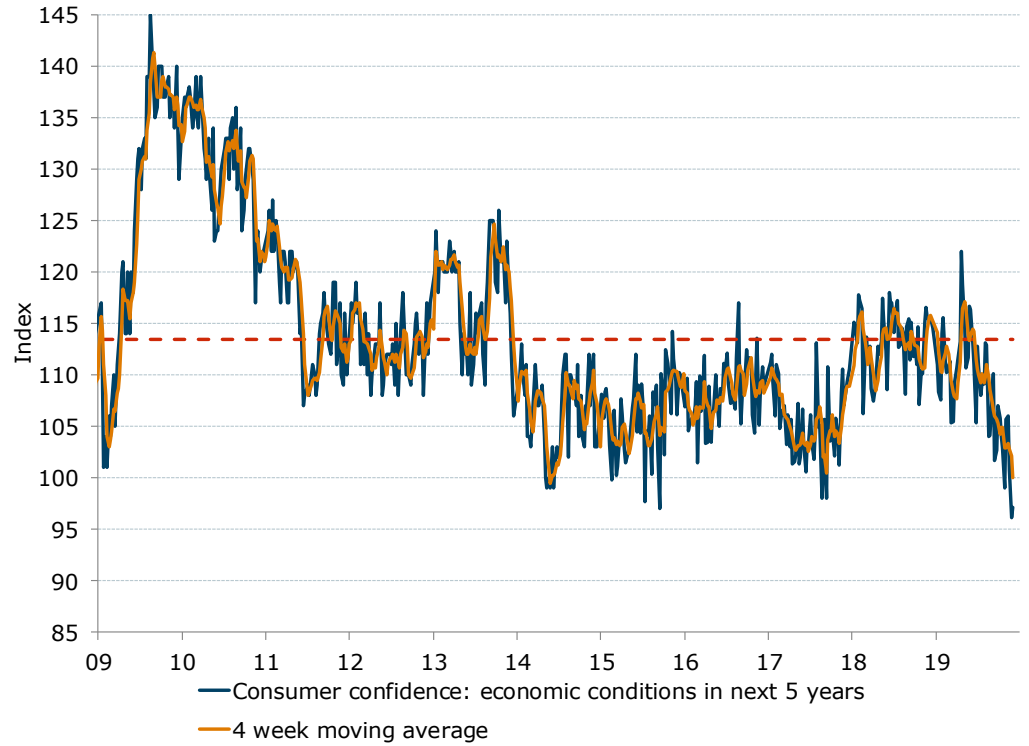
Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' loses 4.1%: its fourth consecutive decline



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

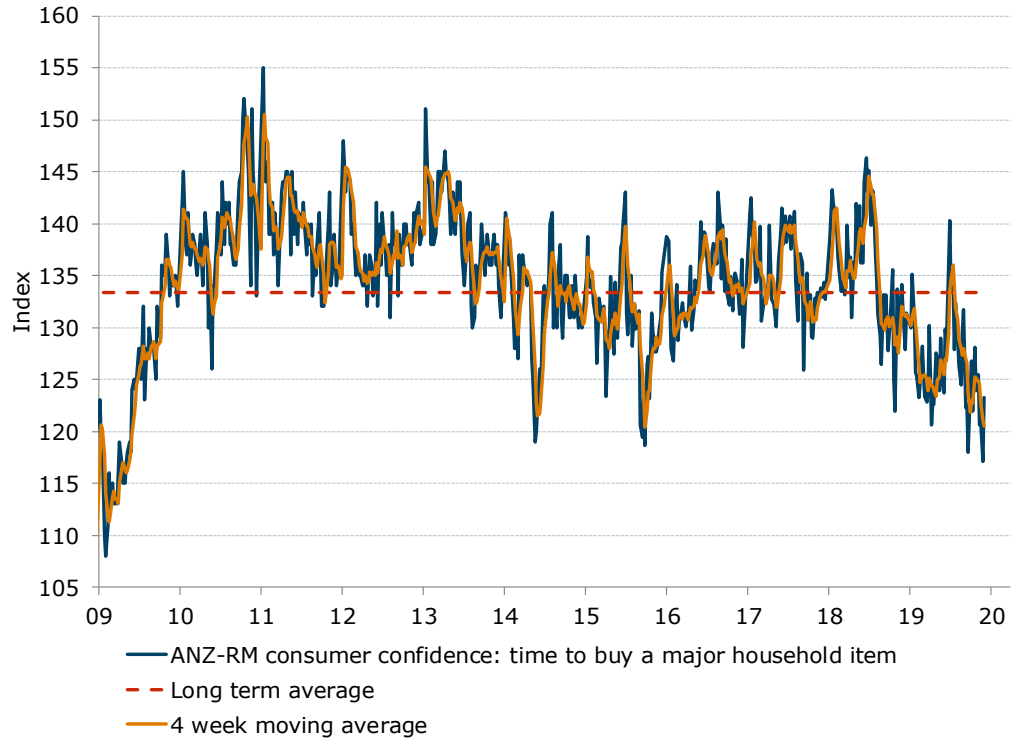


Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gains 1%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' up 5.3%

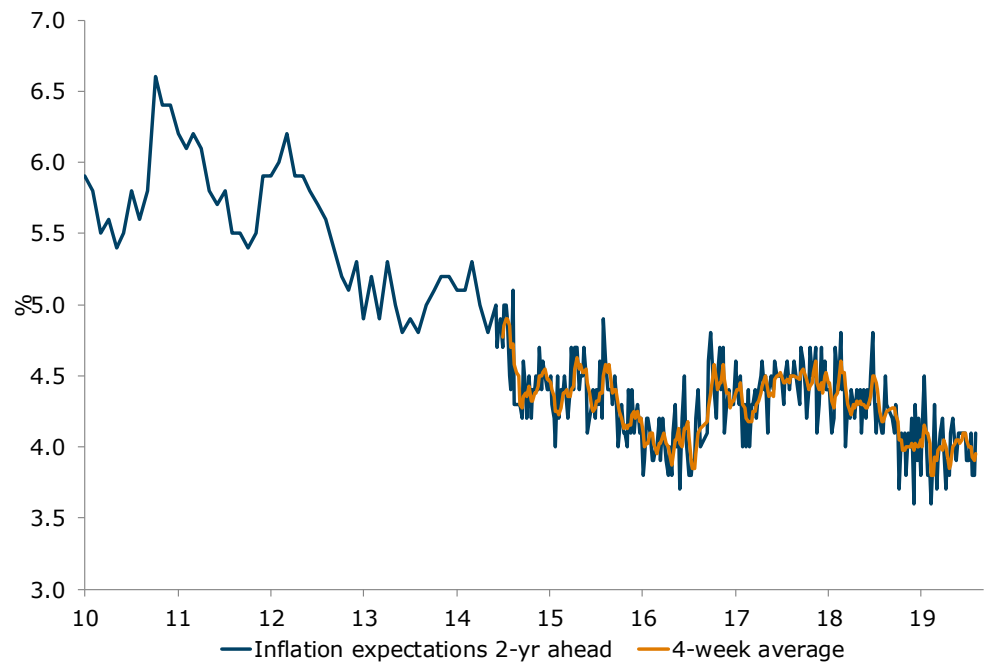


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Charts

Figure 7. Four-week moving average 'inflation expectations' gains 0.1ppt to 4.0%



* 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	114	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
4-Nov-18	116.8	115.8	110.9	124.7	104.4	110.1	133.7	4.1
11-Nov-18	119.8	115.9	115.2	127.5	111.7	115.1	129.5	4.3
18-Nov-18	117.8	117.3	106.7	125.2	109.9	116.6	130.7	4.2
25-Nov-18	118.6	118.3	106.2	121.4	115.4	115.7	134.1	4.1
2-Dec-18	119.5	118.9	113.8	124.2	112.5	115.3	131.6	4.1
9-Dec-18	117.7	118.4	113.0	126.3	105.7	115.6	127.9	4.5
16-Dec-18	117.8	118.4	110.7	126.3	105.9	114.6	131.4	4.3
6-Jan-19	115.2	117.6	105.9	127.7	101.5	111.0	130.0	4.2
13-Jan-19	116.8	116.9	108.9	130.3	100.9	108.4	135.1	4.1
20-Jan-19	115.7	116.4	108.6	127.2	104.3	107.6	130.8	4.3
27-Jan-19	116.5	116.1	111.0	126.0	106.1	114.0	125.7	4.1
3-Feb-19	118.1	116.8	114.6	127.7	107.1	115.6	125.3	3.7
10-Feb-19	114.1	116.1	106.5	125.7	103.7	111.2	123.3	4.1
17-Feb-19	115.2	116.0	107.4	130.2	103.5	110.3	124.6	4.0
24-Feb-19	114.1	115.4	106.4	123.3	101.8	110.9	128.2	4.1
3-Mar-19	114.8	114.6	105.0	129.2	102.7	111.4	125.5	3.8
10-Mar-19	109.5	113.4	102.0	122.2	94.6	105.4	123.4	4.1
17-Mar-19	111.9	112.6	108.1	124.3	99.1	105.5	122.8	4.0
24-Mar-19	111.8	112.0	106.6	120.2	99.0	109.3	124.0	4.2
31-Mar-19	114.7	112.0	105.0	120.7	107.0	110.7	130.2	3.6
7-Apr-19	113.2	112.9	103.2	122.8	107.7	111.6	120.6	4.3
14-Apr-19	115.3	113.8	105.4	122.9	112.2	113.3	122.6	3.9
21-Apr-19	119.5	115.7	109.2	129.3	114.4	122.0	122.6	4.2
28-Apr-19	117.6	116.4	106.3	127.4	108.1	118.8	127.5	3.8
5-May-19	117.3	117.4	106.5	125.9	112.5	114.5	127.1	4.1
12-May-19	114.8	117.3	108.6	127.6	103.4	110.7	123.9	4.5
19-May-19	117.2	116.7	109.1	129.1	107.3	111.7	129.0	4.0
26-May-19	118.6	117.0	110.4	130.1	110.5	116.7	125.3	3.8
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

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Important notice

[4 April 2019]

This publication is published by Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited ABN 11 005 357 522 ("ANZBGL") in Australia. This publication is intended as thought-leadership material. It is not published with the intention of providing any direct or indirect recommendations relating to any financial product, asset class or trading strategy.

The information in this publication is not intended to influence any person to make a decision in relation to a financial product or class of financial products. It is general in nature and does not take account of the circumstances of any individual or class of individuals. Nothing in this publication constitutes a recommendation, solicitation or offer by ANZBGL or its branches or subsidiaries (collectively "ANZ") to you to acquire a product or service, or an offer by ANZ to provide you with other products or services. All information contained in this publication is based on information available at the time of publication. While this publication has been prepared in good faith, no representation, warranty, assurance or undertaking is or will be made, and no responsibility or liability is or will be accepted by ANZ in relation to the accuracy or completeness of this publication or the use of information contained in this publication. ANZ does not provide any financial, investment, legal or taxation advice in connection with this publication.