# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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## Confidence drops to four year low

- The index continues its losing streak, falling 2.8% last week to its lowest level in more than four years. Weakness is across the board.
- Current financial conditions fell 0.1%, while future financial conditions plunged 4.4%. Current financial conditions are still above average, but future conditions are now below average.
- Current economic conditions fell by 1.3% last week, to a four-year low, while future economic conditions declined 4.6% and are now at an all-time low.
- The 'Time to buy a household item' was also at a multi-year low, falling 3.3%. The four-week moving average of inflation expectations was stable at 3.9%.

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

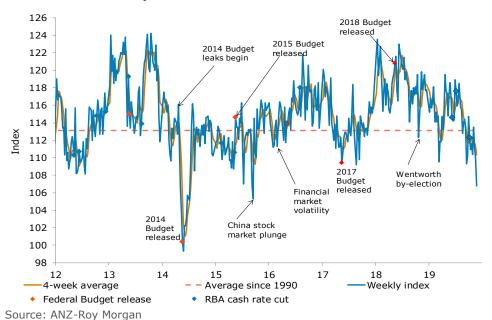
Last week (24–25 Nov)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (4-week ma)	
106.8	-2.8%	110.3	113.1	3.9%	

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:

Spurred by weakness in economic conditions and the 'time to buy a household item,' sub-index, overall consumer confidence fell further and is now at its lowest level in more than four years. The weakness continues to be driven by a very pessimistic economic outlook. Indeed, consumer views on the future economic outlook are now at their lowest in the history of the survey. This now seems to be impacting sentiment toward consumers' own finances, with future expectations of financial conditions now below average. Consumers are much happier about their current financial conditions, but it will be difficult for this to dominate such negative expectations about the economic outlook.

#### Confidence at multi-year low





140 130 120 Index 110 100 90 80 12 13 14 15 16 17 Consumer confidence in financial conditions\* 10 11 12 18 19 4 week moving average Consumer confidence in economic conditions\*\* 4 week moving average

Figure 1. Financial and economic conditions fall in unison

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.

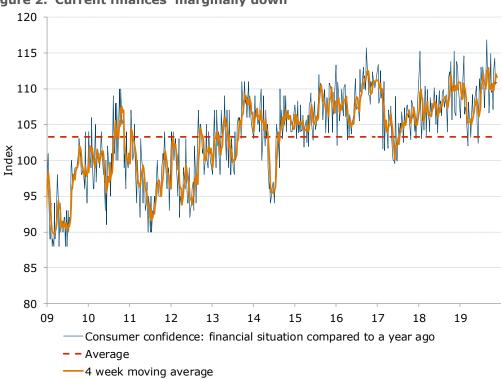


Figure 2. 'Current finances' marginally down



Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' lose 4.4%

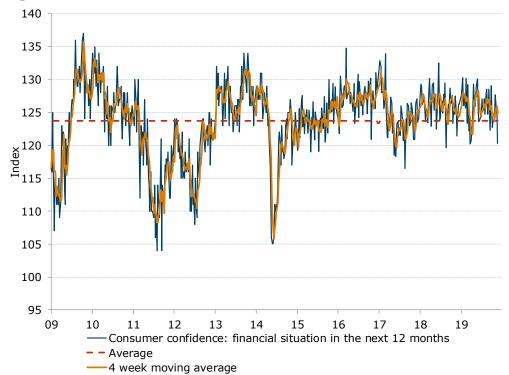


Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' fell 1.3%

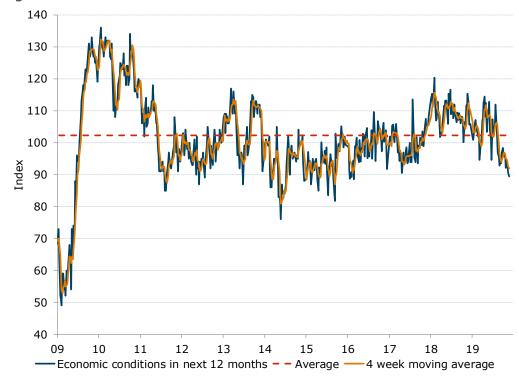




Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' lost 4.6% after declining 4.9% in the previous reading

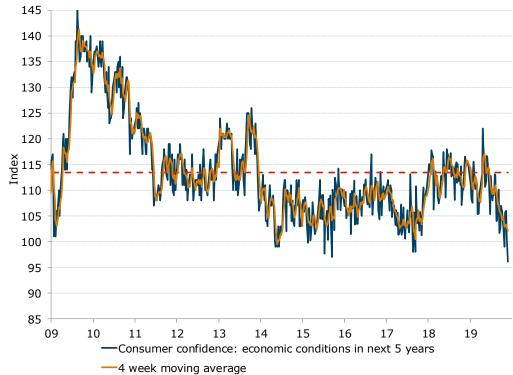


Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' fell 3.3%

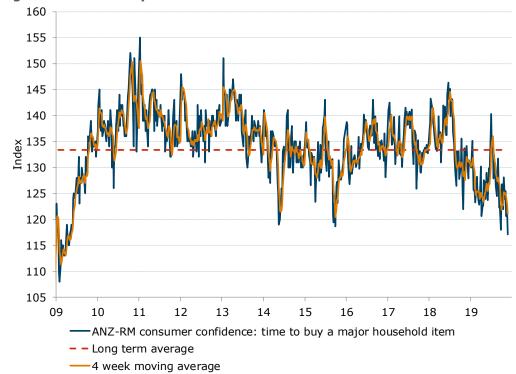
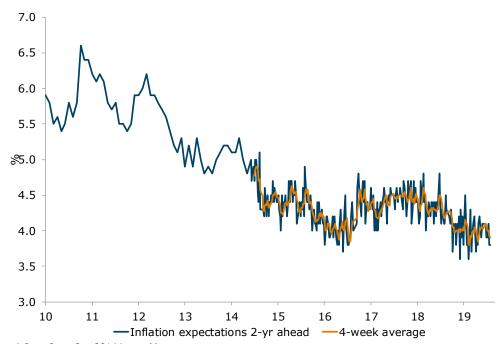




Figure 7. Four-week moving average 'inflation expectations' stable at 3.9%



\* Data from Oct-2014 is weekly. Data prior to that is monthly.



Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline index			Subindicies			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	116	-	97	117	101	114	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 4-Nov-18	119 116.8	115.8	108 110.9	126 124.7	109 104.4	113 110.1	135 133.7	4.4 4.1	
11-Nov-18	119.8	115.8	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 27-Jan-19	115.7 116.5	116.4 116.1	108.6 111.0	127.2 126.0	104.3 106.1	107.6 114.0	130.8 125.7	4.3 4.1	
3-Feb-19	118.1	116.1	114.6	127.7	107.1	115.6	125.7	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 14-Apr-19	113.2 115.3	112.9 113.8	103.2 105.4	122.8 122.9	107.7 112.2	111.6 113.3	120.6 122.6	4.3 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 16-Jun-19	114.6 114.2	116.8 116.1	102.4 106.4	123.6 123.9	104.0 101.6	113.1 111.0	129.8 128.2	3.6 4.0	
23-Jun-19	114.2	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 25-Aug-19	112.8 114.1	115.7 114.6	110.3 116.8	128.5 124.7	96.8 95.4	104.0 104.2	124.5 129.5	3.8 4.1	
1-Sep-19	114.4	114.2	113.0	126.3	92.8	104.2	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	
13-0ct-19	110.9	112.0	109.7	123.5	95.6	104.0	121.9	4.1	
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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	
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