

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Consumer falls modestly ahead of stage 4 in Melbourne

- Consumer confidence declined 0.4% last week. The length of decline now matches the one seen during the first wave of the pandemic when confidence declined for six straight weeks, though the severity of this decline has been milder – at least so far. This week's fall was driven by sharp weakness in economic conditions.
- Sentiment toward financial conditions was mixed. 'Current finances' declined by 0.6%, while 'future finances' gained 1.6% after three straight falls. 'Current economic conditions' declined for the seventh straight week, falling 5.1%, while 'future economic conditions' fell 5.3%.
- 'Time to buy a household item' gained 4.9%, the rise coming after falls for five straight weeks. 'Inflation expectations' fell 0.1ppt to 3.3% (four-week moving average).

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

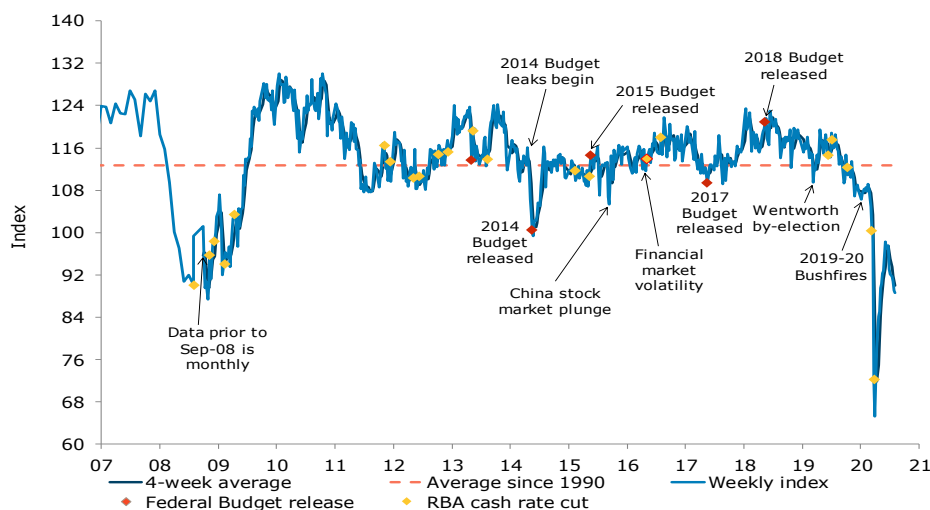
Last weekend (1–2 Aug)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
88.6	-0.4%	90.0	112.7	3.3%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,511 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:

Confidence fell again last week, though only modestly. This survey does not capture the effect of the extended Melbourne lockdown, as the announcement came late in the weekend. Despite the decline seen since the onset of the second wave in Victoria, the severity of the fall has been less than in March (at least so far), suggesting Australians have become somewhat accustomed to the 'new normal'. Fiscal support is also critical, with sentiment toward personal financial conditions holding up much better than expectations about the economy as a whole. The plan to reduce this support may test this relative resilience.

Confidence fell 0.4%

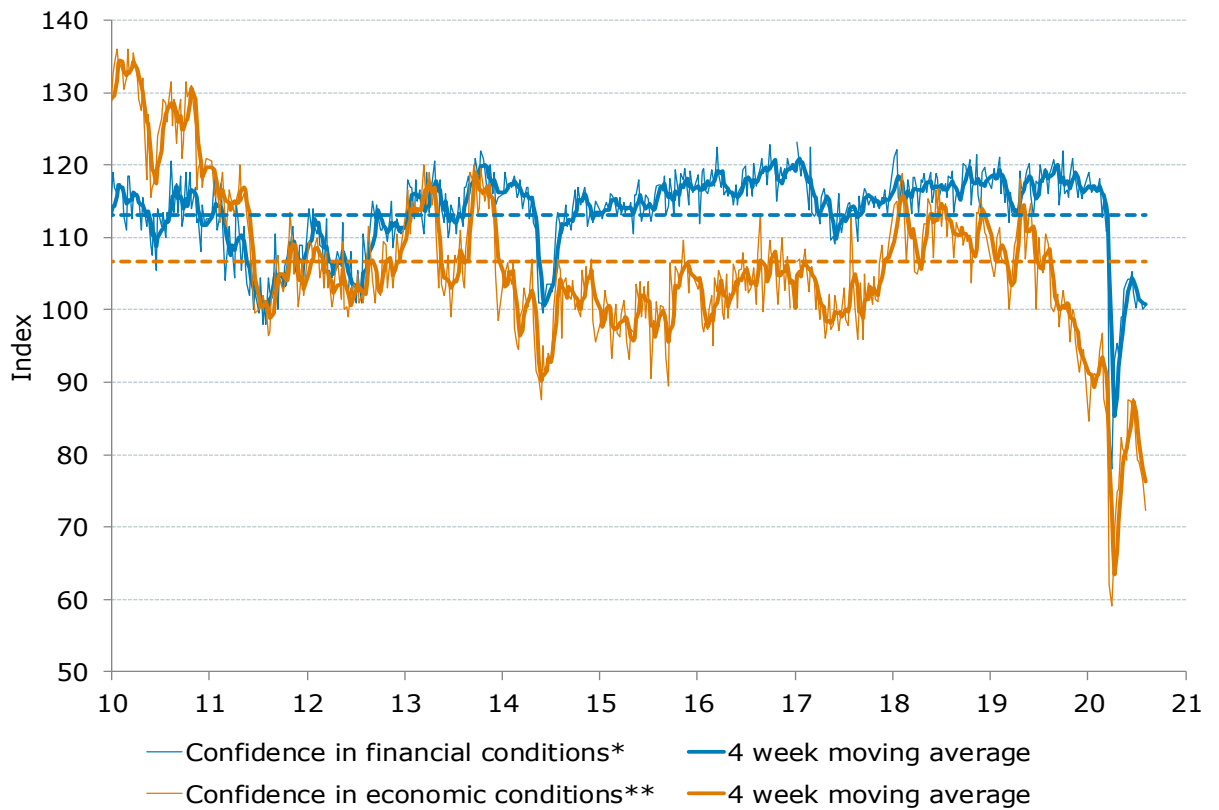


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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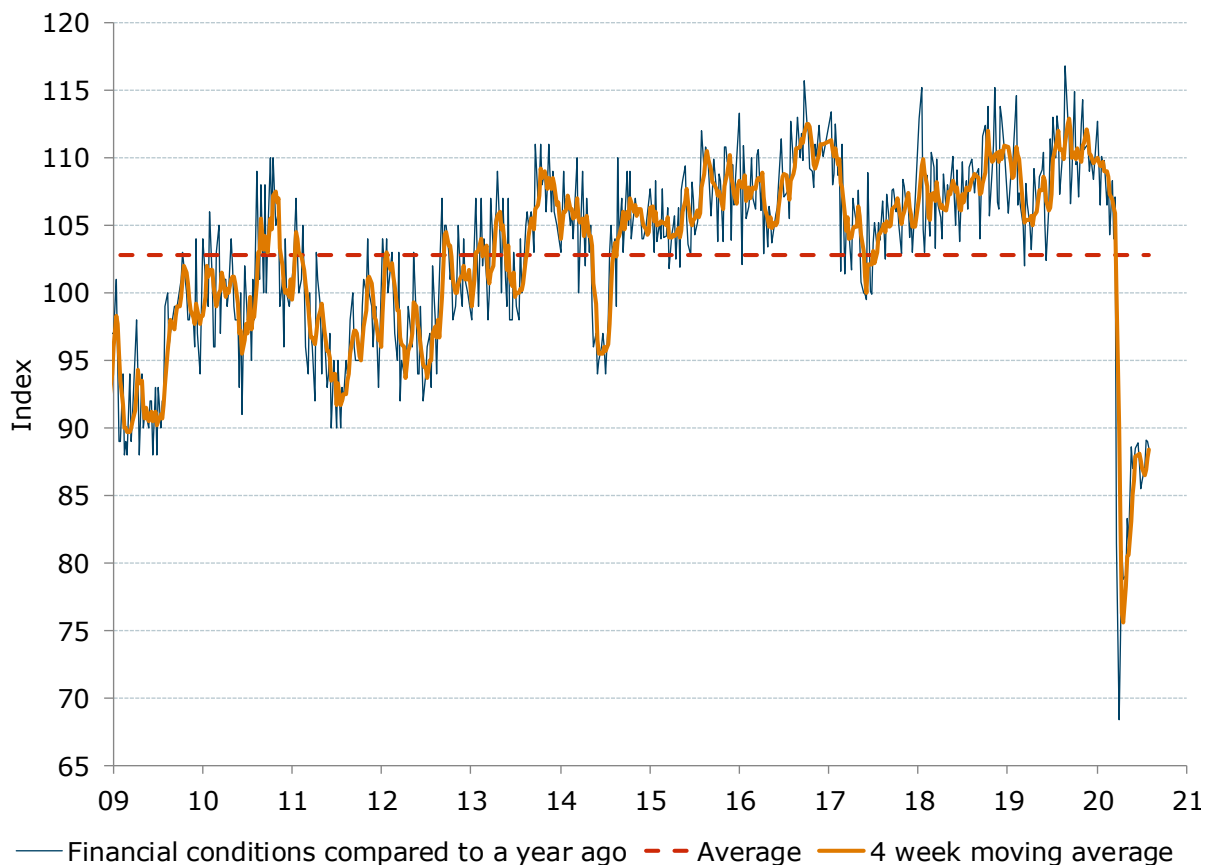
Figure 1. Financial and economic conditions diverged



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 by 0.6%

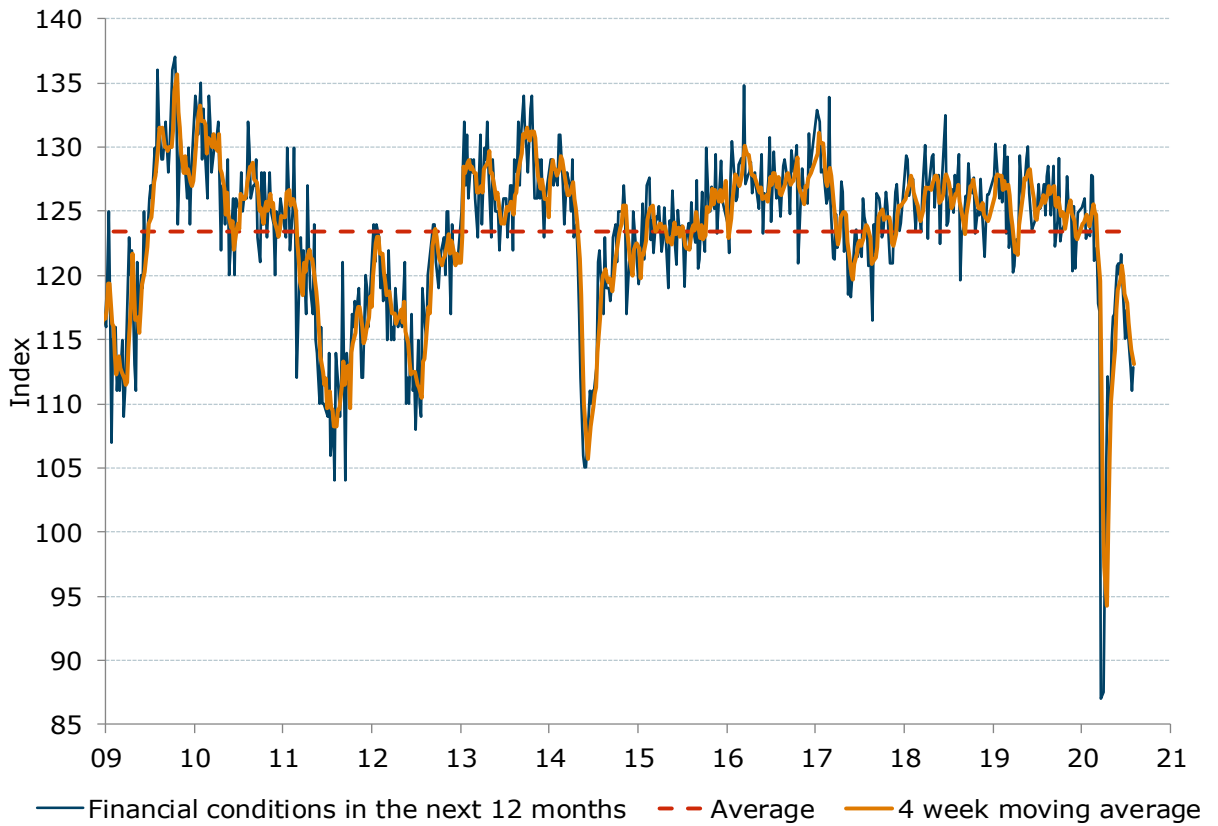


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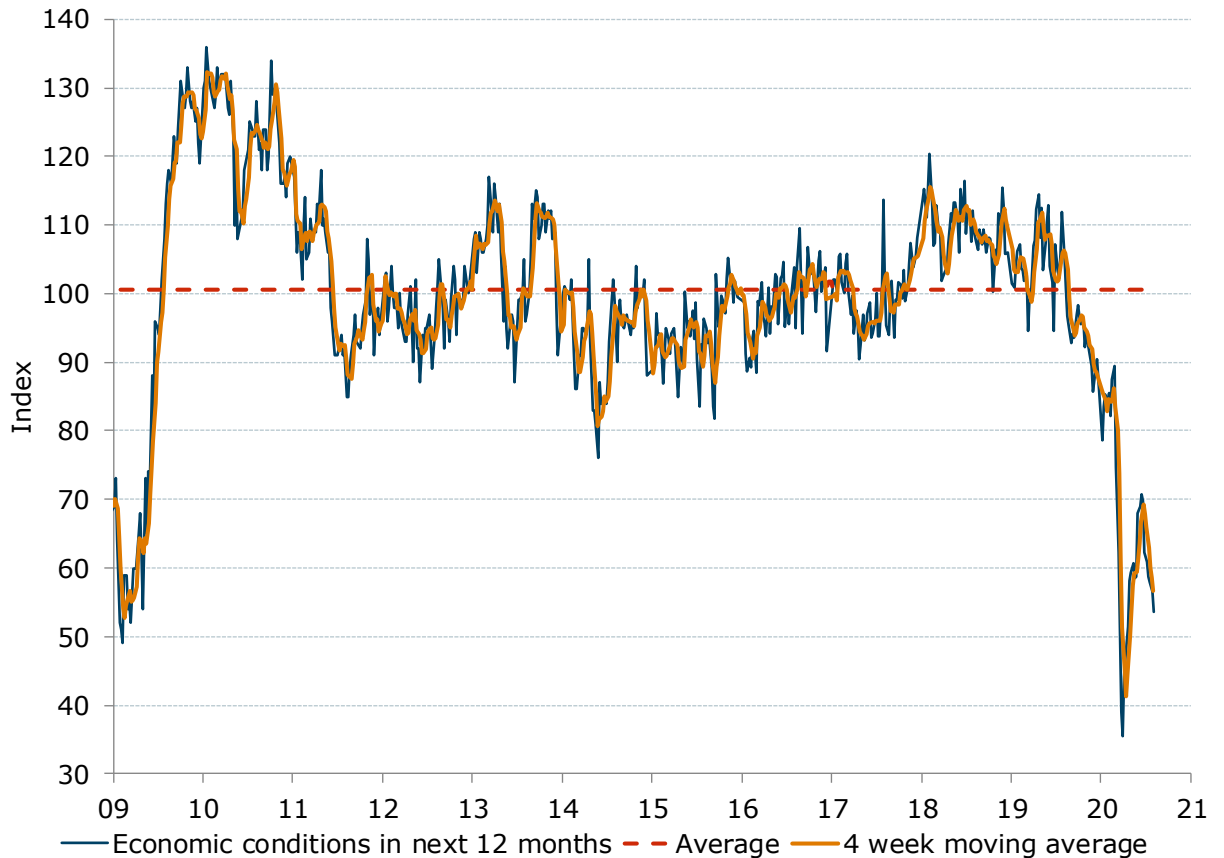
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Figure 3. ...but 'Future financial conditions' gained 1.6%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. Deterioration in 'Current economic conditions' continued

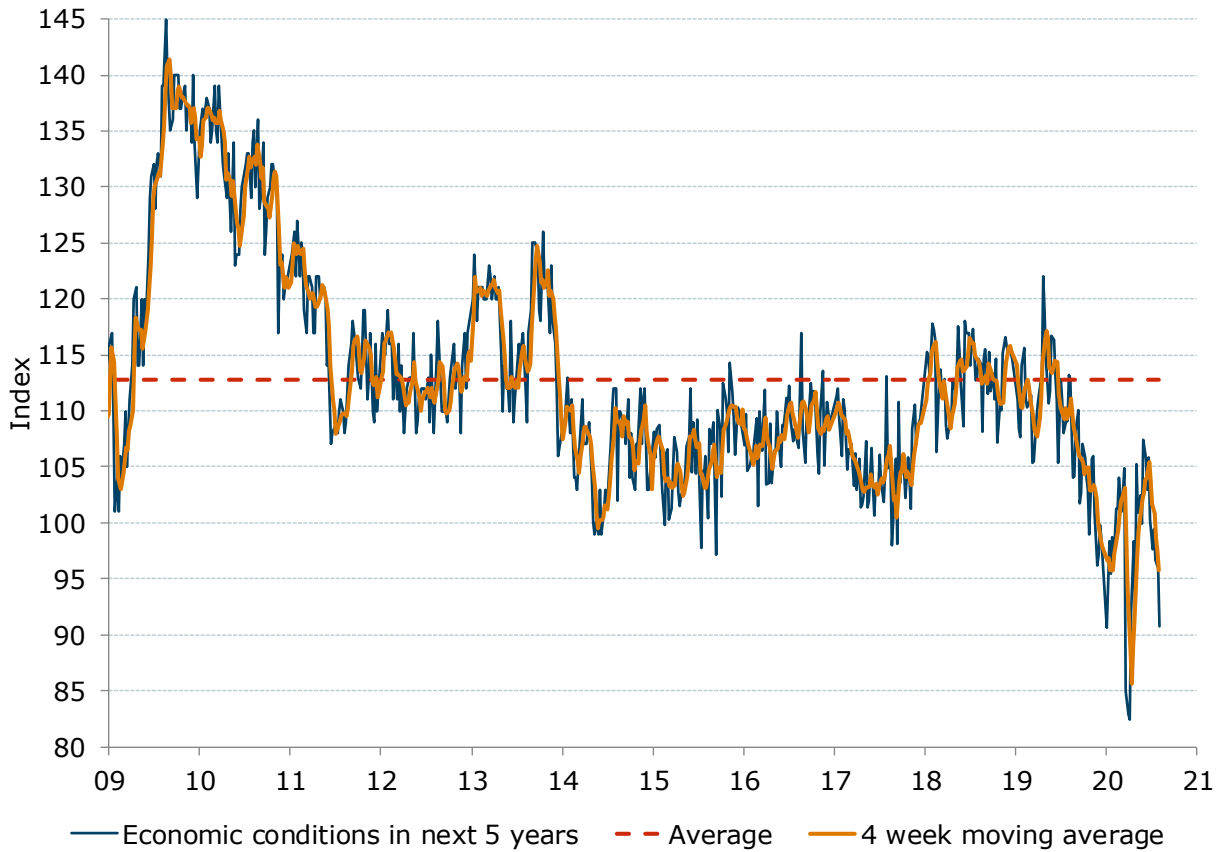


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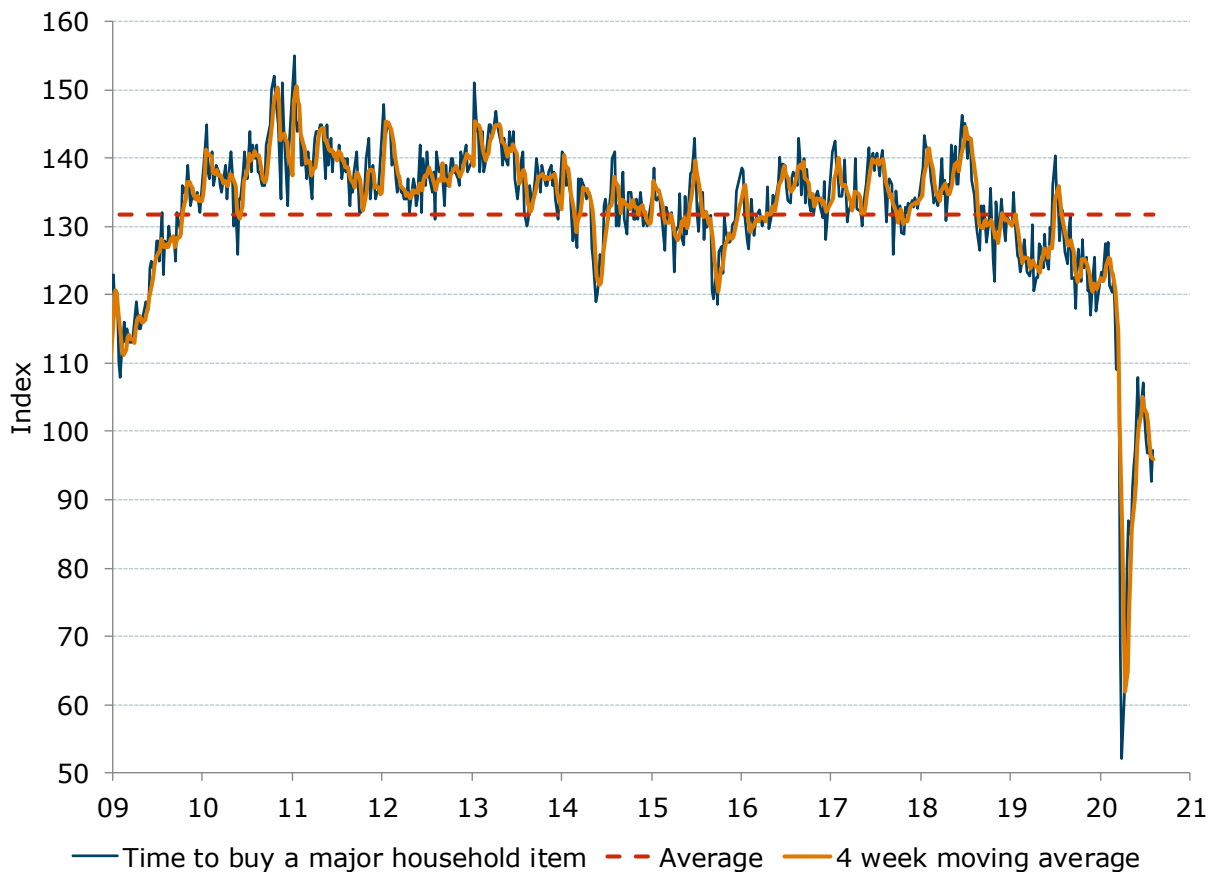
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Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' declined by 5.3%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' gained after five straight weekly declines

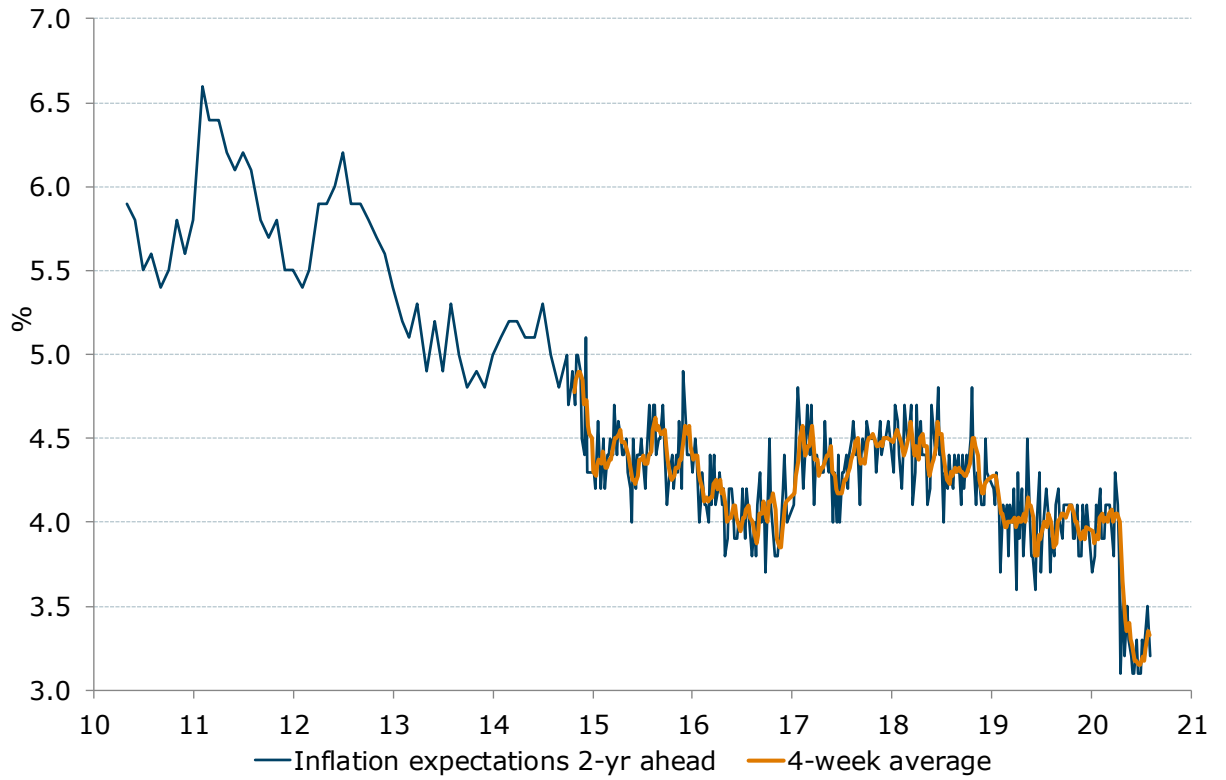


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Figure 7. 'Inflation expectations' declined 0.1ppt to 3.3% (four-week moving average)



* 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	-	103	124	104	113	133	-
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
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
04-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
01-Sep-19	114.4	114.2	113.0	126.3	92.8	108.2	131.7	4.2
08-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
06-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
03-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
01-Dec-19	108.1	109.0	109.0	125.4	85.7	97.2	123.3	4.1
08-Dec-19	109.0	108.5	110.1	120.5	89.0	99.8	125.6	3.9
15-Dec-19	108.0	108.0	108.4	124.9	90.4	98.6	117.6	4.1
05-Jan-20	106.2	107.8	112.7	125.3	78.7	90.6	123.3	3.7
12-Jan-20	107.3	107.6	106.5	126.0	83.5	98.4	121.9	3.8
19-Jan-20	108.3	107.5	110.1	122.9	85.3	95.4	127.6	4.1
26-Jan-20	108.0	107.5	109.5	123.5	83.8	98.7	124.5	4.0
02-Feb-20	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2
09-Feb-20	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9
16-Feb-20	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9
23-Feb-20	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1
01-Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
08-Mar-20	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1
15-Mar-20	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0
22-Mar-20	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8
29-Mar-20	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3
05-Apr-20	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1
12-Apr-20	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8
19-Apr-20	84.2	74.9	78.8	112.1	51.4	98.3	80.3	3.1
26-Apr-20	85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	92.5	86.9	3.6
03-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
07-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
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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
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