

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Consumer confidence falls as Stage 4 locks down Melbourne

- Consumer confidence declined 2.4% last week. This was its seventh weekly decline, longer than the six weeks of continuous decline seen during the first wave of the pandemic. The current decline has been less severe, however, as the index has fallen a bit more than 11% over these seven weeks compared to the 40% decline seen in the first wave.
- Financial conditions were mixed, with 'current finances' gaining 2.7% and 'future finances' declining 1.9%.
- Economic conditions were also mixed. 'Current economic conditions' plunged by 8.2%, its eighth weekly decline. This sub-index is now down by 30% over the past seven weeks compared to the fall of 60% in the first wave. 'Future economic conditions' ended on a positive note, gaining 2.2%.
- 'Time to buy a household item' declined 8.6%. 'Inflation expectations' was stable at 3.3% (four-week moving average).

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

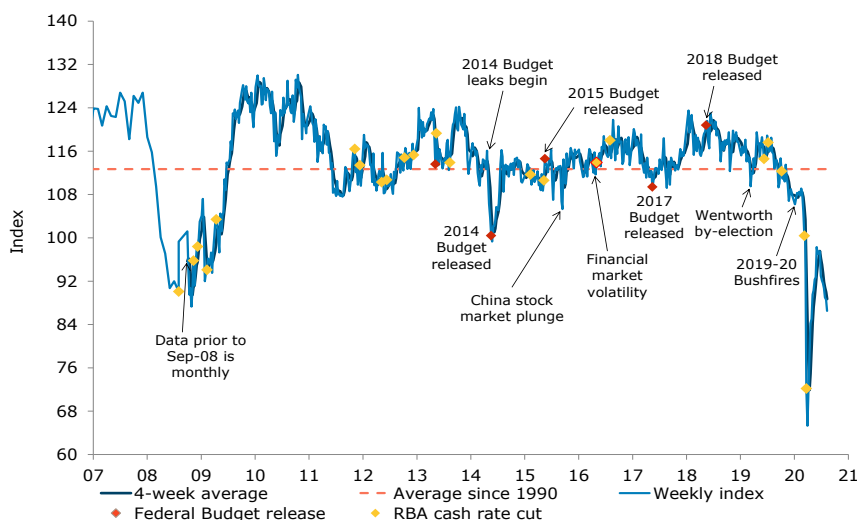
Last weekend (08-09 Aug)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
86.5	-2.4%	88.7	112.7	3.3%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,530 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 move to Stage 4 restrictions in Melbourne put further downward pressure on sentiment last week, with confidence falling to its lowest level since the last weekend of April. Not surprisingly, confidence is weakest in Melbourne. The resilience of sentiment toward financial conditions continues to be a feature of the survey, but only in a relative sense as it is still low in absolute terms and speaks to a likely reluctance on the part of households to spend.

Confidence declined 2.4%

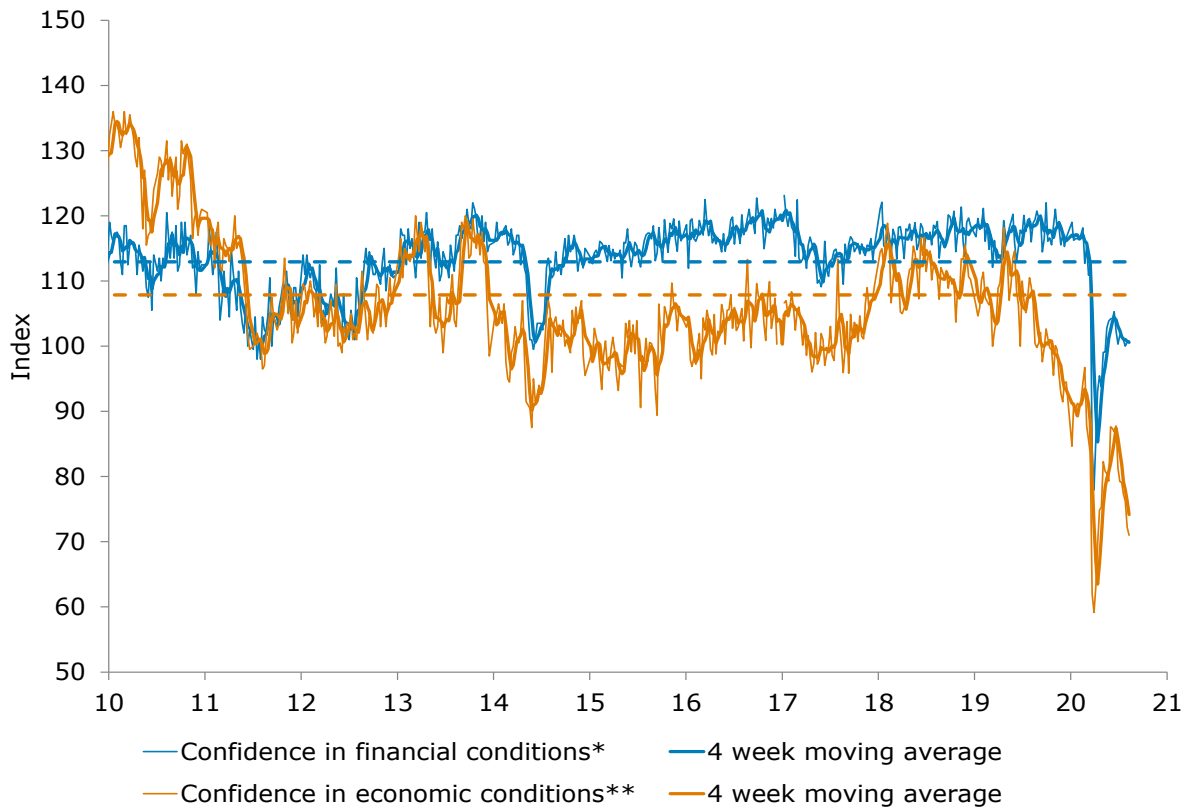


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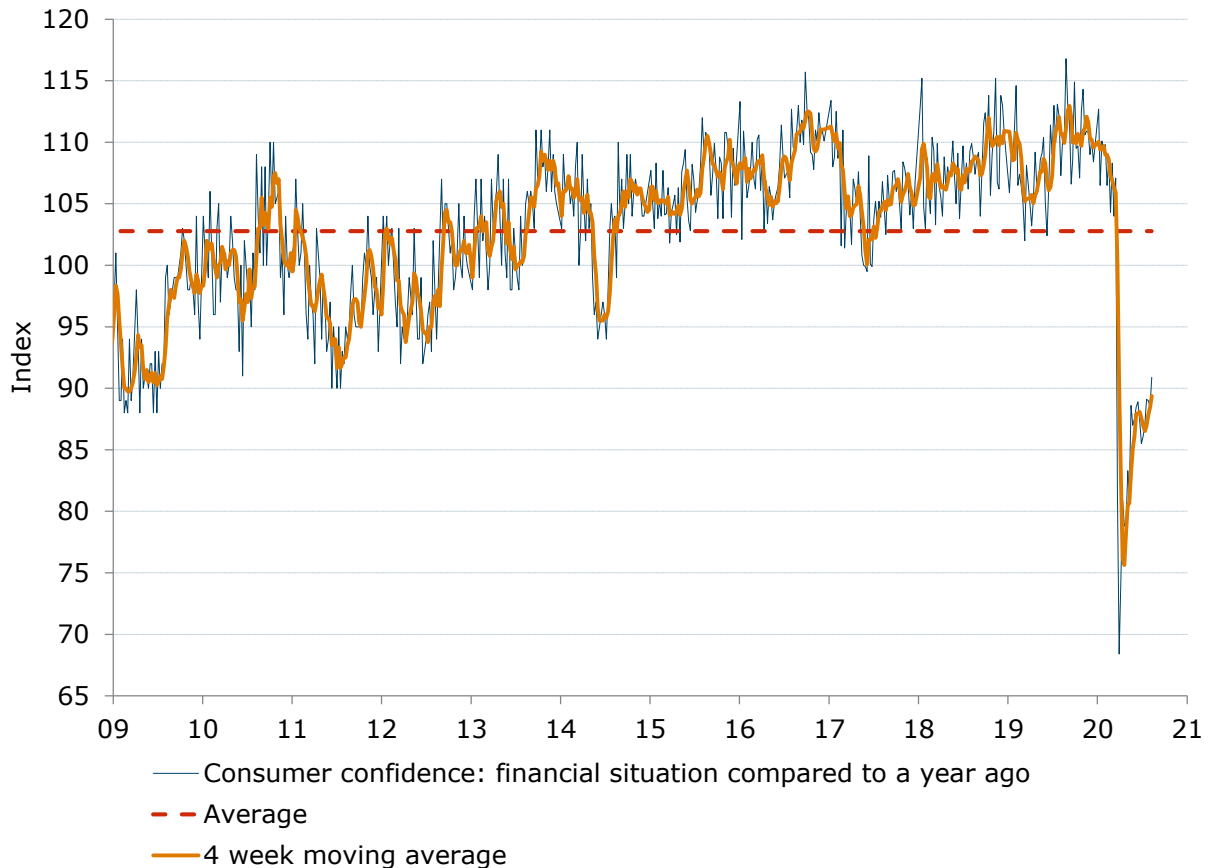
Figure 1. Economic conditions remain much weaker than financial



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' gained 2.7%

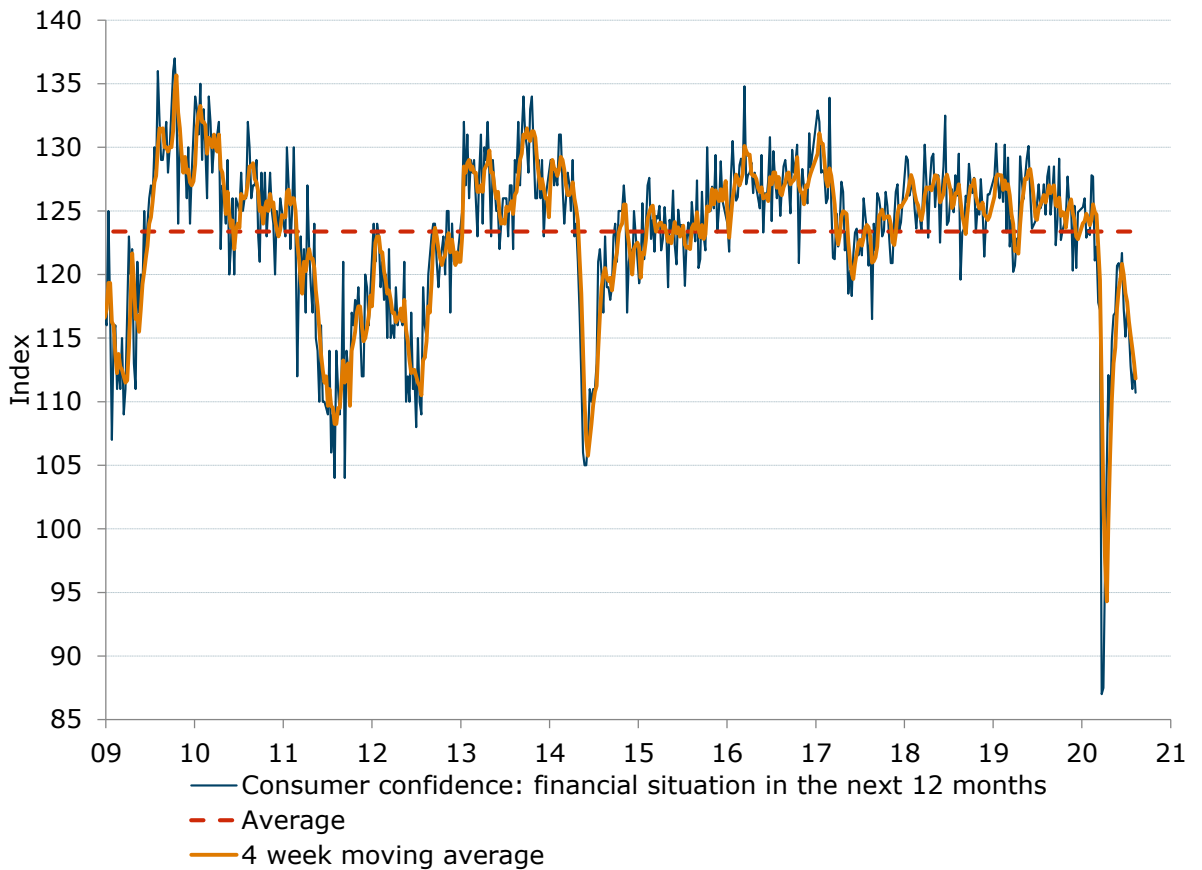


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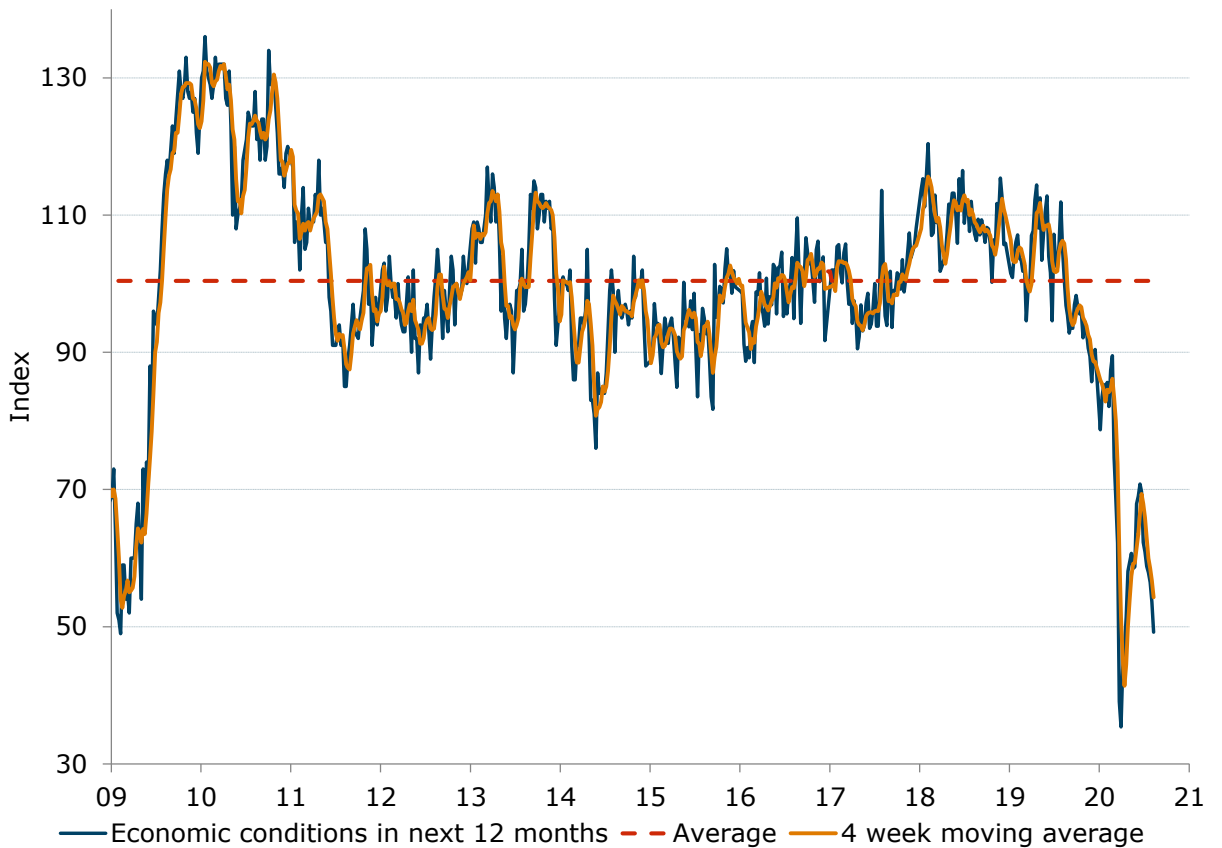
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Figure 3. While 'Future financial conditions' declined 1.9%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' plunged by 8.2%, its eighth weekly decline

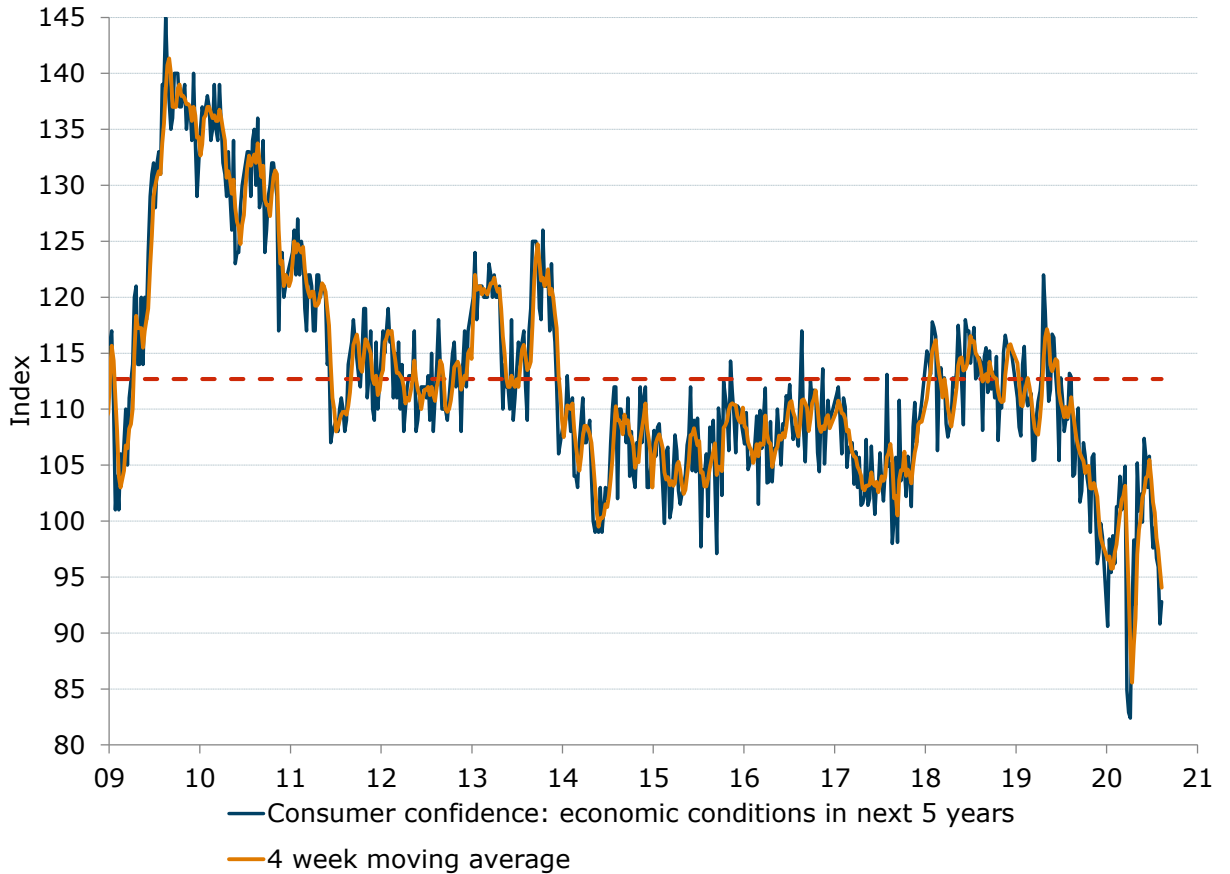


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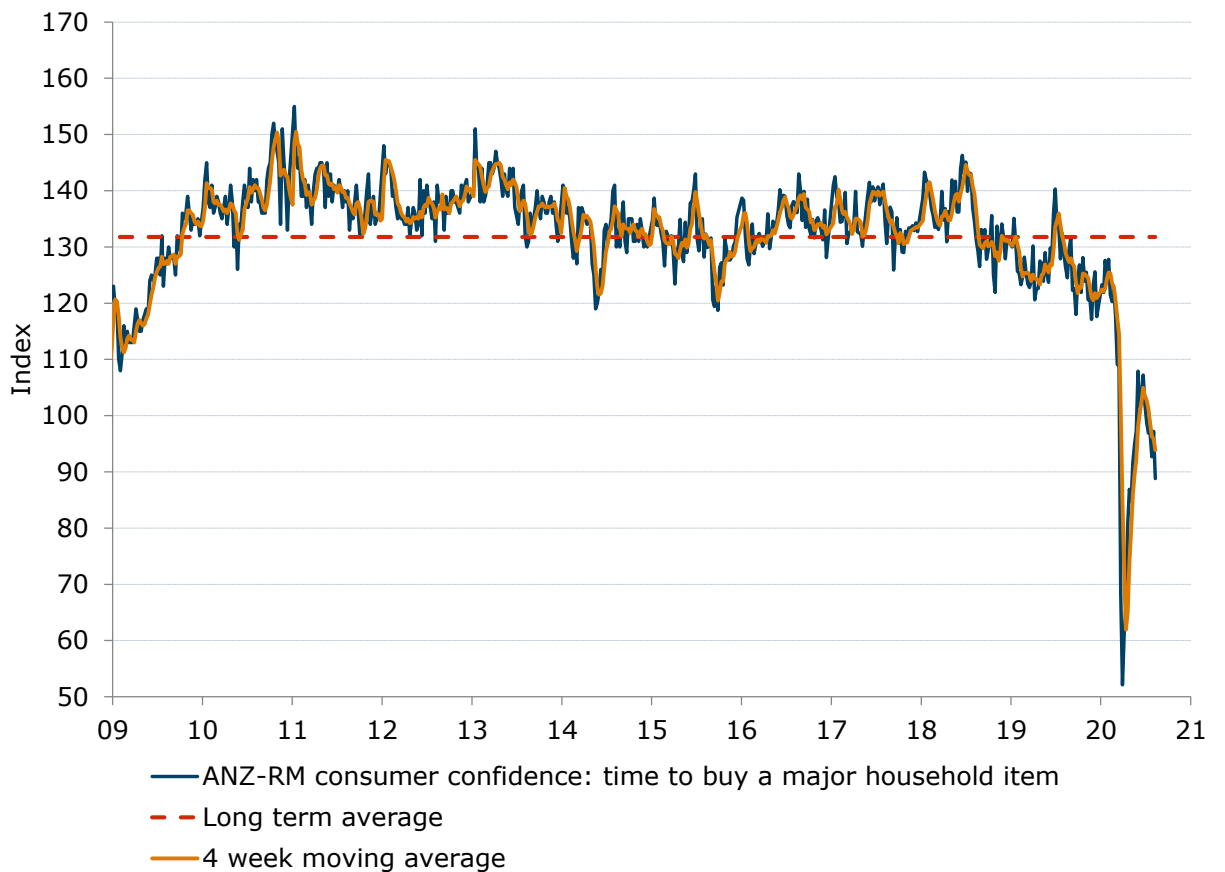
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Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gained 2.2%, after three straight weekly declines



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' plunged by 8.6%

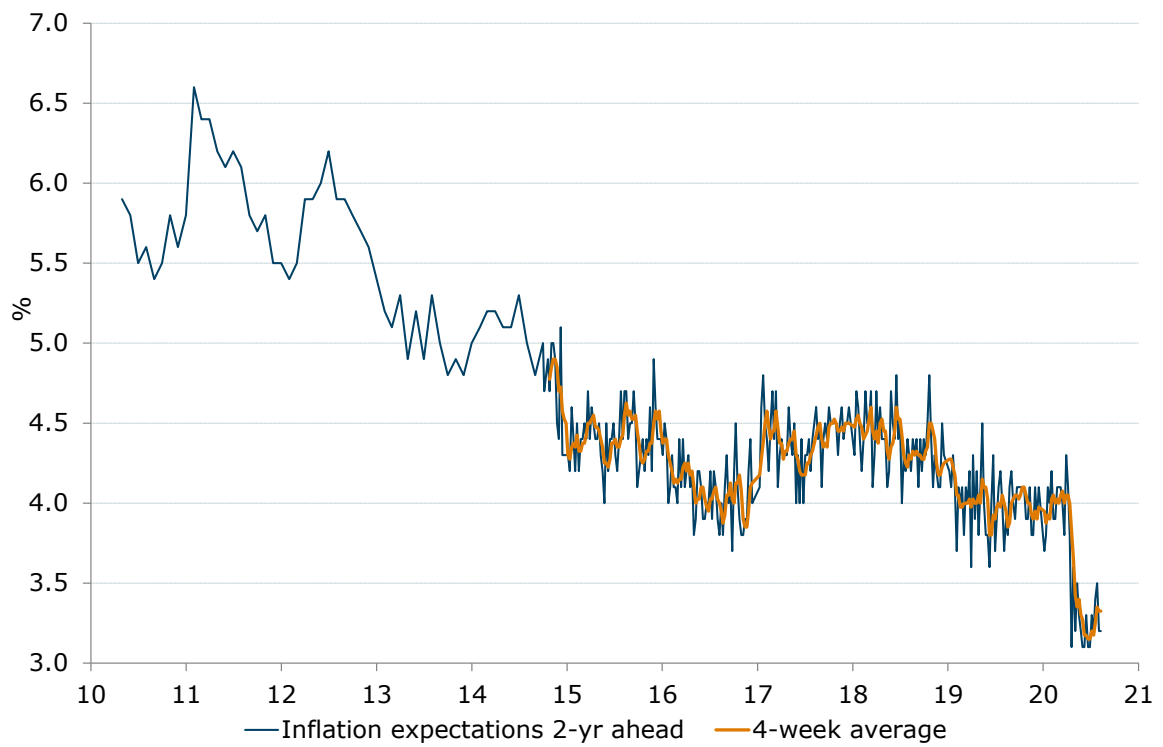


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Figure 7. 'Inflation expectations' stable at 3.3% (four-week moving average)



* 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
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
05-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
02-Aug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
09-Aug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2

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