ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Losing streak broken

- Consumer confidence gained 2.4% last week, the increase coming after seven straight weeks of decline. All the subindices gained with the exception of 'current finances'.
- 'Current finances' went against the overall trend with a fall of 1.9%, though this came after a gain of 2.7% last week, while 'future finances' gained 4.2%.
- 'Current economic conditions' increased by a massive 10.6%, after a cumulative fall of 30% over the prior eight weeks, while 'future economic conditions' rose 1.6%.
- 'Time to buy a household item' gained 1% compared to a fall of 8.6% in the previous reading. 'Inflation expectations' was stable at 3.3% (four-week moving average).

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

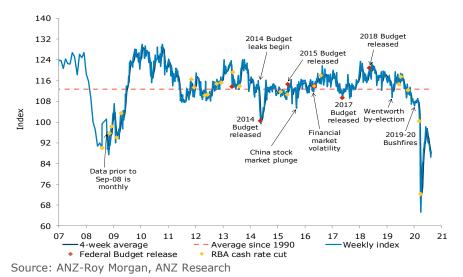
Last weekend (15-16 Aug)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
88.6	2.4%	88.2	112.7	3.3%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,531 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 strengthened last week as the rate of growth in COVID-19 cases declined in Melbourne and Sydney. The positive July labour market data, which was better than market expectations, may have contributed to the lift in sentiment. Confidence of Melbourne consumers lifted the most, but is still the lowest of the major capital cities. The move higher follows seven straight weeks of falls, so a tick up was due; and with confidence remaining at a level that is well below average we aren't getting too carried away by the positive result. Consumers are still very cautious about the outlook.

Confidence gained 2.4%



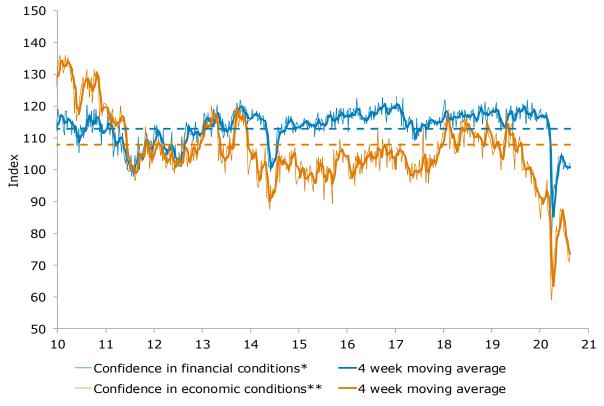


Figure 1. Financial and economic conditions gained

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.

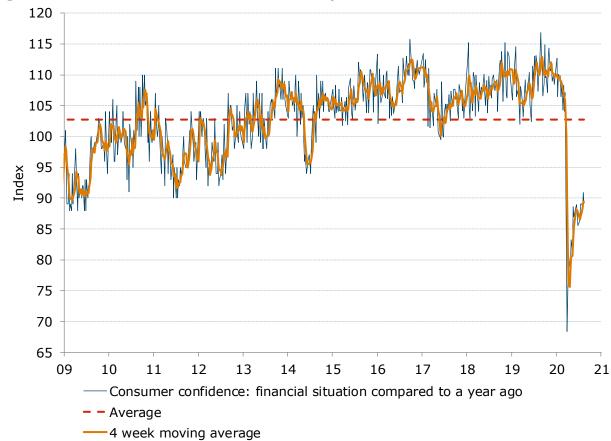


Figure 2. 'Current financial conditions' declined by 1.9%



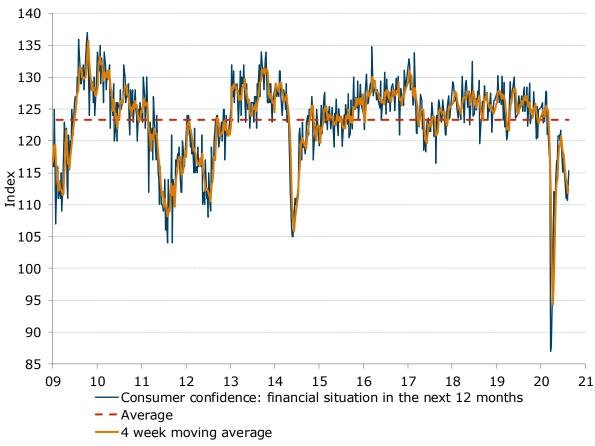


Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' gained 4.2%

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

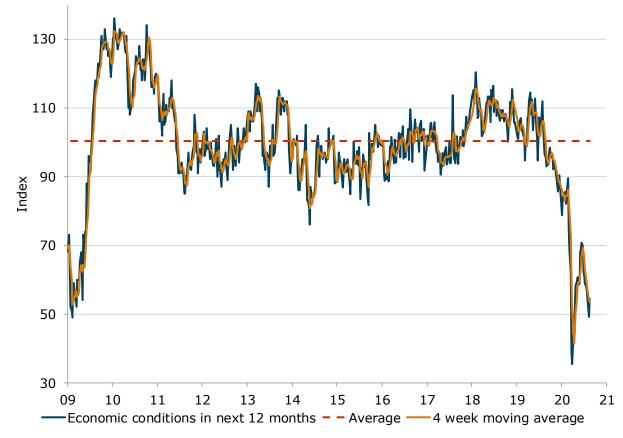


Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' jumped by 10.6% after declining for eight weeks



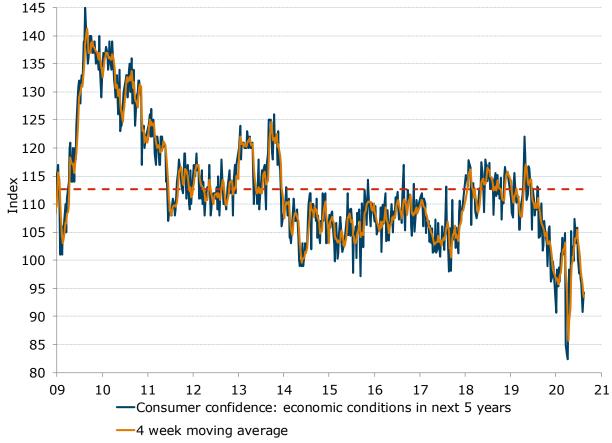
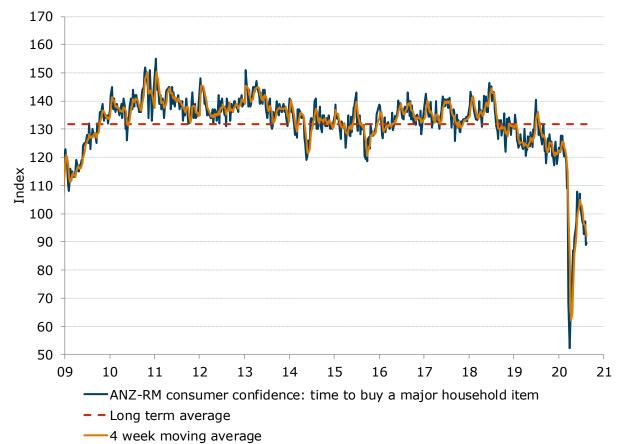


Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gained 1.6%, its second straight weekly gain

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' also gained



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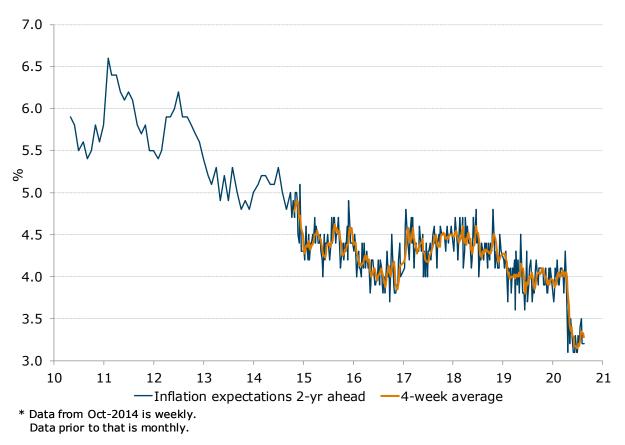




Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline index Subindices Inflation expectation								
	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	
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	108.0 108.5	107.5 108.0	109.5 109.8	123.5	83.8 85.6	98.7 96.2	124.5	4.0 4.2	
02-Feb-20	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1 127.8	82.1	101.3	127.8	3.9	
09-Feb-20 16-Feb-20	107.8	108.2	108.5	127.8	87.4	101.3	121.4 120.3	3.9	
23-Feb-20	109.1				89.5		120.3	4.1	
01-Mar-20	108.3	108.4 107.5	104.3 108.3	121.1 122.2	74.6	104.0 101.0	122.4	4.1	
01-Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.5	117.8	68.6	101.0	109.1	4.1	
	100.4	103.4	104.0		62.2		109.1	4.0	
15-Mar-20	72.2	94.4	81.5	117.2 87.0	39.1	104.9 84.9	68.4	3.8	
22-Mar-20	65.3	94.4 84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3	
29-Mar-20 05-Apr-20	65.3 71.9	84.5 77.4	74.4	87.5 97.5	35.4 44.1	82.9 82.4	61.2	4.3	
	71.9	77.4	80.9	105.2	44.1 46.9	82.4 92.1	66.1	4.1 3.8	
12-Apr-20 19-Apr-20	78.2 84.2	71.9	78.8	105.2	46.9 51.4	92.1 98.3	80.3	3.8	
26-Apr-20	84.2 85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	98.5	86.9	3.6	
20-Apr-20 03-May-20	89.5	79.8 84.2	83.3	108.4	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2	
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10-May-20 17-May-20	90.3 92.3	87.3 89.3	81.4 88.6	116.8 117.0	58.5	100.9 102.4	91.6 94.9	3.5 3.3	
24-May-20	92.3 92.7	89.3 91.2	88.6	120.7	58.5 58.7	99.9	94.9 97.3	3.3	
24-May-20 31-May-20	92.7 98.3	91.2 93.4	87.0 87.5	120.7	58.7 67.9	99.9 107.4	97.3 107.9	3.2	
07-Jun-20	98.3 97.0	93.4 95.1	87.5 88.5	120.9	69.0	107.4	107.9	3.1	
14-Jun-20	97.50	95.1 96.4	88.9	120.0	70.8	103.0	101.7	3.3	
21-Jun-20	97.50 97.50	96.4 97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	103.0	3.1	
21-Jun-20 28-Jun-20	97.50	97.6 96.3	87.4 85.5	117.3	62.3	105.8	107.2	3.1	
28-Jun-20 05-Jul-20	93.0 92.1	96.3 95.0	85.5 86.1	115.1	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.1 3.3	
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19-Jul-20 26-Jul-20	90.7 89.0	91.9 90.9	89.1 89.0	112.8 111.0	57.9 56.5	96.7 95.9	96.8 92.7	3.4 3.5	
	89.0 88.6	90.9 90.0	89.0	111.0 112.8	56.5 53.6	95.9 90.8	92.7 97.2	3.5	
02-Aug-20 09-Aug-20	88.6	90.0 88.7	88.5 90.9	112.8	49.2	90.8 92.8	97.2 88.8	3.2	
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