

# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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## Year-end cheer

- Consumer confidence continued to scale 2020 highs. The overall index rose 1.7%, matching the prior week’s gain, with most of the subindices registering improvement.
- ‘Current financial conditions’ surged 6.4%, while ‘future financial conditions’ grew 0.5%.
- ‘Current economic conditions’ improved by 2.9%, while ‘future economic conditions’ was unchanged from the previous week.
- ‘Time to buy a major household item’ inched up 0.3%. The four-week moving average of ‘inflation expectations’ rose to 3.6%, though weekly inflation expectations softened to 3.6% from 3.8% the week prior.

## ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

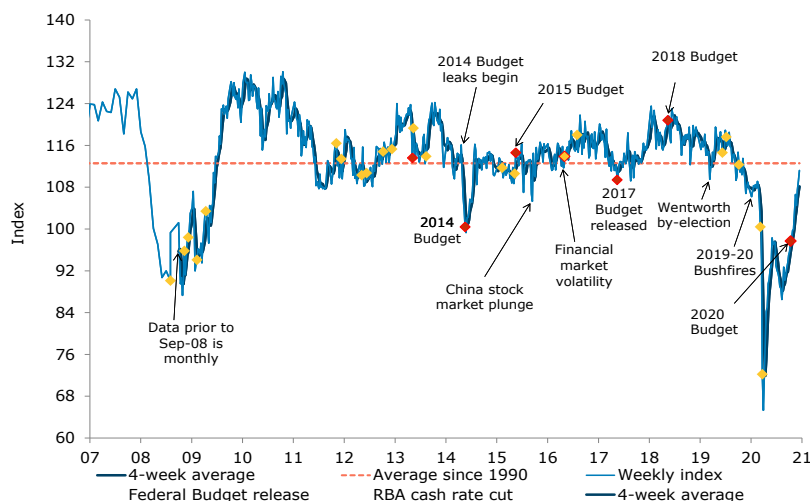
Last weekend (12-13 Dec)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
111.2	1.7%	108.1	112.6	3.6%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,529 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:

It was yet another upbeat result in the latest survey, with consumer confidence reaching new 2020 highs. Most subindices are now back at or even higher than the pre-pandemic level, with the confidence in future economic conditions at an 18-month high. The exception is current financial conditions, for which sentiment is close to 10% lower than mid-March and still below the neutral level of 100 (if only just). Despite this exception, the rise in confidence bodes well for the holiday season. Last week we noted the sharp jump in inflation expectations. These have pulled back a bit in this week’s survey but are still elevated enough to push the 4-week moving average to its highest level since late April. This is still some way below the 4% plus level for expected inflation that was typical prior to the pandemic.

### Confidence up 1.7%

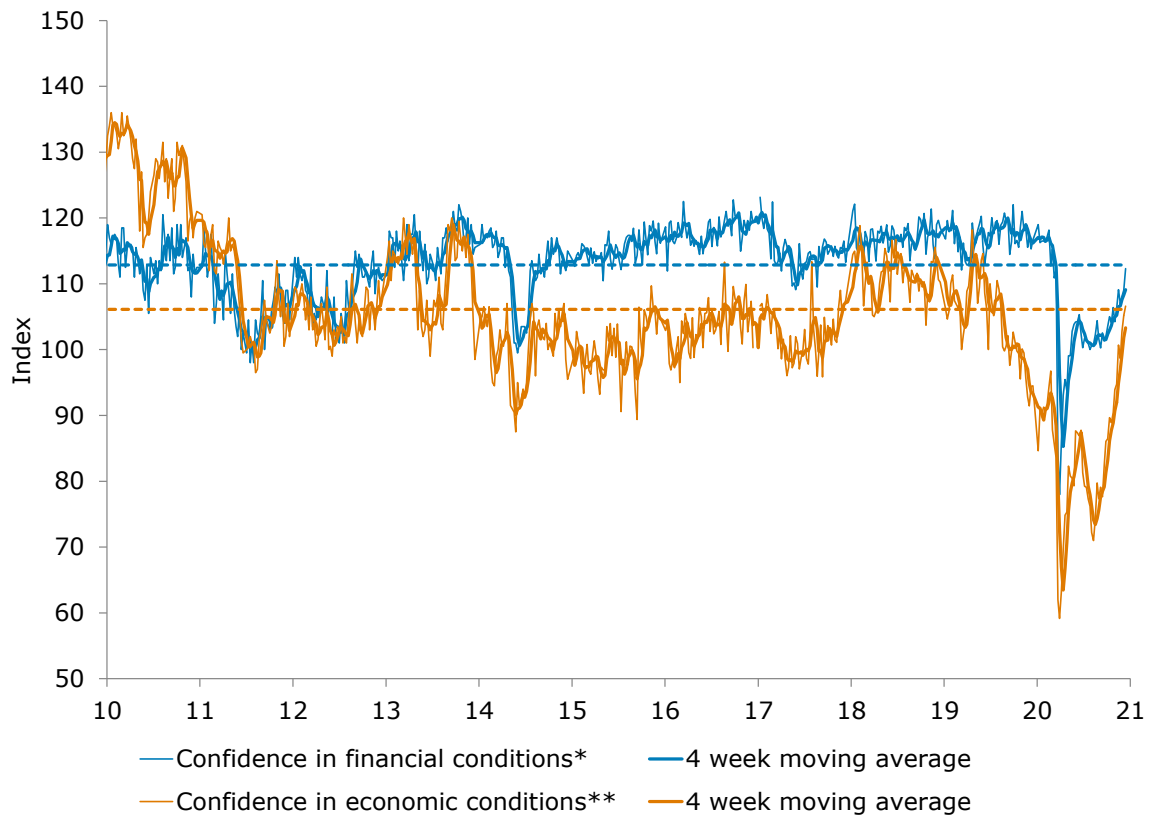


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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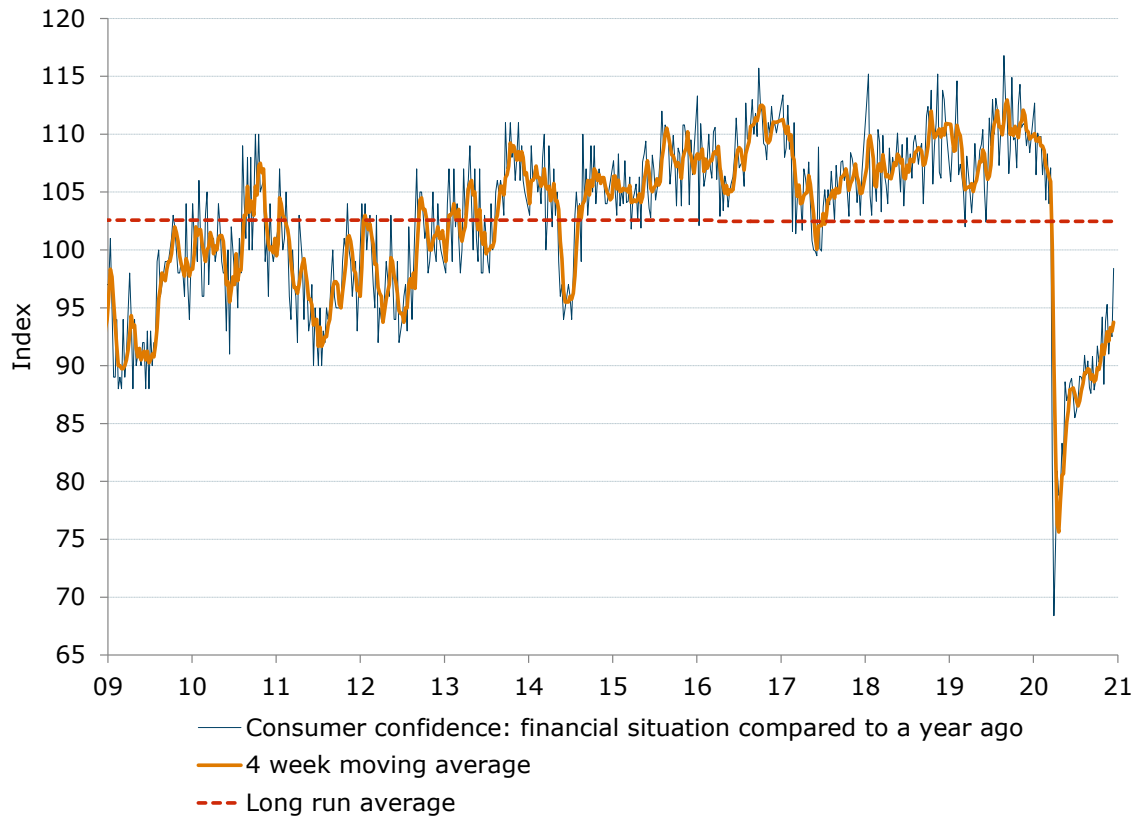
**Figure 1. Confidence up for both economic and financial conditions**



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' surged 6.4%**

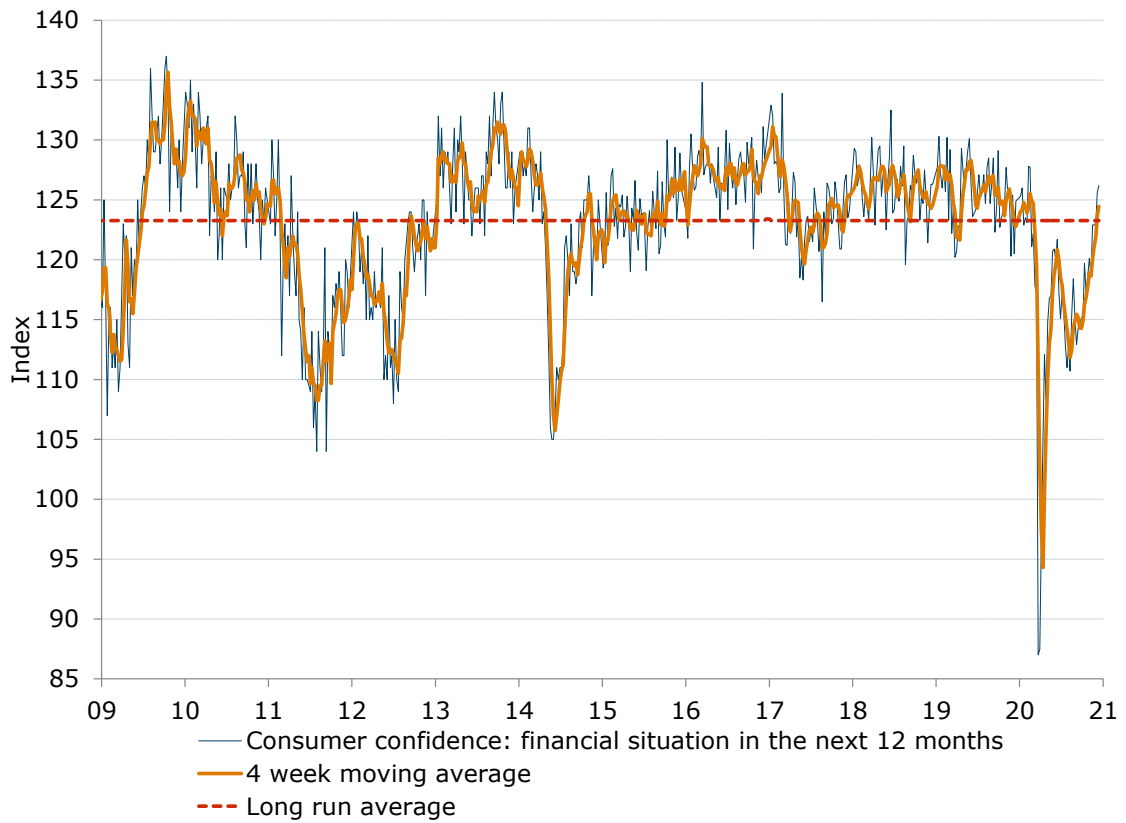


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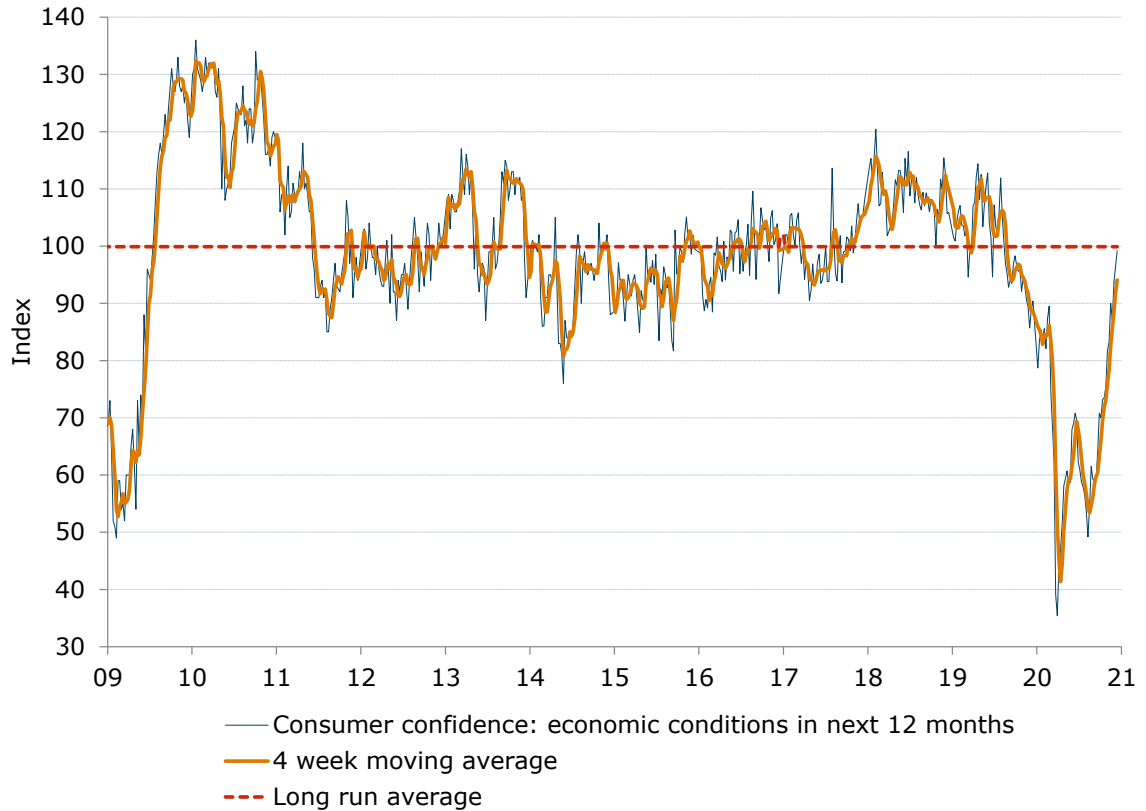
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**Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' grew 0.5%**



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

**Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' improved 2.9%**

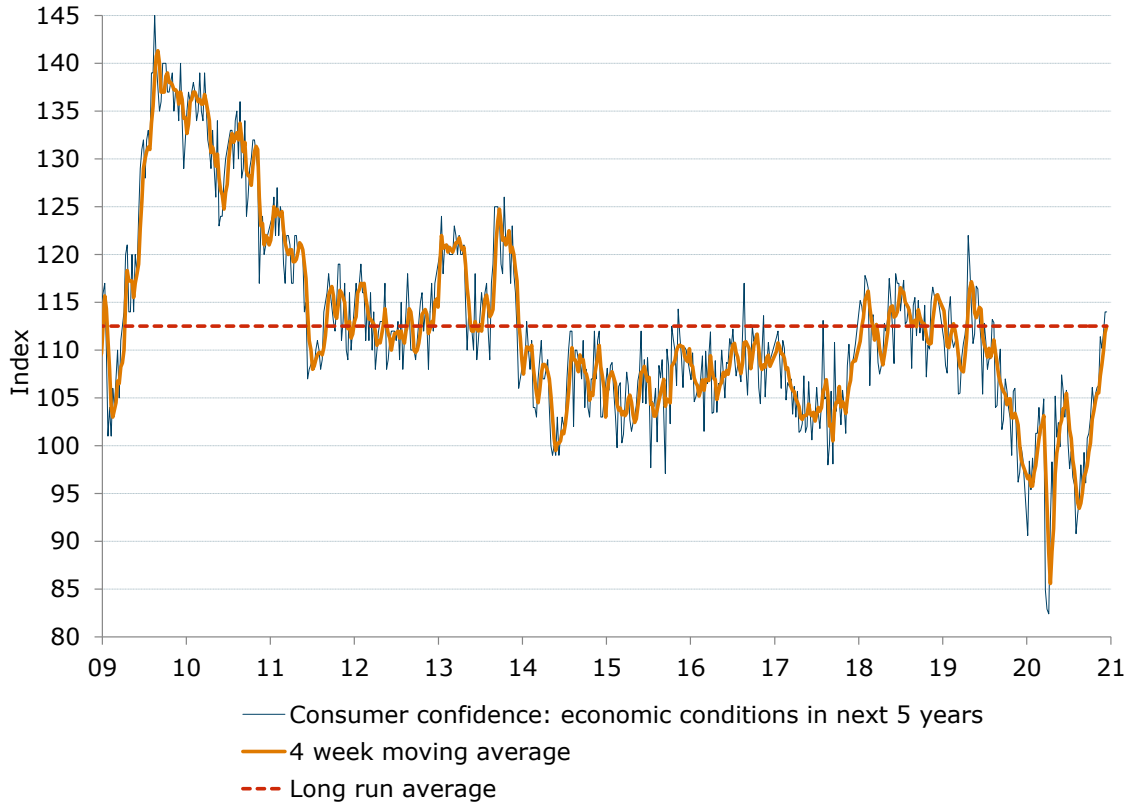


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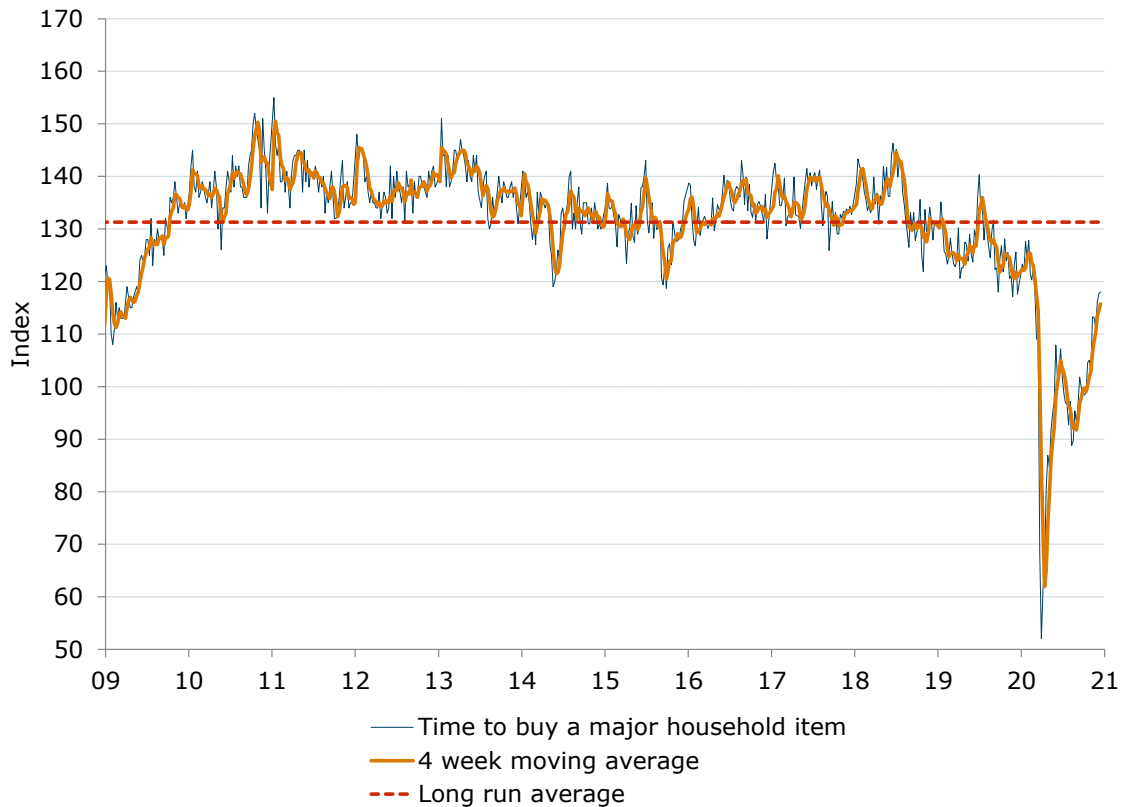
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**Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' flat**



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

**Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' inched up 0.3%**

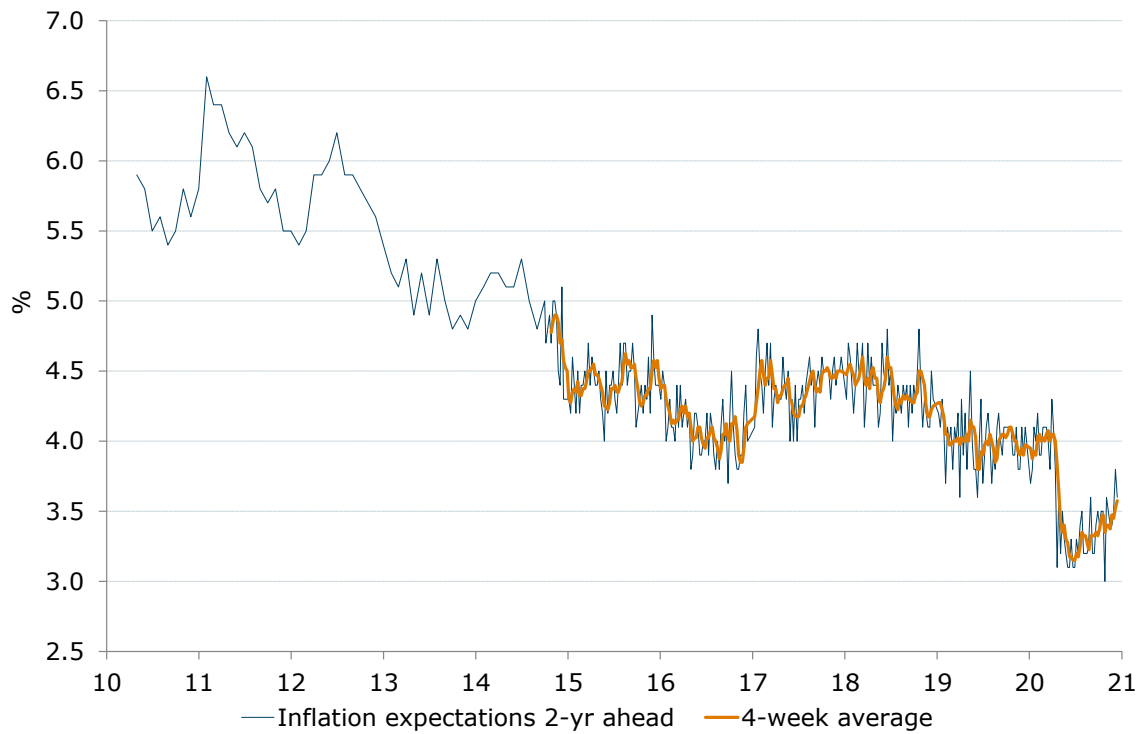


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**Figure 7. Weekly inflation expectations softened a touch but the four-week average is at its highest level since April**



\* 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 (%)
<b>Avg since 2001</b>	115	-	102	124	103	113	133	-
<b>2010 avg</b>	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7
<b>2011 avg</b>	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0
<b>2012 avg</b>	113	-	99	118	97	113	138	5.8
<b>2013 avg</b>	119	-	104	128	106	118	139	5.0
<b>2014 avg</b>	111	-	104	121	94	106	132	4.9
<b>2015 avg</b>	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4
<b>2016 avg</b>	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1
<b>2017 avg</b>	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4
<b>2018 avg</b>	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
<b>2019 avg</b>	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
<b>5-Jan-20</b>	106.2	107.8	112.7	125.3	78.7	90.6	123.3	3.7
<b>12-Jan-20</b>	107.3	107.6	106.5	126.0	83.5	98.4	121.9	3.8
<b>19-Jan-20</b>	108.3	107.5	110.1	122.9	85.3	95.4	127.6	4.1
<b>26-Jan-20</b>	108.0	107.5	109.5	123.5	83.8	98.7	124.5	4.0
<b>2-Feb-20</b>	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2
<b>9-Feb-20</b>	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9
<b>16-Feb-20</b>	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9
<b>23-Feb-20</b>	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1
<b>1-Mar-20</b>	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
<b>8-Mar-20</b>	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1
<b>15-Mar-20</b>	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0
<b>22-Mar-20</b>	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8
<b>29-Mar-20</b>	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3
<b>5-Apr-20</b>	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1
<b>12-Apr-20</b>	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8
<b>19-Apr-20</b>	84.2	74.9	78.8	112.1	51.4	98.3	80.3	3.1
<b>26-Apr-20</b>	85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	92.5	86.9	3.6
<b>3-May-20</b>	89.5	84.2	83.3	114.8	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2
<b>10-May-20</b>	90.3	87.3	81.4	116.8	60.7	100.9	91.6	3.5
<b>17-May-20</b>	92.3	89.3	88.6	117.0	58.5	102.4	94.9	3.3
<b>24-May-20</b>	92.7	91.2	87.0	120.7	58.7	99.9	97.3	3.2
<b>31-May-20</b>	98.3	93.4	87.5	120.9	67.9	107.4	107.9	3.1
<b>7-Jun-20</b>	97.0	95.1	88.5	120.0	69.0	105.7	101.7	3.1
<b>14-Jun-20</b>	97.5	96.4	88.9	121.7	70.8	103.0	103.0	3.3
<b>21-Jun-20</b>	97.5	97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	107.2	3.1
<b>28-Jun-20</b>	93.0	96.3	85.5	115.1	62.3	100.3	102.0	3.1
<b>5-Jul-20</b>	92.1	95.0	86.1	117.3	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3
<b>12-Jul-20</b>	91.6	93.6	87.1	115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2
<b>19-Jul-20</b>	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4
<b>26-Jul-20</b>	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5
<b>2-Aug-20</b>	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
<b>9-Aug-20</b>	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2
<b>16-Aug-20</b>	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2
<b>23-Aug-20</b>	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3
<b>30-Aug-20</b>	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6
<b>6-Sep-20</b>	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2
<b>13-Sep-20</b>	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2
<b>20-Sep-20</b>	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4
<b>27-Sep-20</b>	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5
<b>4-Oct-20</b>	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4
<b>11-Oct-20</b>	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5
<b>18-Oct-20</b>	98.1	96.6	91.0	117.2	73.5	104.3	104.6	3.5
<b>25-Oct-20</b>	99.7	97.8	94.2	118.6	75.4	105.4	105.0	3.0
<b>1-Nov-20</b>	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6
<b>8-Nov-20</b>	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5
<b>15-Nov-20</b>	106.6	102.3	95.3	122.9	90.0	111.4	113.1	3.4
<b>22-Nov-20</b>	104.5	103.5	91.0	122.9	87.1	110.2	111.3	3.4
<b>29-Nov-20</b>	107.5	105.4	93.1	123.1	93.7	111.8	116.0	3.5
<b>6-Dec-20</b>	109.3	107.0	92.5	125.6	96.4	114.0	117.7	3.8
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