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Confidence improves for a fourth straight week

- Consumer confidence increased by 1.6% last week, the fourth consecutive gain. All subindices rose aside from 'time to buy a household item' (-1.0%).
- The overall gain was driven by another big jump in 'current economic conditions' (+10.3%), while 'future economic conditions' edged up 0.5%.
- Financial conditions improved with 'current finances' up 1.0% and 'future finances' up 0.3%.
- 'Inflation expectations' edged down to 3.3% (four-week moving average).

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

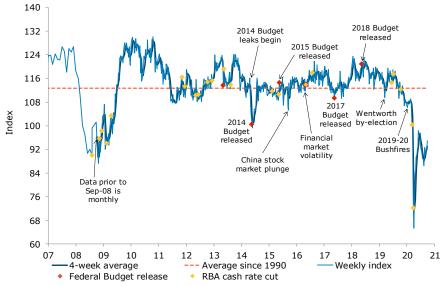
Last weekend (26-27 Sep)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
95	1.6%	93	112.6	3.3%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,551 interviews conducted online and over the telephone on the weekend. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ senior economist, Catherine Birch, commented:

Consumer confidence improved for the fourth week straight to its highest level in more than three months. By far the largest contribution came from "current economic conditions", which has jumped almost 20% over the past fortnight. This likely reflects expectations for significant additional spending to be announced in next week's federal budget. In the Treasurer's speech last week, he outlined an updated fiscal strategy focusing on the jobs and economic recovery, rather than repairing the fiscal position, until the unemployment rate is "comfortably" back under 6%. In contrast, "current financial conditions" has effectively plateaued for several weeks. This indicator will be one to watch as JobSeeker and JobKeeper payments are reduced.

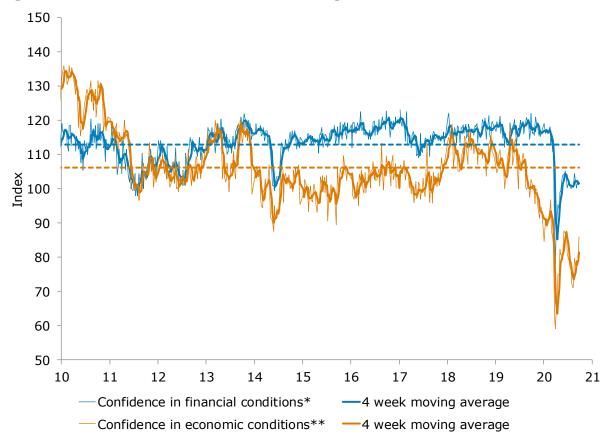
Confidence up 1.6%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

Charts

Figure 1. Both financial and economic conditions gained



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' up by 1.0%

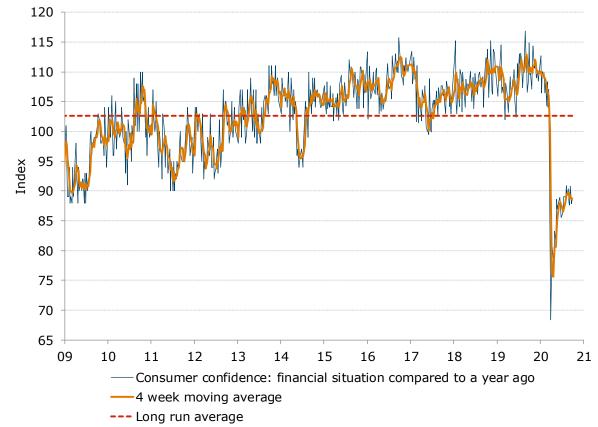


Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' rose for the third straight week

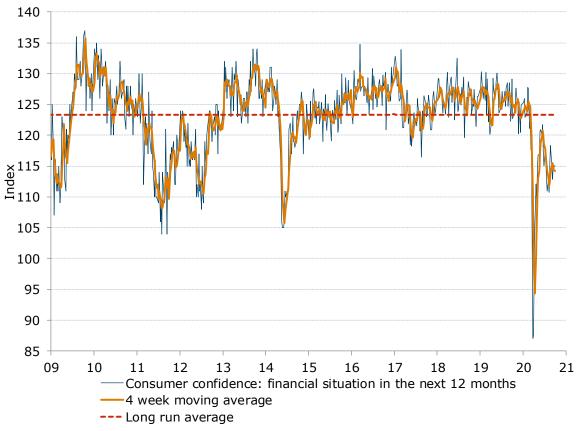


Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' gained a massive 10.3% after rising 8.4% in the previous reading

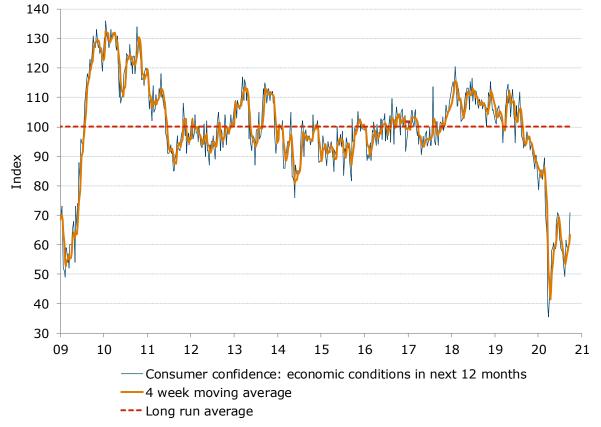




Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gained a little

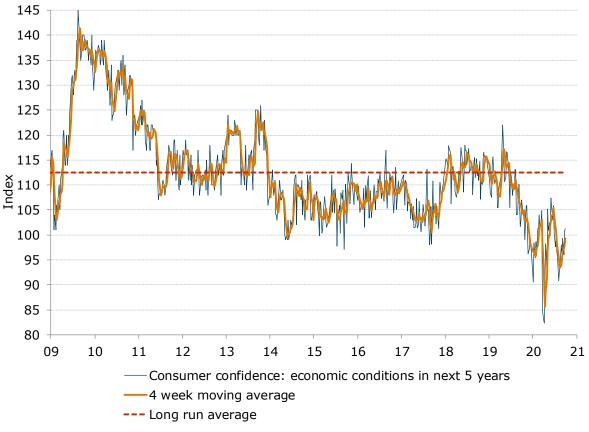


Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' declined by 1.0%

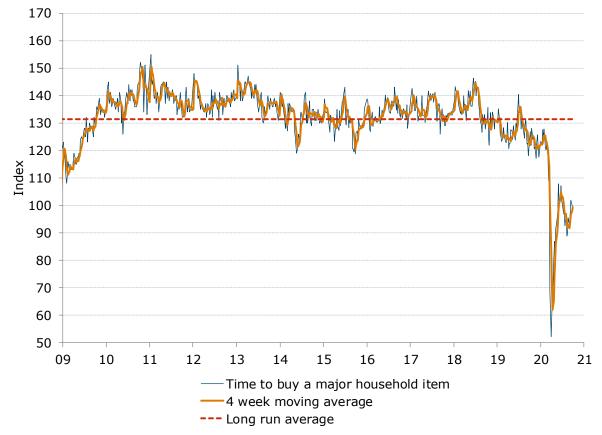
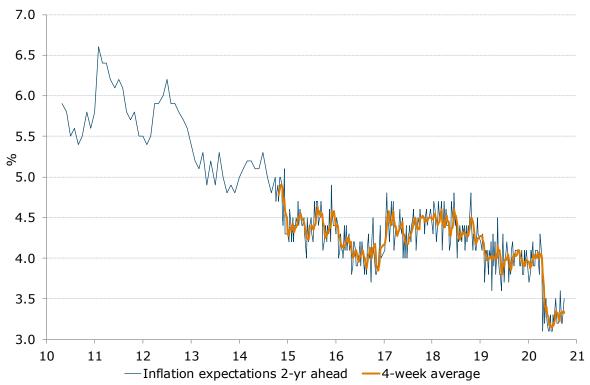


Figure 7. 'Inflation expectations' inched down to 3.3% (four-week moving average)



^{*} Data from Oct-2014 is weekly. Data prior to that is monthly.



Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

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	114.4	114.2	113.0	126.3	92.8	108.2	131.7	4.2
	113.3	113.7	111.7	128.5	94.1	110.1	122.3	4.0
	109.3	112.8	106.6	122.3	93.5	101.7	122.6	3.9
	110.1	111.8	108.6	124.3	96.9	102.7	118.0	4.1
	114.7	111.9	114.9	129.1	98.3	107.0	124.3	4.1
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	108.1	109.0	109.0	125.4	85.7	97.2	123.3	4.1
	109.0	108.5	110.1	120.5	89.0	99.8	125.6	3.9
	108.0	108.0	108.4	124.9	90.4	98.6	117.6	4.1
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	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1
	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8
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