# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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#### Confidence starts 2021 on a flat note

- Consumer confidence details were mixed, with two the of five subindices up and three down, with the overall index 0.1% weaker than the last survey of 2020 (the weekend prior to Christmas).
- 'Current financial conditions' rose 2.1%, while 'future financial conditions' worsened 1.9%.
- 'Current economic conditions' deteriorated by 2.3%, while 'future economic conditions' declined by 1.4%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' was up 3.3%. The four-week moving average of 'inflation expectations' was unchanged at 3.7%.

### **ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations**

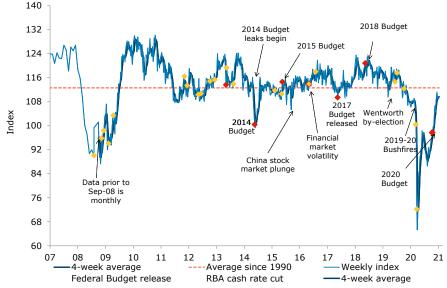
Last weekend (9-10 Jan)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
108.9	-0.1%	109.6	112.6	3.7%

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:

For the third year in a row, consumer confidence has begun the year on a flat/downbeat note compared to the pre-Christmas level. Given the Brisbane lockdown and the widespread border closures, the effectively flat result for confidence might be seen as a reasonably good outcome. But confidence usually rises over the holiday period. Between 2009 and 2018, consumer confidence rose 3.3% on average between the last survey of December and the first of January. In this context, the result for this survey should be viewed as soft. Interestingly, notwithstanding the short lockdown, confidence in Brisbane and rest of Queensland was up on the pre-Christmas week. On the other hand, confidence in New South Wales and Victoria declined, as borders closed.

#### Confidence essentially flat over the holiday period



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

Figure 1. Confidence down for both economic and financial conditions Index 100 

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.

4 week moving average

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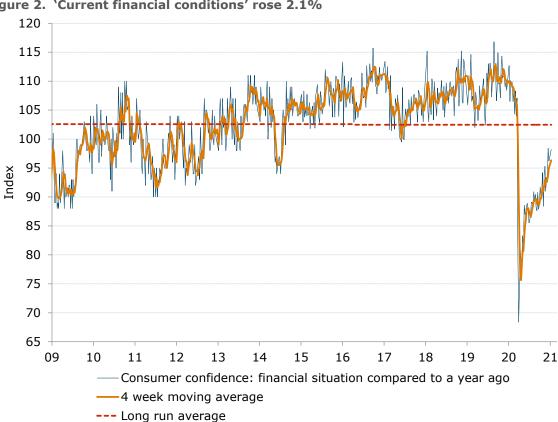


Figure 2. 'Current financial conditions' rose 2.1%

Confidence in financial conditions\*

Confidence in economic conditions\*\*



Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' worsened 1.9%

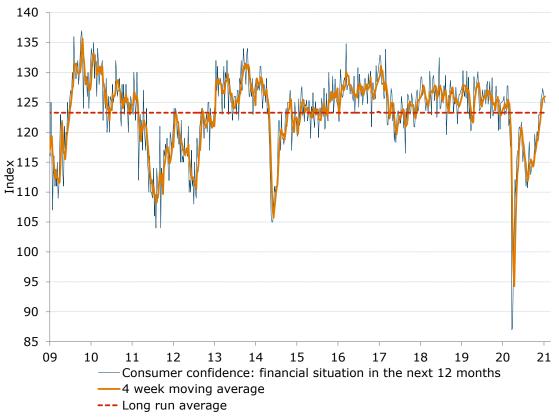


Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' deteriorated 2.3%

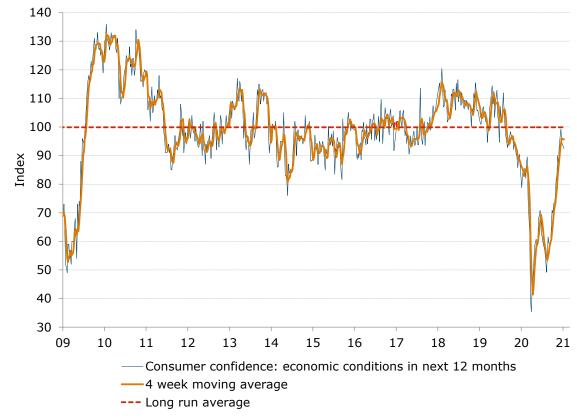




Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' declined 1.4%

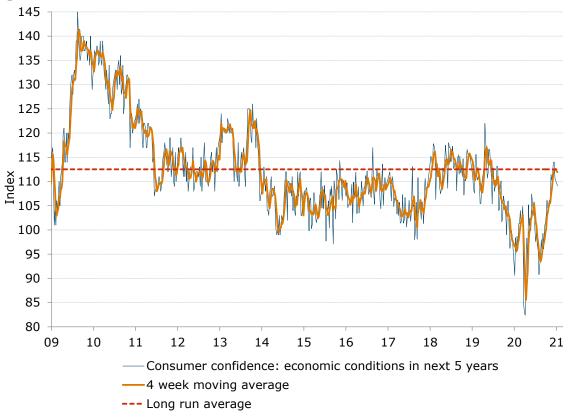


Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' was up 3.3%

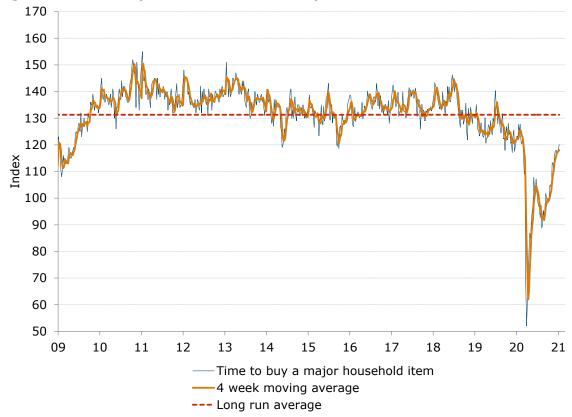
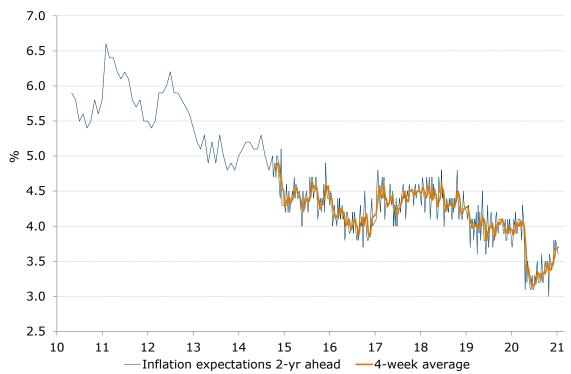




Figure 7. Four-week moving average inflation level flat at 3.7%



<sup>\*</sup> Data from Oct-2014 is weekly. Data prior to that is monthly.



**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			400		100	440	400	
2001	115	-	102	124	103	113	133	- 5.7
2010 avg 2011 avg	124 114	-	101 97	127 117	124 101	130 116	139 140	6.0
2011 avg 2012 avg	113	-	99	117	97	113	138	5.8
2012 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
5-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 2-Feb-20	108.0 108.5	107.5 108.0	109.5 109.8	123.5 123.1	83.8 85.6	98.7 96.2	124.5 127.8	4.0 4.2
9-Feb-20	108.5	108.0	106.5	123.1	82.1	101.3	127.6	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
1-Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
8-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
5-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 3-May-20	85.0 89.5	79.8 84.2	79.1 83.3	108.4 114.8	58.1 59.4	92.5 105.2	86.9 84.7	3.6 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
7-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
5-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 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
26-Jui-20 2-Aug-20	88.6	90.9	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
9-Aug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2
16-Aug-20	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2
23-Aug-20	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3
30-Aug-20	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6
6-Sep-20	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2
13-Sep-20	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2
20-Sep-20	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4
27-Sep-20	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5
4-Oct-20	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4
11-0ct-20	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5
18-Oct-20 25-Oct-20	98.1 99.7	96.6 97.8	91.0 94.2	117.2 118.6	73.5 75.4	104.3 105.4	104.6 105.0	3.5 3.0
1-Nov-20	99.7	98.9	88.4	120.1	75.4 81.7	105.4	103.0	3.6
8-Nov-20	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5
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10-Jan-21	108.9	109.6	98.2	124.9	92.4	109.1	120.1	3.6

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