ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence in economic conditions surges

- Consumer confidence rose 2.3% on back of a sharply improved assessment for both current and future economic conditions. The other details were mixed.
- 'Current financial conditions' rose 2.4%, but 'future financial conditions' weakened 1.7%.
- 'Current economic conditions' surged 9.1%, and 'future economic conditions' jumped 5.9%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' fell 2.0%. The four-week moving average for inflation expectations picked-up 0.1ppt to 3.7%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

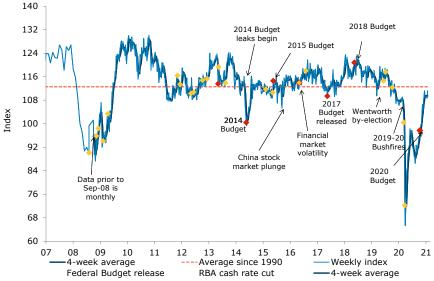
Last weekend (23-24 Jan)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
111.2	2.3%	109.5	112.6	3.7%

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:

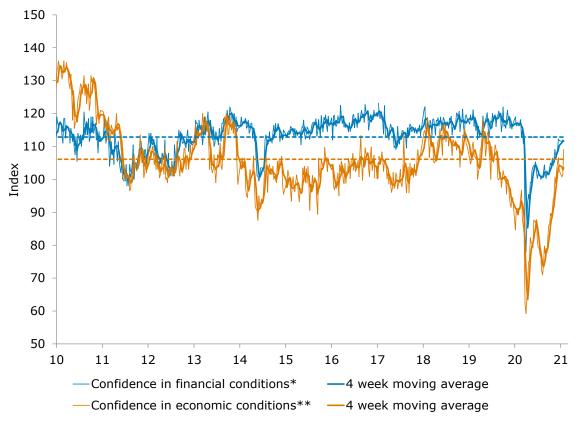
The improvement in consumer confidence comes on the back of further good news on the labour market front, notably the drop in the unemployment rate to 6.6% in December. The absence of community transmitted COVID-19 cases for a number days and the relaxation in border rules has likely also supported confidence. Sentiment about current and future economic conditions has surged and both are now above their long-run averages, for the first time since mid-2019. Weekly inflation expectations accelerated 0.2ppt. This could be on back of the up-tick in petrol prices. The national average retail petrol price rose more than 14 cents in the week to 24 January, ahead of the long weekend, according to the Australian Institute of Petroleum.

Consumer confidence rose 2.3%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

Figure 1. Mild up-tick in confidence over financial conditions; confidence on economic conditions surged



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' was up 2.4%

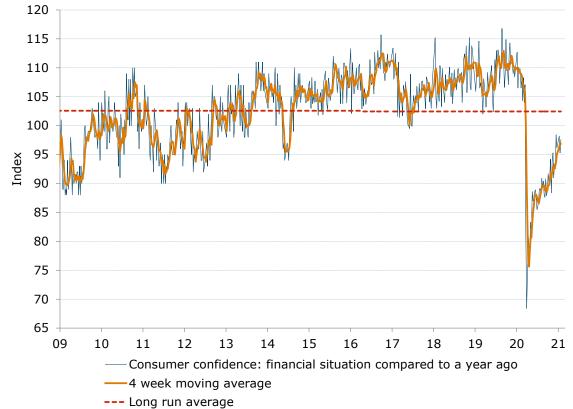




Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' weakened 1.7%

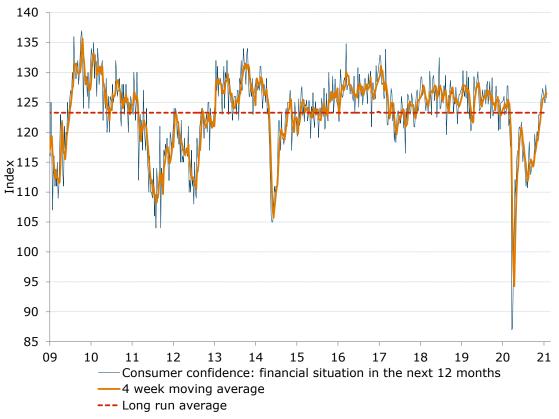


Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' surged 9.1%

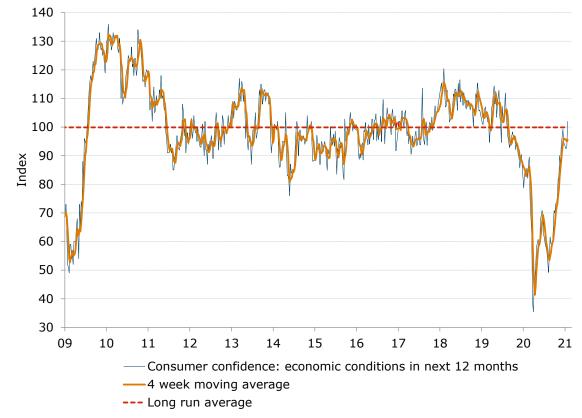




Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' improved 5.9%

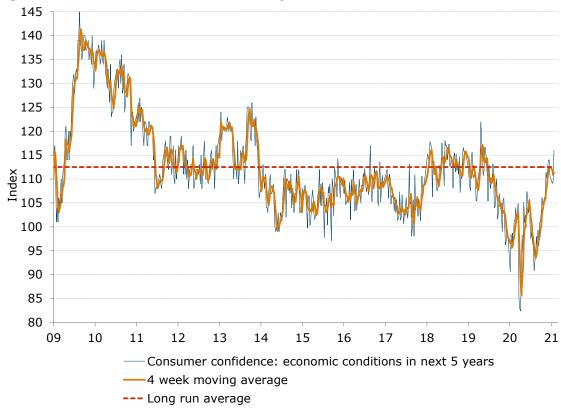


Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' declined 2.0%

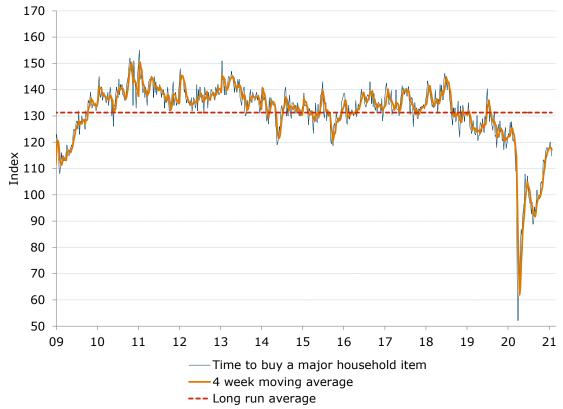
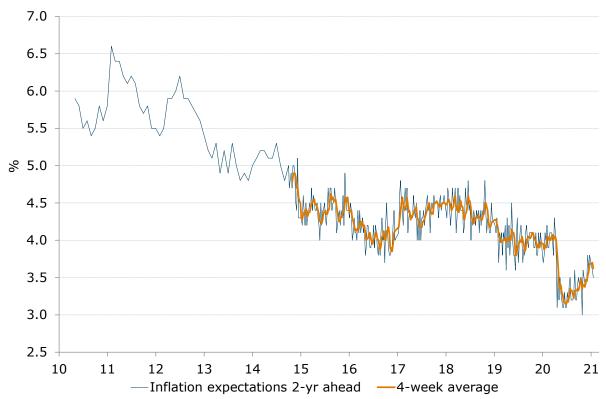




Figure 7. Inflation expectations up 0.2ppt at 3.7%



^{*} 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-yea ahead (%)	
g since 2001	115		102	124	103	113	132		
2001 10 avg	124	_	102 101	127	103 124	130	139	- 5.7	
11 avg	114	_	97	117	101	116	140	6.0	
12 avg	113	_	99	118	97	113	138	5.8	
13 avg	119	_	104	128	106	118	139	5.0	
14 avg	111	_	104	121	94	106	132	4.9	
15 avg	112	_	107	124	94	106	131	4.4	
15 avg	115	_	109	127	99	108	134	4.1	
17 avg	113	_	105	124	100	105	135	4.4	
18 avg	119	_	108	126	109	113	135	4.4	
19 avg	114	_	109	126	101	109	126	4.0	
_	106.2	107.8	112.7	125.3	78.7	90.6	123.3	3.7	
Jan-20	100.2	107.6	106.5	126.0	83.5	98.4	123.3	3.8	
-Jan-20									
-Jan-20	108.3	107.5	110.1	122.9	85.3	95.4	127.6	4.1	
-Jan-20	108.0	107.5	109.5	123.5	83.8	98.7	124.5	4.0	
Feb-20	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2	
Feb-20	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9	
-Feb-20	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9	
-Feb-20	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1	
Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1	
Mar-20	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1	
-Mar-20	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0	
-Mar-20	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8	
-Mar-20	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3	
Apr-20	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1	
-Apr-20	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8	
-Apr-20	84.2	74.9	78.8	112.1	51.4	98.3	80.3	3.1	
-Apr-20	85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	92.5	86.9	3.6	
May-20	89.5	84.2	83.3	114.8	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2	
May-20	90.3	87.3	81.4	116.8	60.7	100.9	91.6	3.5	
May-20	92.3	89.3	88.6	117.0	58.5	102.4	94.9	3.3	
May-20	92.7	91.2	87.0	120.7	58.7	99.9	97.3	3.2	
May-20	98.3	93.4	87.5	120.9	67.9	107.4	107.9	3.1	
Jun-20	97.0	95.1	88.5	120.0	69.0	105.7	101.7	3.1	
-Jun-20	97.5	96.4	88.9	121.7	70.8	103.0	103.0	3.3	
-Jun-20	97.5	97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	107.2	3.1	
-Jun-20	93.0	96.3	85.5	115.1	62.3	100.3	102.0	3.1	
-Jul-20	92.1	95.0	86.1	117.3	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3	
-Jul-20	91.6	93.6	87.1	115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2	
-Jul-20	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4	
-Jul-20	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5	
Aug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2	
Aug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2	
-Aug-20	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2	
-Aug-20	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3	
-Aug-20	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6	
Sep-20	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2	
-Sep-20	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2	
-Sep-20	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4	
	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5	
-Sep-20	95.0 95.7	93.0 94.2	88.8 91.7	115.1 115.4	70.8 70.0	101.3	98.9 98.4	3.5 3.4	
Oct-20	95.7 97.7	94.2 95.5	91.7 90.3		70.0 73.2	102.9	98.4 98.9	3.4 3.5	
-Oct-20				119.7					
-Oct-20	98.1	96.6	91.0	117.2	73.5	104.3	104.6	3.5	
-Oct-20	99.7	97.8	94.2	118.6	75.4	105.4	105.0	3.0	
Nov-20	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6	
Nov-20	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5	
-Nov-20	106.6	102.3	95.3	122.9	90.0	111.4	113.1	3.4	
-Nov-20	104.5	103.5	91.0	122.9	87.1	110.2	111.3	3.4	
-Nov-20	107.5	105.4	93.1	123.1	93.7	111.8	116.0	3.5	
Dec-20	109.3	107.0	92.5	125.6	96.4	114.0	117.7	3.8	
-Dec-20	111.2	108.1	98.4	126.2	99.2	114.0	118.0	3.6	
-Dec-20	109.0	109.3	96.2	127.3	94.6	110.6	116.3	3.8	
-Jan-21	108.9	109.6	98.2	124.9	92.4	109.1	120.1	3.6	
-Jan-21	108.7	109.5	95.3	127.9	93.5	109.6	117.2	3.5	
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