## ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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\*From 3 January 2022, the interviews for the consumer confidence survey have taken place Monday to Sunday. Previously they were done at the weekend (Saturday and Sunday).

# **Consumer confidence: inflation expectations decline to a two-year low**

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- Consumer confidence was broadly unchanged last week, falling just 0.5pts. The four-week moving average declined 0.3pts.
- 'Weekly inflation expectations' fell 0.1ppt to 4.8%, and the four-week moving average dipped to 4.9%.
- The financial conditions subindices declined. 'Current financial conditions' fell by 0.6pts and 'Future financial conditions' dropped 3.8pts after rising 4.4pts the week before.
- 'Short term economic confidence' (about the economic outlook over the next 12 months) was mostly stable. 'Medium term economic confidence' (about the economic outlook over the next five years) rose 0.9pts.
- The 'time to buy a major household item' subindex gained 0.8pts.

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

Last week (11-17 Mar)	Weekly change, pts	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)	
81.7	-0.5	82.0	110.6	4.9%	

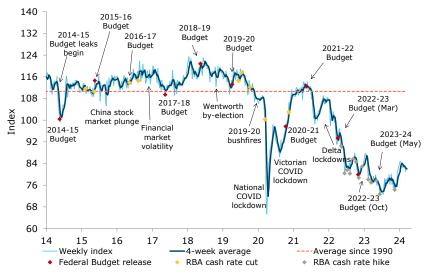
The weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,502 interviews conducted online and over the telephone during the week to Sunday.\* Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

## ANZ Economist, Madeline Dunk, commented:

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence was broadly unchanged last week. Meanwhile, inflation expectations fell to their lowest level since February 2022. This is likely to be welcomed by the RBA, given the Board's focus on inflation expectations remaining anchored.

Confidence amongst households paying off a mortgage declined 6.4pts to its lowest level this year, despite expectations the RBA will keep the cash rate on hold today. Confidence amongst renters remains weak, declining 1.8pts. The situation is a little better for those who own their home outright, with confidence rising 5.5pts.

## Consumer confidence fell 0.5pts last week



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

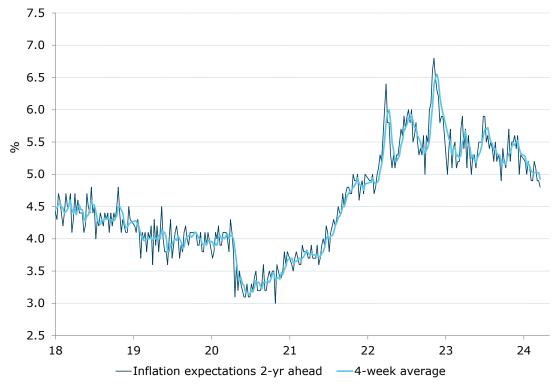




Figure 1. Four-week moving average of consumer confidence, by housing cohorts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan





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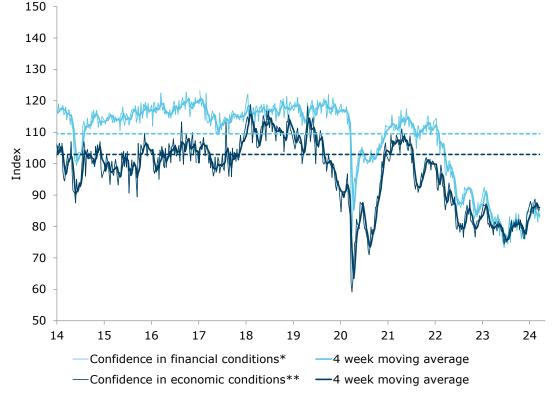


Figure 3. Confidence in economic conditions improved while financial conditions declined

#### Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

\*Financial conditions index is an average of 'financial situation compared to a year ago' and 'financial situation next year' subindices. \*\*Economic conditions index is the average of the 'economic conditions in 12 months' and 'economic conditions in five years' subindices.

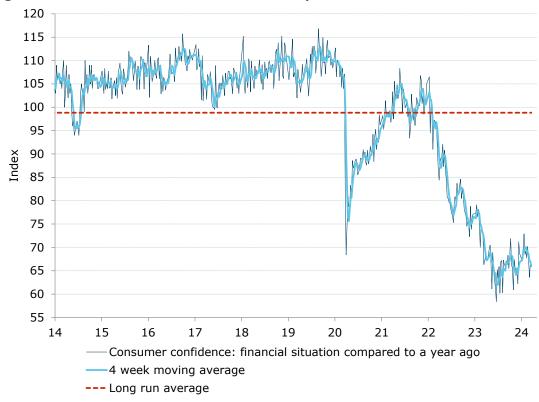


Figure 4. 'Current financial conditions' fell 0.6pts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



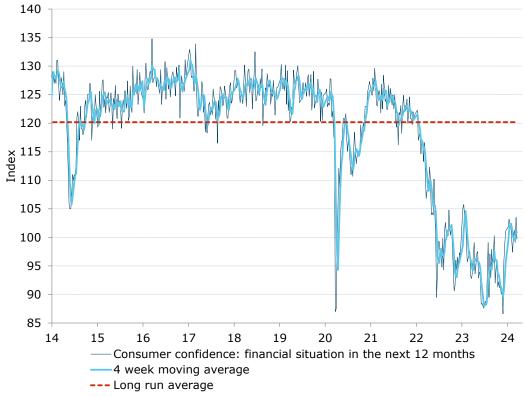
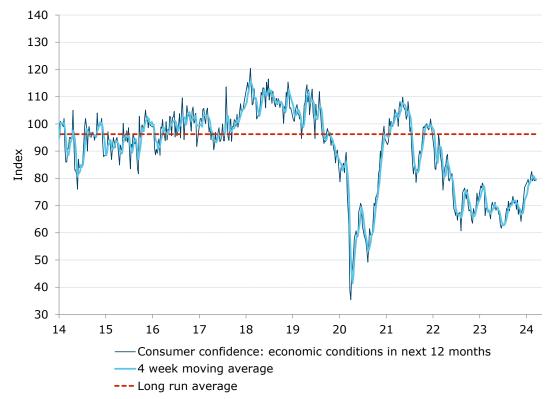


Figure 5. 'Future financial conditions' dropped 3.8pts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Short term economic confidence' was broadly unchanged



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



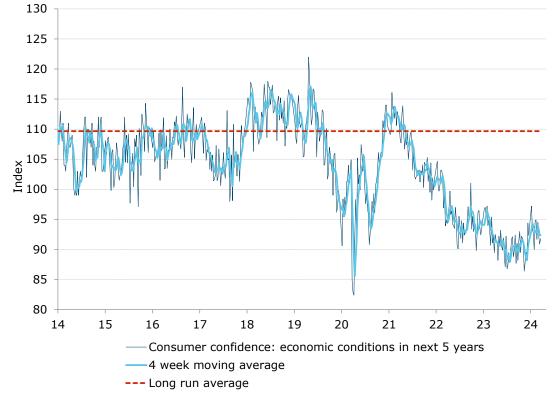
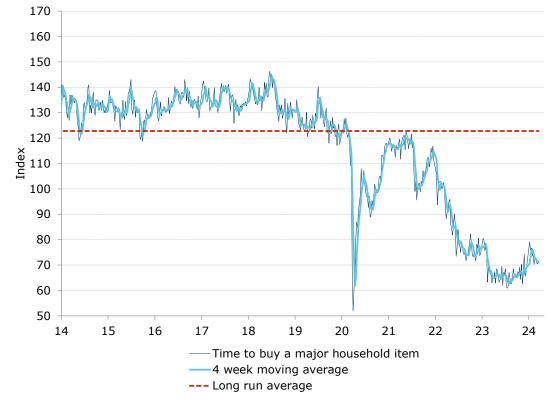


Figure 7. 'Medium term economic confidence' increased by 0.9pts

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan





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## Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline		Australian	Consumer	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 (%)
Avg since			100	124	100	112	122	
2001 2010 avg	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-
2010 avg 2011 avg	124 114	-	101 97	127 117	124 101	130 116	139 140	5.7
2011 avg 2012 avg	114	-	99	117	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	124 127	94 99	106 108	131 134	4.4
2016 avg 2017 avg	115 114	-	109 105	127	100	108	134	4.1 4.4
2018 avg	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
2019 avg	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
2020 avg	96	-	92	117	69	100	102	3.5
2021 avg 2022 avg	108 89	-	101 84	123 103	98 76	106 96	113 84	4.2 5.6
8-Jan-23	87.4	83.9	77.3	105.1	77.2	96.8	80.5	5.0
15-Jan-23	87.7	85.1	79.1	105.8	76.5	97.0	79.9	5.4
22-Jan-23	85.9	85.9	76.6	103.5	78.3	95.1	75.8	5.7
29-Jan-23 5-Feb-23	86.8 83.6	87.0 86.0	78.1 74.9	104.1 99.4	77.3 75.6	97.2 94.0	77.2 74.3	5.1 5.4
12-Feb-23	78.1	83.6	70.0	95.7	66.3	95.2	63.3	5.5
19-Feb-23	80.4	82.2	74.9	96.3	69.1	92.8	69.0	5.1
26-Feb-23	80.0	80.5	74.2	97.2	68.8	90.7	69.1	5.2
5-Mar-23 12-Mar-23	79.9 77.0	79.6 79.3	72.7 66.3	97.5 93.1	67.6 67.9	95.4 91.1	66.4 66.5	5.2 5.7
19-Mar-23	76.5	79.3	67.2	92.8	67.2	92.1	63.0	5.9
26-Mar-23	76.6	77.5	68.2	94.0	65.1	89.5	65.9	5.4
2-Apr-23	78.2	77.1	67.2	97.1	69.7	92.5	64.5	5.7
9-Apr-23	79.3	77.7	67.2	99.1	71.2	91.5	67.4	5.1
16-Apr-23 23-Apr-23	77.2 78.0	77.8 78.2	68.3 69.5	93.6 95.2	70.0 68.9	91.4 88.2	62.9 68.5	5.6 5.3
30-Apr-23	79.8	78.6	70.5	97.2	71.2	92.2	68.1	5.0
7-May-23	77.7	78.2	66.5	97.5	68.3	90.6	65.4	5.3
14-May-23	75.9	77.9	61.1	92.9	68.9	93.2	63.2	5.3
21-May-23 28-May-23	77.3 76.2	77.7 76.8	69.0 64.7	93.9 93.6	69.0 67.0	90.5 89.9	64.2 65.5	5.1 5.3
4-Jun-23	75.8	76.3	63.1	88.3	66.4	91.9	69.5	5.5
11-Jun-23	72.7	75.5	61.2	88.4	62.9	88.8	61.9	5.5
18-Jun-23	72.4	74.3	58.4	88.0	61.7	87.1	67.0	5.5
25-Jun-23 2-Jul-23	74.9 74.1	74.0 73.5	65.2 63.4	87.6 88.3	63.1 63.4	92.2 86.8	66.5 68.5	5.9 5.9
9-Jul-23	73.3	73.7	65.9	88.8	62.7	87.4	61.7	5.5
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1-0ct-23	78.2	78.0	68.7	94.4	70.8	91.4	65.3	5.2
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5-Nov-23	77.8	76.9	67.4	91.4	68.7	91.1	70.3	5.5
12-Nov-23 19-Nov-23	74.3 74.7	76.3 75.5	65.5 64.0	90.1 90.4	67.0 64.2	86.4 87.9	62.7 67.2	5.5 5.6
26-Nov-23	74.7	75.9	65.3	90.4 86.6	67.9	89.5	74.3	5.4
3-Dec-23	76.4	75.5	62.2	95.7	69.5	89.0	65.6	5.6
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