# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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## Confidence resilient despite rising cases

- Consumer confidence recovered 2.5% last week, following the end of the lockdown in south-east Queensland and also in large part due to the resilience of sentiment in NSW despite rising COVID-19 cases.
- Financial conditions recovered after a significant fall the week before, with 'current financial conditions' up 2.9% and 'future financial conditions' gaining 4.8%.
- Economic conditions, on the other hand, softened a touch as 'current economic conditions' lost 0.5% and 'future economic conditions' slipped 0.2%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' gained 5.0%, after last week's 8.3% fall. 'Weekly inflation expectations' rose 0.2ppt to 4.5%, its highest level since May 2019. The four-week moving average remained steady at 4.3%.

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

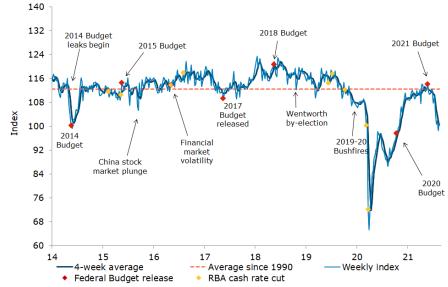
Last weekend (14-15 Aug)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
101.1	2.5%	100.6	112.5	4.3%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,495 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:

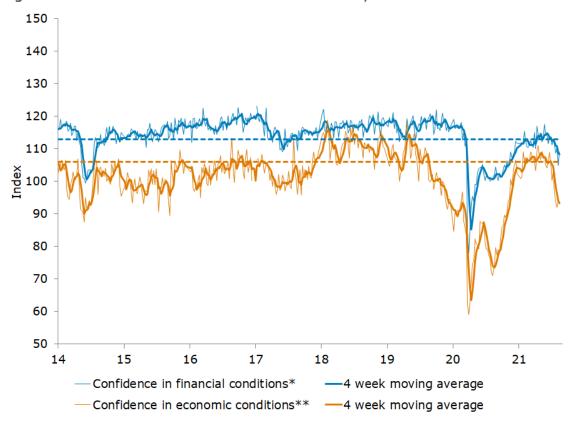
Consumer confidence rose 2.5% last week, rising back above the neutral level of 100. This recovery was driven by a 7.5% increase in confidence in Queensland as the lockdown in its south-east ended. Sentiment also rose by 7.1% in Sydney, reflecting resilience even as daily COVID-19 cases are still rising in the city. Despite the current resilience in sentiment, the persistence of the highly infectious Delta variant means there is significant uncertainty about how things will evolve over the next few weeks. The jump in weekly inflation expectations is notable and something that may trouble policy makers if it continues to rise sharply.

Figure 1. Confidence up 2.5%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

Figure 2. Confidence in financial conditions recovered, while economic conditions softened



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 3. 'Current financial conditions' improved 2.9%

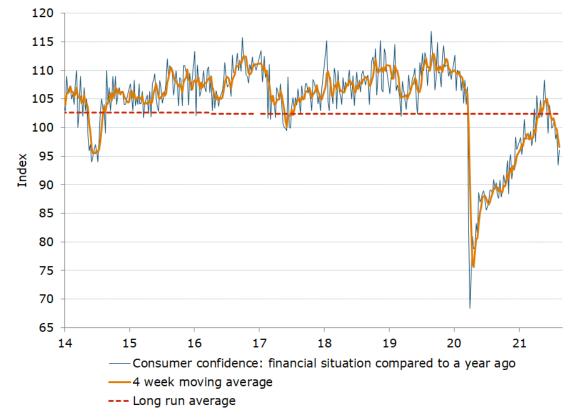




Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' rose 4.9%

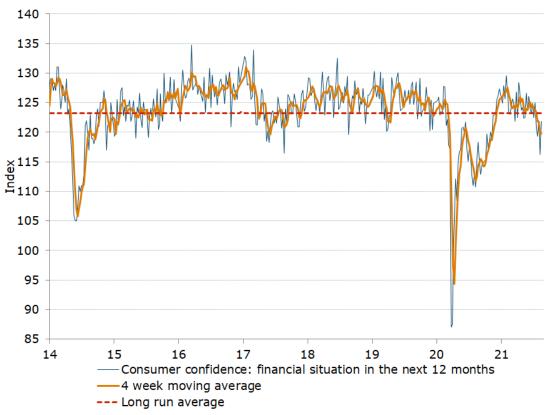


Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' lost 0.5%

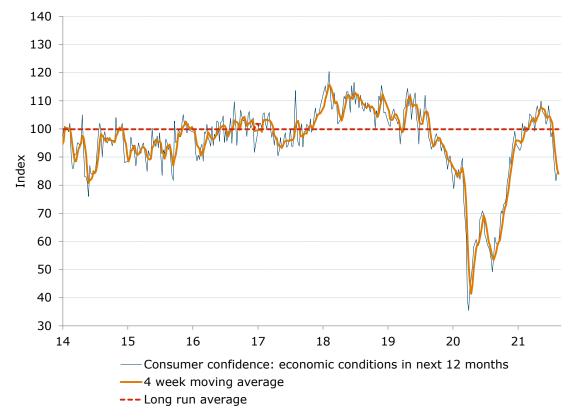




Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' softened 0.2%

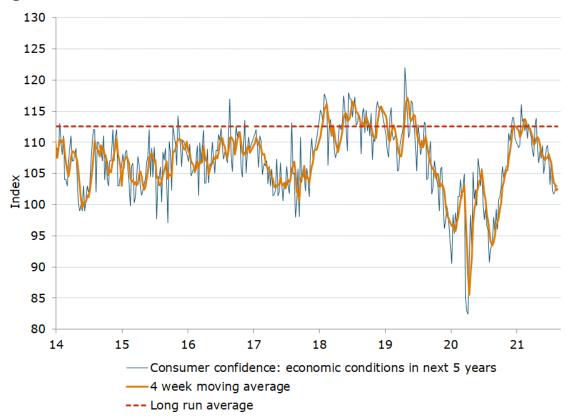


Figure 7. 'Time to buy a major household item' gained 5.0%

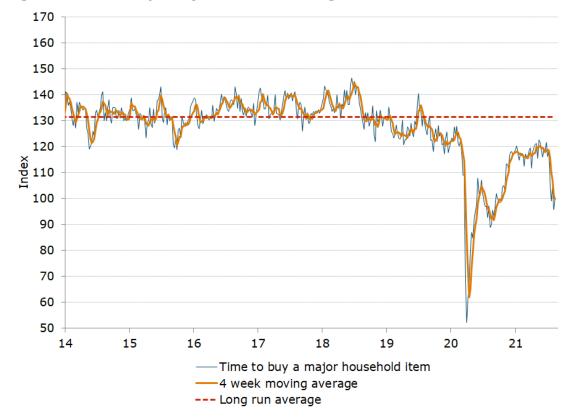
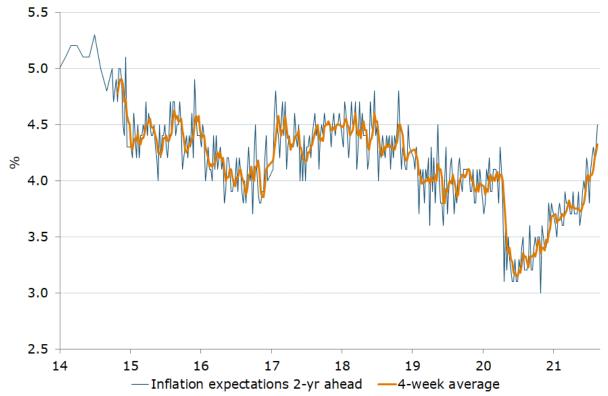




Figure 8. Weekly inflation expectations rate rose 0.2ppt to 4.5%, while the four-week moving average was steady at 4.3%



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



	Z-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 (%)	
since 001	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-	
0 avg	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7	
1 avg	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0	
2 avg	113	-	99	118	97	113	138	5.8	
3 avg	119	-	104	128	106	118	139	5.0	
4 avg	111	-	104	121	94	106	132	4.9	
5 avg	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4	
6 avg	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1	
7 avg	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4	
8 avg	119	-	108 109	126 126	109 101	113 109	135 126	4.4 4.0	
9 avg	114	95.0	86.1		60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3	
Jul-20 Jul-20	92.1 91.6	93.6	87.1	117.3 115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2	
lul-20	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4	
lul-20	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5	
ug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2	
ug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2	
ug-20	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2	
ug-20	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3	
ug-20	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6	
ep-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	
Sep-20	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5	
Oct-20	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4	
Oct-20	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5	
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	
lov-20	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6	
lov-20	103.1	100.2	93.8 95.3	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5 3.4	
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ec-20	107.3	107.0	92.5	125.6	96.4	114.0	117.7	3.8	
ec-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	
an-21	108.9	109.6	98.2	124.9	92.4	109.1	120.1	3.6	
an-21	108.7	109.5	95.3	127.9	93.5	109.6	117.2	3.5	
an-21	111.2	109.5	97.6	125.7	102.0	116.1	114.8	3.7	
an-21	112.1	110.2	101.4	129.6	99.3	113.3	117.0	3.8	
eb-21	111.4	110.9	97.9	126.9	101.0	113.8	117.4	3.7	
eb-21	109.9	111.2	98.1	123.3	99.2	111.8	117.0	3.6	
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