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*Methodology

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).

Confidence sours as inflation expectations surge

- 'Weekly inflation expectations' rose 0.4ppt to 5.6% amid rapidly rising petrol prices. Its four-week moving average rose 0.1ppt to 5.3%.
- Consumer confidence dropped 4.3% last week, falling well below the neutral level of 100. Confidence declined in all the states except for WA.
- All the confidence subindices registered losses. 'Current financial conditions' decreased by 5.2% and 'future financial conditions' fell 4.0%.
- 'Current economic conditions' declined 3.9%, falling 13.9% over the past four weeks. 'Future economic conditions' dropped 5.2%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' decreased by 3.4%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

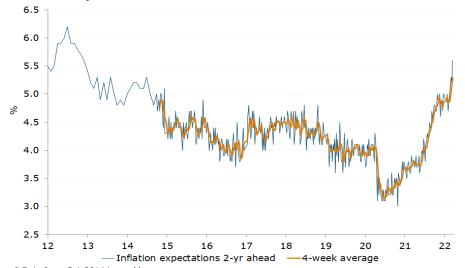
Last week (7-13 Mar)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
95.8	-4.3%	99.2	112.4	5.3%

The weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,499 interviews conducted online and over the telephone during the week to Sunday*. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Head of Australian Economics, David Plank, commented:

Household inflation expectations jumped to 5.6% last week, its highest level since November 2012. Rapid gains in petrol prices are likely the key reason for the lift. Households are certainly noticing the effect of higher prices on their finances, with overall confidence dropping 4.3% and all sub-indices lower. Confidence is well below neutral, at its lowest level since October 2020 and is below neutral in all states. The surge in inflation expectations heightens the risk of a shift in the 'psychology' of inflation that requires more aggressive action from the RBA. Though, if the recent fall in oil prices is sustained, we would expect inflation expectations to ease.

Inflation expectations rose to 5.6%

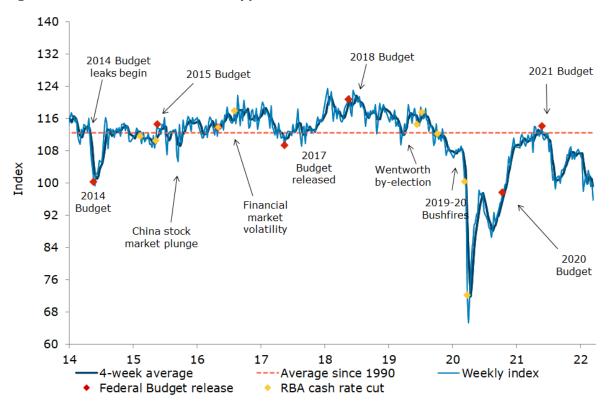


^{*} Data from Oct-2014 is weekly. Data prior to that is monthly.

Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

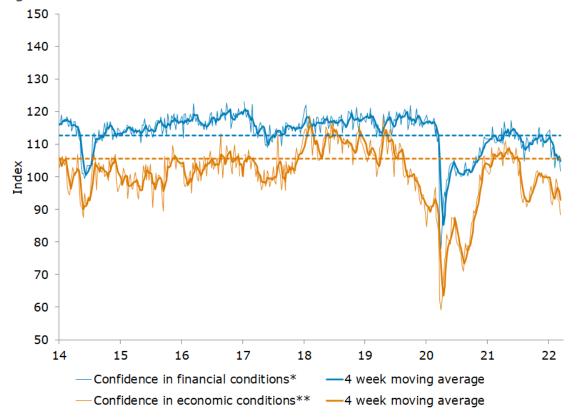


Figure 1. Consumer confidence dropped 4.3%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research

Figure 2. Confidence in both economic and financial conditions declined



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

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.

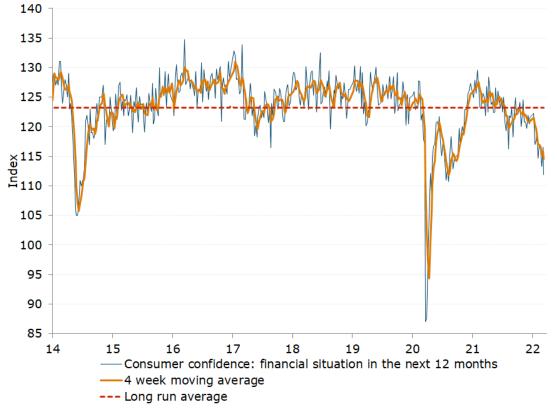


Figure 3. 'Current financial conditions' dropped 5.2%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

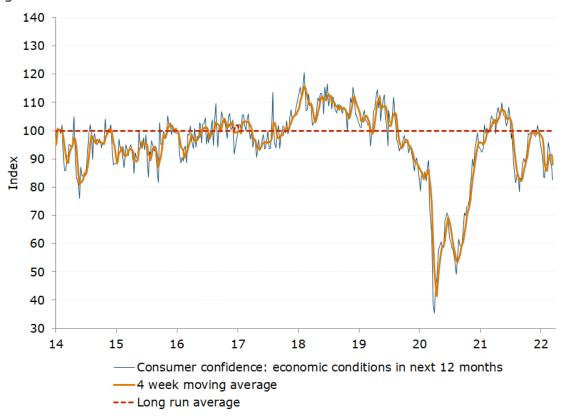
Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' decreased by 4.0%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

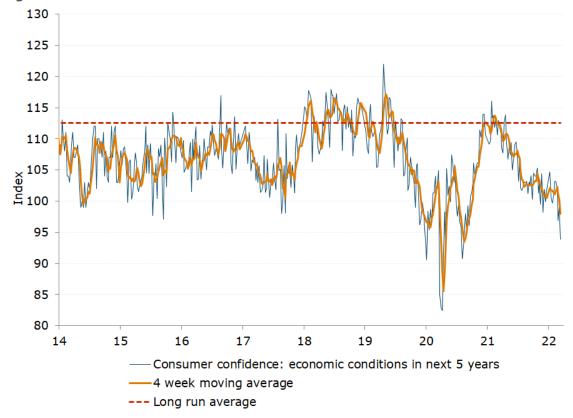


Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' declined 3.9%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

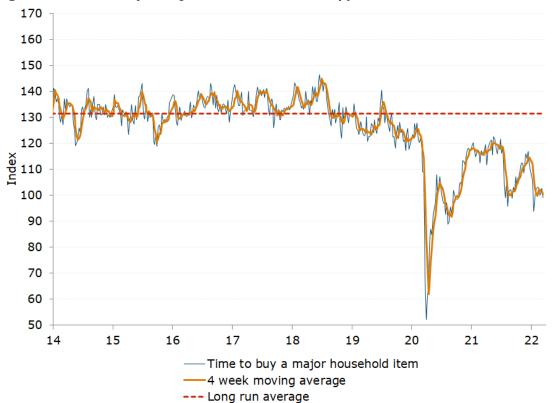
Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' fell 5.2%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Figure 7. 'Time to buy a major household item' dropped 3.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline index Subindices Inflation 4. 4. 5. Time to 4. 6. Inflation 4. 5. Time to 6. Inflation							
	Last week		situation compared to a year ago	situation next year	conditions next year	conditions next 5 years	buy a major household item	6. Inflation expectations 2-yea ahead (%)
nce								
1 avg	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-
g g	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7
	114	-	97 99	117	101 97	116	140	6.0
g g	113 119	-	104	118 128	106	113 118	138 139	5.8 5.0
g g	111	_	104	121	94	106	132	4.9
g	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4
g	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1
g	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4
g	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
g	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
3	96	-	92	117	69	100	102	3.5
9	108	- 110.3	101 99.3	123 125.7	98 105.3	106 112.9	113 116.2	4.2 3.8
1 21	111.9 110.9	110.5	96.8	125.7	104.7	112.9	116.3	3.8
21	110.4	110.0	98.9	121.8	102.6	110.8	118.2	3.8
21	112.3	111.4	103.3	126.8	103.1	108.5	119.6	3.7
1	107.7	110.3	97.5	122.5	99.1	107.7	111.7	3.7
21	114.1	111.1	105.6	128.4	106.1	112.5	118.1	3.9
21	114.0	112.0	102.0	126.4	108.2	113.9	119.7	3.7
21	112.4	112.1	102.5	123.8	105.9	109.2	120.8	3.7
21	112.7	113.3	104.8	124.2	106.8	106.7	121.1	3.7
1	111.6	112.7	101.9	122.4	109.8	108.6	115.4	3.9
21	112.5	112.3	103.5	122.5	106.4	107.4	122.5	3.6
21	114.2	112.8	108.3	126.6	105.5	109.4	121.6	3.7
21	111.4	112.4	105.0	123.6	105.0	105.0	118.4	3.9
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21	112.4	111.4	103.9	123.2	108.2	109.5	117.5	4.2
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1	104.3	108.6	101.5	120.8	91.1	102.2	106.0	4.2
1	100.7	105.7	98.0	119.3	85.6	101.7	99.0	4.3
1	101.8	104.2	99.0	122.0	81.6	102.2	104.2	4.2
1	98.6	101.4	93.4	116.2	84.7	103.1	95.6	4.3
21	101.1	100.6	96.1	121.9	84.3	102.9	100.4	4.5
21 21	101.6 101.8	100.8 100.8	102.8 99.5	121.5 123.1	78.5 83.2	103.2 101.2	102.0 102.2	4.4 4.4
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21	100.0	101.1	99.1	122.6	88.2	103.1	103.1	4.5
21	103.1	102.1	96.1	124.9	90.1	104.1	101.5	4.7
21	103.7	102.5	99.9	122.5	88.9	100.3	107.2	4.8
1	104.6	103.7	102.1	122.1	90.8	104.5	103.8	4.8
21	105.6	104.3	100.6	122.5	94.6	104.0	106.5	4.7
21	107.0	105.2	100.5	124.2	98.9	104.0	107.1	4.7
21	106.8	106.0	100.3	120.0	98.6	105.3	109.7	5.0
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2	106.0	107.5	106.5	122.3	90.5	104.7	105.8	4.9
22	97.9	105.1	94.5	117.0	83.6	100.6	93.7	4.9
22	100.1	103.1	100.5	117.7	83.2	99.7	99.6	5.0
22	101.8	101.5	98.7	118.7	88.1	100.8	102.3	4.7
22	99.9	99.9	91.0	114.6	87.8	103.2	103.0	4.8
22 22	103.2 101.8	101.3 101.7	97.0 97.2	117.0 116.2	96.0 93.6	103.1 102.0	102.8 100.1	5.0 5.1
22 22	99.2	101.7	96.4	113.3	88.9	96.9	100.1	5.3
2	100.1	101.0	96.5	116.6	86.1	99.0	100.5	5.2
22	95.8	99.2	91.5	111.9	82.7	93.9	99.0	5.6

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