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: lowest result in 2024

- Consumer confidence fell 2.2pts last week. The four-week moving average declined 0.7pts.
- 'Weekly inflation expectations' decreased 0.2ppt to 4.9%, while the four-week moving average was unchanged at 5.0%.
- All the confidence subindices registered declines. 'Current financial conditions' dropped 3.9pts. 'Future financial conditions' decreased 2.2pts falling below the neutral 100 level.
- 'Short term economic confidence' (about the economic outlook over the next 12 months) fell 1.6pts. 'Medium term economic confidence' (about the economic outlook over the next five years) was down 2.2pts.
- The 'time to buy a major household item' subindex softened 1.3pts.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

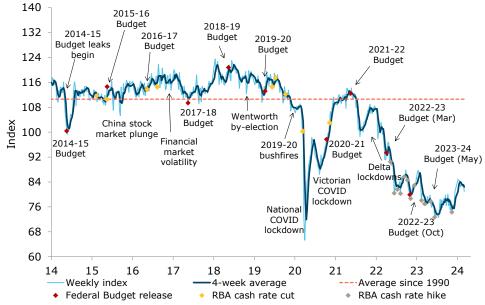
Last week (26 Feb- 3 Mar)	Weekly change, pts	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
81.0	-2.2	82.4	110.6	5.0%

The weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,512 interviews conducted online and over the telephone during the week to Sunday.* Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Senior Economist, Adelaide Timbrell, commented:

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence fell to its lowest level this year so far. Weak retail sales results may have dampened optimism about the future of the economy, while the monthly CPI indicator, which came in lower than expected at 3.4% y/y, may have influenced the moderation in inflation expectations. Inflation expectations fell back to their equal-lowest result since early February 2022. This has occurred three times: once in September 2023 and twice in February 2024). Confidence among those paying off their homes is still trending up, but renter and outright owner confidence is down.

Consumer confidence fell 2.2pts last week



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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

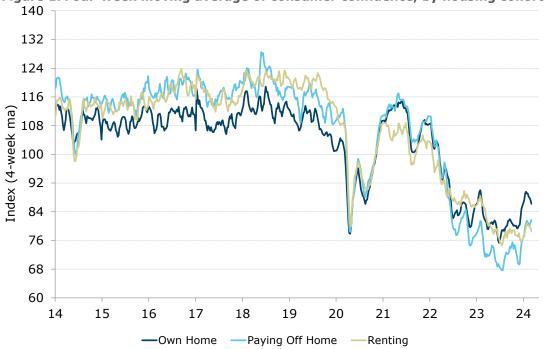


Figure 2. 'Weekly inflation expectations' four-week moving average was unchanged at 5.0%

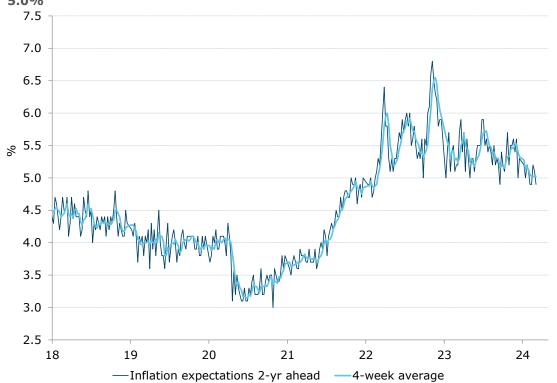
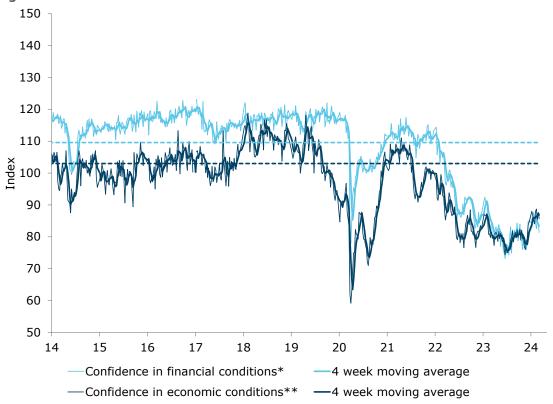


Figure 3. Confidence in both economic and financial conditions declined



*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' declined 3.9pts

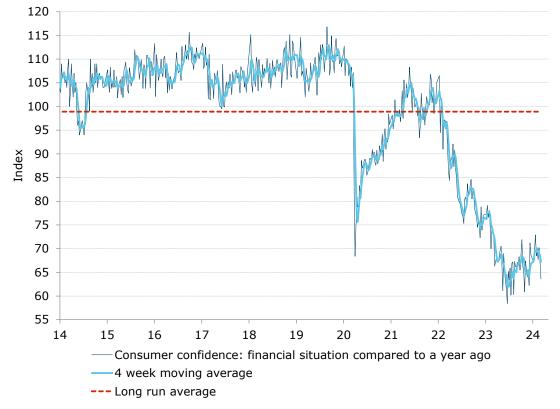




Figure 5. 'Future financial conditions' were down 2.2pts

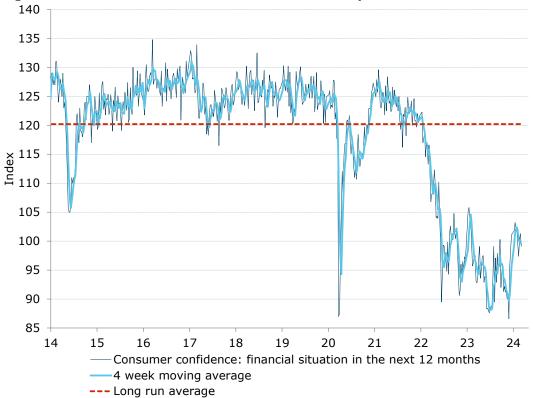


Figure 6. 'Short term economic confidence' fell 1.6pts

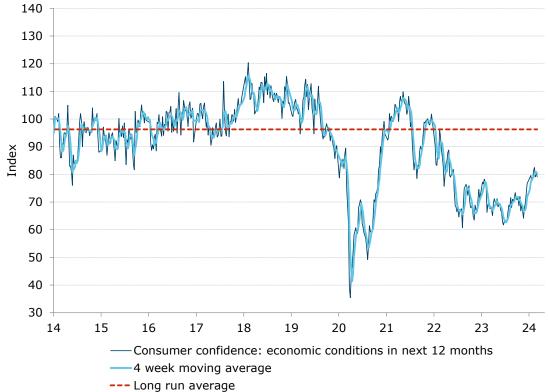




Figure 7. 'Medium term economic confidence' declined 2.2pts

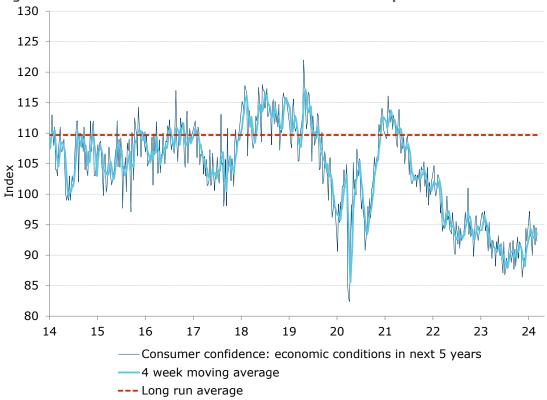


Figure 8. 'Time to buy a major household item' decreased 1.3pts





Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	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	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 4 avg	119 111	-	104 104	128 121	106 94	118 106	139 132	5.0 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	126	109	113	135	4.4
9 avg	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
0 avg	96	-	92	117	69	100	102	3.5
1 avg	108	-	101	123	98	106	113	4.2
2 avg	89	- 02.0	84	103	76	96	84	5.6 5.0
an-23 Ian-23	87.4 87.7	83.9 85.1	77.3 79.1	105.1 105.8	77.2 76.5	96.8 97.0	80.5 79.9	5.0 5.4
an-23	85.9	85.9	76.6	103.5	78.3	95.1	75.8	5.7
an-23	86.8	87.0	78.1	104.1	77.3	97.2	77.2	5.1
eb-23	83.6	86.0	74.9	99.4	75.6	94.0	74.3	5.4
eb-23	78.1	83.6	70.0	95.7	66.3	95.2	63.3	5.5
eb-23	80.4	82.2	74.9	96.3	69.1	92.8	69.0	5.1
eb-23	80.0	80.5	74.2	97.2	68.8	90.7	69.1	5.2
ar-23	79.9	79.6	72.7	97.5	67.6	95.4	66.4	5.2
1ar-23	77.0	79.3	66.3	93.1	67.9	91.1	66.5	5.7
1ar-23	76.5	78.4	67.2	92.8	67.2	92.1	63.0	5.9
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pr-23 pr-23	79.3	77.7	67.2	99.1	71.2	91.5	67.4	5.1
Apr-23	77.2	77.8	68.3	93.6	70.0	91.4	62.9	5.6
Apr-23	78.0	78.2	69.5	95.2	68.9	88.2	68.5	5.3
Apr-23	79.8	78.6	70.5	97.2	71.2	92.2	68.1	5.0
ay-23	77.7	78.2	66.5	97.5	68.3	90.6	65.4	5.3
1ay-23	75.9	77.9	61.1	92.9	68.9	93.2	63.2	5.3
1ay-23	77.3	77.7	69.0	93.9	69.0	90.5	64.2	5.1
1ay-23	76.2	76.8	64.7	93.6	67.0	89.9	65.5	5.3
un-23	75.8	76.3 75.5	63.1	88.3	66.4	91.9	69.5	5.5 5.5
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ul-23	73.3	73.7	65.9	88.8	62.7	87.4	61.7	5.5
Jul-23	72.6	73.7	60.2	88.5	63.6	89.5	60.9	5.6
Jul-23	75.2	73.8	66.9	93.4	66.5	87.9	61.6	5.4
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