

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Confidence up a notch

- Confidence gained 0.3% last week, its second straight weekly gain.
- Financial conditions were mixed, with current finances down 3.3% after a strong rise in the prior week and future financial conditions gaining 1.3%. Both measures of financial conditions are above average.
- Economic conditions were also mixed. Current economic conditions fell 2.7%, the fifth consecutive decline, while future economic conditions rose 3.8%. Both the sub-indices are below average.
- The 'Time to buy a major household item' sub-index gained 1.7%. This follows a rise of 4% in the previous week. The four-week moving average for inflation expectations rose by 0.1ppt to 4%.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

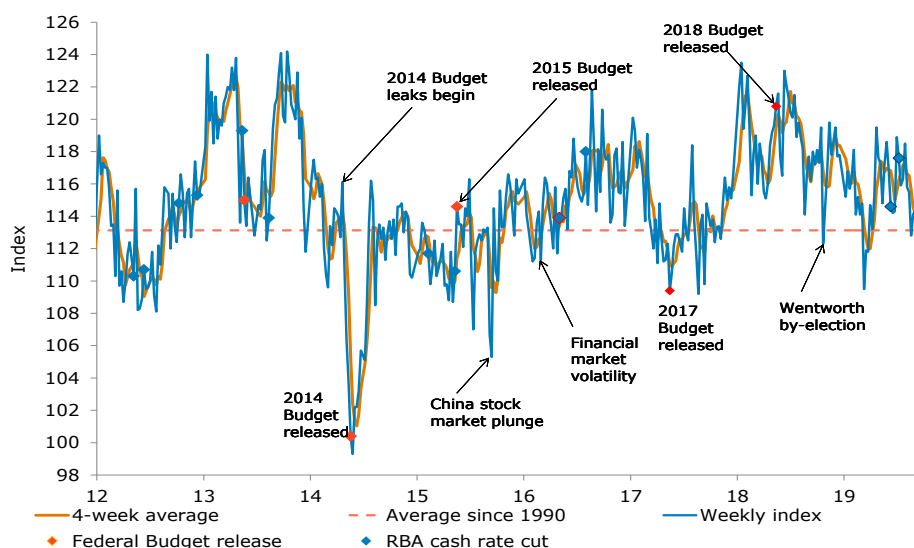
Last week (31 Oct– 1 Sep)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
114.4	0.3%	114.2	113.1	4%

Data collected last weekend (Saturday and Sunday), based on around 1,000 face-to-face interviews. Not seasonally adjusted. Further data history on page 6.

ANZ Head of Australian Economics, David Plank, commented:

"Confidence was up marginally last week despite some not-so-positive economic data. Reports on business investment and construction work done pointed to a very soft Q2 GDP report, 0.2% by our reckoning. Consumers' views toward their own finances were down somewhat, but this drop follows the very strong gain in the prior week and still leaves sentiment about personal finances well above average. Consumers remain apprehensive about the economic outlook over the coming year. In our view, how [the divergence between these two measures](#) is closed will be a key determinant of consumer spending in the year ahead. A good piece of news for the RBA is the rise in inflation expectations after the four-week moving average dipped below 4% for a couple of weeks."

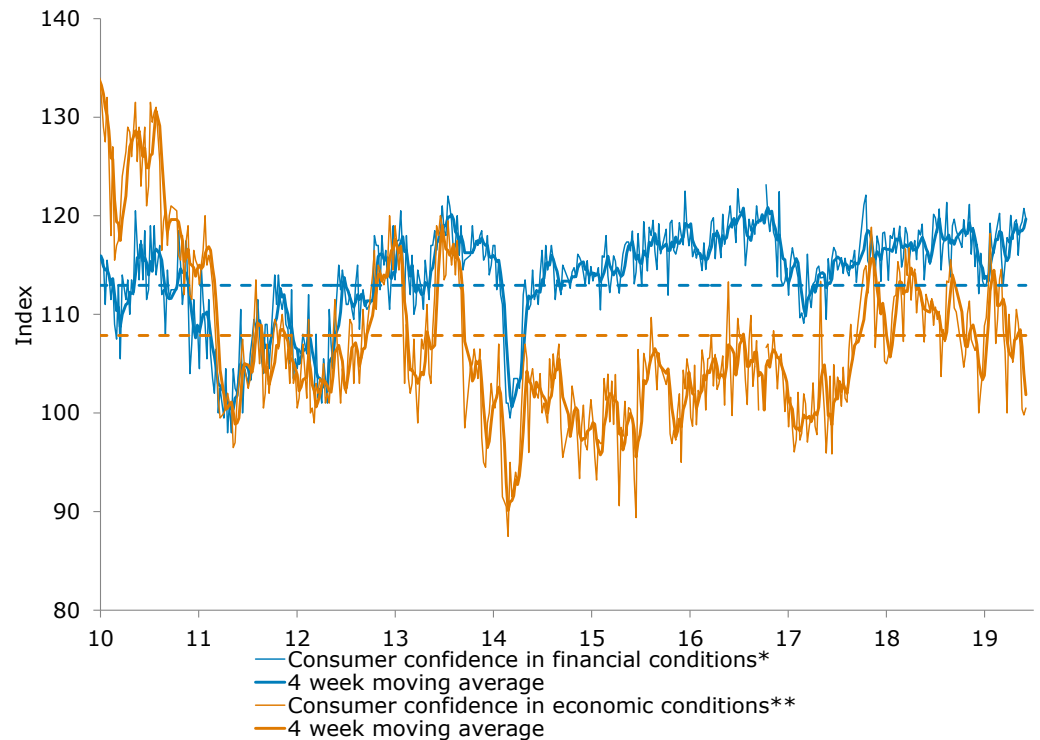
Figure 1. Confidence up 0.3%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



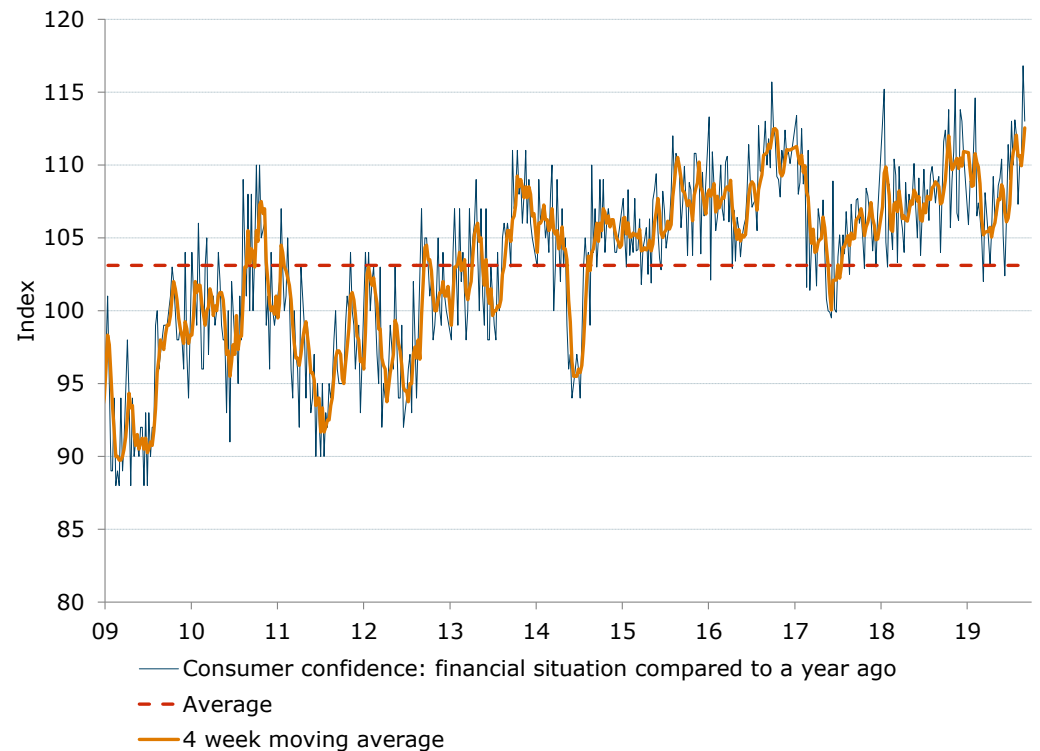
Figure 2. Continued divergence in financial and economic conditions



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.

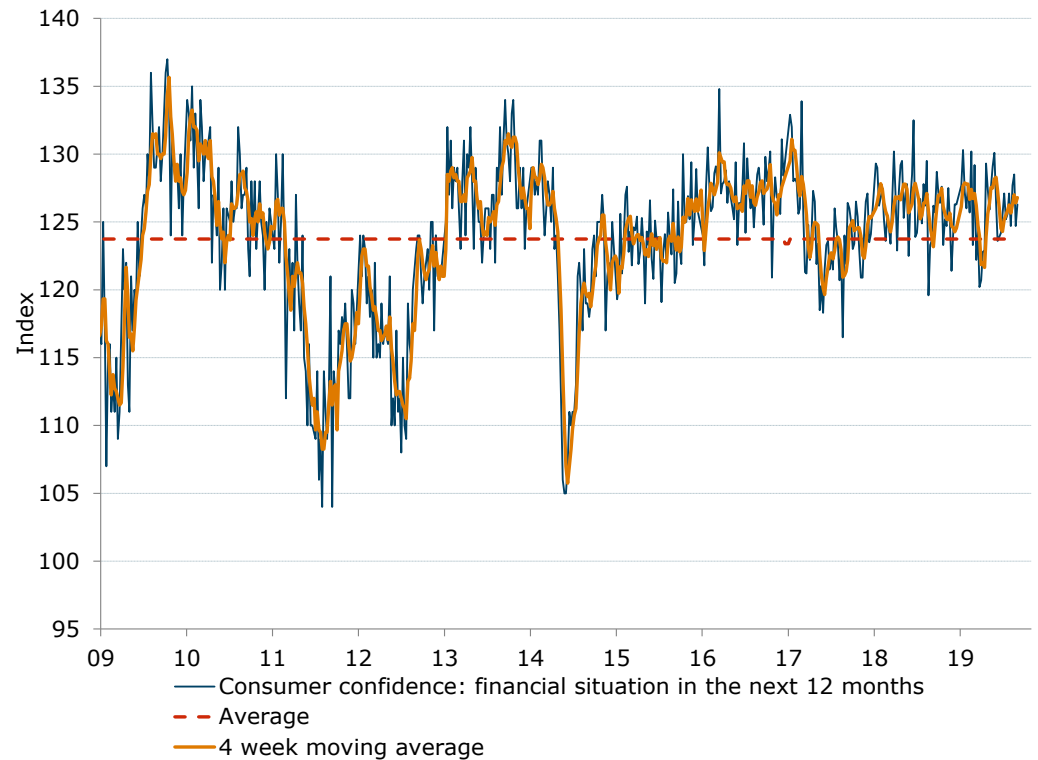
Figure 3. 'Current finances' down 3.3% after gaining 5.9% last week



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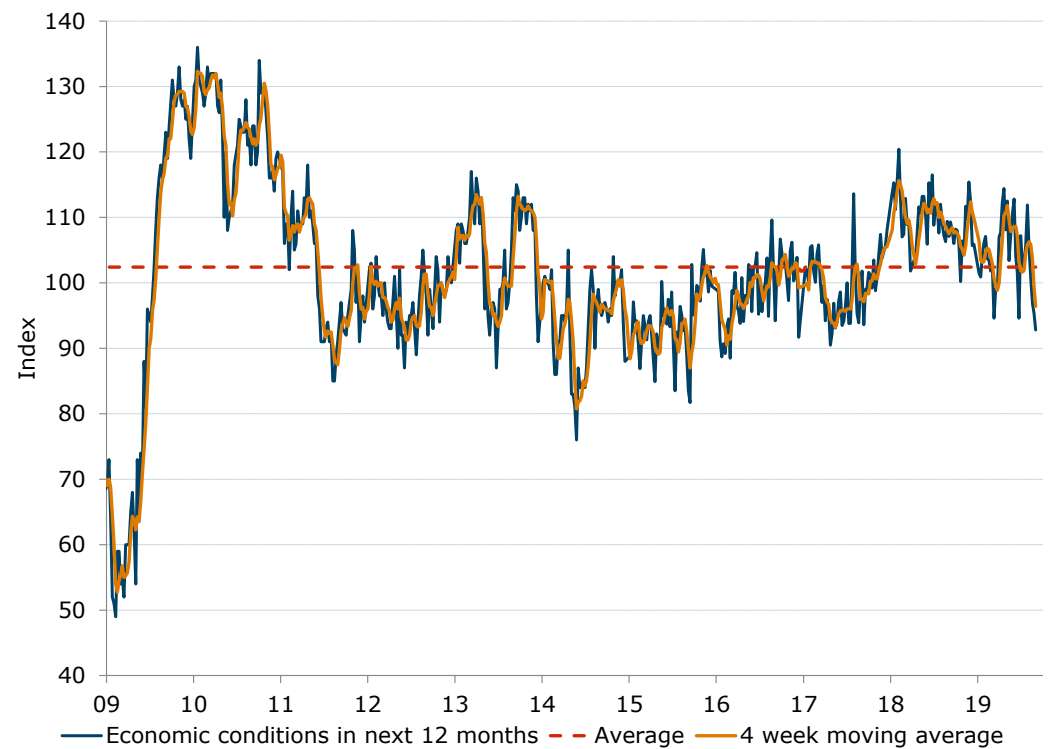


Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' gain 1.3%



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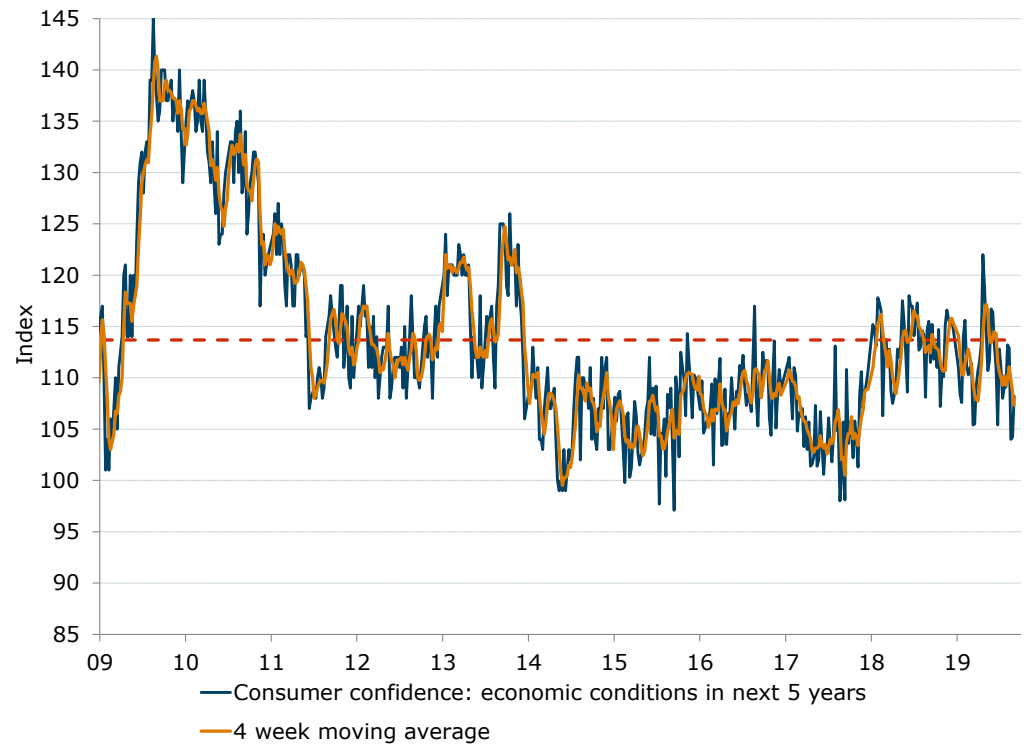
Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' falls by 2.7%, its fifth consecutive decline



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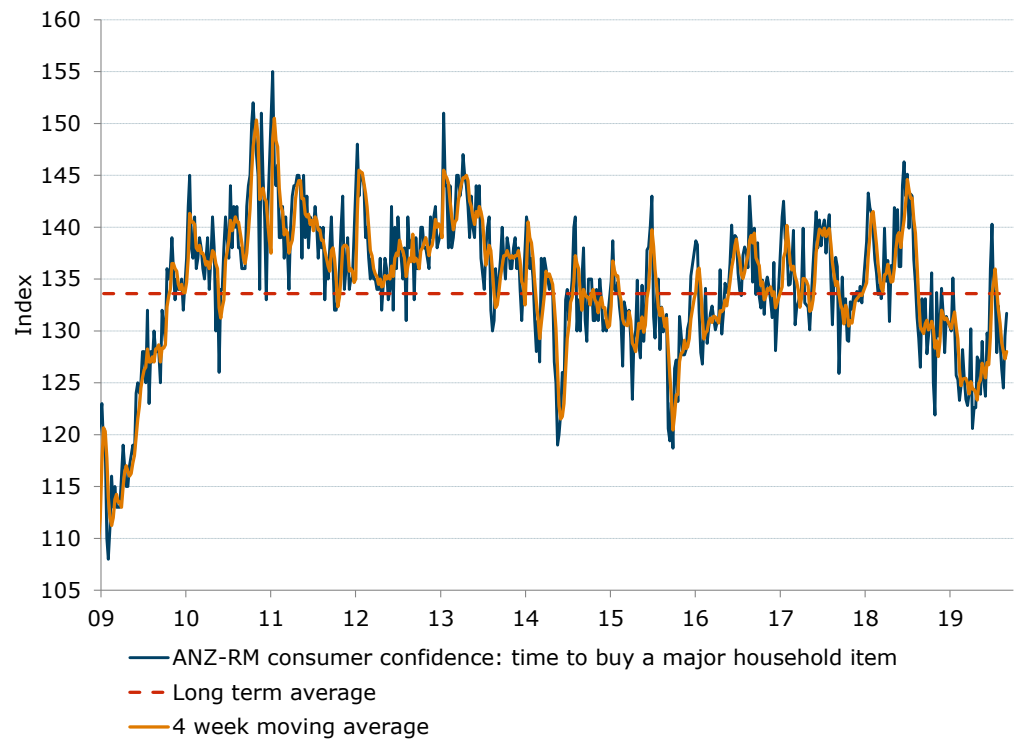


Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' up 3.8%, but still below average



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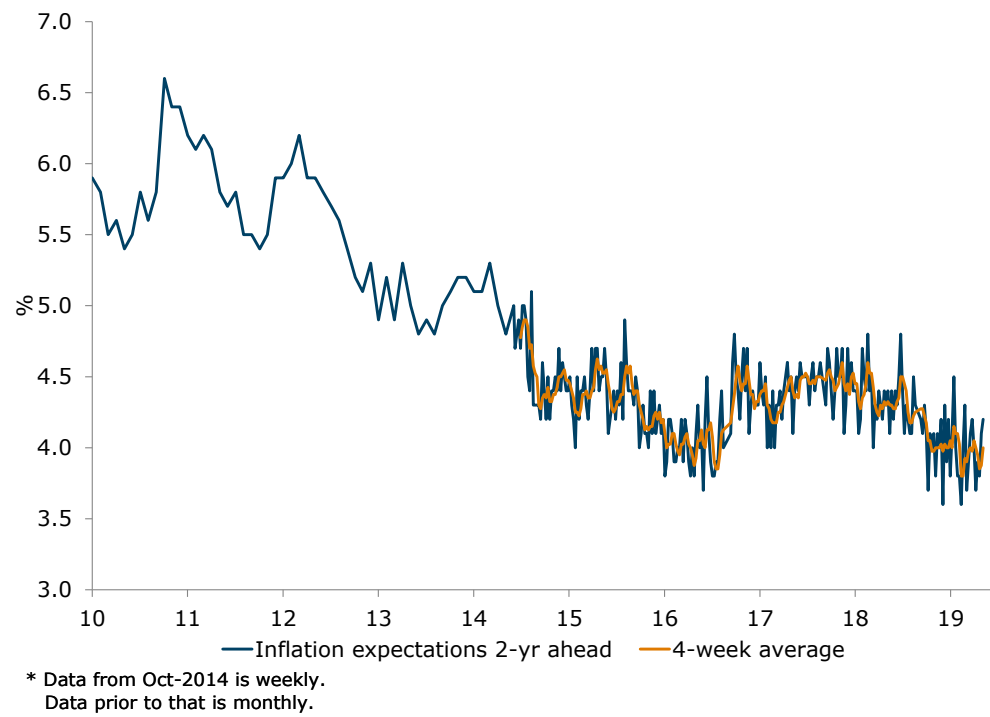
Figure 7. 'Time to buy a household item' gains 1.7%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Figure 8. Four-week moving average inflation expectations rose to 4.0%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan



Data table

Table 1. ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence

	Headline index		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 2001	116	-	103	124	105	114	134	-
2011 avg	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0
2012 avg	113	-	99	118	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	94	106	131	4.4
2016 avg	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1
2017 avg	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4
2018 avg	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
1-Jul-18	120.4	121.7	109.7	124.2	108.8	114.1	145.1	4.5
8-Jul-18	120.1	121.0	106.7	126.1	111.7	115.9	139.9	4.0
15-Jul-18	121.5	120.9	108.3	126.7	111.9	117.3	143.2	4.3
22-Jul-18	118.9	120.2	106.2	124.9	107.6	112.7	143.0	4.2
29-Jul-18	119.8	120.1	109.3	127.8	112.0	113.0	136.9	4.4
5-Aug-18	118.9	119.8	109.9	126.2	109.0	114.6	134.6	4.3
12-Aug-18	118.2	119.0	108.8	129.5	107.2	114.2	131.3	4.2
19-Aug-18	114.1	117.8	107.4	119.6	106.3	108.1	129.3	4.4
26-Aug-18	116.5	116.9	108.7	123.3	109.4	114.7	126.5	4.3
2-Sep-18	117.7	116.6	109.2	123.6	107.1	115.5	133.1	4.4
9-Sep-18	116.2	116.1	104.0	126.2	109.3	111.5	130.1	4.1
16-Sep-18	118.0	117.1	107.8	125.7	108.0	115.2	133.1	4.4
23-Sep-18	117.2	117.3	111.6	128.7	106.0	111.8	127.8	4.2
30-Sep-18	118.1	117.4	112.4	127.2	108.2	113.3	129.4	4.4
7-Oct-18	117.3	117.7	110.2	126.4	108.0	111.0	130.9	4.3
14-Oct-18	119.5	118.0	113.8	127.6	105.9	114.7	135.6	4.5
21-Oct-18	112.3	116.8	105.7	123.3	100.2	107.2	125.0	4.8
28-Oct-18	114.6	115.9	109.0	125.2	106.4	110.5	121.9	4.4
4-Nov-18	116.8	115.8	110.9	124.7	104.4	110.1	133.7	4.1
11-Nov-18	119.8	115.9	115.2	127.5	111.7	115.1	129.5	4.3
18-Nov-18	117.8	117.3	106.7	125.2	109.9	116.6	130.7	4.2
25-Nov-18	118.6	118.3	106.2	121.4	115.4	115.7	134.1	4.1
2-Dec-18	119.5	118.9	113.8	124.2	112.5	115.3	131.6	4.1
9-Dec-18	117.7	118.4	113.0	126.3	105.7	115.6	127.9	4.5
16-Dec-18	117.8	118.4	110.7	126.3	105.9	114.6	131.4	4.3
6-Jan-19	115.2	117.6	105.9	127.7	101.5	111.0	130.0	4.2
13-Jan-19	116.8	116.9	108.9	130.3	100.9	108.4	135.1	4.1
20-Jan-19	115.7	116.4	108.6	127.2	104.3	107.6	130.8	4.3
27-Jan-19	116.5	116.1	111.0	126.0	106.1	114.0	125.7	4.1
3-Feb-19	118.1	116.8	114.6	127.7	107.1	115.6	125.3	3.7
10-Feb-19	114.1	116.1	106.5	125.7	103.7	111.2	123.3	4.1
17-Feb-19	115.2	116.0	107.4	130.2	103.5	110.3	124.6	4.0
24-Feb-19	114.1	115.4	106.4	123.3	101.8	110.9	128.2	4.1
3-Mar-19	114.8	114.6	105.0	129.2	102.7	111.4	125.5	3.8
10-Mar-19	109.5	113.4	102.0	122.2	94.6	105.4	123.4	4.1
17-Mar-19	111.9	112.6	108.1	124.3	99.1	105.5	122.8	4.0
24-Mar-19	111.8	112.0	106.6	120.2	99.0	109.3	124.0	4.2
31-Mar-19	114.7	112.0	105.0	120.7	107.0	110.7	130.2	3.6
7-Apr-19	113.2	112.9	103.2	122.8	107.7	111.6	120.6	4.3
14-Apr-19	115.3	113.8	105.4	122.9	112.2	113.3	122.6	3.9
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28-Apr-19	117.6	116.4	106.3	127.4	108.1	118.8	127.5	3.8
5-May-19	117.3	117.4	106.5	125.9	112.5	114.5	127.1	4.1
12-May-19	114.8	117.3	108.6	127.6	103.4	110.7	123.9	4.5
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