

# ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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## Confidence down for a third week

- Consumer confidence was down 0.6%, even as Victoria emerged from its brief circuit-breaker lockdown. The details were mixed - confidence around economic conditions improved, but weakened around financial conditions and time to buy household items.
- 'Current financial conditions' softened 0.1%, while 'future financial conditions' weakened 0.2%.
- 'Current economic conditions' was unchanged and 'future economic conditions' gained 1.6%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' declined by 3.9%, its largest weekly drop since August 2020. The four-week moving average for inflation expectations was steady at 3.7%.

## ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

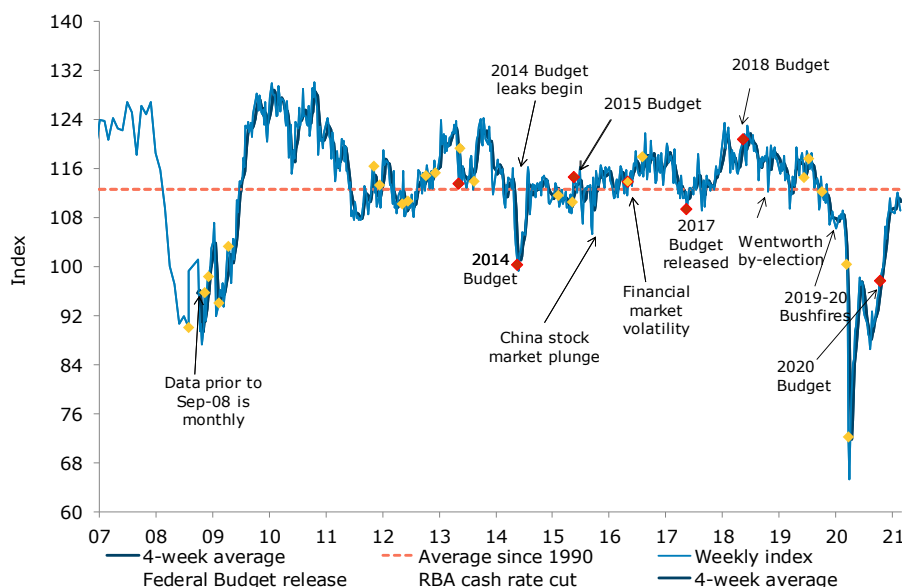
Last weekend (20-21 Feb)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
109.2	-0.6%	110.7	112.6	3.7%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,472 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 has fallen for the third week in a row, despite the easing of lockdown restrictions in Victoria. Indeed, Regional Victoria led the fall with confidence deteriorating 10.5%. This could possibly be a catch-up to last week's surprise rise in regional sentiment. Within the detail, the softness in 'time to buy a major household item' is interesting given the current strength of the housing market. We would expect the two to go hand-in-hand, so the relative softness of this aspect of sentiment may not endure.

## Consumer confidence down 0.6%

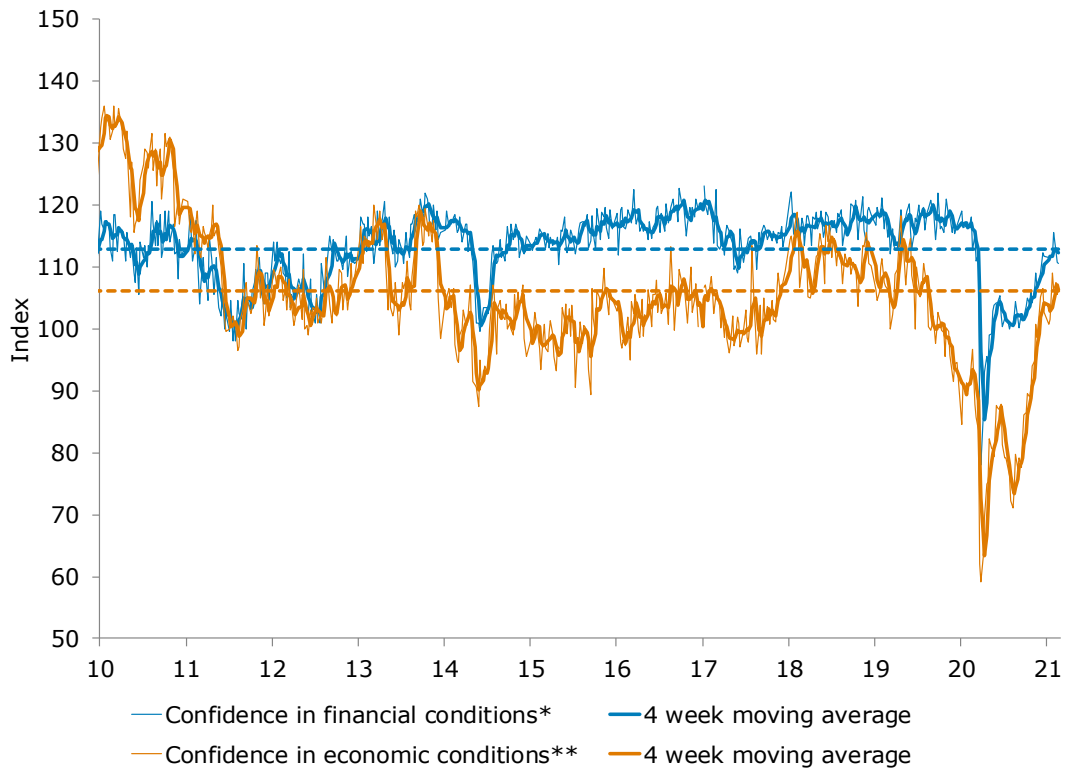


Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, ANZ Research



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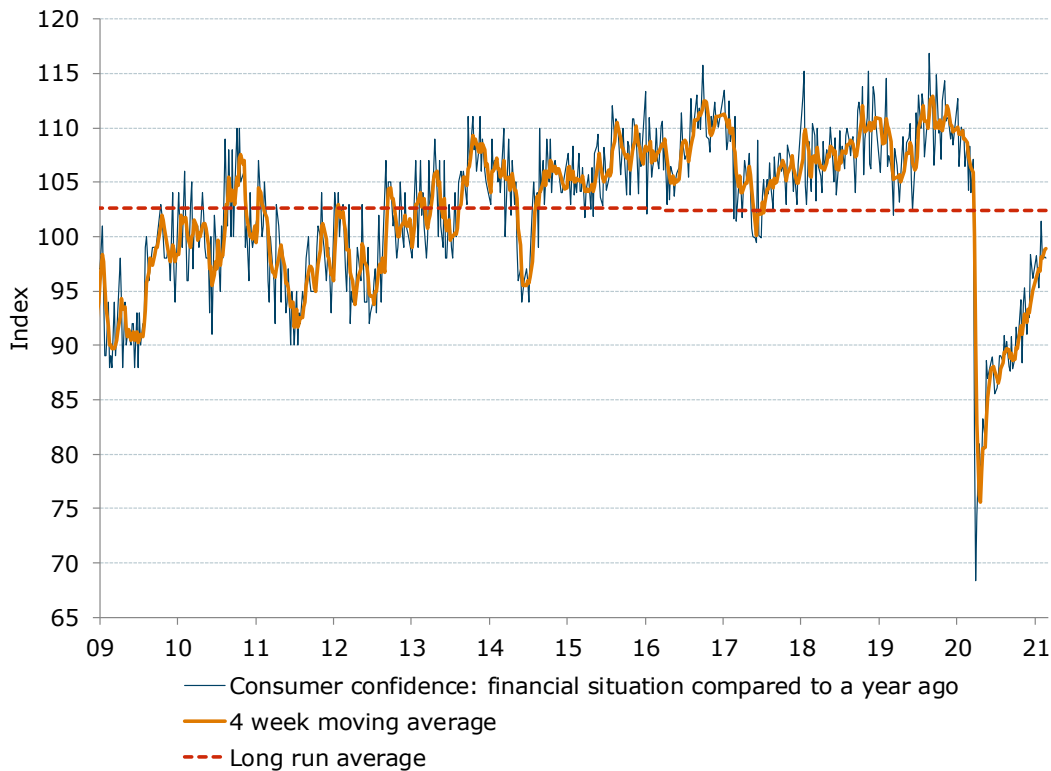
**Figure 1. Confidence in financial conditions fell, but increased for economic conditions**



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 2. 'Current financial conditions' softened 0.1%**

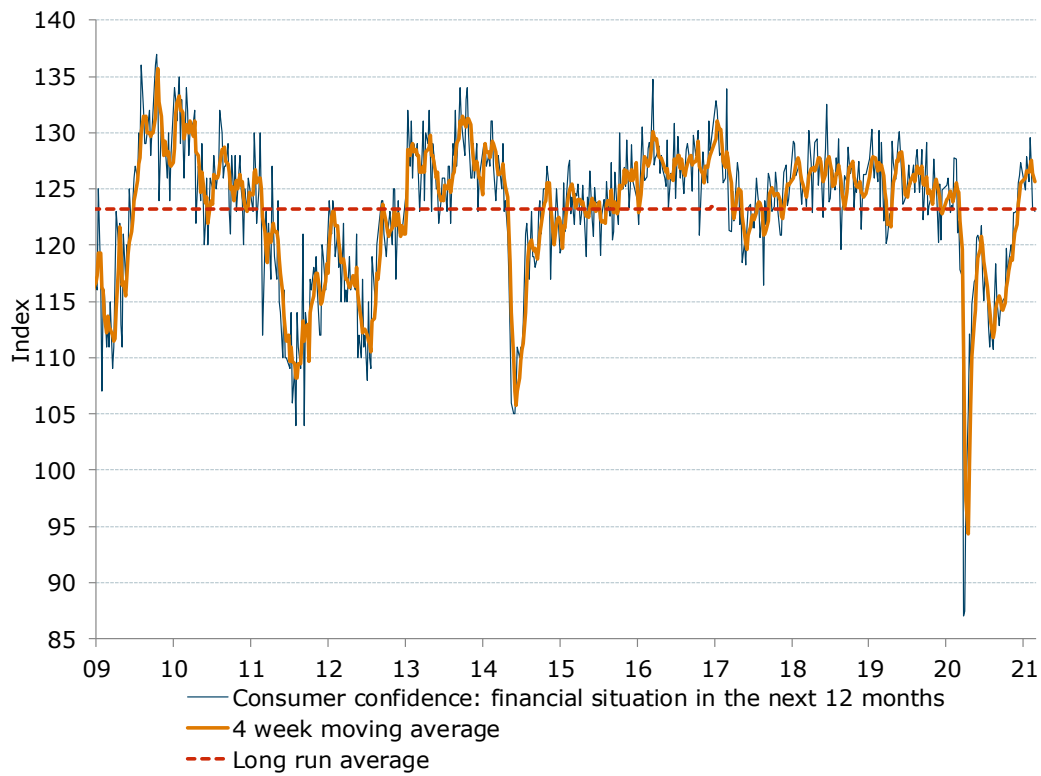


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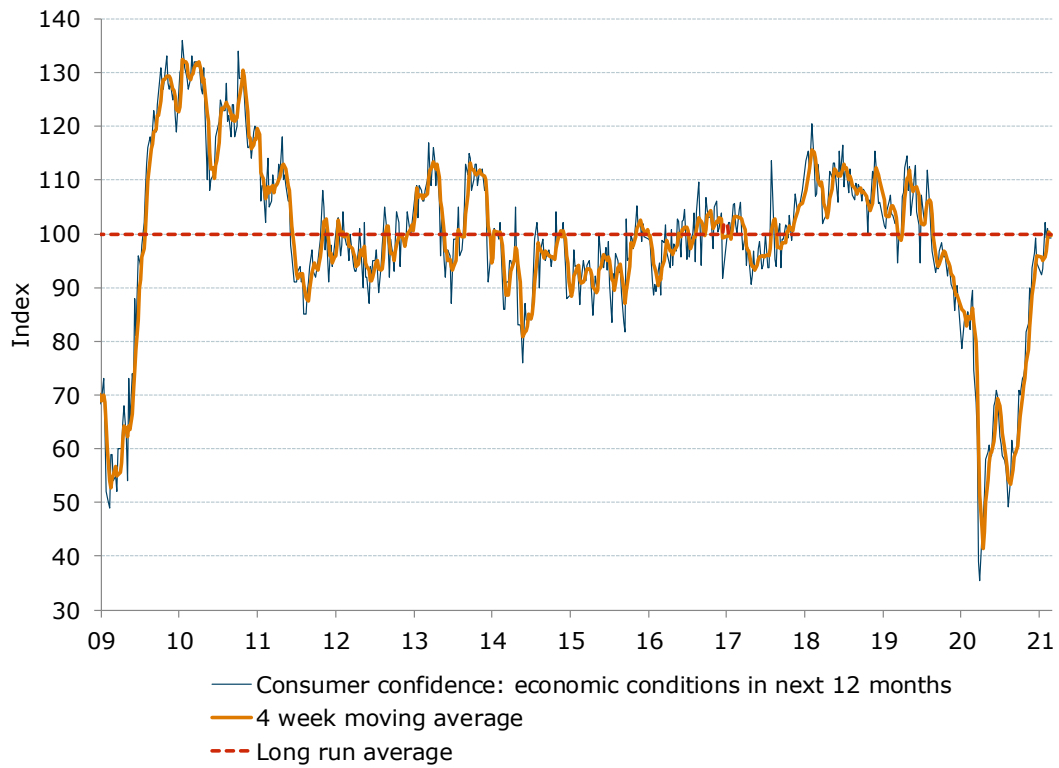
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**Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' weakened 0.2%**



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

**Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' was unchanged**

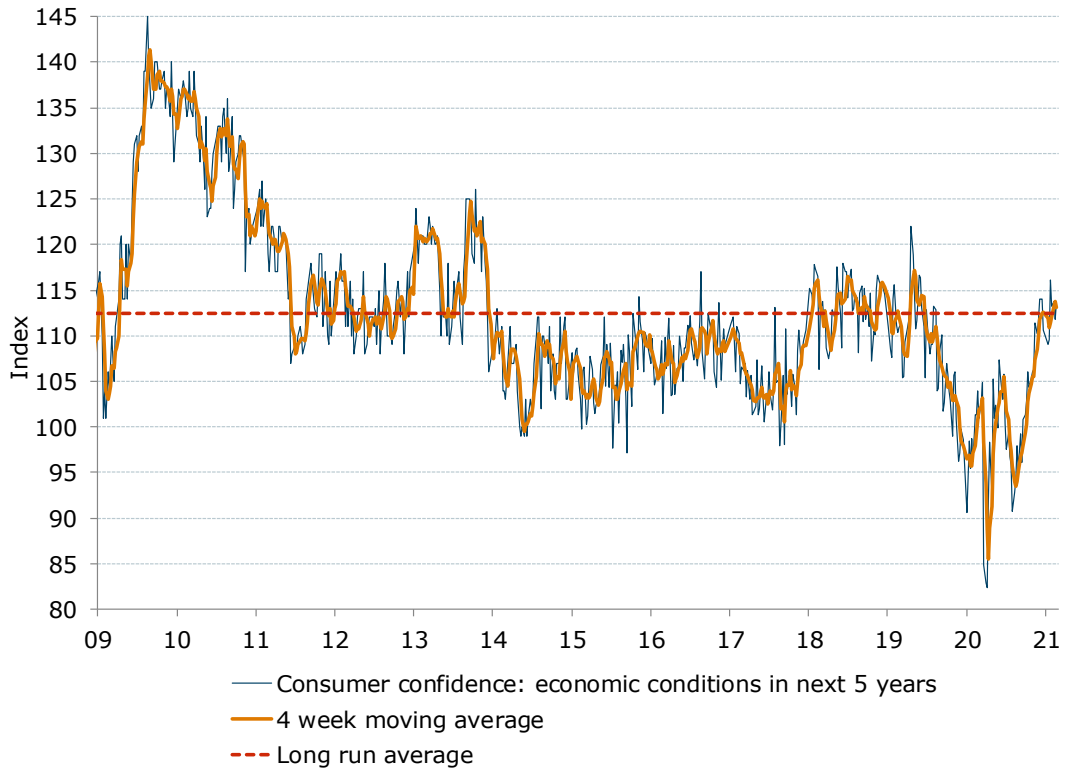


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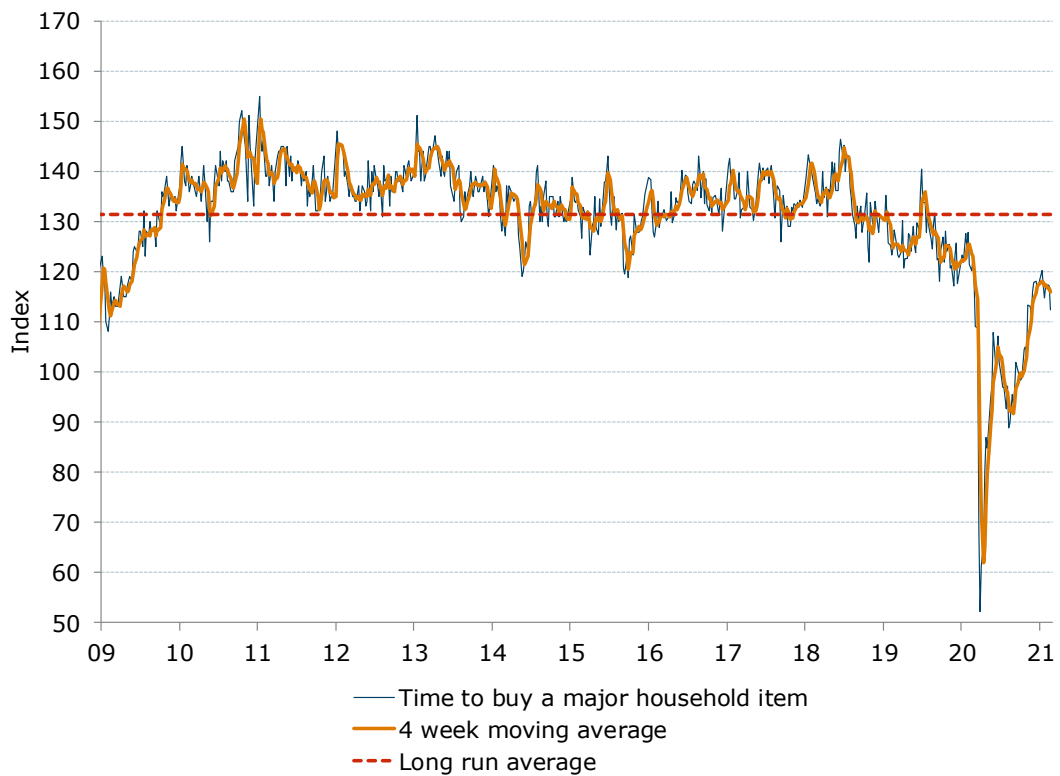
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**Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' gained 1.6%**



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

**Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' declined 3.9%**

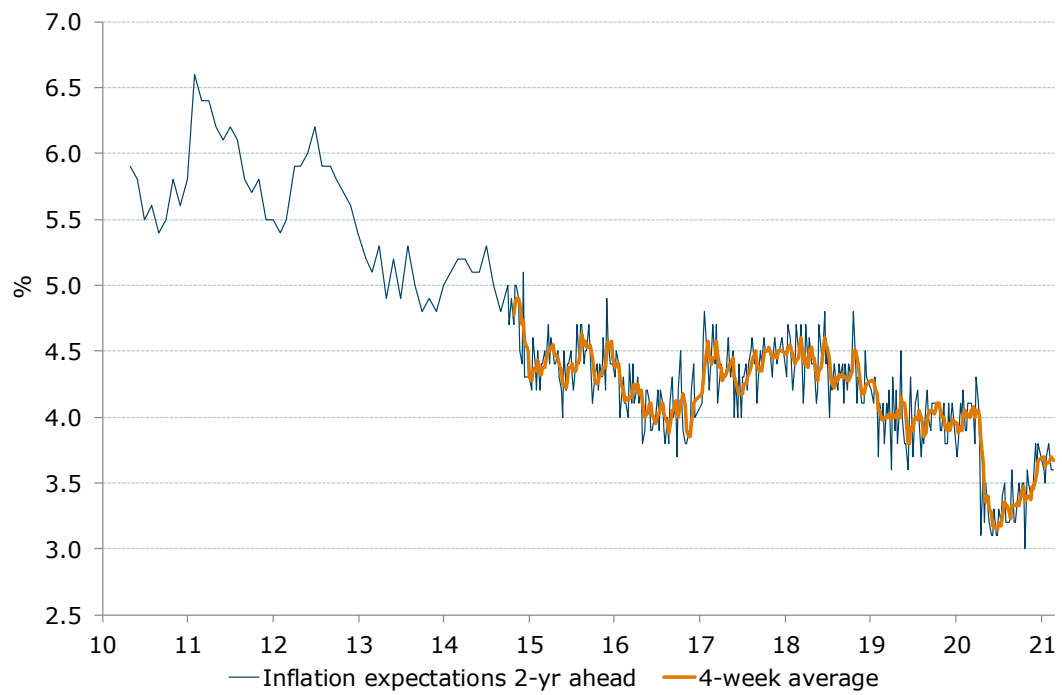


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**Figure 7. Four-week moving average inflation expectations steady at 3.7%**



\* Data from Oct-2014 is weekly.  
Data prior to that is monthly.

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 (%)
<b>Avg since 2001</b>	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-
<b>2010 avg</b>	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7
<b>2011 avg</b>	114	-	97	117	101	116	140	6.0
<b>2012 avg</b>	113	-	99	118	97	113	138	5.8
<b>2013 avg</b>	119	-	104	128	106	118	139	5.0
<b>2014 avg</b>	111	-	104	121	94	106	132	4.9
<b>2015 avg</b>	112	-	107	124	94	106	131	4.4
<b>2016 avg</b>	115	-	109	127	99	108	134	4.1
<b>2017 avg</b>	114	-	105	124	100	105	135	4.4
<b>2018 avg</b>	119	-	108	126	109	113	135	4.4
<b>2019 avg</b>	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
<b>5-Jan-20</b>	106.2	107.8	112.7	125.3	78.7	90.6	123.3	3.7
<b>12-Jan-20</b>	107.3	107.6	106.5	126.0	83.5	98.4	121.9	3.8
<b>19-Jan-20</b>	108.3	107.5	110.1	122.9	85.3	95.4	127.6	4.1
<b>26-Jan-20</b>	108.0	107.5	109.5	123.5	83.8	98.7	124.5	4.0
<b>2-Feb-20</b>	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2
<b>9-Feb-20</b>	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9
<b>16-Feb-20</b>	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9
<b>23-Feb-20</b>	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1
<b>1-Mar-20</b>	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
<b>8-Mar-20</b>	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1
<b>15-Mar-20</b>	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0
<b>22-Mar-20</b>	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8
<b>29-Mar-20</b>	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3
<b>5-Apr-20</b>	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1
<b>12-Apr-20</b>	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8
<b>19-Apr-20</b>	84.2	74.9	78.8	112.1	51.4	98.3	80.3	3.1
<b>26-Apr-20</b>	85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	92.5	86.9	3.6
<b>3-May-20</b>	89.5	84.2	83.3	114.8	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2
<b>10-May-20</b>	90.3	87.3	81.4	116.8	60.7	100.9	91.6	3.5
<b>17-May-20</b>	92.3	89.3	88.6	117.0	58.5	102.4	94.9	3.3
<b>24-May-20</b>	92.7	91.2	87.0	120.7	58.7	99.9	97.3	3.2
<b>31-May-20</b>	98.3	93.4	87.5	120.9	67.9	107.4	107.9	3.1
<b>7-Jun-20</b>	97.0	95.1	88.5	120.0	69.0	105.7	101.7	3.1
<b>14-Jun-20</b>	97.5	96.4	88.9	121.7	70.8	103.0	103.0	3.3
<b>21-Jun-20</b>	97.5	97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	107.2	3.1
<b>28-Jun-20</b>	93.0	96.3	85.5	115.1	62.3	100.3	102.0	3.1
<b>5-Jul-20</b>	92.1	95.0	86.1	117.3	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3
<b>12-Jul-20</b>	91.6	93.6	87.1	115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2
<b>19-Jul-20</b>	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4
<b>26-Jul-20</b>	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5
<b>2-Aug-20</b>	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
<b>9-Aug-20</b>	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2
<b>16-Aug-20</b>	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2
<b>23-Aug-20</b>	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3
<b>30-Aug-20</b>	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6
<b>6-Sep-20</b>	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2
<b>13-Sep-20</b>	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2
<b>20-Sep-20</b>	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4
<b>27-Sep-20</b>	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5
<b>4-Oct-20</b>	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4
<b>11-Oct-20</b>	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5
<b>18-Oct-20</b>	98.1	96.6	91.0	117.2	73.5	104.3	104.6	3.5
<b>25-Oct-20</b>	99.7	97.8	94.2	118.6	75.4	105.4	105.0	3.0
<b>1-Nov-20</b>	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6
<b>8-Nov-20</b>	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5
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<b>24-Jan-21</b>	111.2	109.5	97.6	125.7	102.0	116.1	114.8	3.7
<b>31-Jan-21</b>	112.1	110.2	101.4	129.6	99.3	113.3	117.0	3.8
<b>7-Feb-21</b>	111.4	110.9	97.9	126.9	101.0	113.8	117.4	3.7
<b>14-Feb-21</b>	109.9	111.2	98.1	123.3	99.2	111.8	117.0	3.6
<b>21-Feb-21</b>	109.2	110.7	98.0	123.0	99.2	113.6	112.4	3.6

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