

ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Media Release

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Vaccine boosts confidence

- The Consumer Confidence reading ended a three-week decline to jump 1% last week as COVID-19 vaccines arrived. The subindices were mixed.
- 'Current financial conditions' softened 0.2%, while 'future financial conditions' improved 1.1%.
- 'Current economic conditions' gained 2.4% but 'future economic conditions' declined 2.6%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' surged 4.2%, reversing most of the decline in the previous week. The weekly inflation expectations rose to 3.9% (up 0.3ppt).

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

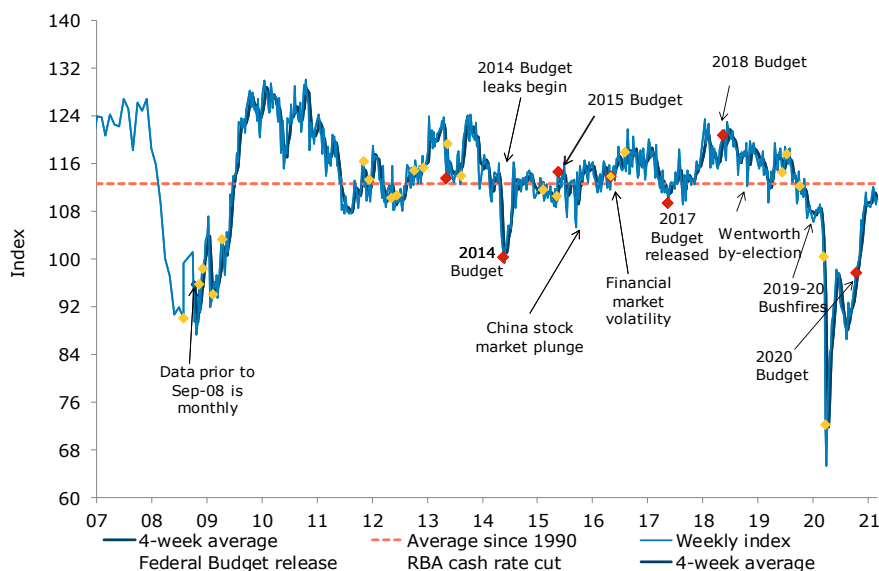
Last weekend (27-28 Feb)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
110.3	1.0%	110.2	112.6	3.7%

This weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,518 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 reversed its three-week losing streak as the nationwide inoculation program began a week ago. Headline confidence is around its long-run average. What stands out is the jump in weekly inflation expectations to 3.9% (from 3.6% a week ago), its highest level since early April. Higher global fuel prices pushed up the average domestic retail petrol price by 1.6 cents/litre last week. This, coupled with a strong housing market and faster than expected recovery in the labour market, could be fuelling inflationary concerns. Inflation expectations are still below pre-pandemic levels, so could rise further without causing undue alarm for the RBA.

Consumer confidence jumped 1%

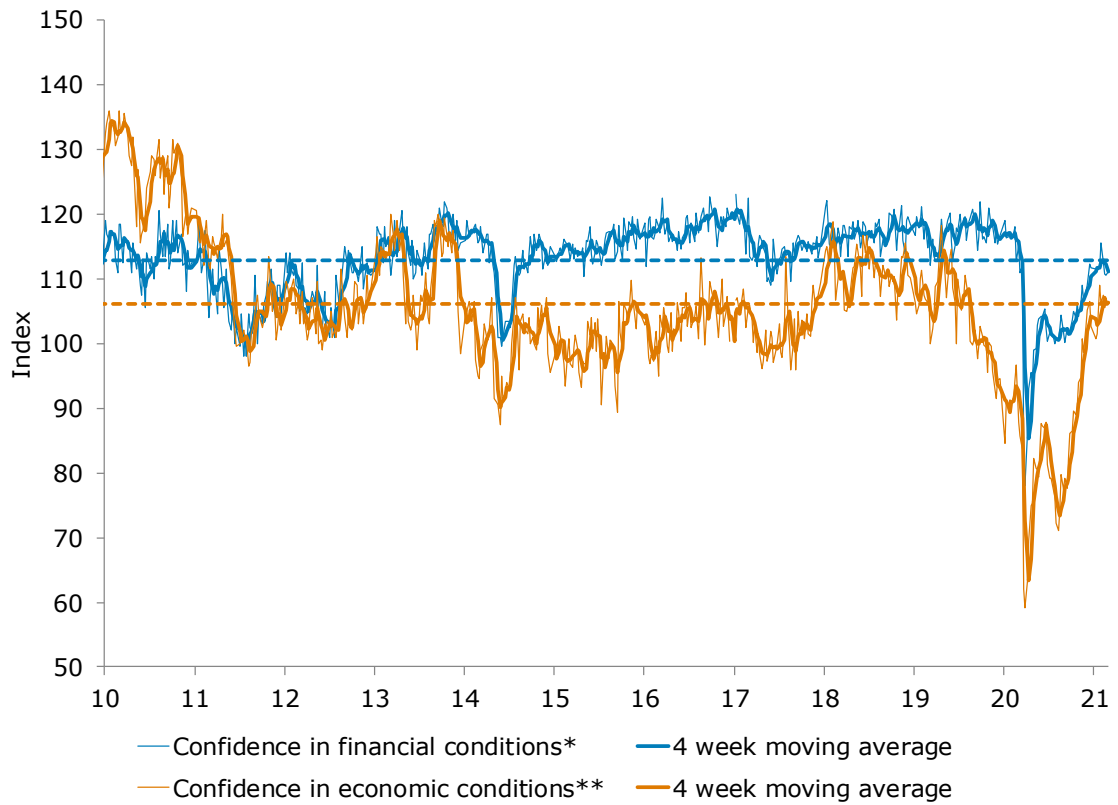


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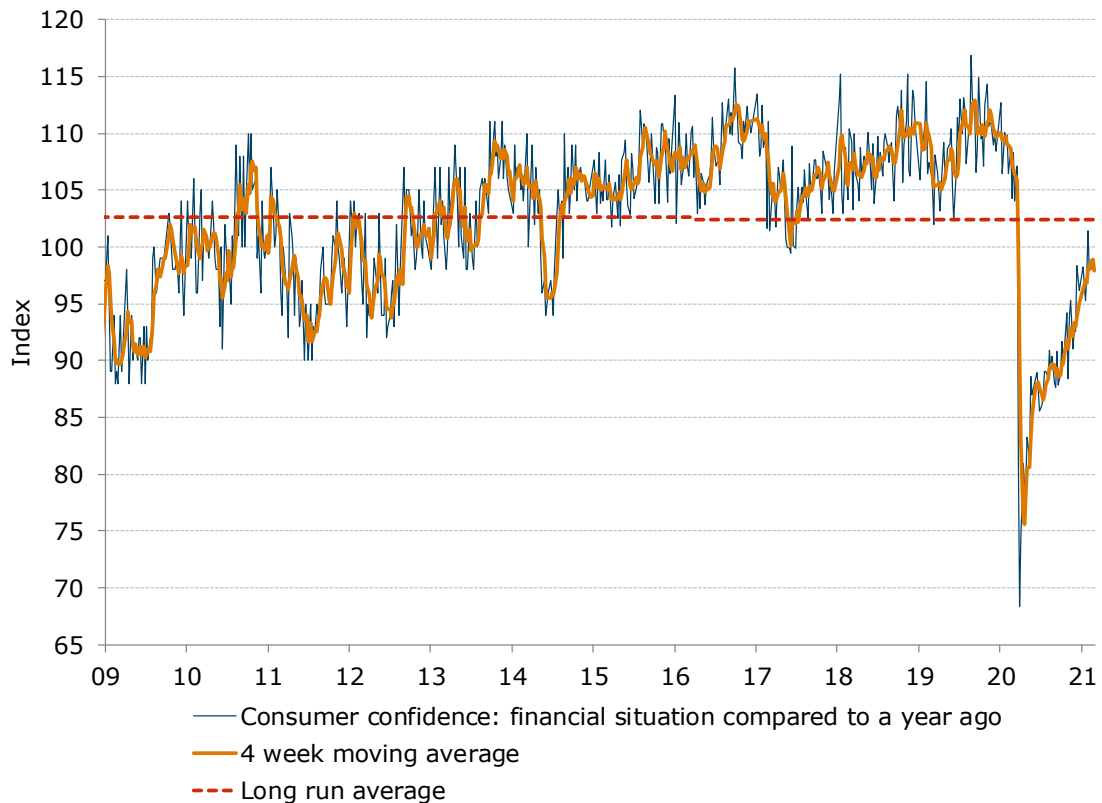
Figure 1. Confidence in financial conditions increased, but fell for economic conditions



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 0.2%

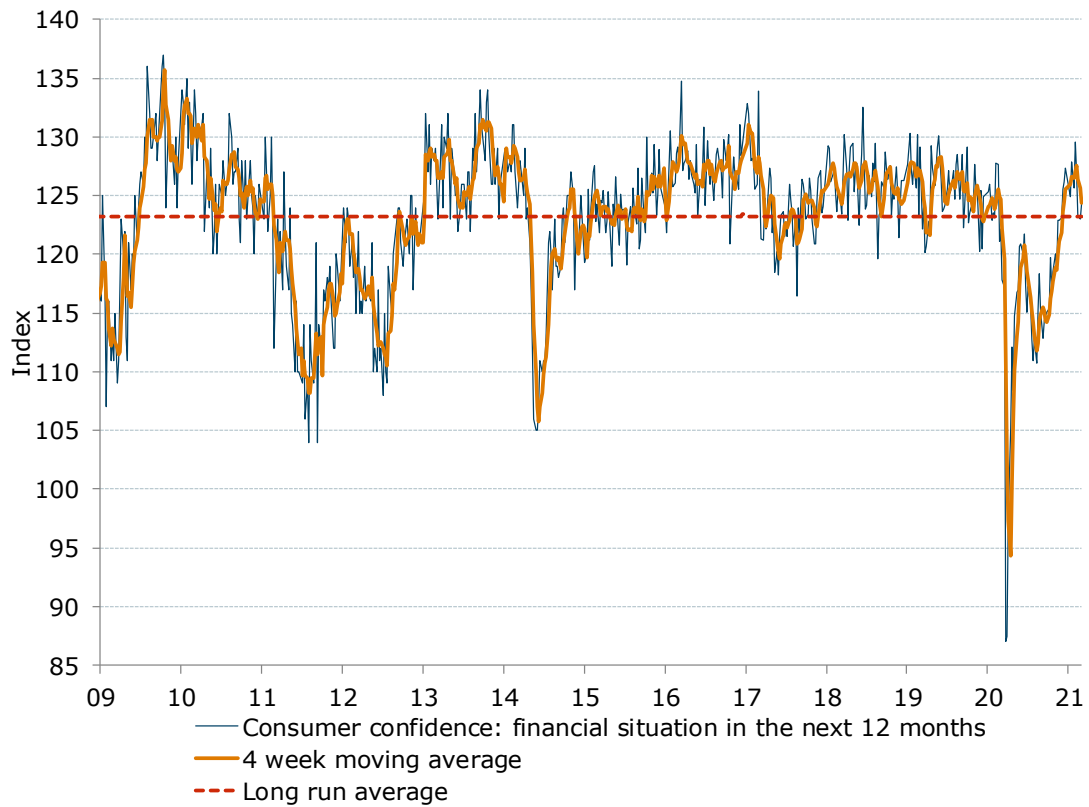


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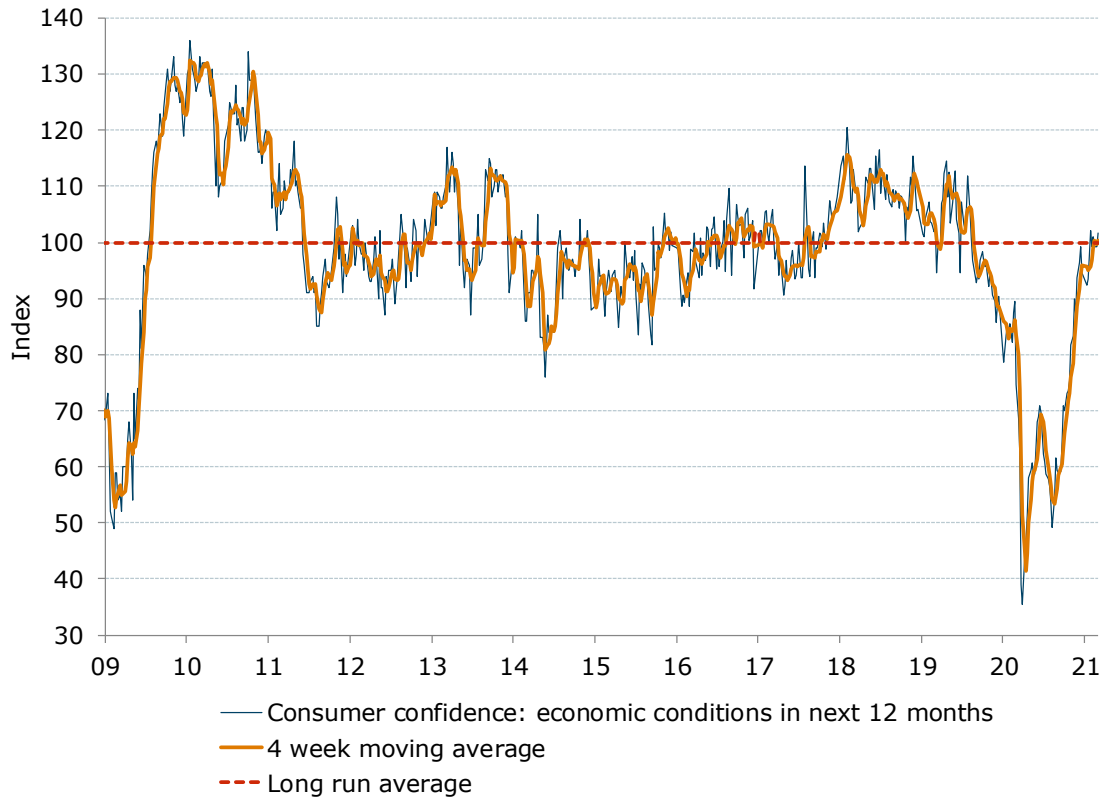
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Figure 3. 'Future financial conditions' improved 1.1%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. 'Current economic conditions' gained 2.4%

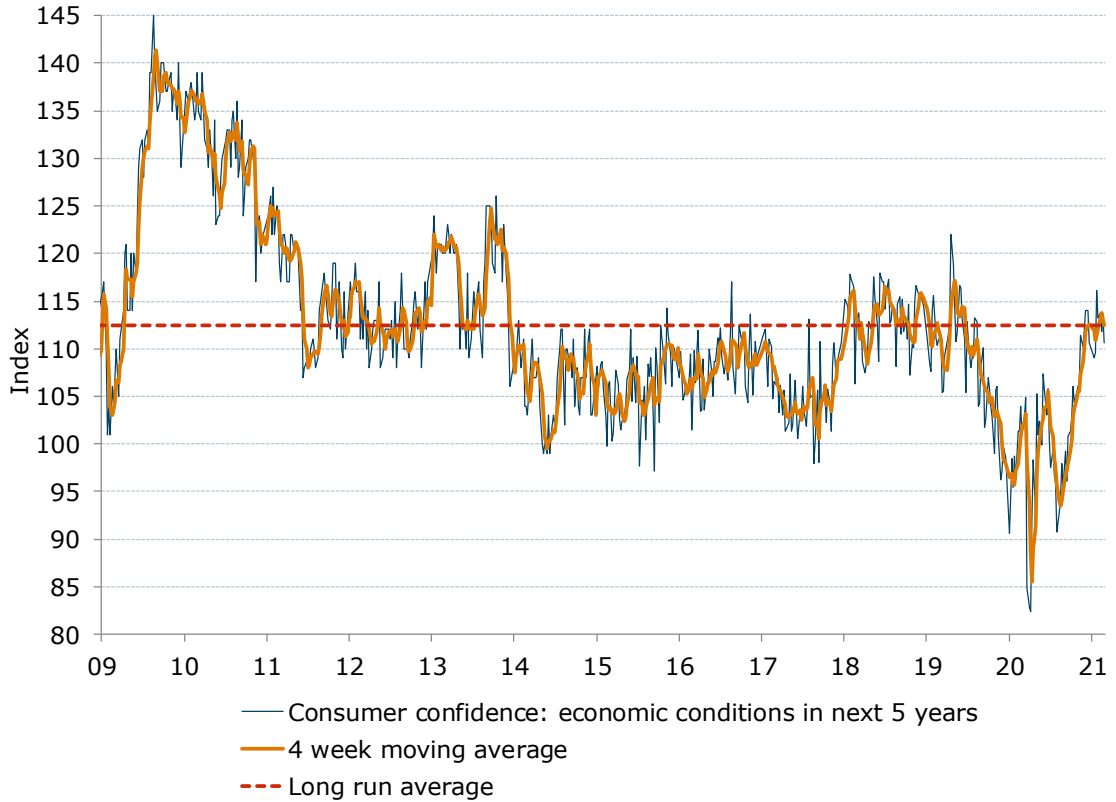


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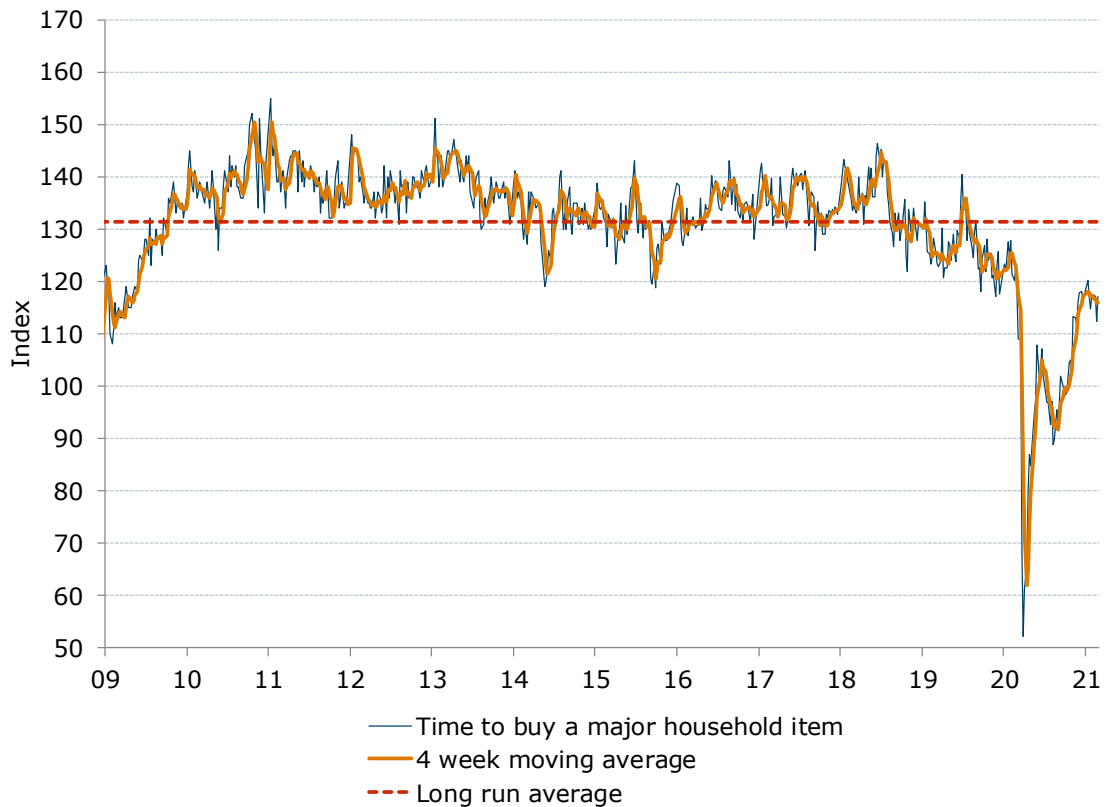
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Figure 5. 'Future economic conditions' declined 2.6%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Time to buy a household item' surged 4.2%

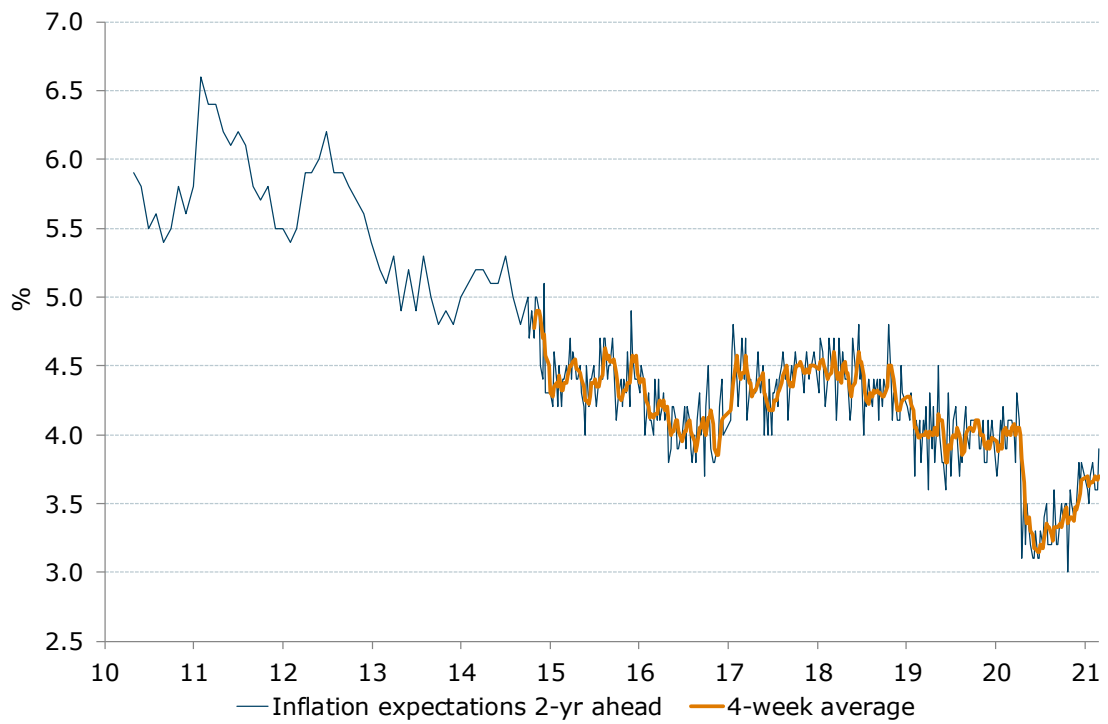


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Figure 7. Inflation expectations rose 30bps to 3.9%



* 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 (%)
Avg since 2001	115	-	102	124	103	113	132	-
2010 avg	124	-	101	127	124	130	139	5.7
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
2019 avg	114	-	109	126	101	109	126	4.0
2-Feb-20	108.5	108.0	109.8	123.1	85.6	96.2	127.8	4.2
9-Feb-20	107.8	108.2	106.5	127.8	82.1	101.3	121.4	3.9
16-Feb-20	109.1	108.4	108.6	127.7	87.4	101.3	120.3	3.9
23-Feb-20	108.3	108.4	104.3	121.1	89.5	104.0	122.4	4.1
1-Mar-20	104.8	107.5	108.3	122.2	74.6	101.0	117.8	4.1
8-Mar-20	100.4	105.7	104.0	117.8	68.6	102.7	109.1	4.1
15-Mar-20	100.0	103.4	107.1	117.2	62.2	104.9	108.9	4.0
22-Mar-20	72.2	94.4	81.5	87.0	39.1	84.9	68.4	3.8
29-Mar-20	65.3	84.5	68.4	87.5	35.4	82.9	52.1	4.3
5-Apr-20	71.9	77.4	74.4	97.5	44.1	82.4	61.2	4.1
12-Apr-20	78.2	71.9	80.9	105.2	46.9	92.1	66.1	3.8
19-Apr-20	84.2	74.9	78.8	112.1	51.4	98.3	80.3	3.1
26-Apr-20	85.0	79.8	79.1	108.4	58.1	92.5	86.9	3.6
3-May-20	89.5	84.2	83.3	114.8	59.4	105.2	84.7	3.2
10-May-20	90.3	87.3	81.4	116.8	60.7	100.9	91.6	3.5
17-May-20	92.3	89.3	88.6	117.0	58.5	102.4	94.9	3.3
24-May-20	92.7	91.2	87.0	120.7	58.7	99.9	97.3	3.2
31-May-20	98.3	93.4	87.5	120.9	67.9	107.4	107.9	3.1
7-Jun-20	97.0	95.1	88.5	120.0	69.0	105.7	101.7	3.1
14-Jun-20	97.5	96.4	88.9	121.7	70.8	103.0	103.0	3.3
21-Jun-20	97.5	97.6	87.4	117.3	69.7	105.8	107.2	3.1
28-Jun-20	93.0	96.3	85.5	115.1	62.3	100.3	102.0	3.1
5-Jul-20	92.1	95.0	86.1	117.3	60.9	97.6	98.8	3.3
12-Jul-20	91.6	93.6	87.1	115.7	58.8	99.4	96.9	3.2
19-Jul-20	90.7	91.9	89.1	112.8	57.9	96.7	96.8	3.4
26-Jul-20	89.0	90.9	89.0	111.0	56.5	95.9	92.7	3.5
2-Aug-20	88.6	90.0	88.5	112.8	53.6	90.8	97.2	3.2
9-Aug-20	86.5	88.7	90.9	110.7	49.2	92.8	88.8	3.2
16-Aug-20	88.6	88.2	89.2	115.3	54.4	94.3	89.7	3.2
23-Aug-20	92.7	89.1	90.4	118.4	61.5	98.0	95.4	3.3
30-Aug-20	90.2	89.5	88.1	115.2	59.3	95.4	93.1	3.6
6-Sep-20	91.1	90.7	87.6	112.9	58.9	99.3	96.7	3.2
13-Sep-20	92.4	91.6	90.8	114.3	59.2	96.1	101.8	3.2
20-Sep-20	93.5	91.8	87.9	114.8	64.2	100.8	99.9	3.4
27-Sep-20	95.0	93.0	88.8	115.1	70.8	101.3	98.9	3.5
4-Oct-20	95.7	94.2	91.7	115.4	70.0	102.9	98.4	3.4
11-Oct-20	97.7	95.5	90.3	119.7	73.2	106.1	98.9	3.5
18-Oct-20	98.1	96.6	91.0	117.2	73.5	104.3	104.6	3.5
25-Oct-20	99.7	97.8	94.2	118.6	75.4	105.4	105.0	3.0
1-Nov-20	99.9	98.9	88.4	120.1	81.7	106.1	103.0	3.6
8-Nov-20	103.1	100.2	93.8	118.7	83.2	106.3	113.3	3.5
15-Nov-20	106.6	102.3	95.3	122.9	90.0	111.4	113.1	3.4
22-Nov-20	104.5	103.5	91.0	122.9	87.1	110.2	111.3	3.4
29-Nov-20	107.5	105.4	93.1	123.1	93.7	111.8	116.0	3.5
6-Dec-20	109.3	107.0	92.5	125.6	96.4	114.0	117.7	3.8
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10-Jan-21	108.9	109.6	98.2	124.9	92.4	109.1	120.1	3.6
17-Jan-21	108.7	109.5	95.3	127.9	93.5	109.6	117.2	3.5
24-Jan-21	111.2	109.5	97.6	125.7	102.0	116.1	114.8	3.7
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28-Feb-21	110.3	110.2	97.8	124.3	101.6	110.6	117.1	3.9

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