

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).

Confidence plunges as inflation jumps

- Consumer confidence declined 6.0% last week, as headline inflation surged to 5.1% y/y in Q1 2022. Among the major states, confidence dropped in NSW, Queensland and SA, while it increased in Victoria and WA.
- 'Weekly inflation expectations' rose 0.2ppt to 5.3%, while its four-week moving average dropped 0.1ppt to 5.4%.
- Four of the five confidence subindices registered losses. 'Current financial conditions' decreased by 5.2% and 'future financial conditions' fell 5.3%.
- 'Current economic conditions' dropped 10.4%, offsetting all its gains from the past four weeks. 'Future economic conditions' bucked the trend by increasing 0.7%.
- 'Time to buy a major household item' declined 10.3%, after an 8.7% rise over the previous four weeks.

ANZ-Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence and inflation expectations

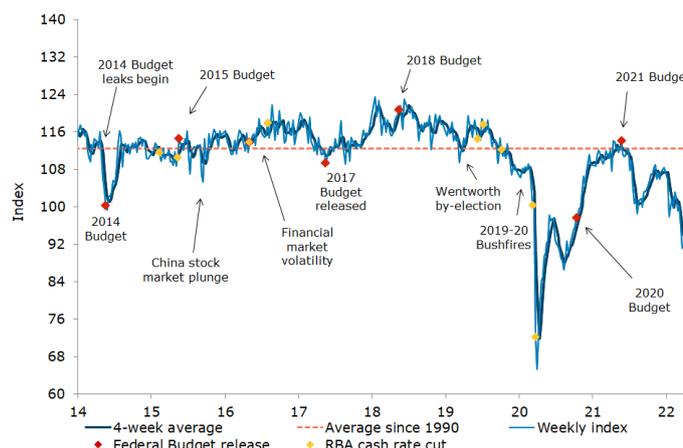
Last week (19-24 Apr)	Weekly change, %	Four-week average	Monthly average since 1990	Inflation expectations (four-week ma)
90.7	-6.0%	94.7	112.4	5.4%

The weekly ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence Rating is based on 1,521 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:

Consumer confidence plunged 6.0% last week, its sharpest fall since the 7.6% drop in mid-January due to the Omicron surge. The strong inflation result of 5.1% y/y was likely the primary driver of the drop in confidence as it increases the prospect of interest rate hikes by the RBA in the near future. This is supported by the fact confidence dropped 9.6% amongst people 'paying off their home loan', while for people who already own their home or are renting confidence dropped by 4.7% and 4.2% respectively. Inflation expectations increased 0.2ppt to 5.3% last week as average petrol prices rose nationally. This is the lowest level for consumer confidence at the start of a tightening cycle since the inflation targeting regime began in the early 1990s. This may see the RBA tighten more slowly than the market is pricing.

Consumer confidence decreased by 6.0%

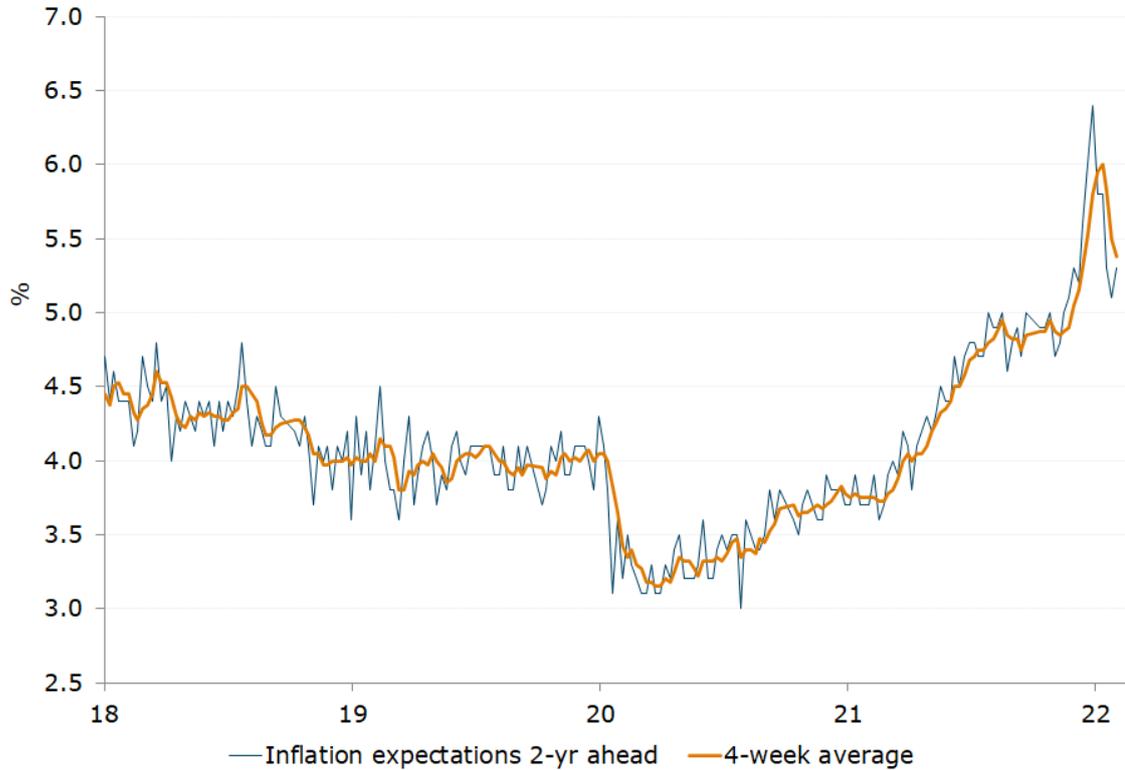


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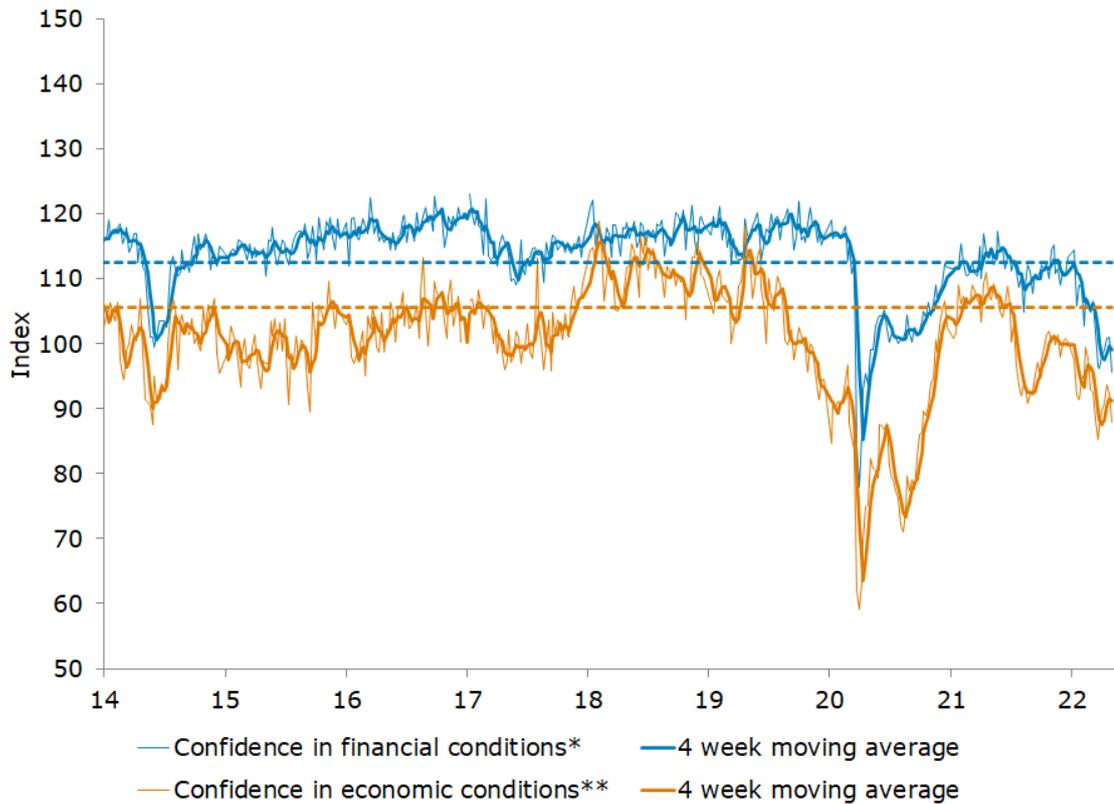
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Figure 1. 'Weekly inflation expectations' rose 0.2ppt to 5.3%, while its four-week moving average dropped 0.1ppt to 5.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 2. Confidence in both financial and economic conditions declined



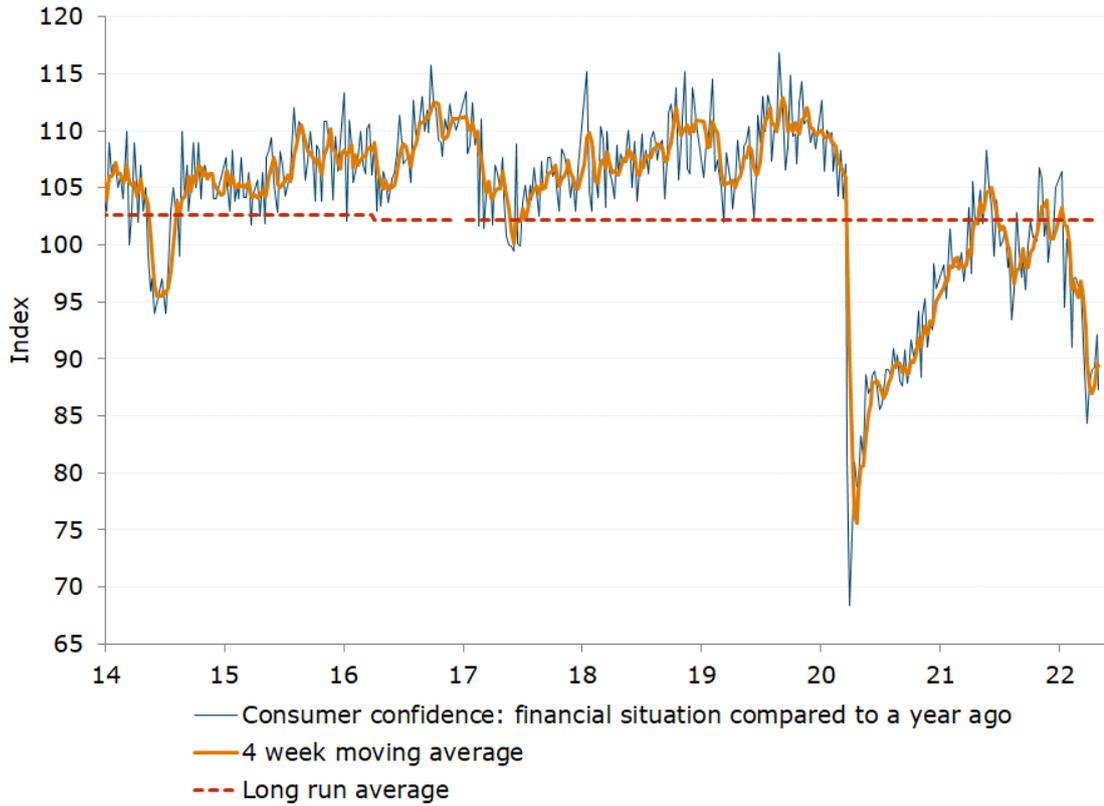
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Note: *Financial conditions index is an average of 'financial situation compared to a year ago' and 'financial situation next year' sub-indices. **Economic conditions index is an average of 'economic conditions in 12 months' and 'economic conditions in five years' sub-indices.



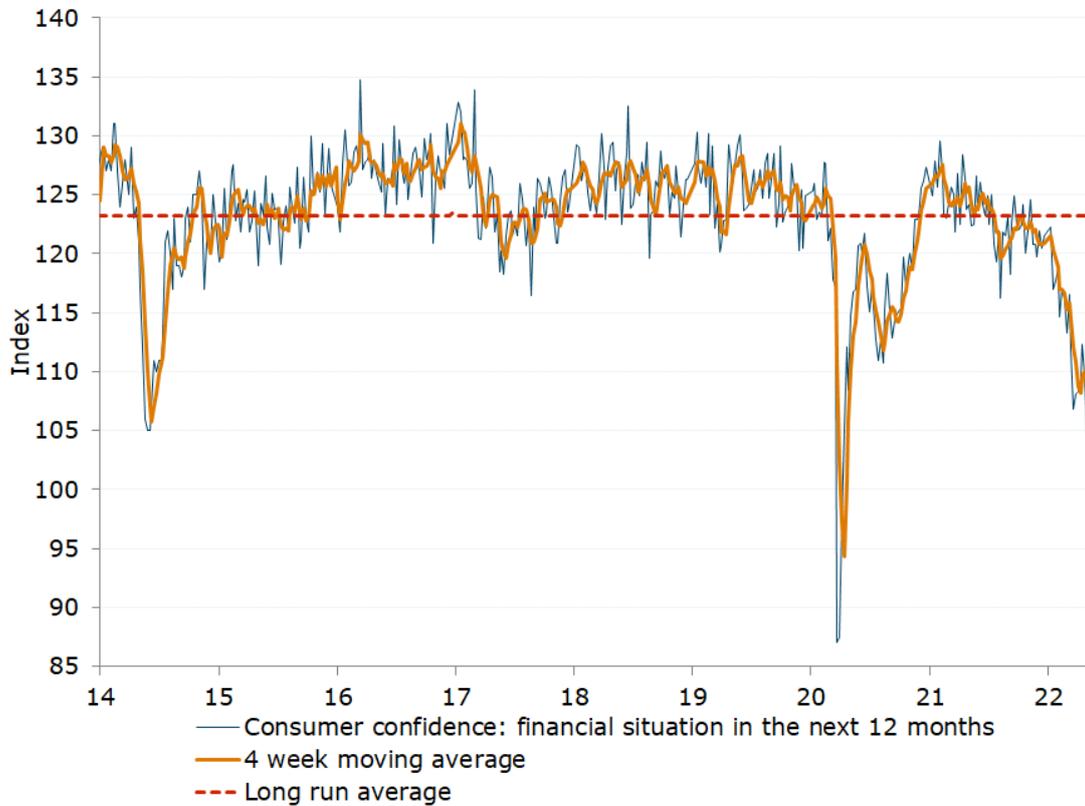
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Figure 3. 'Current financial conditions' dropped 5.2%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 4. 'Future financial conditions' fell 5.3%

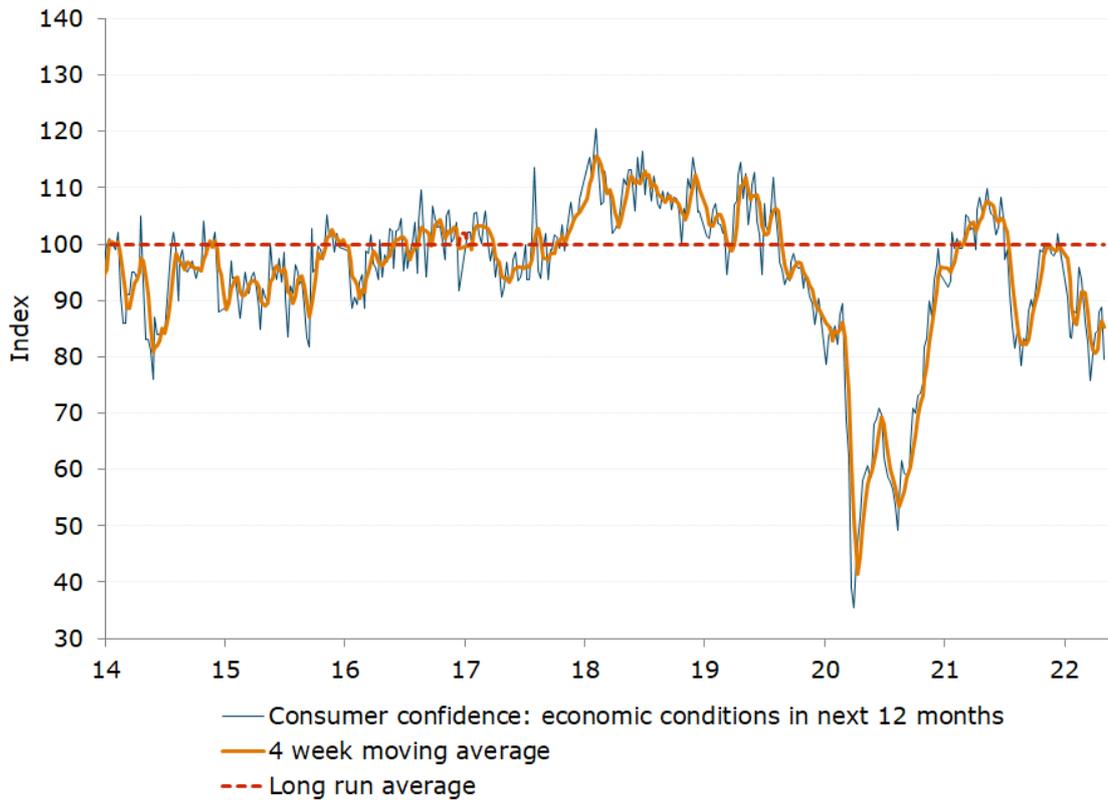


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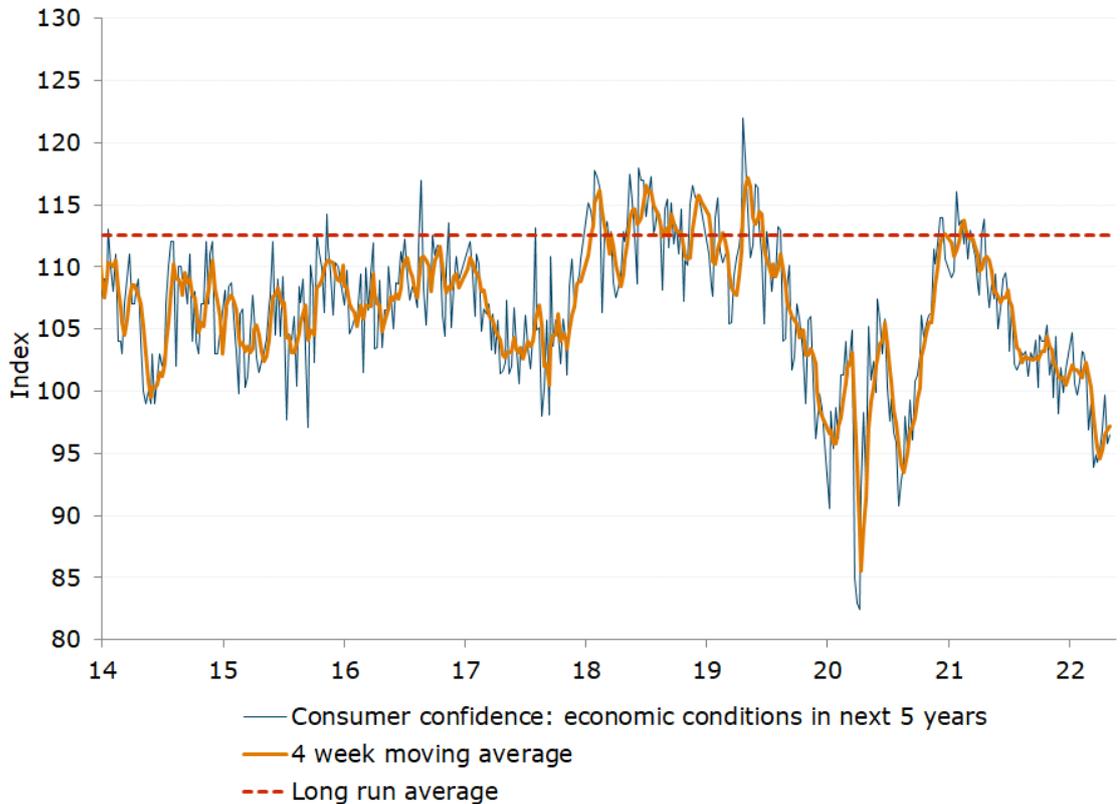
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Figure 5. 'Current economic conditions' plunged 10.4%



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan

Figure 6. 'Future economic conditions' rose slightly by 0.7%

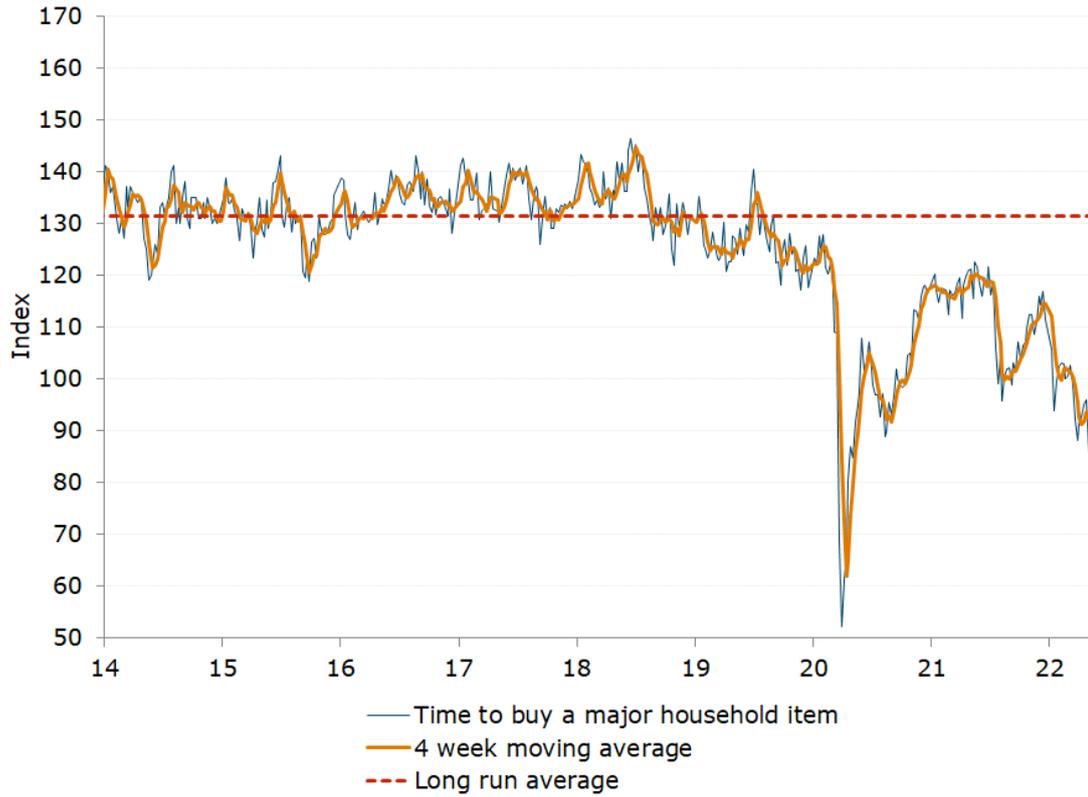


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Figure 7. 'Time to buy a major household item' declined 10.3%



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
2020 avg	96	-	92	117	69	100	102	3.5
2021 avg	108	-	101	123	98	106	113	4.2
2-May-21	112.7	113.3	104.8	124.2	106.8	106.7	121.1	3.7
9-May-21	111.6	112.7	101.9	122.4	109.8	108.6	115.4	3.9
16-May-21	112.5	112.3	103.5	122.5	106.4	107.4	122.5	3.6
23-May-21	114.2	112.8	108.3	126.6	105.5	109.4	121.6	3.7
30-May-21	111.4	112.4	105.0	123.6	105.0	105.0	118.4	3.9
6-Jun-21	110.7	112.2	103.4	126.1	101.7	106.6	115.8	4.0
13-Jun-21	111.0	111.8	99.0	124.2	103.1	109.0	119.6	3.9
20-Jun-21	112.4	111.4	103.9	123.2	108.2	109.5	117.5	4.2
27-Jun-21	112.2	111.6	102.6	124.9	104.5	107.6	121.6	4.1
4-Jul-21	107.8	110.9	99.9	122.5	97.2	103.2	116.2	3.8
11-Jul-21	110.0	110.6	100.3	125.0	98.9	107.0	118.5	4.1
18-Jul-21	104.3	108.6	101.5	120.8	91.1	102.2	106.0	4.2
25-Jul-21	100.7	105.7	98.0	119.3	85.6	101.7	99.0	4.3
1-Aug-21	101.8	104.2	99.0	122.0	81.6	102.2	104.2	4.2
8-Aug-21	98.6	101.4	93.4	116.2	84.7	103.1	95.6	4.3
15-Aug-21	101.1	100.6	96.1	121.9	84.3	102.9	100.4	4.5
22-Aug-21	101.6	100.8	102.8	121.5	78.5	103.2	102.0	4.4
29-Aug-21	101.8	100.8	99.5	123.1	83.2	101.2	102.2	4.4
5-Sep-21	100.0	101.1	97.2	118.2	82.6	103.1	98.9	4.7
12-Sep-21	103.1	101.6	99.1	122.6	88.2	102.5	103.1	4.5
19-Sep-21	103.3	102.1	96.1	124.9	90.1	104.1	101.5	4.7
26-Sep-21	103.7	102.5	99.9	122.5	88.9	100.3	107.2	4.8
3-Oct-21	104.6	103.7	102.1	122.1	90.8	104.5	103.8	4.8
10-Oct-21	105.6	104.3	100.6	122.5	94.6	104.0	106.5	4.7
17-Oct-21	107.0	105.2	100.5	124.2	98.9	104.0	107.1	4.7
24-Oct-21	106.8	106.0	100.3	120.0	98.6	105.3	109.7	5.0
31-Oct-21	108.4	107.0	106.8	122.1	99.4	101.3	112.3	4.9
7-Nov-21	109.0	107.8	105.8	124.6	99.7	102.8	112.4	4.9
14-Nov-21	106.0	107.6	100.8	120.8	100.1	99.5	108.6	5.0
21-Nov-21	107.4	107.7	102.4	120.8	98.4	104.4	110.9	4.6
28-Nov-21	106.0	107.1	98.5	119.7	97.8	98.2	116.0	4.8
5-Dec-21	107.5	106.7	100.6	122.0	98.8	101.9	114.3	4.9
12-Dec-21	108.0	107.2	100.8	120.5	101.8	99.9	116.8	4.7
19-Dec-21	108.4	107.5	105.0	121.5	99.1	101.8	111.3	5.0
9-Jan-22	106.0	107.5	106.5	122.3	90.5	104.7	105.8	4.9
16-Jan-22	97.9	105.1	94.5	117.0	83.6	100.6	93.7	4.9
23-Jan-22	100.1	103.1	100.5	117.7	83.2	99.7	99.6	5.0
30-Jan-22	101.8	101.5	98.7	118.7	88.1	100.8	102.3	4.7
6-Feb-22	99.9	99.9	91.0	114.6	87.8	103.2	103.0	4.8
13-Feb-22	103.2	101.3	97.0	117.0	96.0	103.1	102.8	5.0
20-Feb-22	101.8	101.7	97.2	116.2	93.6	102.0	100.1	5.1
27-Feb-22	99.2	101.0	96.4	113.3	88.9	96.9	100.5	5.3
6-Mar-22	100.1	101.1	96.5	116.6	86.1	99.0	102.5	5.2
13-Mar-22	95.8	99.2	91.5	111.9	82.7	93.9	99.0	5.6
20-Mar-22	91.2	96.6	86.6	106.8	75.7	94.9	92.2	6.0
27-Mar-22	91.1	94.6	84.4	108.1	80.3	94.3	88.2	6.4
3-Apr-22	93.4	92.9	88.0	108.3	84.1	95.2	91.2	5.8
10-Apr-22	94.6	92.6	89.0	109.4	84.7	96.9	92.7	5.8
17-Apr-22	96.8	94.0	89.3	112.3	87.9	99.7	94.9	5.3
24-Apr-22	96.5	95.3	92.1	109.8	88.8	95.8	95.9	5.1
1-May-22	90.7	94.7	87.3	104.0	79.6	96.5	86.0	5.3

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