

Consumer Confidence Survey

October 2013

In October the confidence climate index decreased from 100.8 to 97.3.

All the components worsened. In particular, referring to the economic and personal components, the confidence index decreased from 99.3 to 93.2 and from 102.4 to 98.1, respectively. For the current and future components the index declined from 102.6 to 96.1 and from 100.3 to 98.6, respectively.

The balance concerning expectations on unemployment increased from 68 to 71.

Finally, the balance on inflation perceptions referring to the last 12 months increased from 46 to 54 compared to the previous month. The balance on inflation expectations for next 12 months increased from -5 to 37.

Table 1 – Consumer confidence climate and components

(Indexes 2005=100; weighted balances; seasonally adjusted data)

	2013				
	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
CONFIDENCE CLIMATE (a)	95.8	97.4	98.3	100.8	97.3
Economic climate	91.9	94.6	97.4	99.3	93.2
Personal climate (b)	97.7	98.7	98.9	102.4	98.1
Current climate (b)	92.6	96.1	96.9	102.6	96.1
Future climate	99.4	99.6	100.9	100.3	98.6
Assessments on Italy's economic situation	-133	-128	-118	-110	-129
Expectations on Italy's economic situation	-8	-11	-7	-11	-14
Expectations on unemployment	78	68	72	68	71
Assessments on household's situation	-63	-62	-66	-58	-64
Expectations on household's situation (b)	-18	-16	-15	-11	-18
Household's financial situation (b)	-18	-16	-17	-18	-22
Saving present opportunity (b)	132	134	121	140	134
Saving future possibility (b)	-41	-51	-44	-48	-59
Present opportunity of durables purchase (b)	-116	-102	-90	-79	-90

(a) Confidence Climate may be broken down by Economic and Personal Climate or by Current and Future Climate. Indexes are expressed in base 2005 (b) Not seasonal effects present

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