Consumer Confidence Survey

December 2013

In December the confidence climate index decreased from 98.2 to 96.2.

The decrease was explained by personal and current components that decreased from 101.1 to 97.3 and from 99.2 to 95.0 respectively. The economic component increased from 91.7 to 93.0 and the future component tended to be stable to 97.4.

The balance concerning expectations on unemployment decreased from 74 to 67.

Finally, the balance on inflation perceptions referring to the last 12 months increased from 32 to 33 compared to the previous month. The balance on inflation expectations for next 12 months remain stable to -11.

Table 1 – Consumer confidence climate and components

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

	2013				
	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
CONFIDENCE CLIMATE (a)	*98.2*	*100.7*	*97.2*	*98.2*	*96.2*
Economic climate	97.4	99.3	93.2	91.7	93.0
Personal climate (b)	98.9	102.4	98.1	101.1	97.3
Current climate (b)	96.9	102.6	96.1	99.2	95.0
Future climate	100.8	100.3	98.5	97.3	97.4
Assessments on Italy's economic situation	-118	-110	-129	-123	-128
Expectations on Italy's economic situation	-8	-11	-14	-23	-18
Expectations on unemployment	72	68	71	74	67
Assessments on household's situation	-66	-58	-64	-60	-67
Expectations on household's situation (b)	-15	-11	-18	-14	-19
Household's financial situation (b)	-17	-18	-22	-18	-24
Saving present opportunity (b)	121	140	134	140	132
Saving future possibility (b)	-44	-48	-59	-53	-58
Present opportunity of durables purchase (b)	-90	-79	-90	-82	-91

(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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