Consumer Confidence Survey

February 2014

In February the confidence climate index decreased from 98.0 to 97.5.

The decrease is partially explained by personal and current components that declined from 100.3 to 98.3 and from 99.0 to 96.7 respectively. Conversely, the economic and future components increased from 92.3 to 96.2 and from 97.6 to 98.8.

The balance concerning expectations on unemployment decreased from 67 to 64.

Finally, the balance on inflation perceptions referring to the last 12 months decreased from 32 to 21 compared to the previous month. The balance on inflation expectations for next 12 months decreased from -7 to -18.

Table 1 – Consumer confidence climate and components

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

	2013			2014	
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
CONFIDENCE CLIMATE (a)	97.3	98.3	96.3	98.0	97.5
Economic climate	93.2	91.8	93.1	92.3	96.2
Personal climate (b)	98.1	101.1	97.3	100.3	98.3
Current climate (b)	96.1	99.2	95.0	99.0	96.7
Future climate	98.5	97.4	97.5	97.6	98.8
Assessments on Italy's economic situation	-129	-123	-128	-129	-119
Expectations on Italy's economic situation	-15	-23	-18	-26	-21
Expectations on unemployment	71	74	67	67	64
Assessments on household's situation	-64	-60	-67	-59	-65
Expectations on household's situation (b)	-18	-14	-19	-14	-14
Household's financial situation (b)	-22	-18	-24	-18	-18
Saving present opportunity (b)	134	140	132	132	113
Saving future possibility (b)	-59	-53	-58	-60	-54
Present opportunity of durables purchase (b)	-90	-82	-91	-78	-79

(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

For more details please refer to the Italian version
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