

## **Consumer Confidence Survey**

## **April 2014**

In April the confidence climate index grew from 101.9 to 105.4.

The increase is explained by all components: economic, personal, current, and future that increased respectively from 108.1 to 115.1, from 98.8 to 100.6, from to 97.9 to 101.6 and from 105.8 to 109.4.

The balance concerning expectations on unemployment was stable at 44.

Finally, the balance on inflation perceptions referring to the last 12 months decreased from 20 to 3 compared to the previous month. The balance on inflation expectations for next 12 months decreased from -16 to -33.

Table 1 - Consumer confidence climate and components

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

	2013	2014			
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
CONFIDENCE CLIMATE (a)	96.6	98.3	97.9	101.9	105.4
Economic climate	93.8	93.1	97.3	108.1	115.1
Personal climate (b)	97.3	100.3	98.3	98.8	100.6
Current climate (b)	95.0	99.0	96.7	97.9	101.6
Future climate	97.8	98.0	99.3	105.8	109.4
Assessments on Italy's economic situation	-127	-128	-116	-110	-96
Expectations on Italy's economic situation	-17	-24	-19	3	14
Expectations on unemployment	67	67	64	44	44
Assessments on household's situation	-66	-58	-64	-59	-52
Expectations on household's situation (b)	-19	-14	-14	-13	-6
Household's financial situation (b)	-24	-18	-18	-21	-15
Saving present opportunity (b)	132	132	113	123	116
Saving future possibility (b)	-58	-60	-54	-57	-57
Present opportunity of durables purchase (b)	-91	-78	-79	-83	-76

<sup>(</sup>a) Confidence Climate may be broken down by Economic and Personal Climate or by Current and Future Climate. Indexes are expressed in base 2005

## For more details please refer to the Italian version

Date of previous release: 26 March 2014 Date of next release: 27 May 2014

Contact persons:

## **Short-term Economic Statistics Directorate**

Alessandra Righi tel +39 0646736437 email: <a href="mailto:righi@istat.it">righi@istat.it</a>

Paola Bellincampi tel.+39 0646736458 email: <u>bellincampi@istat.it</u>

<sup>(</sup>b) Not seasonal effects present