

Consumer Confidence Survey

March 2013

In March the confidence climate index decreased from 86.0 to 85.2.

The drop was notably explained by economic and current climate that decreased from 72.7 to 68.8 and from 91.1 to 89.2, respectively.

The balance concerning expectations on unemployment increased from 99 to 104.

Finally, the balance on inflation perceptions referring to the last 12 months decreased from 51 to 50 compared to the previous month. The balance on inflation expectations for next 12 months remained stable to 2.

Table 1 – Consumer confidence climate and components

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

	2012		2013		
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
CONFIDENCE CLIMATE (a)	84.9	85.7	84.7	86.0	85.2
<i>Economic climate</i>	69.6	72.8	72.5	72.7	68.8
<i>Personal climate (b)</i>	90.9	90.7	89.3	91.7	91.4
<i>Current climate (b)</i>	92.3	91.4	90.9	91.1	89.2
<i>Future climate</i>	75.4	78.1	77.3	79.9	80.2
Assessments on Italy's economic situation	-134	-133	-136	-142	-148
Expectations on Italy's economic situation	-64	-60	-61	-59	-62
Expectations on unemployment	113	104	106	99	104
Assessments on household's situation	-75	-74	-78	-74	-76
Expectations on household's situation (b)	-35	-33	-38	-26	-30
Household's financial situation (b)	-25	-29	-33	-28	-23
Saving present opportunity (b)	143	136	130	139	132
Saving future possibility (b)	-94	-92	-92	-91	-81
Present opportunity of durables purchase (b)	-111	-110	-106	-111	-114

(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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