Forward looking Expectations Sub-indice shows potential decline in optimism

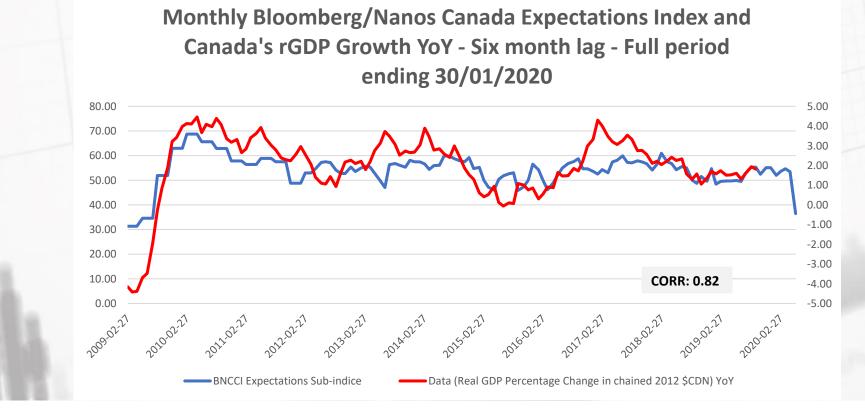
Weekly Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index, Released October 20, 2020 Project 2013-284



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Bloomberg-Nanos is a must have weekly pulse of consumer confidence in Canada. For over a decade of tracking, the Bloomberg-Nanos Expectations Sub-indice has been a consistent leading indicator of GDP. The data has been cited in the Bank of Canada Monetary Policy Report.





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SUMMARY

After stabilizing for a number of weeks, the forward looking Expectations Sub-indice is showing signs of decline as Canadians become fixated on a possible second pandemic wave. Forward views on the strength of the Canadian economy have dropped about five percentage points over the past four weeks of tracking.

Nik Nanos Chief Data Scientist The BNCCI, a composite of a weekly measure of financial health and economic expectations, registered at 51.85 compared with 53.12 four weeks ago. The twelve month high stands at 59.06.

The Bloomberg Nanos
Pocketbook Index is
based on survey
responses to questions
on personal finances
and job security. This
sub-indice was at 56.89
this week compared to
56.93 four weeks ago.
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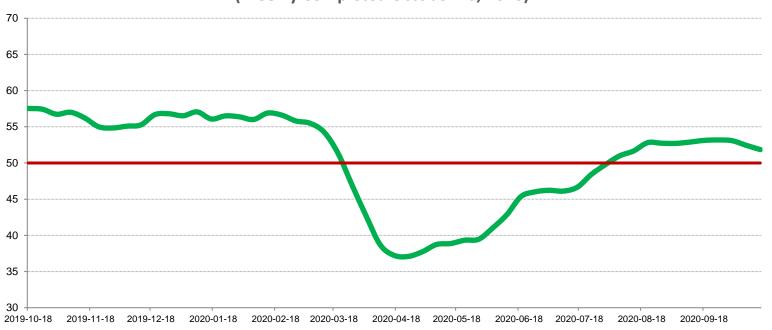
Expectations Index, based on surveys for the outlook for the economy and real estate prices, was at 46.81 this week compared to 49.31 four weeks ago.

The average for the BNCCI since 2008 has been 56.04 with a low of 37.08 in April 2020 and a high of 62.92 in December 2009. The index has averaged 48.94 this year.

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ONE YEAR TREND LINE Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index (Weekly Completed October 16, 2020)



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LONGER TERM TREND LINE

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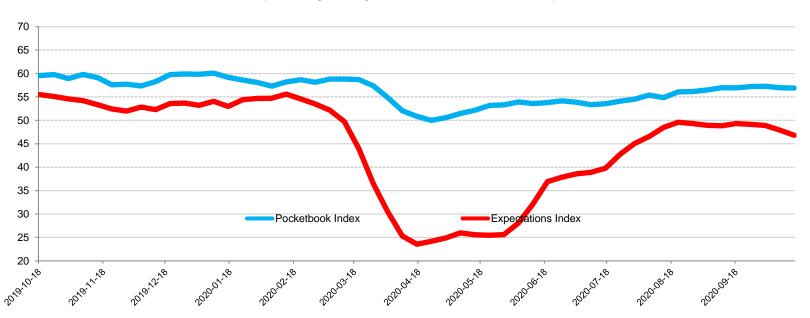
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ONE YEAR TREND

Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Pocketbook and Expectations Indices
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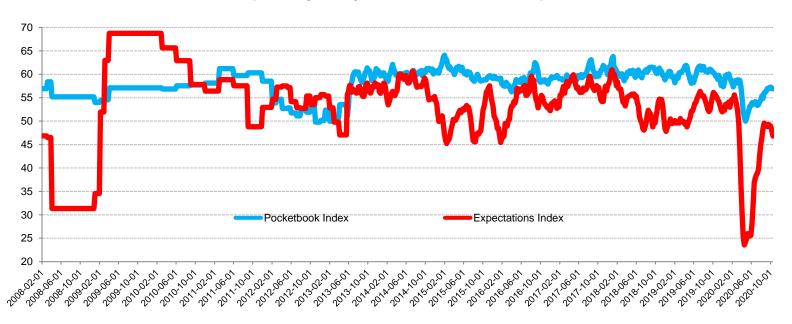


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Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Consumer Confidence Index Data Summary for October 16, 2020

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This week	51.85	
Last week	52.44	
2020 high	57.06	Jan 10
2020 low	37.08	April 24
2020 average	48.94	
2008 average	49.21	Worst full year
2010 average	59.13	Best full year
April 24, 2020	37.08	Record low
Dec 31, 2009	62.92	Record high
Overall index average	56.04	

BNCCI

Individual Measures:

Th.:	1	4	Average	Average
inis week	Last week	4 weeks ago	2020	2008-2020
16.77	16.87	14.95	16.11	18.38
13.98	15.91	19.62	16.29	20.06
62.27	63.80	63.84	64.56	67.74
42.45	43.60	42.84	31.06	37.50
Better off	Worse off	No change	Don't know	
16.77	27.72	54.42	1.09	
Stronger	Weaker	No change	Don't know	
13.98	54.44	24.86	6.72	
Secure	Somewhat secure	Somewhat not secure	Not secure	Don't know
43.94	18.33	5.85	9.31	22.57
Increase	Stay the same	Decrease	Don't know	
42.45	36.28	14.74	6.52	
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CANADA INDEX Your weekly look at Canada's Economic Mood



Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Consumer Confidence Index Data Summary for October 16, 2020

		This Week	Last Week	4 Weeks Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	12 Month High	12 Month Low	12 Month Average
Canada					J	•	•		•
	Economic Mood	51.85	52.44	53.12	46.65	57.54	57.54	37.08	50.46
	Pocketbook Index	56.89	56.95	56.93	53.54	59.57	60.07	50.00	56.30
	Expectations Index	46.81	47.92	49.31	39.77	55.51	55.61	23.57	44.61
Economic	: Mood by Demographic								
Region									
_	Atlantic	53.41	51.74	49.78	49.32	57.67	57.94	36.80	50.47
	Quebec	52.65	53.23	56.91	49.76	63.11	64.96	41.64	55.34
	Ontario	54.71	55.62	54.79	49.57	58.70	60.44	38.37	52.88
	Prairies	45.75	46.26	48.32	36.98	50.00	50.00	27.94	41.67
	British Columbia	51.90	53.42	52.13	46.79	56.00	57.15	34.41	49.24
Age	18 to 29	55.33	57.01	56.06	45.80	62.77	63.09	34.39	52.12
_	30 to 39	50.82	48.52	51.67	46.45	59.15	62.21	36.65	51.14
	40 to 49	52.14	52.67	52.24	45.59	58.21	58.21	35.35	49.85
	50 to 59	52.72	53.57	52.04	46.21	55.71	57.42	35.94	49.89
	60 plus	49.09	50.47	53.20	48.48	53.50	54.88	37.47	49.64
Income									
	\$0 to \$14,999	50.10	52.58	50.58	40.28	57.27	60.35	36.54	47.94
	\$15,000 to \$29,999	48.27	48.50	45.02	45.14	54.12	56.46	33.19	48.16
	\$30,000 to \$44,999	45.82	46.53	51.50	45.04	53.58	59.01	34.44	48.97
	\$45,000 to \$59,999	49.40	47.97	50.08	43.65	59.04	59.12	36.42	49.65
	\$60,000 to \$74,999	52.45	54.52	52.68	46.81	61.42	61.51	38.33	51.33
	\$75,000 or more	54.23	54.41	55.61	48.06	58.31	59.48	36.15	51.94
Home									
	Own	51.50	51.69	53.25	46.95	56.37	56.70	37.02	50.01
	Rent	53.05	54.07	52.06	45.02	59.45	60.82	36.74	51.60







About the Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index

The Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index (BNCCI) is a weekly measurement of the economic mood of Canadians on the strength of the economy, job security, real estate in their neighbourhood, and their personal financial situation. It is a composite of those variables and has two sub indices: a Bloomberg Nanos Expectations Sub-index on forward views; and, Bloomberg Nanos Pocketbook Index on their personal economic situation. The longitudinal data on the index begins in 2008 and is a significant data source for decision-makers.

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Canada-US Relations Annual Tracking (2005 to present)	\checkmark	
The Nanos Annual Public Policy Map (2015 to present)	✓	
The Mood of Canada Annual Tracking Survey (2007 to present)	\checkmark	

METHODOLOGY





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METHODOLOGY



The BNCCI is produced by the Nanos Research Corporation, headquartered in Canada, which operates in Canada and the United States. The data is based on random interviews with 1,000 Canadian consumers (recruited by RDD land- and cell-line sample), using a four-week rolling average of 250 respondents each week, 18 years of age and over. The random sample of 1,000 respondents may be weighted using the latest census information for Canada. The interviews are compiled into a four-week rolling average of 1,000 interviews where each week, the oldest group of 250 interviews is dropped and a new group of 250 interviews is added. The views of 1,000 respondents are compiled into a diffusion index from 0 to 100. A score of 50 on the diffusion index indicates that positive and negative views are a wash while scores above 50 suggest net positive views, while those below 50 suggest net negative views in terms of the economic mood of Canadians.

A random survey of 1,000 respondents in Canada is accurate 3.1 percentage points, plus or minus, 19 times out of 20. This report is based on the four waves of tracking ending October 16, 2020. Readers should note that due to the Covid-19 outbreak and ESOMAR standards between April 3 and July 24, 2020 Nanos used its probability online panel. Data collection returned to telephone as of the week ending July 31, 2020.

The following questions are used for the index calculations:

- Thinking of your personal finances, are you better off, worse off, or has there been no change over the past year? (Overall Confidence Index and Pocketbook Sub-Index)
- Would you describe your job, at this time, as secure, somewhat secure, somewhat not secure, or not at all secure? (Overall Confidence Index and Pocketbook Sub-Index)
- In the next six months, do you think the Canadian economy will become stronger, weaker, or will there be no change? (Overall Confidence Index and Expectations Sub-Index)
- In the next six months, do you believe that the value of real estate in your neighbourhood will increase, stay the same or decrease? (Overall Confidence Index and Expectations Sub-Index)

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TECHNICAL NOTE



Element	Description	Element	Description						
Research sponsor	Nanos Research		The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically						
Population and Final Sample Size	1,000 Randomly selected individuals, four week rolling average of 250 interviews a week.	Weighting of Data	stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure.						
Margin of Error	±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to administering the survey to						
Mode of Survey	Recruited by RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) telephone survey.		ensure the integrity of the data.						
	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD	Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell line or internet could not participate.						
Sampling Method Base	(Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.	Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of						
Demographics (Captured)	Atlantic Canada, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies, British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years and older.	Stratification	Canada. Smaller areas such as Atlantic Canada were marginally oversampled to allow for a minimum regional sample.						
	Six-digit postal code was used to validate geography.	Estimated Response Rate	Nine percent, consistent with industry norms.						
Demographics (Other)	Age, gender, education, income		Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in						
Fieldwork/Validation	Live interviews with live supervision to validate work.	Question Order	which they appeared in the original questionnaire (party options were randomized in their introduction)						
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs.		This was module two of an omnibus survey. Respondents were asked for their opinions the state of their personal finances, the						
Time of Calls	Local time 5:00-9:00 pm, on weekends 12:00-6:00 pm	Question Content	Canadian economy, their perception of their job security and sixmonth views of real estate in their neighbourhood.						
Field Dates	Four-week period October 16, 2020	Question Wording	The questions in the appended tabulations are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.						
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.	Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research						
Standards	Nanos Research is a member of the Canadian Research Insights Council (CRIC) and confirms that this research fully complies with all CRIC Standards including the CRIC Public Opinion Research Standards and Disclosure Requirements. https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/	Contact	Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. http://www.nanos.co Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com.						



Bloomberg – Tracking, ending October 16th, 2020 - STAT SHEET

				Region				Age							
			Canada 2020-10- 16	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question 1 - Thinking of your personal finances, are you better	Total	Unwgt N Wgt N	1029 1000	107 100	251 248	313 300	202	156 152	515 485	514 515	153 197	150 163	157 187	190 189	379 265
off, worse off or has there been no	Better off	%	16.8												
change over the past year	Worse off	%	27.7												
	There has been no change	%	54.4		Sub	scribers onl	y - visit the	Nanos Data	Portal at	https://ww	/w.nano	s.co/data	aportal/		
	Unsure	%	1.1												

				Region						Age					
			Canada 2020-10- 16	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question 2 - Thinking of the	Total	Unwgt N	1029	107	251	313	202	156	515	514	153	150	157	190	379
upcoming year do you think the		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
Canadian economy will	Stronger	%	14.0												
become stronger, weaker or will	Weaker	%	54.4												
there be no change	There will be no change	%	24.9		Subs	cribers onl	y - visit the	Nanos Data I	Portal at	https://ww	w.nano	s.co/data	portal/		
	Don't' know	%	6.7												

					Re	gion			Gender					Age		
			Canada 2020-10- 16	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus	
Question 3 - Would you	Total	Unwgt N	1029	107	251	313	202	156	515	514	153	150	157	190	379	
describe your job, at this time, as		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265	
secure, somewhat	Secure	%	43.9													
secure, somewhat not	Somewhat secure	%	18.3													
secure or not at all secure?	Somewhat not secure	%	5.8		Sub	scribers onl	y - visit the	Nanos Data	Portal at	https://ww	/w.nano	s.co/data	portal/			
	Not at all secure	%	9.3													
	Unsure	%	22.6													

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					Re	gion	Gender			nder					
			Canada 2020-10- 16	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question 4 - In the next six	Total	Unwgt N	1029	107	251	313	202	156	515	514	153	150	157	190	379
months, do you believe that the		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
value of real estate in your	Increase	%	42.5												
neighborhood will increase, stay the	Stay the same	%	36.3		Sub	eribore onl	v visit the	Nanos Data I	Dortal at	https://www	,,, nana	c co/data	nortal/		
same or decrease?	Decrease	%	14.7	Subscribers only - visit the Nanos Data Portal at https://www.nanos.co/dataportal/											
	Unsure	%	6.5												