Positive consumer confidence trendline flattens

Weekly Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index, Released May 7, 2021 Project 2013-284

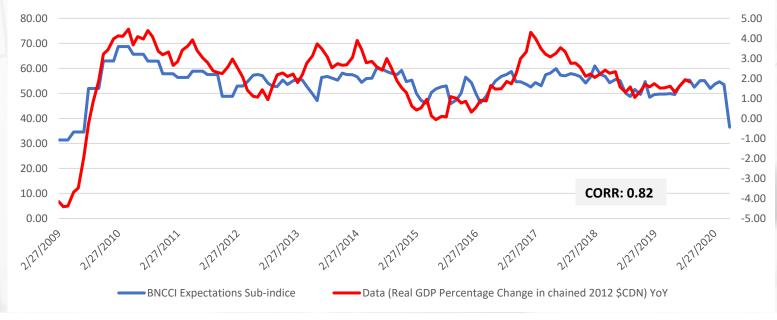


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SUMMARY

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Overall consumer confidence remains positive and steady in the Bloomberg Nanos weekly tracking. Of note, although a minority opinion the proportion of Canadians who said their personal finances are better today than a year ago hit a six year high. This is in the context of the pandemic which spread in early 2020.

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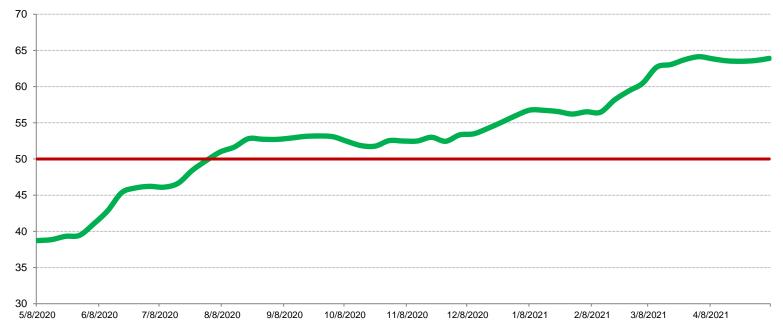
The BNCCI, a composite of a weekly measure of financial health and economic expectations, registered at 63.90 compared with 63.83 four weeks ago. The twelve month high stands at 64.13.

The Bloomberg Nanos Pocketbook Index is based on survey responses to questions on personal finances and job security. This sub-indice was at 60.63 this week compared to 60.37 four weeks ago. The Bloomberg Nanos Expectations Index, based on surveys for the outlook for the economy and real estate prices, was at 67.16 this week compared to 67.30 four weeks ago.

The average for the BNCCI since 2008 has been 56.15 with a low of 37.08 in May 7020 and a high of 64.13 in April 2021. The index has averaged 60.27 this year.



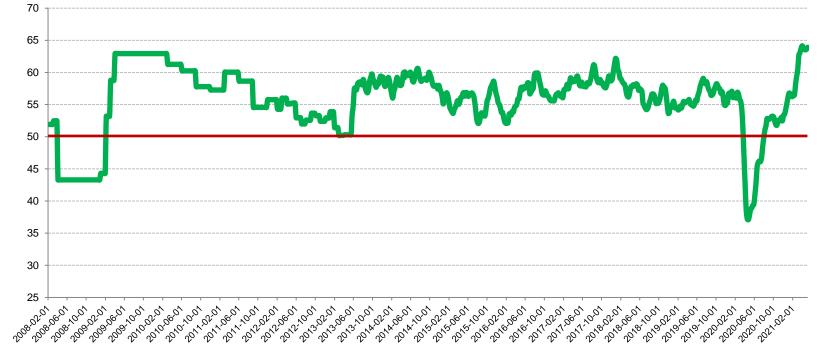
Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index (Weekly Completed May 7, 2021)



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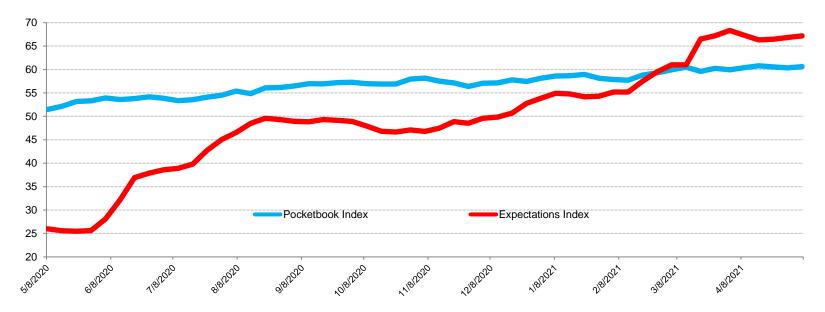




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ONE YEAR TREND Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Pocketbook and Expectations Indices (Weekly Completed May 7, 2021)

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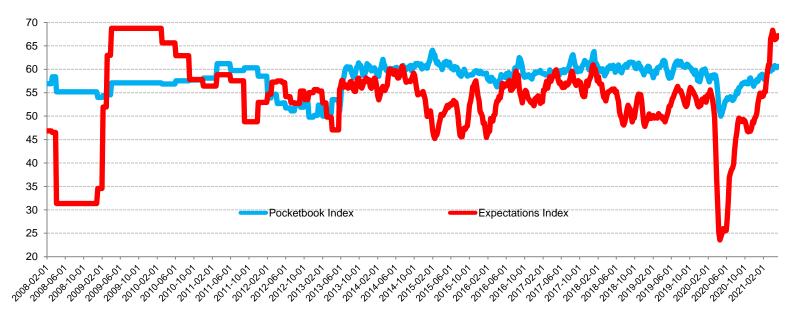


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Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Consumer Confidence Index Data Summary for May 7, 2021

	BNCCI	
This week	63.90	
Last week	63.60	
2021 high	64.13	April 2
2021 low	56.00	Jan 1
2021 average	60.27	
2008 average	49.21	Worst full year
2010 average	59.13	Best full year
April 24, 2020	37.08	Record low
Dec 31, 2009	64.13	Record high
Overall index average	56.15	

Individual Measures:

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Positive ratings	This week	Last week	4 weeks ago	2021	2008-2021
Personal finances	23.76	22.75	19.75	20.45	18.39
Canadian economy	43.28	39.75	37.92	32.74	20.55
Job security	70.44	69.35	65.88	68.02	66.43
Real estate	60.54	63.19	68.23	57.14	38.52
Full Ratings	Better off	Worse off	No change	Don't know	
Personal finances	23.76	27.33	48.34	0.57	
	Stronger	Weaker	No change	Don't know	
Canadian Economy	43.28	28.37	18.24	10.11	
		Somewhat	Somewhat		
	Secure	secure	not secure	Not secure	Don't know
Job security	48.01	22.43	5.52	7.21	16.84
	Increase	Stay the same	Decrease	Don't know	

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	Increase	Stay the same	Decrease	DOLLENIO
Real estate	60.54	26.63	6.81	6.02

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			This Week	Last Week	4 Weeks Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	12 Month High	12 Month Low	12 Month Average
Bloomberg Nanos	Canada	Economic Mood	63.90	63.60	63.83	56.52	38.73	64.13	38.73	53.25
Canadian Consumer		Pocketbook Index	60.63	60.36	60.37	57.85	51.46	60.79	50.75 51.46	56.95
		Expectations Index	67.16	66.83	67.30	55.18	26.00	68.33	25.47	49.55
Confidence Index								00.00	20.47	40.00
Data Summary for	Economi	c Mood by Demographic								
May 7, 2021	Region									
- / / -	U	Atlantic	64.79	62.32	64.46	60.08	44.05	65.11	40.65	54.64
		Quebec	67.44	67.15	66.68	58.21	41.64	67.76	41.64	55.96
		Ontario	64.27	64.77	64.41	58.84	39.27	66.16	39.27	55.30
		Prairies	55.24	55.59	59.54	46.74	31.90	59.54	31.90	45.13
		British Columbia	68.18	66.87	63.30	59.70	38.39	68.18	36.94	54.56
	Age	18 to 29	60.60	60.33	64.68	53.14	39.31	64.68	38.56	53.04
	Age	30 to 39	63.09	61.80	63.71	53.21	38.61	65.15	38.61	52.74
		40 to 49	61.96	62.13	63.74	57.71	37.88	64.17	36.25	52.60
		50 to 59	65.41	66.22	62.77	58.42	37.17	66.22	37.17	53.68
		60 plus	67.12	66.30	64.10	58.85	40.07	67.12	37.47	53.88
	Income									
	Income	\$0 to \$14,999	51.34	53.64	56.45	35.11	38.35	56.47	34.23	46.11
		\$15,000 to \$29,999	59.08	60.66	60.71	50.12	38.35 41.86	60.98	34.23 33.19	40.11
		\$30,000 to \$44,999	59.64	59.94	61.62	48.12	44.17	63.82	39.84	50.05
		\$45,000 to \$59,999	58.43	56.30	57.51	55.49	40.73	60.91	36.42	50.05
		\$60,000 to \$74,999	63.25	60.94	58.98	57.34	39.85	64.04	39.85	52.85
		\$75,000 or more	66.96	67.23	67.81	59.82	37.17	68.46	37.17	55.65
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	Home									
		Own	64.70	64.75	64.24	56.92	38.41	65.09	38.38	53.68
		Rent	60.64	59.60	62.50	57.87	40.14	62.63	39.02	51.96

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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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The Nanos Annual Public Policy Map (2015 to present)	\checkmark	
The Mood of Canada Annual Tracking Survey (2007 to present)	\checkmark	

METHODOLOGY





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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 May 7, 2021. 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 data collection returned to the Nanos probability panel as of the week ending January 1, 2021 due to the lockdown imposed by the provincial health authorities. Data collection returned to telephone between the weeks ending March 19th and April 9th, 2021. As a result of the latest provincial lockdown the tracking returned to Nanos probability online panel as of the week ending April 16, 2021.

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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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	urvey Recruited by RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) telephone survey, administered online.		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)			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	Eight 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 six- month views of real estate in their neighbourhood.
Field Dates	Four-week period May 7, 2021	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. <u>https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/</u>	Contact	Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. <u>http://www.nanos.co</u> Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com.



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					Reg	gion			Ge	nder			Age		
			Canada 2021-05-07	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,	Total	Unwgt N	1086	86	250	361	219	170	580	506	140	157	208	275	306
are you better off, worse off or has there been no		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
change over the past year	Better off	%	23.8												
	Worse off	%	27.3			9	Subscribers on	ly - visit the Nan	os Data Porta	ll at https://v	www.nanos.c	o/dataporta	1/		
	There has been no change	%	48.3												
	Unsure	%	0.6												

					Region			Gender				Age			
			Canada 2021-05-07	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 upcoming year do you	Total	Unwgt N	1086	86	250	361	219	170	580	506	140	157	208	275	306
think the Canadian economy will become		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
stronger, weaker or will there be no change?	Stronger	%	43.3												
	Weaker	%	28.4			5	ubscribers on	ly - visit the Nand	os Data Porta	l at https://v	ww.nanos.c	o/dataportal	/		
	There will be no change	%	18.2												
	Don't' know	%	10.1												

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell- lines) hybrid random telephone and online survey of 1,086 Canadians, 18 years of age or older. Four week rolling average (250 per week) ending May 7th, 2021. The margin of error this survey is ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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			Canada 2021-05-07	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 describe your job, at this	Total	Unwgt N	1086	86	250	361	219	170	580	506	140	157	208	275	306
time, as secure, somewhat secure, somewhat not		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
secure or not at all secure?	Secure	%	48.0												
	Somewhat secure	%	22.4				Subscribers or	lly - visit the Nand	os Data Porta	al at https://y	www.nanos.c	o/datanorta	1/		
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	Not at all secure	%	7.2												
	Unsure	%	16.8												

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			Canada 2021-05-07	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 months, do you believe	Total	Unwgt N	1086	86	250	361	219	170	580	506	140	157	208	275	306
that the value of real estate in your		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
neighborhood will increase, stay the same or	Increase	%	60.5												
decrease?	Stay the same	%	26.6			5	Subscribers or	ly - visit the Nand	os Data Porta	al at https://v	www.nanos.c	o/dataporta	V		
	Decrease	%	6.8												
	Unsure	%	6.0												

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