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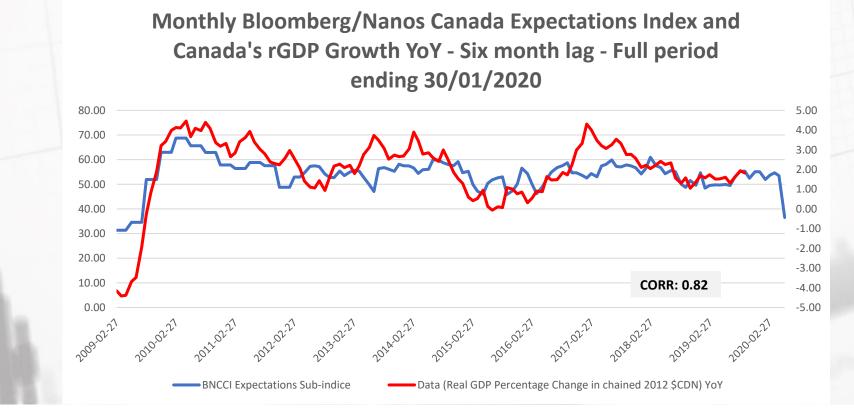
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SUMMARY

Consumer confidence continues to incrementally erode as Canadians focus on the implications of the Omicron virus. Of note, the proportion of respondents who believe the economy will get stronger in the next six months is in decline and has now hit a 13 month low.

Nik Nanos Chief Data Scientist The BNCCI, a composite of a weekly measure of financial health and economic expectations, registered at 58.49 compared with 59.75 four weeks ago. The twelve month high stands at 66.42.

The Bloomberg Nanos
Pocketbook Index is
based on survey
responses to questions
on personal finances
and job security. This
sub-indice was at 59.99
this week compared to
59.86 four weeks ago.
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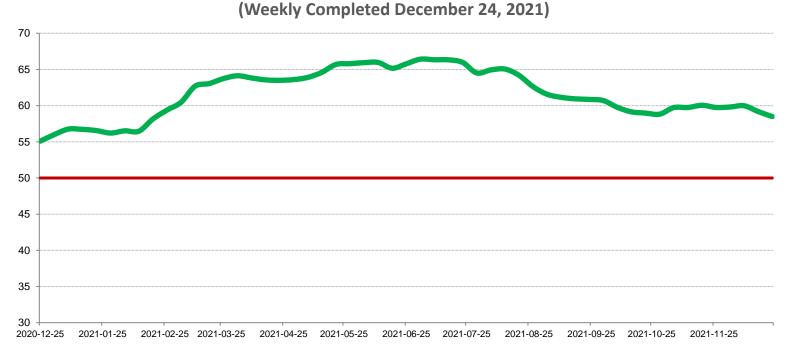
Expectations Index, based on surveys for the outlook for the economy and real estate prices, was at 56.99 this week compared to 59.65 four weeks ago.

The average for the BNCCI since 2008 has been 56.59 with a low of 37.08 in April 2020 and a high of 66.42 in July 2021. The index has averaged 61.72 this year.

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ONE YEAR TREND LINE Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index



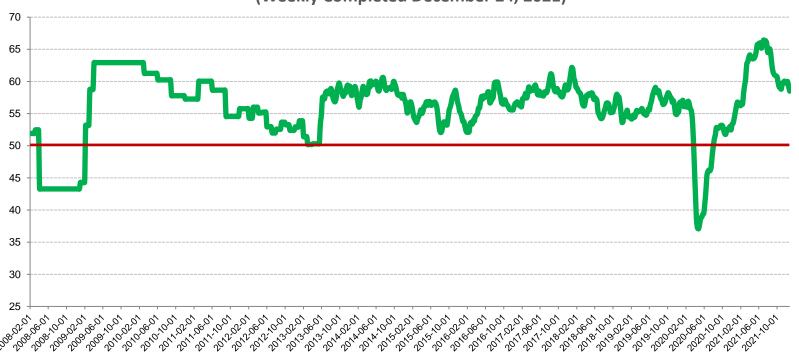
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LONGER TERM TREND LINE

Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Confidence Index (Weekly Completed December 24, 2021)



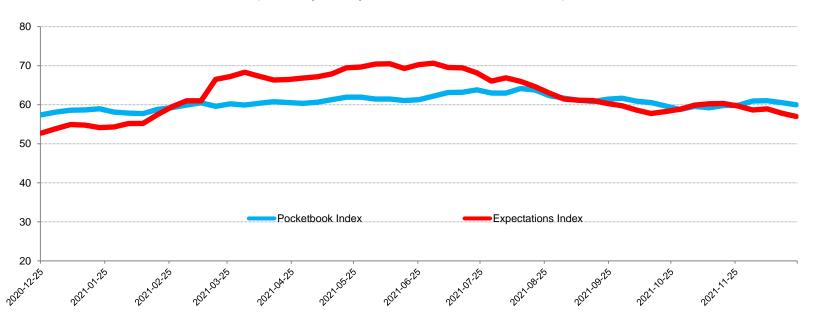
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ONE YEAR TREND

Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Pocketbook and Expectations Indices
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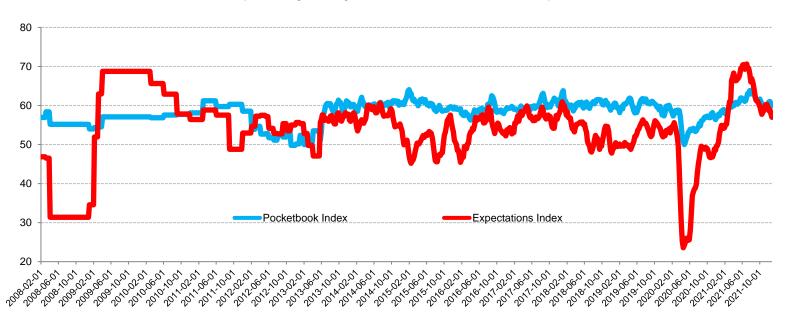


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Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Consumer Confidence Index Data Summary for December 24, 2021

	BNCCI	
This week	58.49	
Last week	59.18	
2021 high	66.42	July 2
2021 low	56.00	Jan 1
2021 average	61.72	
2008 average	49.21	Worst full yea
2010 average	59.13	Best full year
April 24, 2020	37.08	Record low
Dec 31, 2009	66.42	Record high
Overall index average	56.59	

Individual Measures:

Positive ratings	This week	Last week	4 weeks ago	2021	2008-2021
Personal finances	22.16	21.29	20.07	21.15	18.61
Canadian economy	19.25	21.60	28.13	35.60	21.70
Job security	69.54	68.73	65.83	68.98	66.65
Real estate	60.75	59.73	54.96	56.32	39.71
Full Ratings	Better off	Worse off	No change	Don't know	
Personal finances	22.16	29.42	47.08	1.35	
	Stronger	Weaker	No change	Don't know	
Canadian Economy	19.25	44.67	27.57	8.51	
		Somewhat	Somewhat		
	Secure	secure	not secure	Not secure	Don't know
Job security	50.49	19.05	3.54	8.18	18.75
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	Increase	Stay the same	Decrease	Don't know	
Real estate	60.75	28.77	7.37	3.11	

Average

Average

CANADA INDEX Your weekly look at Canada's **Economic Mood**



Bloomberg Nanos Canadian Consumer Confidence Index Data Summary for December 24, 2021

		This Week	Last Week	4 Weeks Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	12 Month High	12 Month Low	12 Month Average
Canada					•	•			•
	Economic Mood	58.49	59.18	59.75	60.86	55.09	66.42	55.09	61.59
	Pocketbook Index	59.99	60.54	59.86	61.42	57.43	64.14	57.43	60.62
	Expectations Index	56.99	57.82	59.65	60.30	52.75	70.64	52.75	62.56
Economic	Mood by Demographic								
Region									
•	Atlantic	58.40	58.84	60.64	58.64	57.16	68.05	56.11	61.62
	Quebec	61.22	61.98	62.98	63.56	56.26	70.74	56.26	64.33
	Ontario	58.50	61.43	61.55	61.95	57.65	68.97	57.35	63.10
	Prairies	52.93	51.17	51.88	55.62	46.14	61.15	46.14	54.41
	British Columbia	61.37	60.95	60.73	62.66	58.52	70.67	57.85	63.57
Age	18 to 29	60.37	61.73	62.29	64.46	54.94	69.54	52.48	61.88
_	30 to 39	60.61	61.97	61.80	61.47	56.78	70.29	53.21	62.40
	40 to 49	57.81	57.54	58.10	60.55	54.70	68.46	54.70	60.83
	50 to 59	58.39	60.44	61.18	59.68	54.55	66.22	54.37	61.75
	60 plus	56.34	55.84	56.77	58.88	54.82	67.84	54.82	61.31
Income									
	\$0 to \$14,999	44.36	44.71	51.11	57.09	46.09	72.19	34.23	52.62
	\$15,000 to \$29,999	52.49	52.91	53.98	56.74	46.68	61.77	46.68	56.13
	\$30,000 to \$44,999	54.86	55.02	56.83	60.96	49.89	64.34	47.36	58.00
	\$45,000 to \$59,999	59.13	60.29	59.82	59.84	53.50	65.90	53.32	59.93
	\$60,000 to \$74,999	61.85	61.85	59.39	58.93	52.05	69.69	51.67	61.64
	\$75,000 or more	63.27	65.08	66.03	64.48	59.50	69.78	58.92	65.04
Home									
	Own	58.49	58.89	60.48	59.98	56.12	67.14	56.12	61.97
	Rent	58.59	58.89	58.34	63.20	52.28	67.92	52.28	60.51







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 Mood of Canada Annual Tracking Survey (2007 to present)	✓	

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 December 24, 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 between the weeks ending April 16, and June 11, 2021. The tracking returned to telephone as of the week ending June 18, 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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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.		Six percent, consistent with industry norms.
Demographics (Other)	Age, gender, education, income	Response Rate	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 December 24, 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
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Bloomberg – Tracking, ending December 24th, 2021 – STAT SHEET

					Reg	gion			Gender				Age		
			Canada 2021- 12-24	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	1075	111	267	328	234	135	610	465	188	183	191	226	287
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	%	22.2												
year?	Worse off	%	29.4												
	There has been no change	%	47.1		Subscribers only - visit the Nanos Data Portal at https://www.nanos.co/dataportal/										
	Unsure	%	1.3												

				Region				Gender			Age				
			Canada 2021- 12-24	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	1075	111	267	328	234	135	610	465	188	183	191	226	287
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	%	19.2												
	Weaker	%	44.7		Subscribers only - visit the Nanos Data Portal at https://www.nanos.co/dataportal/										
	There will be no change	%	27.6			3	ubscribers on	iy - visit tile ivalit	os Data Forta	i at iittps.//v	vww.mamos.c	o, uatapoi tai	,		
	Don't know	%	8.5												



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				Region				Gender			Age				
			Canada 2021- 12-24	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	1075	111	267	328	234	135	610	465	188	183	191	226	287
time, as secure, somewhat secure, somewhat not		Wgt N	1000	100	248	300	200	152	485	515	197	163	187	189	265
secure, somewhat not secure or not at all secure?	Secure	%	50.5												
	Somewhat secure	%	19.0												
	Somewhat not secure	%	3.5	Subscribers only - visit the Nanos Data Portal at https://www.nanos.co/dataportal/											
	Not at all secure	%	8.2												
	Unsure	%	18.7												

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			Canada 2021- 12-24	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	1075	111	267	328	234	135	610	465	188	183	191	226	287
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	%	60.7												
decrease?	Stay the same	%	28.8			c	ubscribars on	ly - visit the Nand	os Data Porta	ol at https://w	www nanos c	o/datanortal	,		
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