

# **Consumer tendency – January 2020**

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In January 2020, a slight deterioration in the current consumer moods was recorded, while the future consumer moods slightly improved compared to the previous month. The current consumer confidence indicator, synthetically describing the current trends in individual consumption, was 3.7\* and was 0.6 p.p. lower in relation to last month.

#### **Current consumer confidence indicator in January 2020**

Among the components of the indicator, the lower value was recorded primarily in evaluations of the current economic situation of the country and the current possibility of making important purchases (decreases by 1.9 and 1.8 percentage points, respectively). The largest increase (by 0.9 percentage points) was recorded in the case of the evaluation of the current financial situation of the household.

Referring to January 2019, the current value of current consumer confidence indicator is lower by 1.7 percentage points.

#### **Leading consumer confidence indicator in January 2020**

The leading consumer confidence indicator, synthetically describing trends in individual consumption that are expected in the coming months, increased by 0.2 percentage points in relation to the previous month, and was at the level of -0.6\*.

The increase in the value of the indicator was most influenced by the evaluation of the future level of unemployment (an increase of 1.9 percentage points). Deterioration of ratings was recorded in the case of two components, the larger decrease (by 0.8 percentage points) was in the evaluation of the future financial situation of the household.

In January this year leading consumer confidence indicator reached a value of 2.8 percentage points lower than in the corresponding month of 2019.

Current consumer confidence indicator is lower by 0.6 percentage points compared to the previous month

Leading consumer confidence indicator increased by 0.2 percentage points compared to the previous month

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<sup>\*</sup> Both consumer confidence indicators receive values between -100 and +100. A positive value means dominance of consumers with optimistic attitude over consumers with pessimistic attitude, while negative value means dominance of consumers with pessimistic attitude over consumers with optimistic attitude. In January 2020, 1204 interviews were conducted in the period 07-16.01.2020 r. (including 66 using the CATI method – computer-assisted telephone interview).

Table 1. Current consumer confidence indicator

Survey period		Changes in the house- hold's financial condition:		Changes in general eco- nomic situation of the country :		Current ma- jor purcha-	Current con- sumer confi-
		over the	over the	over the	over the	ses	dence indica-
		last 12	next 12	last 12	next 12	363	tor
Year	Quarter	months	months	months	months		
	Month	a	b	С	d	е	
			balance o	f evaluations	in percent		
				Years			
2006		-18.2	-6.1	-26.2	-13.0	-11.1	-14.9
2007		-10.9	-1.9	-17.7	-6.6	1.3	-7.1
2008		-10.6	-4.5	-16.6	-9.7	1.2	-8.0
2009		-18.1	-11.1	-40.0	-26.5	-16.1	-22.3
2010		-17.2	-8.2	-31.2	-18.9	-9.2	-16.9
2011		-22.4	-14.6	-41.5	-30.8	-15.9	-25.0
2012		-25.4	-18.5	-46.5	-38.0	-19.3	-29.5
2013		-21.9	-13.6	-45.2	-31.2	-21.6	-26.7
2014		-15.7	-7.3	-29.9	-18.4	-13.7	-17.0
2015		-10.7	-2.8	-21.5	-11.4	-8.2	-10.9
2016		-3.9	0.9	-11.0	-9.4	-2.5	-5.2
2017		0.1	2.8	1.8	-1.8	9.2	2.4
2018		0.6	3.6	8.7	2.8	12.8	5.7
2019		4.8	6.3	9.7	1.2	16.4	7.7
				Quarters			
2019	I	2.1	5.8	7.8	2.2	13.8	6.3
	II	6.0	7.5	9.6	2.3	16.4	8.4
	III	5.9	7.1	12.1	2.6	18.0	9.1
	IV	5.1	4.6	9.3	-2.5	17.4	6.8
				Months			
2019	01	1.6	2.8	6.9	0.6	14.9	5.4
	02	1.5	6.9	5.3	1.8	11.9	5.5
	03	3.2	7.7	11.1	4.2	14.5	8.2
	04	6.0	7.9	7.1	-0.5	15.4	7.2
	05	4.4	7.0	9.9	3.5	16.7	8.3
	06	7.5	7.7	12.0	3.9	17.1	9.6
	07	5.4	8.9	11.9	2.8	16.2	9.0
	08	5.4	4.4	10.7	2.2	18.5	8.2
	09	6.9	8.0	13.7	2.8	19.4	10.2
	10	6.6	5.9	12.1	3.4	18.2	9.3
	11	5.5	5.0	10.0	-3.0	16.1	6.7
	12	3.3	2.8	5.6	-7.9	17.9	4.3
2020	01	4.2	2.0	3.7	-7.7	16.1	3.7
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Current consumer confidence indicator is the average of balances of evaluations changes in the household's financial condition, changes in general economic situation of the country and currently made major purchases

Chart 1. Current consumer confidence indicator and its component values by month in 2017-2020

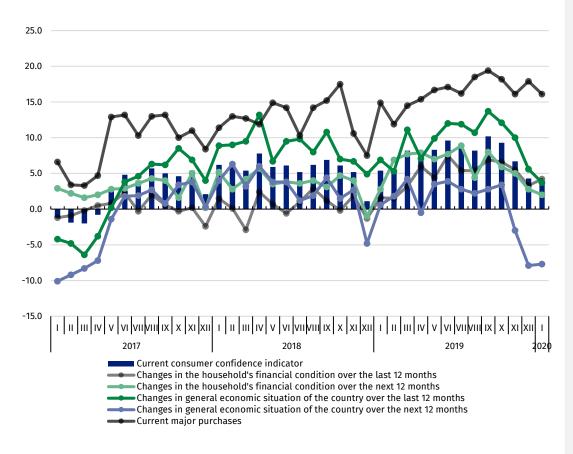


Chart 2. Current consumer confidence indicator and its component values by years

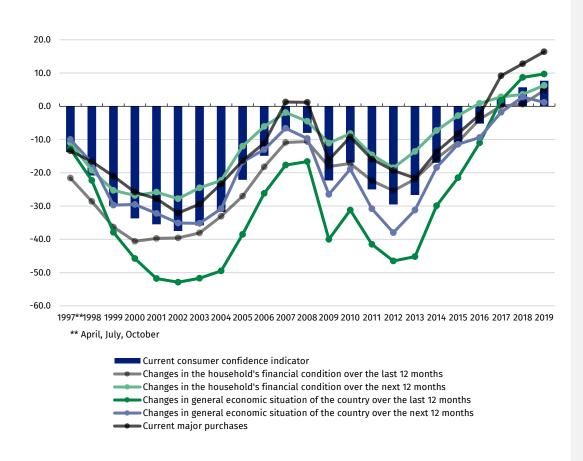


Table 2. Leading consumer confidence indicator

Survey period Year Quarter Month		Changes in the household's financial condition  Changes in general economic situation of the country		Changes in unem- ployment (with in- verted sign)	Propensity to save (in future)	Leading consumer confidence indicator
		b	d	f	g	
			balance of evalu	lations in percent		
				ears		
2006		-6.1	-13.0	-6.3	-48.3	-18.5
2007		-1.9	-6.6	17.6	-40.7	-7.9
2008		-4.5	-9.7	5.1	-37.2	-11.6
2009		-11.1	-26.5	-54.6	-37.1	-32.5
2010		-8.2	-18.9	-34.4	-32.0	-23.5
2011		-14.6	-30.8	-37.0	-36.1	-29.8
2012		-18.5	-38.0	-53.3	-36.9	-36.7
2013		-13.6	-31.2	-53.7	-36.1	-33.7
2014		-7.3	-18.4	-31.1	-30.5	-21.8
2015		-2.8	-11.4	-19.7	-26.3	-15.1
2016		0.9	-9.4	-7.8	-18.0	-8.6
2017		2.8	-1.8	8.5	-10.6	-0.3
2018		3.6	2.8	12.6	-7.5	2.9
2019		6.3	1.2	7.7	0.8	4.0
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	02	6.9	1.8	7.6	-3.4	3.2
	03	7.7	4.2	9.8	-3.1	4.7
	04	7.9	-0.5	8.1	-1.4	3.5
	05	7.0	3.5	10.0	-0.8	4.9
	06	7.7	3.9	15.3	3.1	7.5
	07	8.9	2.8	10.3	1.7	5.9
	08	4.4	2.2	8.7	0.4	3.9
	09	8.0	2.8	9.8	7.5	7.0
	10	5.9	3.4	2.5	2.6	3.6
	11	5.0	-3.0	2.9	3.9	2.2
	12	2.8	-7.9	0.5	1.2	-0.8
2020	01	2.0	-7.7	2.4	1.1	-0.6

Leading consumer confidence indicator is the average of balances of evaluations changes in the household's financial condition, general economic situation of the country, trends in the level of unemployment (with inverted sign) and saving money in the next 12 months

Chart 3. Leading consumer confidence indicator and its component values by month in 2017–2020

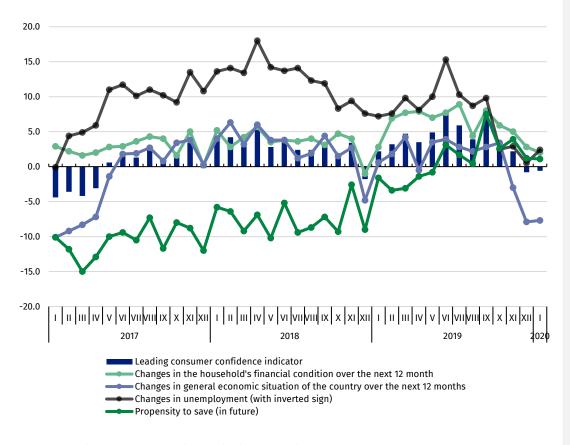
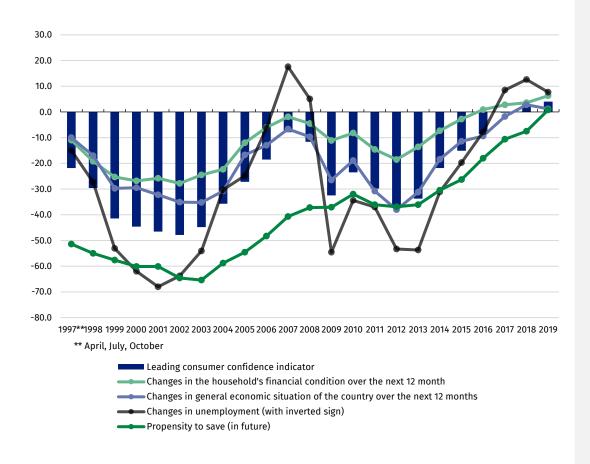


Chart 4. Leading consumer confidence indicator and its component values by years



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