Inflationary expectations rose slightly in April

The expected inflation rate (30-per-cent trimmed mean measure), reported in the Melbourne Institute Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations, rose by 0.1 percentage points to 4.1 per cent in April from 4.0 per cent in March.

In April, the weighted proportion of respondents (excluding those in the ‘don’t know’ category) expecting the inflation rate to fall within the 0-5 per cent range decreased by 2.3 percentage points to 65.8 per cent. The weighted mean of responses within this range was unchanged for the third consecutive month at 2.5 per cent.

The May 2017 Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations will be released at 11am AEST, Thursday, 11 May 2017.

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The Melbourne Institute Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations measures are designed to represent the average household’s expected rate of consumer price changes over the coming 12 months. Further information can be found in the attached report or by visiting: www.melbourneinstitute.com/miaesr/publications/indicators/cie.html

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