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Melbourne Institute Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations

Inflationary expectations fell considerably in August

The expected inflation rate (30-per-cent trimmed mean measure), reported in the Melbourne Institute Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations, fell by 0.7 percentage points to 3.1 per cent in August from 3.8 per cent in July.

In August, the proportion of respondents (excluding the 'don't knows') expecting the inflation rate to fall within the 0-5 per cent range increased for the fifth consecutive month; to 83.2 per cent from 77.4 per cent in July. The weighted mean of responses within the 0-5 per cent range has been around 2.6 per cent over the last three months. This suggests that the majority of respondents expect a moderate inflation rate in the coming months.

The September 2014 Survey of Consumer Inflationary Expectations will be released at 11am AEST, Thursday 11 September 2014.

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

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