

Economic Snapshot - January 2010

The table below provides a snapshot of various economic indicators shown currently, 3 months ago and 12 months ago to give an indication of the movement in the economy over the last year. The date of publication figures depicted in the table, are based on those available as at January 20, 2010

Economic Indicator	***Rate at date of publication	Rate December 2009 RBA Bulletin	Rate 3 months prior	Rate 12 months prior
Cash Rate	3.75%	3.74%	3.21%	4.25%
90 Bank Bill Rate	4.22%	4.13%	3.78%	3.74%
10 Year Bond Rate	5.525%	5.47%	5.45%	4.09%
Consumer Price Index Australian All Groups*				
Index Number	168.6	168.6	168.6	166.0
Percentage Change (from previous quarter)	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	-0.30%
Australia S&P ASX 200	N/A	380.6	362.8	276.7
United States S & P 500	N/A	337.7	313.8	250.1
Dow Jones Euro STOXX 300	N/A	302.1	282.1	250.1
United Kingdom FTSE 100	N/A	252.5	235.4	193.6
Hong Kong Hang Seng	N/A	723.2	719.2	439.0
All Ordinaries - Index Value	4895.1	4659.5	4852.8	3431.9
Property Trusts - Index Value	887.4	854.7	962.2	854.2
Industrials - Index Value	4042.8	3852.1	3920.0	3026.7
Housing Loan Indicator Lending Rates				
Banks - Standard	N/A	6.65%	6.05%	6.85%
Banks - 3 year fixed	N/A	7.60%	7.60%	5.85%
Mortgage Managers	N/A	6.25%	5.65%	6.45%
Building Loan Indicator Lending Rates				
Small Business - Residential Secured	N/A	7.85%	7.35%	8.30%
Small Business - Other	N/A	8.60%	8.15%	9.00%
Small Business - 3 year fixed rate	N/A	8.40%	8.70%	6.50%
Dwelling Approvals - Private sector (mthly)	N/A	N/A	12,200	9,100
Non Residential approvals - Private sector (mthly)	N/A	N/A	\$1,366m	\$948m
Dwelling Investment - Private spending (qtrly)	N/A	N/A	\$16,540m	\$17,217m
Westpac - Melbourne Institute Consumer Sentiment Index (Base 100)	120.1	113.8	121.4	89.9
NAB Business Confidence Index	N/A	N/A	16.0	-30.5
ANZ Job Series**				
Newspaper Job Ads Recorded Per Week	N/A	10,631	8,800	11,391
Percentage Change (Seasonally adjusted on previous month)	N/A	11.60%	-1.40%	12.30%
Internet Job Ads Recorded Per Week	N/A	138,432	124,909	168,959
Percentage Change (Seasonally adjusted on previous month)	N/A	5.60%	-1.80%	-7.30%
Exchange Rates (per A\$)				
United States dollar	0.9174	0.8969	0.9161	0.6438
UK Pound Sterling	0.5624	0.5581	0.5533	0.4530
Euro	0.6455	0.6241	0.6169	0.4995
Japanese Yen	83.64	82.82	83.49	57.53
<i>Information in this table is based on Figures provided by RBA Bulletin last updated January 21, 2010</i>				
<i>* Based on ABS CPI Released October 28, 2009</i>				
<i>** Based on ANZ Job Advertisement Series released January 11, 2010</i>				
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