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Consumer Confidence Index

February 2024



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What is the Consumer Confidence Index (CCI)?

The Consumer Confidence Index (CCI) is a measure of consumer sentiment that indicates how households are likely to behave in the future with respect to consumption and savings.

The index is compiled based on answers that consumers provide regarding:

- How they feel about their household's present and expected financial situation
- How they feel about the present and expected general economic conditions
- How they feel about making major purchases of durable goods.

Micro Questions

- How has the financial situation of your household changed over the last 12 months?
- How do you expect the financial situation of your household to change over the next 12 months?
- Do you think that now it is the right moment to make major purchases such as furniture, appliances, electronic devices etc.?
- Do you think that now it is the right moment to buy a new or used car?
- Do you think that now is the right moment to buy, build or renovate a home?





Macro questions

- How do you think the general economic situation in the country has changed over the past 12 months?
- How do you expect the general economic situation in the country to develop over the next 12 months?



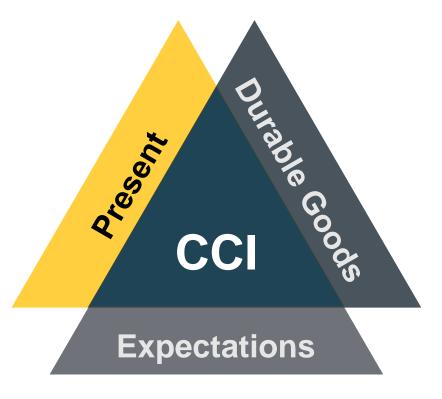
The Consumer Sentiment Survey (CSS)

- The CSS was first introduced as a module in the September 2023 Labor Force Survey (LFS) and will be included in all future LFS rounds.
- It is administered to one knowledgeable household member who was aged 18 years or older.
- When attached to the LFS, the survey will be administered through Computer-Assisted Personal Interviews (CAPI) and between rounds, the survey will be administered by telephone using Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviews (CATI).

Measuring CCI

The CCI is an index number that can range from 0 (completely pessimistic) to 100 (completely optimistic).

A CCI above 50 signals that consumers are generally more optimistic and are, therefore, less likely to save, and more inclined to spend money on major purchases in the next 12 months.

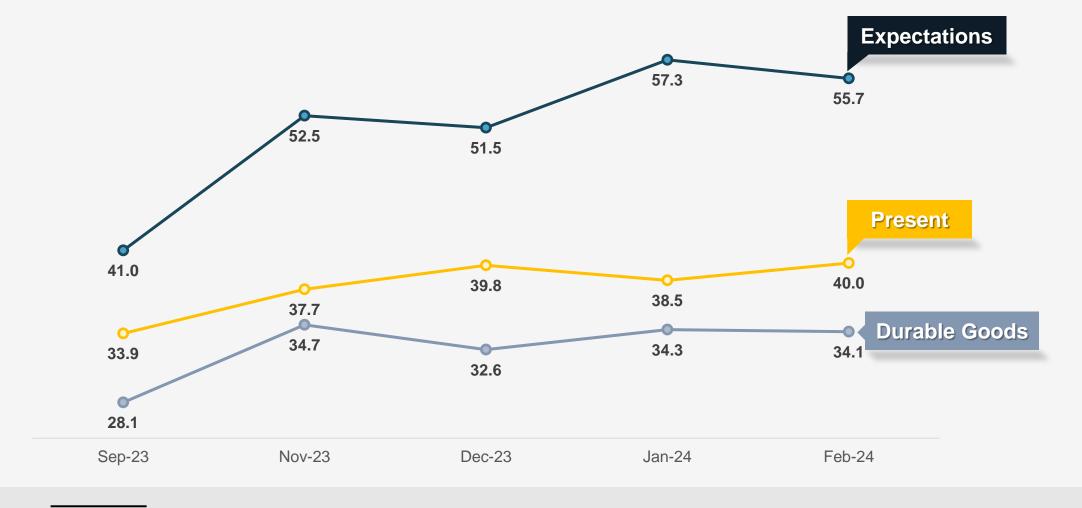


The balanced averages of core questions are further grouped into categories representing sentiment on the 'Present', 'Future', and the purchasing of 'Durable goods.'

5 Options	Weights
++ Gotten much better	100.00
+ Gotten better	75.0
= Stayed the same	50.00
- Gotten Worse	25.00
Gotten much worse	0.00

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National CCI by sub index September 2023- February 2024



National CCI September 2023- February 2024



Percentage change in the national CCI September 2022 February 2024

September 2023- February 2024



Consumer Confidence Index February 2024

February 2024

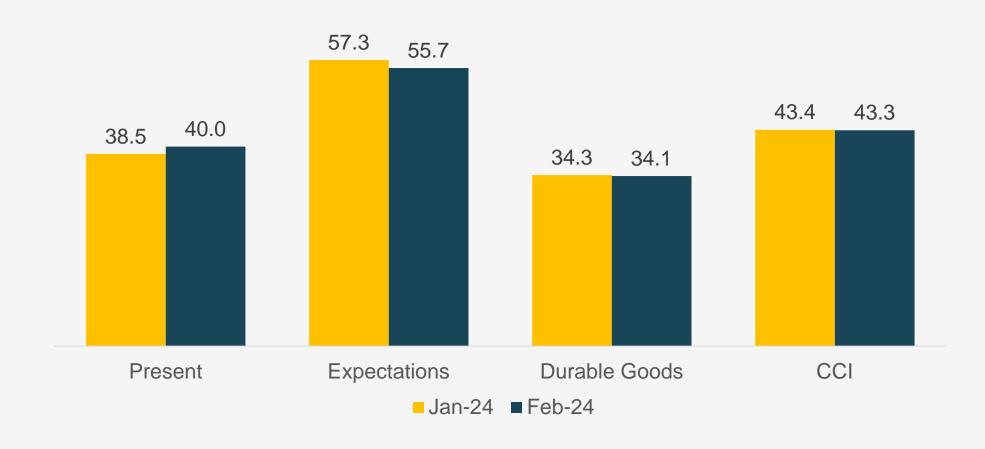
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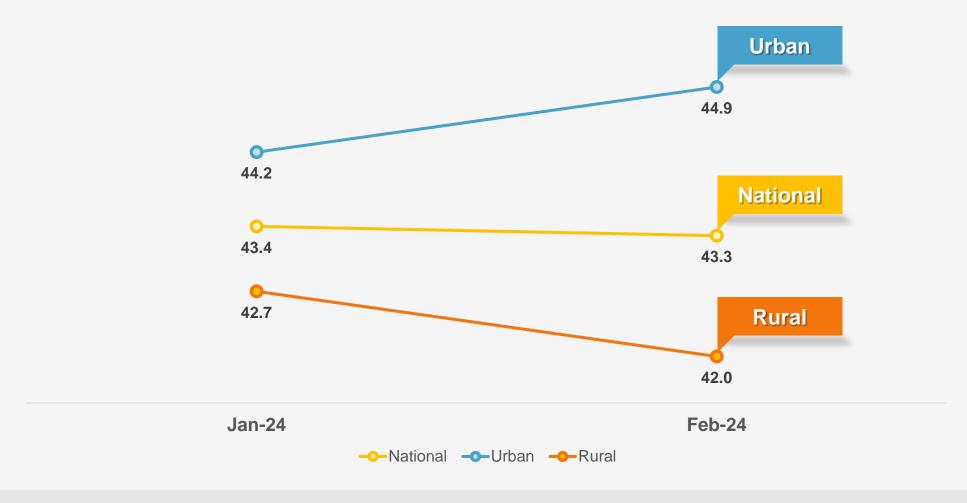
43.3 -0.2%

The consumer confidence index for the month of February 2024 stood at 43.3. This was virtually unchanged or down by a marginal 0.2% from January 2024 when the index stood at 43.4.

National CCI by Sub Index January 2024 vs February 2024

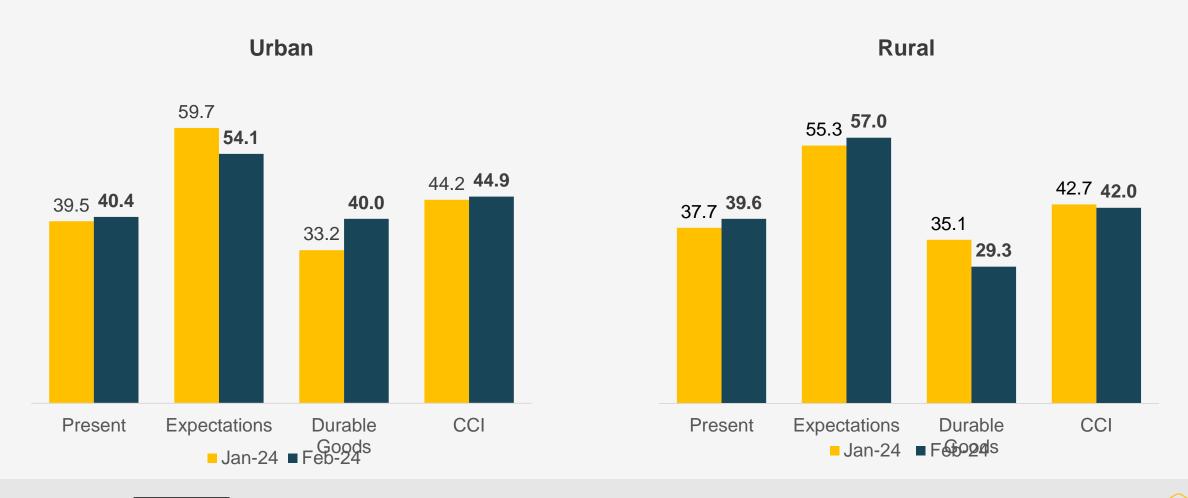


CCI by Area
January to February 2024



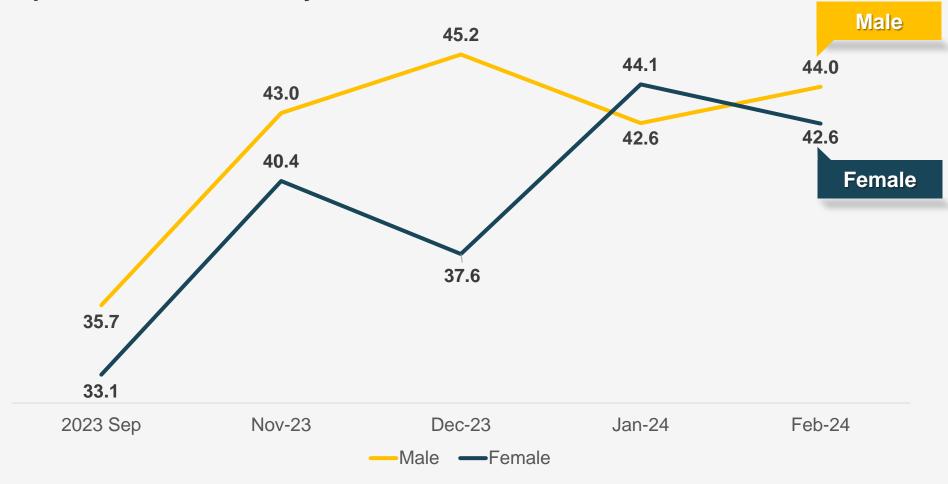
Urban/Rural CCI by sub index

January 2024 vs February 2024



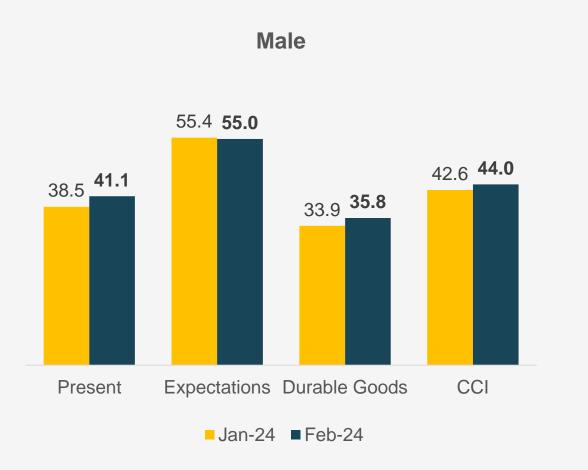
CCI by sex

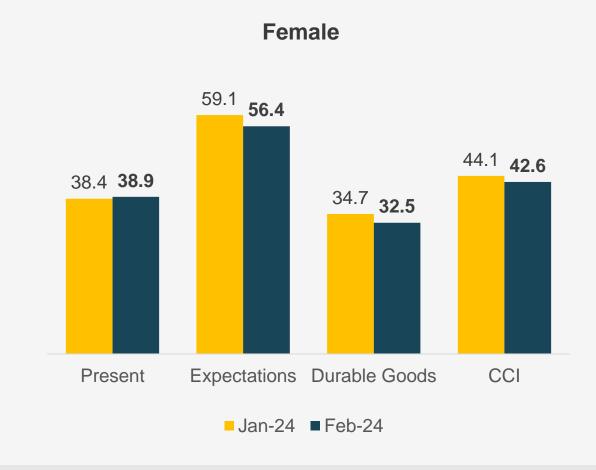
September 2023 – February 2024



Male/Female CCI by sub index

January 2024 vs February 2024



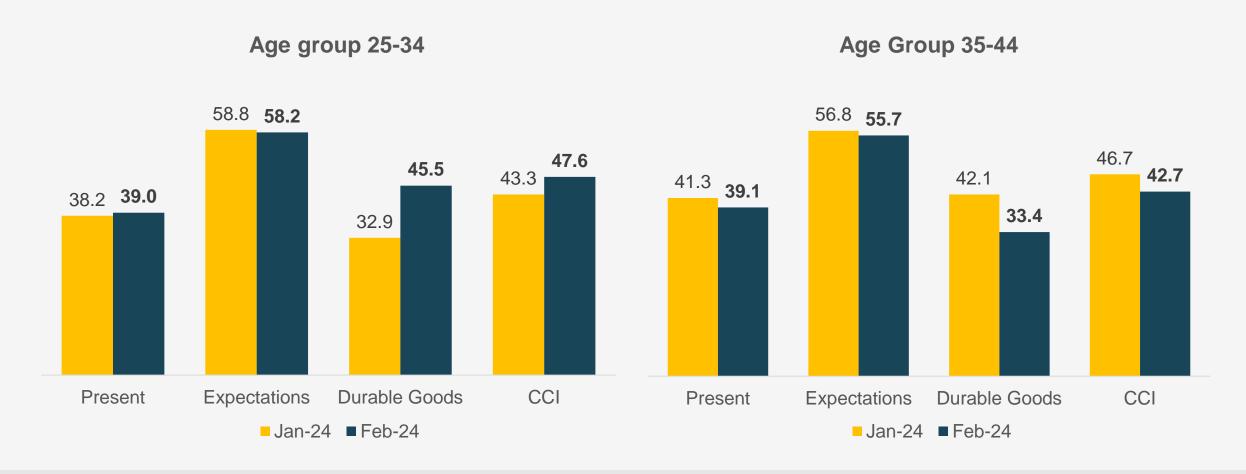


CCI by age group

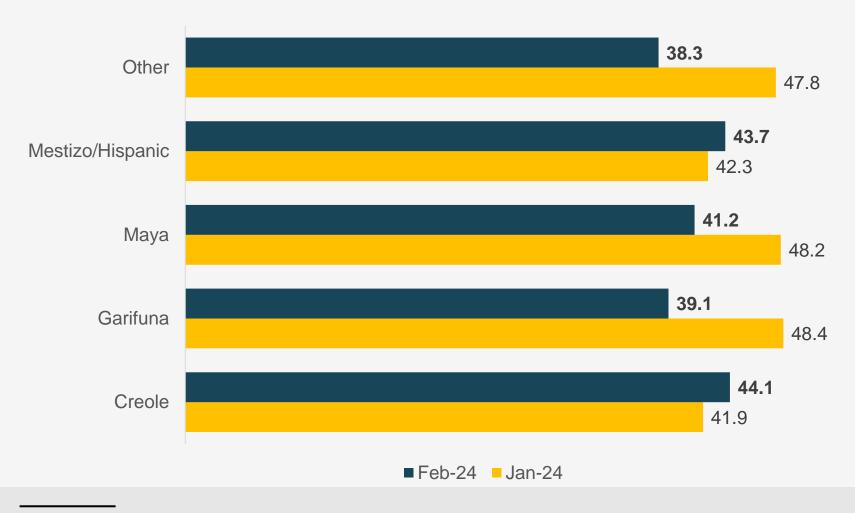
February vs January 2024



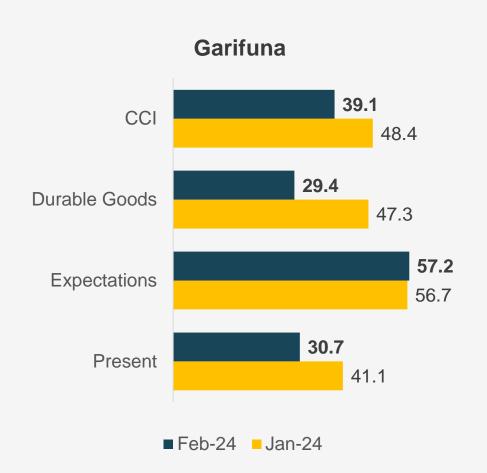
Age group by sub index January 2024 vs February 2024

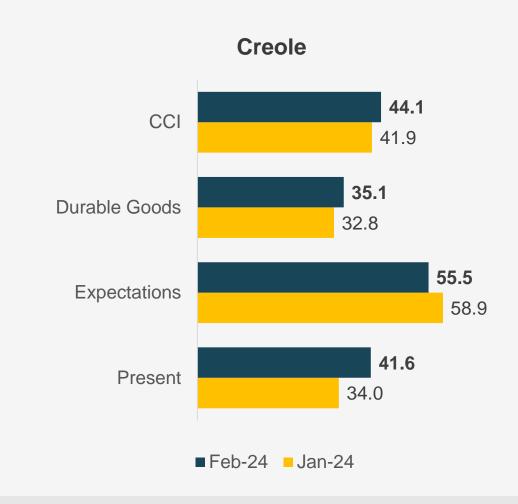


CCI by ethnicity January to February 2024



Ethnicity by sub index January 2024 vs February 2024





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