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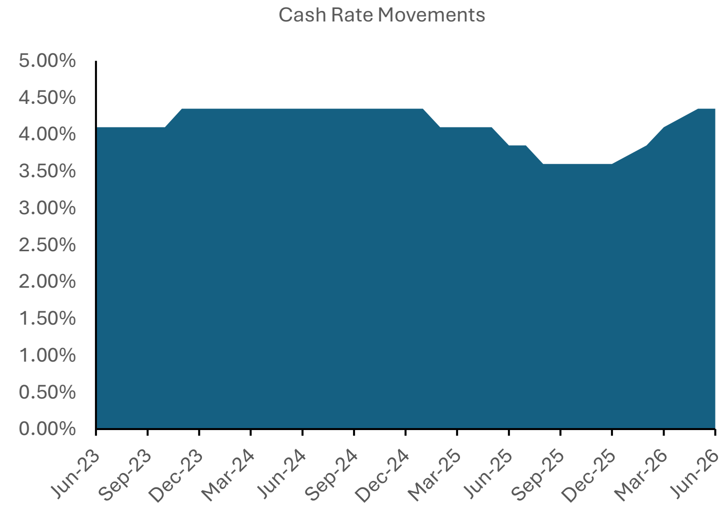
# Market Movements

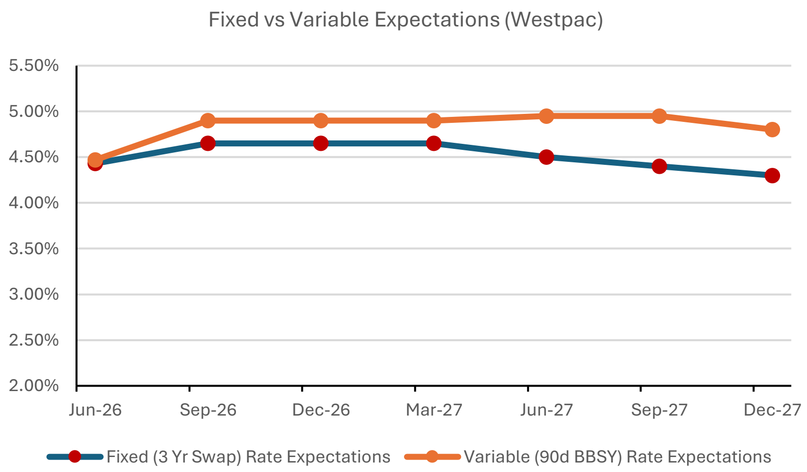
19th June 2026

# Monetary Policy

## RBA Holds at 4.35%, Keeps Hikes on Table

- As all but universally expected, the RBA Monetary Policy Board held the cash rate steady at 4.35% at its June meeting, a unanimous decision as the three hikes delivered earlier this year continue to feed through the economy. The Board explicitly signalled that further hikes remain firmly on the table.
- The closing line of the statement added the clause 'including increasing the cash rate target further if required', a point that Governor Bullock reinforced again at the press conference. This unusually firm drafting reads as a deliberate effort to hose down recent speculation that the tightening cycle is complete.
- The Board reiterated that inflation is too high and that a period of below-trend growth is needed to return it to target. With the economy seen able to grow only around 2% before capacity pressures build, policymakers were not spooked by softer household and labour data, regarding the labour market as still a little tight.
- The energy price shock is viewed as adding to a pre-existing inflation problem, with commodity prices still above pre-war levels and the recovery expected to be only gradual. Notably, the tone on cost pass-through hardened, with the Board now seeing 'signs', rather than 'early signs', of firms lifting prices, especially in new housing construction.
- Westpac retains their view that further increases are coming. Should the June quarter trimmed mean inflation print strong, the next hike could land as soon as the August meeting.




*Source: Westpac Weekly 15th June*

*Source: RBA June 2026 Monetary Policy Decision, Westpac Economics*

# Consumer Confidence

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### Consumer Confidence

"ANZ-Roy Morgan Australian Consumer Confidence was broadly unchanged last week, declining by just 0.1pts to 70.7pts. On a four-week moving average basis, confidence is at a 12-week high, but remains well below the neutral 100 level. Households are feeling more confident about their personal finances, with the 'future financial conditions' subindex at its highest level since the survey week ending 1 March 2026 (the last survey period that largely occurred prior to the Middle East conflict). The 'time to buy a major household item' index recorded its fifth consecutive weekly rise, likely supported by end-of-financial-year sales events. Meanwhile, confidence in economic conditions weakened, as the conflict in the Middle East escalated during the week." Sophia Angala – ANZ Economics

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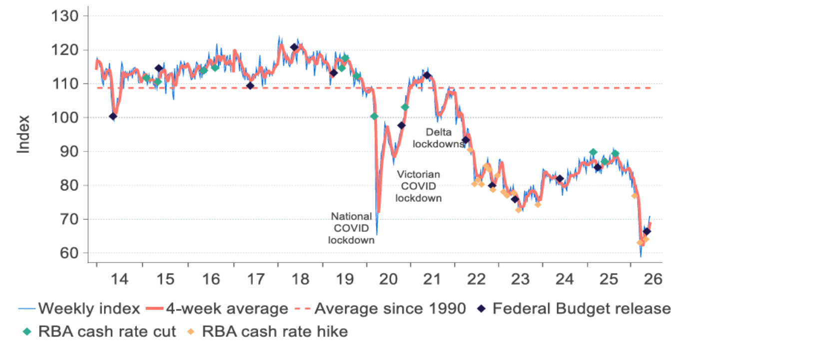
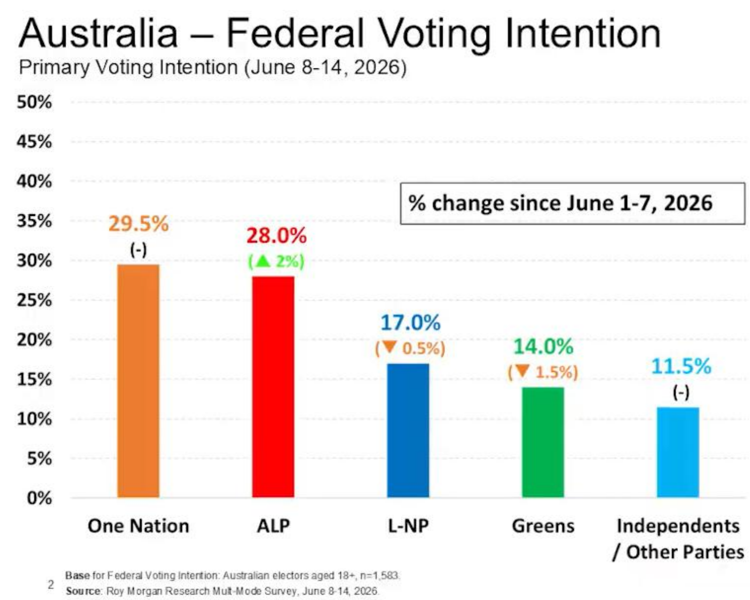



Source: ANZ-Roy Morgan, Macrobond, ANZ Research

### Tax Reform: CGT Carve-Outs for Startups and Small Business

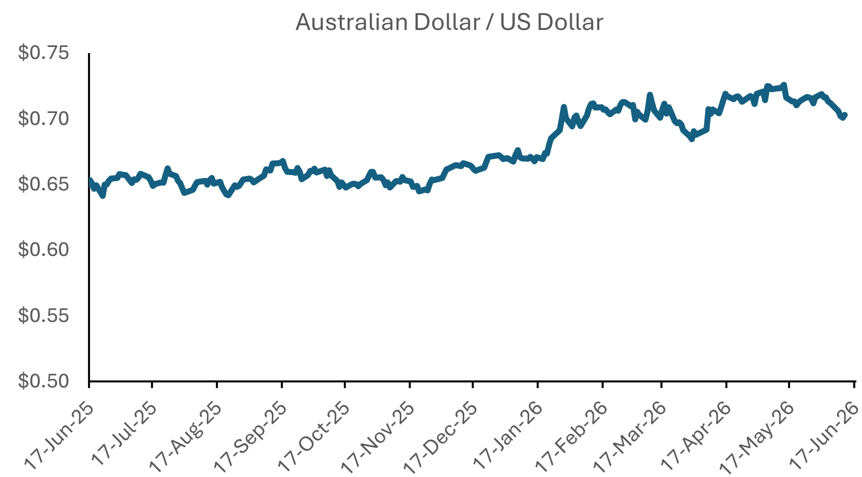
- The Government unveiled a package of capital gains tax carve-outs on 18 June, easing the backlash to its Budget tax changes. The existing 50% active asset CGT reduction will be extended by lifting the turnover threshold from $2 million to $10 million, bringing all 2.7 million active small businesses, or 98% of active businesses, into scope.
- A new Innovative Business CGT Concession will preserve a 50% discount for early-stage investors, founders and employee share scheme participants of start-ups. Eligible firms must be under 10 years old, under $50 million in turnover and meet innovation criteria, with shares held for five years, for gains accrued from 1 July 2027.
- The Government also scrapped a proposed 30% minimum tax on discretionary testamentary trusts, labelled a 'death tax' by critics, reversing a plan that would have lifted the top effective CGT rate toward 47%. Chalmers framed the more than $3.8 billion package as backing innovation.



# Foreign Exchange

## AUD Above 0.70 but USD Firms on Hawkish Fed

- The Australian dollar rose above US$0.70 but remained near two-month lows as the US dollar jumped following the Federal Reserve's interest rate decision. While the Fed left its policy rate unchanged, half of FOMC members now expect a hike later this year amid growing inflation concerns.
- New Fed Chair Kevin Warsh shifted away from forward guidance in his debut communication, emphasising a more inflation-focused policy stance.
- In Australia, the Reserve Bank signalled further tightening after holding rates steady. Governor Michele Bullock stressed that inflation remains too high and reiterated that further hikes cannot be ruled out. Although markets increasingly suspect the tightening cycle is over, the RBA's hawkish tone has kept roughly 50% odds of one final hike this year priced in.
- Elsewhere, US President Trump signed an interim agreement to end the war with Iran, though it remains uncertain whether Iran has begun steps to fully reopen the Strait of Hormuz.




### The week ahead

| Wednesday June 24 2026 | | | Previous | Forecast |
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| **12:30 PM** | AU | Inflation Rate MoM MAY | 0.4% | 0.2% |
| **12:30 PM** | AU | Inflation Rate YoY MAY | 4.2% | 4.9% |
| **12:30 PM** | AU | RBA Trimmed Mean CPI MoM MAY | 0.3% | 0.5% |
| **05:30 PM** | AU | RBA Hauser Speech | | |
| Thursday June 25 2026 | | | Previous | Forecast |
| **12:30 PM** | AU | Employment Change MAY | -18.6K | 30.0K |
| **12:30 PM** | AU | Full Time Employment Chg MAY | -10.7K | |
| **12:30 PM** | AU | Unemployment Rate MAY | 4.5% | 4.4% |


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# Why Mannix?

## Lending expertise. People focused.

At **Mannix Capital**, we understand that success in banking is built on relationships. With over 13 years of industry experience, we've developed deep connections with key lenders, giving our clients access to competitive rates and exclusive lending solutions.

### We take the time to understand you

We believe that the best lending outcomes are achieved by understanding our clients deeply, which is why we take the time to get to know your business.

### We utilise our market relationships

Our strong network allows us to:

- Negotiate better terms by leveraging trusted relationships.
- Secure fast approvals through our direct access to decision-makers.

### We draw on our expertise, particularly on complex deals

We go beyond standard solutions to structure and negotiate lending that truly fits your business needs, including:

- Offering the right level of security for the lending.
- Negotiation of financial and non-financial covenants.
- Achieving optimal lending amounts and costs.

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# Supporting You

## Navigating Commercial Lending

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**Where we support you**

### Commercial Retail

- Lending up to ~$3m
- Instant approval loans
- Fast approval loans
- Lease Doc Lending
- No financial covenants
- Standard corporate structures
- Typically fully secured
- Some unsecured lending options

### Commercial Wholesale

- Lending up to ~$10m
- Financial and non-financial covenants may be included
- Fully secured and partially secured lending
- Industry specialisations
- Scope for complex transactions and structures

### Emerging Corporate

- Lending up to ~$100m
- Financial and non-financial covenants
- Fully secured and partially secured lending
- Unsecured lending
- Industry specialisations
- Multibank arrangements and complex security arrangements

# Get in touch
## Let's grab a coffee

### Ready to Get Started?

Let's chat! Whether you need guidance on your first home loan or a complex commercial transaction, we've got you covered. Feel free to reach out—we'd love to discuss how we can help you achieve your financial goals.


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