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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Q2 2015 Consumer Expectations Survey (CES) was conducted during the period 04th to 16th May, 2015. The sample size was 1,900 households, drawn from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) Master Sample List of Households, which is considered a representative sample of households nationwide. The survey produced 99.3 per cent response rate.

The highlights of the CES report are as follows:

- Overall outlook of consumers in Q2, 2015 remained downbeat. This could be attributable to the bleak outlook of consumers in their economic condition and family financial situation . Consumers were however optimistic in their outlook in the next quarter and the next 12 months. The optimism could be attributable largely to the positive outlook of the consumers' economic condition, family financial situation and family income.
- Respondents outlook on the family financial situation in the current quarter, was pessimistic across all income groups except the over N100,000.00 per month as they expect to get into debt and/or eat into their savings.
- On the average, more households nationwide expect some increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. The consumers would be expected to spend substantial amount of their income on food and other household needs, education, savings, medical expenses, and purchase of consumer durables, but do not plan to spend much of their income on purchase of house and purchase of car/motor vehicle and purchase of appliances.
- Majority of consumers nationwide believed that the next 12 months would be an ideal time to purchase big-ticket items like consumer durables, but would not be an ideal time to purchase motor vehicle and house & lot.
- Majority of consumers expect inflation rate to rise in the next 12 months. The major drivers for the likely upward movements in prices would be house rent, food, electricity, transportation, education and medical care.
- Majority of the consumers nationwide expect unemployment to rise in the next 12 months as the index stood at 14.1 points. With indices of (16.0) and 7.4 points. They also expect borrowing rate index to fall and naira exchange rate to be weak in the next 12 months.

About the Survey

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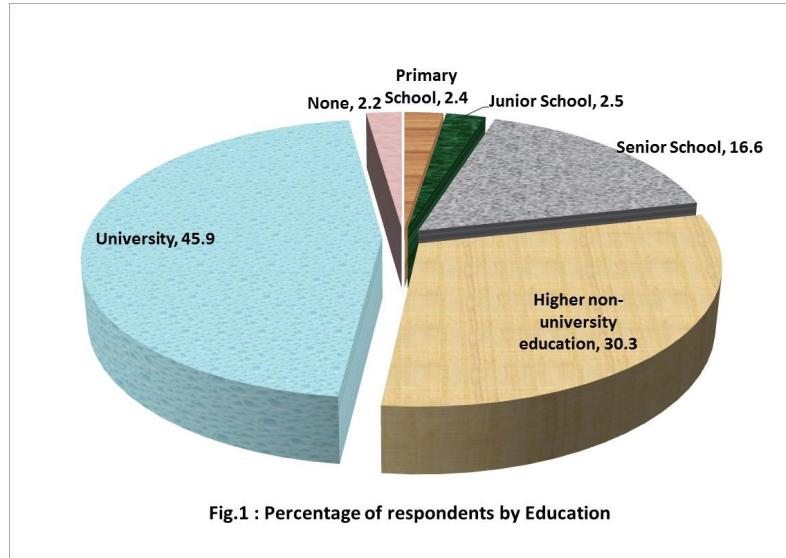
The nationwide Consumer Expectations Survey (CES) for Q2, 2015 was conducted between 04th to 16th May, 2015 covering a total sample size of 1,900 households drawn from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) Master Sample List of Households, which is considered a good representative sample of households nationwide. The states covered, the sample size distribution and response rates are as shown in the Table 1 below, while the location of all the states in the federation and FCT Abuja covered are shown in the Map of Nigeria below.



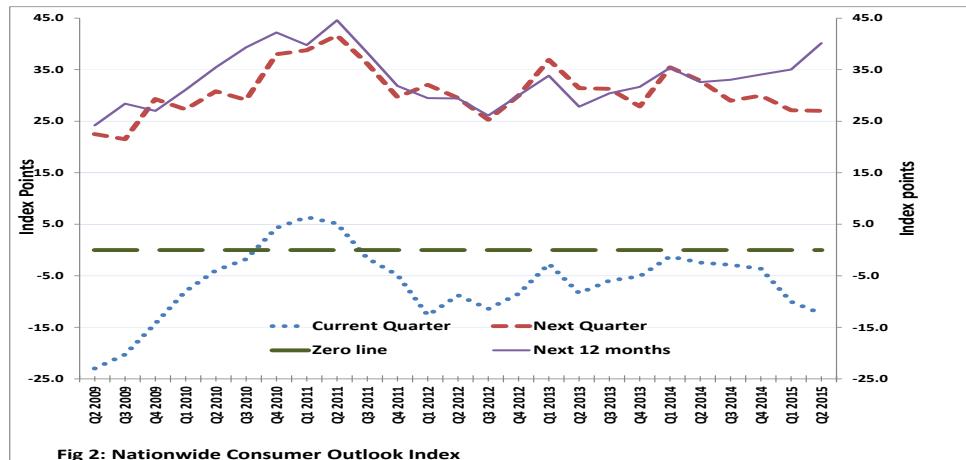
Table 1: The distribution of sample size and response rate

ZONE	SAMPLE STATE	Q2 2015 SAMPLE SIZE	Q2 2015 RESPONSES	RESPONSE RATE
North Central	Niger, Kwara, Abuja, Benue, Kogi, Nasarawa and Plateau	350	336	96.0
North East	Bauchi, Adamawa, Gombe, and Taraba	250	250	100.0
North West	Kaduna, Katsina, Kano, Zamfara, Jigawa, Sokoto and Kebbi	350	350	100.0
South East	Enugu, Imo, Ebonyi, Anambra and Abia	250	250	100.0
South South	Edo, Delta, Rivers, Bayelsa, Cross River and Akwa-Ibom	300	300	100.0
South West	Lagos, Oyo, Ekiti, Ogun, Osun and Ondo	400	400	100.0
TOTAL		1900	1886	99.3

The total response rate for the Q2, 2015 survey stood at 99.3 per cent nationwide, which was 0.3 less than what was achieved in the previous quarter. The response rate by educational attainment showed that 45.9 per cent had university education, 30.3 per cent had higher non-university education, while 16.6 per cent was for those with senior school education. Respondents with primary and junior school education accounted for 2.4 and 2.5 per cent, respectively; while those with no educational background were 2.2 per cent.



Nationwide Consumer Outlook



Consumers' Overall Outlook

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¹The overall consumer confidence index is determined by the average of three (3) measures, namely, the outlook on macroeconomic conditions, family financial situation and family income.

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Consumer Outlook Indices: Current Quarter

Consumers views were captured across three dimensions, namely: - the economic condition, family financial situation and family income. Consumers expressed pessimism on the general economic condition, family financial situation and family income in the quarter. All the income groups opined that the Nigeria's general economic condition is getting worse, their total net household income is deteriorating except for those consumers earning N50,001 and N100,000 per month and are drawing down on their savings or getting into debt.

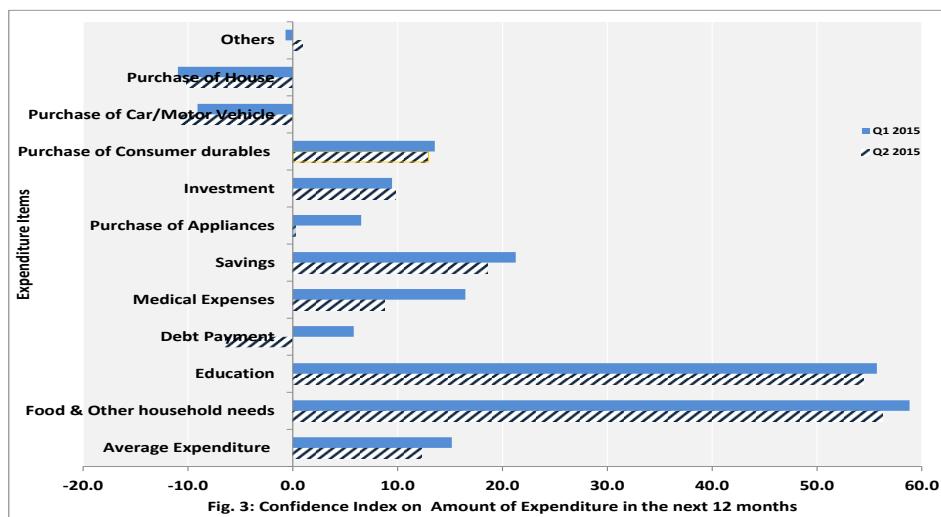
Consumer Outlook Indices: Next Quarter and the Next 12 months

At 27.0 and 40.1 points, the overall consumers confidence index in the next quarter and the next 12 months, respectively, would be expected to be better than their outlooks in the current quarter. In the next quarter and the next twelve month, consumers expect the general economic condition in the country and their total net household income to be much better and would consequently be expected to save a bit and/or have plenty after savings. Although, majority of the consumers earning below N20,000 per month indicated that the general economic conditions and their total net household income could be better, they still expect to get into debt and/or drawdown on their savings to meet their basic needs (Table 2 sections 3 & 4).

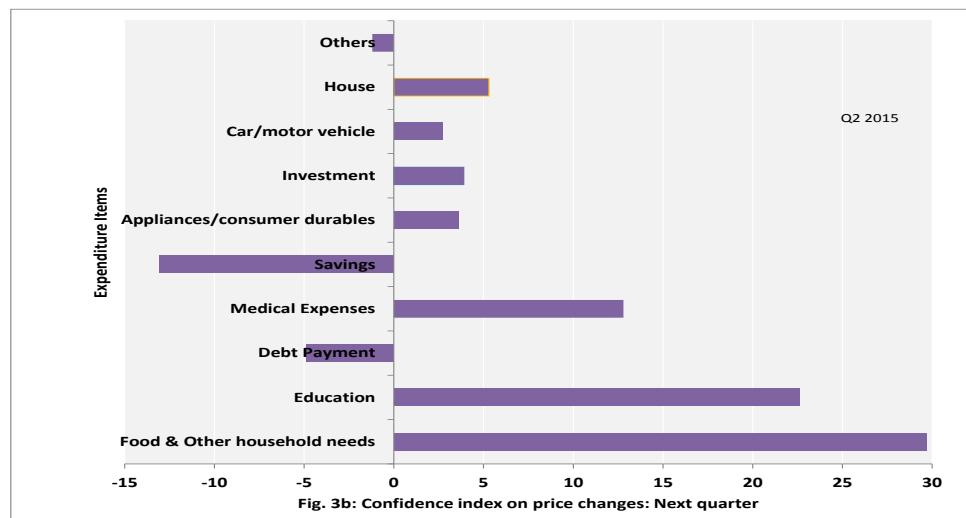
Expenditures in the Next 12 Months

On the average, more households nationwide expect some increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 12.2 per cent expected, the index rose by 0.6 points from 11.6 points recorded in the corresponding quarter of 2014 (Table 2 section 5).

The majority of consumers nationwide would be expected to spend substantial amount of their income on food and other households needs, education, savings, purchase of consumer durables, investment and medical expenses in the next 12 months. Furthermore, these consumers do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on large ticket items such as purchases of car/motor vehicle and house. These results conform with the National Household Expenditure Survey which showed that majority of households spend substantial amount of their income to meet their basic needs and have little left for long term investment (Fig. 3).



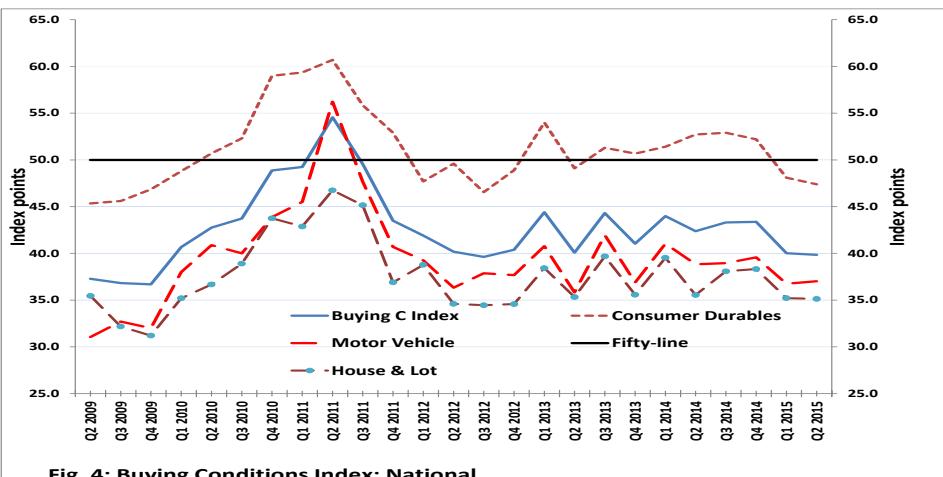
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Buying Conditions²

The overall buying conditions index for consumer in the current quarter for big-ticket items stood at 39.8 per cent. This indicates that the majority of consumers nationwide, believed that the current quarter is not the ideal time to purchase big-ticket items like furniture, gas cooker, refrigerator, air conditioner, television and other durables, motor vehicles and house & lot. This belief has been consistent since Q3 2011.



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² Buying condition refers to the assessment of consumers as to whether it is good time, neither good nor bad or bad time to buy assets (ie. consumer durables, house and lot, and motor vehicles) during the quarter. An index above 50 means more respondents indicated that it is a good time to buy assets; below 50 means more respondents believe that it would not be an opportune time to make purchases; and 50 means the number of respondents on both sides is equal. $BCI = 0.5(100+DI)$, where DI = diffusion index

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Buying Intentions⁴ in the Next 12 Months

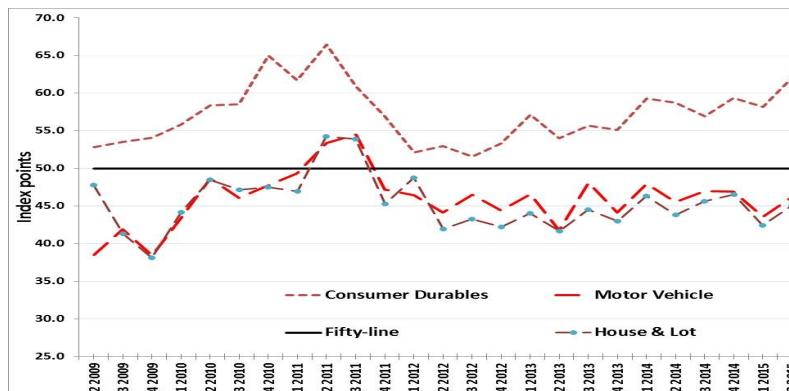


Fig. 5: Buying Intention Index: National

The buying intention index for consumer durables such as furniture, gas cooker, refrigerator, air conditioner, television and other durables in the next twelve months rose to 62.0 index points from 58.7 points in Q2, 2014, suggesting that the majority of consumers nationwide, believed that the next 12 months would be an ideal time to purchase the consumer durables. However, the buying intention index for the big-ticket items like house & lot and motor vehicles were below 50 points, indicating that the next twelve months would not be an ideal time to purchase these items.

Indices of Selected Economic Indicators

Majority of the consumers nationwide expect unemployment to rise in the next 12 months. The unemployment index for the next 12 months obtained in Q2, 2015 remained positive at 14.1 points compared with the 32.1 points in Q2, 2014. With indices of -16.0 and 7.4 points, consumers expect borrowing rate to fall and the exchange rate to appreciate in the next 12 months.

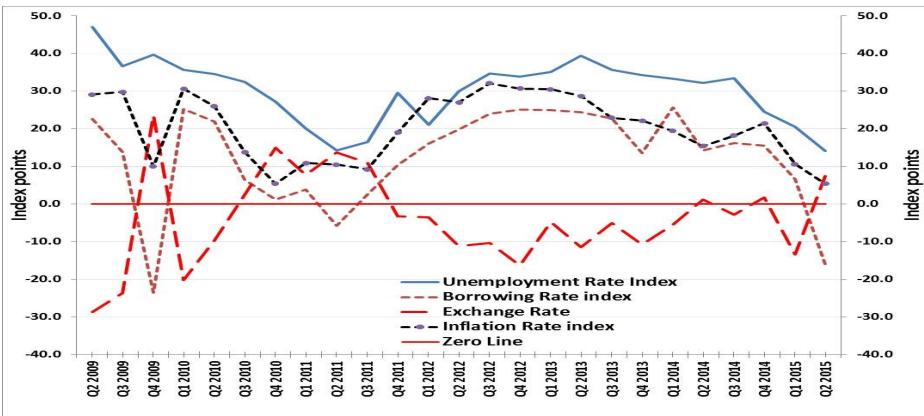
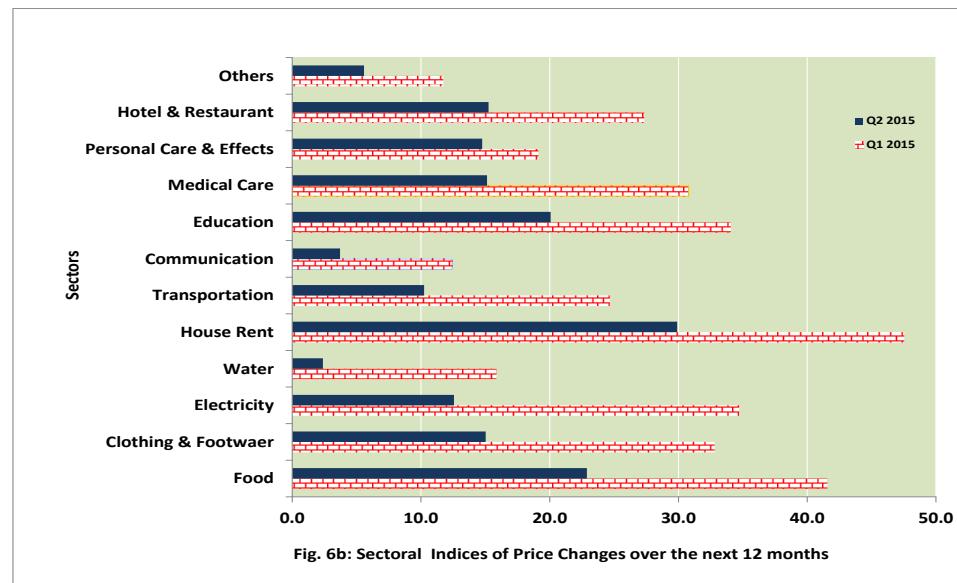


Fig. 6a: Indices of selected economic indicators: next 12 months

⁴ Buying intention refers to the assessment of consumers as to whether it is good time, neither good nor bad or bad time to buy assets (ie. consumer durables, house and lot, and motor vehicles) during the next 12 months. An index above 50 means more respondents indicated that it is a good time to buy assets; below 50 means more respondents believe that it would not be an opportune time to make purchases; and 50 means the number of respondents on both sides is equal. $BI = 0.5(100+DI)$, where $DI = \text{diffusion index}$

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Majority of consumers expect inflation rate to rise in the next 12 months as the index stood at 5.4 points. The major drivers for the expected upward movement in prices are house rent, food, education, hotel & restaurant, clothing & footwear, medical care, personal care and effects and electricity (Table 2 section 9).



TECHNICAL NOTES

The overall consumer confidence index is computed as the average of the three indices, namely:

1. **Economic Condition** refers to the perception of the respondent regarding the general economic condition of the country.
2. **Family Financial Situation** refers to the level of savings, investments, other assets including cash at hand and outstanding debts.
3. **Family Income** includes primary income and receipts from other sources received by all family members as participants in any economic activity or as recipients of transfers, pensions, grants, and the like.

The **confidence index** or **diffusion index** is computed as the percentage share of respondents that answered in the affirmative less the percentage share of respondents that answered negative in a given indicator. A positive CI indicates that respondents with a favorable view outnumber those with an unfavorable view, except for unemployment, change in prices and interest rate for borrowing money, where a positive CI indicates the opposite.

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TABLE 2

National CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

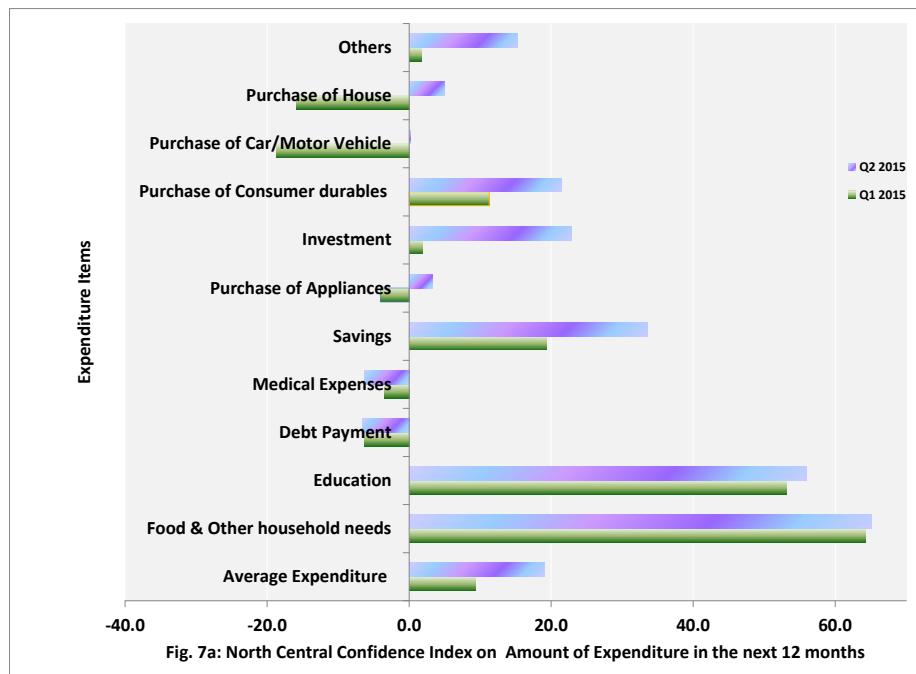
Year	Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2015												
1. Overall Consumer Confidence Index																				
All Sectors																				
Current Quarter	National	-12.7	-8.8	-11.4	-8.5	-2.7	-8.4	-6.0	-5.1	-1.3	-2.4	-2.9	-3.6	-10.0	-12.4	-10.8	-12.5	-14.6	-12.0	
North Central	National	2.7	-7.0	-4.8	-11.8	-1.7	-9.3	-0.5	-4.5	-6.3	3.9	-4.3	0.8	-12.5	-12.5	-11.2	-5.3	-11.2	11.1	
North East	National	-14.5	-20.7	-23.0	-14.7	-3.5	-12.6	-11.0	-4.1	-0.2	-13.3	-8.5	-15.9	-29.3	-15.1	-23.7	-20.4	-23.5	32.1	
North West	National	-15.7	-16.0	-15.7	-3.3	-4.3	-10.4	-12.8	0.5	-4.1	-1.7	-6.4	-10.4	-17.3	-17.3	-17.3	-17.3	-17.3	17.7	
South East	National	-20.5	1.4	-3.0	-1.3	-8.7	-18.2	-10.4	-15.6	4.2	-3.3	2.1	7.9	-1.7	-1.7	-1.7	-1.7	-1.7	46.7	
South South	National	-18.0	-4.0	-5.4	-14.7	-1.2	-5.0	-1.5	-6.6	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-6.1	-11.9	-11.9	-11.9	-11.9	-11.9	31.4	
South West	National	-6.0	-5.0	-11.3	-5.8	1.0	0.9	-1.8	-3.5	0.3	-2.3	-2.5	-9.5	-11.4	-11.4	-11.4	-11.4	-11.4	22.8	
Next Quarter	National	32.1	29.5	25.3	30.0	36.9	31.4	27.9	35.4	32.9	30.0	30.0	27.1	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	
North Central	National	36.0	28.2	30.4	17.2	37.7	29.4	35.9	29.5	29.2	40.2	30.1	30.1	31.0	31.0	31.0	31.0	31.0	31.0	
North East	National	25.9	23.4	16.5	19.2	43.7	29.7	19.7	37.2	38.6	18.7	20.1	24.5	13.9	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	
North West	National	26.7	24.4	16.6	29.5	39.7	24.1	24.5	19.2	33.3	31.2	24.7	22.9	22.4	22.4	22.4	22.4	22.4	22.4	
South East	National	25.3	43.8	30.9	37.5	28.3	24.4	23.5	18.9	41.5	28.3	23.9	30.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	31.9	
South South	National	34.7	30.1	31.7	30.3	30.9	35.6	37.7	26.6	32.6	30.6	35.0	31.4	23.7	23.7	23.7	23.7	23.7	23.7	
South West	National	31.7	30.4	26.4	32.1	38.6	42.1	38.3	33.7	39.6	39.5	38.9	33.8	24.4	25.8	25.8	25.8	25.8	25.8	
Next 12 months	National	29.5	29.4	26.1	30.0	33.8	27.8	30.4	31.7	35.3	32.6	33.0	34.0	35.0	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.1	
North Central	National	34.5	23.5	31.9	26.4	32.5	27.0	35.9	33.2	28.0	35.4	32.8	41.7	37.4	45.1	45.1	45.1	45.1	45.1	
North East	National	27.0	23.4	21.1	24.8	37.2	29.1	26.1	35.1	37.0	24.7	27.2	23.8	28.4	41.1	41.1	41.1	41.1	41.1	
North West	National	22.5	23.9	20.7	30.5	31.3	19.4	28.2	33.9	35.1	28.9	35.5	36.2	40.9	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	
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South West	National	34.3	32.9	23.9	30.4	36.5	38.2	37.1	32.0	37.9	35.6	35.8	31.6	28.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																				
National																				
Economic Condition	National	-17.6	-8.9	-10.9	-10.2	2.4	-5.6	-1.4	-3.3	3.4	1.7	-0.5	-2.0	-10.0	-13.7	-13.7	-13.7	-13.7	-13.7	
Under N 20,000 per month	National	-28.5	-17.0	-11.8	-19.1	-7.7	-15.6	-1.4	-7.5	-6.0	-13.5	-9.0	-14.9	-25.4	-22.1	-22.1	-22.1	-22.1	-22.1	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	-13.4	-5.1	-10.7	-9.7	2.7	-3.9	-0.1	-4.3	1.2	2.6	0.6	-2.1	-10.1	-8.2	-8.2	-8.2	-8.2	-8.2	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	-9.7	-3.3	-9.6	-4.7	10.2	-0.4	1.0	-0.5	12.3	9.0	-1.3	3.5	-11.7	-11.7	-11.7	-11.7	-11.7	-11.7	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	-24.8	-14.8	-11.3	-8.8	-1.0	-6.3	-8.3	-0.2	5.6	11.0	10.6	8.7	-0.4	-18.8	-18.8	-18.8	-18.8	-18.8	
Family Financial Situation	National	-15.9	-16.7	-16.5	-13.1	-18.4	-17.8	-19.1	-13.4	-10.0	-14.5	-14.0	-16.3	-16.3	-18.1	-18.1	-18.1	-18.1	-18.1	
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Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	-18.0	-13.4	-14.6	-15.2	-18.3	-23.4	-21.0	-11.8	-9.3	-15.6	-12.4	-21.0	-21.0	-20.3	-20.3	-20.3	-20.3	-20.3	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	-6.4	-10.6	-14.8	-6.9	-14.2	-8.5	-14.8	-7.2	-5.8	-8.6	-7.3	-5.0	-8.0	-11.0	-11.0	-11.0	-11.0	-11.0	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	-6.0	-10.7	-12.1	-7.3	-13.9	-4.7	-12.6	-4.4	-1.9	-2.1	3.1	-9.2	-6.2	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	-12.6	
Family Income	National	-4.6	-0.8	-6.9	-2.2	8.0	-1.8	2.6	1.3	2.8	5.4	5.8	4.4	-3.8	-5.2	-5.2	-5.2	-5.2	-5.2	
Under N 20,000 per month	National	-0.5	-6.1	-9.5	-4.1	1.4	-10.0	1.5	-2.5	-8.3	-7.9	-3.6	-11.9	-27.4	-16.5	-16.5	-16.5	-16.5	-16.5	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	-4.7	3.6	-5.5	-3.0	10.7	-1.9	4.3	1.8	2.6	7.8	5.4	5.6	-5.2	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	-3.2	1.1	-3.4	0.0	11.3	3.6	2.5	4.5	11.4	16.9	14.0	13.3	13.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	-14.6	-6.8	-11.3	-1.2	2.4	-1.5	0.0	-0.7	2.1	0.0	8.5	12.4	0.0	-6.5	-6.5	-6.5	-6.5	-6.5	
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																				
National																				
Economic Condition	National	25.8	21.6	17.8	19.4	26.8	21.8	24.5	30.8	26.9	27.2	28.1	28.1	35.5	35.5	35.5	35.5	35.5	35.5	
Under N 20,000 per month	National	13.1	12.3	6.4	6.9	6.5	6.4	19.0	18.4	31.2	27.0	23.7	24.7	32.1	32.1	32.1	32.1	32.1	32.1	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	23.2	25.9	18.8	17.4	26.4	18.2	29.2	18.4	33.6	37.3	36.8	43.3	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	33.3	23.6	23.6	23.8	30.4	27.6	28.8	30.3	26.0	26.3	28.6	34.3	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.5	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	33.2	19.3	18.2	28.3	10.7	11.3	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9	22.7	21.3	21.3	21.3	21.3	21.3	21.3	
Family Financial Situation	National	4.4	4.0	3.6	6.2	14.1	5.8	13.5	7.3	14.7	12.9	11.6	14.1	10.0	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.8	
Under N 20,000 per month	National	-2.8	-2.1	-1.9	3.0	8.4	-0.3	7.9	0.6	8.0	5.8	4.2	9.9	-5.5	-3.6	-3.6	-3.6	-3.6	-3.6	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	2.3	4.7	0.2	0.6	14.3	2.9	8.4	2.4	11.2	9.4	4.5	12.1	4.8	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	11.8	0.4	7.8	13.1	16.4	8.4	12.9	10.9	19.9	19.4	20.0	20.4	23.5	23.5	23.5	23.5	23.5	23.5	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	3.6	12.6	8.9	9.2	14.9	11.3	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9	22.7	21.3	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	
Family Income	National	66.0	62.9	54.5	64.4	69.8	66.7	53.5	51.9	60.8	58.7	47.0	49.5	29.7	29.7	29.7	29.7	29.7	29.7	
Under N 20,000 per month	National	67.3	61.0	56.0	66.0	80.8	63.6	53.6	51.9	55.0	62.6	53.5	42.2	48.8	22.8	22.8	22.8	22.8	22.8	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	National	64.8	63.2	54.4	65.9	71.8	68.0	55.6	61.2	55.0	44.3	50.7	55.5	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	33.0	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	National	64.6	63.2	53.4	60.3	65.8	63.3	51.1	53.3	59.0	61.5	48.7	47.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	
Over N 100,000 per month	National	69.9	63.7	54.6	64.6	62.9	66.2	53.3	53.3	42.4	66.9	59.1	50.2	44.7	46.9	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	

TABLE 2**National CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY**

Year	Quarter	Q1	Q2	2012	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2013	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2014	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2015
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months																			
National																			
Economic Condition		25.4	20.1	18.3	20.3	25.0	17.5	22.2	22.6	28.1	25.7	26.3	28.5	29.8	40.3				
Under N 20,000 per month		7.8	13.7	8.7	-1.9	8.6	7.0	13.4	6.0	17.5	3.9	19.0	3.3	4.1	1.1.4				
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		22.8	16.7	12.5	16.0	21.6	10.8	17.9	18.2	26.0	19.4	21.3	20.3	31.9					
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		32.8	25.5	24.2	24.0	30.8	21.2	25.1	25.7	31.8	34.7	27.7	36.6	39.0	44.9				
Over N 100,000 per month		30.4	21.9	24.5	32.9	30.5	24.5	29.1	32.6	30.9	35.9	39.9	41.7	44.7	54.3				
Family Financial Situation		4.3	5.9	3.2	6.6	14.3	8.0	11.3	10.2	18.5	17.4	13.9	18.7	16.4	23.9				
Under N 20,000 per month		0.8	-8.9	-11.0	0.8	-12.2	0.8	6.7	10.6	7.8	1.1	5.7	-7.2	3.5					
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-1.0	0.3	-4.2	-1.1	8.6	0.7	-2.5	7.4	9.1	4.2	11.5	2.5	9.6					
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		7.0	9.6	11.5	10.9	19.8	14.7	13.6	11.8	27.2	22.9	23.6	24.7	27.8	30.1				
Over N 100,000 per month		11.9	10.3	18.3	20.8	22.8	17.8	24.7	26.9	25.3	27.4	24.0	33.5	37.8					
Family Income		58.8	62.3	56.8	63.2	58.0	58.0	57.8	62.2	56.7	58.1	58.1	54.7	58.8	56.2				
Under N 20,000 per month		53.5	51.6	48.7	55.3	59.0	41.7	47.6	44.6	49.7	29.9	44.3	31.6	7.5	33.3				
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		57.8	64.7	57.5	65.4	64.3	60.3	58.2	64.0	61.4	61.8	54.3	64.4	58.5					
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		61.9	64.9	59.6	62.4	63.5	60.6	60.1	64.7	59.5	56.0	62.0	59.1	66.2	59.5				
Over N 100,000 per month		59.4	62.3	57.5	64.9	60.0	59.0	66.1	60.7	57.1	60.1	61.4	66.5	59.8					
5. Confidence Index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months		14.7	12.3	12.8	16.7	10.2	15.8	13.4	14.2	11.6	15.1	13.8	15.2	12.2					
Food & Other household needs		58.8	62.3	56.8	63.2	62.3	58.0	57.8	62.2	59.4	54.7	59.0	54.5	58.8					
Education		58.7	56.6	58.1	60.8	62.8	57.7	58.8	61.6	56.7	56.0	58.1	54.2	55.7	54.4				
Debt Payment		8.2	-0.4	3.3	2.1	6.5	2.4	7.5	-0.2	3.6	-1.1	2.7	-0.9	5.8	6.5				
Medical Expenses		22.4	18.0	18.8	18.7	15.6	15.1	20.4	12.5	12.5	12.7	17.7	10.6	16.5	8.8				
Savings		15.7	16.3	12.1	23.3	23.1	11.5	17.6	15.3	20.3	20.6	24.9	21.3	18.6					
Purchase of Appliances		-2.45	-1.4	-2.5	7.1	2.7	-6.9	6.1	2.8	3.1	1.2	4.1	2.4	6.5	0.2				
Investment		6.5	6.6	8.8	17.5	13.5	6.1	12.4	3.6	8.6	6.1	13.7	14.7	9.5	9.8				
Purchase of Consumer durables		17.5	14.1	8.6	15.6	14.2	8.8	13.8	10.8	10.6	10.9	15.9	12.6	13.5	13.0				
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle		-15.4	-18.7	-12.8	-11.0	-7.4	-20.2	-9.6	-10.1	-15.0	-15.0	-12.9	-8.1	-9.1	-10.7				
Purchase of House		-10.7	-19.7	-13.7	-14.0	-10.2	-17.5	-10.7	-16.2	-10.9	-12.9	-12.7	-9.6	-11.0	-10.2				
Others		2.7	1.6	3.6	0.1	3.5	-2.4	0.2	-3.1	3.6	-1.9	-1.6	-3.1	-0.7	1.0				
6. Buying Conditions Index		41.9	40.2	39.6	40.4	44.4	40.1	44.3	41.0	44.0	42.4	43.3	43.4	40.0	39.8				
Consumer Durables		47.7	49.6	46.6	48.9	54.0	49.1	51.3	50.7	51.4	52.7	52.9	52.2	48.1	47.4				
Motor Vehicle		39.3	36.3	37.9	37.7	40.8	35.8	42.0	36.9	41.0	38.8	39.0	39.6	36.8	37.0				
House & Lot		38.8	34.6	34.5	34.6	38.4	35.8	39.7	35.6	39.5	35.5	38.0	38.3	35.2	35.1				
7. Buying Intention Index: Current Quarter		49.1	46.4	47.1	46.7	49.3	45.8	49.4	47.4	51.2	49.3	49.8	50.9	48.1	51.1				
Consumer Durables		52.15	53.0	51.6	53.3	57.2	54.0	55.7	55.1	59.3	58.7	56.9	59.4	58.2	62.0				
Motor Vehicle		46.4	44.1	46.5	44.5	46.6	41.8	48.1	44.2	48.0	45.5	47.0	46.9	43.6	46.2				
House & Lot		48.8	42.0	43.3	42.3	44.1	41.7	44.5	43.0	46.3	43.8	45.7	46.5	42.4	45.1				
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months		21.1	30.0	34.7	33.8	35.2	39.4	35.7	34.3	33.3	32.1	33.5	24.5	20.5					
Unemployment Rate Index		16.0	19.8	24.1	25.1	24.9	24.4	22.7	13.6	25.7	14.2	16.2	15.6	6.7	16.0				
Exchange Rate Index		-3.5	-11.2	-10.4	-16.3	-4.8	-11.4	-5.0	-10.8	-5.5	1.2	-2.8	1.8	-13.4	7.4				
Inflation Rate Index		28.1	27.0	32.1	30.7	30.5	28.7	22.9	22.1	19.4	15.4	18.2	21.5	10.6	5.4				
9. Sectors Contribution to price changes over the next 12 months																			
Food		59.1	55.6	52.1	65.6	61.4	56.7	54.3	57.5	53.7	53.7	53.7	45.2	41.6	22.9				
Clothing & Footwaer		47.5	47.8	46.8	44.1	45.5	45.6	47.5	48.3	39.6	38.6	38.5	38.6	32.8	15.0				
Electricity		56.8	55.4	57.2	58.3	49.4	53.0	47.2	42.8	51.4	41.8	44.5	43.0	34.7	12.6				
Water		33.9	33.0	35.8	33.9	31.0	32.6	23.9	20.9	25.3	23.0	24.0	20.6	15.9					
House Rent		65.2	68.4	67.8	66.9	65.4	66.4	60.3	62.8	61.5	60.6	58.3	53.8	47.5	29.9				
Transportation		59.5	58.8	65.5	54.1	48.5	48.5	47.7	46.4	51.2	47.7	42.4	42.4	42.4	10.2				
Communication		26.7	31.6	26.6	25.4	23.4	24.7	20.7	26.8	27.3	22.1	20.6	12.4	3.7					
Education		52.1	49.5	56.3	52.7	54.2	53.1	47.2	53.3	46.7	47.2	43.3	43.3	34.1	20.1				
Medical Care		48.2	47.8	53.7	49.2	45.4	52.1	48.0	43.9	48.2	43.9	48.3	38.3	30.8	15.1				
Personal Care		28.5	33.2	35.5	32.1	30.2	36.6	34.6	30.6	32.6	25.4	26.8	26.8	19.1	14.8				
Hote & Restaurant		36.1	42.1	48.9	44.1	35.7	37.5	40.3	38.3	40.4	32.7	30.8	36.9	27.3	15.2				
Others		26.8	28.8	29.3	27.8	25.1	27.7	20.3	28.4	26.2	22.6	24.6	11.7	5.6					
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment																			
Primary School		4.4	3.5	3.3	4.2	3.8	5.9	4.8	4.3	4.6	4.3	4.6	4.1	2.4					
Junior School		3.0	2.7	2.4	3.2	2.5	3.1	4.4	3.6	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.6	2.5				
Senior School		15.0	14.3	14.2	14.9	13.7	15.3	17.4	14.4	17.6	17.6	17.6	14.9	19.4	16.6				
Higher non-university education		33.0	29.6	30.7	30.0	32.1	30.2	31.3	28.5	30.3	31.1	31.1	30.7	30.3	30.3				
University		39.8	44.6	44.8	45.0	46.2	43.3	44.5	41.1	45.1	41.5	40.4	42.7	41.0	45.9				
None		4.7	5.3	4.1	3.4	2.8	4.4	2.2	4.0	3.1	2.8	3.8	2.6	2.6	2.2				
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate																			
Number of Sample Households		1800	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1950	1900	1900	1900				
Number of Respondents		1255	1929	1822	1923	98.8	98.6	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	1893	1893	1893				
Response Rate		97.5	98.9	98.8	98.8	98.6	98.6	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.6	99.6	99.6				

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2015, North Central Zone

Consumer Outlook



The North Central zone consumer's overall outlook was downbeat in Q2 2015. At -14.6 points, the index declined by -10.7 points below its level in the corresponding quarter of 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region, their deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt. (Table 3 section 2).

However, consumer outlook for the next quarter and next 12 months remained positive, at 31.0 and 45.1 points respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 19.1 points, the index rise by 5.7 points from the 13.4 points obtained in the Q2, 2014 (Table 5 section 5 and Fig. 7).

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: food and other household needs, education, savings, investment, and purchase of consumer durables. Conversely, respondents do not intend to spend substantial amount of their income on debt payment and medical expenses.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months rose to 58.1 points from the 49.9 points obtained in Q2, 2014. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables, motor vehicle and house and lot.

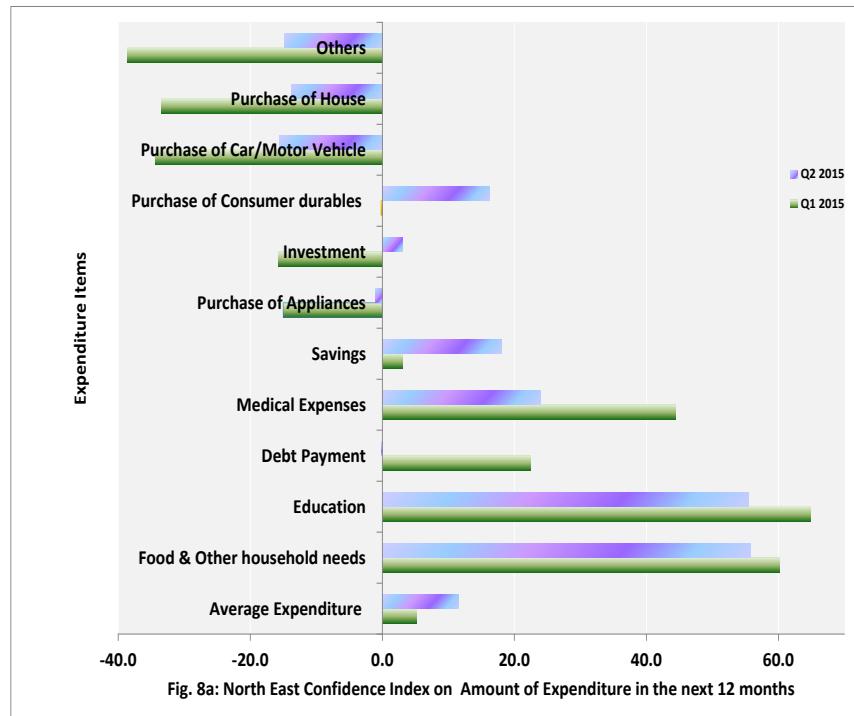
TABLE 3
North-Central Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index																	
All Sectors		2.7	-7.0	-4.8	-11.8	-9.3	-0.5	-4.5	-6.3	3.9	-4.3	0.8	-12.5	-14.6			
Current Quarter		36.0	28.2	30.4	17.2	37.7	29.4	35.9	29.5	40.2	30.1	28.1	-12.5	-31.0			
Next Quarter		34.5	23.5	31.9	26.4	32.5	27.0	35.9	33.2	28.0	35.4	32.8	41.7	37.4	45.1		
Next 12 months																	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																	
Economic Condition		-19.6	-8.2	-6.9	-11.9	3.0	-7.1	1.2	-3.6	10.1	11.3	3.2	-4.4	-16.1			
Under N20,000 per month		-37.5	-8.4	5.3	-21.4	-16.9	-43.6	-4.2	-6.9	-39.1	-13.2	-5.3	-19.3	-15.3			
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-17.9	-1.6	-12.4	-15.2	1.7	-2.1	12.6	0.9	-6.7	11.7	15.3	-0.4	-2.8	-13.1		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-8.2	-8.5	-10.8	7.1	25.0	9.1	2.3	0.9	23.8	25.4	12.0	0.0	1.5	-13.5		
Over N100,000 per month		-11.4	-19.8	-4.2	-18.8	-8.1	-10.9	-11.4	12.7	-3.4	-4.1	21.9	27.6	1.4	-24.0		
Family Financial Situation	-0.2	-12.8	-13.7	-22.6	-18.9	-19.1	-12.7	-9.7	-13.3	-31.7	-10.1	-26.0	-34.3	-31.7	-26.3		
Under N20,000 per month		-5.6	-27.9	-17.4	-29.8	-30.2	-33.6	-18.1	-41.4	-36.4	-35.1	-46.0	-15.8	-34.3	-31.7		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-2.9	-7.3	-16.4	-28.9	-26.9	-27.5	-30.4	-14.5	-8.7	-11.7	-32.4	-18.4	-25.0	-24.7		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		19.9	-9.1	-18.8	-2.4	-13.5	-9.6	-13.6	-11.7	5.8	-9.2	-16.7	5.8	-17.8	-14.0		
Over N100,000 per month		-9.5	0.7	-28.6	-14.0	-6.5	-10.0	10.7	-8.6	-2.0	-14.1	-12.2	-37.1	-24.0			
Family Income	27.7	0.0	6.1	-0.8	14.0	-2.0	16.3	-2.9	-5.5	14.9	7.4	9.3	-7.1	-5.4			
Under N20,000 per month		34.7	-2.6	-2.7	7.1	-10.5	-34.5	4.8	-27.6	-41.8	-10.5	-2.7	-21.1	-38.6	-14.5		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		35.8	11.4	4.0	-11.4	17.9	0.0	26.2	-1.8	-3.4	12.9	12.2	9.6	-3.5	12.1		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		20.5	-6.1	4.2	3.5	31.7	9.1	5.6	9.3	34.5	22.7	7.0	19.8	-5.1			
Over N100,000 per month		0.0	-11.1	2.3	3.6	9.3	-2.9	24.3	2.7	0.0	2.0	-12.5	51.0	-37.1	-23.9		
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																	
Economic Condition		26.25	17.0	21.3	-21.2	25.4	16.3	35.3	29.7	14.2	35.6	28.3	36.4	25.0	44.9		
Under N20,000 per month		12.8	18.0	-1.7	9.3	-19.7	-54.4	13.9	-1.0	-52.1	-11.0	11.2	-15.4	-14.6	23.1		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		24.3	14.6	18.9	12.2	27.6	23.5	48.1	21.1	21.5	42.1	29.1	35.6	32.1	56.7		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		30.2	19.3	29.8	25.5	47.5	23.2	37.2	18.4	45.6	28.2	53.4	31.3	47.2			
Over N100,000 per month		35.4	17.3	28.9	28.4	39.7	35.4	44.9	37.5	33.3	57.6	49.3	29.0	45.3			
Family Financial Situation	24.3	6.4	12.0	2.0	22.8	8.4	23.1	8.3	9.5	18.9	14.0	16.9	13.1	18.2			
Under N20,000 per month		23.4	7.8	31.0	8.0	5.3	2.2	26.2	4.2	-6.4	26.8	21.4	19.2	12.5	16.7		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		28.4	11.7	-1.0	-12.8	39.3	4.1	26.2	0.0	5.7	7.4	3.0	4.8	8.0	25.3		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		37.5	-8.4	10.1	6.1	23.2	10.5	26.5	2.5	7.8	24.4	15.3	8.8	14.8	18.2		
Over N100,000 per month		-10.4	12.8	15.8	8.8	16.2	13.5	13.4	27.0	27.6	21.2	30.4	43.7	24.0	13.5		
Family Income	57.3	61.2	58.0	70.7	64.9	63.6	49.4	50.6	63.9	66.2	48.0	37.0	46.3	30.1			
Under N20,000 per month		70.2	48.4	46.6	74.7	68.4	55.6	52.5	39.6	40.4	48.8	62.4	51.9	56.3	27.8		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		49.5	64.2	60.2	67.0	74.8	70.4	58.9	71.6	74.0	68.5	50.7	51.5	54.7	32.0		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		51.0	69.9	63.6	68.4	54.5	59.6	33.7	50.0	60.2	68.7	43.5	24.8	40.9	28.2		
Over N100,000 per month		75.0	57.7	56.8	74.1	57.4	65.2	54.9	34.8	67.1	68.2	21.7	26.8	26.0	32.3		
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months																	
Economic Condition		34.2	10.9	22.5	22.6	23.9	14.2	24.4	26.1	14.0	35.3	30.0	38.6	34.6	47.2		
Under N20,000 per month		25.0	7.7	19.4	-2.2	-13.9	-9.3	7.9	-1.9	-9.7	-1.9	17.1	6.1	25.0	38.2		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		27.0	-1.4	11.9	10.9	18.8	-1.6	30.0	7.1	5.0	15.2	15.6	18.3	12.0	35.3		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		37.5	19.9	22.5	32.5	37.3	21.5	27.2	32.6	20.1	49.6	37.9	32.7	36.6	54.5		
Over N100,000 per month		46.6	18.2	32.2	35.4	35.6	25.2	42.9	26.4	25.6	44.5	61.9	70.8	62.8	51.3		
Family Financial Situation	1.7	-1.1	12.0	-4.0	17.1	7.5	24.0	6.6	8.9	15.1	11.8	19.3	13.3	22.9			
Under N20,000 per month		44.7	-7.7	11.1	-15.6	-7.4	-3.7	24.6	-3.7	-22.9	-3.8	7.1	0.0	-5.9	21.1		
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		8.0	-3.6	-8.2	-15.8	-18.8	-6.6	27.8	-1.2	-8.9	-6.7	0.0	10.0	-4.2	10.3		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-7.7	-4.1	6.9	-2.8	15.5	14.0	10.9	8.9	19.7	18.1	24.0	11.9	14.4	29.4		
Over N100,000 per month		6.9	9.4	22.6	12.6	32.2	15.0	31.5	23.4	26.7	32.8	22.0	39.6	41.0	25.6		
Family Income	67.7	60.6	61.1	60.6	65.4	59.4	59.4	66.9	61.2	55.9	56.7	67.2	64.3	65.1	67.6		
Under N20,000 per month		71.1	42.3	54.2	54.5	63.0	48.1	52.6	57.4	61.1	40.4	39.3	45.5	19.1			
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		59.5	62.9	59.5	55.7	56.0	58.9	59.7	57.4	51.7	57.4	55.6	51.0	61.5			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		74.5	61.7	62.3	63.7	57.8	58.3	71.4	66.0	62.5	61.6	71.3	72.2	64.2			
Over N100,000 per month		67.2	64.1	60.4	62.5	52.2	66.4	64.4	58.9	55.9	67.8	80.3	85.9	67.2			

TABLE 3
North-Central Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5. Confidence Index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months															
Average	22.5	17.7	14.1	21.0	26.7	7.1	24.3	16.7	9.7	13.4	15.2	18.9	9.4	19.1	
Food & Other household needs	67.7	60.6	61.1	60.6	56.4	59.4	60.9	61.2	55.9	56.7	67.2	64.3	65.1	65.1	
Education	29.0	58.7	56.8	59.2	56.7	57.7	62.1	52.1	55.7	55.9	54.4	65.2	53.1	56.0	
Debt Payment	23.9	5.95	-6.0	-4.7	2.8	-8.9	14.1	0.9	-3.2	-9.5	0.3	-4.0	-6.3	-6.5	
Medical Expenses	40.9	15.3	2.4	11.3	4.3	-2.2	18.3	0.4	-1.7	-5.9	12.7	7.8	-3.4	-6.3	
Savings	27.7	28.4	24.5	30.6	39.4	15.9	31.7	22.3	16.2	27.4	23.4	30.4	19.3	33.6	
Purchase of Appliances	11.2	1.7	13.9	21.25	-8.1	16.1	6.9	0.0	5.9	-1.3	6.1	-4.0	3.3	3.3	
Investment	16.5	20.8	15.9	24.2	30.4	14.4	25.8	8.0	10.5	11.3	20.4	15.0	1.9	22.9	
Purchase of Consumer durables	26.0	28.4	15.5	24.8	34.9	9.4	32.6	16.6	11.3	21.0	15.7	22.4	11.3	21.4	
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle	-8.4	-8.25	-10.6	-2.5	10.7	-24.9	3.3	1.4	-18.7	-9.0	-10.1	-1.8	-18.7	0.2	
Purchase of House	-2.6	-10.6	-10.7	-0.2	15.3	-26.2	-0.1	-2.4	-17.5	-7.7	-6.0	-1.4	-15.9	4.9	
Others	15.5	-5.75	4.5	13.7	21.4	-8.3	4.6	11.0	-7.2	2.7	0.9	0.9	1.7	15.3	
6. Buying Conditions Index: Current Quarter															
Buying Conditions Index	52.9	43.6	38.6	48.2	49.5	36.5	52.0	39.0	39.6	44.4	43.9	42.4	38.5	43.6	
Consumer Durables	63.9	50.0	51.2	74.8	57.0	49.0	58.2	48.6	47.3	57.4	53.7	54.7	46.4	47.3	
Motor Vehicle	49.6	43.1	34.6	37.3	45.7	30.3	51.0	33.7	36.0	39.5	39.4	35.5	34.8	42.3	
House & Lot	45.3	37.7	29.9	32.4	45.9	30.3	46.8	34.8	35.6	36.2	38.6	37.1	34.4	41.3	
7. Buying Intentions Index															
Buying Intentions Index	54.4	47.8	45.9	54.6	55.1	44.5	57.3	46.9	47.2	49.9	48.5	49.9	44.6	58.1	
Consumer Durables	50.9	49.5	54.2	74.0	58.6	53.8	62.0	53.3	54.5	57.6	55.9	59.6	56.6	61.6	
Motor Vehicle	56.5	49.0	43.9	45.8	54.9	40.5	56.5	44.9	44.0	46.9	45.1	45.3	38.7	56.5	
House & Lot	55.9	44.9	39.6	43.9	51.8	39.2	53.4	42.4	43.1	45.3	44.6	44.7	38.5	56.2	
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months															
Unemployment Rate Index	7.0	33.3	33.0	30.6	37.6	39.2	26.3	24.0	29.7	28.1	40.3	18.6	10.4	10.1	
Borrowing Rate index	2.0	31.0	17.4	25.0	23.4	27.5	18.3	7.1	15.5	2.0	17.5	10.6	4.6	-14.7	
Exchange Rate	11.0	-4.9	-12.5	-21.3	5.2	-9.5	4.3	10.0	-9.5	18.6	-0.6	4.2	-1.4	18.6	
Inflation Rate index	20.0	33.6	32.3	38.8	36.1	24	18.3	18.9	13.2	7.7	12.6	18.7	2.0	-9.3	
9. Sectors Contribution to price changes over the next 12 months															
Food	45.3	54.8	59.7	73.6	59.9	56.3	50.9	45.1	60.7	63.9	54.6	44.7	47.4	33.8	
Clothing & Footwaer	48.4	55.6	53.7	57.7	51.9	55.8	34.0	41.1	56.2	53.7	48.0	50.3	30.9	22.5	
Electricity	52.7	60.9	57.8	58.3	49.5	55.3	43.1	42.6	53.6	53.9	48.6	50.0	38.6	16.4	
Water	35.7	49.9	45.5	44.5	31.3	33.9	26.3	31.1	35.5	26.3	34.0	31.2	22.3	6.9	
House Rent	50.0	71.3	72.9	63.2	68.0	53.7	60.3	65.6	68.5	57.4	61.4	50.6	35.0	35.0	
Transportation	39.0	61.4	61.4	48.2	54.3	47.4	58.6	53.3	58.0	46.0	52.1	38.0	16.8	16.8	
Communication	18.3	31.6	40.0	34.2	30.5	25.4	16.6	33.1	26.4	36.7	32.0	24.6	16.0	12.6	
Education	44.6	55.7	61.7	61.5	46.7	51.8	50.0	40.6	51.3	44.0	44.6	34.2	33.1	21.3	
Medical Care	40.6	52.4	58.3	60.4	48.7	59.6	39.1	49.6	41.8	41.4	23.1	20.3	20.4	20.4	
personal Care	21.0	38.8	52.9	43.6	29.1	36.1	27.7	38.0	35.0	33.4	37.1	27.6	14.9	21.0	
Hotel & Restaurant	24.0	45.8	59.7	54.6	36.2	42.8	39.7	54.3	38.7	40.1	31.7	43.8	33.4	13.2	
Others	18.4	33.6	35.9	25.6	25.7	22.2	27.7	23.8	26.3	27.1	25.2	10.3	9.6	9.6	
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment															
Primary School	5.0	1.4	1.4	2.3	0.3	3.4	1.7	2.0	1.4	2.3	2.4	0.6	3.0	3.0	
Junior School	0.7	2.3	1.1	0.9	1.4	0.0	1.7	2.9	3.2	1.7	2.9	0.9	0.9	2.7	
Senior School	15.0	9.9	12.9	13.8	16.8	10.7	17.7	18.3	17.2	15.1	17.7	17.6	18.6	11.6	
Higher non-university education	42.7	32.5	27.1	24.7	27.4	28.3	32.0	28.6	28.1	34.6	37.7	33.3	33.4	29.0	
University	32.0	52.2	53.1	55.2	48.1	58.1	42.3	43.7	47.0	43.1	36.9	41.5	43.4	50.1	
None	4.7	1.7	4.3	3.7	3.7	2.6	2.3	4.9	2.6	4.0	2.6	4.2	3.1	3.6	
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate															
Number of Sample Households	300	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
Number of Respondents	300	345	350	346	350	349	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
Response Rate	100.0	98.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	98.9	100.0	100.0	99.7	100.0	100.0	94.9	100.0	100.0	96.0

Consumer Outlook



Consumers' overall outlook in the North East zone remained downbeat in the current quarter. At -15.1 points, the index though negative dipped by 1.8 points below its level in Q2, 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region, their deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt (Table 4 section 2).

However, consumer outlook for the next quarter and next 12 months were positive at 29.3 and 41.1 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 11.5 points, the index rise by 3.8 points, from the 7.7 points obtained in the corresponding period of 2014. (Table 4 section 5 and Fig. 8).

The breakdowns of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: food and other households needs, education, medical expenses, savings and purchase of consumer durables. Conversely, some consumers indicated that they do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on purchase of cars/motor vehicle, others, purchase of house, purchase of appliances and debt payment.

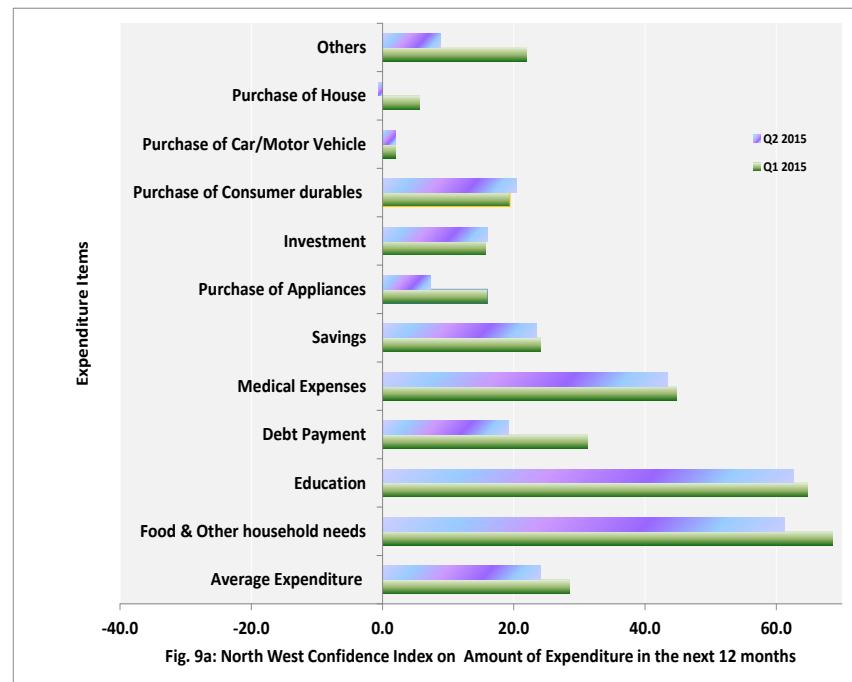
The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months further rose to 54.2 points from the 44.7 points obtained in Q2, 2014. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables, motor vehicle and house and lot.

TABLE 4
North-East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2015
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index																
All Sectors																
Current Quarter		-14.5	-20.7	-23.0	-14.7	-3.5	-12.6	-11.0	-4.1	-0.2	-13.3	-8.5	-15.9	-29.3	-15.1	
Next Quarter		25.9	23.4	19.2	43.7	29.7	37.2	38.6	18.7	20.1	24.5	13.9	24.5	29.3	29.3	
Next 12 months		27.0	23.4	21.1	24.8	37.2	29.1	26.1	35.1	37.0	24.7	27.2	23.8	28.4	41.1	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																
Economic Condition		-10.2	-16.7	-21.0	-7.9	6.9	-17.4	-8.7	-4.2	9.3	-4.3	0.6	-5.2	-31.0	-8.0	
Under N20,000 per month		-27.7	-24.6	-12.8	-16.2	9.7	-18.4	-5.1	-2.2	6.9	-10.0	-6.3	-19.1	-27.4	2.9	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-1.4	-11.9	-16.3	-9.8	7.7	-27.2	-9.6	-3.8	11.5	-1.2	2.7	0.5	-37.8	-8.2	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		0.8	-11.9	-38.2	-9.7	6.5	-10.3	-4.9	-2.8	2.7	-1.9	-3.5	2.7	-24.6	-13.6	
Over N100,000 per month		-7.5	-21.3	-18.8	31.3	-1.6	-1.5	-20.0	-14.8	25.0	-10.0	34.6	2.6	-18.8	-15.2	
Family Financial Situation		-22.9	-34.4	-26.9	-23.7	-28.7	-23.7	-24.5	-24.6	-18.3	-32.5	-19.6	-35.8	-29.8	-30.2	
Under N20,000 per month		-25.5	-47.9	-35.3	-41.2	-33.6	-47.4	-30.4	-52.2	-39.7	-40.0	-25.9	-40.7	-31.0	-58.7	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-21.6	-27.7	-23.3	-22.0	-21.4	-35.8	-24.0	-17.8	-16.3	-35.8	-20.5	-31.9	-37.4	-25.5	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-19.5	-37.3	-24.3	-17.2	-30.4	-9.8	-21.1	-8.5	-10.9	-21.3	-17.6	-35.7	-23.0	-20.0	
Over N100,000 per month		-27.5	-25.0	-25.0	0.0	-42.2	4.4	-21.4	-29.6	-16.7	-32.5	3.8	-34.2	-6.3	-18.2	
Family Income		-10.4	-10.9	-21.1	-12.6	11.3	3.4	0.3	16.4	8.5	3.0	-6.4	-6.8	-27.2	-7.2	
Under N20,000 per month		-17.0	-23.9	-32.1	-33.8	34.3	-2.6	17.4	24.6	-17.2	-4.4	-8.9	-13.6	-23.8	3.8	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-7.7	-5.0	-15.0	13.7	-7.3	8.8	18.2	17.3	6.2	-3.6	-9.6	-48.0	-15.5		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		0.0	3.0	-20.8	-4.5	5.8	12.7	-18.3	16.9	-1.8	-9.3	-7.0	10.7	-1.6	1.8	
Over N100,000 per month		-25.0	-22.2	-16.7	37.5	-34.4	20.6	-25.7	-14.8	41.7	-20.0	-15.4	-15.8	8.3	-12.1	
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																
Economic Condition		9.8	11.5	4.5	9.4	34.6	11.9	7.4	25.4	37.3	7.0	19.8	10.0	2.2	28.0	
Under N20,000 per month		-15.6	-5.1	7.9	-10.1	17.7	0.0	-2.7	30.5	14.3	-13.9	13.3	-9.1	7.3	23.9	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		8.9	19.5	6.3	2.6	36.7	-1.2	15.2	23.3	38.8	5.8	13.9	10.6	-13.1	21.5	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		28.2	17.9	1.4	25.7	36.5	26.0	0.6	27.4	40.8	8.2	43.6	43.6	12.1	26.6	
Over N100,000 per month		35.7	0.0	-2.9	40.3	43.5	29.2	9.8	19.4	42.5	38.0	45.5	-1.8	28.1	51.3	
Family Financial Situation		-10.8	-9.9	-6.5	-6.3	14.4	6.8	4.6	24.4	16.0	-1.5	-2.8	15.2	-7.6	26.4	
Under N20,000 per month		-15.6	-23.1	-22.2	-34.8	22.9	-2.6	-3.6	16.9	4.8	-5.6	-8.3	6.1	0.0	52.2	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-8.9	-11.9	-0.8	-20.2	17.7	-1.6	8.2	23.3	14.9	-6.4	-8.9	17.6	-26.1	9.0	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-11.3	-4.3	-2.8	20.8	6.8	16.0	3.9	29.8	18.5	1.6	10.4	32.7	1.5	28.1	
Over N100,000 per month		-3.6	-4.5	-5.9	45.2	8.7	19.4	6.5	27.8	25.0	12.0	0.0	0.0	28.1	37.5	
Family Income		78.7	68.6	51.4	54.6	82.2	70.4	47.0	61.9	62.5	50.5	43.2	48.4	47.2	33.6	
Under N20,000 per month		72.7	69.2	74.6	78.3	91.7	78.9	56.4	74.6	76.2	63.9	53.3	64.6	53.7	26.1	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		80.2	66.9	48.4	61.4	79.0	69.9	34.4	57.5	60.6	53.8	49.5	50.6	58.6	33.0	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		83.1	60.0	39.4	27.8	78.4	69.0	48.1	65.5	58.5	45.9	32.8	23.6	34.8	39.1	
Over N100,000 per month		78.6	80.3	44.1	38.7	87.0	66.7	67.4	47.2	70.0	32.0	18.2	42.9	25.0	35.0	
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months																
Economic Condition		19.7	11.9	9.9	14.6	36.7	13.3	8.3	18.4	30.3	16.8	21.8	9.8	21.0	36.4	
Under N20,000 per month		-16.0	3.6	6.7	-25.5	42.4	-5.0	9.4	-10.4	20.0	8.6	14.0	0.8	8.6	25.0	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		33.3	19.6	7.6	14.0	38.1	10.8	10.0	25.0	25.4	4.6	10.5	9.4	5.7	24.7	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		27.8	10.8	22.1	22.4	38.8	21.9	6.5	24.7	34.3	34.9	23.0	18.7	37.9	36.0	
Over N100,000 per month		15.0	8.0	-4.7	44.5	26.3	13.7	5.8	23.6	35.0	17.2	58.3	9.1	47.2	67.7	
Family Financial Situation		-1.5	-2.0	-6.9	-1.4	15.8	8.1	8.0	28.8	20.0	5.0	-0.4	12.8	4.0	31.2	
Under N20,000 per month		-20.8	-28.6	0.0	-20.8	21.7	-20.0	0.0	20.8	6.7	0.0	-18.6	16.7	13.8	59.5	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		-5.7	-4.1	-12.4	-25.2	13.8	-1.7	13.0	24.5	5.8	1.3	-4.2	5.6	-26.1	2.4	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		13.9	-1.3	-1.2	13.4	17.5	21.9	1.3	37.6	31.4	12.7	14.5	23.9	30.0	29.3	
Over N100,000 per month		5.0	14.7	-14.0	47.3	12.3	13.7	13.3	29.1	26.7	3.1	0.0	3.0	41.7	60.4	
Family Income		62.8	60.2	61.4	59.3	65.9	62.0	58.2	60.8	52.3	60.2	48.8	60.2	55.8		
Under N20,000 per month		54.7	42.9	60.8	53.8	48.9	38.3	45.8	44.3	50.0	34.5	61.6	33.3	6.9	53.6	
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		65.2	58.8	62.4	63.5	58.3	64.8	62.8	65.9	50.0	60.0	53.3	72.2	48.8		
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		63.9	64.6	55.2	59.7	64.4	75.5	66.9	61.6	55.9	52.2	62.1	60.7	61.1	62.5	
Over N100,000 per month		65.0	67.3	64.0	66.4	62.3	68.6	63.3	56.4	51.7	56.3	57.6	61.1	61.1		

TABLE 4
North-East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Outlook



The North West zone consumers' overall outlook in Q2, 2015 was down beat. At -17.3 points, the index dipped down by 13.2 points below its level in Q2, 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region, their deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt. (Table 5 section 2).

Consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were however positive at 22.2 and 51.3 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 24.0 points, the index rose by 5.2 points from the 18.8 points obtained in the Q2, 2014 (Table 5 section 5 and Fig.

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: education, food and other household needs, medical expenses, savings, purchase of consumer durables, debt payment, investment and purchase of appliances.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months rise to 56.3 points in the current quarter. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables, motor vehicle and house and lot.

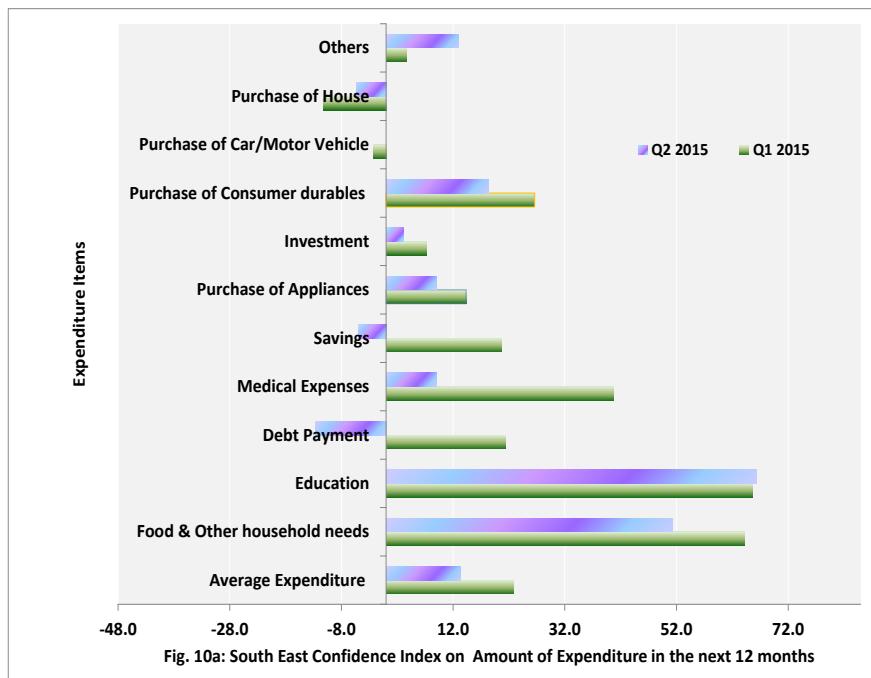
Table 5
North-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q1	Q2
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index																	
All Sectors		-15.7	-16.0	-15.7	-3.3	-4.3	-10.4	-12.8	0.5	-4.1	-4.1	-1.7	-6.4	-10.4	-17.3		
Current Quarter	Next Quarter	26.7	24.4	16.6	29.5	39.7	24.1	24.5	19.2	33.3	31.2	24.7	22.9	22.4	22.2		
Next 12 months		22.5	23.9	20.7	30.5	31.3	19.4	28.2	33.9	35.1	28.9	35.5	36.2	40.9	51.3		
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																	
Economic Condition		-19.3	-18.3	-10.4	-1.8	3.2	-6.7	-7.4	-1.6	1.1	3.4	-0.1	-6.1	-9.3	-20.9		
Under N 20,000 per month		-26.6	-22.8	-20.7	-8.1	16.7	-16.7	-6.6	-2.4	-5.6	-2.7	-13.8	-16.2	-28.5	-22.2		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-14.8	-15.2	-12.9	0.0	-1.0	-4.0	-16.9	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	6.5	-5.0	-4.6	-21.0		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		-14.6	-14.0	2.9	4.8	-3.0	0.0	8.2	-2.9	9.1	5.0	-1.4	-2.6	-5.6	-25.9		
Over N 100,000 per month		-37.0	-29.3	0.0	-12.5	5.7	0.0	-4.5	-4.3	-1.8	18.8	2.5	0.0	6.3	-8.7		
Family Financial Situation		-15.0	-18.6	-22.8	-8.9	-17.6	-12.9	-26.1	-7.7	-6.7	-16.7	-13.0	-15.1	-13.1	-19.7		
Under N 20,000 per month		-21.7	-31.0	-26.1	-20.9	-27.3	-26.4	-25.4	-22.6	-34.5	-34.5	-36.2	-34.4	-29.7	-26.1		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-22.8	-20.3	-25.0	-9.0	-17.2	-12.9	-23.3	-5.8	-3.0	-13.4	-5.8	-10.4	-11.7	-22.9		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		5.6	-10.4	-15.9	-0.6	-13.3	0.7	-21.2	-1.0	-7.1	-6.9	-12.3	-7.1	-4.6	-12.9		
Over N 100,000 per month		4.3	-4.9	-20.0	-1.6	-10.2	-2.0	-20.5	-4.3	-2.7	-15.2	-1.7	-11.8	-4.7	-10.9		
Family Income		-12.7	-11.1	-14.0	0.9	1.7	-11.7	-4.8	10.9	-6.9	0.9	2.0	-8.9	-11.5			
Under N 20,000 per month		-3.3	-10.1	-10.6	0.0	6.7	-23.1	-12.0	4.8	-9.7	-12.2	3.9	-16.9	-29.1	-19.3		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-14.2	-6.1	-12.9	6.5	8.1	0.0	-12.2	12.3	-9.7	2.9	8.2	6.4	-8.5	-11.5		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		-18.1	-14.6	-13.0	0.0	-12.0	-11.9	12.3	15.7	7.1	6.4	13.0	5.1	4.1	-11.9		
Over N 100,000 per month		-21.7	-24.4	-27.5	-21.9	-2.3	-15.7	4.5	4.3	-21.8	5.5	6.8	12.7	0.0	4.3		
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																	
Economic Condition		5.6	16.1	7.1	17.6	25.4	12.1	24.4	26.0	21.4	15.8	24.9	25.3	12.4	39.3		
Under N 20,000 per month		-2.5	14.7	-2.6	21.8	31.5	2.5	15.8	16.7	-9.8	7.7	10.3	26.6	2.1	29.1		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		5.9	14.1	6.6	26.5	26.9	20.0	18.5	27.1	28.1	10.9	24.8	22.5	12.0	32.9		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		16.1	16.5	12.4	6.0	17.2	21.9	31.0	33.9	32.2	24.4	29.4	28.0	21.5	46.5		
Over N 100,000 per month		-7.4	24.4	16.3	4.8	26.0	-4.2	45.8	17.3	9.8	23.9	33.3	26.5	8.7	52.6		
Family Financial Situation		-3.5	-8.0	-2.7	9.3	14.3	0.0	5.8	10.3	13.2	13.0	17.4	11.7	13.4	28.3		
Under N 20,000 per month		2.5	-25.0	-5.1	10.9	13.6	-18.2	-7.9	0.0	0.0	-1.6	4.8	3.2	-1.4	-1.5		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-6.6	-5.5	-11.7	13.5	18.5	12.3	0.0	10.9	17.4	21.9	16.8	9.4	16.0	24.6		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		0.0	-5.3	10.7	14.1	9.2	6.8	17.7	18.3	18.3	11.5	23.3	23.2	19.6	41.0		
Over N 100,000 per month		-14.8	4.7	4.7	-19.0	13.5	-6.3	25.0	3.8	4.5	10.4	23.3	10.6	15.2	49.1		
Family Income		77.9	65.1	45.3	61.6	79.4	60.3	43.3	21.4	65.4	64.8	31.7	31.7	41.4	-0.9		
Under N 20,000 per month		73.8	72.1	60.3	47.6	92.6	68.7	47.4	20.0	61.0	64.1	49.2	15.6	65.3	16.4		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		77.0	62.1	49.6	62.6	80.0	59.2	47.9	20.2	73.4	67.6	27.0	33.3	48.4	6.3		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		84.4	67.0	27.1	69.1	72.4	43.8	41.8	24.8	52.9	67.5	26.7	36.6	15.9	-11.1		
Over N 100,000 per month		74.1	60.5	41.9	59.2	69.2	70.8	25.0	19.2	71.2	56.7	31.7	37.9	45.5	-19.3		
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months																	
Economic Condition		9.3	11.9	3.9	16.7	18.9	-1.6	21.6	23.4	22.4	13.1	22.6	25.4	30.9	51.7		
Under N 20,000 per month		4.7	13.9	-5.4	12.3	21.2	-12.3	7.6	11.7	0.0	0.8	17.8	16.3	17.3	30.9		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		6.2	5.0	0.0	18.2	18.8	10.4	13.3	21.6	17.1	5.2	19.1	23.8	26.6	41.3		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		15.4	22.3	2.5	17.9	-13.3	32.2	20.3	37.8	15.9	28.0	30.1	36.2	37.6	60.3		
Over N 100,000 per month		13.6	4.1	24.2	16.1	21.9	1.8	38.5	33.5	15.5	33.6	25.0	21.5	38.4	67.7		
Family Financial Situation		1.7	-3.1	-1.2	11.9	13.7	0.3	3.5	10.6	19.4	13.8	17.1	19.4	23.2	40.8		
Under N 20,000 per month		1.3	-18.0	-8.1	10.5	3.8	-23.4	-10.2	-4.3	15.6	-6.1	8.5	20.9	6.1	18.5		
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-3.6	-9.2	-7.1	7.4	19.2	6.0	-7.2	-2.9	15.7	14.5	5.1	11.3	17.5	27.2		
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		9.6	8.2	11.1	19.8	12.6	14.5	18.9	8.3	22.8	19.8	30.1	26.4	25.0	47.3		
Over N 100,000 per month		0.0	6.1	3.2	8.5	12.3	-1.8	18.0	33.0	20.7	23.7	26.3	25.3	47.4	64.6		
Family Income		56.6	62.9	59.4	63.0	61.4	59.5	67.6	63.3	59.9	66.9	63.7	68.6	61.3			
Under N 20,000 per month		55.3	52.5	49.3	54.4	51.0	53.2	54.2	51.1	69.4	43.8	61.0	41.8	60.0			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		53.6	59.6	55.6	65.7	64.6	59.7	60.1	58.8	65.3	62.0	58.8	54.8	71.8			
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month		67.3	64.5	69.1	67.5	61.6	57.2	65.0	70.8	64.6	61.6	75.3	67.8	71.8			
Over N 100,000 per month		37.9	80.6	67.7	58.5	63.0	58.0	56.6	64.9	63.2	68.8	69.6	63.3	77.2	63.3		

Table 5
North-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q2 2015, South East Zone

Consumer Outlook



The South East zone consumer's overall outlook was upbeat in Q2, 2015. At -1.7 points the index rose by 1.6 points above its level in Q2, 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt (Table 6 section 2).

However, consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were positive at 31.9 and 31.8 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 13.4 points, the index rose by 3.5 points, from the -9.9 points obtained in Q2, 2014 (Table 6 section 5 and Fig. 10).

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: education, food and other household needs, purchase of consumer durables, medical expenses, purchase of appliances and investment. Conversely, some of the consumers indicated that they do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on debt payment, purchase of house and savings.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months rose to 43.5 points from the 35.6 points obtained in Q2, 2014. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would not be an opportune time to purchase motor vehicle and house and lot.

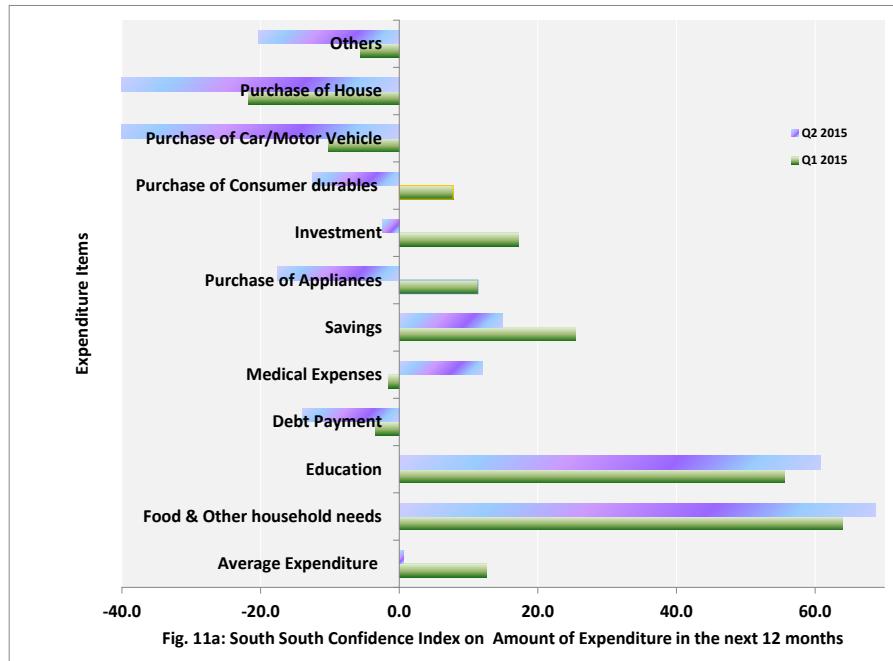
TABLE 6
South -East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors		-20.5	1.4	-3.0	-1.3	-8.7	-18.2	-10.4	-15.6	4.2	-3.3	-1.9	2.1	7.9	-1.7
Current Quarter		25.3	43.8	30.9	37.5	28.3	24.4	23.5	18.9	41.5	28.3	23.9	30.9	44.7	31.9
Next 12 months		25.1	43.6	35.6	34.3	23.8	22.7	17.5	18.7	42.4	30.1	26.9	29.9	36.6	31.8
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		-28.0	-4.5	10.1	-1.6	-1.0	3.3	2.8	-13.4	2.2	-4.5	-6.6	7.0	6.9	-2.6
Under N 20,000 per month		-41.4	-19.8	-15.2	-8.0	-42.7	1.5	10.2	-8.1	-4.8	-41.3	-6.1	18.8	15.0	-6.8
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-26.9	0.9	15.4	2.1	0.0	8.0	5.7	-22.6	-5.4	13.3	-6.1	0.0	-8.5	-1.8
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-19.4	3.9	7.7	-4.7	18.1	-13.2	-9.4	-3.0	25.0	20.2	-2.8	14.8	22.5	-3.7
Over N 100,000 per month		-22.9	-2.7	29.5	11.8	21.4	16.7	0.0	5.0	11.8	20.8	-15.6	4.8	31.7	0.0
Family Financial Situation		-16.4	-10.5	-22.4	-6.2	-29.4	-40.7	-21.6	-10.6	2.4	-10.4	-8.6	-9.2	-10.3	-8.0
Under N 20,000 per month		-8.6	-30.2	-43.5	11.0	-30.5	-46.9	-20.4	-9.7	0.0	-18.6	-30.3	-18.8	-27.5	-11.4
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-19.8	-13.2	-28.8	-7.2	-29.2	-49.2	-21.5	-21.0	-2.1	-8.7	-8.0	-11.8	-19.4	-9.1
Over N 100,000 per month		-18.5	11.8	-15.4	-13.4	-32.8	-34.2	-35.8	-6.8	7.1	4.8	5.6	3.7	2.9	-6.8
Family Income		-14.6	8.1	-2.3	-14.7	-19.0	-7.7	6.0	-22.5	16.2	-20.8	-12.5	-9.5	10.0	-5.4
Under N 20,000 per month		-17.2	19.0	3.4	4.0	-17.2	-12.4	-22.8	8.1	4.9	9.6	8.4	27.0	5.6	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-12.1	36.5	-17.4	20.0	-24.4	-3.0	-16.3	-19.4	0.0	-7.0	12.1	10.0	20.0	0.0
Over N 100,000 per month		-21.7	14.5	19.2	-5.2	3.8	-18.9	-5.7	-28.6	0.0	8.7	2.3	5.3	13.2	2.7
Family Outlook		-19.4	13.2	-3.8	4.7	20.7	-29.8	-18.9	-13.6	14.3	23.8	24.1	20.4	49.3	0.0
Over N 100,000 per month		-4.2	8.1	9.1	5.9	19.0	0.0	-24.0	-20.0	41.2	-16.7	12.5	0.0	40.0	29.7
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		18.4	36.7	34.7	28.2	12.8	19.9	16.2	4.4	36.3	32.0	20.8	27.8	38.5	33.2
Under N 20,000 per month		-12.0	34.7	10.0	17.9	-15.5	6.9	9.4	-4.2	79.1	-20.7	-12.5	27.1	81.3	45.8
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		13.8	43.6	44.4	25.2	3.9	15.7	15.5	-16.3	19.0	43.5	15.5	17.0	20.8	23.4
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		40.0	43.6	41.7	30.7	22.1	12.6	21.0	42.1	54.9	47.5	44.6	32.9	53.4	37.2
Over N 100,000 per month		35.0	24.2	46.3	43.6	52.3	13.0	46.0	16.3	25.0	15.2	44.3	62.2	42.0	
Family Financial Situation		-4.4	19.0	7.3	8.8	4.4	-28.5	-14.8	-26.2	14.5	1.6	1.2	10.4	9.2	
Under N 20,000 per month		-21.7	32.7	-6.7	33.3	-27.6	3.4	-3.1	-45.8	7.0	-19.5	25.0	-29.2	37.5	0.0
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-12.8	9.3	1.9	-5.9	-3.5	-40.0	-29.4	-27.5	5.6	2.1	-24.4	15.5	-10.4	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		13.8	10.6	13.0	10.8	22.1	-28.6	0.0	-28.1	25.5	30.0	27.7	15.2	49.3	13.3
Over N 100,000 per month		13.3	27.3	11.5	22.2	20.5	-27.9	-14.8	4.0	30.4	-16.7	19.6	11.4	43.2	45.5
Family Income		62.0	75.8	50.6	75.6	67.6	81.9	69.2	78.5	73.8	51.2	49.6	70.6	53.2	
Under N 20,000 per month		73.9	75.5	46.7	84.6	72.4	86.2	53.1	83.3	72.1	73.2	55.0	50.0	62.5	58.3
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month		63.3	76.7	46.3	82.2	73.7	84.5	80.9	86.4	83.3	47.6	46.2	55.3	72.3	64.6
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		50.8	76.6	64.8	62.7	69.1	76.9	72.8	64.9	54.9	30.0	50.8	53.2	79.5	44.9
Over N 100,000 per month		63.3	74.2	30.8	77.8	43.6	88.4	29.6	60.0	73.9	77.8	54.3	56.8	48.6	45.5
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months															
Economic Condition		19.8	38.7	33.7	27.0	7.6	8.0	9.0	10.6	37.3	25.2	13.4	24.4	24.4	26.6
Under N 20,000 per month		-26.4	34.3	23.1	6.8	-22.6	11.8	6.5	-2.8	45.0	-39.3	12.5	26.5	10.0	16.7
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		18.4	38.4	47.1	27.1	-3.6	-9.6	-6.6	1.5	34.5	31.4	9.0	18.9	8.3	12.7
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		36.8	55.2	36.2	18.1	20.3	9.5	9.4	18.8	46.4	36.0	21.4	22.5	38.8	24.5
Over N 100,000 per month		36.3	30.6	21.9	57.3	30.2	19.8	36.5	39.7	30.0	42.0	10.7	34.1	36.7	46.8
Family Financial Situation		0.4	26.2	20.7	16.0	5.6	-4.4	-8.4	-21.0	23.4	2.9	7.2	13.6	21.4	17.6
Under N 20,000 per month		-25.0	37.3	-38.5	-27.3	-25.8	-18.8	-17.4	-43.8	10.0	-21.4	10.0	5.9	0.0	33.3
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-3.8	26.8	34.3	10.4	-8.2	-16.9	-34.9	-30.5	13.6	0.0	-8.1	6.7	-2.8	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		1.5	18.8	27.5	26.4	20.3	-7.3	5.3	-18.1	43.6	14.3	21.1	20.7	40.0	12.7
Over N 100,000 per month		32.5	22.4	18.8	26.8	31.3	17.0	14.6	27.6	28.3	21.4	17.5	34.1	32.7	47.6
Family Income		55.2	66.0	52.3	60.0	58.2	64.4	52.0	66.4	66.5	62.2	60.2	51.8	64.1	51.2
Under N 20,000 per month		-63.5	66.7	42.3	40.9	71.0	29.4	36.4	69.4	58.3	48.2	55.0	32.4	30.0	0.0
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month		-83.3	68.9	61.4	66.7	59.3	60.2	50.0	71.8	71.4	64.4	53.3	67.4	54.2	
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month		-31.8	54.2	55.1	56.6	51.4	67.3	56.9	60.4	63.6	61.6	61.0	56.3	65.9	50.0
Over N 100,000 per month		-24.0	70.1	39.1	62.2	58.3	71.9	56.3	65.0	70.0	50.0	49.2	57.1	54.8	

TABLE 6
South -East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
5. Confidence Index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months																	
Average	7.5	17.8	17.6	25.0	-0.5	11.8	7.4	-1.4	14.2	-9.9	10.7	6.2	22.8	13.4			
Food & Other household needs	55.2	66.0	52.3	60.0	58.2	64.4	52.0	66.4	66.5	62.2	60.2	51.8	64.1	51.2			
Education	46.8	60.7	48.7	48.2	52.8	61.3	58.4	78.8	58.1	57.3	62.4	53.4	65.5	66.4			
Debt Payment	-6.4	13.1	19.7	13.2	-4.8	5.2	9.4	-21.2	9.1	-18.5	-4.2	2.6	21.5	-12.6			
Medical Expenses	9.0	23.4	10.4	15.4	10.4	35.8	21.4	40.2	4.6	15.2	32.0	21.8	40.7	9.0			
Savings	18.2	24.1	20.3	30.0	-1.6	-5.9	-8.0	-20.2	31.5	-19.3	5.0	5.2	20.6	-5.0			
Purchase of Appliances	-5.0	12.7	11.3	31.2	-17.0	-6.3	-4.4	-12.4	3.6	-27.0	13.4	-11.0	14.3	9.0			
Investment	4.8	11.1	7.1	32.2	-15.0	-12.7	-11.0	-34.4	4.2	-38.2	-6.6	-4.6	7.3	3.2			
Purchase of Consumer durables	17.8	24.1	23.7	34.8	-8.2	7.3	-4.8	1.6	4.8	-7.1	15.4	0.6	26.6	18.4			
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle	-19.8	-28.8	0.7	6.2	-31.4	-17.9	-11.2	-47.4	-20.0	-59.8	-24.6	-18.2	-2.2	0.0			
Purchase of House	-28.0	-25.4	-15.0	-0.4	-37.6	-11.9	-20.4	-56.6	-18.1	-49.2	-36.2	-23.0	-11.3	-5.4			
Others	-10.2	15.5	15.1	4.6	-11.2	10.0	-0.4	-9.8	12.3	-25.0	0.6	-10.4	3.6	13.0			
6. Buying Conditions Index: Current Quarter																	
Buying Conditions Index	35.0	43.3	70.6	41.3	85.3	47.2	36.5	26.3	43.9	31.9	39.7	42.7	41.7	40.2			
Consumer Durables	41.4	59.5	75.9	52.0	87.9	41.4	43.8	38.6	54.0	52.4	54.8	54.2	63.5	52.8			
Motor Vehicle	33.0	34.9	68.2	35.2	84.1	33.3	34.1	22.6	42.6	27.9	31.8	37.4	30.0	35.5			
House & Lot	30.5	35.6	67.8	36.8	83.9	66.8	31.7	17.7	35.1	15.5	32.4	36.6	31.7	32.4			
7. Buying Intentions Index: Next 12 Months																	
Buying Intentions Index	42.8	48.6	52.5	49.4	76.3	48.5	38.6	28.1	47.9	35.6	43.1	46.6	45.6	43.5			
Consumer Durables	50.2	63.1	60.4	57.8	80.2	73.9	45.8	39.6	61.7	51.4	53.6	56.8	60.7	58.8			
Motor Vehicle	39.4	40.2	50.7	46.1	75.4	34.4	24.5	44.6	31.8	42.6	42.1	38.7	40.0	35.5			
House & Lot	38.8	42.3	46.5	44.2	73.3	37.2	34.8	20.3	37.5	23.6	33.0	41.0	37.3	31.8			
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months																	
Unemployment Rate Index	27.8	14.2	26.7	27.4	41.4	44.2	38.6	48.6	19.2	51.2	40.8	28.2	51.0	32.2			
Borrowing Rate index	16.8	26.2	18.0	17.6	3.6	11.3	19.2	-17.2	29.4	-6.5	-12.0	1.6	-8.9	-28.8			
Exchange Rate	-2.0	4.4	16.7	-5.6	-8.0	-13.3	-16.4	-57.2	0.4	-17.6	-5.2	-9.7	-16.8				
Inflation Rate index	28.4	8.8	30.7	25.6	35.2	46.5	18.4	28.8	6.0	-0.4	12.0	20.8	-1.6	10.0			
9. Sectors Contribution to price changes over the next 12 months																	
Food	50.8	61.3	57.3	74.4	64.4	68.7	66.4	82.4	74.6	55.9	48.4	51.2	70.2	56.4			
Clothing & Footwaer	41.2	55.7	47.3	58.0	16.4	57.1	60.8	80.0	69.4	27.3	33.2	46.0	52.4	40.0			
Electricity	49.2	51.6	46.0	61.2	32.8	31.3	42.8	27.2	51.2	32.2	40.0	48.8	54.4	18.8			
Water	28.8	32.7	38.0	14.8	26.5	15.6	1.6	2.0	7.0	13.6	28.8	29.0	12.4				
House Rent	58.8	68.9	65.3	72.0	58.4	71.9	64.8	78.8	67.3	74.7	72.0	70.0	71.4	60.0			
Transportation	50.4	68.5	64.6	70.8	46.8	52.2	52.4	56.0	56.0	64.9	54.4	58.0	33.9	38.8			
Communication	12.8	23.4	30.7	19.2	19.2	25.3	26.8	5.2	27.8	29.8	21.6	32.4	15.7	26.0			
Education	33.2	53.3	50.0	52.8	36.8	40.1	55.2	42.4	66.9	49.8	38.4	50.0	51.6	40.4			
Medical Care	40.0	48.8	56.6	50.8	32.0	25.3	62.8	42.8	56.5	17.1	42.4	40.8	58.1	37.6			
personal Care	31.2	31.4	38.0	42.4	15.6	26.9	39.2	24.0	34.7	16.7	7.6	20.0	24.2	31.6			
Hotel & Restaurant	29.2	37.0	46.7	57.2	14.4	20.1	51.6	22.4	50.0	14.7	17.6	35.2	39.9	35.6			
Others	24.0	27.8	38.7	37.6	22.8	-11.2	27.2	2.4	37.5	25.3	6.8	22.8	21.0	26.8			
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment																	
Primary School	1.2	4.4	0.7	0.8	9.2	21.7	4.4	1.2	5.6	4.5	6.4	6.0	4.8	0.4			
Junior School	6.0	3.2	2.0	0.4	4.0	2.4	4.4	4.0	5.2	2.4	2.0	4.8	1.2	1.6			
Senior School	18.0	20.6	16.7	11.2	22.0	15.3	19.6	32.0	18.5	36.2	28.0	20.4	23.0	23.2			
Higher non-university education	26.0	23.0	30.0	32.0	19.2	21.7	23.2	32.0	20.6	27.2	26.8	28.0	34.7	34.0			
University	47.2	42.7	49.3	54.4	44.0	34.5	47.2	30.4	45.2	28.9	35.6	39.6	35.9	40.0			
None	1.6	6.0	1.3	1.2	1.6	4.4	1.2	0.4	4.8	0.8	1.2	1.2	0.4	0.8			
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate																	
Number of Sample Households	250	250	150	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250		
Number of Respondents	250	248	150	250	250	249	250	250	250	248	246	250	250	250	250		
Response Rate	100.0	99.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.2	98.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		

Consumer Outlook



Consumers overall outlook in the South South zone in Q2 2015 was downbeat at -11.9 points. The index fell by 11.7 points below its levels in Q2, 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region, their deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt. (Table 7 section 2).

Conversely, consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were optimistic at 23.7 and 38.7 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. At 0.7 points, the index fell by 14.4 points from the 15.1 points achieved in the corresponding quarter a year ago (Table 7 section 5 and Fig. 11).

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: food and other household needs, education, savings, medical expenses. Conversely, some of the consumers indicated that they do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on purchase of car/motor vehicle, purchase of house, purchases of appliances, purchase of consumer durables and investments.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months fell to 40.5 points from the 52.9 points obtained in Q2, 2014. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would not be an opportune time to purchase motor vehicle and house and lot.

TABLE 7
South-South Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

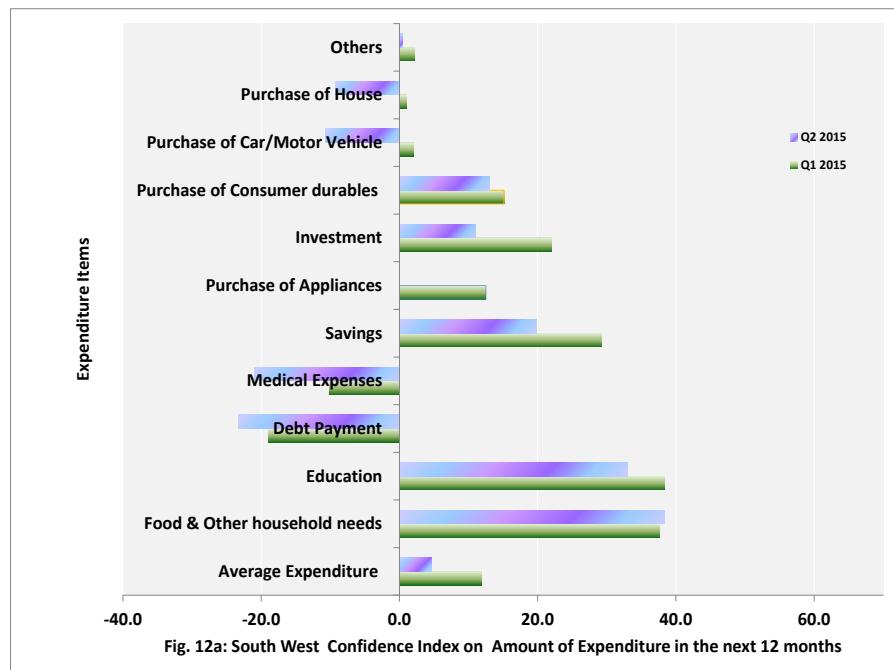
Year	Quarter	2012				2013				2014				2015			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index																	
All Sectors																	
Current Quarter	-18.0	-4.0	-5.4	-14.7	-1.2	-5.0	-1.5	-6.6	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.6	-6.1	-11.9			
Next Quarter	34.7	30.1	31.7	30.3	30.9	35.6	37.7	26.6	32.6	30.6	31.2	35.0	31.4	23.7			
Next 12 months	33.9	32.5	30.4	34.5	39.5	27.6	32.5	34.2	33.8	37.0	36.7	37.5	39.0	38.7			
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																	
Economic Condition	-12.9	-1.2	-5.5	-21.1	-0.1	-2.8	0.5	-7.7	4.0	3.0	2.2	-3.2	-6.3	-6.2			
Under N 20,000 per month	-23.1	2.4	-6.2	-20.4	-15.3	-9.0	3.2	-17.7	0.6	-2.3	-20.6	-15.3	-25.6	-12.8			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-5.4	1.7	-5.4	-26.0	1.2	3.7	6.6	-4.4	3.4	-2.0	2.0	3.0	-2.8	-13.2			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	-6.2	1.2	11.9	-20.8	3.6	-1.6	-7.4	-4.7	1.8	4.6	0.0	-6.7	-3.3	-0.5			
Over N 100,000 per month	-31.7	-23.5	-20.2	-10.5	7.7	-12.5	-1.4	-1.3	17.1	21.7	32.2	3.2	-2.0	-0.9			
Family Financial Situation	-22.4	-11.2	-6.8	-16.5	-5.7	-7.7	-6.4	-11.9	-5.8	-9.3	-7.5	-8.8	-11.4	-23.5			
Under N 20,000 per month	-34.3	-14.8	-7.7	-12.2	-21.3	-20.6	-21.3	-20.2	-18.4	-24.5	-10.5	-14.4	-60.3				
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-18.0	-6.5	7.1	-25.5	-6.0	-1.6	-14.9	-0.4	-19.1	-8.7	-9.5	-16.9	-25.3				
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	-26.7	-0.6	-9.5	-15.7	-3.6	-8.6	0.0	-1.6	2.7	0.8	-4.8	1.3	-3.3	-10.5			
Over N 100,000 per month	-11.0	-8.8	-25.5	-11.8	0.0	-4.8	-18.1	0.0	-1.3	15.2	11.1	-21.3	-7.0	-20.5			
Family Income	-18.6	0.4	-3.8	-6.5	2.3	-4.4	1.4	-0.3	3.3	5.7	7.8	4.3	-0.7	-6.0			
Under N 20,000 per month	-13.0	-17.7	2.5	-21.1	-18.4	-4.9	4.8	-8.5	2.2	-8.0	-7.8	-17.7	-31.1	-35.9			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-21.6	7.8	2.5	-3.1	8.0	3.3	4.7	6.1	4.2	23.5	11.9	14.7	5.6	-30.5			
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	-5.5	6.2	7.1	-5.6	8.2	0.0	6.3	1.6	12.7	13.8	11.0	12.0	3.9	14.5			
Over N 100,000 per month	-41.5	-2.9	-40.4	10.5	-7.7	-26.9	-27.8	-5.1	-10.5	-19.6	8.9	-4.3	4.0	16.1			
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																	
Economic Condition	40.3	31.5	40.9	23.7	24.5	32.7	36.8	30.6	39.0	29.0	39.0	32.3	27.5	27.0			
Under N 20,000 per month	62.8	11.4	51.0	17.3	-12.5	48.0	53.4	29.4	36.4	28.7	39.4	29.7	21.2	5.6			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	37.5	37.9	111.0	14.0	30.2	38.0	45.8	41.7	49.6	29.1	39.7	38.8	32.6	18.1			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	41.5	34.9	62.0	30.2	34.6	25.3	27.6	24.0	26.2	31.4	40.0	32.0	27.2	37.4			
Over N 100,000 per month	25.0	35.7	66.0	38.0	10.5	17.0	25.5	15.4	34.0	26.5	35.3	22.8	21.0	30.3			
Family Financial Situation	7.6	9.5	12.1	7.1	10.0	14.7	19.7	11.0	13.3	12.3	7.8	13.7	7.5	-3.7			
Under N 20,000 per month	7.0	0.0	15.7	6.1	15.6	7.8	34.1	15.7	9.1	10.6	-3.8	16.2	0.0	-50.0			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	9.4	22.2	15.3	2.8	6.6	20.5	16.7	14.0	12.6	10.4	13.4	12.5	8.7	-20.0			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	5.7	-1.0	9.7	11.6	9.3	1.3	10.3	2.7	21.5	15.7	2.5	13.3	4.3	11.4			
Over N 100,000 per month	7.7	16.7	6.1	9.3	18.4	26.8	32.1	11.5	10.0	13.2	15.7	14.7	12.9	14.8			
Family Income	56.3	49.3	42.1	60.1	58.2	59.5	56.6	38.1	45.3	50.3	46.8	59.0	59.3	47.7			
Under N20,000 per month	30.2	50.9	15.7	55.1	65.6	47.1	52.3	47.1	54.5	66.0	38.5	54.1	38.5	30.6			
Between N20,000 and N50,000 per month	53.1	46.5	55.9	59.8	54.1	57.3	51.0	25.6	21.8	31.3	31.3	55.8	49.6	35.0			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	63.6	49.0	59.7	67.4	63.6	61.3	60.7	50.7	61.5	65.7	61.3	74.7	70.7	51.2			
Over N 100,000 per month	71.2	54.8	51.5	53.7	50.0	73.2	62.3	40.4	68.0	55.9	66.7	50.0	69.4	67.2			
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months																	
Economic Condition	42.6	30.7	43.5	25.7	30.3	37.1	31.4	34.2	27.8	41.4	40.2	38.8	37.8				
Under N 20,000 per month	54.2	20.0	48.7	17.3	-4.5	33.7	34.6	21.3	14.2	11.5	30.0	23.4	8.8	19.0			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	33.8	24.7	42.1	16.8	35.0	35.7	34.7	39.3	44.0	26.6	40.3	32.8	38.5	34.6			
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	52.1	32.9	58.2	21.5	36.1	45.8	33.7	32.8	27.0	41.1	38.9	52.5	38.2	37.6			
Over N 100,000 per month	34.0	42.7	31.5	46.5	21.3	31.4	46.5	21.7	42.6	20.5	53.2	40.0	47.8	46.7			
Family Financial Situation	6.1	4.8	5.5	8.1	14.1	4.7	13.6	16.7	12.3	31.3	11.9	18.7	14.2	9.7			
Under N 20,000 per month	11.1	-37.1	-20.5	3.8	0.0	-10.9	-2.6	17.0	3.8	23.1	-11.4	6.3	-11.8	-34.5			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-7.8	-7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.7	0.0	33.7	11.1	8.6	3.0	-15.4				
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	9.6	16.2	7.5	2.0	26.1	10.7	18.3	19.5	28.9	15.6	29.0	24.5	32.7				
Over N 100,000 per month	13.9	29.1	5.6	25.0	23.4	12.8	31.9	24.1	27.4	21.0	22.7	20.6	19.6				
Family Income	52.9	62.1	42.1	69.6	74.2	41.2	46.7	54.5	55.0	51.8	56.9	53.7	63.9	68.7			
Under N 20,000 per month	34.7	40.0	0.0	65.4	63.6	15.2	32.1	22.3	25.5	10.3	11.4	29.7	23.5	65.5			
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	53.2	68.3	49.5	75.5	77.5	46.2	41.8	67.9	68.4	66.2	70.4	72.0	77.6				
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	48.9	69.8	49.3	62.5	71.0	40.5	52.4	54.6	47.9	65.6	51.5	59.5	71.3				
Over N 100,000 per month	66.7	50.0	47.2	72.9	79.8	51.3	52.1	54.7	51.9	58.2	54.0	46.0	59.2	59.9			

TABLE 7

CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY South-South zone

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2015, South West Zone

Consumer Outlook



The South West zone consumers' overall outlook was downbeat in Q2, 2015. At -11.4 points, the index decline by 9.1 points below the level in Q2, 2014. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributable to the worsening economic condition in the region, their deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings or getting into debt. (Table 8 section 2 and Fig. 12).

Similarly, consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were positive at 25.8 and 32.0 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributable to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings and meet other financial obligations.

On the average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expected expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 4.7 points, the index decline to 11.9 points from the 16.6 points obtained in Q2, 2014 (Table 8 section 5 and Fig. 12).

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months are: food and other household needs, education, savings, purchase of consumer durables and investment. Conversely, some consumers indicated that they do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on debt payment, medical expenses, purchase of car/motor vehicle and purchase of house.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months decline to 51.3 points from the 58.6 points obtained in Q2, 2014. The buying intention index suggest that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables.

TABLE 8
South-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index				
All Sectors	-6.0	-5.0	-11.3	-5.8
Current Quarter	31.7	30.4	26.4	32.1
Next Quarter	34.3	32.9	23.9	30.4
Next 12 months	34.3	32.9	23.9	30.4
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter				
Economic Condition	-15.5	-3.7	-18.7	-15.4
Under N 20,000 per month	-8.3	-26.4	-20.0	-37.7
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-12.3	-3.2	-16.4	-12.1
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	-10.2	10.8	-14.1	-5.0
Over N 100,000 per month	-28.3	-0.6	-27.9	-15.3
Family Financial Situation	-3.9	-13.2	-10.9	-2.6
Under N 20,000 per month	-6.0	-27.7	-23.6	-26.8
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-7.1	-7.5	-8.7	-6.4
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	-0.5	-9.7	-5.9	-3.2
Over N 100,000 per month	-3.6	-14.7	-10.4	-5.7
Family Income	1.3	2.0	-4.3	0.7
Under N 20,000 per month	14.3	13.5	-8.6	7.2
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	3.9	1.3	-8.4	6.8
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	0.0	10.8	3.6	0.9
Over N 100,000 per month	-6.0	7.7	-3.9	-13.6
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter				
Economic Condition	22.2	21.7	10.6	19.2
Under N 20,000 per month	32.1	-1.8	-19.8	-9.4
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	18.8	34.6	9.3	20.1
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	15.3	19.6	20.8	24.8
Over N 100,000 per month	29.3	20.2	16.8	24.5
Family Financial Situation	11.7	9.3	1.6	12.8
Under N 20,000 per month	-10.7	-3.6	-24.5	12.5
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	10.0	8.5	0.8	15.6
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	18.4	10.8	6.8	15.7
Over N 100,000 per month	12.8	16.0	10.5	5.9
Family Income	61.3	60.2	67.0	64.2
Under N 20,000 per month	75.0	56.4	79.2	58.3
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	58.8	63.8	62.7	68.0
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	56.1	63.3	63.6	63.0
Over N 100,000 per month	64.9	53.2	70.5	63.7
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months				
Economic Condition	28.5	22.1	9.2	17.2
Under N 20,000 per month	30.6	6.0	-11.2	-8.8
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	28.1	22.8	-5.1	9.2
Between N50,001 and N100,000 per month	29.2	25.0	16.3	29.1
Over N 100,000 per month	27.7	26.0	23.1	19.0
Family Financial Situation	17.0	14.1	1.8	10.0
Under N 20,000 per month	0.0	-9.5	-18.4	-26.5
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	31.5	6.1	-18.5	-17.5
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	14.8	19.5	17.6	6.3
Over N 100,000 per month	11.9	24.4	12.0	17.2
Family Income	57.3	62.5	60.8	64.0
Under N 20,000 per month	47.2	65.5	69.4	61.8
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	57.5	68.4	56.0	65.0
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	59.3	67.8	62.3	69.6
Over N 100,000 per month	56.9	52.4	59.8	65.3

TABLE 8
South -West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year Quarter		2012				2013				2014				2015	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5. Confidence Index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months															
Average	14.7	16.0	15.3	14.4	16.9	12.4	19.3	13.4	8.0	16.6	14.6	9.8	11.9	4.7	
Food & Other household needs	57.3	62.5	60.8	64.0	63.8	58.6	62.5	59.6	52.4	48.2	53.9	41.9	37.6	38.4	
Education	58.1	58.3	64.1	64.2	65.1	65.8	63.0	61.2	52.5	51.6	53.8	43.1	38.4	33.0	
Debt Payment	-3.5	-12.6	-9.7	-12.1	-2.2	-13.3	4.7	-21.0	-13.4	-17.3	-12.8	-26.1	-19.0	-23.3	
Medical Expenses	-13.9	-0.9	5.4	-10.9	-7.6	-13.2	8.2	-11.2	-8.0	-9.0	-12.5	-17.1	-10.1	-21.0	
Savings	21.7	24.3	24.5	27.3	27.3	28.1	23.4	15.3	33.1	32.9	28.5	29.3	19.8		
Purchase of Appliances	4.0	4.9	2.4	5.3	5.8	-3.4	11.4	6.4	-1.3	14.7	11.1	9.6	12.5	0.0	
Investment	12.5	15.8	14.7	18.1	20.6	20.8	19.4	15.6	7.1	24.6	22.6	21.0	22.0	11.0	
Purchase of Consumer durables	23.0	22.1	14.3	16.5	23.2	14.4	21.9	18.1	9.9	28.0	23.4	17.4	15.1	13.0	
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle	0.1	-2.3	-7.1	-6.3	-0.6	-5.9	0.9	4.6	-10.4	6.3	-4.8	2.0	-10.7		
Purchase of House	-1.2	-9.3	-14.4	-10.8	-8.5	-14.3	-6.3	-4.7	-13.8	-2.0	-7.9	-9.6	1.0	-9.3	
Others	3.2	13.1	13.2	2.8	-1.5	-0.6	-1.4	-4.9	-1.9	3.9	1.1	1.3	2.1	0.5	
6. Buying Conditions Index: Current Quarter															
Buying Conditions Index	49.0	45.5	41.7	46.4	48.7	47.6	47.8	49.6	47.4	47.6	45.7	45.5	40.1		
Consumer Durables	50.7	51.0	47.9	50.4	56.3	57.3	54.4	50.9	56.0	52.8	53.1	53.5	48.4	47.7	
Motor Vehicle	47.7	44.1	41.5	46.1	45.7	45.1	46.0	46.0	48.2	46.5	47.7	43.0	47.4	37.2	
House & Lot	48.8	41.3	35.7	42.8	44.2	40.4	43.0	42.5	44.6	42.9	42.0	40.6	40.7	35.3	
7. Buying Intentions Index: Next 12 Months															
Buying Intentions Index	57.7	53.5	49.4	53.4	55.2	54.9	55.3	56.2	57.4	58.6	57.7	56.3	54.1	51.3	
Consumer Durables	58.5	57.1	50.9	55.0	58.4	62.7	60.2	56.8	63.5	63.6	63.7	62.3	59.8	60.2	
Motor Vehicle	58.7	53.3	51.1	54.8	53.9	53.4	56.0	57.9	56.8	56.1	55.1	53.6	53.9	48.1	
House & Lot	55.9	50.1	46.3	50.3	53.3	48.6	49.8	53.9	51.7	55.9	54.5	53.2	48.8	45.7	
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months															
Unemployment Rate Index	25.7	25.7	34.9	38.7	29.7	35.9	44.9	36.7	43.1	33.4	31.1	21.5	15.5	14.4	
Borrowing Rate index	27.0	11.0	18.2	19.1	30.8	31.2	24.3	22.8	29.8	17.7	13.0	13.3	4.3	-7.8	
Exchange Rate	14.0	-8.7	-16.7	-10.7	-4.5	-10.3	-10.7	-4.1	-2.0	4.3	4.5	5.5	-12.5	-3.3	
Inflation Rate index	25.6	31.8	37.2	21.8	30.8	30.0	21.6	22.6	32.6	19.2	22.3	11.3	17.3	-6.0	
9. Sectors Contribution to price changes over the next 12 months															
Food	61.3	51.9	66.8	65.9	60.7	68.3	62.6	60.5	49.2	51.3	65.5	50.5	30.8	12.5	
Clothing & Footwaer	37.0	35.9	45.2	40.8	39.7	35.3	38.9	41.3	36.3	30.3	44.4	32.3	26.5	2.5	
Electricity	52.0	56.4	63.8	57.2	56.3	60.8	57.9	49.0	55.2	51.3	57.8	38.3	27.5	12.5	
Water	29.3	38.9	45.3	36.9	41.0	38.3	30.9	25.4	35.4	37.3	36.3	22.5	12.8	3.8	
House Rent	66.6	70.1	69.8	64.2	72.5	74.6	67.6	67.9	63.8	61.3	69.3	52.5	36.8	25.8	
Transportation	64.0	56.9	60.0	63.9	60.3	61.5	53.6	51.8	48.4	52.3	58.4	43.5	20.0	9.3	
Communication	41.3	32.6	43.3	29.3	31.0	30.7	28.8	23.1	31.9	27.5	30.5	30.8	10.0	3.8	
Education	60.6	52.7	58.2	58.9	64.3	64.0	56.4	59.0	58.9	54.0	61.7	46.8	23.8	20.3	
Medical Care	60.0	39.6	48.5	44.4	49.5	55.8	53.2	49.7	54.5	42.3	48.8	44.3	22.1	10.0	
personal Care	27.0	18.0	25.4	26.5	37.2	38.2	42.4	37.9	39.8	28.3	34.8	18.8	4.5		
Hotel & Restaurant	40.0	31.8	35.3	40.8	36.8	42.0	41.8	49.2	45.5	38.3	44.0	42.0	20.1	7.5	
Others	35.0	30.6	29.7	30.1	37.7	36.1	35.9	33.1	40.1	31.0	32.3	34.0	17.5	10.5	
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment															
Primary School	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.5	4.0	13.0	2.5	3.8	3.5	3.3	4.3	3.3	3.5	2.3	
Junior School	6.3	4.0	3.8	5.3	4.8	10.0	2.0	4.4	3.0	4.8	3.8	4.5	5.3	3.3	
Senior School	16.0	18.3	18.5	16.3	11.8	48.0	15.3	14.1	15.6	17.2	16.5	14.0	21.8	11.5	
Higher non-university education	23.7	26.3	25.2	26.3	24.5	102.0	27.8	23.3	27.9	24.2	24.8	26.5	24.0	26.0	
University	48.3	44.1	47.8	47.6	52.8	215.0	51.4	48.2	47.0	47.0	45.8	43.5	53.8	3.3	
None	3.3	4.8	2.0	2.0	2.0	12.0	0.8	6.2	1.5	3.5	3.8	6.0	2.0	3.3	
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate															
Number of Sample Households	300	400	400	400	399	400	400	400	399	399	400	400	400	400	400
Number of Respondents	300	399	400	399	400	400	400	400	399	399	400	400	400	400	400
Response Rate	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0