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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Q1 2016 Consumer Expectations Survey (CES) was conducted during the period February 1-13, 2016. 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. A response rate of 99.1 per cent was achieved.

The highlights of the CES report are as follows:

- Overall outlook of consumers in Q1 2016 remained downbeat. This could be attributed to the bleak outlook of consumers as they anticipated a worsening economic condition and a decline in total net household income. Respondents however, anticipated increased savings to meet other financial obligations.
- Consumers however had a positive outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months. The optimism could be attributed largely to the expectation of improved economic condition in the country, anticipated increase in their total net household income, which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.
- Respondents' bleak outlook on the economic condition and family financial situation in the current quarter was pessimistic across all income groups.
- On average, more households nationwide expect some increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. Consumers expect to spend substantial amount of their income on education, food and other household needs, savings, investments, purchase of consumer durables and medical expenses but do not plan to spend much of their income on purchases of house and car/motor vehicle .
- 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 for purchase of motor vehicle and house & lot.
- Most consumers expect inflation rate to rise in the next 12 months. The major drivers of the expected upward movement in prices are electricity, house rent, education, food and medical care.
- Majority of the consumers expect unemployment to rise in the next 12 months as the index stood at 10.0 points. They also expect borrowing rate to rise and naira exchange rate to weaken.

Consumer Expectations Survey Q1 2016

The Q1 2016 CES was conducted nationwide and 1,900 respondents were sampled

About the Survey

The nationwide Consumer Expectations Survey (CES) for Q1 2016 was conducted during February 1-13, 2016, covering a 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 achieved are as shown in the Table 1 below, while the location of all the states in the federation and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) covered are shown in the Map of Nigeria below.

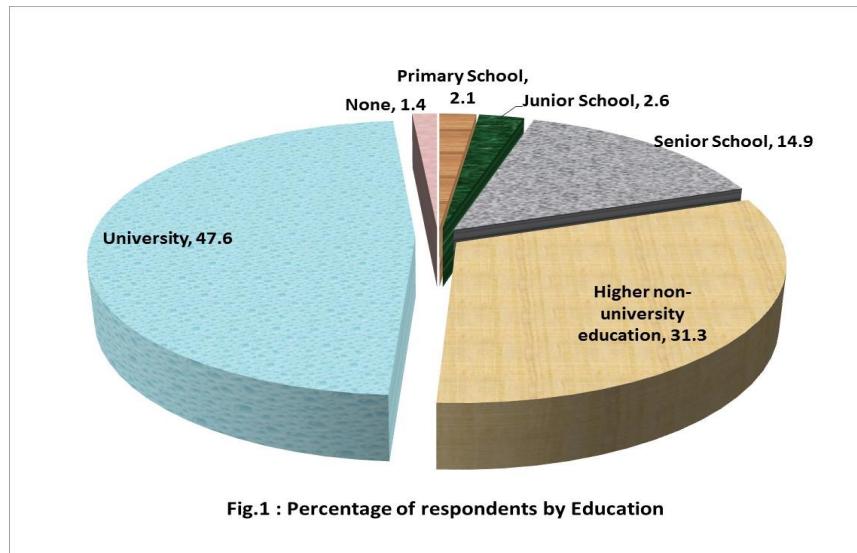


Table 1: The distribution of sample size and response rate

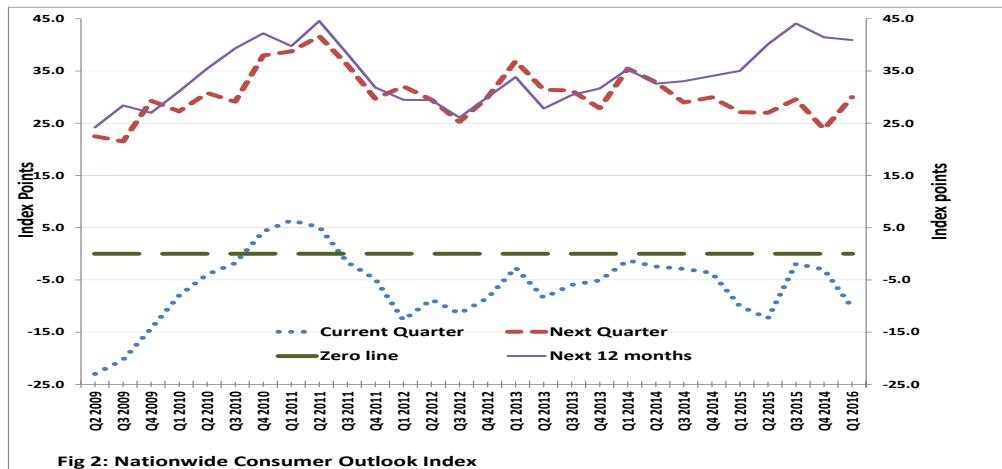
ZONE	SAMPLE STATE	Q1 2016 SAMPLE SIZE	Q1 2016 RESPONSES	RESPONSE RATE
North Central	Niger, Kwara, Abuja, Benue, Kogi, Nasarawa and Plateau	350	339	96.9
North East	Bauchi, Adamawa, Gombe, and Taraba	250	250	100.0
North West	Kaduna, Katsina, Kano, Zamfara, Jigawa, Sokoto and Kebbi	350	350	100.0
South East	Enugu, Imo, Ebonyi, Anambra and Abia	250	248	99.2
South South	Edo, Delta, Rivers, Bayelsa, Cross River and Akwa-Ibom	300	299	99.7
South West	Lagos, Oyo, Ekiti, Ogun, Osun and Ondo	400	396	99.0
TOTAL		1,900	1,882	99.1

A total of 1,882 questionnaires were retrieved, representing a response rate of 99.1 per cent

The overall response rate for the Q1 2016 CES survey was 99.1 per cent nationwide, which was 0.1 percentage point lower than what was achieved in the previous quarter. The response rate by educational attainment showed that 47.6 per cent had university education, 31.3 per cent had higher non-university education, while 14.9 per cent was for those with senior school education. Respondents with primary and junior school education accounted for 2.1 and 2.6 per cent, respectively; while those with no educational background were 1.4 per cent.



Nationwide Consumer Outlook



Consumers' Overall Confidence Outlook

Consumer overall outlook in Q1 2016 remained downbeat since Q3 2011.

The consumers' overall confidence outlook¹ in Q1 2016 remained downbeat since Q3 2011. At -10.3 index points, it dipped by 0.3 points below the level achieved in the corresponding quarter of 2015. The bleak outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the anticipation of drawing down on their savings or getting into debt and deteriorating economic condition (Table 2, Section 2). The consumer outlook for the next quarter and next 12 months were however positive, at 30.0 and 40.9 points, respectively. The positive outlook in the next quarter could be attributed largely to the anticipated improvement in Nigeria's economic conditions, expected increase in consumers total net household income and expectations to save a bit and/or have plenty over savings (Table 2, Section 3).

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.

The economic condition and the family financial situation are getting worse as households anticipate drawing down on their savings or getting into debt

Consumer Outlook Indices: Current Quarter

Consumers views were captured across three dimensions, namely: - the economic condition, family financial situation and family income. While consumers expressed pessimism in the general economic condition and family financial situation in the current quarter they expressed optimism in the family income. All the income groups opined that the economic condition and the family financial situation was getting worse as they anticipate drawing down on their savings or getting into debt.

Consumer Outlook Indices: Next Quarter and the Next 12 months

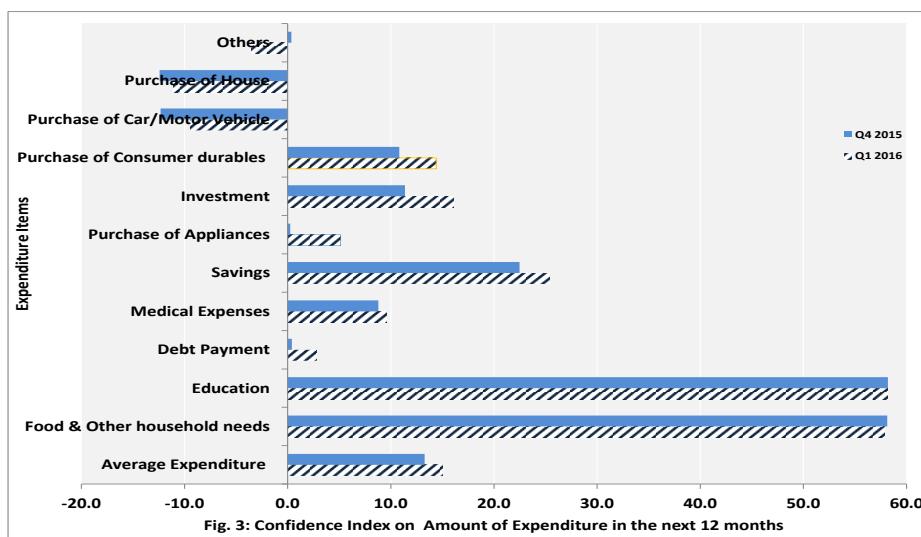
At 30.0 and 40.9 points, the overall consumers confidence index (see footnote 1) in the next quarter and the next 12 months, respectively, was expected to be better than the outlook in the current quarter. In the next quarter and the next twelve months, consumers expect the general economic condition in the country and the total net household income to be much better. Consequently, households expect to save a bit and/or have plenty over savings (Table 2, Sections 3 & 4).

Majority of consumers expect to spend substantial amount of their income on education, food and other household needs, savings, investments, purchase of consumer durables and medical expenses in the next 12 months

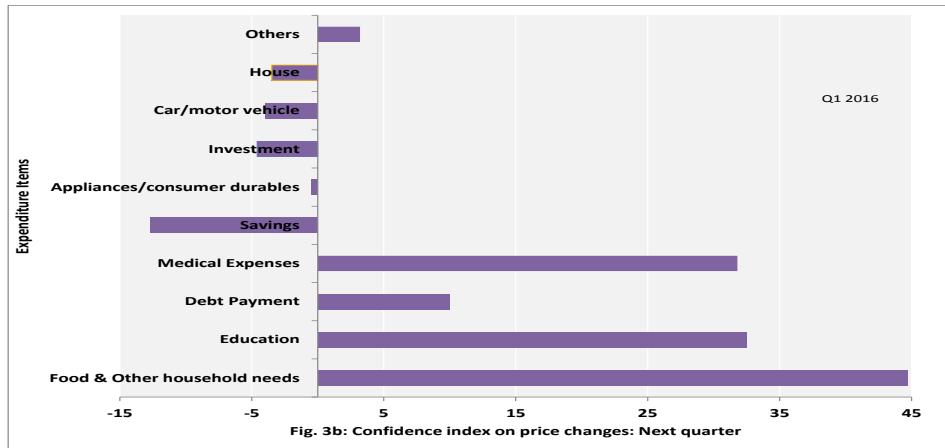
Expenditures in the Next 12 Months

On average, more households nationwide expect some increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 15.0 per cent expected, the index dipped by 0.2 points from the 15.2 points recorded in the corresponding quarter of 2015 (Table 2, Section 5).

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



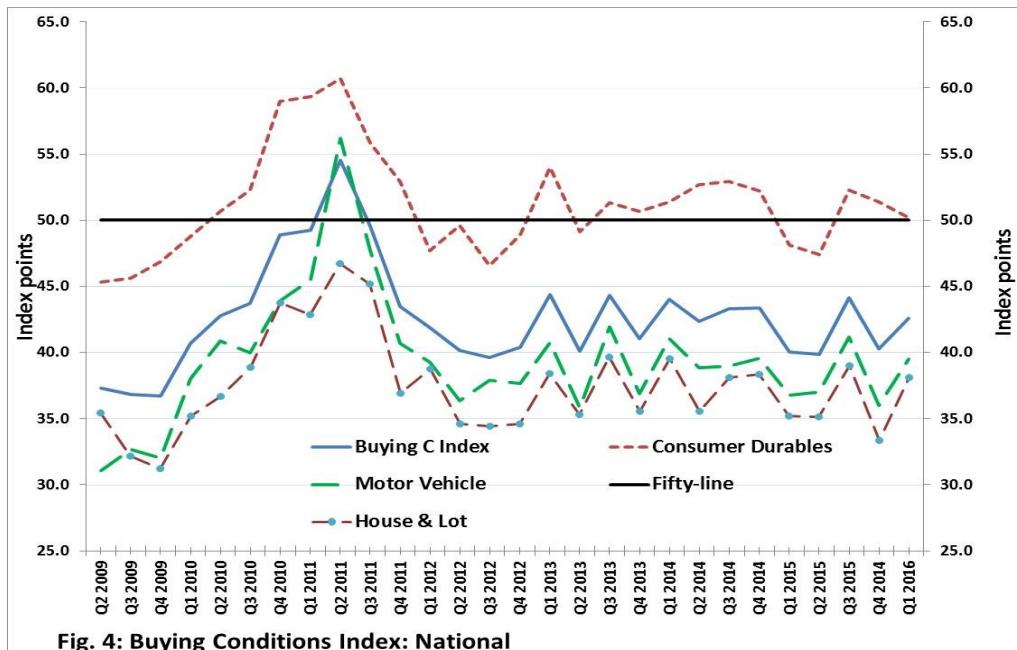
Consumers expect the prices of major consumer items to rise in the next quarter



Most consumers nationwide expect the prices of the following expenditure items to rise in the next quarter: electricity, house rent, education, medical care, food and other household needs, clothing & footwear and personal care. Based on this outlook, they expect the government and/or monetary authority to take appropriate measures to dampen the impact of these inflationary expectations on the economy (Fig. 3b)

Buying Conditions²

The overall buying conditions index for consumer in the current quarter for big-ticket items stood at 42.6 per cent. This indicates that the majority of consumers nationwide, believed that the current quarter was not the ideal time to purchase big-ticket items like motor vehicles and house & lot. .

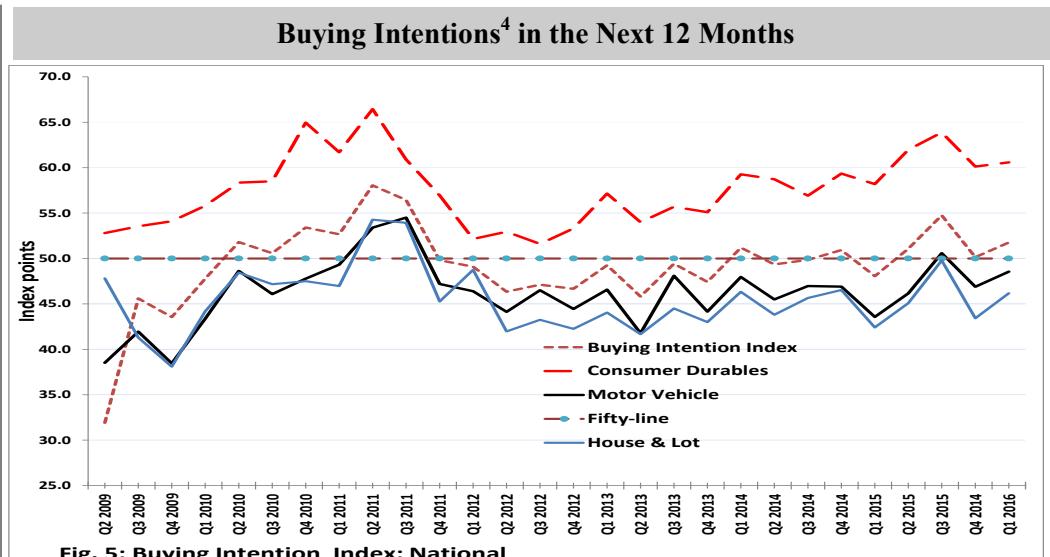


Majority of consumers nationwide, believed that the current quarter was not the ideal time to purchase some big-ticket items .

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

Majority of consumers believed that the next 12 months would be an ideal time to purchase consumer durables

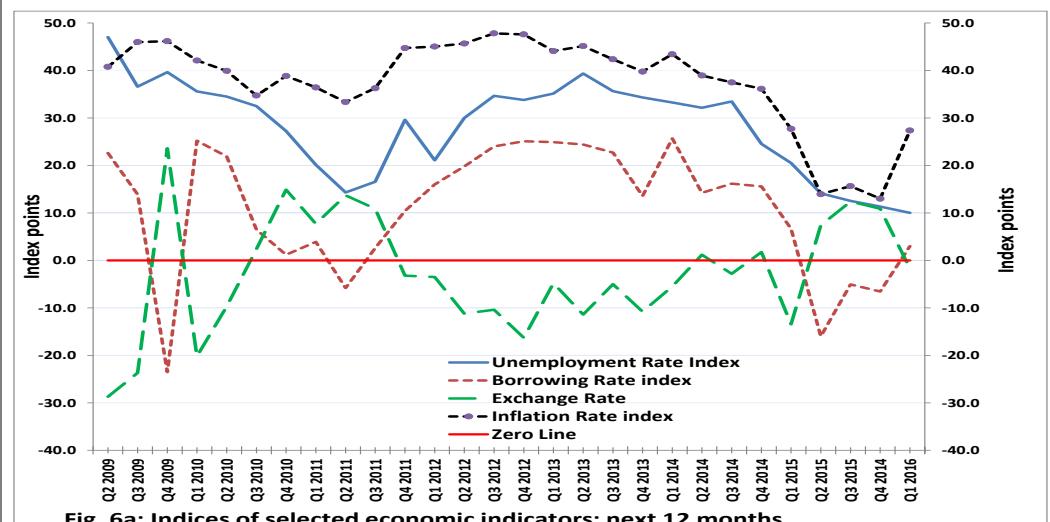
Majority of consumers expect unemployment to rise in the next 12 months



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 60.6 index points, compared with 58.2 points in Q1 2015, suggesting that the majority of consumers nationwide believed that the next 12 months would be an ideal time to purchase consumer durables. Contrarily, 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

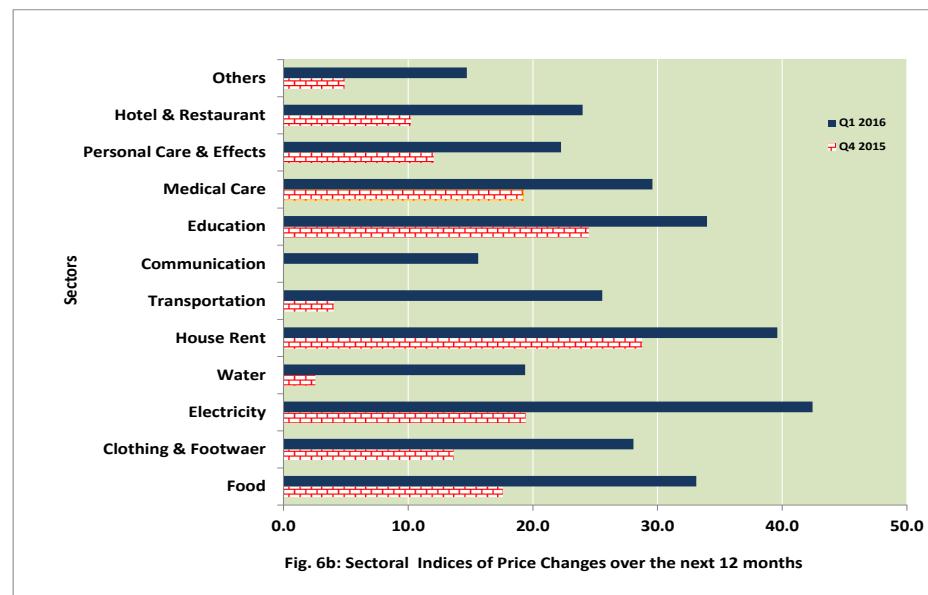
Majority of the consumers nationwide expect unemployment to rise in the next 12 months. The unemployment index for the next 12 months obtained in Q1 2016 remained positive at 10.0 points compared with the 20.5 points in Q1 2015. With indices of 3.0 and -1.7 points, consumers expect borrowing rate to rise and exchange rate to depreciate in the 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 $DI = \text{diffusion index}$

Major drivers of the expected upward movement in prices in the next 12 months are electricity, house rent, education, medical care and food

Majority of consumers expect inflation rate to rise in the next 12 months as the index stood at 27.4 points. The major drivers of the expected upward movement in prices were electricity, house rent, education, medical care and food (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.

Buying condition and buying intention indices refer to the assessment of consumers as to whether it is good time, neither good nor bad or bad time to buy assets (i.e. 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 appropriate time to make purchases; and 50 means the number of respondents on both sides is equal.

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TABLE 2
National
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

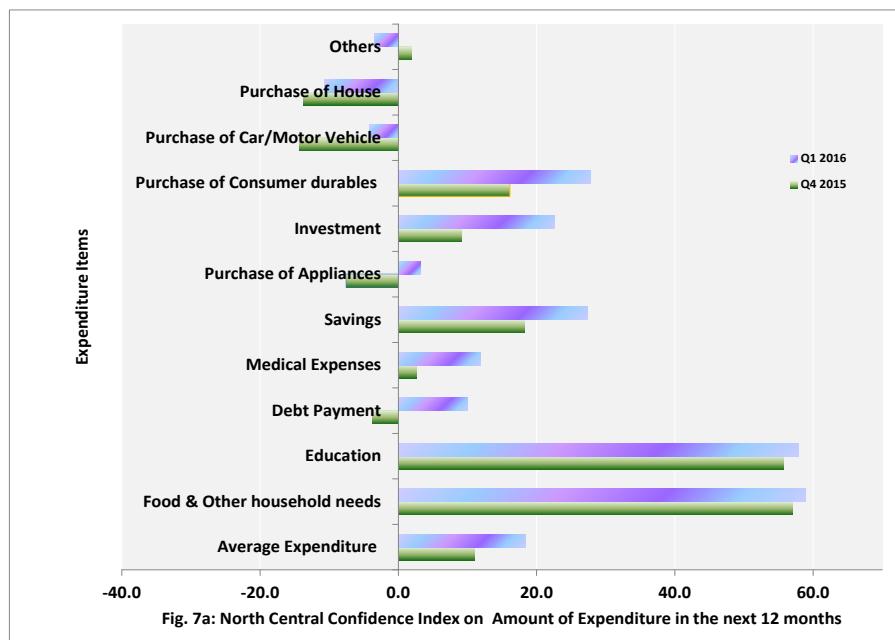
Year	Quarter	2013	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015	2016	
1. Overall Consumer Confidence Index		2013				2014				2015				Q1		
All Sectors																
Current Quarter		-2.7	-8.4	-6.0	-5.1	-1.3	-2.4	-2.9	-3.6	-10.0	-12.4	-1.9	-3.0	-10.3	-10.3	
National		-1.7	-9.3	-0.5	-4.5	-6.3	-3.9	-4.3	0.8	-12.5	-14.6	-5.5	-7.4	-15.2	-15.2	
<i>North Central</i>		-3.5	-12.6	-11.0	-4.1	-0.2	-13.3	-8.5	-15.9	-29.3	-15.1	6.0	-0.9	-5.3	-5.3	
<i>North East</i>		-4.3	-10.4	-12.8	0.5	-4.1	-1.7	-6.4	-10.4	-17.3	7.2	3.0	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	
<i>North West</i>		-8.7	-18.2	-10.4	-15.6	4.2	-3.3	-1.9	2.1	7.9	-1.7	-13.2	-11.7	-14.2	-14.2	
<i>South East</i>		-1.2	-5.0	-1.5	-6.6	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.6	-6.1	-11.9	-8.1	-8.7	-10.0	-10.0	
<i>South South</i>		1.0	0.9	-1.8	-3.5	0.3	-2.3	-2.5	-1.6	-9.5	-11.4	0.0	4.7	-7.5	-7.5	
Next Quarter		36.9	31.4	27.9	35.4	32.9	29.0	30.0	27.1	27.0	29.6	23.9	30.0	30.0	30.0	
National		37.7	29.4	35.9	29.5	29.2	40.2	30.1	30.1	28.1	31.0	32.4	26.6	26.6	26.6	
<i>North Central</i>		43.7	29.7	19.7	37.2	38.6	18.7	20.1	24.5	13.9	29.3	28.3	8.6	31.7	31.7	
<i>North East</i>		39.7	24.1	24.5	19.2	33.3	31.2	24.7	22.9	22.4	22.2	23.5	16.4	28.9	28.9	
<i>North West</i>		28.3	24.4	23.5	18.9	41.5	28.3	23.9	30.9	44.7	31.9	27.6	19.7	29.1	29.1	
<i>South East</i>		30.9	35.6	37.7	26.6	32.6	30.6	31.2	35.0	31.4	23.7	26.6	30.8	31.9	31.9	
<i>South South</i>		38.6	42.1	38.3	33.7	39.6	39.5	38.9	33.8	24.4	25.8	36.7	34.1	29.8	29.8	
Next 12 months		33.8	27.8	30.4	31.7	35.3	32.6	33.0	34.0	35.0	40.1	44.1	41.5	40.9	40.9	
National		32.5	27.0	35.9	33.2	28.0	35.4	41.7	37.4	45.1	44.6	40.2	39.6	39.6	39.6	
<i>North Central</i>		37.2	29.1	26.1	35.1	37.0	24.7	27.2	23.8	28.4	41.1	52.5	38.1	41.9	41.9	
<i>North East</i>		31.3	19.4	28.2	33.9	35.1	28.9	35.5	36.2	40.9	51.3	50.3	50.2	45.9	45.9	
<i>North West</i>		23.8	22.7	17.5	18.7	42.4	30.1	26.9	29.9	36.6	31.8	30.6	32.1	34.4	34.4	
<i>South East</i>		39.5	27.6	32.5	34.2	33.8	37.0	36.7	37.5	39.0	38.7	33.5	38.9	38.9	38.9	
<i>South South</i>		36.5	38.2	37.1	32.0	37.9	35.6	35.8	31.6	28.0	32.0	50.0	46.4	46.4	46.4	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																
National		2.4	-5.6	-1.4	-3.3	3.4	1.7	-0.5	-2.0	-10.0	-13.7	5.3	5.3	-8.5	-8.5	
Economic Condition		-7.7	-15.6	-1.4	-7.5	-6.0	-13.5	-9.0	-14.9	-25.4	-22.1	-3.5	-8.2	-18.1	-18.1	
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		2.7	-3.9	-0.1	-4.3	1.2	2.6	0.6	-2.1	-10.1	-8.2	4.8	5.3	-4.3	-4.3	
<i>Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month</i>		10.2	-0.4	1.0	-0.5	12.3	9.0	-1.3	3.5	-3.5	-11.7	10.4	10.6	-10.7	-10.7	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		-1.0	-6.3	-8.3	-0.2	5.6	11.0	10.6	8.7	-0.4	-18.8	8.7	10.4	-3.9	-3.9	
<i>Over ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		-18.4	-17.8	-19.1	-13.4	-10.0	-14.5	-14.0	-13.3	-16.3	-18.1	-15.4	-17.2	-22.8	-22.8	
Family Financial Situation		-28.7	-32.1	-25.8	-32.6	-24.2	-26.7	-35.0	-23.3	-24.7	-31.5	-21.2	-28.2	-37.3	-37.3	
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		-18.3	-23.4	-21.0	-11.8	-9.3	-15.6	-12.4	-14.2	-21.0	-20.3	-19.6	-20.4	-24.1	-24.1	
<i>Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month</i>		-14.2	-8.5	-14.8	-7.2	-5.8	-8.6	-7.3	-5.0	-8.0	-11.0	-11.1	-12.1	-21.5	-21.5	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		-13.9	-4.7	-12.6	-4.4	-1.9	-2.1	3.1	-9.2	-6.2	-12.6	-7.2	-6.6	-9.3	-9.3	
Family Income		8.0	-1.8	2.6	1.3	2.8	5.4	5.8	4.4	-3.8	-5.2	4.5	2.8	0.4	0.4	0.4
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		1.4	-10.0	1.5	-2.5	-8.3	-7.9	-3.6	-1.9	-27.4	-16.5	-0.6	-10.4	-4.6	-4.6	
<i>Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month</i>		10.7	-1.9	4.3	1.8	2.6	7.8	5.4	5.6	-4.9	0.6	6.4	6.4	0.6	0.6	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		11.3	3.6	2.5	4.5	11.4	16.9	14.0	13.3	2.2	10.7	5.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	
<i>Over ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		2.4	-1.5	0.0	-0.7	2.1	0.0	8.5	12.4	0.0	-6.5	9.1	2.8	-1.4	-1.4	
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																
National		26.8	21.8	26.9	24.5	30.8	26.9	27.2	28.1	21.8	35.5	41.3	38.3	32.2	32.2	
Economic Condition		6.5	6.4	19.0	19.5	18.7	5.2	14.7	3.8	-5.3	11.2	21.7	9.6	14.1	14.1	
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		26.4	18.2	29.2	18.4	31.2	27.0	23.7	24.7	20.2	32.1	42.7	38.7	26.4	26.4	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		36.2	27.6	28.8	33.6	37.3	36.8	34.8	33.3	33.5	41.9	45.0	43.1	37.9	37.9	
<i>Over ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		30.4	30.3	26.0	28.6	26.3	29.6	36.2	29.5	46.7	25.5	26.9	17.6	12.3	12.3	
Family Financial Situation		14.1	5.8	13.5	7.3	14.7	12.9	11.6	14.1	10.0	15.8	21.0	13.3	13.0	13.0	
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		8.4	-0.3	7.9	0.6	8.0	5.8	4.2	0.9	-5.5	-3.6	16.0	15.4	4.0	4.0	
<i>Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month</i>		14.3	2.9	8.4	2.4	11.2	9.4	4.5	12.1	4.8	9.7	13.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		16.4	8.4	12.9	10.9	19.9	19.4	19.7	20.0	20.4	23.5	27.2	13.7	19.8	19.8	
<i>Over ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		14.9	11.3	16.9	18.5	16.2	21.7	21.3	17.7	25.5	26.9	17.6	12.3	12.3	12.3	
Family Income		69.8	66.7	53.5	51.9	60.8	58.7	48.1	47.0	49.5	29.7	26.4	20.1	44.8	44.8	
<i>Under ₦ 20,000 per month</i>		80.8	53.6	51.9	55.0	62.6	53.5	42.2	48.8	22.8	21.0	44.2	42.8	42.8	42.8	
<i>Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month</i>		71.8	68.0	55.6	61.2	55.0	44.3	50.7	55.5	33.0	30.6	19.3	40.9	40.9	40.9	
<i>Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		65.8	63.3	51.1	53.3	61.5	48.7	47.4	31.4	26.4	19.2	46.3	46.3	46.3	46.3	
<i>Over ₦ 100,000 per month</i>		62.9	68.9	53.3	42.4	66.9	59.1	50.2	44.7	46.9	27.6	21.0	22.4	22.4	22.4	

TABLE 2
National
EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

National CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY												2016 Q1	
Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months													
National													
Economic Condition													
Under N 20,000 per month	25.0	17.5	22.2	22.6	28.1	25.7	26.3	28.5	29.8	40.3	47.1	46.0	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	8.6	7.0	13.4	6.0	17.5	3.9	19.0	3.3	4.1	11.4	32.6	15.9	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	21.6	10.8	17.9	18.2	26.0	18.6	19.4	21.3	20.3	31.9	40.3	27.6	
Over N 100,000 per month	21.2	25.1	25.7	32.6	31.8	34.7	27.7	36.6	39.0	44.9	45.8	35.3	
Family Financial Situation													
Under N 20,000 per month	14.3	8.0	11.3	10.2	18.5	17.4	13.9	18.7	16.4	23.9	27.8	21.2	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	0.8	-12.2	0.0	6.7	10.6	7.8	1.1	5.7	-7.2	3.5	13.7	1.4	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	8.6	3.5	-2.5	7.4	9.1	4.2	11.5	10.6	2.5	9.6	14.8	5.4	
Over N 100,000 per month	19.8	14.7	13.6	11.8	27.2	22.9	23.6	24.7	27.8	30.1	32.0	24.0	
Family Income													
Under N 20,000 per month	62.3	58.0	57.8	62.2	59.4	54.7	59.0	54.5	58.8	47.6	57.6	57.9	
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	59.0	41.7	47.6	44.6	49.7	29.9	44.3	31.6	7.5	33.3	47.8	46.3	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	64.3	60.3	58.2	64.0	61.4	61.0	54.3	64.4	58.5	60.5	57.5	59.1	
Over N 100,000 per month	63.5	60.6	60.1	64.7	59.5	62.0	59.1	66.2	59.5	58.1	60.0	58.3	
5. Confidence index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months													
Average	17.0	10.2	15.8	13.4	14.2	11.6	15.1	13.8	12.2	18.2	13.3	15.0	
Food & Other household needs	62.3	58.0	57.8	62.2	59.4	54.7	59.0	54.5	58.8	56.2	57.6	57.9	
Education	62.8	57.7	58.8	61.6	56.7	56.0	58.1	54.2	55.7	54.4	58.4	58.2	
Debt Payment	6.5	2.4	7.5	-0.2	3.6	-1.1	2.7	-0.9	5.8	-6.5	-2.3	0.4	
Medical Expenses	15.6	15.1	20.4	12.5	15.4	12.7	17.7	10.6	16.5	8.8	12.9	8.8	
Savings	23.1	11.5	17.6	15.3	20.3	16.3	20.6	24.9	21.3	18.6	30.7	22.5	
Purchases of Appliances	2.7	-6.9	6.1	2.8	3.1	1.2	4.1	2.4	6.5	0.2	11.0	0.2	
Investment	13.5	6.1	12.4	3.6	8.6	6.1	13.7	14.7	9.5	9.8	19.5	11.4	
Purchase of Consumer durables	14.2	8.8	13.8	10.8	10.6	10.9	15.9	12.6	13.5	13.0	18.0	10.8	
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle	-7.4	-20.2	-9.6	-10.1	-11.7	-15.0	-11.3	-8.1	-9.1	-10.7	-4.8	-9.5	
Purchases of House	-10.2	-17.5	-10.7	-16.2	-10.9	-12.9	-12.7	-9.6	-11.0	-10.2	-6.2	-12.3	
Others	3.5	-2.4	0.2	-3.1	3.6	-1.9	-1.6	-3.1	-0.7	1.0	5.1	-3.5	
6. Buying Conditions Index: Current Quarter													
Consumer Durables	44.4	40.1	44.3	41.0	44.0	42.4	43.3	43.4	40.0	39.8	44.1	40.3	
Motor Vehicle	54.0	49.1	51.3	50.7	51.4	52.7	52.9	52.2	48.1	47.4	52.3	51.4	
House & Lot	40.8	35.8	42.0	36.9	38.8	39.0	39.6	36.8	37.0	41.2	36.0	39.5	
7. Buying Intention Index: Next 12 Months													
Consumer Durables	49.3	45.8	49.4	47.4	51.2	49.3	49.8	50.9	48.1	51.1	54.7	51.8	
Motor Vehicle	57.2	54.0	55.7	55.1	59.3	58.7	56.9	59.4	58.2	62.0	63.9	60.1	
House & Lot	46.6	41.8	48.1	44.2	48.0	45.5	47.0	46.9	43.6	46.2	50.6	48.6	
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months													
Unemployment Rate Index	35.2	39.4	35.7	34.3	33.3	32.1	33.5	24.5	20.5	14.1	12.5	11.3	
Borrowing Rate index	24.9	24.4	-11.4	-5.0	-10.8	-5.5	1.2	-2.8	-1.8	-16.0	-5.1	-6.5	
Exchange Rate	-4.8	-11.4	-5.0	-10.8	-5.5	1.2	-2.8	-1.8	-13.4	7.4	12.4	-1.7	
Inflation Rate index	44.1	45.1	42.4	39.8	43.4	38.9	37.5	36.1	27.7	14.0	15.6	13.0	
9. Sectors Contribution to price changes over the next 12 months													
Food	65.0	61.4	56.7	54.3	57.5	53.7	51.5	45.2	41.6	22.9	20.0	17.6	
Clothing & Footwear	44.1	45.5	47.5	48.3	39.6	38.6	38.5	32.8	32.8	15.0	17.0	13.6	
Electricity	49.4	53.0	47.2	42.8	51.4	44.5	44.5	34.7	34.1	12.6	14.4	19.4	
Water	31.0	32.6	23.9	20.9	25.3	23.0	24.0	20.6	15.9	2.4	-0.7	2.5	
House Rent	66.9	66.4	60.3	62.8	61.5	60.6	58.3	53.8	47.5	29.9	32.7	39.6	
Transportation	54.1	54.9	48.5	47.7	46.4	51.2	43.1	42.4	24.7	10.2	14.7	4.0	
Communication	25.4	23.4	24.7	20.7	27.3	22.1	20.6	12.4	12.4	3.7	7.2	15.6	
Education	54.2	53.1	47.2	53.3	46.7	47.2	43.3	34.1	34.1	20.1	26.7	34.0	
Medical Care	45.4	52.1	48.0	43.9	49.2	38.3	41.9	37.9	30.8	15.1	19.6	29.6	
Personal Care	30.2	36.6	34.6	30.6	26.2	25.4	26.8	19.1	14.8	12.1	22.3	22.3	
Hotel & Restaurant	35.7	37.5	40.3	38.3	40.4	32.7	30.8	36.9	27.3	15.2	17.2	24.0	
Others	27.7	25.1	25.4	28.4	20.3	28.4	26.2	22.6	24.6	11.7	5.6	14.7	
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment													
Primary School	3.8	5.9	4.3	4.8	4.3	4.6	4.1	2.6	2.4	2.6	3.7	2.1	
Junior School	3.2	2.5	3.3	4.4	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.6	2.5	2.9	3.2	2.6	
Senior School	13.7	15.3	14.4	17.4	17.6	17.6	14.9	19.4	16.6	15.8	16.4	13.3	
Higher non-university education	30.2	28.6	31.3	28.3	30.3	31.1	31.1	30.7	30.3	29.9	28.4	31.3	
University	46.2	43.3	44.5	41.1	45.1	40.4	42.7	41.0	45.9	46.1	45.9	47.6	
None	2.8	4.4	2.2	4.0	3.1	2.8	3.8	2.6	2.2	2.7	2.4	1.4	
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate													
Number of Sample Households	1950	1950	1950	1850	1850	1850	1850	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	
Response Rate	99.5	99.5	99.9	99.9	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.1	99.6	99.3	98.9	99.1	

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2016, North Central Zone

Consumer Outlook



The North Central zone consumers' overall outlook remained downbeat in Q1 2016. At -15.2 points, the index declined by 2.7 points below its level in the corresponding quarter of 2015. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the worsening economic condition, deteriorating total net household income and drawdown on their savings/getting into debt (Table 3, Section 2).

Consumers' outlook for the next quarter and next 12 months however was positive, at 29.2 and 39.6 points, respectively. The positive outlook in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region and anticipated increase in their total net household income, which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average of 18.3 points, the index rose by 8.9 points from the 9.4 points obtained in Q1 2015 (Table 3, Section 5 and Fig. 7).

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

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big ticket items in the next 12 months rose to 51.7 points compared with 44.6 points obtained in Q1 2015. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables.

TABLE 3

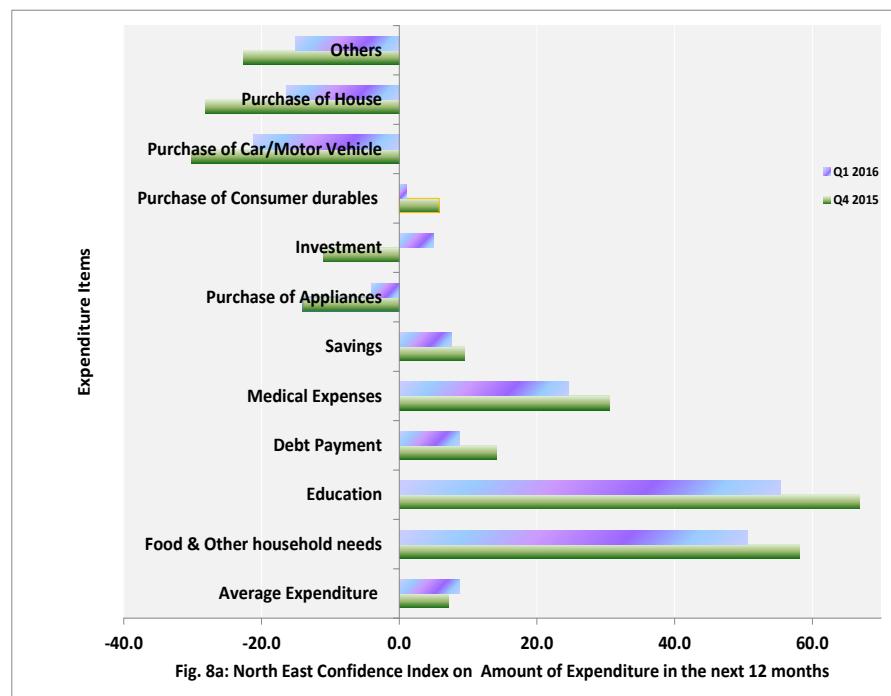
North-Central Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q1
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors		-1.7	-9.3	-0.5	-4.5	-6.3	3.9	-4.3	0.8	-12.5	-14.6	-5.5	-7.4	-15.2	
Current Quarter		37.7	29.4	35.9	29.5	40.2	30.1	30.1	28.1	31.0	32.4	26.6	26.6	29.2	
Next Quarter		32.5	27.0	35.9	33.2	28.0	35.4	32.8	41.7	37.4	45.1	44.6	40.2	39.6	
Next 12 months															
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		3.0	-7.1	1.2	2.1	-3.6	10.1	11.3	3.2	-4.4	-16.1	7.0	3.1	-8.7	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-16.9	-43.6	-4.2	-6.9	-39.1	-13.2	3.1	-5.3	-19.3	-15.3	-4.4	0.9	2.1	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		1.7	-2.1	12.6	0.9	-6.7	11.7	15.3	-0.4	-2.8	-13.1	11.6	2.7	1.4	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		25.0	9.1	2.3	0.9	23.8	25.4	12.0	0.0	1.5	-13.5	17.6	6.7	-26.7	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-8.1	-10.9	-11.4	12.7	-3.4	-4.1	21.9	27.6	1.4	-24.0	2.8	0.0	-13.2	
Family Financial Situation		-22.1	-18.9	-19.1	-12.7	-9.7	-13.3	-31.7	-10.1	-26.0	-22.3	-22.7	-22.2	-24.5	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-30.2	-33.6	-18.1	-41.4	-36.4	-35.1	-46.0	-15.8	-34.3	-31.7	-21.4	-36.6	-38.0	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-26.9	-27.5	-30.4	-14.5	-8.7	-11.7	-32.4	-18.4	-25.0	-24.7	-34.3	-21.7	-28.4	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		-13.5	-9.6	-13.6	-11.7	5.8	-9.2	-16.7	5.8	-17.8	-14.0	-3.5	-19.2	-16.9	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-14.0	-6.5	-10.0	10.7	-8.6	-2.0	-14.1	-12.2	-37.1	-24.0	-22.6	-16.2	-13.2	
Family Income		14.0	-2.0	16.3	-2.9	-5.5	14.9	7.4	9.3	-7.1	-5.4	-0.9	-2.9	-12.4	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-10.5	-34.5	4.8	-27.6	-41.8	-10.5	-2.7	-21.1	-38.6	-14.5	4.4	-12.5	5.6	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		17.9	0.0	26.2	-1.8	-3.4	12.9	12.2	9.6	-3.5	12.1	-9.9	-3.5	-13.8	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		31.7	13.5	9.1	5.6	9.3	34.5	22.7	7.0	19.8	-5.1	16.9	1.0	-19.8	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		9.3	-2.9	24.3	2.7	0.0	2.0	-12.5	51.0	-37.1	-23.9	-11.3	0.0	-20.8	
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		25.4	16.3	35.3	29.7	14.2	35.6	28.3	36.4	25.0	44.9	45.7	39.0	36.9	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-19.7	-54.4	13.9	-1.0	-52.1	-11.0	11.2	-15.4	-14.6	23.1	26.7	3.3	21.3	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		27.6	23.5	48.1	21.1	21.5	42.1	29.1	35.6	32.1	56.7	54.7	45.2	33.8	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		47.5	23.2	37.2	37.7	18.4	45.6	28.2	53.4	31.3	47.2	48.9	36.7	41.2	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		39.7	35.4	32.9	44.9	37.5	33.3	57.6	49.3	29.0	45.3	48.4	52.9	45.3	
Family Financial Situation		22.8	8.4	23.1	8.3	9.5	18.9	14.0	16.9	13.1	18.2	23.7	14.0	6.8	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		5.3	2.2	26.2	4.2	-6.4	26.8	21.4	19.2	12.5	16.7	34.7	20.0	5.6	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		39.3	4.1	26.2	0.0	5.7	7.4	3.0	4.8	8.0	25.3	10.4	12.5	10.8	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		23.2	10.5	26.5	2.5	7.8	24.4	15.3	8.8	14.8	18.2	34.8	17.4	10.3	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		16.2	13.5	13.4	27.0	27.6	21.2	30.4	43.7	24.0	13.5	17.2	8.1	-2.4	
Family Income		64.9	63.6	49.4	50.6	63.9	66.2	48.0	37.0	46.3	30.1	27.8	26.7	44.0	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		68.4	55.6	52.5	39.6	40.4	48.8	62.4	51.9	56.3	27.8	23.0	26.7	37.0	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		74.8	70.4	58.9	71.6	74.0	68.5	50.7	51.5	54.7	32.0	42.5	25.0	37.3	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		54.5	59.6	33.7	50.0	60.2	68.7	43.5	24.8	40.9	28.2	28.3	16.5	42.3	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		57.4	65.2	54.9	34.8	67.1	68.2	21.7	26.8	26.0	32.3	7.9	41.9	60.0	

TABLE 3
North-Central Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	2013				2014				2015				2016
Quarter	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
4. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next 12 Months													
Economic Condition	23.9	14.2	24.4	26.1	14.0	35.3	30.0	38.6	47.2	53.1	46.9	48.5	
Under N 20,000 per month	-13.9	-9.3	-7.9	-1.9	-9.7	-1.9	-1.9	17.1	6.1	25.0	45.2	33.3	34.4
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	18.8	-1.6	30.0	7.1	5.0	15.2	15.6	18.3	12.0	35.3	41.8	33.2	40.2
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	37.3	21.5	27.2	32.6	20.1	49.6	37.9	32.7	36.6	54.5	58.4	52.3	49.5
Over N 100,000 per month	35.6	25.2	42.4	25.6	44.5	61.9	70.8	62.8	51.3	62.9	58.5	58.5	61.2
Family Financial Situation													
Under N 20,000 per month	17.1	7.5	24.0	6.6	8.9	15.1	11.8	19.3	13.3	22.9	27.8	16.6	11.5
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	-7.4	-3.7	24.6	-3.7	-22.9	-3.8	7.1	0.0	-5.9	21.1	21.2	12.1	17.8
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	18.8	-6.6	27.8	-11.2	-8.9	-6.7	0.0	10.0	-4.2	10.3	11.0	11.0	11.5
Over N 100,000 per month	15.5	14.0	10.9	8.9	19.7	18.1	24.0	11.9	14.4	34.0	17.8	6.4	
Family Income													
Under N 20,000 per month	32.2	15.0	31.5	23.4	26.7	32.8	22.0	39.6	41.0	25.6	41.3	30.2	14.3
Between N 20,000 and N 50,000 per month	56.4	59.4	59.4	61.2	55.9	56.7	67.2	64.3	67.2	52.8	57.0	58.8	
Between N 50,001 and N 100,000 per month	53.7	48.1	52.6	57.4	51.7	57.4	51.7	55.6	51.0	61.5	48.9	45.9	63.8
Over N 100,000 per month	57.8	58.3	58.7	71.4	66.0	62.5	61.6	71.3	72.2	64.2	54.0	62.6	67.9
5. Confidence Index on Amount of Expenditures: Next 12 months													
Average	26.7	7.1	24.3	16.7	9.7	13.4	15.2	18.9	9.4	19.1	16.2	11.0	18.3
Food & Other household needs	56.4	59.4	66.9	61.2	55.9	56.7	67.2	64.3	65.1	52.8	57.0	58.8	
Education	56.7	57.7	62.1	52.1	55.7	55.9	54.4	65.2	53.1	56.0	48.5	55.7	58.0
Debt Payment	2.8	-8.9	14.1	0.9	-3.2	-9.5	0.3	-4.0	-6.3	0.3	-3.8	6.6	11.9
Medical Expenses	4.3	-2.2	18.3	0.4	-1.7	-5.9	12.7	7.8	-3.4	6.6	2.6		
Savings	39.4	15.9	31.7	22.3	16.2	27.4	23.4	30.4	19.3	33.6	28.8	18.3	27.3
Purchase of Appliances	21.25	-8.1	16.1	6.9	6.9	5.9	-1.3	6.1	-4.0	3.3	5.4	-7.6	3.2
Investment	30.4	14.4	25.8	8.0	10.5	11.3	20.4	15.0	1.9	22.9	24.6	9.2	22.6
Purchase of Consumer durables	34.9	9.4	32.6	16.6	11.3	21.0	15.7	22.4	11.3	21.4	15.4	16.1	27.9
Purchase of Car/Motor Vehicle	10.7	-24.9	3.3	1.4	-18.7	-9.0	-10.1	-1.8	-18.7	0.2	-9.1	-14.2	-4.1
Purchase of House	15.3	-26.2	-0.1	-2.4	-17.5	-7.7	-6.0	-1.4	-15.9	4.9	-3.6	-13.7	-10.6
Others	21.4	-8.3	4.6	11.0	-7.2	2.7	0.9	0.9	1.7	15.3	8.7	1.9	-3.4
6. Buying Intentions Index: Current Quarter													
Buying Conditions Index	49.5	36.5	52.0	39.0	39.6	44.4	43.9	42.4	38.5	43.6	41.7	37.8	41.5
Consumer Durables	57.0	49.0	58.2	48.6	47.3	57.4	53.7	54.7	46.4	47.3	49.6	48.5	43.8
Motor Vehicle	45.7	30.3	51.0	33.7	36.0	39.5	39.4	35.5	34.8	42.3	39.1	33.1	41.2
House & Lot	45.9	30.3	46.8	34.8	35.6	36.2	38.6	37.1	34.4	41.3	36.5	31.7	39.6
7. Buying Intention Index: Next 12 Months													
Buying Intentions Index	55.1	44.5	46.9	47.2	49.9	48.5	49.9	49.9	46.6	56.1	56.6	58.3	55.8
Consumer Durables	58.6	53.8	62.0	53.3	54.5	57.6	55.9	56.9	56.6	61.6	63.8	58.3	
Motor Vehicle	54.9	40.5	56.5	44.9	44.0	46.9	45.1	45.3	45.3	48.1	47.7	44.7	53.8
House & Lot	51.8	39.2	53.4	42.4	43.1	45.3	44.6	44.7	38.5	56.2	45.4	43.0	45.6
8. Indices on Selected Economic Indicators: Next 12 Months													
Unemployment Rate Index	37.6	39.2	26.3	24.0	29.7	28.1	40.3	18.6	10.4	10.1	15.2	8.3	13.1
Exchange Rate Index	23.4	27.5	18.3	7.1	15.5	2.0	17.5	10.6	4.6	-14.7	-10.1	-8.3	-1.2
Inflation Rate Index	5.2	-9.5	4.3	10.0	-9.5	18.6	-0.6	4.2	-1.4	18.6	13.4	11.8	-8.8
9. Sectors Contribution to Price changes over the next 12 months													
Food	59.9	56.3	50.9	45.1	60.7	63.9	54.6	44.7	47.4	33.8	28.4	28.6	
Clothing & Footwear	51.9	55.8	34.0	41.1	56.2	53.7	48.0	50.3	30.9	22.5	20.3	22.7	
Electricity	49.5	55.3	43.1	42.6	53.6	53.9	48.6	50.0	38.6	16.4	16.1	27.0	
Water	31.3	33.9	26.3	31.1	35.5	26.3	34.0	31.2	22.3	6.9	2.4	15.7	
House Rent	63.2	68.0	53.7	60.3	65.6	68.5	57.4	61.4	50.6	35.0	35.5	33.6	
Transportation	48.2	54.3	47.4	58.6	53.3	58.0	46.0	52.1	38.0	16.8	18.2	14.8	
Communication	30.5	25.4	16.6	33.1	26.4	36.7	32.0	24.6	16.0	12.6	20.6	7.3	
Education	46.7	51.8	50.0	40.6	51.3	44.0	44.6	34.2	33.1	21.3	29.6	25.9	
Medical Care	48.7	59.6	39.1	39.4	49.6	41.4	41.4	23.1	20.3	20.4	22.1	18.9	
personal Care	29.1	36.1	27.7	38.0	35.0	33.4	37.1	27.6	14.9	21.0	27.8	20.6	
Hotel & Restaurant	36.2	42.8	39.7	54.3	38.7	40.1	31.7	43.8	33.4	22.1	13.1	13.0	
Others	25.6	25.7	22.2	27.7	23.8	26.3	27.1	25.2	10.3	9.6	8.7	7.3	13.0
10. Percentage of Respondents by Educational Attainment													
Primary School	2.3	3.4	2.0	1.4	2.3	2.4	0.6	3.0	1.8	3.5	3.2		
Junior School	1.4	0.0	1.7	3.2	1.7	2.9	0.9	2.7	2.7	1.2	2.9		
Senior School	16.8	10.7	17.7	18.3	17.2	15.1	17.6	18.6	11.6	13.6	8.4	9.4	
Higher non-university education	27.4	32.0	28.6	28.1	34.6	37.7	33.3	34.4	30.9	31.4	31.3	31.3	
University	48.1	58.1	42.3	43.7	47.0	43.1	36.9	41.5	43.4	50.1	47.5	52.6	
None	3.7	2.6	4.9	4.9	4.0	2.6	4.2	3.1	3.6	3.6	2.9	1.8	
11. Total Sample Households and Response Rate													
Number of Sample Households	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	
Number of Respondents	350	346	350	349	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	
Response Rate	100.0	98.9	100.0	99.7	100.0	100.0	94.9	100.0	100.0	96.0	96.3	96.3	

Consumer Outlook



Consumers' overall outlook in the North East zone remained downbeat in the current quarter. At -5.3 points, the index rose by 24.0 points from its level in Q1, 2015. The pessimistic outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the drawdown on their savings/getting into debt (Table 4, Section 2).

Consumer outlook for the next quarter and next 12 months were positive at 31.7 and 41.9 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in their total net household income which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average of 8.8 points, the index rose by 3.6 points compared with the 5.2 points obtained in the corresponding period of 2015 (Table 4, Section 5 and Fig. 8).

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

The proportion of respondents that indicated intention to buy big ticket items in the next 12 months rose to 51.9 points compared with 40.8 points obtained in Q1 2015. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables and motor vehicle .

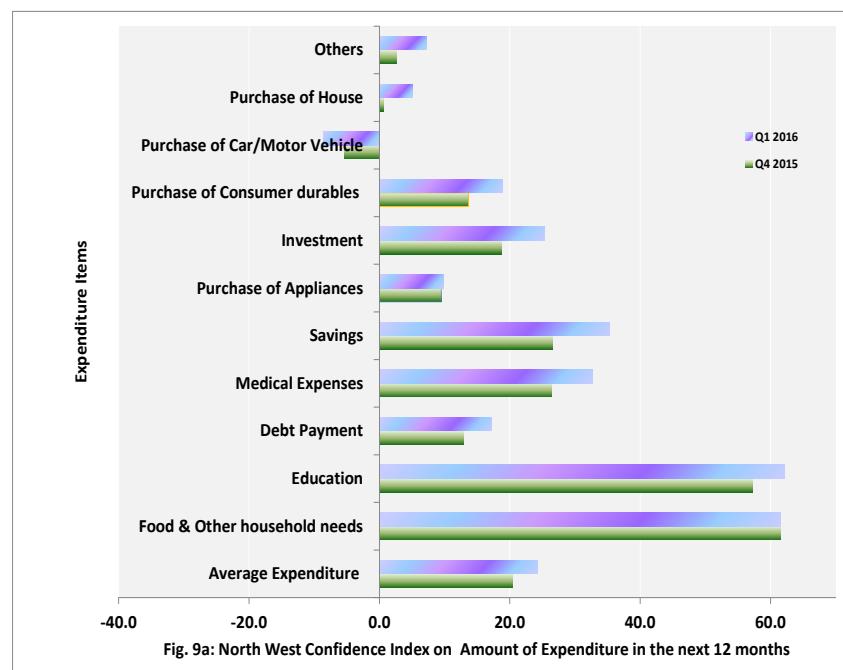
TABLE 4

North-East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q1
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors		-3.5	-12.6	-11.0	-4.1	-0.2	-13.3	-8.5	-15.9	-29.3	-15.1	6.0	-0.9	-5.3	
Current Quarter		43.7	29.7	19.7	37.2	38.6	18.7	20.1	24.5	13.9	29.3	28.3	8.6	31.7	
Next Quarter		37.2	29.1	26.1	35.1	37.0	24.7	27.2	23.8	28.4	41.1	52.5	38.1	41.9	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		6.9	-17.4	-8.7	-4.2	9.3	-4.3	0.6	-5.2	-31.0	-8.0	20.0	22.0	6.8	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		9.7	-18.4	-5.1	-2.2	6.9	-10.0	-6.3	-19.1	-27.4	2.9	23.1	24.3	-2.0	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		7.7	-27.2	-9.6	-3.8	11.5	-1.2	2.7	0.5	-37.8	-8.2	12.1	17.3	11.7	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		6.5	-10.3	-4.9	-2.8	2.7	-1.9	-3.5	2.7	-24.6	-13.6	29.9	30.8	4.5	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-1.6	-1.5	-20.0	-14.8	25.0	-10.0	34.6	2.6	-18.8	-15.2	21.9	19.4	8.3	
Family Financial Situation		-28.7	-23.7	-24.5	-24.6	-18.3	-32.5	-19.6	-35.8	-29.8	-30.2	-19.1	-25.2	-30.6	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-33.6	-47.4	-30.4	-52.2	-39.7	-40.0	-25.9	-40.7	-31.0	-58.7	-27.8	-39.2	-52.0	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-21.4	-35.8	-24.0	-17.8	-16.3	-35.8	-20.5	-31.9	-37.4	-25.5	-24.5	-28.5	-32.0	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		-30.4	-9.8	-21.1	-8.5	-10.9	-21.3	-17.6	-35.7	-23.0	-20.0	-9.7	-16.9	-17.4	
Family Income		4.4	-21.4	-29.6	-16.7	-32.5	3.8	-34.2	-6.3	-18.2	-12.5	-2.8	-16.7		
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		11.3	3.4	0.3	16.4	8.5	-3.0	-6.4	-6.8	-27.2	-7.2	17.1	0.4	8.0	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		34.3	-2.6	17.4	24.6	-17.2	-4.4	-8.9	-13.6	-23.8	3.8	18.5	-2.7	-12.2	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		13.7	-7.3	8.8	18.2	17.3	6.2	-3.6	-9.6	-48.0	-15.5	15.7	3.8	13.5	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		5.8	12.7	-18.3	16.9	-1.8	-9.3	-7.0	10.7	-1.6	1.8	20.8	-6.2	12.1	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-34.4	20.6	-25.7	-14.8	41.7	-20.0	-15.4	8.3	-12.1	6.3	5.6	12.5		
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		34.6	11.9	7.4	25.4	37.3	7.0	19.8	10.0	2.2	28.0	54.8	38.2	34.2	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		17.7	0.0	-2.7	30.5	14.3	-13.9	13.3	-9.1	7.3	23.9	37.5	34.4	32.1	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		36.7	-1.2	15.2	23.3	38.8	5.8	13.9	10.6	-13.1	21.5	60.6	33.6	32.5	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		36.5	26.0	0.6	27.4	40.8	8.2	26.1	43.6	12.1	26.6	52.5	44.4	31.2	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		43.5	29.2	9.8	19.4	42.5	38.0	45.5	-1.8	28.1	51.3	58.6	47.9	48.5	
Family Financial Situation		14.4	6.8	4.6	24.4	16.0	-1.5	-2.8	15.2	-7.6	26.4	36.9	6.4	19.6	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		22.9	-2.6	-3.6	16.9	4.8	-5.6	-8.3	6.1	0.0	52.2	40.6	28.1	15.4	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		17.7	-1.6	8.2	23.3	14.9	-6.4	-8.9	17.6	-26.1	9.0	32.7	-7.4	3.0	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		6.8	16.0	3.9	29.8	18.5	1.6	10.4	32.7	1.5	28.1	42.5	15.3	33.8	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		8.7	19.4	6.5	27.8	25.0	12.0	0.0	28.1	37.5	37.1	20.8	41.2		
Family Income		82.2	70.4	47.0	61.9	62.5	50.5	43.2	48.4	47.2	33.6	-6.8	-18.8	41.2	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		91.7	78.9	56.4	74.6	76.2	63.9	53.3	64.6	53.7	26.1	-21.9	-56.3	51.3	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		79.0	69.9	34.4	57.5	60.6	53.8	49.5	50.6	58.6	33.0	0.0	-13.1	48.0	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		78.4	69.0	48.1	65.5	58.5	45.9	32.8	23.6	34.8	39.1	-15.2	-8.3	36.4	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		87.0	66.7	67.4	47.2	70.0	32.0	18.2	42.9	25.0	35.0	2.9	-29.2	20.6	

TABLE 4
North-East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Outlook



The North West zone consumers' overall outlook in Q1 2016 was downbeat at -9.9 points. The index rose by 0.5 points when compared with its level in Q1 2015. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the deteriorating economic condition in the region, drawdown on their savings/their getting into debt and the decline in their total net household income (Table 5, Section 2).

Consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were positive at 28.9 and 45.9 points, respectively. The positive outlook in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, and anticipated increase in total net household income, which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average of 24.2 points, the index dipped by 4.3 points compared with 28.5 points obtained in Q1 2015 (Table 5, Section 5 and Fig. 9).

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

The proportion of respondents that indicated intentions to buy big tickets items in the next 12 months rose to 55.1 points in the current quarter. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables and house & lot.

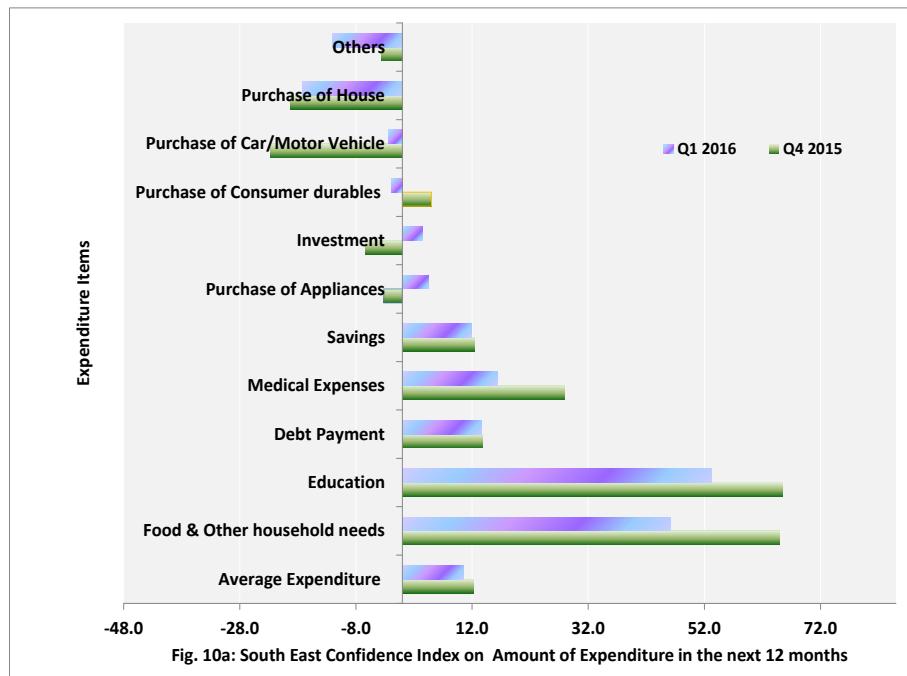
Table 5
North-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors		-4.3	-10.4	-12.8	0.5	-4.1	-4.1	-1.7	-6.4	-10.4	-17.3	7.2	3.0	-9.9	-9.9
Current Quarter		39.7	24.1	24.5	19.2	33.3	31.2	24.7	22.9	22.4	22.2	23.5	16.4	28.9	28.9
Next Quarter		31.3	19.4	28.2	33.9	35.1	28.9	35.5	36.2	40.9	51.3	50.3	50.2	45.9	45.9
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		3.2	-6.7	-7.4	-1.6	1.1	3.4	-0.1	-6.1	-9.3	-20.9	22.7	18.0	-8.6	-8.6
Under ₦20,000 per month		16.7	-16.7	-6.6	-2.4	-5.6	-2.7	-13.8	-16.2	-28.5	-22.2	10.3	-0.9	-22.4	-22.4
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		-1.0	-4.0	-16.9	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	6.5	-5.0	-4.6	-21.0	19.7	15.5	-0.7	-0.7
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		-3.0	0.0	8.2	-2.9	9.1	5.0	-1.4	-2.6	-5.6	-25.9	23.6	29.1	-12.0	-12.0
Over ₦100,000 per month		5.7	0.0	-4.5	-4.3	-1.8	18.8	2.5	0.0	6.3	-8.7	42.6	28.6	1.2	1.2
Family Financial Situation		-17.6	-12.9	-26.1	-7.7	-6.7	-16.7	-13.0	-15.1	-13.1	-19.7	-10.7	-20.7	-20.4	-20.4
Under ₦20,000 per month		-27.3	-26.4	-37.3	-25.4	-22.6	-34.5	-36.2	-34.4	-29.7	-26.1	-7.9	-29.2	-31.6	-31.6
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		-17.2	-12.9	-23.3	-5.8	-3.0	-13.4	-5.8	-10.4	-11.7	-22.9	-14.2	-13.1	-21.2	-21.2
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		-13.3	0.7	-21.2	-1.0	-7.1	-6.9	-12.3	-7.1	-4.6	-12.9	-13.2	-27.9	-15.7	-15.7
Over ₦100,000 per month		-10.2	-2.0	-20.5	-4.3	2.7	-15.2	-1.7	-11.8	-4.7	-10.9	-0.9	-17.1	-4.7	-4.7
Family Income		1.7	-11.7	-4.8	10.9	-6.9	0.9	8.0	2.0	-8.9	-11.5	9.7	11.7	-0.6	-0.6
Under ₦20,000 per month		6.7	-23.1	-12.0	4.8	-9.7	-12.2	3.9	-16.9	-29.1	-19.3	9.5	-1.9	-4.6	-4.6
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		8.1	0.0	-12.2	12.3	-9.7	2.9	8.2	6.4	-8.5	-11.5	-4.7	8.7	1.5	1.5
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		-12.0	-11.9	12.3	15.7	7.1	6.4	13.0	5.1	4.1	-11.9	12.3	17.4	6.0	6.0
Over ₦100,000 per month		-2.3	-15.7	4.5	4.3	-21.8	5.5	6.8	12.7	0.0	4.3	38.9	28.6	-11.6	-11.6
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		25.4	12.1	24.4	26.0	21.4	15.8	24.9	25.3	12.4	39.3	44.1	37.0	31.4	31.4
Under ₦20,000 per month		31.5	2.5	15.8	16.7	-9.8	7.7	10.3	26.6	2.1	29.1	28.1	-1.4	8.2	8.2
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		26.9	20.0	18.5	27.1	28.1	10.9	24.8	22.5	12.0	32.9	31.4	28.8	34.0	34.0
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		17.2	21.9	31.0	33.9	32.2	24.4	29.4	28.0	21.5	46.5	58.0	50.5	39.8	39.8
Over ₦100,000 per month		26.0	-4.2	45.8	17.3	9.8	23.9	33.3	26.5	8.7	52.6	56.0	56.1	38.8	38.8
Family Financial Situation		14.3	0.0	5.8	10.3	13.2	13.0	17.4	11.7	13.4	28.3	25.1	28.3	17.3	17.3
Under ₦20,000 per month		13.6	-18.2	-7.9	0.0	0.0	-1.6	4.8	3.2	-1.4	-1.5	12.3	8.3	4.5	4.5
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		18.5	12.3	0.0	10.9	17.4	21.9	16.8	9.4	16.0	24.6	15.9	27.4	21.5	21.5
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		9.2	6.8	17.7	18.3	18.3	11.5	23.3	23.2	19.6	41.0	25.7	34.3	18.4	18.4
Over ₦100,000 per month		13.5	-6.3	25.0	3.8	4.5	10.4	23.3	10.6	15.2	49.1	50.7	32.7	20.8	20.8
Family Income		79.4	60.3	43.3	21.4	65.4	64.8	31.7	41.4	-0.9	1.1	-16.0	38.1	38.1	38.1
Under ₦20,000 per month		92.6	68.7	47.4	20.0	61.0	64.1	49.2	15.6	65.3	16.4	5.3	25.0	35.8	35.8
Between ₦20,000 and ₦50,000 per month		80.0	59.2	47.9	20.2	73.4	67.6	27.0	33.3	48.4	6.3	8.8	-23.9	38.2	38.2
Between ₦50,001 and ₦100,000 per month		72.4	43.8	41.8	24.8	52.9	67.5	26.7	36.6	15.9	-11.1	-0.9	-21.6	39.8	39.8
Over ₦100,000 per month		69.2	70.8	25.0	19.2	71.2	56.7	31.7	37.9	45.5	-19.3	-11.9	-16.3	37.5	37.5

Table 5
North-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2016, South East Zone

Consumer Outlook



The South East zone consumer's overall outlook was upbeat in Q1,- 2016. At -14.2 points the index dipped by 22.1 points below its level in Q1 2015. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the worsening economic condition in the region and decline in total net household income (Table 6, Section 2).

However, consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were positive at 29.1 and 34.4 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in the total net household income, which could lead to increased savings and their ability to meet other financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expected an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average index of 10.5 points, the index dipped by 12.3 points, compared with 22.8 points obtained in Q1 2015 (Table 6, Section 5 and Fig. 10).

The breakdown of the expected expenditure over the next 12 months was: education, food and other household needs, medical expenses, debt payment and savings. They do not expect to spend on purchase of consumer durables, purchase of car/motor vehicle and purchase of house.

The proportion of respondents that indicated intention to buy big ticket items in the next 12 months rose to 48.8 points compared with 45.6 points obtained in Q1 2015. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would not be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables.

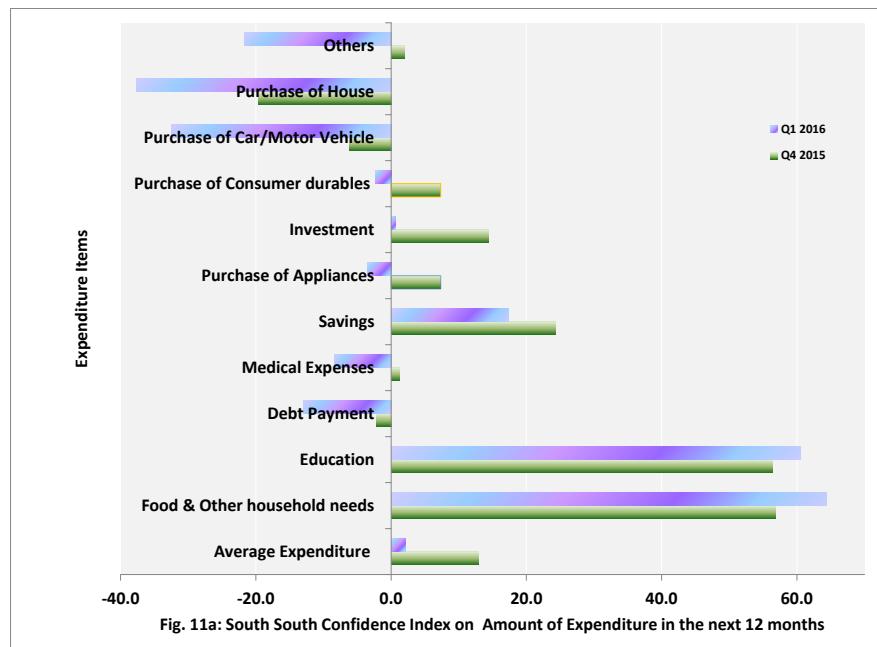
TABLE 6
South-East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q1
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors		-8.7	-18.2	-10.4	-15.6	4.2	-3.3	-1.9	2.1	7.9	-1.7	-13.2	-11.7	-14.2	
Current Quarter		28.3	24.4	23.5	18.9	41.5	28.3	23.9	30.9	44.7	31.9	27.6	19.7	29.1	
Next Quarter		23.8	22.7	17.5	18.7	42.4	30.1	26.9	29.9	36.6	31.8	30.6	32.1	34.4	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		-1.0	3.3	2.8	-13.4	2.2	-4.5	-6.6	7.0	6.9	-2.6	-14.8	-14.4	-13.1	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-42.7	1.5	10.2	-8.1	-4.8	-41.3	-6.1	18.8	15.0	-6.8	-27.3	-54.3	-60.5	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		0.0	8.0	5.7	-22.6	-5.4	13.3	-6.1	0.0	-8.5	-1.8	13.6	-9.4	-32.6	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		18.1	-13.2	-9.4	-3.0	25.0	20.2	-2.8	14.8	22.5	-3.7	8.3	-3.5	-7.5	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		21.4	16.7	0.0	5.0	11.8	20.8	-15.6	4.8	31.7	0.0	40.6	-13.0	40.2	
Family Financial Situation		-29.4	-40.7	-21.6	-10.6	2.4	-10.4	-8.6	-9.2	-10.3	-8.0	-24.0	-24.2	-32.5	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-30.5	-46.9	-20.4	-9.7	0.0	-18.6	-30.3	-18.8	-27.5	-11.4	-18.2	-20.0	-64.5	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-29.2	-49.2	-21.5	-10.9	-2.1	-8.7	-8.0	-11.8	-19.4	-9.1	-1.1	-29.1	-29.9	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		-32.8	-34.2	-35.8	-6.8	7.1	4.8	5.6	3.7	2.9	-6.8	-4.8	-19.7	-31.6	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-19.0	-7.7	6.0	-22.5	16.2	-20.8	-12.5	-9.5	10.0	-5.4	-3.1	-20.4	-13.7	
Family Income		4.4	-17.2	-12.4	-22.8	8.1	4.9	9.6	8.4	27.0	5.6	-0.8	3.6	2.8	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-24.4	-3.0	-16.3	-19.4	0.0	-7.0	12.1	10.0	20.0	0.0	-27.3	0.0	-42.1	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		3.8	-18.9	-5.7	-28.6	0.0	8.7	2.3	5.3	13.2	2.7	0.0	9.4	-6.9	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		20.7	-29.8	-18.9	-13.6	14.3	23.8	24.1	20.4	49.3	0.0	45.2	-7.0	3.4	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		19.0	0.0	-24.0	-20.0	41.2	-16.7	12.5	0.0	40.0	29.7	56.3	11.1	49.0	
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		12.8	19.9	16.2	4.4	36.3	32.0	20.8	27.8	38.5	33.2	28.0	19.2	21.2	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-15.5	6.9	9.4	-4.2	79.1	-20.7	-12.5	27.1	81.3	45.8	8.3	-29.5	-18.4	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		3.9	15.7	15.5	-16.3	19.0	43.5	15.5	17.0	20.8	23.4	35.1	23.5	-2.3	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		22.1	12.6	21.0	42.1	54.9	47.5	44.6	32.9	53.4	37.2	58.3	30.5	34.3	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		43.6	52.3	13.0	46.0	16.3	25.0	15.2	44.3	62.2	42.0	72.7	8.1	53.5	
Family Financial Situation		4.4	-28.5	-14.8	-26.2	14.5	1.6	1.2	10.4	25.0	9.2	10.4	-9.2	19.0	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-27.6	3.4	-3.1	-45.8	7.0	-19.5	25.0	-29.2	37.5	0.0	-33.3	-22.7	-31.6	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-3.5	-40.0	-29.4	-27.5	5.6	2.1	-24.4	15.5	5.4	-10.4	-29.7	-4.3	-7.8	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		22.1	-28.6	0.0	-28.1	25.5	30.0	27.7	15.2	49.3	13.3	52.1	-11.0	34.8	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		20.5	-27.9	-14.8	4.0	30.4	-16.7	19.6	11.4	43.2	45.5	54.5	-12.9	57.9	
Family Income		67.6	81.9	69.2	78.5	73.8	51.2	49.6	54.4	70.6	53.2	44.4	49.2	47.2	
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		72.4	86.2	53.1	83.3	72.1	73.2	55.0	50.0	62.5	58.3	83.3	77.3	57.9	
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		73.7	84.5	80.9	86.4	83.3	47.6	46.2	55.3	72.3	64.6	48.6	56.5	42.2	
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		69.1	76.9	72.8	64.9	54.9	30.0	50.8	53.2	79.5	44.9	33.3	48.8	56.2	
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		43.6	88.4	29.6	60.0	73.9	77.8	54.3	56.8	48.6	45.5	4.5	3.2	31.6	

TABLE 6
South - East Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2016, South-South Zone

Consumer Outlook



Consumers' overall outlook in the South South zone in Q1 2016 was downbeat at -10.0 points. The index fell by 3.9 points below its levels in Q1, 2015. The negative outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the worsening economic condition in the region, and the deteriorating total net household income. (Table 7, Section 2).

However, consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months were optimistic at 31.9 and 38.9 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in the total net household income which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. At 2.2 points, the index fell by 10.4 points compared with 12.6 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 was: food and other household needs, education, savings and investment. Some of the consumers indicated that they do not plan to spend substantial amount of their income on purchase of consumer durables, and appliances, purchase of car/motor vehicle and purchase of house .

The proportion of respondents that indicated intention to buy big ticket items in the next 12 months fell to 42.2 points compared with 50.7 points obtained in Q1 2015. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would not be an opportune time to purchase motor vehicle and house & lot.

TABLE 7

South-South Zone

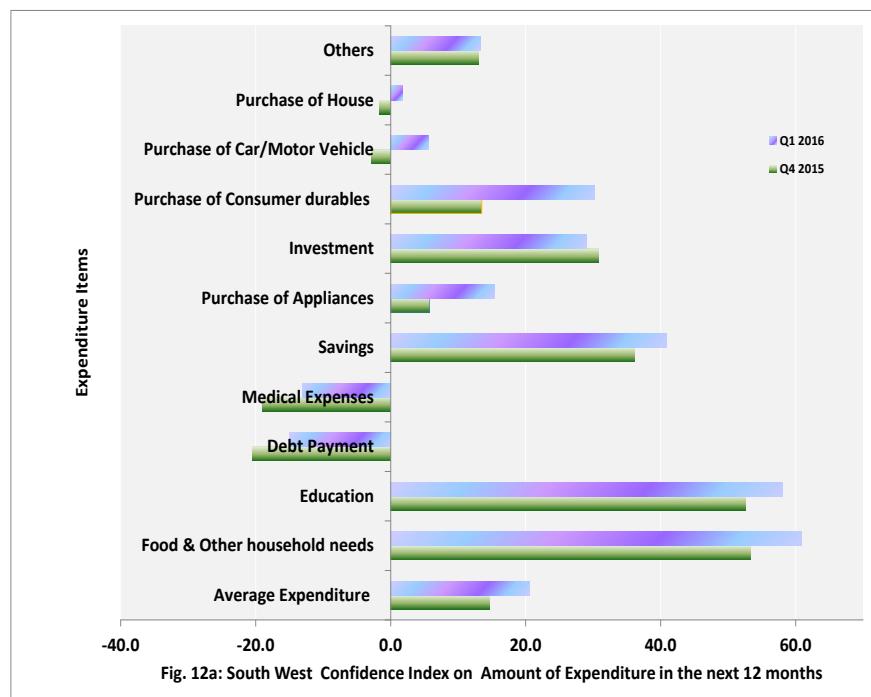
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index																	
All Sectors		-1.2	-5.0	-1.5	6.6	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.6	-6.1	-11.9	-8.1	-8.7	-10.0	-20.5	-23.8	
Current Quarter		30.9	35.6	37.7	26.6	32.6	30.6	31.2	35.0	31.4	23.7	26.6	30.8	31.9			
Next Quarter		39.5	27.6	32.5	34.2	33.8	37.0	36.7	37.5	39.0	38.7	33.5	38.3	38.9			
Next 12 months																	
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter																	
Economic Condition		-0.1	-2.8	0.5	-7.7	4.0	3.0	2.2	-3.2	-6.3	-6.2	-5.5	-10.5	-13.9			
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-15.3	-9.0	3.2	-17.7	0.6	-2.3	-20.6	-15.3	-25.6	-12.8	-40.4	-20.5	-23.8			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		1.2	3.7	6.6	-4.4	3.4	-2.0	2.0	3.0	-2.8	-13.2	0.0	-8.9	-12.0			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		3.6	-1.6	-7.4	-4.7	1.8	4.6	0.0	-6.7	-3.3	-0.5	0.0	-10.6	-11.2			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		7.7	-12.5	-1.4	-1.3	17.1	21.7	32.2	3.2	-2.0	-0.9	-11.5	-5.7	-17.6			
Family Financial Situation		-5.7	-7.7	-6.4	-11.9	-5.8	-9.3	-7.5	-8.8	-11.4	-23.5	-12.8	-4.0	-22.9			
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-12.2	-21.3	-20.6	-21.3	-20.2	-18.4	-24.5	-10.5	-14.4	-60.3	-9.6	-2.3	-28.6			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-6.0	-1.6	0.5	-14.9	-0.4	-19.1	-8.7	-9.5	-16.9	-25.3	-26.1	-7.3	-16.9			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		-3.6	-8.6	0.0	-1.6	2.7	0.8	-4.8	1.3	-3.3	-10.5	-1.8	1.9	-31.0			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		0.0	-4.8	-18.1	0.0	-1.3	15.2	11.1	-21.3	-7.0	-20.5	-2.6	-6.6	-14.9			
Family Income		2.3	-4.4	1.4	-0.3	3.3	5.7	7.8	4.3	-0.7	-6.0	-6.1	-11.7	6.7			
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-18.4	-4.9	4.8	-8.5	2.2	-8.0	-7.8	-17.7	-31.1	-35.9	-38.5	-54.5	9.5			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		8.0	3.3	4.7	6.1	4.2	23.5	11.9	14.7	5.6	-30.5	5.6	-2.4	-1.2			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		8.2	0.0	6.3	1.6	12.7	13.8	11.0	12.0	3.9	14.5	-14.3	-3.8	15.7			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-7.7	-26.9	-27.8	-5.1	-10.5	-19.6	8.9	-4.3	4.0	16.1	-10.3	-9.4	0.0			
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter																	
Economic Condition		24.5	32.7	36.8	30.6	39.0	29.0	39.0	32.3	27.5	27.0	22.9	39.0	25.1			
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-12.5	48.0	53.4	29.4	36.4	28.7	39.4	29.7	21.2	5.6	7.9	42.6	25.0			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		30.2	38.0	45.8	41.7	49.6	29.1	39.7	38.8	32.6	18.1	29.3	45.6	5.7			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		34.6	25.3	27.6	24.0	26.2	31.4	40.0	32.0	27.2	37.4	0.0	37.3	29.9			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		10.5	17.0	25.5	15.4	34.0	26.5	35.3	22.8	21.0	30.3	20.8	26.9	34.2			
Family Financial Situation		10.0	14.7	19.7	11.0	13.3	12.3	7.8	13.7	7.5	-3.7	4.1	0.7	1.7			
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		15.6	7.8	34.1	15.7	9.1	10.6	-3.8	16.2	0.0	-50.0	-21.1	-7.4	-6.3			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		6.6	20.5	16.7	14.0	12.6	10.4	13.4	12.5	8.7	-20.0	13.0	4.0	-1.4			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		9.3	1.3	10.3	2.7	21.5	15.7	2.5	13.3	4.3	11.4	-5.4	-6.0	6.7			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		18.4	26.8	32.1	11.5	10.0	13.2	15.7	14.7	12.9	14.8	2.8	6.2	-2.5			
Family Income		58.2	59.5	56.6	38.1	45.3	50.3	46.8	59.0	59.3	47.7	52.9	68.9				
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		65.6	47.1	52.3	47.1	54.5	66.0	38.5	54.1	38.5	30.6	42.1	48.1	56.3			
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		54.1	57.3	51.0	25.6	21.8	31.3	31.3	55.8	49.6	35.0	42.4	37.6	75.7			
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		63.6	61.3	60.7	50.7	61.5	65.7	61.3	74.7	70.7	51.2	94.6	67.5	70.1			
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		50.0	73.2	62.3	40.4	68.0	55.9	66.7	50.0	69.4	67.2	55.6	64.6	63.3			

SOUTH-SOUTH ZONE CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Consumer Expectations Survey
Q1 2016, South West Zone

Consumer Outlook



The South West zone consumers' overall confidence index stood at -7.5 points in Q1 2016. The index rose by 2.0 points above the level achieved in Q1 2015. The outlook of consumers in the quarter under review, could be attributed to the worsening economic condition in the region, and their deteriorating total net household income (Table 8, Section 2 and Fig. 12).

Consumer outlook for the next quarter and the next 12 months was positive at 29.8 and 42.8 points, respectively. The positive outlook of consumers in the next quarter and the next 12 months could be attributed to the expectation of improved economic condition in the region, anticipated increase in the total net household income, which could lead to increased savings to meet their financial obligations.

On average, more households in the zone expect an increase in their expenditure on basic commodities and services in the next 12 months. With an average of 20.6 points, the index rose by 8.7 points compared with 11.9 points obtained in Q1 2015 (Table 8, Section 5 and Fig. 12).

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

The proportion of respondents that indicated intention to buy big ticket items in the next 12 months rose to 57.9 points compared with 54.1 points obtained in Q1 2015. The buying intention index suggests that the next 12 months would be an opportune time to purchase consumer durables, motor vehicles and house & lot.

TABLE 8

South-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

Year	Quarter	2013				2014				2015				2016	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q1
1. Zonal Consumer Confidence Index															
All Sectors	Current Quarter	1.0	0.9	-1.8	-3.5	0.3	-2.3	-2.5	-1.6	-9.5	-11.4	0.0	4.7	-7.5	-7.5
	Next Quarter	38.6	42.1	38.3	33.7	39.6	39.5	38.9	33.8	24.4	25.8	36.7	34.1	29.8	29.8
	Next 12 months	36.5	38.2	37.1	32.0	37.9	35.6	35.8	31.6	28.0	32.0	50.0	46.4	42.8	42.8
2. Consumer outlook indices on the current economic and family condition: Current Quarter															
Economic Condition		2.0	-1.8	3.0	1.0	9.0	-1.4	-9.9	-5.6	-15.8	-21.8	-0.1	11.6	-11.0	-11.0
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-16.0	-0.9	0.0	-5.5	8.7	-7.4	-16.5	-28.9	-33.5	-53.9	-9.7	-7.6	-7.6	-20.2
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		7.7	-2.4	5.9	4.0	8.3	-2.9	-15.1	-8.4	-5.9	10.8	-8.1	13.8	-13.8	-6.0
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		10.3	6.7	11.7	6.4	11.7	-4.1	-11.9	15.8	-12.8	-15.5	8.5	12.5	12.5	-8.3
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-8.4	-10.6	-8.3	-5.1	6.1	12.3	6.7	10.0	-8.6	-35.7	7.7	27.1	27.1	-15.1
Family Financial Situation		-11.5	-10.1	-17.0	-13.5	-20.1	-10.9	-4.0	-6.1	-9.5	-8.0	-7.5	-10.6	-12.5	-12.5
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		-36.0	-34.5	-24.5	-35.9	-35.6	-23.5	-33.5	-14.7	-16.5	-9.9	-18.7	-34.1	-34.1	-17.5
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		-10.2	-11.7	-24.6	-8.1	-27.1	-11.8	-2.1	-8.4	-15.8	-14.7	-2.7	-23.4	-23.4	-18.3
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		-5.6	1.3	-9.8	-11.8	-17.5	-14.9	3.8	-5.1	-2.8	-5.9	-15.0	3.3	3.3	-13.7
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		-8.4	-6.9	-10.4	-7.4	-5.6	7.8	14.0	10.0	0.6	-2.7	1.0	9.4	9.4	0.0
Family Income		12.5	14.5	8.7	1.8	12.0	5.5	6.3	7.0	-3.3	-4.5	7.8	13.0	1.0	1.0
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		10.0	25.5	9.8	0.0	7.7	-4.4	-11.8	-6.9	-27.7	-23.7	7.5	1.2	8.8	8.8
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		14.1	12.1	9.1	4.4	11.7	-2.0	0.7	4.0	10.8	13.7	6.2	23.9	23.9	6.3
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		11.1	14.3	11.2	-3.0	19.7	17.5	21.5	26.6	10.0	9.2	13.0	21.7	21.7	3.5
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		13.5	11.1	6.3	4.5	3.3	14.3	19.1	11.4	-3.4	-21.4	4.8	-1.2	-1.2	-13.5
3. Consumer outlook indices on economic and family condition: Next Quarter															
Economic Condition		34.1	35.3	35.5	25.8	40.6	34.4	28.4	31.8	24.8	36.8	48.4	50.0	39.9	39.9
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		22.7	39.5	32.9	28.0	43.9	28.6	13.2	-9.6	-26.0	-28.8	29.4	6.7	24.3	24.3
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		31.8	13.3	37.3	20.6	31.5	24.6	18.2	21.0	35.1	45.1	52.6	57.9	34.5	34.5
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		49.6	48.0	45.6	35.6	50.6	47.5	39.6	60.8	53.3	49.2	54.7	54.1	48.8	48.8
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		23.7	37.9	22.1	18.3	34.1	32.1	36.2	45.0	33.2	53.2	43.9	57.5	40.1	40.1
Family Financial Situation		15.3	22.8	20.5	9.0	21.3	22.3	22.8	15.8	8.0	15.0	24.3	29.3	15.4	15.4
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		9.1	31.6	5.4	-10.6	39.4	22.4	-9.4	-19.1	-25.0	-36.4	5.9	36.5	31.4	31.4
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		9.1	11.2	27.5	-3.1	10.2	15.6	22.5	14.0	15.4	25.9	19.7	31.7	19.5	19.5
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		25.0	32.0	15.8	22.9	27.3	25.5	32.5	30.2	33.3	31.5	28.0	22.3	22.3	22.8
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		14.3	19.9	21.2	16.7	18.3	27.4	28.9	27.8	5.3	18.3	29.8	31.0	-0.8	-0.8
Family Income		66.3	68.3	58.9	66.4	62.0	65.5	54.0	40.5	25.5	37.5	23.2	34.0	34.0	34.0
Under ₦ 20,000 per month		79.5	84.2	65.8	62.1	33.3	59.2	58.5	23.5	32.3	12.1	64.7	23.1	42.9	42.9
Between ₦ 20,000 and ₦ 50,000 per month		68.6	73.5	62.7	77.3	52.8	60.7	61.2	59.6	47.1	35.8	35.0	36.0	18.6	18.6
Between ₦ 50,001 and ₦ 100,000 per month		61.5	64.8	50.0	70.3	63.0	64.5	68.3	66.0	32.4	33.9	35.6	19.2	28.3	28.3
Over ₦ 100,000 per month		63.4	63.2	60.6	55.0	59.6	60.7	71.4	54.4	50.5	17.5	34.4	16.8	52.1	52.1

TABLE 8
South-West Zone
CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS SURVEY