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## Comment Sweden

### Very weak consumer confidence

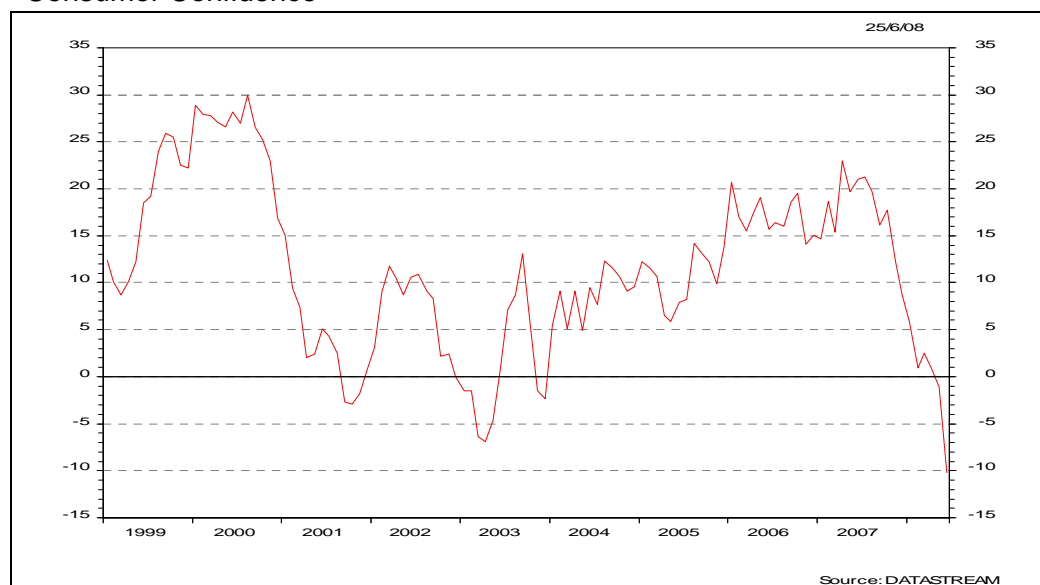
The Consumer Confidence Indicator (CCI) fell a full 9 points to a level of -10.2 in June. The June value is well below the historic average for CCI, indicating that consumer sentiment is currently much weaker than normal.


The Economic Tendency Indicator, which measures business and consumer confidence in the economy, fell from 97.9 in May to 93.8 in June. Sentiment is weaker than normal, with increasing consumer pessimism in particular and developments in the manufacturing industry making a negative contribution.

The weak data support our relative pessimistic view about the growth prospects in the Swedish economy. We also notice that one-year inflation expectations are down to 3.3% from 3.4% in May. This is still high, but we see this as a positive surprise, especially after the high outcome for the actual inflation in May.

With the weak data and particular the lower expectations about inflation it now looks more likely to see the Riksbank on hold at their interest meeting next week.

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