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**TABLE 11**  
**EXPECTED CHANGE IN FINANCIAL SITUATION IN 5 YEARS**  
**(Three Month Moving Averages)**

The question was: "And 5 years from now, do you expect that you (and your family living there) will be better off financially, worse off, or just about the same as now?"

( Note: Prior to 1972 a four year horizon was used)

| <u>Date of Survey</u> | <u>Better Off</u> | <u>Same</u> | <u>Worse Off</u> | <u>DK, NA</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Relative</u> | <u>Cases</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| September 1980        | 60                | 21          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 146             | 446          |
| March 1981            | 57                | 24          | 14               | 5             | 100          | 143             | 420          |
| September 1981        | 62                | 22          | 13               | 4             | 100          | 149             | 427          |
| March 1982            | 54                | 30          | 12               | 4             | 100          | 141             | 446          |
| September 1982        | 59                | 23          | 14               | 3             | 100          | 145             | 457          |
| March 1983            | 65                | 20          | 11               | 4             | 100          | 154             | 464          |
| September 1983        | 62                | 24          | 10               | 3             | 100          | 152             | 456          |
| March 1984            | 66                | 23          | 8                | 3             | 100          | 157             | 458          |
| September 1984        | 63                | 25          | 8                | 4             | 100          | 155             | 460          |
| September 1985        | 60                | 25          | 9                | 5             | 100          | 151             | 450          |
| September 2011        | 40                | 37          | 20               | 3             | 100          | 120             | 438          |
| October 2011          | 38                | 39          | 19               | 4             | 100          | 119             | 434          |
| November 2011         | 40                | 41          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 125             | 443          |
| December 2011         | 40                | 40          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 125             | 436          |
| January 2012          | 44                | 36          | 15               | 5             | 100          | 129             | 447          |
| February 2012         | 45                | 34          | 17               | 5             | 100          | 128             | 439          |
| March 2012            | 46                | 35          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 131             | 442          |
| April 2012            | 43                | 36          | 17               | 4             | 100          | 126             | 415          |
| May 2012              | 43                | 36          | 17               | 4             | 100          | 126             | 402          |
| June 2012             | 42                | 33          | 21               | 4             | 100          | 121             | 393          |
| July 2012             | 43                | 33          | 20               | 4             | 100          | 122             | 416          |
| August 2012           | 43                | 31          | 21               | 4             | 100          | 122             | 441          |
| September 2012        | 45                | 32          | 19               | 5             | 100          | 126             | 447          |
| October 2012          | 45                | 32          | 18               | 5             | 100          | 126             | 442          |
| November 2012         | 45                | 33          | 15               | 6             | 100          | 130             | 439          |
| December 2012         | 43                | 32          | 18               | 6             | 100          | 125             | 421          |
| January 2013          | 41                | 37          | 17               | 5             | 100          | 124             | 409          |
| February 2013         | 41                | 33          | 23               | 3             | 100          | 119             | 405          |
| March 2013            | 45                | 33          | 20               | 2             | 100          | 125             | 405          |
| April 2013            | 48                | 28          | 22               | 2             | 100          | 125             | 403          |
| May 2013              | 46                | 32          | 19               | 3             | 100          | 127             | 413          |
| June 2013             | 45                | 33          | 18               | 3             | 100          | 127             | 422          |
| July 2013             | 46                | 35          | 16               | 3             | 100          | 129             | 422          |
| August 2013           | 48                | 32          | 18               | 2             | 100          | 130             | 418          |
| September 2013        | 47                | 31          | 19               | 2             | 100          | 128             | 430          |
| October 2013          | 45                | 31          | 20               | 3             | 100          | 125             | 461          |
| November 2013         | 38                | 38          | 20               | 4             | 100          | 118             | 446          |
| December 2013         | 39                | 36          | 20               | 5             | 100          | 119             | 446          |
| January 2014          | 43                | 36          | 17               | 4             | 100          | 126             | 423          |
| February 2014         | 49                | 32          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 133             | 445          |
| March 2014            | 49                | 31          | 15               | 5             | 100          | 134             | 448          |
| April 2014            | 44                | 32          | 18               | 6             | 100          | 126             | 468          |
| May 2014              | 45                | 32          | 18               | 5             | 100          | 127             | 445          |

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|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| June 2014             | 46                | 32          | 18               | 4             | 100          | 128             | 418          |
| July 2014             | 50                | 28          | 18               | 4             | 100          | 132             | 403          |
| August 2014           | 50                | 29          | 16               | 5             | 100          | 134             | 409          |
| September 2014        | 49                | 31          | 14               | 6             | 100          | 135             | 431          |
| October 2014          | 47                | 34          | 13               | 6             | 100          | 133             | 424          |
| November 2014         | 47                | 33          | 15               | 5             | 100          | 132             | 435          |
| December 2014         | 46                | 34          | 16               | 4             | 100          | 130             | 413          |
| January 2015          | 50                | 32          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 135             | 427          |
| February 2015         | 49                | 32          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 135             | 427          |
| March 2015            | 50                | 31          | 15               | 3             | 100          | 135             | 435          |
| April 2015            | 49                | 32          | 16               | 3             | 100          | 134             | 419          |
| May 2015              | 53                | 31          | 15               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 435          |
| June 2015             | 54                | 32          | 12               | 2             | 100          | 141             | 444          |
| July 2015             | 53                | 29          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 138             | 447          |
| August 2015           | 53                | 28          | 14               | 4             | 100          | 139             | 440          |
| September 2015        | 52                | 28          | 15               | 5             | 100          | 136             | 453          |
| October 2015          | 54                | 28          | 13               | 5             | 100          | 140             | 463          |
| November 2015         | 50                | 27          | 17               | 6             | 100          | 133             | 449          |
| December 2015         | 51                | 28          | 17               | 4             | 100          | 134             | 440          |
| January 2016          | 48                | 30          | 19               | 3             | 100          | 130             | 441          |
| February 2016         | 52                | 30          | 14               | 3             | 100          | 138             | 439          |
| March 2016            | 53                | 31          | 12               | 4             | 100          | 141             | 458          |
| April 2016            | 55                | 31          | 10               | 4             | 100          | 144             | 483          |
| May 2016              | 50                | 34          | 13               | 4             | 100          | 137             | 501          |
| June 2016             | 49                | 30          | 16               | 5             | 100          | 134             | 472          |
| July 2016             | 49                | 29          | 17               | 6             | 100          | 132             | 486          |
| August 2016           | 49                | 28          | 17               | 6             | 100          | 132             | 471          |
| September 2016        | 48                | 31          | 14               | 7             | 100          | 133             | 515          |
| October 2016          | 50                | 30          | 14               | 6             | 100          | 136             | 504          |
| November 2016         | 52                | 27          | 14               | 7             | 100          | 137             | 531          |
| December 2016         | 56                | 26          | 13               | 5             | 100          | 144             | 505          |
| January 2017          | 58                | 27          | 10               | 5             | 100          | 148             | 518          |
| February 2017         | 60                | 28          | 9                | 3             | 100          | 150             | 509          |
| March 2017            | 57                | 28          | 12               | 3             | 100          | 146             | 526          |
| April 2017            | 55                | 27          | 14               | 4             | 100          | 141             | 519          |
| May 2017              | 55                | 27          | 14               | 4             | 100          | 141             | 533          |
| June 2017             | 56                | 26          | 14               | 5             | 100          | 142             | 522          |
| July 2017             | 56                | 28          | 13               | 3             | 100          | 142             | 497          |
| August 2017           | 54                | 29          | 14               | 3             | 100          | 140             | 487          |
| September 2017        | 55                | 31          | 13               | 1             | 100          | 142             | 492          |
| October 2017          | 56                | 31          | 12               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 516          |
| November 2017         | 58                | 30          | 11               | 1             | 100          | 147             | 523          |
| December 2017         | 60                | 26          | 12               | 2             | 100          | 148             | 512          |
| January 2018          | 61                | 25          | 12               | 2             | 100          | 148             | 498          |
| February 2018         | 60                | 24          | 13               | 2             | 100          | 147             | 519          |
| March 2018            | 57                | 28          | 13               | 2             | 100          | 144             | 546          |
| April 2018            | 54                | 30          | 13               | 2             | 100          | 141             | 563          |
| May 2018              | 54                | 31          | 13               | 2             | 100          | 141             | 554          |
| June 2018             | 56                | 29          | 12               | 3             | 100          | 144             | 537          |
| July 2018             | 57                | 29          | 10               | 4             | 100          | 147             | 509          |
| August 2018           | 56                | 28          | 10               | 6             | 100          | 146             | 506          |
| September 2018        | 55                | 30          | 10               | 5             | 100          | 145             | 519          |

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| October               | 2018 | 58                | 26          | 11               | 5             | 100          | 147             | 532          |
| November              | 2018 | 58                | 27          | 12               | 3             | 100          | 146             | 543          |
| December              | 2018 | 59                | 26          | 12               | 3             | 100          | 147             | 535          |
| January               | 2019 | 56                | 29          | 11               | 4             | 100          | 145             | 536          |
| February              | 2019 | 56                | 30          | 9                | 5             | 100          | 146             | 513          |
| March                 | 2019 | 55                | 31          | 10               | 4             | 100          | 146             | 500          |
| April                 | 2019 | 57                | 30          | 9                | 3             | 100          | 148             | 496          |
| May                   | 2019 | 58                | 29          | 9                | 4             | 100          | 149             | 515          |
| June                  | 2019 | 61                | 26          | 9                | 4             | 100          | 151             | 523          |
| July                  | 2019 | 58                | 26          | 11               | 5             | 100          | 147             | 529          |
| August                | 2019 | 57                | 27          | 12               | 4             | 100          | 145             | 493          |
| September             | 2019 | 53                | 29          | 13               | 5             | 100          | 141             | 483          |
| October               | 2019 | 57                | 27          | 11               | 5             | 100          | 146             | 489          |
| November              | 2019 | 58                | 27          | 9                | 5             | 100          | 149             | 521          |
| December              | 2019 | 59                | 28          | 10               | 3             | 100          | 148             | 539          |
| January               | 2020 | 56                | 30          | 10               | 4             | 100          | 146             | 533          |
| February              | 2020 | 53                | 32          | 11               | 4             | 100          | 142             | 514          |
| March                 | 2020 | 53                | 32          | 10               | 5             | 100          | 144             | 509          |
| April                 | 2020 | 54                | 33          | 9                | 4             | 100          | 144             | 490          |
| May                   | 2020 | 57                | 31          | 7                | 5             | 100          | 150             | 507          |
| June                  | 2020 | 60                | 29          | 7                | 5             | 100          | 153             | 515          |
| July                  | 2020 | 60                | 27          | 9                | 4             | 100          | 151             | 528          |
| August                | 2020 | 58                | 28          | 10               | 4             | 100          | 148             | 507          |
| September             | 2020 | 57                | 30          | 8                | 5             | 100          | 149             | 478          |
| October               | 2020 | 57                | 31          | 7                | 5             | 100          | 150             | 459          |
| November              | 2020 | 56                | 30          | 7                | 7             | 100          | 149             | 452          |
| December              | 2020 | 54                | 30          | 11               | 5             | 100          | 144             | 477          |
| January               | 2021 | 52                | 28          | 15               | 5             | 100          | 137             | 478          |
| February              | 2021 | 50                | 29          | 18               | 3             | 100          | 131             | 492          |
| March                 | 2021 | 50                | 31          | 17               | 3             | 100          | 133             | 465          |
| April                 | 2021 | 52                | 30          | 15               | 3             | 100          | 137             | 471          |
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| June                  | 2021 | 54                | 26          | 15               | 4             | 100          | 139             | 471          |
| July                  | 2021 | 53                | 26          | 16               | 5             | 100          | 137             | 485          |
| August                | 2021 | 52                | 25          | 17               | 5             | 100          | 135             | 499          |
| September             | 2021 | 49                | 27          | 18               | 6             | 100          | 131             | 490          |
| October               | 2021 | 49                | 27          | 18               | 7             | 100          | 131             | 475          |
| November              | 2021 | 48                | 28          | 17               | 7             | 100          | 132             | 465          |
| December              | 2021 | 51                | 25          | 18               | 7             | 100          | 133             | 491          |
| January               | 2022 | 52                | 25          | 17               | 6             | 100          | 135             | 506          |
| February              | 2022 | 52                | 24          | 19               | 6             | 100          | 133             | 512          |
| March                 | 2022 | 50                | 27          | 17               | 5             | 100          | 133             | 486          |
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| May                   | 2022 | 51                | 29          | 14               | 6             | 100          | 137             | 451          |
| June                  | 2022 | 53                | 24          | 16               | 6             | 100          | 137             | 461          |
| July                  | 2022 | 50                | 23          | 20               | 7             | 100          | 130             | 481          |
| August                | 2022 | 47                | 25          | 21               | 7             | 100          | 127             | 485          |
| September             | 2022 | 47                | 27          | 19               | 7             | 100          | 127             | 483          |
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| January               | 2023 | 52                | 24          | 19               | 6             | 100          | 133             | 499          |
| February              | 2023 | 50                | 25          | 19               | 5             | 100          | 131             | 473          |
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| July                  | 2023 | 47                | 28          | 18               | 7             | 100          | 128             | 463          |
| August                | 2023 | 46                | 30          | 16               | 8             | 100          | 129             | 444          |
| September             | 2023 | 46                | 29          | 17               | 7             | 100          | 129             | 462          |
| October               | 2023 | 47                | 27          | 19               | 7             | 100          | 128             | 471          |
| November              | 2023 | 46                | 26          | 21               | 8             | 100          | 125             | 495          |
| December              | 2023 | 47                | 24          | 22               | 6             | 100          | 125             | 471          |
| January               | 2024 | 48                | 27          | 19               | 7             | 100          | 129             | 461          |
| February              | 2024 | 48                | 28          | 18               | 6             | 100          | 131             | 438          |
| March                 | 2024 | 48                | 30          | 15               | 7             | 100          | 133             | 446          |