

TABLE 12

## FIVE YEAR TREND IN PAST AND EXPECTED HOUSEHOLD FINANCIAL SITUATION

Combination of the responses to the questions on Tables 10 and 11.

- Key: (a) Better off financially than 5 years ago/Better off 5 years from now  
 (b) Better/Same or Same/Better  
 (c) Same/Same  
 (d) Worse/Same or Same/Worse  
 (e) Worse/Worse  
 (f) Worse/Better or Better/Worse

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

| Year | (a)<br>Continuous<br>Increase | (b)<br>Intermittent<br>Increase | (c)<br>No<br>Change | (d)<br>Intermittent<br>Decline | (e)<br>Continuous<br>Decline | (f)<br>Mixed<br>Change | DK, NA | Total | Relative | Cases |
|------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|
| 1974 | 24                            | 15                              | 6                   | 9                              | 6                            | 16                     | 24     | 100   | 124      | 1421  |
| 1979 | 25                            | 19                              | 6                   | 13                             | 13                           | 16                     | 8      | 100   | 118      | 3746  |
| 1980 | 26                            | 18                              | 5                   | 13                             | 10                           | 19                     | 9      | 100   | 121      | 3027  |
| 1981 | 27                            | 18                              | 4                   | 11                             | 10                           | 20                     | 10     | 100   | 124      | 4138  |
| 1982 | 29                            | 17                              | 5                   | 13                             | 7                            | 22                     | 7      | 100   | 126      | 4171  |
| 1983 | 31                            | 16                              | 6                   | 12                             | 7                            | 21                     | 7      | 100   | 128      | 4144  |
| 1984 | 37                            | 20                              | 6                   | 9                              | 5                            | 16                     | 7      | 100   | 143      | 4106  |
| 1985 | 32                            | 21                              | 7                   | 11                             | 6                            | 17                     | 6      | 100   | 136      | 3240  |
| 2011 | 19                            | 16                              | 6                   | 19                             | 12                           | 23                     | 5      | 100   | 104      | 2992  |
| 2012 | 20                            | 17                              | 7                   | 18                             | 11                           | 22                     | 5      | 100   | 108      | 6054  |
| 2013 | 24                            | 18                              | 6                   | 16                             | 13                           | 19                     | 4      | 100   | 113      | 6036  |
| 2014 | 29                            | 18                              | 6                   | 14                             | 10                           | 18                     | 5      | 100   | 123      | 6047  |
| 2015 | 35                            | 19                              | 5                   | 11                             | 8                            | 18                     | 4      | 100   | 135      | 6107  |
| 2016 | 36                            | 19                              | 5                   | 11                             | 7                            | 17                     | 5      | 100   | 137      | 6593  |
| 2017 | 40                            | 20                              | 5                   | 9                              | 6                            | 17                     | 3      | 100   | 145      | 7254  |
| 2018 | 40                            | 22                              | 5                   | 8                              | 6                            | 15                     | 4      | 100   | 148      | 7294  |
| 2019 | 41                            | 21                              | 6                   | 8                              | 5                            | 15                     | 4      | 100   | 149      | 7326  |
| 2020 | 41                            | 21                              | 6                   | 8                              | 4                            | 15                     | 5      | 100   | 150      | 7487  |
| 2021 | 38                            | 20                              | 5                   | 9                              | 5                            | 18                     | 5      | 100   | 144      | 7251  |
| 2022 | 33                            | 18                              | 4                   | 10                             | 10                           | 19                     | 6      | 100   | 131      | 7213  |
| 2023 | 31                            | 17                              | 5                   | 12                             | 10                           | 19                     | 6      | 100   | 126      | 7224  |
| 2024 | 32                            | 18                              | 4                   | 10                             | 9                            | 21                     | 6      | 100   | 131      | 601   |