

# INCOME MIDDLE THIRD

## TABLE 10 CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION COMPARED WITH 5 YEARS AGO (Three Month Moving Averages)

The question was: "Now thinking back 5 years, would you say you (and your family living there) are better off or worse off financially now than you were 5 years ago?"

( 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	51	10	37	2	100	114	536
March 1981	47	12	39	1	100	108	513
September 1981	50	15	34	1	100	117	412
March 1982	54	12	33	1	100	121	814
September 1982	47	14	38	0	100	109	645
March 1983	49	10	40	1	100	109	723
September 1983	56	9	34	1	100	122	752
March 1984	58	14	27	1	100	131	726
September 1984	61	14	24	2	100	137	706
September 1985	58	11	28	2	100	130	692
September 2011	34	10	55	1	100	79	482
October 2011	36	10	54	0	100	81	491
November 2011	37	9	54	0	100	83	501
December 2011	39	9	52	0	100	86	488
January 2012	39	9	51	0	100	88	472
February 2012	38	9	53	0	100	85	477
March 2012	38	11	51	0	100	88	475
April 2012	37	12	51	1	100	86	485
May 2012	37	13	49	1	100	88	471
June 2012	38	12	49	1	100	89	467
July 2012	37	12	50	0	100	87	468
August 2012	37	11	52	0	100	85	473
September 2012	35	10	54	1	100	80	486
October 2012	37	11	51	1	100	86	499
November 2012	38	12	48	2	100	90	483
December 2012	42	13	44	1	100	98	482
January 2013	43	12	45	0	100	98	471
February 2013	43	12	45	0	100	98	475
March 2013	44	10	46	0	100	98	476
April 2013	44	10	46	0	100	98	467
May 2013	46	10	44	0	100	101	478
June 2013	45	10	44	1	100	101	477
July 2013	47	11	42	1	100	105	485
August 2013	47	11	41	1	100	106	482
September 2013	47	12	41	1	100	106	461
October 2013	47	11	42	1	100	105	468
November 2013	44	11	44	1	100	100	472
December 2013	44	11	44	1	100	100	482
January 2014	44	13	42	1	100	102	462
February 2014	47	13	39	1	100	107	467
March 2014	48	10	42	0	100	105	482
April 2014	50	8	42	0	100	108	496
May 2014	50	8	42	0	100	108	497

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June 2014	49	11	40	1	100	109	491
July 2014	46	10	42	1	100	104	489
August 2014	47	10	42	1	100	105	491
September 2014	51	8	41	1	100	110	489
October 2014	53	9	37	0	100	116	483
November 2014	49	11	39	0	100	110	478
December 2014	50	12	37	0	100	113	490
January 2015	52	11	36	1	100	116	493
February 2015	57	10	33	1	100	124	498
March 2015	55	9	35	1	100	119	480
April 2015	53	10	37	0	100	116	484
May 2015	54	9	37	0	100	117	479
June 2015	60	8	31	0	100	129	485
July 2015	61	7	31	1	100	131	492
August 2015	60	9	30	1	100	130	510
September 2015	56	10	33	1	100	123	515
October 2015	54	11	34	1	100	121	509
November 2015	53	9	37	1	100	117	483
December 2015	55	9	35	1	100	120	483
January 2016	55	8	36	1	100	119	472
February 2016	59	9	32	1	100	127	481
March 2016	60	8	32	0	100	128	494
April 2016	62	7	31	0	100	131	512
May 2016	61	8	31	0	100	131	525
June 2016	59	9	32	0	100	127	518
July 2016	57	10	33	0	100	124	510
August 2016	57	9	33	0	100	124	506
September 2016	56	11	33	0	100	123	525
October 2016	57	12	31	1	100	126	541
November 2016	55	12	32	1	100	123	572
December 2016	58	11	30	1	100	128	577
January 2017	61	9	29	0	100	132	580
February 2017	64	9	27	0	100	137	571
March 2017	65	9	26	0	100	139	585
April 2017	66	8	25	1	100	141	607
May 2017	67	9	23	1	100	145	609
June 2017	68	9	22	1	100	147	577
July 2017	66	11	23	0	100	143	556
August 2017	65	11	24	0	100	141	535
September 2017	65	10	25	0	100	140	561
October 2017	68	11	21	0	100	148	587
November 2017	69	10	20	1	100	150	607
December 2017	68	13	19	1	100	149	610
January 2018	65	13	22	0	100	143	600
February 2018	64	14	22	0	100	142	588
March 2018	66	12	22	0	100	145	578
April 2018	68	12	19	0	100	149	557
May 2018	69	11	20	0	100	149	569
June 2018	69	10	20	0	100	149	575
July 2018	71	9	19	0	100	152	578
August 2018	71	9	20	0	100	151	564
September 2018	72	8	20	0	100	152	554

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October 2018	71	7	22	0	100	149	570
November 2018	71	7	22	0	100	149	583
December 2018	69	8	22	0	100	147	602
January 2019	68	10	22	0	100	146	605
February 2019	66	12	22	0	100	145	602
March 2019	68	11	21	1	100	147	586
April 2019	69	10	20	1	100	149	577
May 2019	70	9	20	1	100	150	603
June 2019	69	10	20	0	100	149	609
July 2019	68	10	22	0	100	147	623
August 2019	66	12	21	0	100	145	616
September 2019	65	13	22	0	100	143	598
October 2019	64	15	20	1	100	144	608
November 2019	67	13	19	1	100	148	594
December 2019	68	12	19	1	100	149	634
January 2020	70	11	19	1	100	151	600
February 2020	70	9	21	1	100	149	592
March 2020	71	9	20	1	100	151	578
April 2020	70	8	21	0	100	149	588
May 2020	69	11	20	0	100	148	581
June 2020	66	10	23	1	100	144	590
July 2020	63	11	25	1	100	138	574
August 2020	65	10	25	1	100	140	602
September 2020	67	10	23	1	100	144	573
October 2020	69	9	21	0	100	148	568
November 2020	71	10	19	0	100	151	545
December 2020	71	10	19	0	100	152	560
January 2021	69	9	21	1	100	148	576
February 2021	69	8	22	1	100	147	582
March 2021	69	9	21	1	100	148	567
April 2021	70	12	17	1	100	152	571
May 2021	70	14	15	1	100	155	575
June 2021	70	13	17	1	100	153	565
July 2021	70	12	18	0	100	152	572
August 2021	68	11	20	0	100	148	574
September 2021	67	12	20	1	100	147	622
October 2021	64	13	22	1	100	142	619
November 2021	62	13	24	1	100	139	615
December 2021	59	12	28	0	100	131	580
January 2022	60	11	29	0	100	132	599
February 2022	60	8	32	0	100	127	587
March 2022	59	9	31	1	100	128	599
April 2022	60	8	32	0	100	128	573
May 2022	58	9	32	1	100	125	583
June 2022	58	8	33	1	100	124	571
July 2022	53	9	37	1	100	116	578
August 2022	55	10	34	1	100	121	584
September 2022	52	10	37	1	100	115	591
October 2022	53	10	37	0	100	115	577
November 2022	51	8	41	0	100	110	567
December 2022	51	8	40	0	100	111	570

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January 2023	52	8	39	0	100	113	592
February 2023	51	10	39	0	100	113	600
March 2023	51	10	40	0	100	111	594
April 2023	50	10	40	0	100	110	590
May 2023	48	9	43	0	100	105	575
June 2023	48	9	43	0	100	105	573
July 2023	51	8	41	0	100	109	568
August 2023	53	7	40	0	100	113	597
September 2023	55	7	38	0	100	117	601
October 2023	51	9	41	0	100	110	610
November 2023	52	9	39	0	100	113	590
December 2023	48	10	41	0	100	107	586
January 2024	50	10	40	0	100	110	587
February 2024	49	10	41	0	100	108	591
March 2024	50	10	39	0	100	111	583
April 2024	49	10	40	1	100	109	657
May 2024	48	11	40	1	100	108	781