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The question was: "We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. Would you say that you (and your family living there) are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?"

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	1978	57	16	26	1	100	132	1153
April	1978	57	15	27	1	100	130	1182
May	1978	59	14	27	0	100	132	1208
June	1978	60	15	25	0	100	135	1169
July	1978	60	17	24	0	100	136	1163
August	1978	57	18	25	0	100	131	996
September	1978	56	17	26	1	100	131	1015
October	1978	56	17	26	1	100	131	1008
November	1978	58	17	25	1	100	133	1137
December	1978	53	17	29	1	100	125	1130
January	1979	55	14	30	1	100	125	1183
February	1979	52	16	31	1	100	122	1232
March	1979	54	16	29	1	100	126	1234
April	1979	49	18	32	1	100	118	1274
May	1979	49	17	34	0	100	115	1250
June	1979	48	16	36	0	100	112	1392
July	1979	49	16	34	0	100	115	1473
August	1979	51	16	33	0	100	118	1438
September	1979	50	15	35	0	100	115	1377
October	1979	49	14	38	0	100	111	1380
November	1979	47	12	40	0	100	107	1451
December	1979	47	14	39	0	100	107	1440
January	1980	49	15	36	0	100	113	1278
February	1980	48	17	36	0	100	112	1149
March	1980	44	18	38	0	100	106	1044
April	1980	38	17	44	0	100	94	1019
May	1980	39	17	44	0	100	95	843
June	1980	43	14	43	0	100	100	877
July	1980	47	14	39	0	100	108	827
August	1980	48	14	38	0	100	110	820
September	1980	49	14	36	1	100	112	789
October	1980	49	16	34	1	100	115	816
November	1980	46	17	37	0	100	110	806
December	1980	44	16	40	0	100	105	789
January	1981	41	16	43	0	100	98	786
February	1981	41	16	43	0	100	98	804
March	1981	42	18	40	0	100	102	810
April	1981	43	18	39	0	100	104	805
May	1981	44	19	37	0	100	108	803
June	1981	44	20	36	0	100	109	802
July	1981	46	20	33	1	100	113	826
August	1981	47	20	32	1	100	115	811
September	1981	49	20	30	1	100	119	813
October	1981	48	21	30	1	100	117	819
November	1981	47	18	35	1	100	112	848
December	1981	45	18	37	1	100	108	841
January	1982	44	16	40	0	100	104	845
February	1982	43	16	40	0	100	103	828

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	1982	43	14	43	0	100	100	853
April	1982	40	17	42	1	100	99	846
May	1982	42	18	40	1	100	102	857
June	1982	42	21	36	1	100	106	857
July	1982	46	19	35	1	100	111	876
August	1982	46	18	36	1	100	110	866
September	1982	45	16	39	0	100	106	858
October	1982	44	17	39	0	100	105	836
November	1982	42	17	40	0	100	102	843
December	1982	42	17	41	0	100	101	834
January	1983	43	17	40	0	100	102	834
February	1983	45	16	38	0	100	107	831
March	1983	45	17	38	0	100	107	831
April	1983	47	17	35	0	100	112	836
May	1983	45	21	33	0	100	112	844
June	1983	49	22	28	0	100	121	864
July	1983	52	21	26	0	100	126	823
August	1983	55	19	26	0	100	130	799
September	1983	56	18	26	0	100	130	797
October	1983	52	19	29	0	100	123	824
November	1983	53	19	28	0	100	125	837
December	1983	57	18	25	0	100	132	835
January	1984	61	17	21	0	100	140	801
February	1984	62	16	21	1	100	141	800
March	1984	62	15	22	1	100	139	808
April	1984	62	16	21	1	100	141	843
May	1984	63	16	21	0	100	142	827
June	1984	62	16	21	0	100	141	796
July	1984	61	17	22	0	100	140	751
August	1984	63	17	20	0	100	143	780
September	1984	62	19	19	0	100	143	799
October	1984	61	18	21	0	100	140	844
November	1984	61	17	21	0	100	140	800
December	1984	62	15	22	0	100	140	787
January	1985	62	16	21	0	100	141	736
February	1985	61	17	21	0	100	140	761
March	1985	59	18	22	0	100	137	739
April	1985	60	18	22	0	100	138	746
May	1985	60	19	21	0	100	138	704
June	1985	62	17	21	0	100	141	712
July	1985	60	17	23	0	100	137	696
August	1985	60	16	24	0	100	136	709
September	1985	59	15	24	1	100	135	687
October	1985	60	16	23	1	100	138	715
November	1985	59	18	22	1	100	137	717
December	1985	60	19	21	0	100	139	753
January	1986	62	17	21	0	100	141	754
February	1986	63	15	22	0	100	142	788
March	1986	63	15	21	0	100	142	750
April	1986	62	16	22	0	100	140	753
May	1986	62	17	22	0	100	140	739
June	1986	62	17	20	0	100	142	771

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
July	1986	65	16	19	0	100	146	766
August	1986	66	15	19	0	100	147	761
September	1986	67	14	19	0	100	148	732
October	1986	62	17	20	0	100	142	712
November	1986	64	18	18	0	100	145	698
December	1986	59	20	21	0	100	138	709
January	1987	61	18	20	0	100	141	724
February	1987	60	16	23	0	100	137	740
March	1987	64	15	21	0	100	143	730
April	1987	63	15	22	0	100	141	723
May	1987	64	14	22	0	100	141	699
June	1987	62	14	23	0	100	139	706
July	1987	64	15	21	0	100	143	692
August	1987	63	17	19	0	100	144	716
September	1987	63	18	19	0	100	144	698
October	1987	61	18	20	0	100	141	649
November	1987	60	18	22	0	100	138	566
December	1987	60	18	21	0	100	139	542
January	1988	61	19	20	0	100	142	529
February	1988	63	17	19	0	100	144	563
March	1988	65	16	19	0	100	146	545
April	1988	63	17	19	1	100	144	554
May	1988	61	18	21	1	100	140	528
June	1988	59	20	21	1	100	138	548
July	1988	59	19	21	0	100	138	565
August	1988	63	18	19	0	100	145	586
September	1988	65	16	19	0	100	147	575
October	1988	65	14	21	0	100	144	555
November	1988	62	16	22	0	100	140	537
December	1988	60	17	23	0	100	137	533
January	1989	60	19	20	0	100	140	559
February	1989	62	18	20	0	100	143	561
March	1989	62	19	19	0	100	143	552
April	1989	62	16	21	0	100	141	551
May	1989	61	18	21	0	100	140	549
June	1989	61	18	21	0	100	140	559
July	1989	61	18	20	0	100	141	556
August	1989	64	16	20	0	100	145	522
September	1989	65	16	19	0	100	146	511
October	1989	65	16	19	0	100	146	493
November	1989	60	20	20	0	100	140	517
December	1989	57	19	24	0	100	133	514
January	1990	57	19	24	0	100	134	516
February	1990	58	18	24	1	100	134	497
March	1990	59	17	23	1	100	136	502
April	1990	61	16	22	1	100	139	492
May	1990	63	16	20	1	100	143	493
June	1990	65	16	18	1	100	147	483
July	1990	62	18	20	0	100	143	506
August	1990	58	19	23	0	100	135	530
September	1990	55	20	25	0	100	130	537
October	1990	52	19	29	0	100	122	508

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
November	1990	51	16	32	1	100	118	479
December	1990	49	16	34	1	100	116	473
January	1991	52	18	30	0	100	122	506
February	1991	49	19	32	0	100	117	539
March	1991	49	20	31	0	100	118	546
April	1991	45	22	33	0	100	112	512
May	1991	50	23	28	0	100	122	484
June	1991	51	20	28	0	100	123	485
July	1991	53	18	29	0	100	124	497
August	1991	52	18	30	0	100	122	532
September	1991	52	20	28	0	100	125	510
October	1991	54	19	26	1	100	128	525
November	1991	52	17	30	0	100	122	509
December	1991	50	16	34	0	100	115	530
January	1992	46	17	37	0	100	109	526
February	1992	47	19	34	0	100	113	525
March	1992	47	20	32	0	100	115	511
April	1992	47	23	30	0	100	117	517
May	1992	47	23	30	0	100	116	525
June	1992	48	22	31	0	100	117	534
July	1992	49	21	30	0	100	120	510
August	1992	49	20	31	0	100	118	505
September	1992	50	21	29	0	100	121	500
October	1992	47	21	32	0	100	115	507
November	1992	49	22	29	0	100	120	499
December	1992	48	23	29	0	100	118	491
January	1993	54	20	26	0	100	127	476
February	1993	51	24	25	0	100	126	466
March	1993	53	21	26	0	100	127	480
April	1993	51	25	24	0	100	127	485
May	1993	53	21	26	0	100	127	489
June	1993	54	22	23	1	100	131	477
July	1993	58	18	23	1	100	134	460
August	1993	58	17	24	1	100	134	454
September	1993	54	16	29	1	100	126	447
October	1993	51	18	32	0	100	119	464
November	1993	50	19	30	0	100	120	466
December	1993	54	19	26	0	100	128	470
January	1994	56	20	24	0	100	133	467
February	1994	60	18	22	0	100	138	476
March	1994	58	19	22	0	100	136	453
April	1994	60	17	22	1	100	138	451
May	1994	59	17	23	1	100	136	441
June	1994	59	15	24	1	100	135	463
July	1994	58	18	23	1	100	135	481
August	1994	59	18	23	0	100	136	496
September	1994	58	18	24	0	100	133	496
October	1994	56	16	28	0	100	128	483
November	1994	54	16	29	0	100	125	475
December	1994	54	17	28	0	100	126	476
January	1995	58	17	24	0	100	134	491

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	1995	60	16	24	0	100	137	484
March	1995	59	17	24	0	100	136	488
April	1995	57	20	23	0	100	134	478
May	1995	55	23	23	0	100	132	488
June	1995	60	19	21	0	100	139	482
July	1995	59	18	23	0	100	136	490
August	1995	63	15	22	0	100	142	478
September	1995	59	17	24	0	100	135	478
October	1995	61	17	22	0	100	139	459
November	1995	56	18	26	0	100	130	464
December	1995	59	17	24	0	100	135	454
January	1996	57	18	25	0	100	132	481
February	1996	59	18	23	0	100	136	462
March	1996	56	19	25	0	100	130	481
April	1996	57	19	23	1	100	134	434
May	1996	56	20	23	1	100	133	443
June	1996	58	18	23	1	100	135	422
July	1996	58	17	25	0	100	132	455
August	1996	60	18	23	0	100	137	456
September	1996	59	19	22	0	100	136	467
October	1996	57	19	23	0	100	134	421
November	1996	57	17	25	0	100	132	418
December	1996	61	16	23	0	100	139	407
January	1997	63	16	21	0	100	141	453
February	1997	59	17	24	0	100	136	473
March	1997	56	17	27	0	100	129	476
April	1997	62	14	24	0	100	138	448
May	1997	67	14	19	0	100	148	433
June	1997	70	15	15	0	100	156	415
July	1997	69	18	13	0	100	156	428
August	1997	67	17	16	0	100	151	410
September	1997	66	17	17	0	100	149	421
October	1997	63	17	20	1	100	143	407
November	1997	65	16	18	1	100	146	421
December	1997	63	18	18	1	100	145	395
January	1998	65	17	18	1	100	147	390
February	1998	66	18	16	0	100	150	353
March	1998	69	14	17	0	100	153	386
April	1998	67	17	16	0	100	151	395
May	1998	66	17	17	0	100	149	415
June	1998	66	18	17	0	100	149	404
July	1998	70	15	15	0	100	155	402
August	1998	70	14	16	0	100	154	390
September	1998	68	16	16	0	100	151	413
October	1998	66	15	18	0	100	148	410
November	1998	66	17	16	0	100	150	417
December	1998	66	16	18	0	100	148	416
January	1999	66	16	18	0	100	148	423
February	1999	65	16	19	0	100	146	439
March	1999	67	16	17	0	100	150	439
April	1999	68	14	18	0	100	151	443
May	1999	69	11	19	0	100	150	422

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
June	1999	67	13	20	0	100	147	410
July	1999	66	14	20	0	100	146	391
August	1999	66	16	18	0	100	148	406
September	1999	69	14	18	0	100	151	412
October	1999	67	17	16	0	100	151	412
November	1999	67	16	16	0	100	151	397
December	1999	66	19	15	0	100	151	387
January	2000	68	16	15	0	100	153	387
February	2000	68	15	16	0	100	152	384
March	2000	70	13	17	0	100	153	377
April	2000	67	15	17	0	100	150	380
May	2000	69	17	15	0	100	154	396
June	2000	68	16	16	0	100	152	409
July	2000	70	14	16	0	100	154	416
August	2000	69	11	20	0	100	149	412
September	2000	66	13	21	0	100	146	382
October	2000	68	12	20	0	100	148	364
November	2000	69	13	18	0	100	151	350
December	2000	70	13	17	0	100	153	368
January	2001	68	13	19	0	100	149	373
February	2001	64	15	20	1	100	144	370
March	2001	62	16	21	1	100	141	352
April	2001	63	16	20	1	100	143	348
May	2001	63	18	19	0	100	144	347
June	2001	65	17	18	0	100	147	354
July	2001	62	21	16	0	100	146	341
August	2001	63	19	18	1	100	145	357
September	2001	60	18	21	1	100	139	332
October	2001	60	15	23	1	100	137	345
November	2001	57	16	26	1	100	131	335
December	2001	56	16	27	1	100	130	367
January	2002	52	20	27	0	100	125	361
February	2002	52	21	27	0	100	125	371
March	2002	53	20	27	0	100	126	361
April	2002	58	15	27	0	100	132	352
May	2002	60	14	26	0	100	134	356
June	2002	58	14	27	0	100	131	362
July	2002	55	15	30	0	100	125	368
August	2002	54	14	31	0	100	123	357
September	2002	53	18	29	0	100	124	335
October	2002	55	18	27	0	100	128	328
November	2002	54	18	27	0	100	127	340
December	2002	59	16	25	1	100	134	358
January	2003	57	18	24	1	100	133	373
February	2003	56	18	26	1	100	130	344
March	2003	52	20	28	0	100	125	337
April	2003	56	17	27	0	100	129	336
May	2003	55	20	25	0	100	130	340
June	2003	53	21	27	0	100	126	348
July	2003	48	22	30	0	100	119	351
August	2003	50	20	30	0	100	120	335
September	2003	55	18	27	0	100	128	322

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
October	2003	57	18	25	0	100	133	324
November	2003	59	17	24	0	100	136	346
December	2003	56	16	28	0	100	128	351
January	2004	57	16	27	0	100	130	337
February	2004	59	16	25	0	100	133	327
March	2004	61	16	23	0	100	138	315
April	2004	61	15	24	0	100	137	323
May	2004	60	14	26	0	100	134	332
June	2004	60	15	25	0	100	135	323
July	2004	61	15	25	0	100	136	300
August	2004	64	13	23	0	100	142	282
September	2004	66	13	22	0	100	144	293
October	2004	65	12	23	0	100	142	302
November	2004	60	15	25	0	100	136	296
December	2004	56	14	29	1	100	126	295
January	2005	56	17	25	1	100	131	292
February	2005	61	13	24	1	100	137	292
March	2005	67	15	18	0	100	148	276
April	2005	64	17	19	0	100	145	275
May	2005	59	20	22	0	100	137	287
June	2005	60	19	21	0	100	138	321
July	2005	62	18	20	0	100	142	315
August	2005	65	16	19	0	100	146	299
September	2005	60	16	25	0	100	135	251
October	2005	55	14	30	0	100	125	251
November	2005	55	16	29	0	100	126	263
December	2005	63	13	24	0	100	138	285
January	2006	66	13	21	0	100	145	272
February	2006	66	16	18	0	100	148	256
March	2006	66	14	19	1	100	146	230
April	2006	67	12	20	1	100	148	240
May	2006	63	12	24	1	100	139	251
June	2006	58	15	27	0	100	132	270
July	2006	60	13	26	0	100	134	263
August	2006	65	11	23	0	100	142	241
September	2006	66	9	25	0	100	141	221
October	2006	63	10	27	0	100	135	229
November	2006	62	10	28	0	100	134	235
December	2006	62	12	27	0	100	135	238
January	2007	61	15	24	0	100	137	233
February	2007	59	18	23	0	100	137	224
March	2007	62	18	20	0	100	142	228
April	2007	65	15	19	0	100	146	223
May	2007	65	14	21	0	100	144	247
June	2007	65	13	22	0	100	143	239
July	2007	62	14	24	0	100	138	234
August	2007	63	13	24	0	100	139	218
September	2007	62	14	23	0	100	139	217
October	2007	66	11	22	0	100	144	204
November	2007	63	13	24	0	100	140	211
December	2007	59	14	27	0	100	132	221

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
January	2008	53	15	32	0	100	121	229
February	2008	54	14	32	0	100	121	215
March	2008	56	13	31	0	100	125	208
April	2008	56	14	30	0	100	126	206
May	2008	53	13	33	0	100	120	201
June	2008	47	12	41	0	100	105	210
July	2008	47	13	40	0	100	108	216
August	2008	48	10	42	0	100	106	209
September	2008	49	10	41	1	100	108	213
October	2008	41	9	49	1	100	92	211
November	2008	35	13	52	1	100	83	213
December	2008	31	16	53	0	100	79	196
January	2009	34	18	48	0	100	86	185
February	2009	40	16	45	0	100	95	180
March	2009	40	15	45	0	100	96	195
April	2009	42	12	46	0	100	96	200
May	2009	34	16	50	0	100	84	195
June	2009	33	17	50	0	100	84	169
July	2009	27	22	50	0	100	77	161
August	2009	30	19	51	0	100	79	173
September	2009	30	20	50	0	100	80	174
October	2009	31	15	53	0	100	78	181
November	2009	28	18	54	0	100	73	173
December	2009	28	20	52	0	100	77	181
January	2010	28	24	48	0	100	80	176
February	2010	34	28	38	0	100	96	191
March	2010	40	26	33	0	100	107	177
April	2010	41	27	32	0	100	109	176
May	2010	41	23	36	0	100	105	177
June	2010	35	24	41	0	100	94	190
July	2010	41	22	38	0	100	103	179
August	2010	44	20	35	0	100	109	177
September	2010	52	18	30	0	100	122	162
October	2010	49	24	28	0	100	121	173
November	2010	46	24	30	0	100	116	161
December	2010	40	25	35	0	100	105	175
January	2011	42	20	38	0	100	105	170
February	2011	45	20	35	0	100	110	164
March	2011	47	22	32	0	100	115	157
April	2011	44	25	31	0	100	113	155
May	2011	41	24	34	0	100	107	162
June	2011	39	27	34	0	100	106	171
July	2011	38	25	37	0	100	100	169
August	2011	39	24	37	0	100	102	160
September	2011	43	18	39	0	100	104	153
October	2011	48	20	32	0	100	116	156
November	2011	50	24	26	0	100	124	156
December	2011	48	25	28	0	100	120	160
January	2012	46	23	31	0	100	115	155
February	2012	47	20	33	0	100	114	162
March	2012	53	17	30	0	100	124	151
April	2012	53	16	31	0	100	123	155

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
May	2012	49	23	29	0	100	120	144
June	2012	40	31	29	0	100	111	133
July	2012	41	31	28	0	100	112	125
August	2012	46	23	30	0	100	116	143
September	2012	45	18	37	0	100	108	162
October	2012	52	12	36	0	100	116	174
November	2012	52	10	38	0	100	114	169
December	2012	57	11	31	0	100	126	168
January	2013	48	17	35	0	100	113	166
February	2013	43	25	32	0	100	110	181
March	2013	43	28	29	0	100	114	186
April	2013	50	26	24	0	100	126	199
May	2013	55	20	25	0	100	130	207
June	2013	55	19	25	0	100	130	214
July	2013	56	17	26	0	100	130	213
August	2013	56	19	24	0	100	132	216
September	2013	56	21	24	0	100	132	231
October	2013	53	23	24	0	100	128	229
November	2013	49	23	27	0	100	122	226
December	2013	52	22	27	0	100	125	210
January	2014	55	21	24	0	100	131	219
February	2014	57	20	22	0	100	135	207
March	2014	55	21	24	0	100	132	219
April	2014	56	21	23	0	100	134	231
May	2014	55	23	23	0	100	132	239
June	2014	58	20	22	0	100	137	230
July	2014	55	22	23	0	100	131	217
August	2014	58	19	22	0	100	136	217
September	2014	58	21	21	0	100	137	239
October	2014	62	19	19	0	100	143	262
November	2014	61	23	16	0	100	145	281
December	2014	61	23	15	0	100	146	281
January	2015	63	22	15	0	100	149	291
February	2015	68	17	15	0	100	153	294
March	2015	66	16	17	0	100	149	320
April	2015	64	18	18	0	100	146	325
May	2015	61	20	19	0	100	142	358
June	2015	63	19	17	1	100	146	347
July	2015	64	18	17	1	100	147	346
August	2015	69	14	16	1	100	154	349
September	2015	68	14	17	0	100	151	375
October	2015	66	16	19	0	100	147	382
November	2015	62	18	21	0	100	141	366
December	2015	63	14	23	0	100	140	338
January	2016	64	14	21	0	100	143	332
February	2016	64	13	22	0	100	142	337
March	2016	65	17	18	0	100	147	353
April	2016	65	16	19	0	100	146	360
May	2016	67	16	17	0	100	149	363
June	2016	66	15	19	0	100	147	354
July	2016	68	15	16	1	100	152	358
August	2016	65	18	16	0	100	149	348

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
September	2016	61	21	17	0	100	144	356
October	2016	56	22	22	0	100	134	366
November	2016	58	19	23	0	100	136	393
December	2016	62	18	20	0	100	142	414
January	2017	66	17	17	0	100	150	410
February	2017	66	19	14	0	100	152	405
March	2017	62	22	16	0	100	146	390
April	2017	63	21	15	0	100	148	383
May	2017	64	19	17	0	100	146	395
June	2017	67	16	17	0	100	150	423
July	2017	66	18	17	0	100	149	434
August	2017	66	18	16	0	100	149	419
September	2017	67	18	15	0	100	151	386
October	2017	67	18	15	0	100	152	373
November	2017	66	19	15	0	100	151	385
December	2017	65	17	18	0	100	147	392