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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	18	48	33	1	100	86	746
April	1978	20	43	35	2	100	85	745
May	1978	20	41	37	2	100	83	734
June	1978	19	43	36	1	100	83	732
July	1978	18	47	34	1	100	85	732
August	1978	18	46	35	1	100	84	787
September	1978	19	45	35	1	100	84	795
October	1978	18	42	39	1	100	79	788
November	1978	18	43	37	1	100	81	834
December	1978	20	42	38	1	100	82	837
January	1979	20	40	39	1	100	81	872
February	1979	22	37	42	0	100	80	800
March	1979	19	40	41	0	100	78	809
April	1979	18	39	42	1	100	76	837
May	1979	16	40	43	2	100	73	756
June	1979	18	37	44	2	100	74	816
July	1979	18	39	43	1	100	75	866
August	1979	19	38	42	0	100	77	893
September	1979	19	37	43	1	100	75	871
October	1979	19	39	42	1	100	77	894
November	1979	17	39	44	1	100	73	913
December	1979	16	39	44	1	100	72	861
January	1980	17	38	44	1	100	74	719
February	1980	19	35	45	1	100	74	631
March	1980	17	36	46	1	100	71	638
April	1980	16	35	49	0	100	66	642
May	1980	13	37	50	0	100	63	586
June	1980	13	37	48	1	100	65	546
July	1980	13	41	44	2	100	69	534
August	1980	17	43	38	2	100	78	525
September	1980	19	45	35	1	100	83	539
October	1980	20	42	37	1	100	83	556
November	1980	18	39	42	1	100	76	557
December	1980	14	39	46	1	100	69	563
January	1981	12	41	46	1	100	66	555
February	1981	12	41	46	1	100	66	557
March	1981	14	40	46	0	100	68	577
April	1981	13	40	46	1	100	67	594
May	1981	17	42	40	1	100	77	589
June	1981	17	44	38	1	100	79	567
July	1981	20	46	34	0	100	87	529
August	1981	19	45	35	0	100	84	570
September	1981	20	43	36	1	100	84	574
October	1981	20	44	36	1	100	84	603
November	1981	20	43	36	0	100	84	566
December	1981	21	44	35	1	100	86	582
January	1982	21	43	35	1	100	85	564
February	1982	19	44	36	1	100	83	596

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	1982	18	45	36	0	100	82	562
April	1982	17	44	39	0	100	78	578
May	1982	18	46	36	0	100	82	543
June	1982	18	46	36	0	100	81	568
July	1982	19	44	36	0	100	83	549
August	1982	19	42	38	1	100	81	544
September	1982	20	42	38	0	100	82	543
October	1982	21	41	37	1	100	83	554
November	1982	22	37	41	1	100	81	567
December	1982	20	40	39	1	100	81	553
January	1983	17	44	39	0	100	79	538
February	1983	17	47	35	0	100	82	524
March	1983	19	47	34	0	100	85	540
April	1983	22	44	34	1	100	88	564
May	1983	23	42	34	0	100	89	562
June	1983	23	42	34	0	100	89	552
July	1983	21	45	34	0	100	87	572
August	1983	20	49	31	0	100	89	577
September	1983	19	49	31	0	100	88	593
October	1983	20	49	31	0	100	89	574
November	1983	21	48	32	0	100	89	595
December	1983	22	48	31	0	100	91	609
January	1984	21	48	30	1	100	91	642
February	1984	23	48	28	1	100	95	628
March	1984	22	48	29	1	100	94	621
April	1984	23	47	29	0	100	94	588
May	1984	21	49	29	1	100	92	619
June	1984	24	49	27	0	100	96	618
July	1984	24	51	25	0	100	99	619
August	1984	27	48	25	0	100	102	585
September	1984	26	50	24	0	100	102	576
October	1984	27	48	25	0	100	103	568
November	1984	27	48	24	0	100	103	599
December	1984	26	48	26	0	100	100	580
January	1985	26	50	24	0	100	102	576
February	1985	23	50	26	0	100	97	549
March	1985	23	49	28	0	100	95	560
April	1985	21	49	29	0	100	92	575
May	1985	22	51	26	0	100	96	569
June	1985	22	51	26	0	100	96	553
July	1985	23	50	25	1	100	98	550
August	1985	22	46	30	1	100	92	573
September	1985	22	47	29	1	100	93	583
October	1985	21	47	32	0	100	88	568
November	1985	21	48	30	0	100	91	539
December	1985	21	48	31	0	100	91	524
January	1986	20	51	28	0	100	92	516
February	1986	22	49	29	0	100	93	516
March	1986	23	50	27	0	100	95	542
April	1986	24	48	27	0	100	97	535
May	1986	23	50	27	0	100	96	561
June	1986	23	48	28	1	100	94	532

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
July	1986	24	48	28	1	100	96	548
August	1986	24	47	29	0	100	95	528
September	1986	23	47	30	0	100	93	557
October	1986	22	48	29	0	100	93	569
November	1986	22	51	27	0	100	95	595
December	1986	22	51	26	0	100	96	585
January	1987	21	47	31	1	100	91	574
February	1987	21	44	34	1	100	87	543
March	1987	19	47	33	1	100	86	532
April	1987	21	48	31	0	100	90	523
May	1987	20	51	29	0	100	90	536
June	1987	22	50	28	0	100	94	562
July	1987	20	53	26	1	100	94	575
August	1987	20	54	26	1	100	94	565
September	1987	20	53	26	1	100	94	543
October	1987	20	52	26	1	100	94	485
November	1987	22	50	27	1	100	95	452
December	1987	20	52	28	1	100	92	410
January	1988	19	52	28	1	100	91	431
February	1988	21	50	28	1	100	93	429
March	1988	24	47	28	1	100	96	428
April	1988	26	46	28	0	100	99	424
May	1988	23	49	28	0	100	95	438
June	1988	21	47	31	1	100	90	440
July	1988	21	46	31	1	100	90	432
August	1988	23	46	30	2	100	93	409
September	1988	27	46	26	1	100	101	407
October	1988	24	47	28	1	100	96	409
November	1988	24	46	30	0	100	94	436
December	1988	19	49	32	0	100	87	450
January	1989	19	50	31	0	100	88	433
February	1989	19	52	29	1	100	90	402
March	1989	21	51	28	0	100	93	408
April	1989	22	49	28	0	100	94	407
May	1989	23	49	28	0	100	96	429
June	1989	21	52	26	1	100	95	417
July	1989	20	51	29	1	100	91	427
August	1989	16	52	31	0	100	85	427
September	1989	19	48	33	0	100	86	444
October	1989	20	49	30	1	100	90	449
November	1989	21	49	29	1	100	92	450
December	1989	21	48	30	1	100	91	437
January	1990	20	50	30	1	100	90	436
February	1990	20	49	30	1	100	90	434
March	1990	21	50	28	1	100	93	444
April	1990	23	49	28	1	100	95	469
May	1990	23	50	26	1	100	96	486
June	1990	21	52	27	0	100	95	475
July	1990	20	53	27	0	100	92	436
August	1990	18	51	31	0	100	86	404
September	1990	16	51	32	0	100	84	395
October	1990	15	49	36	0	100	79	436

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
November	1990	16	47	36	0	100	80	474
December	1990	15	45	39	0	100	76	474
January	1991	16	48	37	0	100	79	439
February	1991	15	51	34	0	100	81	391
March	1991	17	49	32	1	100	85	377
April	1991	20	46	33	1	100	86	414
May	1991	20	45	33	1	100	87	434
June	1991	20	47	32	1	100	89	443
July	1991	19	49	31	1	100	88	414
August	1991	19	48	32	1	100	87	389
September	1991	18	48	33	1	100	84	386
October	1991	17	48	34	1	100	83	385
November	1991	17	46	36	1	100	81	403
December	1991	15	45	39	1	100	76	416
January	1992	14	44	41	1	100	74	408
February	1992	12	47	40	0	100	72	397
March	1992	12	46	41	0	100	71	395
April	1992	12	45	43	1	100	69	389
May	1992	11	47	41	1	100	71	393
June	1992	12	50	38	1	100	74	392
July	1992	13	48	38	1	100	75	409
August	1992	14	43	42	1	100	72	406
September	1992	15	42	43	1	100	72	410
October	1992	13	46	41	0	100	72	412
November	1992	15	48	36	1	100	79	404
December	1992	14	49	36	1	100	77	394
January	1993	17	50	32	1	100	84	384
February	1993	16	48	35	1	100	81	386
March	1993	20	48	31	1	100	89	377
April	1993	17	48	34	1	100	83	391
May	1993	17	51	31	1	100	86	405
June	1993	13	52	34	1	100	80	410
July	1993	13	50	35	1	100	78	398
August	1993	12	48	39	1	100	73	399
September	1993	14	47	38	1	100	76	403
October	1993	16	48	36	0	100	79	410
November	1993	19	48	33	0	100	86	412
December	1993	20	49	30	1	100	90	407
January	1994	24	48	26	2	100	97	401
February	1994	22	49	27	2	100	95	394
March	1994	22	46	31	1	100	91	425
April	1994	20	47	31	1	100	89	435
May	1994	20	50	29	1	100	91	436
June	1994	20	53	27	0	100	94	416
July	1994	21	52	27	0	100	94	413
August	1994	23	49	27	1	100	95	405
September	1994	22	47	30	1	100	93	400
October	1994	22	47	30	1	100	92	389
November	1994	21	45	34	1	100	87	395
December	1994	22	46	32	0	100	90	409
January	1995	21	48	31	0	100	90	401

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	1995	21	52	26	1	100	94	399
March	1995	20	53	26	1	100	94	384
April	1995	20	53	26	1	100	94	385
May	1995	21	50	28	1	100	93	383
June	1995	23	49	28	0	100	94	391
July	1995	22	48	30	0	100	92	390
August	1995	20	52	27	0	100	93	406
September	1995	19	52	28	0	100	91	404
October	1995	20	50	31	0	100	89	415
November	1995	20	49	31	0	100	89	410
December	1995	19	49	31	1	100	88	420
January	1996	21	51	26	1	100	95	408
February	1996	22	48	28	1	100	94	432
March	1996	24	47	28	1	100	96	418
April	1996	22	50	27	1	100	95	445
May	1996	22	52	25	0	100	97	408
June	1996	22	52	25	0	100	97	420
July	1996	23	48	28	0	100	95	397
August	1996	22	52	26	0	100	95	415
September	1996	21	51	28	0	100	92	411
October	1996	23	51	26	0	100	97	436
November	1996	24	50	26	0	100	98	432
December	1996	23	51	25	0	100	98	412
January	1997	21	51	27	1	100	94	392
February	1997	21	51	27	1	100	94	375
March	1997	24	50	25	1	100	99	388
April	1997	26	50	24	0	100	102	403
May	1997	26	51	23	0	100	104	419
June	1997	27	51	22	0	100	105	420
July	1997	26	52	21	0	100	105	410
August	1997	27	51	22	0	100	106	429
September	1997	27	51	22	0	100	105	424
October	1997	27	50	22	0	100	105	426
November	1997	28	50	22	0	100	106	415
December	1997	26	53	21	0	100	105	421
January	1998	25	56	18	0	100	107	430
February	1998	29	55	16	0	100	113	439
March	1998	30	54	16	0	100	114	447
April	1998	34	49	16	0	100	118	439
May	1998	30	52	18	0	100	112	440
June	1998	30	50	20	0	100	110	442
July	1998	27	52	21	0	100	106	443
August	1998	29	49	21	0	100	108	432
September	1998	30	52	18	0	100	112	426
October	1998	30	51	18	0	100	112	446
November	1998	30	51	19	0	100	111	450
December	1998	31	48	21	0	100	110	439
January	1999	31	46	24	0	100	107	408
February	1999	31	45	23	0	100	108	404
March	1999	31	46	23	0	100	108	412
April	1999	30	48	22	0	100	107	422
May	1999	29	48	22	1	100	108	416

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June	1999	30	50	20	0	100	110	412
July	1999	30	53	17	0	100	113	396
August	1999	28	53	19	0	100	109	401
September	1999	27	49	23	0	100	104	414
October	1999	27	45	28	0	100	99	445
November	1999	30	44	26	1	100	104	454
December	1999	31	44	24	2	100	107	457
January	2000	36	42	20	2	100	116	449
February	2000	35	43	21	1	100	115	455
March	2000	35	43	22	0	100	112	462
April	2000	32	43	25	0	100	108	476
May	2000	31	43	26	0	100	106	472
June	2000	32	45	24	0	100	108	467
July	2000	29	48	23	0	100	106	469
August	2000	27	49	23	1	100	104	475
September	2000	25	48	26	1	100	99	478
October	2000	26	47	27	1	100	99	473
November	2000	27	43	29	1	100	98	464
December	2000	27	49	24	1	100	103	462
January	2001	26	52	21	1	100	105	464
February	2001	26	55	19	0	100	107	489
March	2001	26	49	25	0	100	102	473
April	2001	25	43	32	0	100	93	465
May	2001	21	41	37	0	100	84	436
June	2001	20	42	37	1	100	83	452
July	2001	23	42	34	1	100	89	462
August	2001	26	43	30	1	100	97	467
September	2001	26	44	29	1	100	97	478
October	2001	22	45	33	0	100	89	486
November	2001	21	44	34	0	100	87	498
December	2001	23	41	36	0	100	87	473
January	2002	25	42	32	0	100	93	483
February	2002	25	43	32	0	100	94	460
March	2002	25	44	31	0	100	94	483
April	2002	25	42	33	0	100	92	481
May	2002	25	39	36	0	100	89	501
June	2002	21	42	36	1	100	85	482
July	2002	19	44	36	1	100	83	475
August	2002	21	44	34	1	100	87	467
September	2002	22	40	36	1	100	86	499
October	2002	22	37	40	1	100	82	510
November	2002	17	38	44	1	100	73	519
December	2002	16	38	46	0	100	70	501
January	2003	16	41	43	0	100	73	481
February	2003	20	40	40	1	100	80	478
March	2003	19	37	43	1	100	77	470
April	2003	22	34	44	1	100	78	476
May	2003	19	34	46	0	100	73	488
June	2003	20	39	40	1	100	80	503
July	2003	19	43	38	1	100	81	501
August	2003	21	43	36	1	100	85	496
September	2003	23	39	38	0	100	85	487

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October	2003	22	39	39	0	100	84	473
November	2003	25	36	39	0	100	86	478
December	2003	27	36	37	0	100	90	470
January	2004	29	34	37	0	100	92	488
February	2004	29	34	37	0	100	92	502
March	2004	29	35	36	0	100	93	527
April	2004	28	37	35	0	100	93	531
May	2004	29	37	34	0	100	95	532
June	2004	29	37	34	0	100	95	548
July	2004	30	35	35	0	100	95	572
August	2004	27	39	33	0	100	94	576
September	2004	26	41	33	0	100	94	567
October	2004	26	42	32	0	100	93	560
November	2004	26	41	32	0	100	94	551
December	2004	27	42	30	0	100	97	562
January	2005	31	41	28	0	100	103	579
February	2005	31	39	30	0	100	101	580
March	2005	32	36	31	0	100	101	600
April	2005	29	36	34	0	100	95	582
May	2005	29	38	34	0	100	95	584
June	2005	27	41	32	0	100	95	555
July	2005	27	43	30	0	100	98	571
August	2005	28	43	29	0	100	98	596
September	2005	27	40	33	0	100	94	640
October	2005	24	38	38	0	100	86	634
November	2005	21	35	44	0	100	76	633
December	2005	23	34	42	0	100	81	602
January	2006	28	34	38	0	100	91	615
February	2006	31	35	34	0	100	96	606
March	2006	30	36	35	0	100	95	617
April	2006	28	35	37	0	100	91	614
May	2006	27	35	38	0	100	89	626
June	2006	28	33	38	0	100	90	634
July	2006	28	33	38	0	100	90	634
August	2006	27	38	34	0	100	93	640
September	2006	24	41	35	0	100	89	661
October	2006	25	43	32	0	100	93	683
November	2006	29	42	29	0	100	100	674
December	2006	33	42	25	0	100	108	671
January	2007	33	43	24	0	100	110	650
February	2007	32	41	27	0	100	105	676
March	2007	32	39	29	0	100	102	682
April	2007	31	37	32	1	100	99	701
May	2007	32	35	32	1	100	100	683
June	2007	32	33	34	1	100	97	667
July	2007	33	34	33	0	100	99	665
August	2007	30	34	36	0	100	94	687
September	2007	29	37	34	0	100	95	702
October	2007	26	39	35	0	100	91	712
November	2007	27	37	36	0	100	91	702
December	2007	26	35	39	0	100	87	705

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
January	2008	25	34	41	0	100	84	715
February	2008	23	35	41	0	100	82	712
March	2008	22	35	43	0	100	79	702
April	2008	22	31	47	0	100	75	695
May	2008	21	30	50	0	100	71	726
June	2008	19	26	55	0	100	64	730
July	2008	15	27	58	0	100	57	754
August	2008	13	26	61	0	100	52	734
September	2008	15	30	55	0	100	59	722
October	2008	15	30	55	0	100	60	694
November	2008	17	28	55	0	100	62	707
December	2008	14	27	59	0	100	54	718
January	2009	13	27	59	0	100	54	740
February	2009	12	29	58	0	100	54	729
March	2009	12	32	56	0	100	55	751
April	2009	11	33	56	0	100	55	742
May	2009	11	34	55	0	100	57	765
June	2009	12	34	54	0	100	58	771
July	2009	15	33	52	0	100	63	766
August	2009	13	33	53	0	100	60	759
September	2009	15	33	52	0	100	62	754
October	2009	14	34	52	0	100	61	782
November	2009	14	35	51	0	100	63	784
December	2009	13	35	51	0	100	62	801
January	2010	15	37	48	0	100	66	797
February	2010	16	38	45	0	100	71	798
March	2010	17	40	43	0	100	74	796
April	2010	18	38	44	0	100	74	809
May	2010	18	37	45	0	100	72	817
June	2010	18	35	47	0	100	71	801
July	2010	16	36	48	0	100	69	796
August	2010	15	38	47	0	100	68	803
September	2010	13	39	48	0	100	66	826
October	2010	14	39	48	0	100	66	819
November	2010	15	37	48	0	100	66	821
December	2010	16	38	47	0	100	69	809
January	2011	17	38	44	0	100	73	826
February	2011	18	40	42	0	100	76	840
March	2011	17	38	45	0	100	73	874
April	2011	17	34	49	0	100	69	856
May	2011	18	30	52	0	100	66	850
June	2011	20	29	50	0	100	70	830
July	2011	20	31	49	0	100	70	835
August	2011	17	32	51	0	100	67	841
September	2011	14	32	53	0	100	61	860
October	2011	13	32	55	0	100	57	860
November	2011	13	34	53	0	100	59	881
December	2011	14	36	51	0	100	63	878
January	2012	17	35	48	0	100	69	901
February	2012	18	36	46	0	100	72	862
March	2012	20	35	45	0	100	75	864
April	2012	20	37	42	0	100	78	838

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
May	2012	23	34	43	0	100	80	862
June	2012	21	37	42	0	100	78	865
July	2012	20	34	46	0	100	73	897
August	2012	19	36	45	0	100	73	886
September	2012	20	34	45	0	100	75	891
October	2012	22	36	42	0	100	80	873
November	2012	24	36	40	0	100	84	864
December	2012	23	37	39	0	100	84	869
January	2013	22	36	42	0	100	81	874
February	2013	21	38	41	0	100	80	862
March	2013	22	36	41	0	100	81	822
April	2013	22	40	38	0	100	85	825
May	2013	25	39	36	0	100	89	831
June	2013	25	39	36	0	100	89	851
July	2013	27	36	37	0	100	90	819
August	2013	27	33	40	0	100	87	816
September	2013	27	33	40	0	100	87	794
October	2013	24	37	39	0	100	84	833
November	2013	22	40	38	0	100	84	839
December	2013	21	41	38	0	100	83	867
January	2014	25	38	38	0	100	87	862
February	2014	27	35	39	0	100	88	885
March	2014	28	32	40	0	100	88	875
April	2014	28	34	38	0	100	89	858
May	2014	27	36	37	0	100	90	845
June	2014	28	37	35	0	100	93	857
July	2014	27	36	37	0	100	90	872
August	2014	29	35	35	0	100	94	867
September	2014	28	36	36	0	100	92	838
October	2014	28	35	36	0	100	92	801
November	2014	26	37	38	0	100	88	783
December	2014	27	38	35	0	100	92	789
January	2015	27	40	33	0	100	95	765
February	2015	29	39	32	0	100	97	753
March	2015	31	38	31	0	100	100	697
April	2015	32	37	31	0	100	101	691
May	2015	30	37	33	0	100	97	655
June	2015	29	38	33	0	100	97	684
July	2015	28	38	34	0	100	94	687
August	2015	29	39	32	0	100	97	733
September	2015	28	36	36	0	100	92	699
October	2015	27	35	38	0	100	89	687
November	2015	26	33	40	0	100	86	648
December	2015	26	37	37	0	100	89	657
January	2016	26	37	37	0	100	89	671
February	2016	26	37	36	0	100	90	667
March	2016	25	38	37	0	100	88	701
April	2016	27	38	35	0	100	93	718
May	2016	29	37	34	0	100	95	776
June	2016	33	34	33	0	100	100	752
July	2016	31	36	33	0	100	98	754
August	2016	30	38	32	0	100	97	728

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
September	2016	29	38	33	0	100	96	767
October	2016	30	36	34	0	100	96	789
November	2016	31	34	35	0	100	95	808
December	2016	32	35	33	0	100	99	796
January	2017	33	37	29	0	100	104	807
February	2017	35	40	25	0	100	109	811
March	2017	37	41	22	0	100	116	824
April	2017	38	39	23	0	100	115	835
May	2017	38	39	23	0	100	115	841
June	2017	37	38	26	0	100	111	819
July	2017	36	40	24	0	100	112	804
August	2017	39	38	23	0	100	116	799
September	2017	39	38	23	0	100	116	818
October	2017	41	38	21	0	100	120	839
November	2017	40	37	24	0	100	116	860
December	2017	40	36	24	0	100	115	863