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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)

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
September	1980	46	14	37	3	100	109	1084
March	1981	44	14	40	2	100	104	1076
September	1981	50	14	34	2	100	116	1098
March	1982	46	14	40	1	100	106	1074
September	1982	41	14	44	1	100	97	1050
March	1983	40	16	43	1	100	98	1067
September	1983	46	14	40	1	100	106	1041
March	1984	52	16	31	2	100	121	1043
September	1984	53	15	31	2	100	122	980
September	1985	51	15	33	2	100	118	1003
September	2011	34	11	53	2	100	81	453
October	2011	34	12	51	3	100	83	465
November	2011	34	10	54	2	100	81	445
December	2011	34	12	52	1	100	82	462
January	2012	33	12	55	0	100	78	462
February	2012	36	11	53	0	100	82	473
March	2012	36	12	51	0	100	85	454
April	2012	38	11	50	1	100	88	474
May	2012	36	14	49	1	100	87	476
June	2012	38	13	48	1	100	89	491
July	2012	35	16	48	2	100	87	468
August	2012	35	14	50	1	100	86	457
September	2012	36	13	50	1	100	86	461
October	2012	38	13	48	1	100	91	457
November	2012	37	15	46	1	100	91	464
December	2012	35	17	47	1	100	88	475
January	2013	33	15	52	1	100	81	481
February	2013	34	13	53	0	100	81	468
March	2013	33	13	53	1	100	81	462
April	2013	34	15	51	0	100	83	454
May	2013	37	16	47	1	100	90	456
June	2013	36	16	47	1	100	90	454
July	2013	40	15	44	2	100	96	445
August	2013	40	13	46	2	100	94	432
September	2013	39	15	45	2	100	94	398
October	2013	40	14	45	1	100	95	359
November	2013	38	17	45	1	100	93	355
December	2013	39	14	47	0	100	92	344
January	2014	39	14	47	0	100	92	370
February	2014	39	12	48	1	100	92	350
March	2014	41	10	48	1	100	92	349
April	2014	41	11	46	2	100	95	327
May	2014	42	10	46	2	100	96	329

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June	2014	42	13	43	2	100	99	340
July	2014	39	11	48	1	100	91	340
August	2014	37	13	49	1	100	88	342
September	2014	37	12	51	0	100	86	338
October	2014	39	13	48	0	100	91	354
November	2014	40	16	44	1	100	96	342
December	2014	45	16	38	1	100	106	341
January	2015	50	13	36	1	100	113	320
February	2015	52	12	35	1	100	116	314
March	2015	52	10	38	1	100	114	313
April	2015	49	11	39	1	100	109	327
May	2015	50	11	39	1	100	111	337
June	2015	49	12	38	1	100	110	338
July	2015	49	13	38	0	100	111	341
August	2015	49	12	39	0	100	110	366
September	2015	47	12	40	1	100	107	362
October	2015	50	13	36	1	100	114	346
November	2015	52	11	35	2	100	118	339
December	2015	52	13	34	1	100	117	360
January	2016	48	11	40	1	100	108	366
February	2016	46	11	43	0	100	103	365
March	2016	50	11	38	1	100	112	362
April	2016	51	11	36	1	100	115	366
May	2016	53	11	34	3	100	119	353
June	2016	53	8	38	1	100	114	340
July	2016	50	11	37	1	100	113	346
August	2016	49	12	40	0	100	109	365
September	2016	46	14	40	0	100	105	376
October	2016	49	12	39	1	100	110	377
November	2016	48	14	36	1	100	112	374
December	2016	51	16	32	1	100	119	387
January	2017	49	16	34	1	100	115	387
February	2017	52	14	33	1	100	118	388
March	2017	53	13	33	1	100	121	383
April	2017	59	12	28	1	100	131	378
May	2017	56	12	31	0	100	125	362
June	2017	57	12	31	1	100	126	359
July	2017	53	14	32	1	100	121	361
August	2017	56	12	31	1	100	126	370
September	2017	57	11	32	0	100	125	362
October	2017	57	10	32	1	100	125	360
November	2017	59	11	28	1	100	131	353
December	2017	57	13	28	2	100	130	344
January	2018	56	14	28	2	100	128	355
February	2018	52	15	31	1	100	121	354
March	2018	57	13	29	1	100	127	370
April	2018	60	12	27	1	100	133	377
May	2018	63	11	24	1	100	139	376
June	2018	62	11	26	1	100	136	372
July	2018	60	12	27	1	100	133	363
August	2018	60	11	28	1	100	133	375
September	2018	62	12	24	2	100	138	377

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October	2018	66	11	21	1	100	145	372
November	2018	66	12	21	2	100	145	364
December	2018	65	9	25	1	100	140	363
January	2019	61	10	28	1	100	133	354
February	2019	63	8	29	1	100	134	354
March	2019	61	13	26	0	100	136	344
April	2019	63	13	24	0	100	139	360
May	2019	63	14	22	1	100	141	362
June	2019	62	12	25	1	100	138	355
July	2019	64	11	24	1	100	139	341
August	2019	62	11	26	1	100	136	346
September	2019	62	11	26	0	100	136	358
October	2019	60	13	27	0	100	132	365
November	2019	61	12	27	0	100	134	369
December	2019	61	11	28	0	100	132	371
January	2020	64	10	25	0	100	139	366
February	2020	65	8	26	1	100	139	353
March	2020	66	8	25	1	100	141	367
April	2020	61	9	29	1	100	133	366
May	2020	60	11	28	1	100	132	378
June	2020	57	13	29	1	100	128	344
July	2020	56	13	30	1	100	126	343
August	2020	53	13	34	0	100	120	335
September	2020	54	11	35	0	100	120	338
October	2020	56	12	32	0	100	125	333
November	2020	59	13	27	0	100	132	333
December	2020	60	14	26	0	100	135	343
January	2021	59	11	30	1	100	129	370
February	2021	56	9	35	1	100	121	368
March	2021	57	9	34	1	100	123	376
April	2021	56	13	31	1	100	125	342
May	2021	58	13	28	1	100	129	346
June	2021	55	13	31	1	100	125	337
July	2021	57	12	31	1	100	126	365
August	2021	56	11	32	0	100	124	350
September	2021	54	13	32	1	100	122	356
October	2021	51	12	36	1	100	115	356
November	2021	48	14	38	1	100	110	362
December	2021	46	14	40	0	100	106	346
January	2022	43	15	41	1	100	103	334
February	2022	43	16	40	1	100	103	346
March	2022	45	14	40	1	100	105	361
April	2022	49	13	37	1	100	111	395
May	2022	48	11	40	1	100	109	379
June	2022	45	11	43	0	100	102	385
July	2022	40	10	49	1	100	91	371
August	2022	40	9	50	1	100	90	395
September	2022	40	9	50	1	100	91	388
October	2022	42	10	47	1	100	95	409
November	2022	41	9	50	0	100	91	394
December	2022	42	6	51	0	100	91	377

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January	2023	41	6	53	0	100	89	356
February	2023	43	7	50	0	100	93	376
March	2023	41	9	49	0	100	92	405
April	2023	41	9	49	0	100	92	415
May	2023	38	11	49	1	100	89	398
June	2023	40	11	48	1	100	92	404
July	2023	42	10	47	1	100	95	380
August	2023	46	7	46	1	100	100	400
September	2023	45	7	47	1	100	98	379
October	2023	44	8	47	1	100	97	397
November	2023	39	11	49	1	100	89	369
December	2023	39	12	48	1	100	91	377
January	2024	38	11	50	1	100	88	367
February	2024	42	9	48	1	100	95	390
March	2024	44	8	48	1	100	96	397
April	2024	45	10	44	1	100	101	406
May	2024	43	12	45	0	100	99	409
June	2024	41	12	46	0	100	95	392
July	2024	35	17	46	2	100	88	343
August	2024	26	17	54	3	100	72	283
September	2024	23	23	51	3	100	73	244
October	2024	23	18	56	3	100	67	224
November	2024	28	19	51	2	100	77	200
December	2024	29	17	52	2	100	77	190
January	2025	30	19	49	1	100	81	208
February	2025	30	22	48	1	100	82	219
March	2025	28	23	48	1	100	80	276
April	2025	26	25	48	1	100	77	267
May	2025	30	23	44	3	100	86	281
June	2025	30	24	43	3	100	86	253
July	2025	32	23	42	2	100	90	265
August	2025	29	23	47	0	100	82	262
September	2025	29	20	51	1	100	78	240
October	2025	26	18	55	1	100	72	239
November	2025	31	15	53	1	100	77	239
December	2025	29	17	54	0	100	76	233
January	2026	31	19	50	1	100	81	237
February	2026	27	21	51	1	100	75	258
March	2026	29	20	50	1	100	80	302
April	2026	28	18	52	1	100	76	296
May	2026	26	19	54	1	100	73	284
June	2026	24	19	56	1	100	69	275
July	2026	29	19	51	1	100	78	291
August	2026	32	19	48	1	100	84	284