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TABLE 35
BUYING CONDITIONS FOR LARGE HOUSEHOLD DURABLES
(Three Month Moving Averages)

The question was: "About the big things people buy for their homes -- such as furniture, a refrigerator, stove, television, and things like that. Generally speaking, do you think now is a good time or a bad time for people to buy major household items?"

<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
March 1978	66	16	18	100	148	535
April 1978	64	17	19	100	144	554
May 1978	64	17	19	100	144	576
June 1978	64	17	19	100	145	557
July 1978	68	16	17	100	151	550
August 1978	70	13	17	100	153	510
September 1978	71	13	16	100	155	534
October 1978	70	11	20	100	150	537
November 1978	67	11	22	100	145	559
December 1978	64	10	26	100	138	557
January 1979	61	11	28	100	133	577
February 1979	62	10	29	100	133	603
March 1979	60	12	27	100	133	609
April 1979	59	13	28	100	132	631
May 1979	61	12	27	100	135	628
June 1979	63	9	28	100	135	670
July 1979	63	10	27	100	136	745
August 1979	61	11	27	100	134	734
September 1979	62	11	28	100	134	717
October 1979	64	10	27	100	137	696
November 1979	64	8	28	100	136	725
December 1979	62	7	31	100	131	696
January 1980	61	7	32	100	130	625
February 1980	65	6	29	100	136	580
March 1980	64	7	29	100	135	542
April 1980	57	9	34	100	123	535
May 1980	49	8	44	100	105	443
June 1980	43	11	46	100	97	465
July 1980	46	11	43	100	102	410
August 1980	48	13	39	100	109	404
September 1980	54	12	34	100	120	446
October 1980	54	13	33	100	121	471
November 1980	54	14	32	100	121	479
December 1980	52	13	35	100	117	418
January 1981	52	14	34	100	117	418
February 1981	50	15	35	100	116	404
March 1981	51	15	34	100	117	420
April 1981	51	15	34	100	117	385
May 1981	54	14	32	100	122	391
June 1981	52	14	34	100	118	372
July 1981	54	12	34	100	120	421
August 1981	55	12	33	100	122	417
September 1981	54	14	32	100	122	427
October 1981	50	17	32	100	118	404
November 1981	49	17	34	100	115	407
December 1981	53	14	32	100	121	416
January 1982	55	13	32	100	124	428
February 1982	54	14	32	100	122	443

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<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
March 1982	52	14	34	100	118	446
April 1982	47	14	39	100	108	461
May 1982	45	13	42	100	103	457
June 1982	44	14	42	100	102	466
July 1982	49	12	39	100	109	456
August 1982	49	12	39	100	110	450
September 1982	49	12	40	100	109	457
October 1982	48	12	40	100	108	459
November 1982	50	12	38	100	112	461
December 1982	52	12	36	100	117	464
January 1983	53	10	36	100	117	449
February 1983	57	10	33	100	125	458
March 1983	59	8	33	100	126	464
April 1983	61	9	30	100	131	485
May 1983	63	6	31	100	132	490
June 1983	68	6	26	100	142	490
July 1983	69	5	26	100	143	476
August 1983	70	8	23	100	147	475
September 1983	68	8	23	100	145	456
October 1983	69	9	22	100	147	451
November 1983	68	8	24	100	143	432
December 1983	67	9	24	100	143	452
January 1984	71	8	21	100	149	479
February 1984	75	8	17	100	158	492
March 1984	76	9	15	100	161	458
April 1984	76	10	14	100	162	438
May 1984	75	12	14	100	161	419
June 1984	72	11	17	100	155	429
July 1984	70	11	20	100	150	434
August 1984	68	11	21	100	148	462
September 1984	72	10	18	100	154	460
October 1984	73	11	16	100	156	460
November 1984	73	11	16	100	157	456
December 1984	71	11	18	100	152	455
January 1985	71	9	20	100	151	443
February 1985	71	8	21	100	151	445
March 1985	75	7	18	100	157	442
April 1985	75	6	19	100	156	444
May 1985	77	5	18	100	159	441
June 1985	76	7	17	100	159	439
July 1985	78	7	15	100	162	440
August 1985	77	9	14	100	163	432
September 1985	77	9	14	100	162	450
October 1985	74	10	16	100	158	445
November 1985	74	9	17	100	157	435
December 1985	73	8	19	100	155	430
January 1986	75	9	16	100	158	448
February 1986	78	9	14	100	164	445
March 1986	79	9	12	100	167	452
April 1986	78	8	14	100	164	439
May 1986	78	7	16	100	162	432
June 1986	79	7	13	100	166	417

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<u>Date of Survey</u>		<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
July	1986	82	7	11	100	172	419
August	1986	81	7	12	100	168	439
September	1986	80	7	13	100	167	467
October	1986	78	6	15	100	163	462
November	1986	76	8	16	100	160	456
December	1986	75	8	17	100	158	436
January	1987	75	9	16	100	159	431
February	1987	78	9	13	100	165	445
March	1987	76	9	15	100	160	452
April	1987	75	9	16	100	159	456
May	1987	75	8	17	100	158	457
June	1987	79	8	13	100	165	460
July	1987	81	8	11	100	170	463
August	1987	80	8	12	100	167	448
September	1987	78	10	12	100	165	447
October	1987	72	12	16	100	156	404
November	1987	70	13	17	100	153	374
December	1987	69	11	20	100	150	320
January	1988	71	11	18	100	153	335
February	1988	70	12	17	100	153	328
March	1988	71	13	16	100	155	339
April	1988	70	11	19	100	151	331
May	1988	74	7	19	100	155	333
June	1988	73	8	19	100	154	322
July	1988	77	9	14	100	162	345
August	1988	76	10	14	100	162	348
September	1988	79	8	12	100	167	360
October	1988	78	10	12	100	165	339
November	1988	75	11	14	100	162	321
December	1988	70	13	17	100	153	307
January	1989	73	10	17	100	156	319
February	1989	74	10	16	100	158	345
March	1989	80	8	12	100	168	343
April	1989	78	10	12	100	166	328
May	1989	81	9	11	100	170	302
June	1989	77	11	12	100	165	303
July	1989	70	12	18	100	151	291
August	1989	69	13	18	100	151	311
September	1989	72	10	18	100	154	317
October	1989	79	9	13	100	166	327
November	1989	77	9	15	100	162	325
December	1989	73	10	17	100	157	329
January	1990	74	10	16	100	159	339
February	1990	77	9	13	100	164	354
March	1990	79	8	13	100	167	352
April	1990	80	7	13	100	168	342
May	1990	78	9	14	100	164	332
June	1990	79	8	13	100	165	331
July	1990	77	10	13	100	164	341
August	1990	75	8	17	100	159	346
September	1990	71	9	20	100	151	357
October	1990	63	9	28	100	134	338

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<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
November 1990	59	8	33	100	126	330
December 1990	57	7	36	100	121	322
January 1991	60	5	34	100	126	334
February 1991	58	7	35	100	124	334
March 1991	60	6	35	100	125	330
April 1991	61	6	33	100	128	337
May 1991	62	6	32	100	131	340
June 1991	62	7	31	100	131	352
July 1991	63	9	28	100	135	361
August 1991	65	8	27	100	137	371
September 1991	67	7	27	100	140	348
October 1991	65	6	29	100	136	342
November 1991	61	8	31	100	130	341
December 1991	57	9	34	100	124	376
January 1992	54	8	38	100	116	373
February 1992	54	7	39	100	114	366
March 1992	57	6	37	100	120	342
April 1992	59	8	34	100	125	331
May 1992	64	7	29	100	135	339
June 1992	67	8	26	100	141	358
July 1992	66	7	27	100	139	376
August 1992	62	8	31	100	131	365
September 1992	58	7	35	100	123	363
October 1992	59	6	35	100	124	323
November 1992	66	5	28	100	138	316
December 1992	69	6	26	100	143	317
January 1993	71	7	22	100	149	346
February 1993	71	6	23	100	149	359
March 1993	73	4	22	100	151	342
April 1993	75	5	20	100	155	342
May 1993	76	6	18	100	158	327
June 1993	74	8	18	100	156	337
July 1993	74	7	19	100	155	342
August 1993	73	8	19	100	154	361
September 1993	72	8	20	100	152	363
October 1993	71	9	21	100	150	356
November 1993	69	9	22	100	148	343
December 1993	71	9	20	100	151	354
January 1994	75	8	18	100	157	357
February 1994	78	6	16	100	162	363
March 1994	77	6	17	100	160	364
April 1994	73	9	18	100	155	375
May 1994	75	9	16	100	160	370
June 1994	79	10	11	100	168	357
July 1994	80	8	12	100	168	363
August 1994	77	11	13	100	164	377
September 1994	76	10	15	100	161	380
October 1994	78	9	12	100	166	373
November 1994	77	10	13	100	164	360
December 1994	79	8	13	100	165	343
January 1995	80	8	12	100	168	328

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<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
February 1995	83	7	10	100	173	322
March 1995	81	9	10	100	171	329
April 1995	79	8	13	100	165	324
May 1995	77	8	15	100	162	335
June 1995	76	7	16	100	160	340
July 1995	77	8	15	100	162	344
August 1995	76	10	13	100	163	319
September 1995	77	9	13	100	164	309
October 1995	76	10	14	100	162	309
November 1995	75	8	17	100	158	339
December 1995	73	8	19	100	154	335
January 1996	74	7	18	100	156	342
February 1996	78	6	16	100	162	315
March 1996	82	5	13	100	169	311
April 1996	82	6	12	100	170	293
May 1996	79	6	14	100	165	307
June 1996	76	9	15	100	161	303
July 1996	77	8	15	100	162	317
August 1996	79	8	13	100	166	322
September 1996	79	7	14	100	165	330
October 1996	78	7	15	100	163	327
November 1996	77	8	15	100	162	319
December 1996	78	8	15	100	163	323
January 1997	77	7	16	100	161	309
February 1997	78	6	16	100	162	309
March 1997	80	6	14	100	166	307
April 1997	81	8	11	100	169	300
May 1997	81	9	10	100	171	307
June 1997	78	12	10	100	168	303
July 1997	78	11	11	100	167	332
August 1997	75	13	12	100	163	319
September 1997	77	12	11	100	165	333
October 1997	75	14	11	100	164	322
November 1997	75	12	12	100	163	324
December 1997	78	10	11	100	167	304
January 1998	81	8	11	100	170	310
February 1998	85	9	7	100	178	313
March 1998	81	11	8	100	173	328
April 1998	81	10	9	100	172	322
May 1998	79	11	10	100	169	340
June 1998	79	13	8	100	171	352
July 1998	77	16	7	100	170	371
August 1998	74	18	7	100	167	370
September 1998	74	18	8	100	166	364
October 1998	77	16	7	100	169	351
November 1998	79	11	9	100	170	355
December 1998	80	10	10	100	170	380
January 1999	82	9	9	100	173	386
February 1999	80	13	7	100	174	386
March 1999	82	12	6	100	177	364
April 1999	79	12	9	100	170	365
May 1999	82	11	7	100	175	347

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<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
June 1999	81	9	10	100	171	342
July 1999	80	10	10	100	170	320
August 1999	78	8	13	100	165	326
September 1999	75	12	13	100	163	315
October 1999	76	13	10	100	166	331
November 1999	76	14	11	100	165	329
December 1999	75	12	13	100	163	354
January 2000	77	11	12	100	165	349
February 2000	77	11	12	100	166	345
March 2000	78	11	11	100	166	309
April 2000	78	12	11	100	167	315
May 2000	78	11	11	100	167	323
June 2000	82	11	7	100	174	363
July 2000	80	10	10	100	171	356
August 2000	81	11	8	100	173	353
September 2000	82	9	9	100	173	323
October 2000	81	12	7	100	174	320
November 2000	81	10	9	100	172	319
December 2000	79	10	11	100	168	322
January 2001	79	8	12	100	167	338
February 2001	77	9	14	100	163	342
March 2001	75	10	15	100	159	366
April 2001	70	11	19	100	151	362
May 2001	68	14	18	100	150	357
June 2001	67	15	18	100	148	344
July 2001	66	18	16	100	149	345
August 2001	64	17	19	100	146	353
September 2001	63	16	21	100	141	361
October 2001	67	12	21	100	145	362
November 2001	66	9	25	100	141	365
December 2001	67	9	24	100	143	359
January 2002	67	9	24	100	144	373
February 2002	69	13	18	100	151	376
March 2002	69	16	16	100	153	379
April 2002	66	18	16	100	151	354
May 2002	67	17	16	100	151	349
June 2002	72	14	14	100	159	338
July 2002	73	15	12	100	161	356
August 2002	71	13	16	100	156	346
September 2002	66	16	18	100	149	340
October 2002	65	15	20	100	145	325
November 2002	65	18	17	100	147	342
December 2002	66	16	17	100	149	360
January 2003	68	15	17	100	151	354
February 2003	68	13	20	100	148	328
March 2003	64	14	21	100	143	313
April 2003	63	14	23	100	141	311
May 2003	67	15	19	100	148	318
June 2003	67	15	18	100	149	336
July 2003	71	14	15	100	156	335
August 2003	70	14	16	100	155	329
September 2003	71	11	17	100	154	309

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<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
October 2003	67	14	19	100	149	317
November 2003	70	12	18	100	152	333
December 2003	70	14	16	100	154	335
January 2004	75	12	13	100	162	352
February 2004	73	11	16	100	157	388
March 2004	76	9	15	100	161	407
April 2004	76	7	17	100	159	433
May 2004	76	8	17	100	159	416
June 2004	78	6	16	100	161	439
July 2004	77	8	15	100	162	463
August 2004	76	10	13	100	163	484
September 2004	76	11	13	100	162	463
October 2004	75	10	15	100	160	439
November 2004	75	9	16	100	159	407
December 2004	75	10	15	100	160	429
January 2005	76	11	13	100	163	438
February 2005	77	12	11	100	166	461
March 2005	78	11	10	100	168	451
April 2005	76	12	12	100	164	437
May 2005	76	10	14	100	162	421
June 2005	77	10	13	100	164	441
July 2005	80	8	11	100	169	418
August 2005	83	8	9	100	173	409
September 2005	77	9	14	100	163	400
October 2005	71	10	19	100	152	424
November 2005	70	8	22	100	148	428
December 2005	73	6	21	100	152	435
January 2006	80	5	15	100	165	426
February 2006	79	5	16	100	163	441
March 2006	81	5	14	100	167	431
April 2006	81	5	14	100	167	434
May 2006	81	5	14	100	167	417
June 2006	77	6	17	100	160	412
July 2006	73	7	20	100	154	427
August 2006	76	6	18	100	158	441
September 2006	75	6	19	100	157	442
October 2006	76	5	19	100	157	430
November 2006	75	6	19	100	156	431
December 2006	75	6	19	100	156	439
January 2007	77	7	16	100	161	436
February 2007	76	8	16	100	160	433
March 2007	78	9	13	100	164	446
April 2007	75	9	17	100	158	441
May 2007	74	10	16	100	158	460
June 2007	73	10	17	100	155	434
July 2007	72	11	17	100	155	439
August 2007	72	9	20	100	152	421
September 2007	72	7	21	100	151	436
October 2007	71	6	23	100	148	429
November 2007	68	8	24	100	145	456
December 2007	66	8	26	100	140	453

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January 2008	66	7	26	100	140	449
February 2008	61	7	32	100	130	418
March 2008	60	7	32	100	128	408
April 2008	56	8	36	100	120	420
May 2008	58	7	36	100	122	432
June 2008	54	6	40	100	114	451
July 2008	55	5	40	100	115	449
August 2008	53	4	43	100	111	447
September 2008	53	4	43	100	111	428
October 2008	48	6	47	100	101	419
November 2008	48	5	47	100	100	423
December 2008	50	5	45	100	105	446
January 2009	50	4	46	100	105	463
February 2009	49	6	45	100	103	467
March 2009	44	8	48	100	96	444
April 2009	45	8	47	100	98	434
May 2009	47	8	45	100	102	438
June 2009	52	7	41	100	111	440
July 2009	54	7	39	100	114	457
August 2009	54	7	39	100	115	455
September 2009	54	5	41	100	112	448
October 2009	56	6	38	100	118	432
November 2009	55	5	40	100	116	407
December 2009	56	5	39	100	116	403
January 2010	57	5	39	100	118	409
February 2010	61	6	33	100	128	427
March 2010	62	7	31	100	132	434
April 2010	62	7	31	100	131	442
May 2010	64	5	31	100	132	421
June 2010	65	4	31	100	134	425
July 2010	66	4	30	100	136	415
August 2010	63	4	33	100	129	453
September 2010	57	7	35	100	122	466
October 2010	53	8	39	100	114	485
November 2010	54	8	38	100	117	458
December 2010	58	6	36	100	122	447
January 2011	60	6	34	100	127	434
February 2011	64	8	29	100	135	456
March 2011	63	9	28	100	134	473
April 2011	62	8	29	100	133	477
May 2011	60	7	33	100	128	467
June 2011	61	7	31	100	130	449
July 2011	59	9	32	100	127	440
August 2011	54	9	37	100	117	425
September 2011	50	9	42	100	108	438
October 2011	50	7	43	100	107	434
November 2011	52	8	39	100	113	443
December 2011	57	6	37	100	120	436
January 2012	58	8	33	100	125	447
February 2012	58	8	34	100	124	439
March 2012	55	10	35	100	121	442
April 2012	53	8	39	100	114	415

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May 2012	56	6	38	100	118	402
June 2012	57	7	36	100	121	393
July 2012	59	9	33	100	126	416
August 2012	60	9	31	100	129	441
September 2012	61	7	32	100	129	447
October 2012	61	5	34	100	127	442
November 2012	60	6	34	100	126	439
December 2012	62	6	32	100	130	421
January 2013	66	6	28	100	139	409
February 2013	67	5	28	100	139	405
March 2013	69	4	27	100	142	405
April 2013	66	7	28	100	138	403
May 2013	64	7	29	100	135	413
June 2013	62	9	29	100	133	422
July 2013	67	6	26	100	141	422
August 2013	67	7	26	100	141	418
September 2013	68	7	25	100	143	430
October 2013	64	10	26	100	138	461
November 2013	62	10	28	100	134	446
December 2013	66	10	25	100	141	446
January 2014	68	9	22	100	146	423
February 2014	73	8	19	100	154	445
March 2014	69	9	23	100	146	448
April 2014	66	9	24	100	142	468
May 2014	64	11	25	100	138	445
June 2014	65	11	24	100	141	418
July 2014	64	11	25	100	139	403
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September 2014	67	8	25	100	142	431
October 2014	68	8	24	100	144	424
November 2014	69	10	20	100	149	435
December 2014	72	10	18	100	154	413
January 2015	77	7	16	100	161	427
February 2015	77	5	18	100	159	427
March 2015	76	5	19	100	157	435
April 2015	76	5	19	100	157	419
May 2015	75	6	19	100	155	435
June 2015	76	8	16	100	159	444
July 2015	77	6	17	100	159	447
August 2015	76	6	18	100	158	440
September 2015	73	4	23	100	150	453
October 2015	70	5	24	100	146	463
November 2015	72	6	22	100	149	449
December 2015	78	5	17	100	161	440
January 2016	79	6	15	100	165	441
February 2016	82	4	14	100	168	439
March 2016	79	5	16	100	162	458
April 2016	78	6	16	100	162	483
May 2016	77	7	16	100	161	501
June 2016	76	8	15	100	161	472
July 2016	75	8	16	100	159	486
August 2016	72	8	19	100	153	471

TABLE 35
BUYING CONDITIONS FOR LARGE HOUSEHOLD DURABLES
(Three Month Moving Averages)

<u>Date of Survey</u>	<u>Good Time</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Bad Time</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Relative</u>	<u>Cases</u>
September 2016	75	7	18	100	156	515
October 2016	75	5	19	100	156	504
November 2016	79	5	16	100	163	531
December 2016	78	5	17	100	162	505
January 2017	80	6	15	100	165	518
February 2017	79	6	15	100	164	509
March 2017	78	7	15	100	163	526
April 2017	77	8	16	100	161	519
May 2017	77	7	16	100	161	533
June 2017	77	6	17	100	160	522
July 2017	76	8	17	100	159	497
August 2017	74	8	18	100	155	487
September 2017	75	6	19	100	155	492
October 2017	78	4	19	100	159	516
November 2017	81	3	16	100	164	523
December 2017	82	4	14	100	168	512