

INCOME BOTTOM THIRD

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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	37	16	45	1	100	92	439
March 1981	33	14	51	2	100	81	412
September 1981	42	14	41	3	100	101	526
March 1982	35	16	48	1	100	87	651
September 1982	33	14	51	2	100	83	602
March 1983	30	18	51	2	100	79	594
September 1983	34	17	48	2	100	86	609
March 1984	38	20	40	2	100	98	598
September 1984	43	15	40	2	100	104	513
September 1985	38	18	42	2	100	96	461
September 2011	26	11	61	2	100	65	424
October 2011	25	11	61	3	100	65	421
November 2011	26	10	63	1	100	63	410
December 2011	25	10	64	1	100	61	404
January 2012	24	11	64	1	100	60	408
February 2012	26	11	63	1	100	63	413
March 2012	28	13	59	1	100	69	431
April 2012	28	12	59	1	100	70	430
May 2012	27	13	59	1	100	68	412
June 2012	28	12	59	1	100	69	418
July 2012	29	14	56	1	100	73	413
August 2012	30	13	57	1	100	73	426
September 2012	31	13	54	2	100	77	427
October 2012	32	12	55	2	100	77	429
November 2012	34	13	52	1	100	82	451
December 2012	29	16	55	1	100	74	459
January 2013	27	15	58	0	100	70	458
February 2013	28	12	59	1	100	69	437
March 2013	31	11	57	1	100	74	408
April 2013	30	13	56	1	100	74	406
May 2013	30	15	54	1	100	77	414
June 2013	31	15	53	1	100	79	430
July 2013	36	12	50	2	100	86	433
August 2013	37	11	50	1	100	87	432
September 2013	35	12	52	1	100	83	423
October 2013	32	13	54	0	100	78	418
November 2013	30	15	54	0	100	76	410
December 2013	33	14	53	0	100	79	419
January 2014	34	13	52	0	100	82	429
February 2014	35	10	54	1	100	82	428
March 2014	37	8	55	1	100	82	401
April 2014	38	7	53	1	100	85	401
May 2014	41	9	48	2	100	93	397

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June	2014	41	10	48	1	100	92	421
July	2014	39	10	49	1	100	90	408
August	2014	37	10	52	1	100	86	397
September	2014	36	11	52	1	100	84	389
October	2014	36	12	50	2	100	87	397
November	2014	38	13	47	2	100	92	399
December	2014	45	14	39	2	100	107	383
January	2015	48	11	39	1	100	109	375
February	2015	49	11	39	1	100	110	379
March	2015	45	10	44	1	100	101	399
April	2015	43	10	46	1	100	97	399
May	2015	42	10	46	1	100	96	417
June	2015	43	12	44	1	100	99	408
July	2015	43	11	45	0	100	98	402
August	2015	45	11	43	1	100	102	411
September	2015	45	8	46	1	100	99	405
October	2015	50	8	42	0	100	108	412
November	2015	48	8	43	1	100	105	396
December	2015	46	11	42	1	100	104	403
January	2016	42	12	45	1	100	97	409
February	2016	41	12	46	1	100	95	405
March	2016	43	11	43	2	100	100	417
April	2016	43	12	43	2	100	100	421
May	2016	45	11	41	2	100	104	428
June	2016	47	9	43	1	100	105	412
July	2016	49	9	41	1	100	108	421
August	2016	46	9	46	0	100	100	432
September	2016	43	11	46	0	100	97	464
October	2016	42	11	47	0	100	95	463
November	2016	42	15	42	1	100	100	477
December	2016	48	13	39	0	100	109	478
January	2017	47	13	40	1	100	107	486
February	2017	50	10	39	1	100	112	479
March	2017	47	13	38	1	100	109	475
April	2017	51	13	35	1	100	116	475
May	2017	50	14	35	1	100	115	468
June	2017	50	12	37	1	100	113	466
July	2017	49	13	38	1	100	111	460
August	2017	50	11	38	1	100	113	468
September	2017	53	11	36	0	100	116	475
October	2017	52	11	35	1	100	117	480
November	2017	53	11	35	1	100	118	481
December	2017	52	12	34	2	100	118	472
January	2018	49	13	36	2	100	113	478
February	2018	48	12	38	1	100	110	475
March	2018	51	12	36	1	100	115	481
April	2018	54	11	35	0	100	119	467
May	2018	55	12	33	1	100	122	468