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TABLE 19
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The question was: "Compared with 5 years ago, do you think the chances that you (and your husband/wife) will have a comfortable reitrement have gone up, gone down, or remained about the same

Date of Survey		Gone Up	Same	Gone Down	DK,NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	1998	17	49	30	4	100	87	362
March	1998	17	50	29	4	100	88	349
April	1998	17	51	28	5	100	89	342
May	1998	19	49	28	4	100	91	329
June	1998	21	49	28	3	100	93	339
July	1998	22	45	32	1	100	91	342
August	1998	23	48	28	1	100	95	344
September	1998	21	49	27	3	100	94	331
October	1998	20	54	23	3	100	97	333
November	1998	18	53	26	3	100	93	336
December	1998	18	51	29	2	100	88	342
January	1999	15	49	34	2	100	81	340
February	1999	14	47	36	3	100	77	338
March	1999	15	50	32	2	100	83	318
April	1999	13	52	33	2	100	80	296
May	1999	14	54	30	1	100	84	275
June	1999	12	53	33	1	100	79	275
July	1999	16	52	30	1	100	86	299
August	1999	17	47	33	3	100	84	313
September	1999	20	45	32	4	100	88	327
October	1999	19	48	30	3	100	88	327
November	1999	20	48	29	3	100	91	321
December	1999	20	48	28	4	100	92	334
January	2000	20	50	27	4	100	93	321
February	2000	18	54	24	4	100	94	331
March	2000	18	53	25	4	100	93	342
April	2000	20	49	28	3	100	92	352
May	2000	20	49	28	4	100	92	350
June	2000	20	50	27	3	100	94	333
July	2000	21	53	22	4	100	99	355
August	2000	20	51	25	4	100	95	365
September	2000	17	51	28	4	100	90	386
October	2000	18	50	29	4	100	89	382
November	2000	22	50	24	3	100	98	386
December	2000	24	51	22	3	100	102	371
January	2001	25	50	23	3	100	102	372
February	2001	19	52	26	3	100	93	365
March	2001	19	51	28	2	100	91	362
April	2001	15	51	32	2	100	83	347
May	2001	16	48	34	1	100	82	344
June	2001	16	49	33	3	100	83	347
July	2001	16	51	29	3	100	87	356
August	2001	16	54	26	3	100	90	357
September	2001	17	56	26	2	100	91	353
October	2001	19	54	25	2	100	94	359
November	2001	20	52	25	3	100	94	361
December	2001	19	53	25	3	100	94	366
January	2002	18	54	26	3	100	92	353

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Date of Survey		Gone Up	Same	Gone Down	DK,NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	2002	15	57	27	1	100	88	354
March	2002	16	55	28	2	100	88	359
April	2002	14	55	29	2	100	85	370
May	2002	17	53	28	2	100	89	366
June	2002	15	52	33	0	100	82	370
July	2002	15	49	35	0	100	80	364
August	2002	13	48	38	1	100	74	392
September	2002	14	49	35	2	100	79	387
October	2002	16	46	35	3	100	80	401
November	2002	16	47	35	3	100	81	386
December	2002	15	48	35	2	100	79	390
January	2003	14	50	35	1	100	79	383
February	2003	12	51	35	2	100	77	388
March	2003	13	51	34	3	100	79	374
April	2003	14	51	33	2	100	81	372
May	2003	16	50	32	2	100	85	369
June	2003	15	49	35	1	100	80	380
July	2003	15	48	37	1	100	78	394
August	2003	15	49	35	1	100	80	394
September	2003	18	47	34	1	100	84	403
October	2003	17	50	33	0	100	84	403
November	2003	17	47	35	1	100	82	403
December	2003	16	48	35	1	100	81	400
January	2004	17	46	36	1	100	80	392
February	2004	14	49	35	1	100	79	388
March	2004	14	49	36	1	100	78	383
April	2004	15	49	35	1	100	79	399
May	2004	17	48	35	1	100	82	404
June	2004	16	50	33	1	100	83	411
July	2004	14	50	34	1	100	80	400
August	2004	12	52	35	1	100	78	405
September	2004	12	51	36	1	100	76	416
October	2004	13	50	36	1	100	77	405
November	2004	14	47	37	1	100	77	398
December	2004	17	47	35	1	100	81	382
January	2005	15	51	32	1	100	83	393
February	2005	15	53	31	1	100	84	393
March	2005	17	52	30	1	100	86	398
April	2005	18	49	33	0	100	85	392
May	2005	17	47	36	0	100	82	382
June	2005	13	50	37	0	100	75	378
July	2005	11	50	38	1	100	72	374
August	2005	10	52	37	1	100	74	382
September	2005	13	48	39	1	100	74	385
October	2005	15	48	36	1	100	79	391
November	2005	15	47	37	1	100	78	388
December	2005	13	49	37	1	100	77	384
January	2006	12	48	39	1	100	73	370
February	2006	13	46	40	1	100	73	374
March	2006	15	45	39	1	100	75	375
April	2006	14	48	37	0	100	77	387

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Date of Survey		Gone Up	Same	Gone Down	DK,NA	Total	Relative	Cases
May	2006	13	48	38	1	100	75	388
June	2006	13	51	35	1	100	78	381
July	2006	11	49	38	1	100	73	370
August	2006	11	54	34	1	100	77	379
September	2006	10	54	35	1	100	76	399
October	2006	14	55	31	0	100	83	415
November	2006	15	53	32	1	100	83	420
December	2006	15	53	32	1	100	83	417
January	2007	14	55	30	1	100	84	410
February	2007	15	55	29	0	100	86	394
March	2007	15	53	32	0	100	83	383
April	2007	13	53	33	0	100	80	391
May	2007	14	51	34	1	100	81	403
June	2007	14	54	32	1	100	82	408
July	2007	14	52	33	1	100	81	408
August	2007	11	52	36	1	100	76	397
September	2007	11	52	36	1	100	75	389
October	2007	12	51	34	2	100	78	381
November	2007	13	51	33	3	100	80	381
December	2007	14	54	30	2	100	84	385
January	2008	15	53	31	1	100	84	402
February	2008	14	54	32	0	100	82	395
March	2008	12	51	37	0	100	75	381
April	2008	9	53	38	0	100	71	366
May	2008	9	51	39	0	100	70	373
June	2008	12	47	40	1	100	73	392
July	2008	12	48	40	0	100	72	410
August	2008	11	47	41	1	100	70	402
September	2008	9	50	41	0	100	68	384
October	2008	9	49	41	0	100	68	377
November	2008	10	48	43	0	100	67	405
December	2008	9	46	45	1	100	64	416
January	2009	10	42	47	1	100	64	417
February	2009	10	43	46	1	100	64	398
March	2009	12	42	45	1	100	67	408
April	2009	10	43	45	2	100	65	406
May	2009	10	44	44	2	100	65	430
June	2009	7	44	47	2	100	61	424
July	2009	9	45	45	1	100	64	423
August	2009	10	42	47	1	100	62	407
September	2009	9	45	44	1	100	65	425
October	2009	8	44	46	2	100	62	424
November	2009	8	48	42	2	100	66	421
December	2009	9	44	44	3	100	65	413
January	2010	9	44	45	2	100	64	413
February	2010	9	42	46	2	100	63	408
March	2010	9	46	44	1	100	66	403
April	2010	8	46	45	1	100	63	398
May	2010	7	47	44	1	100	63	407
June	2010	8	45	46	1	100	62	410
July	2010	9	45	45	1	100	65	420

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August	2010	9	46	43	2	100	66	419
September	2010	8	46	44	2	100	64	419
October	2010	8	44	47	1	100	61	408
November	2010	7	43	49	1	100	58	414
December	2010	5	44	51	0	100	53	417
January	2011	4	47	48	1	100	56	435
February	2011	5	47	47	1	100	57	433
March	2011	6	46	47	1	100	59	429
April	2011	6	45	48	1	100	58	409
May	2011	6	41	52	1	100	54	403
June	2011	7	41	52	1	100	55	400
July	2011	7	40	51	2	100	56	413
August	2011	7	42	49	2	100	57	427
September	2011	7	43	48	2	100	59	424
October	2011	8	43	48	1	100	60	421
November	2011	9	44	47	1	100	62	410
December	2011	8	45	46	1	100	62	404
January	2012	7	44	48	1	100	59	408
February	2012	8	47	44	1	100	63	413
March	2012	8	44	47	1	100	61	431
April	2012	9	45	44	2	100	65	430
May	2012	8	41	49	2	100	59	412
June	2012	7	45	46	2	100	61	418
July	2012	9	45	44	2	100	65	413
August	2012	10	46	43	1	100	67	426
September	2012	10	43	46	1	100	64	427
October	2012	8	45	45	2	100	63	429
November	2012	10	45	43	2	100	67	451
December	2012	12	45	41	2	100	71	459
January	2013	13	43	43	2	100	70	458
February	2013	12	42	44	2	100	67	437
March	2013	11	45	43	2	100	68	408
April	2013	9	47	42	2	100	67	406
May	2013	9	49	40	2	100	69	414
June	2013	10	49	40	1	100	70	430
July	2013	10	51	38	1	100	72	433
August	2013	9	49	41	1	100	68	432
September	2013	9	48	42	1	100	66	423
October	2013	9	47	43	1	100	66	418
November	2013	12	47	40	0	100	72	410
December	2013	13	49	38	1	100	75	419
January	2014	12	49	38	0	100	74	429
February	2014	11	50	39	1	100	72	428
March	2014	12	46	41	0	100	71	401
April	2014	12	45	42	1	100	70	401
May	2014	12	44	44	0	100	69	397
June	2014	13	44	43	0	100	70	421
July	2014	14	42	44	0	100	69	408
August	2014	15	45	39	0	100	76	397
September	2014	12	48	39	1	100	73	389
October	2014	13	50	36	1	100	77	397

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November	2014	13	48	38	1	100	75	399
December	2014	16	47	36	1	100	80	383
January	2015	15	45	39	0	100	76	375
February	2015	16	44	40	0	100	76	379
March	2015	15	40	45	0	100	70	399
April	2015	14	46	40	0	100	74	399
May	2015	13	48	39	0	100	74	417
June	2015	16	50	34	0	100	81	408
July	2015	16	45	39	0	100	77	402
August	2015	17	43	40	0	100	77	411
September	2015	13	43	43	1	100	70	405
October	2015	16	40	43	1	100	73	412
November	2015	16	41	42	1	100	74	396
December	2015	17	41	41	1	100	77	403
January	2016	15	43	41	1	100	75	409
February	2016	16	43	40	1	100	76	405
March	2016	15	44	39	2	100	76	417
April	2016	14	46	38	2	100	77	421
May	2016	15	46	37	1	100	78	428
June	2016	15	46	39	0	100	77	412
July	2016	19	45	37	0	100	82	421
August	2016	17	45	38	0	100	79	432
September	2016	16	45	38	1	100	78	464
October	2016	12	48	40	1	100	72	463
November	2016	12	46	42	0	100	70	477
December	2016	14	47	39	0	100	75	478
January	2017	16	45	38	0	100	78	486
February	2017	18	46	36	1	100	82	479
March	2017	16	49	33	1	100	83	475
April	2017	16	48	35	1	100	81	475
May	2017	16	49	33	2	100	83	468
June	2017	17	48	34	1	100	82	466
July	2017	18	49	32	1	100	86	460
August	2017	17	51	31	1	100	86	468
September	2017	19	49	31	1	100	88	475
October	2017	17	50	32	0	100	85	480
November	2017	17	48	35	0	100	82	481
December	2017	17	46	37	0	100	80	472
January	2018	17	46	36	1	100	81	478
February	2018	18	45	37	1	100	81	475
March	2018	18	46	34	1	100	84	481
April	2018	18	46	35	1	100	83	467
May	2018	15	49	35	0	100	80	468
June	2018	14	51	34	1	100	79	464
July	2018	14	50	35	1	100	80	465
August	2018	15	49	35	1	100	80	458
September	2018	14	49	36	1	100	77	454
October	2018	14	51	34	0	100	80	454
November	2018	15	51	33	0	100	82	460
December	2018	17	47	36	0	100	81	466

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January	2019	16	48	36	0	100	81	471
February	2019	18	47	35	0	100	84	473
March	2019	19	47	33	1	100	86	461
April	2019	19	46	34	1	100	85	461
May	2019	17	48	34	1	100	83	453
June	2019	17	48	35	0	100	82	480
July	2019	18	47	34	0	100	84	471
August	2019	17	44	38	0	100	79	472
September	2019	18	45	37	0	100	81	463
October	2019	19	45	35	0	100	84	480
November	2019	22	46	32	0	100	89	494
December	2019	24	46	31	0	100	93	483
January	2020	23	47	30	0	100	93	494
February	2020	20	52	28	1	100	92	501
March	2020	17	54	28	1	100	89	529
April	2020	17	52	29	1	100	88	506
May	2020	19	49	31	1	100	87	510
June	2020	19	49	31	1	100	88	483
July	2020	19	51	29	0	100	90	500
August	2020	23	50	27	0	100	95	488
September	2020	25	47	27	0	100	98	489
October	2020	24	46	30	0	100	94	479
November	2020	20	48	32	0	100	89	470
December	2020	17	50	32	0	100	85	473
January	2021	17	49	33	0	100	84	488
February	2021	19	49	32	0	100	87	494
March	2021	22	48	30	0	100	91	502
April	2021	24	46	30	0	100	94	490
May	2021	22	43	33	1	100	89	480
June	2021	20	41	36	2	100	84	485
July	2021	18	42	37	3	100	81	487
August	2021	19	45	34	3	100	85	488
September	2021	18	45	34	3	100	84	471
October	2021	19	46	34	2	100	85	466
November	2021	18	45	36	1	100	82	466
December	2021	19	43	36	2	100	82	464
January	2022	17	43	38	2	100	79	459
February	2022	17	41	40	2	100	77	469
March	2022	16	43	40	2	100	76	465
April	2022	16	45	38	2	100	78	468
May	2022	16	45	37	2	100	79	454
June	2022	18	41	40	2	100	78	458
July	2022	16	39	43	2	100	73	462
August	2022	13	39	46	2	100	68	467
September	2022	13	44	42	2	100	71	469
October	2022	15	46	37	2	100	77	481
November	2022	16	44	38	2	100	78	483
December	2022	16	41	39	3	100	77	486
January	2023	16	41	41	2	100	74	474
February	2023	17	45	35	2	100	82	476
March	2023	17	44	37	1	100	80	485

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April	2023	17	42	38	3	100	79	483
May	2023	16	39	43	2	100	73	481
June	2023	17	36	44	3	100	73	481
July	2023	18	35	44	2	100	74	486
August	2023	19	35	43	2	100	76	484
September	2023	17	37	43	2	100	74	477
October	2023	16	40	42	2	100	74	468
November	2023	15	41	41	3	100	74	477
December	2023	15	43	40	2	100	75	478
January	2024	17	41	41	1	100	75	477
February	2024	15	43	41	1	100	74	467
March	2024	15	42	40	3	100	75	468
April	2024	13	45	40	3	100	73	524
May	2024	13	41	43	3	100	70	631
June	2024	13	36	48	3	100	65	736
July	2024	13	32	52	3	100	61	734
August	2024	12	30	54	4	100	57	792
September	2024	10	33	54	4	100	56	797
October	2024	8	31	57	4	100	51	832
November	2024	10	31	56	3	100	54	720
December	2024	10	28	58	4	100	53	678
January	2025	10	30	56	4	100	53	737
February	2025	8	30	57	5	100	51	807
March	2025	8	30	57	4	100	51	956
April	2025	9	29	57	5	100	52	939
May	2025	8	29	58	5	100	50	965
June	2025	7	30	57	6	100	50	881
July	2025	7	27	58	8	100	48	932
August	2025	9	26	58	7	100	51	915
September	2025	9	26	59	6	100	50	932
October	2025	8	29	57	5	100	51	893
November	2025	7	30	58	5	100	50	905
December	2025	8	29	56	6	100	52	877
January	2026	9	29	57	6	100	52	912
February	2026	10	28	57	6	100	53	942
March	2026	10	28	57	5	100	52	1042
April	2026	9	28	58	4	100	51	1033
May	2026	8	29	59	5	100	49	998
June	2026	7	26	62	5	100	46	982
July	2026	7	26	60	7	100	47	997
August	2026	6	25	62	7	100	44	977