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The question was: "Now looking ahead -- do you think that a year from now you (and your family living there) will be better off financially, or worse off, or just about the same as now?"

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
December	1979	25	50	24	1	100	101	1315
January	1980	26	50	22	1	100	104	1229
February	1980	27	50	22	2	100	105	1165
March	1980	25	50	23	2	100	102	1145
April	1980	24	47	27	2	100	98	1102
May	1980	25	46	28	2	100	97	955
June	1980	25	46	27	2	100	99	907
July	1980	28	48	22	3	100	106	911
August	1980	29	49	19	3	100	111	880
September	1980	34	47	16	2	100	118	885
October	1980	32	47	18	2	100	114	860
November	1980	35	44	18	3	100	118	884
December	1980	32	46	19	3	100	113	922
January	1981	34	46	18	2	100	116	960
February	1981	31	49	17	3	100	113	960
March	1981	32	48	18	2	100	115	995
April	1981	34	44	19	2	100	115	1007
May	1981	38	43	18	1	100	120	929
June	1981	39	44	16	1	100	123	939
July	1981	37	49	12	2	100	125	944
August	1981	36	49	13	2	100	122	1043
September	1981	36	47	15	2	100	121	1036
October	1981	36	47	16	1	100	120	1062
November	1981	35	48	16	2	100	119	1080
December	1981	35	49	14	2	100	120	968
January	1982	37	46	15	2	100	122	767
February	1982	38	45	14	2	100	124	618
March	1982	38	44	16	2	100	121	549
April	1982	38	43	18	2	100	120	550
May	1982	36	45	18	2	100	118	553
June	1982	37	45	17	2	100	120	592
July	1982	36	48	14	2	100	121	620
August	1982	38	45	15	2	100	123	700
September	1982	40	46	13	1	100	127	751
October	1982	39	47	13	1	100	126	734
November	1982	38	47	13	2	100	126	630
December	1982	38	46	14	2	100	124	566
January	1983	41	41	16	2	100	124	570
February	1983	41	44	14	2	100	127	689
March	1983	42	43	13	2	100	129	696
April	1983	43	44	11	2	100	132	734
May	1983	45	44	9	2	100	136	731
June	1983	45	45	8	2	100	136	780
July	1983	44	46	7	2	100	137	739
August	1983	46	45	7	2	100	139	649
September	1983	48	43	6	3	100	142	622
October	1983	49	42	6	2	100	143	622
November	1983	48	42	8	2	100	140	629
December	1983	45	46	8	1	100	137	631

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January	1984	46	45	8	1	100	137	657
February	1984	48	43	8	1	100	140	666
March	1984	52	40	7	1	100	146	650
April	1984	52	40	8	1	100	144	654
May	1984	48	43	8	0	100	140	664
June	1984	44	45	10	1	100	134	697
July	1984	44	45	10	1	100	134	705
August	1984	44	45	9	2	100	135	724
September	1984	47	44	8	2	100	139	713
October	1984	49	42	7	2	100	142	697
November	1984	50	42	7	1	100	143	760
December	1984	48	43	7	1	100	141	751
January	1985	45	46	8	1	100	137	763
February	1985	44	45	10	1	100	135	776
March	1985	43	45	11	1	100	133	786
April	1985	46	42	11	2	100	135	777
May	1985	45	45	9	1	100	136	711
June	1985	45	45	9	2	100	136	722
July	1985	43	48	8	2	100	135	743
August	1985	46	44	9	2	100	137	738
September	1985	47	43	7	2	100	140	721
October	1985	46	45	7	2	100	139	705
November	1985	43	46	9	2	100	134	686
December	1985	42	47	9	2	100	132	700
January	1986	42	45	11	2	100	130	686
February	1986	44	44	10	1	100	134	659
March	1986	44	45	11	1	100	133	644
April	1986	44	46	9	1	100	136	660
May	1986	43	47	9	1	100	135	741
June	1986	45	46	8	1	100	137	754
July	1986	48	44	7	1	100	140	772
August	1986	47	45	7	1	100	140	729
September	1986	47	45	7	1	100	140	726
October	1986	44	45	9	1	100	135	707
November	1986	42	46	11	1	100	131	643
December	1986	42	45	13	0	100	129	646
January	1987	42	45	12	1	100	131	668
February	1987	43	46	10	1	100	134	733
March	1987	42	47	10	1	100	132	743
April	1987	42	46	11	1	100	131	741
May	1987	40	47	12	1	100	128	758
June	1987	40	46	12	2	100	129	751
July	1987	39	47	11	3	100	128	745
August	1987	43	44	10	3	100	133	693
September	1987	44	46	9	2	100	135	702
October	1987	44	46	8	2	100	137	633
November	1987	41	46	11	2	100	130	618
December	1987	40	46	12	2	100	128	556
January	1988	40	48	10	2	100	129	593
February	1988	42	49	8	1	100	134	542
March	1988	45	46	8	1	100	136	542

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April	1988	44	45	10	1	100	135	521
May	1988	44	47	8	1	100	136	555
June	1988	44	47	8	1	100	136	549
July	1988	42	48	8	2	100	134	540
August	1988	42	44	9	4	100	133	543
September	1988	42	46	8	5	100	134	551
October	1988	46	42	8	4	100	137	552
November	1988	44	44	9	3	100	134	534
December	1988	44	45	9	2	100	134	531
January	1989	44	45	9	2	100	135	574
February	1989	44	48	6	2	100	138	614
March	1989	46	45	7	2	100	139	606
April	1989	46	45	8	1	100	138	568
May	1989	48	41	10	1	100	138	529
June	1989	46	44	10	1	100	136	551
July	1989	42	48	9	1	100	133	563
August	1989	39	51	9	0	100	130	584
September	1989	41	50	8	1	100	133	574
October	1989	43	46	9	2	100	135	596
November	1989	45	46	7	2	100	138	607
December	1989	44	46	7	2	100	137	606
January	1990	44	47	7	2	100	137	597
February	1990	43	47	8	3	100	135	607
March	1990	41	48	9	3	100	132	634
April	1990	41	48	8	3	100	133	641
May	1990	44	46	8	2	100	136	631
June	1990	45	46	8	1	100	137	619
July	1990	42	48	9	1	100	134	637
August	1990	39	49	9	2	100	130	642
September	1990	35	51	12	2	100	123	640
October	1990	34	49	16	2	100	118	618
November	1990	34	48	17	1	100	117	585
December	1990	33	50	15	2	100	118	606
January	1991	34	51	12	3	100	122	610
February	1991	34	52	12	2	100	121	652
March	1991	37	48	13	2	100	124	642
April	1991	40	47	12	1	100	128	636
May	1991	45	43	12	1	100	133	623
June	1991	43	44	12	1	100	131	638
July	1991	41	45	13	1	100	128	643
August	1991	37	49	12	2	100	126	654
September	1991	38	49	11	2	100	127	642
October	1991	38	50	10	2	100	128	661
November	1991	40	50	10	1	100	130	667
December	1991	39	47	11	3	100	128	652
January	1992	37	48	12	3	100	125	639
February	1992	34	50	13	4	100	121	620
March	1992	33	53	12	3	100	121	635
April	1992	37	50	10	3	100	127	615
May	1992	42	47	9	3	100	133	626
June	1992	45	43	9	2	100	136	610
July	1992	41	45	11	2	100	130	629

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August	1992	38	49	11	2	100	127	647
September	1992	38	48	11	3	100	128	645
October	1992	40	48	9	3	100	132	640
November	1992	41	48	8	3	100	133	622
December	1992	41	47	9	3	100	132	634
January	1993	39	48	9	4	100	130	615
February	1993	39	45	12	4	100	128	633
March	1993	40	43	13	4	100	126	637
April	1993	39	42	16	3	100	123	652
May	1993	39	43	17	2	100	122	635
June	1993	37	44	18	2	100	119	622
July	1993	34	45	19	2	100	116	616
August	1993	34	44	19	3	100	115	609
September	1993	33	45	19	3	100	114	630
October	1993	35	45	18	3	100	117	633
November	1993	35	47	16	2	100	120	625
December	1993	35	51	12	2	100	123	618
January	1994	37	51	10	2	100	127	629
February	1994	38	49	11	2	100	127	612
March	1994	41	46	10	2	100	131	623
April	1994	41	46	11	2	100	129	624
May	1994	39	48	11	2	100	128	639
June	1994	35	51	11	2	100	124	619
July	1994	34	55	9	2	100	125	604
August	1994	38	50	10	2	100	128	585
September	1994	41	47	9	2	100	132	563
October	1994	44	44	10	2	100	134	545
November	1994	42	46	10	2	100	132	583
December	1994	41	47	10	2	100	131	606
January	1995	39	49	10	3	100	129	621
February	1995	39	50	8	3	100	131	623
March	1995	38	52	8	2	100	129	609
April	1995	40	50	9	1	100	131	620
May	1995	38	51	9	1	100	129	604
June	1995	41	49	9	2	100	132	602
July	1995	40	50	8	2	100	131	591
August	1995	42	48	8	2	100	134	596
September	1995	39	51	8	1	100	131	588
October	1995	39	50	10	1	100	128	579
November	1995	36	53	10	1	100	126	561
December	1995	39	52	9	1	100	130	568
January	1996	40	52	8	1	100	132	569
February	1996	40	49	9	2	100	131	575
March	1996	39	50	10	2	100	129	564
April	1996	38	52	8	2	100	129	580
May	1996	37	54	7	2	100	131	569
June	1996	39	51	7	2	100	132	591
July	1996	37	51	9	2	100	128	592
August	1996	41	48	10	2	100	131	604
September	1996	38	51	9	2	100	129	609
October	1996	39	52	8	2	100	131	592
November	1996	39	54	6	1	100	133	593

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
December	1996	42	51	6	1	100	136	592
January	1997	45	48	7	0	100	138	604
February	1997	47	45	7	2	100	140	618
March	1997	49	42	8	1	100	141	607
April	1997	49	43	7	1	100	142	602
May	1997	48	44	8	0	100	140	583
June	1997	45	48	7	0	100	138	592
July	1997	45	49	6	0	100	139	582
August	1997	44	51	5	0	100	140	573
September	1997	47	47	5	1	100	142	547
October	1997	49	46	4	1	100	144	555
November	1997	51	42	4	2	100	147	563
December	1997	51	43	4	2	100	147	564
January	1998	51	43	4	2	100	147	559
February	1998	52	43	4	1	100	147	539
March	1998	50	44	5	1	100	145	549
April	1998	50	43	5	1	100	145	541
May	1998	50	44	5	1	100	145	554
June	1998	50	45	4	1	100	145	543
July	1998	49	45	5	1	100	144	553
August	1998	48	45	6	1	100	143	550
September	1998	48	44	6	2	100	142	546
October	1998	46	45	7	2	100	139	547
November	1998	43	48	7	2	100	135	539
December	1998	43	48	7	1	100	136	564
January	1999	43	49	7	1	100	136	572
February	1999	46	46	7	1	100	138	577
March	1999	48	46	6	0	100	141	540
April	1999	49	44	6	1	100	142	508
May	1999	50	44	6	0	100	145	512
June	1999	49	45	5	1	100	144	538
July	1999	48	47	4	1	100	144	557
August	1999	46	48	4	2	100	142	553
September	1999	48	46	6	1	100	142	555
October	1999	48	47	5	1	100	143	545
November	1999	45	49	5	1	100	141	540
December	1999	43	52	4	1	100	139	523
January	2000	46	49	4	1	100	142	528
February	2000	49	46	5	1	100	144	544
March	2000	50	44	5	0	100	145	549
April	2000	48	46	6	0	100	142	540
May	2000	48	46	6	0	100	143	529
June	2000	48	46	6	1	100	142	534
July	2000	49	43	6	2	100	143	524
August	2000	48	43	7	2	100	142	530
September	2000	50	42	7	2	100	143	507
October	2000	48	44	7	1	100	141	508
November	2000	47	44	7	1	100	140	502
December	2000	46	44	8	1	100	138	517
January	2001	46	43	10	1	100	136	516
February	2001	47	41	10	2	100	137	514

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March	2001	45	44	9	2	100	136	506
April	2001	48	44	7	2	100	141	513
May	2001	47	47	5	1	100	141	518
June	2001	49	44	7	0	100	142	520
July	2001	46	47	7	0	100	140	511
August	2001	45	45	9	1	100	137	499
September	2001	43	46	10	1	100	133	477
October	2001	42	45	11	2	100	131	456
November	2001	42	45	11	2	100	131	443
December	2001	47	43	9	1	100	139	465
January	2002	52	40	7	1	100	145	483
February	2002	53	41	5	2	100	148	495
March	2002	51	42	5	1	100	146	498
April	2002	50	43	6	1	100	144	501
May	2002	49	44	6	1	100	144	488
June	2002	49	44	6	1	100	144	483
July	2002	46	48	5	1	100	141	489
August	2002	47	46	6	1	100	140	509
September	2002	47	44	8	1	100	140	532
October	2002	50	39	10	1	100	140	526
November	2002	48	41	10	1	100	138	520
December	2002	48	41	10	1	100	139	496
January	2003	44	46	9	1	100	135	503
February	2003	42	45	11	2	100	132	491
March	2003	42	45	11	2	100	130	501
April	2003	44	43	11	2	100	133	494
May	2003	48	41	10	1	100	138	524
June	2003	47	42	10	1	100	137	529
July	2003	47	43	9	1	100	138	534
August	2003	45	45	8	2	100	137	509
September	2003	45	46	7	2	100	138	487
October	2003	43	48	8	1	100	136	479
November	2003	44	48	7	1	100	137	505
December	2003	44	47	9	1	100	135	519
January	2004	45	47	7	1	100	138	532
February	2004	45	45	9	1	100	136	512
March	2004	47	44	7	1	100	140	512
April	2004	47	42	10	1	100	137	496
May	2004	44	46	10	1	100	134	504
June	2004	44	45	10	1	100	134	494
July	2004	46	45	9	1	100	137	512
August	2004	48	44	7	1	100	141	513
September	2004	47	45	7	1	100	140	525
October	2004	44	47	8	1	100	136	503
November	2004	43	45	10	1	100	133	501
December	2004	43	46	10	1	100	133	513
January	2005	45	46	8	1	100	137	526
February	2005	44	49	7	1	100	137	532
March	2005	46	47	7	0	100	139	524
April	2005	43	49	9	0	100	134	521
May	2005	43	47	10	0	100	134	513
June	2005	40	49	10	0	100	130	521

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July	2005	43	48	9	0	100	134	525
August	2005	41	50	9	0	100	133	545
September	2005	40	51	9	0	100	131	540
October	2005	35	53	12	1	100	123	547
November	2005	35	51	12	1	100	123	522
December	2005	39	49	11	1	100	127	507
January	2006	41	49	10	0	100	131	516
February	2006	40	50	10	0	100	130	533
March	2006	39	51	9	0	100	130	539
April	2006	41	49	10	0	100	132	529
May	2006	41	47	11	0	100	130	530
June	2006	39	48	13	0	100	126	535
July	2006	40	49	11	0	100	128	541
August	2006	38	52	10	0	100	128	531
September	2006	39	52	9	0	100	129	518
October	2006	40	50	9	0	100	131	505
November	2006	45	47	8	0	100	136	501
December	2006	44	47	8	1	100	136	502
January	2007	41	49	9	1	100	132	514
February	2007	41	52	7	1	100	134	506
March	2007	43	50	7	0	100	136	523
April	2007	43	50	7	0	100	136	538
May	2007	42	48	9	0	100	133	549
June	2007	40	50	10	0	100	130	551
July	2007	42	49	9	1	100	133	521
August	2007	41	50	8	0	100	133	523
September	2007	40	52	8	1	100	132	506
October	2007	38	51	10	1	100	127	525
November	2007	34	54	11	1	100	123	526
December	2007	35	52	12	0	100	123	526
January	2008	34	53	12	1	100	122	511
February	2008	37	47	15	1	100	122	517
March	2008	35	48	16	0	100	119	521
April	2008	32	50	18	0	100	114	536
May	2008	27	52	20	1	100	108	528
June	2008	24	53	21	2	100	104	537
July	2008	27	52	19	2	100	108	508
August	2008	28	56	15	1	100	113	502
September	2008	33	52	14	1	100	119	502
October	2008	33	51	15	1	100	118	518
November	2008	32	50	15	2	100	117	516
December	2008	28	54	16	2	100	112	506
January	2009	26	58	14	2	100	112	513
February	2009	24	60	15	1	100	109	545
March	2009	23	58	17	2	100	106	554
April	2009	28	51	19	2	100	109	554
May	2009	32	49	18	2	100	114	529
June	2009	37	47	15	2	100	122	534
July	2009	33	50	15	2	100	119	529
August	2009	34	49	15	2	100	120	527
September	2009	34	49	16	1	100	118	514
October	2009	38	47	15	1	100	123	515

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November	2009	39	45	15	1	100	124	523
December	2009	37	48	12	3	100	125	505
January	2010	35	52	11	2	100	123	488
February	2010	33	55	10	2	100	123	481
March	2010	33	54	11	2	100	122	478
April	2010	32	53	13	2	100	119	492
May	2010	31	52	15	2	100	116	506
June	2010	30	55	14	1	100	116	517
July	2010	31	55	13	1	100	118	514
August	2010	31	56	13	1	100	118	491
September	2010	27	58	14	1	100	113	492
October	2010	28	57	15	1	100	113	476
November	2010	28	58	13	1	100	115	495
December	2010	32	55	13	0	100	119	508
January	2011	32	55	12	1	100	120	527
February	2011	34	53	12	1	100	122	505
March	2011	32	52	14	2	100	118	487
April	2011	31	53	14	2	100	117	489
May	2011	28	56	14	3	100	114	499
June	2011	29	58	11	2	100	118	511
July	2011	27	59	13	2	100	114	481
August	2011	28	57	14	1	100	114	471
September	2011	26	57	16	1	100	109	464
October	2011	26	57	16	1	100	110	477
November	2011	24	60	16	1	100	108	468
December	2011	25	60	15	0	100	109	481
January	2012	25	61	15	0	100	110	491
February	2012	26	60	14	0	100	112	499
March	2012	28	59	11	2	100	116	496
April	2012	30	57	10	3	100	120	494
May	2012	33	54	9	3	100	124	513
June	2012	31	54	12	3	100	120	500
July	2012	28	56	14	2	100	114	506
August	2012	25	58	15	2	100	110	502
September	2012	24	58	14	3	100	110	497
October	2012	28	57	11	4	100	117	484
November	2012	31	55	10	4	100	120	476
December	2012	31	53	14	3	100	117	483
January	2013	30	50	18	2	100	112	486
February	2013	28	50	21	2	100	107	501
March	2013	29	51	18	2	100	111	500
April	2013	26	53	18	2	100	108	513
May	2013	28	56	15	1	100	113	499
June	2013	29	56	13	2	100	116	500
July	2013	32	56	10	1	100	122	500
August	2013	31	57	10	2	100	120	506
September	2013	33	54	12	1	100	121	534
October	2013	32	53	13	2	100	119	530
November	2013	32	51	15	2	100	117	532
December	2013	29	53	15	2	100	114	520
January	2014	29	55	14	2	100	116	525

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TABLE 8
EXPECTED CHANGE IN FINANCIAL SITUATION IN A YEAR
(Three Month Moving Averages)

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	2014	35	52	13	1	100	122	523
March	2014	37	51	11	1	100	126	521
April	2014	38	51	11	1	100	127	515
May	2014	32	55	13	1	100	119	515
June	2014	29	57	13	1	100	116	516
July	2014	29	56	14	1	100	114	526
August	2014	33	54	12	2	100	121	527
September	2014	35	52	12	1	100	123	531
October	2014	38	49	11	2	100	127	529
November	2014	34	52	11	3	100	123	533
December	2014	35	53	9	3	100	126	532
January	2015	36	54	8	2	100	128	550
February	2015	39	53	7	1	100	132	555
March	2015	40	51	9	1	100	131	559
April	2015	39	52	9	0	100	130	551
May	2015	39	51	10	0	100	129	536
June	2015	37	54	9	0	100	128	545
July	2015	35	55	9	1	100	126	539
August	2015	34	55	9	2	100	125	577
September	2015	37	53	9	2	100	128	570
October	2015	39	52	8	1	100	131	581
November	2015	37	53	9	1	100	128	556
December	2015	35	55	9	1	100	126	545
January	2016	33	56	10	2	100	123	543
February	2016	37	53	9	1	100	128	549
March	2016	39	51	8	1	100	131	574
April	2016	39	54	7	1	100	132	578
May	2016	40	52	6	1	100	134	594
June	2016	42	50	6	2	100	136	571
July	2016	43	48	7	2	100	136	573
August	2016	40	48	8	3	100	132	564
September	2016	39	49	9	3	100	130	600
October	2016	38	48	10	4	100	128	614
November	2016	40	47	9	4	100	131	638
December	2016	41	45	10	4	100	131	638
January	2017	42	45	10	3	100	132	660
February	2017	40	45	12	2	100	128	659
March	2017	42	43	12	3	100	130	656
April	2017	44	43	11	3	100	133	625
May	2017	44	45	9	2	100	135	642
June	2017	43	46	9	1	100	134	675
July	2017	43	47	9	1	100	134	715
August	2017	46	44	8	2	100	137	716
September	2017	47	44	7	2	100	139	692
October	2017	46	45	7	2	100	139	651
November	2017	45	47	6	2	100	139	635
December	2017	44	47	7	2	100	137	642
January	2018	45	46	8	1	100	137	669
February	2018	47	43	9	1	100	138	689