

# REGION NORTH CENTRAL

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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        | 50                | 11          | 37               | 1             | 100          | 113             | 481          |
| March 1981            | 48                | 11          | 39               | 2             | 100          | 109             | 521          |
| September 1981        | 49                | 15          | 34               | 2             | 100          | 115             | 597          |
| March 1982            | 48                | 14          | 37               | 2             | 100          | 111             | 642          |
| September 1982        | 45                | 13          | 40               | 2             | 100          | 105             | 599          |
| March 1983            | 42                | 16          | 42               | 0             | 100          | 100             | 549          |
| September 1983        | 49                | 12          | 37               | 2             | 100          | 112             | 509          |
| March 1984            | 54                | 14          | 30               | 2             | 100          | 124             | 528          |
| September 1984        | 57                | 12          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 127             | 634          |
| September 1985        | 54                | 13          | 32               | 1             | 100          | 122             | 547          |
| September 2011        | 42                | 8           | 48               | 1             | 100          | 94              | 370          |
| October 2011          | 41                | 9           | 49               | 1             | 100          | 92              | 412          |
| November 2011         | 43                | 8           | 49               | 0             | 100          | 94              | 412          |
| December 2011         | 41                | 9           | 49               | 1             | 100          | 92              | 421          |
| January 2012          | 39                | 9           | 51               | 1             | 100          | 89              | 391          |
| February 2012         | 39                | 9           | 52               | 1             | 100          | 87              | 376          |
| March 2012            | 38                | 11          | 50               | 0             | 100          | 88              | 373          |
| April 2012            | 40                | 12          | 48               | 0             | 100          | 92              | 396          |
| May 2012              | 39                | 13          | 47               | 1             | 100          | 91              | 406          |
| June 2012             | 43                | 12          | 44               | 1             | 100          | 99              | 405          |
| July 2012             | 44                | 13          | 43               | 1             | 100          | 101             | 386          |
| August 2012           | 43                | 13          | 44               | 0             | 100          | 99              | 384          |
| September 2012        | 40                | 13          | 46               | 1             | 100          | 95              | 378          |
| October 2012          | 41                | 15          | 44               | 0             | 100          | 97              | 396          |
| November 2012         | 43                | 15          | 41               | 1             | 100          | 102             | 406          |
| December 2012         | 46                | 15          | 39               | 0             | 100          | 106             | 412          |
| January 2013          | 48                | 12          | 40               | 0             | 100          | 107             | 404          |
| February 2013         | 43                | 13          | 45               | 0             | 100          | 98              | 394          |
| March 2013            | 43                | 12          | 45               | 0             | 100          | 98              | 375          |
| April 2013            | 42                | 14          | 43               | 1             | 100          | 99              | 382          |
| May 2013              | 46                | 14          | 40               | 1             | 100          | 106             | 391          |
| June 2013             | 45                | 14          | 40               | 2             | 100          | 105             | 430          |
| July 2013             | 46                | 13          | 40               | 1             | 100          | 106             | 428          |
| August 2013           | 46                | 12          | 41               | 1             | 100          | 104             | 427          |
| September 2013        | 43                | 13          | 43               | 1             | 100          | 100             | 414          |
| October 2013          | 39                | 14          | 46               | 1             | 100          | 92              | 410          |
| November 2013         | 40                | 15          | 45               | 1             | 100          | 95              | 410          |
| December 2013         | 44                | 15          | 41               | 1             | 100          | 103             | 417          |
| January 2014          | 52                | 11          | 36               | 1             | 100          | 115             | 410          |
| February 2014         | 54                | 11          | 34               | 1             | 100          | 120             | 409          |
| March 2014            | 54                | 8           | 38               | 0             | 100          | 115             | 402          |
| April 2014            | 49                | 9           | 41               | 1             | 100          | 107             | 431          |
| May 2014              | 48                | 10          | 41               | 1             | 100          | 107             | 437          |
| June 2014             | 48                | 13          | 38               | 1             | 100          | 111             | 421          |
| July 2014             | 48                | 11          | 40               | 1             | 100          | 109             | 393          |
| August 2014           | 47                | 10          | 42               | 1             | 100          | 106             | 387          |

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|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| September 2014        | 46                | 8           | 45               | 1             | 100          | 101             | 408          |
| October 2014          | 48                | 10          | 41               | 2             | 100          | 107             | 433          |
| November 2014         | 51                | 10          | 37               | 2             | 100          | 113             | 439          |
| December 2014         | 56                | 10          | 32               | 1             | 100          | 124             | 407          |
| January 2015          | 58                | 9           | 33               | 1             | 100          | 125             | 371          |
| February 2015         | 56                | 8           | 36               | 0             | 100          | 120             | 365          |
| March 2015            | 51                | 9           | 40               | 1             | 100          | 111             | 393          |
| April 2015            | 52                | 8           | 39               | 1             | 100          | 113             | 397          |
| May 2015              | 55                | 9           | 36               | 0             | 100          | 118             | 402          |
| June 2015             | 60                | 8           | 32               | 0             | 100          | 128             | 386          |
| July 2015             | 57                | 9           | 33               | 0             | 100          | 124             | 382          |
| August 2015           | 57                | 11          | 32               | 0             | 100          | 126             | 396          |
| September 2015        | 53                | 11          | 36               | 0             | 100          | 117             | 393          |
| October 2015          | 54                | 9           | 37               | 0             | 100          | 117             | 391          |
| November 2015         | 51                | 8           | 40               | 1             | 100          | 111             | 359          |
| December 2015         | 52                | 10          | 37               | 1             | 100          | 115             | 383          |
| January 2016          | 53                | 11          | 35               | 1             | 100          | 119             | 401          |
| February 2016         | 55                | 10          | 35               | 0             | 100          | 121             | 414          |
| March 2016            | 58                | 9           | 33               | 0             | 100          | 126             | 402          |
| April 2016            | 57                | 9           | 33               | 0             | 100          | 124             | 403          |
| May 2016              | 58                | 11          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 128             | 411          |
| June 2016             | 58                | 11          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 127             | 407          |
| July 2016             | 58                | 10          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 127             | 399          |
| August 2016           | 57                | 9           | 33               | 1             | 100          | 124             | 405          |
| September 2016        | 58                | 9           | 33               | 1             | 100          | 125             | 431          |
| October 2016          | 55                | 11          | 34               | 0             | 100          | 121             | 455          |
| November 2016         | 55                | 12          | 33               | 0             | 100          | 121             | 450          |
| December 2016         | 57                | 12          | 31               | 0             | 100          | 125             | 446          |
| January 2017          | 60                | 12          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 133             | 427          |
| February 2017         | 63                | 13          | 23               | 1             | 100          | 140             | 427          |
| March 2017            | 62                | 14          | 23               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 421          |
| April 2017            | 63                | 11          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 437          |
| May 2017              | 62                | 13          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 468          |
| June 2017             | 63                | 11          | 25               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 480          |
| July 2017             | 64                | 12          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 140             | 496          |
| August 2017           | 66                | 9           | 25               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 463          |
| September 2017        | 67                | 10          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 144             | 462          |
| October 2017          | 66                | 10          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 143             | 443          |
| November 2017         | 65                | 11          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 142             | 464          |
| December 2017         | 66                | 10          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 456          |
| January 2018          | 65                | 8           | 26               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 478          |
| February 2018         | 65                | 9           | 25               | 1             | 100          | 140             | 461          |
| March 2018            | 67                | 9           | 24               | 1             | 100          | 143             | 475          |
| April 2018            | 70                | 9           | 20               | 0             | 100          | 150             | 466          |
| May 2018              | 70                | 8           | 22               | 1             | 100          | 148             | 463          |
| June 2018             | 68                | 9           | 23               | 1             | 100          | 145             | 446          |
| July 2018             | 66                | 9           | 25               | 1             | 100          | 141             | 441          |
| August 2018           | 67                | 9           | 24               | 0             | 100          | 143             | 448          |
| September 2018        | 66                | 8           | 25               | 1             | 100          | 141             | 473          |
| October 2018          | 68                | 7           | 24               | 1             | 100          | 143             | 470          |
| November 2018         | 66                | 9           | 24               | 1             | 100          | 142             | 477          |
| December 2018         | 66                | 10          | 22               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 466          |
| January 2019          | 65                | 10          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 141             | 467          |
| February 2019         | 63                | 9           | 27               | 1             | 100          | 137             | 457          |

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| March                 | 2019 | 62                | 8           | 29               | 0             | 100          | 133             | 458          |
| April                 | 2019 | 63                | 10          | 27               | 0             | 100          | 137             | 456          |
| May                   | 2019 | 66                | 9           | 25               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 464          |
| June                  | 2019 | 66                | 10          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 142             | 456          |
| July                  | 2019 | 67                | 10          | 23               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 465          |
| August                | 2019 | 65                | 10          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 141             | 479          |
| September             | 2019 | 65                | 9           | 25               | 0             | 100          | 140             | 474          |
| October               | 2019 | 63                | 8           | 28               | 0             | 100          | 135             | 485          |
| November              | 2019 | 61                | 8           | 30               | 1             | 100          | 131             | 467          |
| December              | 2019 | 64                | 8           | 28               | 0             | 100          | 136             | 464          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2020 | 66                | 8           | 26               | 0             | 100          | 140             | 457          |
| February              | 2020 | 70                | 7           | 23               | 0             | 100          | 147             | 483          |
| March                 | 2020 | 70                | 7           | 22               | 0             | 100          | 148             | 509          |
| April                 | 2020 | 68                | 9           | 21               | 1             | 100          | 147             | 514          |
| May                   | 2020 | 64                | 10          | 24               | 2             | 100          | 140             | 479          |
| June                  | 2020 | 63                | 10          | 25               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 450          |
| July                  | 2020 | 63                | 11          | 26               | 0             | 100          | 136             | 439          |
| August                | 2020 | 65                | 10          | 25               | 0             | 100          | 139             | 470          |
| September             | 2020 | 67                | 9           | 23               | 0             | 100          | 144             | 474          |
| October               | 2020 | 69                | 8           | 23               | 0             | 100          | 146             | 460          |
| November              | 2020 | 71                | 9           | 19               | 0             | 100          | 152             | 430          |
| December              | 2020 | 72                | 9           | 19               | 0             | 100          | 154             | 431          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2021 | 71                | 8           | 21               | 0             | 100          | 150             | 457          |
| February              | 2021 | 71                | 9           | 20               | 0             | 100          | 151             | 460          |
| March                 | 2021 | 67                | 11          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 146             | 466          |
| April                 | 2021 | 68                | 12          | 19               | 1             | 100          | 150             | 429          |
| May                   | 2021 | 70                | 10          | 19               | 1             | 100          | 151             | 424          |
| June                  | 2021 | 71                | 9           | 19               | 1             | 100          | 152             | 435          |
| July                  | 2021 | 69                | 9           | 21               | 1             | 100          | 148             | 463          |
| August                | 2021 | 68                | 9           | 23               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 463          |
| September             | 2021 | 67                | 11          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 456          |
| October               | 2021 | 66                | 10          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 454          |
| November              | 2021 | 65                | 10          | 25               | 0             | 100          | 140             | 461          |
| December              | 2021 | 64                | 9           | 26               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 446          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2022 | 65                | 12          | 22               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 457          |
| February              | 2022 | 66                | 10          | 23               | 1             | 100          | 143             | 460          |
| March                 | 2022 | 63                | 11          | 25               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 471          |
| April                 | 2022 | 64                | 9           | 27               | 1             | 100          | 137             | 458          |
| May                   | 2022 | 61                | 10          | 28               | 2             | 100          | 133             | 458          |
| June                  | 2022 | 61                | 8           | 29               | 1             | 100          | 132             | 449          |
| July                  | 2022 | 58                | 11          | 30               | 2             | 100          | 128             | 450          |
| August                | 2022 | 56                | 11          | 32               | 1             | 100          | 125             | 440          |
| September             | 2022 | 54                | 12          | 33               | 1             | 100          | 121             | 450          |
| October               | 2022 | 55                | 10          | 35               | 1             | 100          | 120             | 447          |