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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)

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
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

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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
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

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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
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
November	2022	53	9	37	1	100	116	435
December	2022	56	8	36	1	100	120	424

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February	2023	58	8	33	1	100	125	429
March	2023	56	9	35	0	100	121	425
April	2023	54	9	37	0	100	117	412
May	2023	51	10	38	1	100	114	431
June	2023	51	10	38	1	100	113	441
July	2023	55	9	36	0	100	119	442
August	2023	56	8	37	0	100	119	436
September	2023	57	7	36	0	100	121	417
October	2023	54	6	41	0	100	113	425
November	2023	54	6	40	0	100	114	430
December	2023	52	8	39	1	100	113	444
January	2024	53	9	37	1	100	116	438
February	2024	51	10	38	1	100	113	427
March	2024	53	7	40	0	100	113	412
April	2024	50	9	40	1	100	110	483
May	2024	50	10	39	1	100	111	605
June	2024	45	13	40	2	100	105	748
July	2024	42	15	41	2	100	101	775
August	2024	38	15	45	2	100	93	850
September	2024	37	16	45	2	100	93	833
October	2024	38	13	46	2	100	92	849
November	2024	44	13	42	2	100	102	750
December	2024	45	12	42	2	100	103	753
January	2025	44	14	40	1	100	104	778
February	2025	41	16	41	1	100	100	843
March	2025	39	19	41	1	100	99	985
April	2025	38	19	42	1	100	96	1006
May	2025	39	19	41	2	100	98	1041
June	2025	38	19	42	2	100	96	963
July	2025	39	20	40	1	100	99	1025
August	2025	39	20	40	1	100	99	997
September	2025	42	20	37	1	100	106	1018
October	2025	42	20	37	1	100	105	994
November	2025	40	19	40	1	100	100	1016
December	2025	38	16	44	2	100	95	973
January	2026	36	16	46	2	100	90	1003
February	2026	37	16	46	2	100	91	1035
March	2026	37	19	43	2	100	94	1164
April	2026	38	19	41	1	100	97	1133
May	2026	36	19	44	1	100	93	1079
June	2026	37	17	46	1	100	91	1050
July	2026	36	17	47	1	100	89	1078
August	2026	37	19	44	0	100	92	1067