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The question was: "Would you say that at the present time business conditions are better or worse than they were a year ago?"

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	1978	47	18	33	1	100	114	634
April	1978	44	19	35	2	100	109	602
May	1978	44	15	39	2	100	106	618
June	1978	42	16	40	2	100	102	586
July	1978	45	13	40	2	100	105	604
August	1978	45	13	39	3	100	106	580
September	1978	47	12	37	4	100	110	609
October	1978	45	14	39	3	100	106	601
November	1978	40	15	41	4	100	99	662
December	1978	33	20	43	4	100	91	658
January	1979	33	18	45	4	100	88	686
February	1979	33	16	48	4	100	85	639
March	1979	33	13	50	4	100	83	609
April	1979	31	13	51	4	100	80	584
May	1979	32	14	50	3	100	82	566
June	1979	29	13	53	4	100	76	643
July	1979	26	11	59	3	100	67	732
August	1979	20	11	65	3	100	55	718
September	1979	21	10	67	2	100	54	690
October	1979	20	12	65	3	100	55	648
November	1979	21	11	65	3	100	56	704
December	1979	21	14	63	2	100	57	691
January	1980	19	16	64	1	100	54	632
February	1980	18	18	64	0	100	55	551
March	1980	17	18	65	0	100	51	516
April	1980	16	16	68	0	100	47	494
May	1980	11	13	76	0	100	34	431
June	1980	7	9	83	1	100	24	433
July	1980	6	4	89	1	100	17	439
August	1980	9	5	85	1	100	23	440
September	1980	14	6	79	1	100	35	452
October	1980	19	8	71	1	100	48	452
November	1980	21	8	69	1	100	52	458
December	1980	18	9	71	2	100	48	445
January	1981	15	10	74	1	100	41	457
February	1981	12	13	73	3	100	39	458
March	1981	13	14	71	2	100	42	480
April	1981	13	19	66	3	100	47	488
May	1981	20	20	58	2	100	62	475
June	1981	25	20	52	2	100	73	467
July	1981	32	17	48	3	100	84	431
August	1981	32	15	51	2	100	82	438
September	1981	34	14	50	3	100	84	416
October	1981	31	13	55	2	100	76	441
November	1981	26	12	59	4	100	67	430
December	1981	19	9	68	4	100	52	442
January	1982	16	7	73	5	100	43	418
February	1982	14	5	77	3	100	37	411
March	1982	11	5	81	3	100	30	397

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
April	1982	9	6	83	2	100	26	407
May	1982	9	7	82	2	100	28	415
June	1982	11	7	80	2	100	31	428
July	1982	11	7	80	2	100	31	457
August	1982	12	7	80	2	100	32	455
September	1982	12	7	79	2	100	33	430
October	1982	15	8	76	1	100	39	402
November	1982	14	8	78	0	100	37	417
December	1982	15	7	78	0	100	37	437
January	1983	15	7	78	0	100	37	461
February	1983	19	8	73	1	100	46	454
March	1983	28	7	64	1	100	65	454
April	1983	41	8	51	1	100	90	433
May	1983	52	9	39	0	100	112	438
June	1983	58	11	31	0	100	128	448
July	1983	63	9	27	1	100	136	435
August	1983	65	8	25	1	100	140	427
September	1983	65	8	26	1	100	139	431
October	1983	62	10	26	1	100	136	420
November	1983	59	12	27	2	100	132	414
December	1983	62	12	25	2	100	137	439
January	1984	66	11	21	2	100	145	474
February	1984	71	10	18	2	100	153	503
March	1984	70	9	20	1	100	150	487
April	1984	68	8	23	1	100	144	480
May	1984	66	9	23	1	100	143	444
June	1984	67	12	20	2	100	147	449
July	1984	65	12	20	3	100	145	452
August	1984	66	12	19	3	100	147	466
September	1984	68	10	19	2	100	149	419
October	1984	69	10	19	1	100	150	406
November	1984	66	11	21	2	100	145	390
December	1984	61	12	24	3	100	137	405
January	1985	61	13	24	2	100	137	389
February	1985	62	13	22	2	100	140	379
March	1985	63	13	22	2	100	141	345
April	1985	64	14	20	3	100	144	341
May	1985	57	15	26	2	100	130	343
June	1985	53	15	28	4	100	125	361
July	1985	52	18	27	3	100	124	352
August	1985	55	17	24	3	100	131	359
September	1985	55	18	24	3	100	131	333
October	1985	52	15	30	3	100	122	332
November	1985	50	15	33	2	100	117	310
December	1985	51	13	33	2	100	118	345
January	1986	54	14	29	3	100	125	351
February	1986	58	14	25	3	100	134	380
March	1986	57	17	24	2	100	132	349
April	1986	59	15	24	2	100	135	328
May	1986	59	16	23	2	100	136	308
June	1986	64	12	22	1	100	142	331
July	1986	62	13	24	0	100	138	352

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
August	1986	59	12	28	1	100	132	357
September	1986	54	14	30	1	100	124	352
October	1986	51	17	30	3	100	121	345
November	1986	48	19	30	3	100	117	357
December	1986	47	18	33	2	100	114	361
January	1987	49	15	35	2	100	114	377
February	1987	50	12	36	1	100	114	356
March	1987	53	16	29	1	100	124	342
April	1987	53	18	28	1	100	126	324
May	1987	49	23	25	2	100	124	328
June	1987	47	20	30	2	100	117	346
July	1987	49	16	32	3	100	117	357
August	1987	54	13	31	2	100	123	373
September	1987	56	11	30	3	100	126	368
October	1987	55	13	28	3	100	127	337
November	1987	45	12	40	3	100	105	280
December	1987	35	14	47	4	100	88	237
January	1988	32	13	53	2	100	79	225
February	1988	36	12	48	4	100	89	247
March	1988	45	15	37	3	100	108	267
April	1988	46	17	34	3	100	112	290
May	1988	52	16	31	2	100	121	283
June	1988	51	14	33	1	100	118	268
July	1988	50	15	34	1	100	115	262
August	1988	49	19	31	1	100	119	271
September	1988	49	18	30	2	100	119	290
October	1988	49	18	30	4	100	119	304
November	1988	47	17	33	3	100	115	321
December	1988	48	17	33	2	100	115	327
January	1989	55	14	30	2	100	125	332
February	1989	58	13	25	3	100	133	314
March	1989	56	14	26	4	100	129	309
April	1989	47	18	32	3	100	115	282
May	1989	42	17	38	3	100	105	287
June	1989	41	18	38	3	100	103	291
July	1989	43	22	32	3	100	110	309
August	1989	38	25	32	4	100	106	311
September	1989	41	22	33	4	100	108	305
October	1989	45	14	38	3	100	107	284
November	1989	44	10	44	2	100	100	282
December	1989	39	12	45	4	100	94	291
January	1990	35	14	46	5	100	90	313
February	1990	32	15	47	5	100	85	321
March	1990	28	18	50	4	100	79	323
April	1990	22	18	57	3	100	65	325
May	1990	23	15	59	3	100	64	331
June	1990	24	13	61	2	100	62	322
July	1990	26	14	58	2	100	67	312
August	1990	21	17	62	0	100	60	305
September	1990	17	15	67	1	100	49	314
October	1990	11	11	76	2	100	35	318
November	1990	10	9	79	3	100	31	318

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
December	1990	7	6	86	1	100	21	303
January	1991	5	7	87	1	100	18	306
February	1991	6	5	89	0	100	17	317
March	1991	8	6	86	0	100	22	325
April	1991	11	3	86	0	100	25	327
May	1991	13	6	81	1	100	32	318
June	1991	14	5	80	1	100	33	305
July	1991	15	7	77	1	100	39	309
August	1991	18	6	75	1	100	43	310
September	1991	19	7	72	2	100	46	336
October	1991	19	8	71	2	100	49	338
November	1991	16	8	74	2	100	42	337
December	1991	12	8	78	2	100	33	302
January	1992	6	5	87	2	100	20	278
February	1992	5	5	88	2	100	16	260
March	1992	8	6	85	1	100	23	291
April	1992	12	9	78	1	100	35	310
May	1992	17	10	72	1	100	45	330
June	1992	21	9	67	2	100	54	311
July	1992	22	9	68	2	100	54	289
August	1992	20	8	70	2	100	50	260
September	1992	16	12	71	1	100	44	265
October	1992	15	15	68	3	100	47	282
November	1992	16	19	64	2	100	52	304
December	1992	22	18	57	2	100	65	300
January	1993	34	16	49	1	100	86	286
February	1993	40	15	42	2	100	98	273
March	1993	43	14	39	3	100	104	279
April	1993	40	14	43	3	100	97	300
May	1993	40	13	44	2	100	96	313
June	1993	39	14	46	1	100	92	314
July	1993	35	14	49	1	100	86	313
August	1993	34	14	50	3	100	84	313
September	1993	34	13	50	3	100	84	305
October	1993	34	13	49	3	100	85	307
November	1993	36	13	48	3	100	89	307
December	1993	39	15	44	2	100	96	305
January	1994	47	15	37	1	100	110	294
February	1994	51	16	32	1	100	119	296
March	1994	56	14	29	1	100	126	308
April	1994	50	16	33	1	100	117	302
May	1994	51	13	35	1	100	116	299
June	1994	46	13	38	3	100	108	289
July	1994	51	11	35	3	100	115	300
August	1994	50	15	33	2	100	117	299
September	1994	58	14	27	1	100	131	304
October	1994	61	13	25	1	100	135	306
November	1994	60	11	27	2	100	133	298
December	1994	57	10	31	2	100	127	289
January	1995	54	12	32	2	100	122	291
February	1995	52	13	34	2	100	118	296

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	1995	48	13	37	3	100	111	302
April	1995	45	13	39	3	100	106	293
May	1995	41	16	40	3	100	101	297
June	1995	41	17	39	3	100	102	305
July	1995	44	16	37	3	100	107	299
August	1995	49	13	35	3	100	114	292
September	1995	49	15	33	2	100	116	293
October	1995	47	16	35	2	100	112	308
November	1995	45	17	37	1	100	109	323
December	1995	44	17	37	2	100	107	309
January	1996	37	15	45	3	100	92	301
February	1996	39	13	46	2	100	93	279
March	1996	40	13	46	1	100	94	288
April	1996	44	16	39	1	100	105	291
May	1996	40	17	41	3	100	99	312
June	1996	39	17	41	3	100	98	312
July	1996	41	19	38	2	100	103	318
August	1996	47	20	31	2	100	117	307
September	1996	46	22	28	4	100	118	303
October	1996	48	19	28	5	100	120	292
November	1996	48	20	29	3	100	118	297
December	1996	52	17	28	3	100	124	300
January	1997	53	19	26	2	100	126	297
February	1997	62	15	20	2	100	142	291
March	1997	61	16	21	2	100	140	281
April	1997	62	14	21	3	100	141	290
May	1997	55	17	24	3	100	131	294
June	1997	54	18	24	4	100	131	306
July	1997	55	17	24	4	100	132	301
August	1997	58	18	22	3	100	136	308
September	1997	62	17	19	3	100	143	298
October	1997	62	18	18	1	100	144	299
November	1997	63	17	17	3	100	146	298
December	1997	59	17	21	2	100	138	298
January	1998	56	21	21	2	100	135	295
February	1998	55	25	20	1	100	135	286
March	1998	62	23	14	0	100	148	276
April	1998	68	18	13	1	100	156	280
May	1998	67	17	15	2	100	152	279
June	1998	62	20	17	2	100	145	281
July	1998	59	21	17	3	100	143	276
August	1998	60	21	17	2	100	143	272
September	1998	58	21	19	2	100	139	284
October	1998	53	21	24	2	100	129	291
November	1998	47	21	29	3	100	119	298
December	1998	50	18	29	3	100	121	294
January	1999	56	18	24	2	100	133	284
February	1999	62	17	20	2	100	142	279
March	1999	60	20	16	3	100	144	277
April	1999	61	22	14	2	100	147	285
May	1999	63	23	12	2	100	150	293
June	1999	66	20	13	1	100	153	301

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
July	1999	66	17	14	2	100	152	290
August	1999	66	16	16	2	100	150	291
September	1999	64	17	16	3	100	148	281
October	1999	60	18	18	4	100	142	282
November	1999	59	21	16	4	100	142	267
December	1999	63	20	14	3	100	148	271
January	2000	66	21	11	2	100	155	265
February	2000	69	18	10	3	100	158	267
March	2000	67	17	14	2	100	153	274
April	2000	65	13	19	2	100	146	283
May	2000	63	15	21	1	100	141	282
June	2000	59	16	22	3	100	138	280
July	2000	56	19	23	2	100	134	280
August	2000	54	19	25	3	100	129	288
September	2000	56	20	23	1	100	133	288
October	2000	57	19	22	2	100	135	298
November	2000	56	19	23	2	100	133	300
December	2000	48	20	30	2	100	117	303
January	2001	40	21	38	1	100	102	292
February	2001	29	18	52	0	100	77	287
March	2001	24	15	60	1	100	64	287
April	2001	17	12	70	2	100	47	281
May	2001	17	12	68	3	100	48	280
June	2001	16	14	68	2	100	48	290
July	2001	19	16	63	3	100	56	292
August	2001	21	14	63	2	100	57	292
September	2001	17	12	69	2	100	48	277
October	2001	13	9	77	1	100	36	283
November	2001	8	7	85	1	100	23	278
December	2001	9	5	85	1	100	24	297
January	2002	11	4	84	2	100	27	299
February	2002	11	5	83	2	100	28	306
March	2002	10	7	80	3	100	30	283
April	2002	13	9	76	2	100	37	276
May	2002	17	9	71	3	100	47	277
June	2002	21	9	68	2	100	53	275
July	2002	18	7	72	3	100	46	275
August	2002	13	7	77	2	100	36	279
September	2002	11	7	80	2	100	32	284
October	2002	14	7	76	3	100	38	280
November	2002	21	7	70	2	100	50	274
December	2002	24	7	67	2	100	57	262
January	2003	23	10	66	1	100	57	283
February	2003	18	11	68	2	100	50	286
March	2003	13	11	74	2	100	38	292
April	2003	11	10	77	2	100	35	287
May	2003	20	10	68	2	100	52	293
June	2003	25	13	61	1	100	64	287
July	2003	33	11	54	1	100	79	279
August	2003	33	10	56	2	100	77	261
September	2003	35	6	58	2	100	77	279
October	2003	34	5	59	2	100	75	281

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
November	2003	38	5	56	1	100	82	299
December	2003	46	6	47	1	100	99	284
January	2004	52	8	40	0	100	112	275
February	2004	55	7	38	0	100	117	260
March	2004	51	7	42	0	100	108	272
April	2004	47	10	42	0	100	105	276
May	2004	45	14	40	0	100	105	281
June	2004	49	13	37	1	100	113	286
July	2004	49	13	38	1	100	111	279
August	2004	45	9	42	3	100	103	281
September	2004	39	12	46	3	100	93	273
October	2004	37	11	49	3	100	88	273
November	2004	37	15	47	1	100	91	260
December	2004	39	16	43	1	100	96	258
January	2005	44	16	39	1	100	105	252
February	2005	45	14	40	2	100	105	253
March	2005	45	14	40	1	100	105	265
April	2005	42	14	43	1	100	100	277
May	2005	39	16	44	1	100	94	273
June	2005	40	16	43	1	100	97	245
July	2005	41	16	42	1	100	99	239
August	2005	44	14	41	1	100	102	246
September	2005	35	13	50	2	100	84	275
October	2005	27	14	57	1	100	70	280
November	2005	23	14	62	1	100	61	277
December	2005	33	13	55	0	100	78	258
January	2006	42	11	47	0	100	95	253
February	2006	45	9	45	0	100	100	272
March	2006	42	11	46	1	100	96	291
April	2006	37	11	51	2	100	86	298
May	2006	35	11	53	1	100	82	284
June	2006	33	14	52	1	100	81	266
July	2006	29	13	57	0	100	72	264
August	2006	26	14	60	0	100	67	275
September	2006	24	14	61	1	100	62	280
October	2006	28	14	56	2	100	73	284
November	2006	39	11	47	3	100	92	278
December	2006	44	11	43	2	100	100	281
January	2007	49	10	39	2	100	109	279
February	2007	42	13	44	1	100	98	280
March	2007	40	13	46	1	100	93	278
April	2007	34	14	49	2	100	85	286
May	2007	35	15	48	3	100	87	284
June	2007	36	13	50	2	100	86	283
July	2007	38	13	49	0	100	88	274
August	2007	37	12	51	0	100	85	278
September	2007	34	13	52	1	100	82	264
October	2007	30	14	55	2	100	75	272
November	2007	24	11	64	1	100	60	269
December	2007	20	10	69	1	100	51	283
January	2008	18	8	74	0	100	43	274

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	2008	17	8	75	0	100	42	265
March	2008	14	6	80	0	100	33	268
April	2008	8	5	85	2	100	23	280
May	2008	5	4	89	2	100	17	279
June	2008	4	4	90	2	100	14	275
July	2008	6	3	91	0	100	15	281
August	2008	5	3	92	0	100	13	282
September	2008	6	2	92	0	100	14	307
October	2008	3	3	95	0	100	8	293
November	2008	2	4	94	0	100	8	293
December	2008	0	5	94	0	100	6	268
January	2009	0	4	95	1	100	5	270
February	2009	1	2	97	1	100	4	273
March	2009	1	2	97	0	100	3	289
April	2009	5	1	94	0	100	11	281
May	2009	6	2	92	0	100	15	292
June	2009	11	1	88	0	100	23	281
July	2009	13	2	85	0	100	28	288
August	2009	20	2	78	0	100	42	280
September	2009	28	3	69	0	100	58	290
October	2009	35	3	61	1	100	74	274
November	2009	36	3	60	1	100	76	284
December	2009	35	3	60	1	100	75	295
January	2010	37	5	57	1	100	80	295
February	2010	42	5	52	1	100	90	282
March	2010	43	7	49	1	100	93	267
April	2010	42	9	49	0	100	93	278
May	2010	41	9	49	1	100	93	286
June	2010	44	9	46	1	100	98	282
July	2010	39	9	51	1	100	88	283
August	2010	42	9	49	0	100	94	282
September	2010	41	7	52	0	100	89	276
October	2010	42	6	51	1	100	90	277
November	2010	35	8	56	1	100	79	285
December	2010	36	10	53	1	100	83	284
January	2011	40	10	49	0	100	91	305
February	2011	47	9	44	0	100	103	309
March	2011	49	9	42	0	100	107	308
April	2011	49	7	44	0	100	105	290
May	2011	46	7	47	0	100	99	283
June	2011	43	7	50	0	100	93	287
July	2011	38	10	51	0	100	87	287
August	2011	30	10	59	0	100	71	288
September	2011	23	9	67	1	100	56	289
October	2011	22	7	69	1	100	53	295
November	2011	27	6	65	1	100	62	303
December	2011	32	8	59	1	100	73	304
January	2012	40	8	51	0	100	89	298
February	2012	43	9	48	0	100	95	296
March	2012	50	9	41	1	100	109	305
April	2012	50	8	40	1	100	110	317
May	2012	51	9	39	1	100	113	311

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TABLE 25
CURRENT BUSINESS CONDITIONS COMPARED WITH A YEAR AGO
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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
June	2012	46	12	42	1	100	104	308
July	2012	38	14	47	1	100	91	299
August	2012	33	14	51	1	100	82	309
September	2012	34	11	53	1	100	81	313
October	2012	38	12	50	0	100	88	303
November	2012	43	12	44	0	100	99	285
December	2012	41	13	45	1	100	96	269
January	2013	42	9	47	2	100	95	280
February	2013	41	11	47	2	100	94	289
March	2013	47	8	44	1	100	102	300
April	2013	50	8	39	2	100	111	291
May	2013	57	7	33	3	100	124	281
June	2013	56	8	33	3	100	123	259
July	2013	56	10	33	1	100	122	277
August	2013	51	9	39	1	100	112	282
September	2013	49	11	38	2	100	111	295
October	2013	44	11	43	2	100	101	262
November	2013	42	13	44	2	100	98	260
December	2013	44	10	45	2	100	99	264
January	2014	50	11	37	2	100	112	279
February	2014	51	10	36	2	100	115	290
March	2014	52	14	32	2	100	119	274
April	2014	46	13	38	3	100	109	270
May	2014	47	13	37	2	100	110	259
June	2014	47	12	39	2	100	109	280
July	2014	52	10	35	2	100	117	270
August	2014	51	10	37	2	100	113	268
September	2014	53	6	39	2	100	114	248
October	2014	56	6	36	1	100	120	233
November	2014	60	6	31	3	100	130	220
December	2014	62	9	26	3	100	136	244
January	2015	64	9	24	3	100	140	261
February	2015	65	9	24	2	100	141	263
March	2015	68	7	24	1	100	144	242
April	2015	67	8	24	1	100	143	235
May	2015	65	9	26	0	100	139	232
June	2015	61	13	26	0	100	135	245
July	2015	59	14	26	1	100	133	251
August	2015	58	13	28	1	100	130	251
September	2015	56	12	32	0	100	124	227
October	2015	56	10	33	1	100	122	224
November	2015	54	11	34	1	100	120	232
December	2015	52	13	33	2	100	119	242
January	2016	51	13	35	1	100	116	243
February	2016	51	13	33	3	100	117	224
March	2016	50	9	34	6	100	116	224
April	2016	48	10	36	6	100	112	235
May	2016	49	13	34	5	100	115	259
June	2016	48	16	34	2	100	114	256
July	2016	48	14	36	2	100	112	247
August	2016	51	11	37	1	100	114	222
September	2016	55	9	36	0	100	118	231

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TABLE 25
CURRENT BUSINESS CONDITIONS COMPARED WITH A YEAR AGO
(Three Month Moving Averages)

Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
October	2016	59	10	30	1	100	129	232
November	2016	56	9	33	2	100	124	276
December	2016	54	12	33	1	100	121	276
January	2017	51	16	33	1	100	118	280
February	2017	50	20	30	0	100	120	257
March	2017	51	20	28	1	100	122	258
April	2017	50	19	30	1	100	120	266
May	2017	50	18	30	2	100	120	254
June	2017	53	16	29	2	100	123	252
July	2017	50	16	32	2	100	118	262
August	2017	51	17	31	1	100	119	287
September	2017	50	19	30	1	100	120	296
October	2017	51	20	27	1	100	124	297
November	2017	51	20	27	2	100	125	284
December	2017	48	20	28	4	100	120	282