

# REGION NORTH EAST

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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        | 48                | 11          | 39               | 2             | 100          | 109             | 452          |
| March 1981            | 38                | 14          | 46               | 1             | 100          | 92              | 480          |
| September 1981        | 52                | 11          | 35               | 2             | 100          | 117             | 416          |
| March 1982            | 49                | 13          | 38               | 1             | 100          | 111             | 397          |
| September 1982        | 45                | 15          | 40               | 0             | 100          | 105             | 430          |
| March 1983            | 48                | 15          | 36               | 1             | 100          | 112             | 454          |
| September 1983        | 55                | 13          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 124             | 431          |
| March 1984            | 63                | 13          | 22               | 2             | 100          | 140             | 487          |
| September 1984        | 64                | 11          | 23               | 3             | 100          | 141             | 419          |
| September 1985        | 58                | 12          | 29               | 1             | 100          | 129             | 333          |
| September 2011        | 42                | 10          | 48               | 0             | 100          | 94              | 289          |
| October 2011          | 39                | 8           | 52               | 1             | 100          | 87              | 295          |
| November 2011         | 38                | 10          | 51               | 1             | 100          | 88              | 303          |
| December 2011         | 35                | 11          | 54               | 1             | 100          | 81              | 304          |
| January 2012          | 34                | 11          | 54               | 1             | 100          | 80              | 298          |
| February 2012         | 37                | 10          | 54               | 0             | 100          | 83              | 296          |
| March 2012            | 41                | 9           | 49               | 1             | 100          | 93              | 305          |
| April 2012            | 44                | 9           | 46               | 1             | 100          | 98              | 317          |
| May 2012              | 41                | 11          | 46               | 2             | 100          | 95              | 311          |
| June 2012             | 41                | 12          | 46               | 1             | 100          | 95              | 308          |
| July 2012             | 37                | 14          | 47               | 2             | 100          | 90              | 299          |
| August 2012           | 38                | 12          | 49               | 1             | 100          | 89              | 309          |
| September 2012        | 36                | 11          | 50               | 2             | 100          | 86              | 313          |
| October 2012          | 38                | 11          | 49               | 1             | 100          | 89              | 303          |
| November 2012         | 36                | 11          | 51               | 2             | 100          | 85              | 285          |
| December 2012         | 38                | 12          | 49               | 0             | 100          | 89              | 269          |
| January 2013          | 38                | 13          | 49               | 0             | 100          | 90              | 280          |
| February 2013         | 42                | 13          | 44               | 0             | 100          | 98              | 289          |
| March 2013            | 42                | 12          | 46               | 0             | 100          | 95              | 300          |
| April 2013            | 40                | 11          | 49               | 0             | 100          | 91              | 291          |
| May 2013              | 44                | 11          | 44               | 0             | 100          | 100             | 281          |
| June 2013             | 46                | 12          | 42               | 0             | 100          | 103             | 259          |
| July 2013             | 50                | 15          | 35               | 0             | 100          | 116             | 277          |
| August 2013           | 48                | 12          | 39               | 1             | 100          | 109             | 282          |
| September 2013        | 45                | 12          | 42               | 1             | 100          | 104             | 295          |
| October 2013          | 46                | 8           | 45               | 1             | 100          | 100             | 262          |
| November 2013         | 46                | 9           | 45               | 0             | 100          | 101             | 260          |
| December 2013         | 48                | 9           | 42               | 0             | 100          | 106             | 264          |
| January 2014          | 49                | 10          | 41               | 1             | 100          | 108             | 279          |
| February 2014         | 48                | 11          | 40               | 1             | 100          | 108             | 290          |
| March 2014            | 49                | 9           | 42               | 1             | 100          | 107             | 274          |
| April 2014            | 50                | 8           | 42               | 0             | 100          | 108             | 270          |
| May 2014              | 52                | 7           | 40               | 0             | 100          | 112             | 259          |
| June 2014             | 52                | 10          | 38               | 0             | 100          | 115             | 280          |
| July 2014             | 53                | 10          | 37               | 1             | 100          | 116             | 270          |
| August 2014           | 52                | 9           | 37               | 1             | 100          | 115             | 268          |

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|-----------------------|------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| September             | 2014 | 54                | 9           | 36               | 1             | 100          | 117             | 248          |
| October               | 2014 | 52                | 12          | 34               | 2             | 100          | 118             | 233          |
| November              | 2014 | 53                | 13          | 33               | 1             | 100          | 120             | 220          |
| December              | 2014 | 54                | 15          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 124             | 244          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2015 | 57                | 15          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 130             | 261          |
| February              | 2015 | 57                | 13          | 28               | 2             | 100          | 130             | 263          |
| March                 | 2015 | 55                | 12          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 124             | 242          |
| April                 | 2015 | 56                | 12          | 31               | 2             | 100          | 125             | 235          |
| May                   | 2015 | 55                | 13          | 32               | 1             | 100          | 123             | 232          |
| June                  | 2015 | 55                | 14          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 126             | 245          |
| July                  | 2015 | 55                | 12          | 32               | 0             | 100          | 123             | 251          |
| August                | 2015 | 58                | 11          | 30               | 0             | 100          | 128             | 251          |
| September             | 2015 | 62                | 8           | 29               | 2             | 100          | 133             | 227          |
| October               | 2015 | 64                | 8           | 26               | 1             | 100          | 138             | 224          |
| November              | 2015 | 63                | 8           | 27               | 2             | 100          | 136             | 232          |
| December              | 2015 | 62                | 9           | 28               | 1             | 100          | 134             | 242          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2016 | 58                | 11          | 29               | 2             | 100          | 129             | 243          |
| February              | 2016 | 57                | 13          | 28               | 2             | 100          | 129             | 224          |
| March                 | 2016 | 58                | 11          | 29               | 2             | 100          | 130             | 224          |
| April                 | 2016 | 59                | 11          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 129             | 235          |
| May                   | 2016 | 61                | 12          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 134             | 259          |
| June                  | 2016 | 59                | 14          | 26               | 1             | 100          | 133             | 256          |
| July                  | 2016 | 53                | 15          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 123             | 247          |
| August                | 2016 | 54                | 12          | 32               | 2             | 100          | 122             | 222          |
| September             | 2016 | 53                | 14          | 32               | 1             | 100          | 122             | 231          |
| October               | 2016 | 61                | 12          | 26               | 1             | 100          | 135             | 232          |
| November              | 2016 | 60                | 13          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 133             | 276          |
| December              | 2016 | 59                | 11          | 29               | 1             | 100          | 130             | 276          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2017 | 60                | 9           | 30               | 0             | 100          | 130             | 280          |
| February              | 2017 | 62                | 9           | 29               | 0             | 100          | 133             | 257          |
| March                 | 2017 | 66                | 9           | 25               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 258          |
| April                 | 2017 | 70                | 9           | 21               | 1             | 100          | 149             | 266          |
| May                   | 2017 | 67                | 8           | 23               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 254          |
| June                  | 2017 | 67                | 6           | 25               | 2             | 100          | 142             | 252          |
| July                  | 2017 | 58                | 10          | 31               | 1             | 100          | 127             | 262          |
| August                | 2017 | 59                | 10          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 129             | 287          |
| September             | 2017 | 60                | 12          | 28               | 0             | 100          | 132             | 296          |
| October               | 2017 | 67                | 10          | 22               | 1             | 100          | 145             | 297          |
| November              | 2017 | 64                | 11          | 23               | 2             | 100          | 141             | 284          |
| December              | 2017 | 62                | 11          | 24               | 2             | 100          | 138             | 282          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2018 | 57                | 13          | 28               | 2             | 100          | 129             | 273          |
| February              | 2018 | 60                | 13          | 25               | 2             | 100          | 134             | 277          |
| March                 | 2018 | 63                | 13          | 23               | 1             | 100          | 140             | 283          |
| April                 | 2018 | 65                | 11          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 142             | 294          |
| May                   | 2018 | 66                | 12          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 144             | 297          |
| June                  | 2018 | 66                | 11          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 142             | 285          |
| July                  | 2018 | 65                | 14          | 21               | 0             | 100          | 144             | 276          |
| August                | 2018 | 65                | 15          | 19               | 1             | 100          | 147             | 271          |
| September             | 2018 | 65                | 16          | 17               | 2             | 100          | 148             | 268          |
| October               | 2018 | 69                | 12          | 17               | 2             | 100          | 152             | 268          |
| November              | 2018 | 69                | 9           | 21               | 1             | 100          | 148             | 258          |
| December              | 2018 | 66                | 9           | 24               | 1             | 100          | 143             | 260          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2019 | 67                | 9           | 23               | 1             | 100          | 144             | 253          |
| February              | 2019 | 68                | 9           | 22               | 1             | 100          | 145             | 249          |

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| March                 | 2019 | 69                | 10          | 20               | 1             | 100          | 149             | 249          |
| April                 | 2019 | 70                | 12          | 17               | 1             | 100          | 153             | 246          |
| May                   | 2019 | 66                | 13          | 20               | 1             | 100          | 146             | 241          |
| June                  | 2019 | 64                | 14          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 142             | 226          |
| July                  | 2019 | 64                | 11          | 25               | 0             | 100          | 139             | 229          |
| August                | 2019 | 68                | 10          | 21               | 1             | 100          | 147             | 239          |
| September             | 2019 | 68                | 7           | 24               | 1             | 100          | 143             | 249          |
| October               | 2019 | 62                | 9           | 28               | 1             | 100          | 134             | 250          |
| November              | 2019 | 59                | 10          | 30               | 1             | 100          | 129             | 264          |
| December              | 2019 | 62                | 10          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 134             | 281          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2020 | 64                | 10          | 25               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 276          |
| February              | 2020 | 64                | 11          | 24               | 1             | 100          | 140             | 275          |
| March                 | 2020 | 64                | 9           | 25               | 1             | 100          | 139             | 286          |
| April                 | 2020 | 60                | 9           | 30               | 0             | 100          | 130             | 290          |
| May                   | 2020 | 61                | 10          | 29               | 0             | 100          | 133             | 305          |
| June                  | 2020 | 62                | 10          | 28               | 0             | 100          | 134             | 290          |
| July                  | 2020 | 64                | 12          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 141             | 292          |
| August                | 2020 | 62                | 14          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 138             | 296          |
| September             | 2020 | 63                | 13          | 24               | 0             | 100          | 138             | 283          |
| October               | 2020 | 64                | 16          | 20               | 0             | 100          | 144             | 292          |
| November              | 2020 | 66                | 14          | 21               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 276          |
| December              | 2020 | 61                | 16          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 139             | 286          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2021 | 61                | 12          | 27               | 0             | 100          | 134             | 279          |
| February              | 2021 | 62                | 10          | 28               | 0             | 100          | 135             | 280          |
| March                 | 2021 | 69                | 8           | 23               | 0             | 100          | 146             | 274          |
| April                 | 2021 | 73                | 9           | 19               | 0             | 100          | 154             | 287          |
| May                   | 2021 | 73                | 11          | 16               | 0             | 100          | 157             | 289          |
| June                  | 2021 | 70                | 12          | 18               | 0             | 100          | 152             | 299          |
| July                  | 2021 | 67                | 11          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 287          |
| August                | 2021 | 67                | 11          | 22               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 288          |
| September             | 2021 | 67                | 10          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 145             | 278          |
| October               | 2021 | 66                | 10          | 23               | 0             | 100          | 143             | 268          |
| November              | 2021 | 63                | 9           | 28               | 0             | 100          | 136             | 257          |
| December              | 2021 | 62                | 11          | 27               | 0             | 100          | 135             | 273          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2022 | 61                | 8           | 31               | 0             | 100          | 130             | 290          |
| February              | 2022 | 60                | 12          | 29               | 0             | 100          | 131             | 292          |
| March                 | 2022 | 60                | 11          | 29               | 0             | 100          | 130             | 277          |
| April                 | 2022 | 61                | 13          | 25               | 1             | 100          | 135             | 263          |
| May                   | 2022 | 61                | 12          | 27               | 1             | 100          | 134             | 276          |
| June                  | 2022 | 55                | 11          | 33               | 1             | 100          | 122             | 268          |
| July                  | 2022 | 50                | 10          | 39               | 1             | 100          | 111             | 276          |
| August                | 2022 | 50                | 10          | 38               | 2             | 100          | 111             | 269          |
| September             | 2022 | 50                | 11          | 37               | 2             | 100          | 114             | 277          |
| October               | 2022 | 50                | 10          | 38               | 1             | 100          | 112             | 273          |
| November              | 2022 | 51                | 7           | 42               | 0             | 100          | 109             | 280          |
| December              | 2022 | 53                | 5           | 41               | 0             | 100          | 112             | 268          |
|                       |      |                   |             |                  |               |              |                 |              |
| January               | 2023 | 53                | 8           | 38               | 0             | 100          | 115             | 268          |
| February              | 2023 | 52                | 11          | 36               | 0             | 100          | 116             | 270          |