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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	52	15	31	3	100	121	670
March	1981	53	12	34	1	100	118	708
September	1981	57	13	30	1	100	127	670
March	1982	55	11	33	1	100	122	621
September	1982	51	11	37	1	100	114	649
March	1983	48	11	39	2	100	110	704
September	1983	53	11	35	0	100	118	666
March	1984	58	14	27	1	100	131	623
September	1984	63	12	24	1	100	139	645
September	1985	57	15	27	2	100	130	625
September	2011	37	10	52	2	100	85	488
October	2011	38	10	50	2	100	89	473
November	2011	36	11	52	1	100	83	486
December	2011	37	11	51	1	100	87	482
January	2012	36	12	52	0	100	84	495
February	2012	37	11	51	1	100	86	487
March	2012	37	13	50	0	100	87	488
April	2012	37	13	49	1	100	88	477
May	2012	38	14	47	1	100	92	501
June	2012	39	13	47	1	100	92	496
July	2012	42	13	44	1	100	98	513
August	2012	42	10	47	0	100	95	506
September	2012	43	10	46	1	100	97	521
October	2012	40	11	48	1	100	92	520
November	2012	43	12	44	1	100	98	523
December	2012	39	13	47	1	100	91	518
January	2013	40	13	47	0	100	92	500
February	2013	37	12	51	0	100	86	486
March	2013	42	11	46	0	100	96	500
April	2013	42	12	46	0	100	96	521
May	2013	46	12	42	0	100	103	525
June	2013	43	12	45	0	100	98	509
July	2013	45	10	45	0	100	100	499
August	2013	45	10	45	0	100	100	503
September	2013	46	8	45	0	100	101	501
October	2013	49	9	42	0	100	108	516
November	2013	46	11	42	1	100	104	511
December	2013	46	12	41	0	100	105	511
January	2014	42	15	43	0	100	100	511
February	2014	46	13	40	1	100	106	527
March	2014	47	11	41	1	100	106	540
April	2014	49	10	41	1	100	108	520
May	2014	48	11	41	0	100	107	496

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June	2014	47	10	43	0	100	104	490
July	2014	46	10	43	1	100	103	515
August	2014	48	9	43	1	100	105	527
September	2014	48	10	41	1	100	107	535
October	2014	50	11	39	1	100	111	538
November	2014	47	13	39	1	100	107	538
December	2014	51	13	34	1	100	117	548
January	2015	54	11	34	1	100	120	544
February	2015	59	10	30	1	100	129	560
March	2015	59	8	32	1	100	127	564
April	2015	58	9	32	1	100	126	562
May	2015	57	9	33	1	100	124	556
June	2015	59	11	29	1	100	129	542
July	2015	58	10	31	1	100	126	552
August	2015	56	12	31	1	100	125	573
September	2015	54	11	35	1	100	119	585
October	2015	56	10	33	1	100	123	572
November	2015	59	7	34	0	100	125	561
December	2015	60	7	32	0	100	128	545
January	2016	56	9	34	0	100	122	562
February	2016	55	11	33	1	100	121	549
March	2016	54	11	33	2	100	121	562
April	2016	58	10	31	2	100	127	529
May	2016	60	8	31	1	100	128	538
June	2016	59	8	33	0	100	126	542
July	2016	57	10	33	0	100	124	596
August	2016	55	11	34	0	100	121	631
September	2016	55	11	34	0	100	121	646
October	2016	57	9	33	0	100	124	629
November	2016	57	11	32	1	100	125	618
December	2016	59	12	28	1	100	131	638
January	2017	60	11	28	1	100	131	676
February	2017	62	10	28	0	100	134	686
March	2017	63	11	26	0	100	136	677
April	2017	62	12	25	0	100	137	659
May	2017	64	13	23	0	100	141	659
June	2017	64	12	23	0	100	141	651
July	2017	66	12	22	0	100	143	604
August	2017	64	12	24	0	100	140	597
September	2017	66	11	23	0	100	143	595
October	2017	66	10	23	1	100	144	636
November	2017	67	11	21	1	100	146	645
December	2017	66	12	20	1	100	146	659
January	2018	64	14	22	1	100	142	663
February	2018	65	13	22	0	100	143	663
March	2018	67	11	22	0	100	145	656
April	2018	69	10	20	0	100	149	640
May	2018	66	11	22	1	100	144	643
June	2018	64	10	24	1	100	140	667
July	2018	67	9	23	1	100	144	684
August	2018	70	9	20	1	100	150	682
September	2018	73	9	17	1	100	156	660

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October	2018	71	9	19	1	100	152	669
November	2018	67	10	22	1	100	144	668
December	2018	64	9	27	0	100	137	670
January	2019	64	9	26	0	100	138	670
February	2019	67	9	24	1	100	143	687
March	2019	69	10	20	0	100	149	671
April	2019	67	10	22	0	100	145	663
May	2019	67	11	22	0	100	144	648
June	2019	65	9	25	0	100	140	674
July	2019	66	9	25	1	100	141	663
August	2019	67	8	25	0	100	142	644
September	2019	67	10	22	0	100	145	654
October	2019	70	11	19	1	100	151	693
November	2019	68	11	20	1	100	148	706
December	2019	68	11	20	1	100	148	704
January	2020	69	11	20	0	100	148	690
February	2020	72	9	19	0	100	152	677
March	2020	72	9	19	1	100	153	701
April	2020	70	9	20	1	100	150	692
May	2020	69	12	19	0	100	149	723
June	2020	66	12	22	0	100	145	701
July	2020	65	12	23	0	100	143	701
August	2020	64	10	26	0	100	138	693
September	2020	63	10	27	0	100	137	688
October	2020	64	10	25	0	100	139	663
November	2020	64	13	23	0	100	140	649
December	2020	66	12	22	0	100	143	633
January	2021	67	10	24	0	100	143	624
February	2021	66	8	26	0	100	140	618
March	2021	66	8	25	1	100	141	629
April	2021	66	9	24	1	100	142	637
May	2021	68	11	21	1	100	147	634
June	2021	67	11	21	1	100	146	616
July	2021	67	10	22	0	100	145	631
August	2021	66	8	24	1	100	142	647
September	2021	65	9	25	1	100	140	650
October	2021	63	9	26	2	100	136	652
November	2021	61	9	29	1	100	133	649
December	2021	60	8	31	0	100	129	666
January	2022	60	8	31	0	100	129	650
February	2022	58	9	33	0	100	125	659
March	2022	56	9	34	1	100	122	641
April	2022	54	9	36	1	100	118	650
May	2022	55	9	35	1	100	120	639
June	2022	54	10	36	1	100	118	668
July	2022	52	9	39	1	100	113	671
August	2022	50	10	39	1	100	111	693
September	2022	50	9	39	1	100	111	676
October	2022	49	10	40	1	100	109	665
November	2022	49	9	41	1	100	108	657
December	2022	49	9	42	1	100	107	677

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January	2023	52	10	38	1	100	114	685
February	2023	52	11	36	1	100	116	687
March	2023	53	10	36	1	100	117	666
April	2023	52	8	39	1	100	113	668
May	2023	50	8	41	1	100	109	652
June	2023	48	8	43	1	100	106	647
July	2023	50	9	41	0	100	109	653
August	2023	53	8	39	0	100	114	668
September	2023	53	8	38	1	100	115	676
October	2023	51	8	40	1	100	111	686
November	2023	47	9	43	0	100	104	650
December	2023	46	10	43	0	100	103	647
January	2024	46	10	43	1	100	104	625
February	2024	49	10	39	1	100	110	670
March	2024	50	10	38	2	100	112	661
April	2024	50	10	38	2	100	112	750
May	2024	49	9	40	1	100	109	829
June	2024	47	8	44	1	100	104	942
July	2024	44	11	44	1	100	100	929
August	2024	40	13	46	1	100	95	1010
September	2024	40	14	45	1	100	95	1024
October	2024	39	14	46	1	100	93	1047
November	2024	40	13	46	1	100	93	921
December	2024	40	13	46	1	100	94	833
January	2025	42	14	44	1	100	98	866
February	2025	42	15	42	1	100	101	889
March	2025	43	16	41	1	100	102	1138
April	2025	42	17	41	0	100	101	1138
May	2025	43	17	39	1	100	104	1219
June	2025	42	18	39	1	100	103	1065
July	2025	43	18	38	1	100	105	1101
August	2025	41	18	39	1	100	102	1058
September	2025	43	17	38	2	100	105	1110
October	2025	43	17	38	2	100	104	1095
November	2025	42	16	41	1	100	101	1108
December	2025	39	16	43	1	100	96	1056
January	2026	39	15	45	1	100	94	1069
February	2026	40	17	43	1	100	97	1128
March	2026	41	17	42	0	100	99	1223
April	2026	41	17	42	0	100	100	1225
May	2026	39	16	44	1	100	94	1176
June	2026	37	16	46	1	100	91	1153
July	2026	36	16	46	1	100	90	1181
August	2026	39	17	43	1	100	95	1150