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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
May	1954	17	31	49	3	100	68	1365
November	1954	20	37	41	2	100	79	1139
May	1955	47	31	17	5	100	130	2027
November	1955	48	36	12	4	100	136	1997
May	1956	33	46	18	3	100	115	1640
August	1956	29	46	22	3	100	107	1346
November	1956	28	54	13	5	100	115	1378
May	1957	21	50	25	4	100	96	1356
November	1957	14	40	42	4	100	72	1469
May	1958	7	22	68	3	100	39	1456
November	1958	35	33	28	4	100	107	1325
May	1959	48	33	14	5	100	134	1313
November	1959	30	36	29	5	100	101	1310
February	1960	43	36	17	4	100	126	2972
May	1960	33	42	20	5	100	113	1407
August	1960	29	38	30	3	100	99	621
November	1960	19	42	35	4	100	84	1390
February	1961	13	29	55	3	100	58	1981
May	1961	27	35	33	5	100	94	1310
August	1961	50	29	18	3	100	132	540
November	1961	44	35	17	4	100	127	956
February	1962	48	36	11	5	100	137	2117
May	1962	43	35	16	6	100	127	1299
August	1962	36	37	23	4	100	113	1317
November	1962	40	39	16	5	100	124	1352
February	1963	41	37	17	5	100	124	2036
May	1963	38	39	19	4	100	119	1310
August	1963	38	42	16	4	100	122	1359
November	1963	40	43	14	3	100	126	1320
February	1964	42	41	14	3	100	128	1538
May	1964	43	38	16	3	100	127	1479
February	1965	44	40	12	4	100	132	1349
August	1965	49	39	8	4	100	141	854
November	1965	53	36	6	5	100	147	1658
February	1966	57	30	7	6	100	150	2419
May	1966	45	36	16	3	100	129	1434
August	1966	44	31	18	7	100	126	1228
November	1966	36	34	22	8	100	114	1225
February	1967	35	37	23	5	100	112	3165
May	1967	37	35	22	6	100	115	1323
August	1967	34	44	18	4	100	116	1310
November	1967	40	37	18	5	100	122	1329

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
February	1968	38	38	21	3	100	117	2677
May	1968	34	46	16	4	100	118	1223
November	1968	36	49	10	5	100	126	1405
February	1969	37	49	11	3	100	126	2482
August	1969	33	39	23	5	100	110	1557
November	1969	28	37	32	3	100	96	1469
February	1970	21	31	44	4	100	77	1261
May	1970	16	25	55	4	100	61	1315
August	1970	15	29	54	2	100	61	1337
November	1970	19	24	54	3	100	65	1402
February	1971	18	26	53	3	100	65	1327
May	1971	25	28	44	3	100	81	1392
August	1971	23	32	43	2	100	80	1229
November	1971	27	29	40	4	100	87	1268
February	1972	39	33	25	3	100	114	1426
May	1972	40	30	27	3	100	113	1297
August	1972	45	35	15	5	100	130	1217
November	1972	44	36	15	5	100	129	999
February	1973	40	30	25	5	100	115	1348
May	1973	37	24	33	6	100	104	1433
August	1973	26	27	42	5	100	84	1362
November	1973	34	25	36	5	100	98	1444
February	1974	10	15	72	3	100	38	1329
February	1975	4	6	88	2	100	16	1374
May	1975	19	15	63	3	100	56	1317
August	1975	38	20	39	3	100	99	1365
November	1975	34	16	45	5	100	89	1519
February	1976	53	18	25	4	100	128	1269
May	1976	52	15	26	7	100	126	1548
August	1976	57	16	23	4	100	134	1372
November	1976	46	17	32	5	100	114	1254
February	1977	39	19	38	4	100	101	1203
May	1977	60	15	22	3	100	138	1370
August	1977	54	18	25	3	100	129	1214
November	1977	48	17	32	3	100	116	1280
January	1978	46	20	29	5	100	117	693
February	1978	44	19	34	3	100	110	1276
March	1978	39	15	43	3	100	96	793
April	1978	43	16	36	5	100	107	742
May	1978	47	17	33	3	100	114	1298
June	1978	48	14	36	2	100	112	701
July	1978	51	15	29	5	100	122	758
August	1978	46	13	39	2	100	107	1185
September	1978	42	17	36	5	100	106	755
October	1978	45	20	32	3	100	113	757
November	1978	38	15	42	5	100	96	1459
December	1978	31	22	43	4	100	88	769

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
January	1979	38	14	44	4	100	94	884
February	1979	37	14	45	4	100	92	1361
March	1979	34	15	47	4	100	87	769
April	1979	36	14	45	5	100	91	962
May	1979	33	15	50	2	100	83	1251
June	1979	26	14	56	4	100	70	1058
July	1979	21	10	65	4	100	56	1173
August	1979	20	10	68	2	100	52	1212
September	1979	22	9	66	3	100	56	946
October	1979	22	11	63	4	100	59	1167
November	1979	19	13	66	2	100	53	1327
December	1979	21	12	65	2	100	56	850
January	1980	21	14	62	3	100	59	769
February	1980	21	10	67	2	100	54	1019
March	1980	15	12	69	4	100	46	707
April	1980	10	10	79	1	100	31	719
May	1980	6	4	90	0	100	16	703
June	1980	4	5	90	1	100	14	688
July	1980	10	4	85	1	100	25	668
August	1980	15	7	77	1	100	38	658
September	1980	18	10	70	2	100	48	682
October	1980	23	10	64	3	100	59	685
November	1980	21	10	67	2	100	54	694
December	1980	14	12	72	2	100	42	683
January	1981	14	13	71	2	100	43	697
February	1981	14	15	68	3	100	46	668
March	1981	17	14	67	2	100	50	703
April	1981	24	17	57	2	100	67	690
May	1981	30	17	52	1	100	78	667
June	1981	31	18	49	2	100	82	675
July	1981	32	18	47	3	100	85	694
August	1981	33	15	50	2	100	83	696
September	1981	28	12	57	3	100	71	680
October	1981	23	12	63	2	100	60	712
November	1981	15	12	70	3	100	45	690
December	1981	13	6	80	1	100	33	701
January	1982	11	8	79	2	100	32	704
February	1982	11	8	80	1	100	31	700
March	1982	7	5	87	1	100	20	684
April	1982	9	9	81	1	100	28	702
May	1982	12	6	80	2	100	32	691
June	1982	11	6	82	1	100	29	703
July	1982	7	8	83	2	100	24	708
August	1982	12	6	80	2	100	32	680
September	1982	13	8	79	0	100	34	695
October	1982	15	9	75	1	100	40	687
November	1982	12	5	82	1	100	30	682
December	1982	14	9	76	1	100	38	682
January	1983	16	8	76	0	100	40	682
February	1983	26	8	65	1	100	61	709
March	1983	39	10	51	0	100	88	696
April	1983	51	10	38	1	100	113	707
May	1983	62	10	28	0	100	134	700
June	1983	64	9	26	1	100	138	714

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
July	1983	63	8	28	1	100	135	680
August	1983	66	8	25	1	100	141	673
September	1983	62	10	27	1	100	135	704
October	1983	66	9	23	2	100	143	689
November	1983	63	8	27	2	100	136	701
December	1983	71	8	20	1	100	151	701
January	1984	75	6	17	2	100	158	681
February	1984	72	8	19	1	100	153	687
March	1984	67	9	23	1	100	144	700
April	1984	67	11	20	2	100	147	705
May	1984	70	9	20	1	100	150	690
June	1984	67	12	19	2	100	148	680
July	1984	67	9	22	2	100	145	656
August	1984	68	11	20	1	100	148	692
September	1984	68	12	18	2	100	150	690
October	1984	65	10	23	2	100	142	706
November	1984	63	12	24	1	100	139	710
December	1984	63	13	23	1	100	140	704
January	1985	57	14	27	2	100	130	640
February	1985	60	12	26	2	100	134	655
March	1985	57	15	26	2	100	131	653
April	1985	51	17	29	3	100	122	675
May	1985	53	13	33	1	100	120	661
June	1985	56	14	28	2	100	128	652
July	1985	56	13	30	1	100	126	641
August	1985	51	16	31	2	100	120	650
September	1985	52	14	31	3	100	121	654
October	1985	47	16	35	2	100	112	652
November	1985	50	12	35	3	100	115	651
December	1985	52	16	31	1	100	121	652
January	1986	52	17	29	2	100	123	656
February	1986	51	15	32	2	100	119	656
March	1986	53	13	32	2	100	121	658
April	1986	61	9	29	1	100	132	658
May	1986	54	13	31	2	100	123	655
June	1986	60	8	30	2	100	130	658
July	1986	53	14	31	2	100	122	665
August	1986	47	14	37	2	100	110	653
September	1986	47	13	39	1	100	108	659
October	1986	47	15	35	3	100	112	651
November	1986	45	16	37	2	100	108	656
December	1986	40	13	45	2	100	95	653
January	1987	43	14	41	2	100	102	655
February	1987	47	14	38	1	100	109	657
March	1987	45	17	37	1	100	108	652
April	1987	46	17	35	2	100	111	652
May	1987	43	16	39	2	100	104	651
June	1987	46	16	36	2	100	110	654
July	1987	50	16	32	2	100	118	651
August	1987	54	14	30	2	100	124	654
September	1987	49	14	34	3	100	115	650
October	1987	49	14	35	2	100	114	500
November	1987	33	16	50	1	100	83	501
December	1987	36	15	46	3	100	90	500

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
January	1988	40	14	44	2	100	96	502
February	1988	41	13	44	2	100	97	500
March	1988	40	21	36	3	100	104	500
April	1988	47	14	36	3	100	111	504
May	1988	47	17	35	1	100	112	500
June	1988	47	21	30	2	100	117	500
July	1988	45	15	36	4	100	109	501
August	1988	51	18	28	3	100	123	500
September	1988	50	20	28	2	100	122	500
October	1988	46	21	31	2	100	115	501
November	1988	54	17	28	1	100	126	508
December	1988	49	20	29	2	100	120	500
January	1989	53	19	26	2	100	127	501
February	1989	48	22	26	4	100	122	500
March	1989	47	22	30	1	100	117	502
April	1989	41	18	39	2	100	102	500
May	1989	44	19	34	3	100	110	503
June	1989	45	18	33	4	100	112	507
July	1989	43	22	32	3	100	111	501
August	1989	42	21	35	2	100	107	502
September	1989	48	19	30	3	100	118	506
October	1989	47	19	33	1	100	114	500
November	1989	42	19	36	3	100	106	502
December	1989	45	19	33	3	100	112	500
January	1990	43	16	38	3	100	105	500
February	1990	36	17	44	3	100	92	511
March	1990	36	20	42	2	100	94	503
April	1990	38	17	44	1	100	94	504
May	1990	36	19	41	4	100	95	504
June	1990	37	18	43	2	100	94	500
July	1990	41	19	39	1	100	102	500
August	1990	26	15	57	2	100	69	500
September	1990	22	13	62	3	100	60	502
October	1990	15	8	74	3	100	41	503
November	1990	13	11	75	1	100	38	501
December	1990	11	9	79	1	100	32	504
January	1991	8	10	81	1	100	27	531
February	1991	11	9	78	2	100	33	504
March	1991	15	8	75	2	100	40	504
April	1991	18	7	74	1	100	44	501
May	1991	18	8	72	2	100	46	500
June	1991	25	10	64	1	100	61	501
July	1991	24	11	64	1	100	60	502
August	1991	29	11	59	1	100	70	500
September	1991	27	10	62	1	100	65	500
October	1991	23	10	66	1	100	57	504
November	1991	18	7	74	1	100	44	505
December	1991	10	8	80	2	100	30	501
January	1992	8	8	83	1	100	25	510
February	1992	10	8	81	1	100	29	501
March	1992	15	9	74	2	100	41	507
April	1992	25	8	66	1	100	59	501
May	1992	28	10	60	2	100	68	500

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June	1992	33	11	55	1	100	78	500
July	1992	25	11	64	0	100	61	507
August	1992	23	10	65	2	100	58	501
September	1992	20	12	68	0	100	52	505
October	1992	21	15	61	3	100	60	500
November	1992	26	14	59	1	100	67	504
December	1992	46	15	38	1	100	108	504
January	1993	47	16	35	2	100	112	501
February	1993	43	16	38	3	100	105	503
March	1993	43	14	40	3	100	103	508
April	1993	40	15	43	2	100	97	501
May	1993	33	22	43	2	100	90	506
June	1993	42	13	43	2	100	99	500
July	1993	34	12	52	2	100	82	502
August	1993	35	19	44	2	100	91	511
September	1993	33	16	50	1	100	83	500
October	1993	37	17	43	3	100	94	504
November	1993	38	14	46	2	100	92	512
December	1993	52	13	32	3	100	120	510
January	1994	54	15	29	2	100	125	503
February	1994	54	15	29	2	100	125	504
March	1994	55	14	29	2	100	126	508
April	1994	54	13	31	2	100	123	501
May	1994	55	12	32	1	100	123	500
June	1994	54	12	31	3	100	123	508
July	1994	51	13	34	2	100	117	529
August	1994	57	13	29	1	100	128	505
September	1994	54	15	29	2	100	125	507
October	1994	53	14	31	2	100	122	501
November	1994	56	13	29	2	100	127	500
December	1994	58	13	27	2	100	131	503
January	1995	58	15	25	2	100	133	507
February	1995	56	12	29	3	100	127	502
March	1995	52	14	31	3	100	121	501
April	1995	47	18	31	4	100	116	500
May	1995	47	18	32	3	100	115	502
June	1995	50	15	33	2	100	117	501
July	1995	48	18	33	1	100	115	504
August	1995	53	17	28	2	100	125	500
September	1995	46	23	30	1	100	116	500
October	1995	47	14	36	3	100	111	506
November	1995	47	17	34	2	100	113	501
December	1995	46	19	33	2	100	113	500
January	1996	39	16	42	3	100	97	500
February	1996	39	19	40	2	100	99	504
March	1996	49	15	34	2	100	115	501
April	1996	43	20	35	2	100	108	500
May	1996	43	18	37	2	100	106	500
June	1996	48	16	34	2	100	114	500
July	1996	50	22	26	2	100	124	501
August	1996	49	17	31	3	100	118	500
September	1996	53	15	29	3	100	124	500
October	1996	50	17	30	3	100	120	500
November	1996	56	17	25	2	100	131	501

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
December	1996	58	16	24	2	100	134	501
January	1997	59	18	22	1	100	137	500
February	1997	64	15	20	1	100	144	500
March	1997	54	18	25	3	100	129	501
April	1997	51	17	29	3	100	122	500
May	1997	58	20	20	2	100	138	500
June	1997	62	16	19	3	100	143	501
July	1997	66	13	18	3	100	148	500
August	1997	64	17	16	3	100	148	500
September	1997	61	19	16	4	100	145	500
October	1997	61	19	18	2	100	143	500
November	1997	61	20	17	2	100	144	500
December	1997	55	21	22	2	100	133	500
January	1998	54	22	20	4	100	134	500
February	1998	67	19	12	2	100	155	496
March	1998	65	17	16	2	100	149	503
April	1998	66	20	12	2	100	154	500
May	1998	61	20	16	3	100	145	500
June	1998	60	21	17	2	100	143	500
July	1998	62	18	17	3	100	145	500
August	1998	62	18	18	2	100	144	500
September	1998	52	19	26	3	100	126	508
October	1998	47	17	33	3	100	114	500
November	1998	49	18	31	2	100	118	503
December	1998	58	16	24	2	100	134	501
January	1999	64	19	16	1	100	148	497
February	1999	65	17	17	1	100	148	500
March	1999	62	17	17	4	100	145	500
April	1999	65	20	14	1	100	151	500
May	1999	61	21	16	2	100	145	500
June	1999	66	19	14	1	100	152	500
July	1999	61	17	19	3	100	142	500
August	1999	61	15	22	2	100	139	501
September	1999	60	19	18	3	100	142	500
October	1999	56	23	19	2	100	137	500
November	1999	63	17	18	2	100	145	492
December	1999	67	15	15	3	100	152	505
January	2000	72	14	13	1	100	159	506
February	2000	67	18	12	3	100	155	503
March	2000	63	14	20	3	100	143	500
April	2000	61	16	21	2	100	140	502
May	2000	59	19	21	1	100	138	501
June	2000	57	15	26	2	100	131	500
July	2000	54	18	26	2	100	128	502
August	2000	57	18	22	3	100	135	505
September	2000	56	16	26	2	100	130	501
October	2000	54	19	25	2	100	129	500
November	2000	52	16	29	3	100	123	500
December	2000	44	19	36	1	100	108	500
January	2001	31	14	53	2	100	78	500
February	2001	23	12	64	1	100	59	501
March	2001	24	12	62	2	100	62	500
April	2001	20	12	66	2	100	54	500

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May	2001	18	11	68	3	100	50	501
June	2001	20	17	60	3	100	60	500
July	2001	22	14	62	2	100	60	501
August	2001	23	11	64	2	100	59	500
September	2001	19	7	72	2	100	47	500
October	2001	7	9	81	3	100	26	506
November	2001	10	5	84	1	100	26	504
December	2001	12	6	80	2	100	32	500
January	2002	11	7	80	2	100	31	500
February	2002	11	6	81	2	100	30	500
March	2002	17	8	73	2	100	44	500
April	2002	21	11	67	1	100	54	502
May	2002	27	8	63	2	100	64	500
June	2002	28	7	63	2	100	65	501
July	2002	16	8	74	2	100	42	501
August	2002	13	8	77	2	100	36	500
September	2002	21	6	72	1	100	49	501
October	2002	19	7	72	2	100	47	502
November	2002	25	8	65	2	100	60	504
December	2002	33	9	56	2	100	77	500
January	2003	22	12	66	0	100	56	501
February	2003	20	10	68	2	100	52	501
March	2003	19	8	72	1	100	47	504
April	2003	20	10	69	1	100	51	500
May	2003	31	12	56	1	100	75	500
June	2003	34	10	54	2	100	80	500
July	2003	36	8	55	1	100	81	502
August	2003	37	8	53	2	100	84	501
September	2003	37	8	55	0	100	82	500
October	2003	34	11	53	2	100	81	500
November	2003	46	10	42	2	100	104	505
December	2003	55	7	37	1	100	118	500
January	2004	59	9	31	1	100	128	509
February	2004	50	10	39	1	100	111	500
March	2004	45	9	45	1	100	100	501
April	2004	47	13	40	0	100	107	500
May	2004	49	11	39	1	100	110	500
June	2004	51	8	39	2	100	112	514
July	2004	52	11	35	2	100	117	509
August	2004	46	10	42	2	100	104	502
September	2004	42	11	46	1	100	96	500
October	2004	41	14	43	2	100	98	502
November	2004	45	13	41	1	100	104	502
December	2004	55	11	33	1	100	122	501
January	2005	54	12	33	1	100	121	494
February	2005	51	15	33	1	100	118	497
March	2005	48	12	40	0	100	108	496
April	2005	46	10	44	0	100	102	499
May	2005	40	14	44	2	100	96	502
June	2005	47	12	40	1	100	107	501
July	2005	50	13	36	1	100	114	506
August	2005	42	11	46	1	100	96	505
September	2005	29	13	56	2	100	73	513
October	2005	23	13	63	1	100	60	510

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
November	2005	32	10	57	1	100	75	503
December	2005	40	10	49	1	100	91	503
January	2006	45	10	45	0	100	100	500
February	2006	41	11	46	2	100	95	500
March	2006	42	10	47	1	100	95	496
April	2006	36	13	50	1	100	86	498
May	2006	34	9	55	2	100	79	497
June	2006	34	14	51	1	100	83	510
July	2006	33	11	56	0	100	77	500
August	2006	32	13	55	0	100	77	501
September	2006	36	13	50	1	100	86	507
October	2006	43	11	46	0	100	97	504
November	2006	48	9	41	2	100	107	492
December	2006	42	14	41	3	100	101	510
January	2007	48	15	34	3	100	114	505
February	2007	42	13	44	1	100	98	508
March	2007	36	14	48	2	100	88	503
April	2007	34	14	50	2	100	84	508
May	2007	40	16	43	1	100	97	500
June	2007	36	12	50	2	100	86	502
July	2007	38	11	50	1	100	88	507
August	2007	34	10	55	1	100	79	505
September	2007	28	12	58	2	100	70	504
October	2007	29	10	60	1	100	69	500
November	2007	22	9	69	0	100	53	501
December	2007	21	10	68	1	100	53	502
January	2008	17	9	73	1	100	44	504
February	2008	10	5	84	1	100	26	500
March	2008	9	4	86	1	100	23	504
April	2008	6	6	87	1	100	19	505
May	2008	3	4	92	1	100	11	504
June	2008	4	4	91	1	100	13	505
July	2008	7	4	88	1	100	19	506
August	2008	6	3	91	0	100	15	502
September	2008	7	4	89	0	100	18	497
October	2008	3	3	93	1	100	10	508
November	2008	2	2	96	0	100	6	500
December	2008	2	3	94	1	100	8	509
January	2009	2	2	95	1	100	7	504
February	2009	3	1	96	0	100	7	500
March	2009	4	3	93	0	100	11	509
April	2009	8	3	89	0	100	19	501
May	2009	9	2	88	1	100	21	510
June	2009	14	2	84	0	100	30	508
July	2009	15	3	82	0	100	33	505
August	2009	20	4	75	1	100	45	506
September	2009	27	5	68	0	100	59	504
October	2009	25	4	69	2	100	56	497
November	2009	27	5	67	1	100	60	508
December	2009	31	5	63	1	100	68	502
January	2010	38	9	52	1	100	86	503
February	2010	35	7	57	1	100	78	502
March	2010	38	7	55	0	100	83	505

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
April	2010	43	8	48	1	100	95	506
May	2010	43	8	48	1	100	95	509
June	2010	43	9	48	0	100	95	501
July	2010	30	10	59	1	100	71	503
August	2010	40	7	52	1	100	88	513
September	2010	36	7	57	0	100	79	500
October	2010	31	10	58	1	100	73	509
November	2010	37	9	53	1	100	84	508
December	2010	47	8	45	0	100	102	508
January	2011	43	10	46	1	100	97	505
February	2011	51	9	39	1	100	112	504
March	2011	43	10	46	1	100	97	504
April	2011	40	11	48	1	100	92	502
May	2011	48	6	46	0	100	102	502
June	2011	42	10	48	0	100	94	504
July	2011	34	7	58	1	100	76	480
August	2011	22	8	69	1	100	53	506
September	2011	22	9	68	1	100	54	506
October	2011	22	10	67	1	100	55	502
November	2011	27	9	64	0	100	63	502
December	2011	36	11	52	1	100	84	496
January	2012	44	8	47	1	100	97	501
February	2012	46	8	45	1	100	101	501
March	2012	52	10	37	1	100	115	505
April	2012	51	7	40	2	100	111	505
May	2012	51	9	39	1	100	112	501
June	2012	43	10	46	1	100	97	495
July	2012	39	10	49	2	100	90	510
August	2012	39	11	49	1	100	90	510
September	2012	44	9	46	1	100	98	511
October	2012	44	12	43	1	100	101	512
November	2012	49	9	40	2	100	109	501
December	2012	42	12	44	2	100	98	502
January	2013	45	10	44	1	100	101	502
February	2013	46	13	40	1	100	106	499
March	2013	49	9	41	1	100	108	501
April	2013	49	9	40	2	100	109	505
May	2013	58	9	32	1	100	126	504
June	2013	51	12	34	3	100	117	502
July	2013	58	9	32	1	100	126	505
August	2013	52	9	37	2	100	115	505
September	2013	48	11	39	2	100	109	503
October	2013	42	10	47	1	100	95	502
November	2013	42	11	46	1	100	96	504
December	2013	49	9	40	2	100	109	504
January	2014	53	10	35	2	100	118	505
February	2014	49	8	41	2	100	108	506
March	2014	47	9	43	1	100	104	504
April	2014	49	10	38	3	100	111	506
May	2014	56	10	33	1	100	123	503
June	2014	53	13	32	2	100	121	506
July	2014	48	7	42	3	100	106	502
August	2014	50	10	39	1	100	111	500
September	2014	51	9	39	1	100	112	509

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
October	2014	59	10	29	2	100	130	502
November	2014	57	9	32	2	100	125	501
December	2014	63	9	27	1	100	136	503
January	2015	68	7	24	1	100	144	506
February	2015	63	11	24	2	100	139	505
March	2015	61	10	28	1	100	133	503
April	2015	63	8	29	0	100	134	500
May	2015	56	11	33	0	100	123	503
June	2015	63	13	23	1	100	140	506
July	2015	60	11	27	2	100	133	501
August	2015	55	11	33	1	100	122	564
September	2015	50	13	36	1	100	114	500
October	2015	53	9	37	1	100	116	503
November	2015	51	11	36	2	100	115	508
December	2015	50	13	36	1	100	114	508
January	2016	49	11	39	1	100	110	503
February	2016	50	11	37	2	100	113	505
March	2016	47	13	36	4	100	111	545
April	2016	50	11	38	1	100	112	528
May	2016	53	14	31	2	100	122	547
June	2016	50	12	36	2	100	114	510
July	2016	49	12	38	1	100	111	538
August	2016	47	13	38	2	100	109	550
September	2016	49	15	34	2	100	115	580
October	2016	49	13	37	1	100	112	575
November	2016	48	14	36	2	100	112	610
December	2016	54	13	31	2	100	123	602
January	2017	54	15	29	2	100	125	601
February	2017	56	15	28	1	100	128	602
March	2017	54	19	25	2	100	129	603
April	2017	58	13	27	2	100	131	602
May	2017	54	18	26	2	100	128	611
June	2017	53	15	30	2	100	123	604
July	2017	54	15	30	1	100	124	603
August	2017	56	14	28	2	100	128	602
September	2017	57	13	28	2	100	129	612
October	2017	56	16	26	2	100	130	604
November	2017	58	16	25	1	100	133	606
December	2017	59	13	27	1	100	132	604
January	2018	59	13	26	2	100	133	622
February	2018	62	10	26	2	100	136	609
March	2018	61	11	27	1	100	134	619
April	2018	58	9	31	2	100	127	604
May	2018	60	12	26	2	100	134	602
June	2018	60	11	28	1	100	132	608
July	2018	57	11	31	1	100	126	600
August	2018	61	8	30	1	100	131	605
September	2018	61	9	27	3	100	134	618
October	2018	61	9	28	2	100	133	601
November	2018	60	11	28	1	100	132	604
December	2018	59	11	28	2	100	131	602
January	2019	43	10	43	4	100	100	601
February	2019	50	9	38	3	100	112	601

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Date of Survey		Better Off	Same	Worse Off	DK, NA	Total	Relative	Cases
March	2019	54	14	30	2	100	125	600
April	2019	58	12	29	1	100	129	601
May	2019	59	12	27	2	100	132	602
June	2019	57	11	31	1	100	126	602
July	2019	57	11	31	1	100	126	602
August	2019	50	10	38	2	100	112	601
September	2019	49	12	38	1	100	111	601
October	2019	48	14	36	2	100	112	650
November	2019	52	11	37	0	100	115	631
December	2019	55	13	32	0	100	123	634
January	2020	60	14	24	2	100	136	621
February	2020	57	14	27	2	100	130	620
March	2020	40	11	48	1	100	92	692
April	2020	8	2	89	1	100	19	620
May	2020	3	2	95	0	100	8	645
June	2020	4	2	93	1	100	11	615
July	2020	6	1	92	1	100	14	603
August	2020	6	2	91	1	100	15	660
September	2020	6	3	90	1	100	16	601
October	2020	8	4	88	0	100	20	605
November	2020	11	3	85	1	100	26	604
December	2020	10	1	88	1	100	22	601
January	2021	10	3	86	1	100	24	603
February	2021	15	4	81	0	100	34	604
March	2021	28	3	68	1	100	60	604
April	2021	46	5	49	0	100	97	601
May	2021	54	3	42	1	100	112	606
June	2021	56	4	39	1	100	117	608
July	2021	57	4	37	2	100	120	604
August	2021	50	5	44	1	100	106	600
September	2021	51	4	44	1	100	107	612
October	2021	48	4	47	1	100	101	604
November	2021	43	4	52	1	100	91	602
December	2021	44	4	51	1	100	93	603
January	2022	40	6	54	0	100	86	602
February	2022	36	7	56	1	100	80	600
March	2022	39	4	57	0	100	82	602
April	2022	44	5	50	1	100	94	600
May	2022	32	5	62	1	100	70	601
June	2022	25	2	73	0	100	52	602
July	2022	25	5	68	2	100	57	601
August	2022	29	6	65	0	100	64	602
September	2022	30	5	63	2	100	67	601
October	2022	30	6	63	1	100	67	600
November	2022	27	6	67	0	100	60	602
December	2022	28	6	64	2	100	64	600
January	2023	36	7	56	1	100	80	600
February	2023	35	7	57	1	100	78	602
March	2023	34	9	56	1	100	78	603
April	2023	29	8	63	0	100	66	601
May	2023	30	8	61	1	100	69	605
June	2023	35	8	57	0	100	78	600
July	2023	38	9	52	1	100	86	601
August	2023	39	9	50	2	100	89	604

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September	2023	36	9	53	2	100	83	602
October	2023	32	10	57	1	100	75	605
November	2023	29	10	60	1	100	69	600
December	2023	39	10	51	0	100	88	600
January	2024	44	9	47	0	100	97	601
February	2024	40	11	48	1	100	92	602
March	2024	42	11	46	1	100	96	602
April	2024	40	12	47	1	100	93	801
May	2024	29	18	53	0	100	76	991
June	2024	27	25	48	0	100	79	961
July	2024	27	29	43	1	100	84	862
August	2024	23	31	45	1	100	78	1166
September	2024	23	32	45	0	100	78	953
October	2024	29	26	45	0	100	84	948
November	2024	26	31	43	0	100	83	824
December	2024	27	38	34	1	100	93	843
January	2025	25	38	37	0	100	88	1044
February	2025	17	36	47	0	100	70	977
March	2025	13	26	61	0	100	52	1482
April	2025	14	17	69	0	100	45	1104
May	2025	13	17	70	0	100	43	1181
June	2025	17	17	66	0	100	51	1095
July	2025	19	17	63	1	100	56	1287
August	2025	19	17	64	0	100	55	1066
September	2025	14	16	70	0	100	44	1241
October	2025	16	15	69	0	100	47	1184
November	2025	15	14	71	0	100	44	1129
December	2025	15	16	69	0	100	46	1079
January	2026	17	18	65	0	100	52	1283
February	2026	18	19	63	0	100	55	1297
March	2026	12	21	66	1	100	46	1504
April	2026	11	14	75	0	100	36	1223
May	2026	7	18	74	1	100	33	1152
June	2026	11	16	73	0	100	38	1380
July	2026	12	21	67	0	100	45	1314