

TABLE 29

BUSINESS CONDITIONS EXPECTED DURING THE NEXT 5 YEARS

	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Apr 2017	May 2017	Jun 2017	Jul 2017	Aug 2017	Sep 2017	Oct 2017	Nov 2017	Dec 2017	Jan 2018	Feb 2018
GOOD TIMES	53%	47%	48%	48%	42%	39%	46%	44%	51%	47%	42%	42%	48%
UNCERTAIN	5	6	8	7	8	9	5	7	6	7	6	8	7
BAD TIME	41	44	42	43	47	50	46	47	41	44	49	47	43
NA	1	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	3	3	2
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
CASES	602	603	602	611	604	603	602	612	604	606	604	622	609
INDEX SCORE	112	103	106	105	95	89	100	97	110	103	93	95	105

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THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES**

All	111	109	107	105	102	96	95	95	102	103	102	97	98
Age 18 to 44	106	104	99	97	95	90	88	88	95	100	102	98	94
Age 45 to 64	114	113	111	109	105	101	100	99	105	103	97	92	97
Age 65+	118	112	114	111	111	102	99	102	112	111	108	103	105
Income Bottom Third	98	91	89	86	85	81	80	81	89	94	93	86	77
Income Middle Third	123	121	116	111	108	102	97	94	100	101	102	95	100
Income Top Third	113	114	113	114	110	106	106	109	116	115	111	109	113

The question was: "Looking ahead, which would you say is more likely -- that in the country as a whole we'll have continuous good times during the next 5 years or so, or that we will have periods of widespread unemployment or depression, or what?"

*: Less than half of one percent. Index Score is the percent favorable minus the percent unfavorable plus 100