TABLE 10

CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION COMPARED WITH 5 YEARS AGO

	Dec 2020	Jan 2021	Feb 2021	Mar 2021	Apr 2021	May 2021	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Aug 2021	Sep 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2021	Dec 2021
BETTER OFF	68%	63%	66%	69%	68%	69%	67%	66%	66%	65%	64%	63%	63%
SAME	9	9	9	10	13	12	10	11	10	11	10	9	11
WORSE OFF	23	27	24	21	18	18	22	23	23	23	26	28	26
DK, NA	*	1	1	*	1	1	1	*	1	1	*	*	*
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
CASES	601	603	604	604	601	606	608	604	600	612	604	602	603
INDEX SCORE	145	136	142	148	150	151	145	143	143	142	138	135	137

CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION COMPARED WITH 5 YEARS AGO - INDEX SCORE
THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES

All	145	142	141	142	147	150	149	146	144	143	141	138	137
Age 18 to 44	165	163	163	164	165	166	166	165	166	162	164	161	160
Age 45 to 64	137	131	132	134	144	148	147	141	137	138	136	132	129
Age 65+	127	122	118	119	122	126	122	122	116	120	117	116	113
Income Bottom Third	122	115	112	111	116	119	120	117	116	117	116	112	114
Income Middle Third	152	148	147	148	152	155	153	152	148	147	142	139	131
Income Top Third	162	162	166	169	173	175	174	171	169	167	167	164	166
Educ High School or Less	135	129	121	123	125	129	125	126	124	122	115	110	106
Educ Some College	143	139	139	137	140	144	145	144	139	138	136	133	130
Educ College Degree	151	149	151	152	157	160	160	157	155	154	154	153	152
Democrat	133	131	136	139	146	147	150	152	153	153	152	150	150
Independent	149	145	142	141	147	152	151	148	144	144	141	142	141
Republican	158	153	150	150	149	149	143	142	136	135	130	124	117

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?"

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