

**TABLE 29**

**BUSINESS CONDITIONS EXPECTED DURING THE NEXT 5 YEARS**

	Sep 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023
GOOD TIMES	28%	29%	27%	31%	34%	36%	32%	33%	30%	32%	37%	33%	34%
UNCERTAIN	8	8	8	7	8	5	6	7	5	7	10	8	10
BAD TIMES	62	60	62	60	56	57	59	57	64	59	51	57	54
NA	2	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	2	2
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
CASES	601	600	602	600	600	602	603	601	605	600	601	604	603
INDEX SCORE	66	69	65	71	78	79	73	76	66	73	86	76	80

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THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES**

All	64	68	67	68	71	76	77	76	72	72	75	78	81
Age 18 to 44	57	64	63	65	70	72	72	69	66	64	69	73	77
Age 45 to 64	63	70	68	67	66	72	72	75	70	74	77	81	82
Age 65+	75	74	71	74	80	85	88	88	82	79	81	83	85
Income Bottom Third	56	64	62	65	67	73	72	70	64	66	67	68	67
Income Middle Third	62	65	64	64	68	74	74	76	73	73	75	77	76
Income Top Third	74	76	71	75	78	82	85	82	76	75	83	90	98
Educ High School or Less	60	63	59	57	62	68	72	67	62	59	62	60	63
Educ Some College	50	54	56	62	65	68	64	69	66	70	70	75	74
Educ College Degree	75	79	76	76	79	84	88	86	81	79	83	89	93
Democrat	93	103	98	102	99	103	102	104	102	101	106	111	114
Independent	59	61	61	62	67	73	74	70	64	61	64	69	73
Republican	40	42	41	41	45	51	54	55	50	54	57	57	57

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