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EXPECTED CHANGE IN UNEMPLOYMENT DURING THE NEXT YEAR

	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024
LESS	15%	16%	15%	12%	12%	19%	15%	13%	17%	17%	11%	15%	17%
SAME	44	47	40	45	47	45	53	50	45	44	56	53	51
MORE	40	37	44	42	39	35	31	36	38	38	32	31	32
DK, NA	1	*	1	1	2	1	1	1	*	1	1	1	*
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
CASES	602	603	601	605	600	601	604	603	605	600	600	601	602
INDEX SCORE	75	79	71	70	73	84	84	77	79	79	79	84	85

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THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES

All	74	76	75	73	71	76	80	82	80	78	79	81	83
Age 18 to 44	74	73	70	69	67	72	74	77	75	72	74	79	81
Age 45 to 64	69	76	77	75	72	75	80	82	80	79	78	77	80
Age 65+	79	80	78	77	77	80	88	88	87	85	87	87	90
Income Bottom Third	82	85	86	82	78	79	81	82	84	83	84	85	86
Income Middle Third	73	76	75	76	74	79	83	85	80	77	79	81	82
Income Top Third	67	68	65	63	64	70	78	79	79	77	77	78	81
Educ High School or Less	81	83	82	78	73	77	77	78	77	80	81	82	80
Educ Some College	75	76	76	73	71	73	79	81	78	74	72	76	79
Educ College Degree	70	73	71	71	70	76	83	84	82	80	82	84	86
Democrat	90	93	97	97	96	100	106	108	102	103	103	106	105
Independent	72	74	72	67	63	66	74	78	79	74	73	76	79
Republican	57	57	55	56	55	60	60	58	59	58	62	60	63

The question was: "How about people out of work during the coming 12 months -- do you think that there will be more unemployment than now, about the same, or less?"

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