

TABLE 11

EXPECTED CHANGE IN FINANCIAL SITUATION IN 5 YEARS

	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Feb 2026
BETTER OFF	44%	38%	36%	37%	41%	41%	36%	35%	34%	36%	40%	41%	39%
SAME	27	25	27	27	28	25	29	30	28	29	29	29	30
WORSE OFF	27	35	36	34	28	32	33	34	36	33	30	28	30
DK, NA	2	2	1	2	3	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	1
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
CASES	977	1482	1104	1181	1095	1287	1066	1241	1184	1129	1079	1283	1297
INDEX SCORE	117	103	100	103	113	109	103	101	98	103	110	113	109

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THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES**

All	121	113	107	102	105	108	108	104	101	101	104	109	111
Age 18 to 44	139	130	126	122	128	134	133	127	124	124	127	132	137
Age 45 to 64	127	118	109	104	105	107	109	108	105	105	108	111	111
Age 65+	96	88	79	75	77	81	81	79	73	71	74	80	87
Income Bottom Third	115	104	98	93	97	99	99	93	89	88	92	98	101
Income Middle Third	122	113	106	103	106	110	107	103	99	100	103	108	111
Income Top Third	129	122	116	110	114	119	121	119	116	116	118	123	124
Educ High School or Less	120	110	105	106	111	107	105	99	106	107	111	114	112
Educ Some College	119	112	110	104	105	108	110	108	102	98	103	107	110
Educ College Degree	122	113	103	99	102	108	108	104	100	100	103	108	112
Democrat	101	90	80	78	87	92	92	87	83	84	87	96	101
Independent	116	110	102	99	98	103	103	101	96	94	99	104	107
Republican	157	153	153	147	146	144	145	146	147	145	143	141	142

The question was: "And 5 years from now, do you expect that you (and your family living there) will be better off financially, worse off, or just about the same as now?"

Index Score is the percent favorable minus the percent unfavorable plus 100