

TABLE 12

FIVE YEAR TREND IN PAST AND EXPECTED HOUSEHOLD FINANCIAL SITUATION

	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
Personal Financial Progress													
Continuous increase (a)	22%	20%	19%	22%	22%	24%	22%	22%	21%	20%	24%	24%	23%
Intermittent increase (b)	14	14	16	16	16	15	18	18	16	14	14	15	15
Remain unchanged (c)	6	6	7	6	7	9	8	6	8	8	6	7	8
Intermittent decline (d)	15	16	15	15	17	12	15	15	14	13	16	17	16
Continuous decline (e)	11	17	20	20	16	18	19	20	23	22	20	18	19
Mixed change (f)	29	25	20	18	19	19	15	17	16	19	17	17	17
DK, NA	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	4	3	2	2
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	110	101	100	103	105	109	106	105	100	99	102	104	103

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THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES**

All	113	109	104	101	103	106	107	107	104	101	100	102	103
Age 18 to 44	135	130	125	124	123	128	126	128	126	122	120	120	124
Age 45 to 64	113	107	100	98	100	103	107	106	104	101	101	101	101
Age 65+	93	91	85	81	82	85	87	86	82	78	79	81	84
Income Bottom Third	90	87	84	82	84	87	88	84	80	76	78	79	77
Income Middle Third	113	107	101	99	101	105	104	106	101	100	100	101	105
Income Top Third	139	134	129	125	125	128	130	133	133	131	127	129	132
Educ High School or Less	97	91	90	99	102	100	91	83	84	89	90	98	93
Educ Some College	94	91	89	90	91	95	98	95	93	87	92	90	90
Educ College Degree	124	120	112	106	106	110	112	114	111	108	106	106	110
Democrat	119	108	96	90	91	95	96	95	92	89	88	89	93
Independent	105	104	97	96	95	101	102	103	98	95	96	98	97
Republican	119	120	128	133	135	133	133	136	139	138	135	133	136

Combination of the responses to the questions on Tables 10 and 11.

Key: (a) Better off financially than 5 years ago/Better off 5 years from now

(b) Better/Same or Same/Better

(c) Same/Same

(d) Worse/Same or Same/Worse

(e) Worse/Worse

(f) Worse/Better or Better/Worse

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