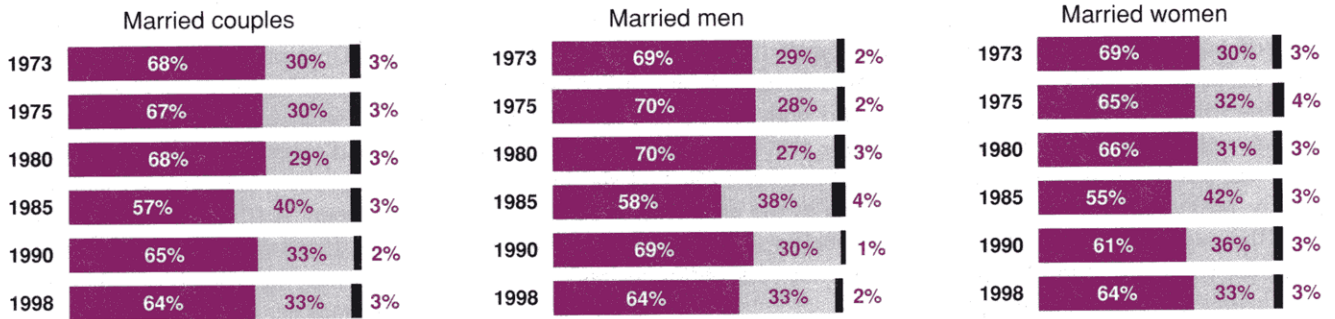
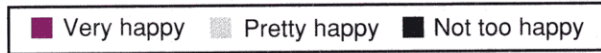


Marital Bliss

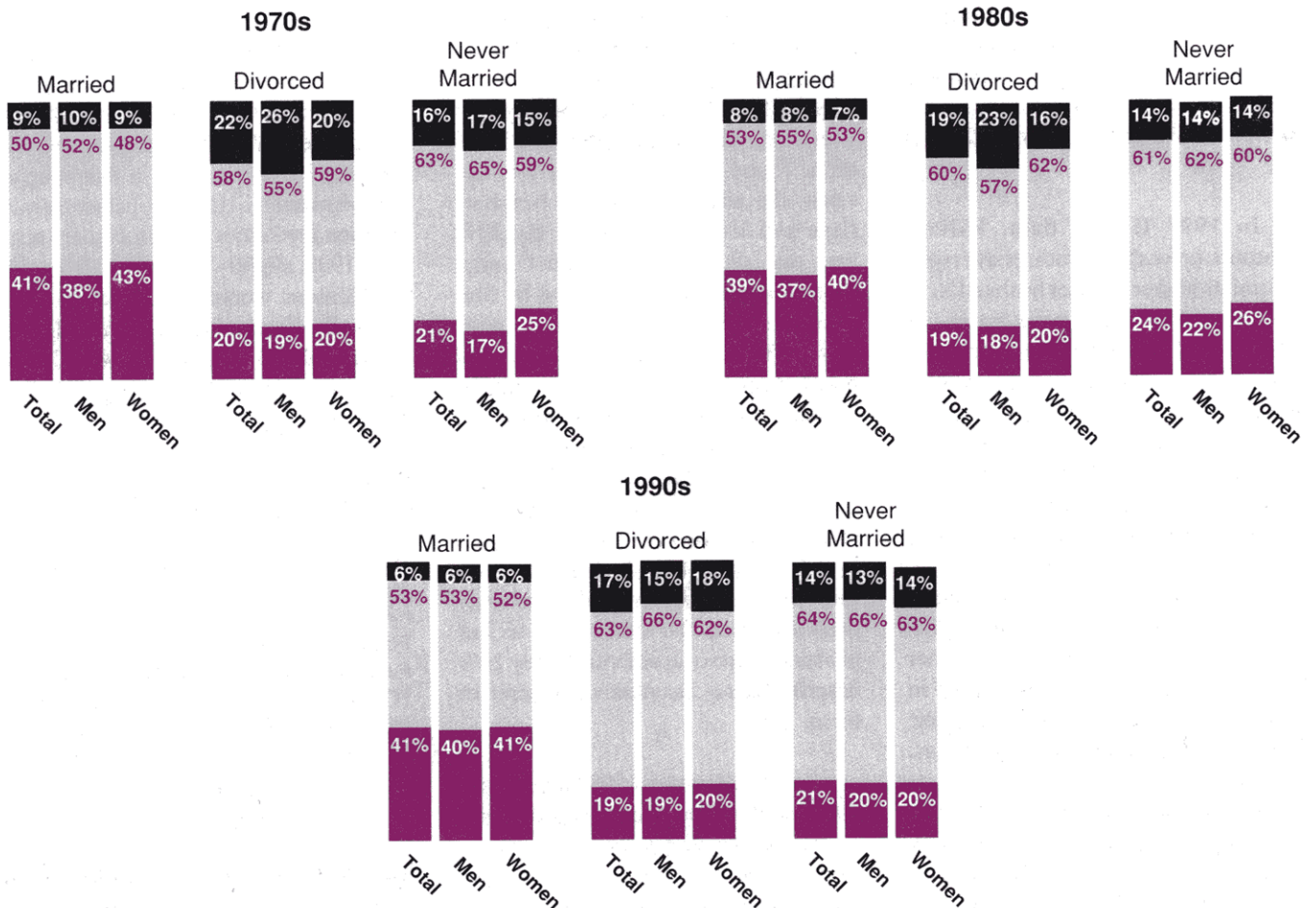
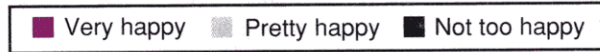
Question: Taking things all together, how would you describe your marriage? Would you say that your marriage is very happy, pretty happy, or not too happy?



Note: Selected years shown.

Source: Surveys by the National Opinion Research Center-General Social Survey, latest that of February 1-June 19, 1998.

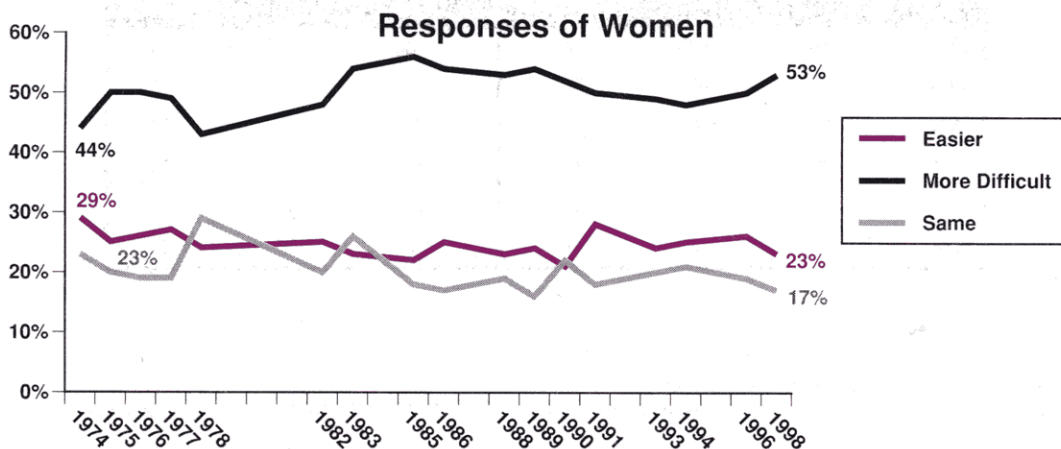
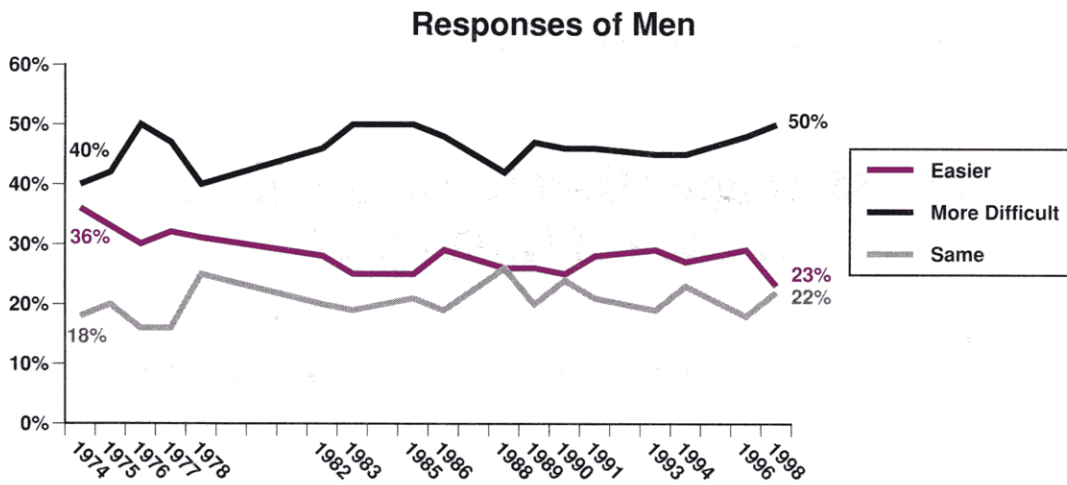
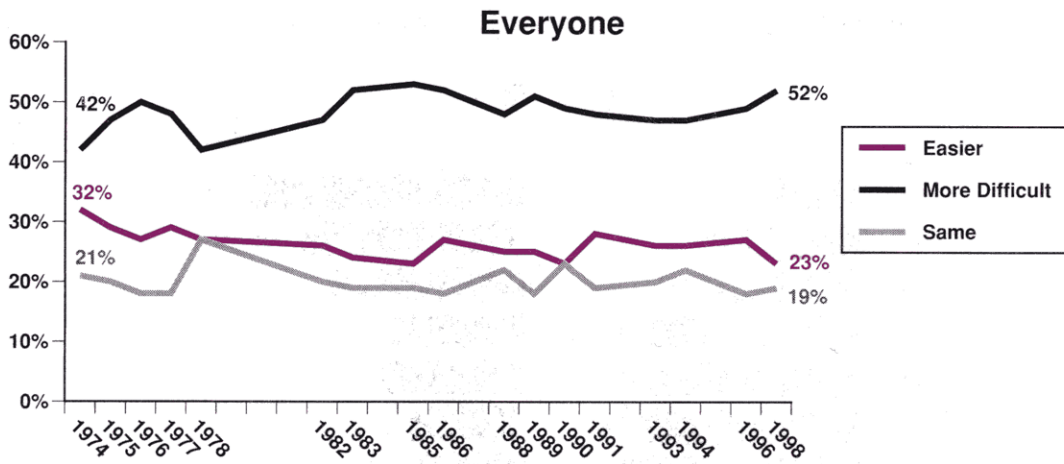
Question: Taken all together, how would you say things are these days? Would you say that you are very happy, pretty happy, or not too happy?



Source: Surveys by the National Opinion Research Center-General Social Survey, appropriate surveys have been combined by decade.

Divorce, Make It More Difficult to Obtain

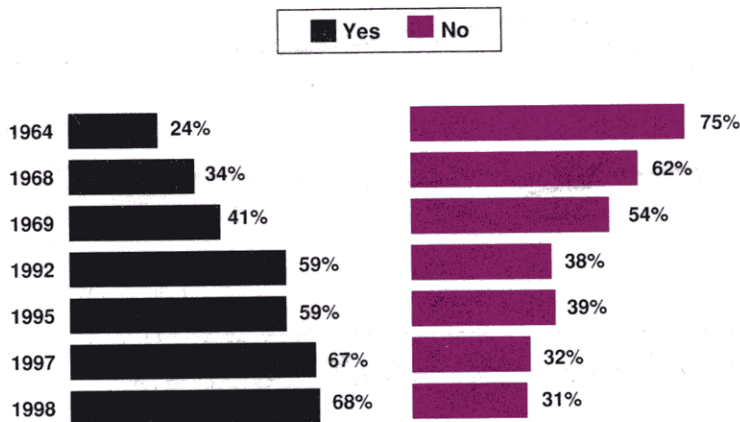
Question: Should divorce in this country be easier or more difficult to obtain than it is now?



Source: Surveys by the National Opinion Research Center-General Social Survey, latest that of February 1-June 19, 1998.

Either Extramarital Affairs, or Knowledge of Them, Has Increased Sharply

Question: Do you know anyone who has an unfaithful wife or husband?



Note: Question wordings varied slightly.

Source: Surveys by Louis Harris & Associates, 1964, 1968, 1969; Yankelovich Partners for *Time/CNN*, 1992; and CBS News, 1995, 1997, 1998.

The Marriage Used To Be Stronger— A Case of Nostalgia?

Question: Compared to 10 years ago, do you think the institution of marriage is stronger, weaker, or is about the same as it was then?

	Men's responses			Women's responses		
	Stronger	Weaker	About the same	Stronger	Weaker	About the same
1970	5%	71%	22%	5%	73%	19%
1974	7	69	21	6	70	20
1979	8	68	22	7	70	22
1985	16	59	24	15	60	23
1989	12	62	24	12	61	23
1995	16	66	21	12	68	19

Note: Surveys from 1970-1989 were done for Virginia Slims.

Source: Surveys by Louis Harris & Associates, 1970; Roper Starch Worldwide, 1974, 1979, 1985, 1989; and CBS News, 1995.