**National Economy**

**Question:** Would you describe the state of the nation’s economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

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**Personal Finances**

**Question:** Would you describe the state of your own personal finances these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

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**Buying It Now**

**Question:** Considering the cost of things today and your own personal finances, would you say now is an excellent time, a good time, a not so good time, or a poor time to buy the things you want and need?

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**Source:** Surveys by ABC News/Money, latest that of October 8, 2000.
Enjoying the Good Times

**Question:** Generally speaking, do you think the nation’s economy these days is doing well or badly?

- **Well:** 92%
- **Badly:** 7%

**Note:** Responses of likely voters.  
**Source:** Survey by the Los Angeles Times, September 23-25, 2000.

**Question:** How satisfied are you with the state of the US economy today— are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the state of the economy?

- **Very satisfied:** 34%
- **Somewhat satisfied:** 51%
- **Somewhat dissatisfied:** 10%
- **Very dissatisfied:** 4%

**Note:** Responses of likely voters.  
**Source:** Survey by NBC/Wall Street Journal, September 7-10, 2000.

**Question:** Would you say that you and your family are better off or worse off than you were four years ago?

- **Better off:** 62%
- **Worse off:** 12%
- **No difference/About the same (vol.):** 25%
- **Not sure:** 1%

**Note:** Responses of registered voters.  
**Source:** Survey by NBC/Wall Street Journal, September 7-10, 2000.

**Question:** Which of the following statements best describes the current financial situation in your household?  
1. You are saving a lot.  
2. You are saving a little.  
3. You are just managing to make ends meet on your income.  
4. You are having to draw on your savings.  
5. You are running into debt.

- **Saving a lot:** 17%
- **Saving a little:** 42%
- **Just managing to make ends meet:** 30%
- **Having to draw on savings:** 5%
- **Running into debt:** 2%

**Note:** Responses of registered voters.  
**Source:** Survey by Gallup/CNN/USA Today, September 4-6, 2000.