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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted April 2-11, 2018 with a random sample of **-1,015—**adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is **±4** percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of **-547--** adults employed full- or part-time, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-645--** stock owners, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-320--** retirees, the margin of sampling error is **±7** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-695--** non-retirees, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-697--** homeowners, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Survey Sampling International. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2017 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2017 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact [galluphelp@gallup.com](mailto:galluphelp@gallup.com).

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15. Next, please tell me how concerned you are right now about each of the following financial matters, based on your current financial situation -- are you very worried, moderately worried, not too worried, or not worried at all. If a particular item does not apply to you, please say so. First, how worried are you about-- [ITEMS A-G ROTATED, ITEM H READ LAST]?

<i>2018 Apr 2-11</i> <i>(sorted by "total worried")</i>	Very worried	Mod-erately worried	Total Worried	Total Not worried
Not being able to pay medical costs of a serious illness/accident	33	25	58	41
Not having enough money for retirement	30	28	58	39
Not being able to pay medical costs for normal health care	24	20	44	53
Not being able to maintain the standard of living you enjoy	17	26	43	56
Not having enough money to pay for your children's college	22	15	37	32
Not having enough to pay your normal monthly bills	15	19	34	65
Not being able to pay your rent, mortgage or other housing costs	14	16	30	66
Not being able to make the minimum payments on your credit cards	9	9	18	64

**FINANCIAL WORRY TRENDS:**

**A. Not being able to pay medical costs for normal health care**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod-erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	24	20	25	28	3	*
2017 Apr 5-9	20	21	27	30	2	*
2016 Apr 6-10	24	21	27	26	1	*
2015 Apr 9-12	23	19	25	30	2	1
2014 Apr 3-6	19	20	26	31	3	*
2013 Apr 4-14	24	20	24	28	3	*
2012 Apr 9-12	25	23	27	24	1	*
2011 Apr 7-11	27	21	23	27	3	*
2010 Apr 8-11	22	26	27	21	3	*
2009 Apr 6-9	26	20	28	26	1	*
2008 Dec 12-14	24	22	24	27	3	*
2008 Apr 6-9	23	21	24	29	3	*
2007 Apr 2-5	21	15	31	30	3	1
2006 Apr 10-13	23	22	26	27	2	*
2005 Apr 4-7	23	19	24	32	2	*
2004 Apr 5-8	21	16	24	36	3	*
2003 Apr 7-9	17	20	24	36	3	*
2002 Apr 8-11	18	17	26	36	2	1
2001 Apr 6-8	22	22	24	31	1	--

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**Q.15 (FINANCIAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**B. Not being able to pay medical costs in the event of a serious illness or accident**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod-erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	33	25	23	18	1	*
2017 Apr 5-9	30	24	21	22	2	1
2016 Apr 6-10	35	25	19	19	1	*
2015 Apr 9-12	30	25	24	19	1	1
2014 Apr 3-6	29	24	23	22	1	1
2013 Apr 4-14	34	24	21	19	2	1
2012 Apr 9-12	35	27	20	16	1	--
2011 Apr 7-11	37	23	22	16	2	*
2010 Apr 8-11	33	28	20	17	2	*
2009 Apr 6-9	34	24	22	18	2	1
2008 Apr 6-9	34	22	20	21	2	*
2007 Apr 2-5	28	21	27	23	2	*
2006 Apr 10-13	33	21	21	22	2	1
2005 Apr 4-7	30	22	25	22	1	*
2004 Apr 5-8	26	21	24	27	2	*
2003 Apr 7-9	24	22	23	29	2	--
2002 Apr 8-11	21	24	25	28	1	1
2001 Apr 6-8	27	23	24	25	1	*

**C. Not being able to pay your rent, mortgage or other housing costs**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod-erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	14	16	29	37	5	*
2017 Apr 5-9	11	15	29	39	6	--
2016 Apr 6-10	17	17	27	34	5	*
2015 Apr 9-12	15	17	26	37	4	*
2014 Apr 3-6	13	18	27	37	5	*
2013 Apr 4-14	16	19	23	35	6	*
2012 Apr 9-12	19	20	28	29	3	--
2011 Apr 7-11	21	15	25	33	6	*
2010 Apr 8-11	18	20	28	28	7	*
2009 Apr 6-9	17	18	26	33	6	*
2008 Dec 12-14	16	17	25	35	7	*
2008 Apr 6-9	18	18	24	35	4	*
2007 Apr 2-5	11	15	31	38	5	1
2006 Apr 10-13	11	16	29	37	7	1
2005 Apr 4-7	10	13	30	43	4	*
2004 Apr 5-8	11	13	26	42	7	1
2003 Apr 7-9	11	14	27	43	5	*
2002 Apr 8-11	8	14	26	47	4	1
2001 Apr 6-8	10	14	28	44	4	*

**Q.15 (FINANCIAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**D. Not being able to maintain the standard of living you enjoy**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod- erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	17	26	32	24	1	*
2017 Apr 5-9	14	26	31	28	1	1
2016 Apr 6-10	20	31	26	21	1	1
2015 Apr 9-12	21	25	29	24	1	1
2014 Apr 3-6	20	28	29	23	1	*
2013 Apr 4-14	20	31	26	22	1	*
2012 Apr 9-12	27	28	26	17	1	*
2011 Apr 7-11	27	31	23	18	1	*
2010 Apr 8-11	23	31	30	15	1	*
2009 Apr 6-9	21	32	28	18	1	*
2008 Dec 12-14	19	30	28	21	1	*
2008 Sep 26-27	24	32	24	19	1	*
2008 Apr 6-9	25	30	24	20	1	*
2007 Apr 2-5	18	23	32	26	1	1
2006 Apr 10-13	18	31	28	22	1	1
2005 Apr 4-7	14	27	31	28	*	*
2004 Apr 5-8	16	23	29	31	1	*
2003 Apr 7-9	14	24	32	29	1	*
2002 Apr 8-11	12	23	31	32	1	1
2001 Apr 6-8	16	27	30	26	1	*

**Q.15 (FINANCIAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**E. Not being able to make the minimum payments on your credit cards**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod- erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	9	9	23	41	17	*
2017 Apr 5-9	8	9	21	46	16	*
2016 Apr 6-10	10	11	22	43	14	*
2015 Apr 9-12	10	10	23	41	15	*
2014 Apr 3-6	7	9	23	42	19	*
2013 Apr 4-14	9	10	20	41	19	1
2012 Apr 9-12	12	12	20	36	19	*
2011 Apr 7-11	14	10	21	39	15	*
2010 Apr 8-11	11	13	21	37	18	*
2009 Apr 6-9	10	13	20	37	20	*
2008 Dec 12-14	9	9	20	41	21	*
2008 Sep 26-27	13	12	19	39	17	*
2008 Apr 6-9	11	12	19	42	16	*
2007 Apr 2-5	9	9	23	41	18	1
2006 Apr 10-13	9	8	24	41	17	1
2005 Apr 4-7	7	9	22	45	17	*
2004 Apr 5-8	7	10	22	46	15	*
2003 Apr 7-9	7	9	21	47	16	*
2002 Apr 8-11	7	8	21	48	15	1
2001 Apr 6-8	9	9	22	41	19	*

## Q.15 (FINANCIAL WORRIES) CONTINUED

### F. Not having enough money for retirement

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod- erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	30	28	21	18	4	*
2017 Apr 5-9	26	28	22	21	2	*
2016 Apr 6-10	33	31	17	15	3	1
2015 Apr 9-12	34	26	21	16	3	1
2014 Apr 3-6	29	30	20	15	5	1
2013 Apr 4-14	34	27	18	17	3	*
2012 Apr 9-12	38	29	17	13	3	1
2011 Apr 7-11	36	30	17	13	4	*
2010 Apr 8-11	34	32	18	14	2	*
2009 Apr 6-9	36	29	17	14	3	1
2008 Dec 12-14	31	31	18	16	4	*
2008 Sep 26-27	33	31	16	15	5	*
2008 Apr 6-9	35	28	18	16	4	*
2007 Apr 2-5	27	29	24	18	3	*
2006 Apr 10-13	30	30	19	16	4	*
2005 Apr 4-7	30	30	18	19	2	1
2004 Apr 5-8	26	26	21	23	4	*
2003 Apr 7-9	24	30	22	20	4	*
2002 Apr 8-11	25	29	19	22	4	1
2001 Apr 6-8	24	29	24	19	4	*

**Q.15 (FINANCIAL WORRIES) CONTINUED**

**G. Not having enough to pay your normal monthly bills**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod- erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	15	19	32	33	1	*
2017 Apr 5-9	12	19	29	38	1	1
2016 Apr 6-10	18	23	29	29	1	*
2015 Apr 9-12	16	20	30	32	1	1
2014 Apr 3-6	16	20	30	32	1	1
2013 Apr 4-14	16	23	27	32	2	*
2012 Apr 9-12	22	24	28	24	2	*
2011 Apr 7-11	22	21	26	29	1	*
2010 Apr 8-11	18	26	28	26	1	*
2009 Apr 6-9	19	25	26	28	1	*
2008 Dec 12-14	17	22	29	30	1	*
2008 Sep 26-27	20	24	24	30	1	*
2008 Apr 6-9	20	24	25	30	1	*
2007 Apr 2-5	14	19	32	34	1	*
2006 Apr 10-13	14	24	30	30	1	*
2005 Apr 4-7	13	17	32	37	1	*
2004 Apr 5-8	12	20	28	39	1	*
2003 Apr 7-9	12	18	29	40	1	*
2002 Apr 8-11	11	19	27	42	1	*
2001 Apr 6-8	12	20	29	39	*	*

**H. Not having enough money to pay for your children's college**

	<u>Very worried</u>	<u>Mod- erately worried</u>	<u>Not too worried</u>	<u>Not worried at all</u>	<u>Doesn't apply (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2018 Apr 2-11	22	15	11	21	31	*
2017 Apr 5-9	18	17	10	23	31	1
2016 Apr 6-10	23	14	8	22	33	*
2015 Apr 9-12	21	15	11	19	33	1
2014 Apr 3-6	20	15	10	21	33	1
2013 Apr 4-14	22	16	9	19	34	*
2012 Apr 9-12	28	15	7	18	32	*
2011 Apr 7-11	26	15	10	17	32	*
2010 Apr 8-11	20	16	10	15	40	*
2009 Apr 6-9	21	15	8	16	39	*
2008 Apr 6-9	25	14	8	14	39	*
2007 Apr 2-5	18	16	10	16	40	*