



**Interviews with 1,027 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on March 9-11, 2007. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points and for results based on half-samples is plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.**

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11. How would you rate the economic conditions in the country today – as very good, somewhat good, somewhat poor, or very poor?

	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>	Jan. 19-21 <u>2007</u>	Nov. 3-5 <u>2006</u>	Oct. 27-29 <u>2006</u>
Very good	10%	15%	8%	13%
Somewhat good	42%	48%	41%	49%
Somewhat poor	31%	23%	32%	24%
Very poor	15%	13%	18%	13%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%

  

	Sept. 22-24 <u>2006</u>	Aug. 30-Sep. 2 <u>2006</u>	Jun. 14-15 <u>2006</u>	May 7-9 <u>2006</u>
Very good	12%	9%	9%	10%
Somewhat good	47%	35%	42%	42%
Somewhat poor	26%	34%	31%	26%
Very poor	15%	22%	16%	21%
No opinion	*	*	2%	1%

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	Very <u>good</u>	Some- what <u>good</u>	Some- what <u>poor</u>	Very <u>poor</u>	No <u>opinion</u>	Total <u>good</u>	Total <u>poor</u>
2006 Mar 10-12	13	46	26	15	*	59	41
2005 Sep 8-11*	7	46	34	13	*	53	47
2005 Apr 29-May 1	5	45	33	16	1	50	49
2004 Dec 17-19	8	45	28	19	*	53	47
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	5	47	28	19	1	52	47
2003 Dec 5-7	7	50	30	12	1	57	42
2003 Oct 10-12	4	40	37	19	*	44	56
2003 Mar 14-15	2	33	39	25	1	35	64
2003 Feb 24-26	3	31	43	22	1	34	65
2002 Dec 9-10	3	41	41	14	1	44	55
2002 Oct 21-22	3	38	42	16	1	41	58
2002 Sep 20-22	5	49	35	11	*	54	46
2002 Jul 26-28	5	46	37	12	*	51	49
2002 Jun 28-30	5	53	33	9	*	58	42
2002 Apr 5-7	6	55	30	9	*	61	39
2002 Jan 11-14	7	50	32	10	1	57	42
2001 Dec 14-16	5	45	37	12	1	50	49
2001 Sep 21-22	7	50	34	8	1	57	42
2001 Apr 20-22	10	57	25	7	1	67	32
2001 Feb 9-11	16	64	16	3	1	80	19
2001 Jan 15-16	24	58	14	4	*	82	18
2000 Jun 6-7	39	46	9	5	1	85	14
2000 Mar 10-12	42	44	10	3	1	86	13
1999 Jun 25-27	34	50	10	6	*	84	16
1999 Jan 8-10	41	48	8	3	*	89	11
1998 Jul 7-8	29	50	15	5	1	79	20
1998 Jan 25-26	24	57	14	4	1	81	18
1998 Jan 24-25	24	57	13	5	1	81	19
1998 Jan 23-24	24	57	15	4	*	81	19
1997 Oct 27-29	24	55	15	4	2	79	19
1997 Aug 22-25	17	52	21	9	1	69	30

\*Asked of a half sample.

12. Now thinking about a year from now, do you expect economic conditions in this country will be -- very good, somewhat good, somewhat poor, or very poor?

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Very good	10%	13%	12%	11%
Somewhat good	43%	48%	50%	45%
Somewhat poor	28%	26%	26%	25%
Very poor	14%	10%	9%	17%
No opinion	5%	4%	3%	2%

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	Very <u>good</u>	Some- what <u>good</u>	Some- what <u>poor</u>	Very <u>poor</u>	No <u>opinion</u>	<i>Total</i> <u>good</u>	<i>Total</i> <u>poor</u>
2006 Mar 10-12	15	45	25	12	3	60	37
2005 Sep 8-11*	8	41	32	18	1	49	50
2005 Apr 29-May 1	8	43	29	19	1	51	48
2004 Dec 17-19	17	43	24	15	1	60	39
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	18	49	18	11	4	67	29
2003 Dec 5-7	22	51	19	7	1	73	26
2003 Oct 10-12	12	52	22	12	2	64	34
2003 Mar 14-15	9	49	25	15	2	58	40
2003 Feb 24-26	9	46	26	16	3	55	42
2002 Dec 9-10	12	53	21	11	3	65	32
2002 Oct 21-22	7	58	21	9	5	65	30
2002 Sep 20-22	14	57	20	7	2	71	27
2002 Jun 28-30	13	58	21	6	2	71	27
2002 Apr 5-7	17	60	15	5	3	77	20
2002 Jan 11-14	15	63	16	5	1	78	21
2001 Dec 14-16	17	59	14	7	3	76	21
2001 Sep 21-22	21	56	15	5	3	77	20
2001 Apr 20-24	16	54	18	9	3	70	27
2001 Feb 9-11	18	53	21	6	2	71	27
2001 Jan 15-16	13	55	22	8	2	68	30
2000 Jun 6-7	24	56	10	5	5	80	15
2000 Mar 10-12	24	55	13	4	4	79	17
1999 Jun 25-27	21	55	15	7	2	76	22
1999 Jan 8-10	25	56	12	4	3	81	16
1998 Jul 7-8	19	54	14	7	6	73	21
1997 Oct 27-29	20	55	18	4	3	75	22

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