

Compared to how things were before the COVID-19 pandemic, is your household's financial situation currently better, about the same or worse?



	British Columbia	GENDER		AGE			REGION					ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Metro Vancouver	Fraser Valley	Northern BC	Southern BC	Vancouver Island	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Significantly better now than before the pandemic	5%	4%	6%	8%	4%	4%	5%	10%	0%	3%	3%	4%	6%	4%
Moderately better now than before the pandemic	12%	13%	11%	15%	14%	8%	14%	11%	9%	9%	11%	9%	10%	23%
About the same now as it was before the pandemic	48%	50%	46%	38%	48%	54%	44%	47%	38%	58%	55%	45%	48%	53%
Moderately worse now than before the pandemic	23%	21%	25%	24%	20%	26%	24%	23%	35%	22%	18%	25%	24%	16%
Significantly worse now than before the pandemic	10%	8%	11%	11%	12%	7%	10%	9%	14%	8%	10%	14%	9%	4%
Not sure	2%	3%	1%	4%	2%	1%	3%	0%	3%	0%	2%	2%	2%	0%

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, are your household expenses higher, about the same, or lower in each of the following categories?



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Housing (Rent, Mortgage)														
Higher	14%	10%	17%	19%	16%	8%	14%	18%	21%	11%	11%	15%	15%	8%
About the same	77%	80%	75%	70%	75%	85%	77%	71%	73%	86%	80%	77%	76%	85%
Lower	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%	3%	5%	8%	0%	1%	4%	6%	5%	4%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%	4%	3%	6%	1%	4%	2%	4%	3%
Books														
Higher	15%	10%	19%	13%	16%	15%	14%	11%	18%	22%	13%	7%	7%	8%
About the same	65%	69%	61%	67%	65%	63%	65%	63%	55%	70%	66%	25%	25%	26%
Lower	10%	11%	9%	11%	10%	9%	10%	15%	12%	3%	8%	21%	24%	26%
Not sure	11%	10%	11%	8%	9%	14%	11%	11%	14%	5%	14%	8%	15%	14%
Newspapers and Magazines														
Higher	7%	6%	8%	7%	8%	5%	8%	7%	0%	6%	6%	5%	7%	9%
About the same	68%	71%	65%	66%	66%	70%	65%	66%	70%	73%	73%	67%	68%	71%
Lower	11%	11%	11%	11%	13%	9%	13%	17%	12%	5%	6%	14%	11%	8%
Not sure	14%	13%	16%	15%	13%	15%	14%	11%	18%	16%	14%	14%	14%	12%
Board Games														
Higher	13%	11%	14%	20%	13%	7%	12%	10%	18%	17%	12%	10%	12%	17%
About the same	62%	65%	59%	58%	67%	60%	63%	60%	51%	63%	63%	60%	62%	66%
Lower	8%	8%	8%	11%	7%	7%	9%	12%	9%	5%	4%	9%	10%	4%
Not sure	17%	15%	19%	11%	13%	26%	16%	18%	22%	15%	21%	21%	16%	12%
Electronic Entertainment (Cable TV, Streaming Services)														
Higher	29%	29%	29%	31%	29%	28%	29%	29%	26%	34%	29%	30%	28%	31%
About the same	60%	62%	58%	56%	58%	65%	60%	63%	54%	59%	60%	60%	61%	61%
Lower	6%	6%	6%	7%	7%	4%	6%	5%	15%	2%	6%	6%	8%	4%
Not sure	5%	3%	6%	6%	5%	3%	5%	3%	6%	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%
Transportation (Fuel for Vehicles, Transit Passes, Taxis)														
Higher	18%	16%	21%	18%	16%	21%	16%	18%	24%	19%	26%	22%	20%	11%
About the same	41%	43%	38%	42%	44%	37%	42%	42%	42%	43%	34%	40%	40%	42%
Lower	37%	37%	37%	35%	35%	41%	39%	34%	28%	34%	37%	34%	37%	44%
Not sure	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%	2%	4%	5%	6%	4%	2%	4%	4%	2%
Groceries														
Higher	54%	46%	63%	48%	50%	63%	53%	63%	58%	54%	51%	55%	53%	53%
About the same	38%	45%	31%	43%	40%	33%	38%	36%	34%	39%	40%	35%	40%	41%
Lower	6%	7%	4%	6%	7%	4%	6%	1%	5%	6%	7%	9%	4%	4%
Not sure	2%	3%	2%	4%	3%	1%	3%	0%	3%	1%	2%	0%	3%	2%