# Effects of Rising Prices on Housing



## **Survey Overview**



This 20-question survey gauges the impact of rising prices on consumers' finances and housing choices. A panel of questions in the survey investigates the interaction of rent hikes and wage increases among renters.



#### **SURVEY**

A nationally representative online survey June 6-10, 2022.



#### **FOCUS POPULATION**

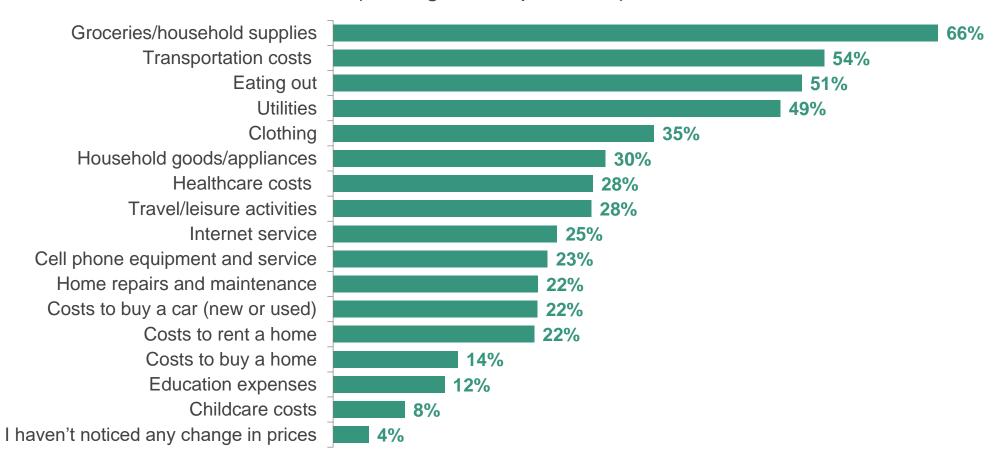
The poll was conducted among a national sample of 2,000 American consumers, aged 18 and older.

## Price hikes drive household spending choices



## In the past 12 months, where have price increases impacted your household spending?

(Among All Respondents)



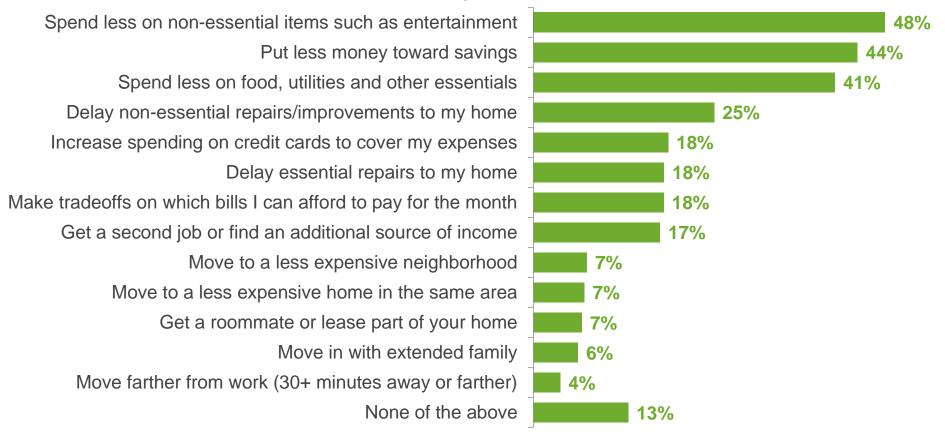
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## Consumers tighten budgets – nearly half cut non-essentials



### In the past 12 months, which of the following have you had to do because of rising prices?

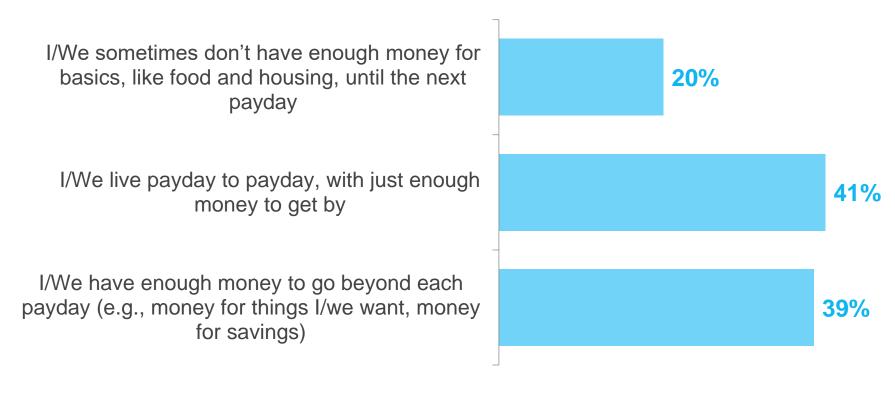
(Among All Respondents)



## 3 in 5 households sometimes don't have enough money for basics or live payday to payday



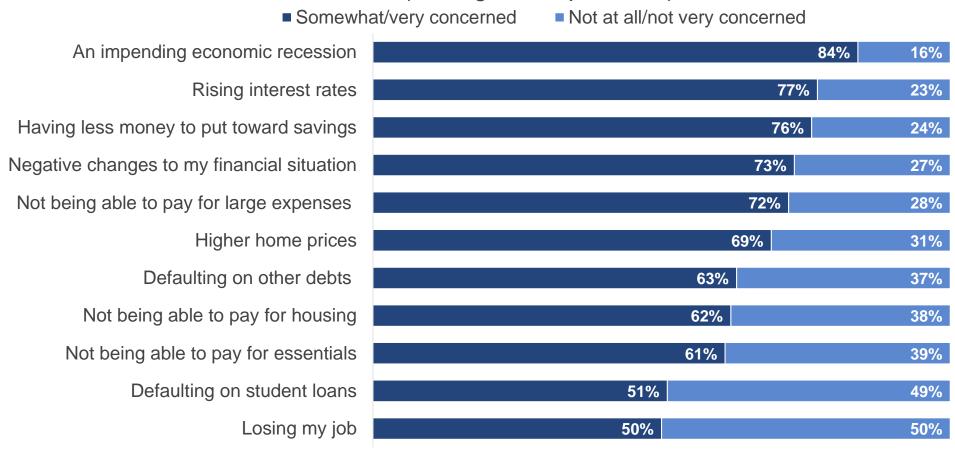
#### Which of the following statements best describes your household's general financial situation? (Among All Respondents)



## Over 3 in 5 households are somewhat or very concerned about their ability to pay for housing within the next 12 months



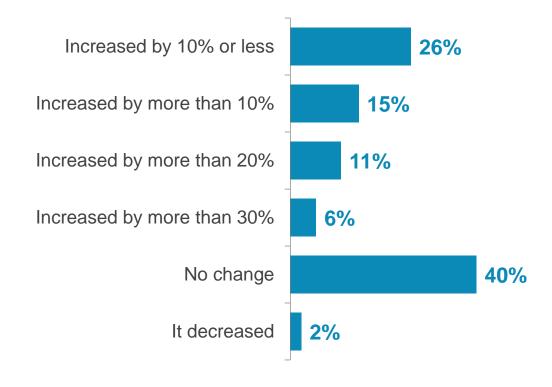
How concerned are you with each of the following impacting you personally within the next 12 months? (Among All Respondents)



## Nearly half of renters experienced a rent hike



## In the past 12 months, has your rent payment changed? (Among All Renters)



### Renters were less likely to get a raise than consumers overall

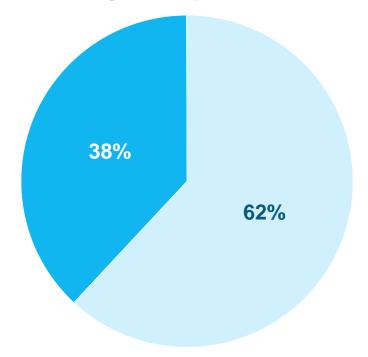


#### In the past 12 months, did you get a raise at work?

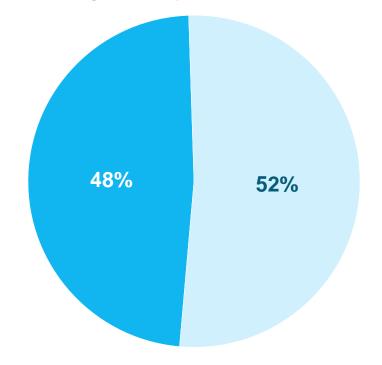
Yes, I got a raise

No, I didn't get a raise

#### (Among Employed Renters)



#### (Among Employed Respondents)



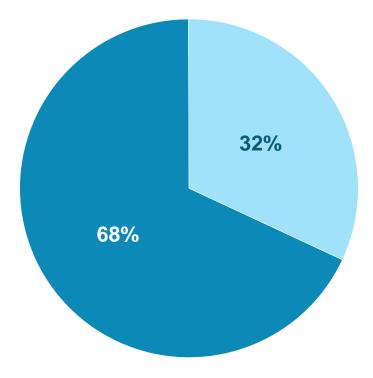
### Rents outpaced raises for a third of renters who received a raise



#### Has your raise at work been sufficient to cover your increased rent?

(Among Renters with a Wage Increase in the Past 12 Months)

■ Wage increase was sufficient My rent increased more

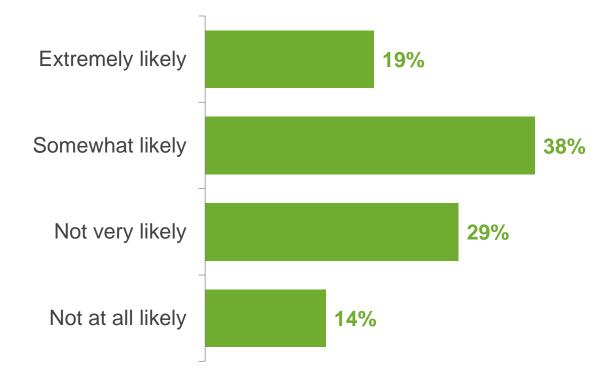


## Nearly 1 in 5 renters who experienced a rent increase say they are extremely likely to miss a rent payment



#### Has your rent increase made it more likely that you may miss a rent payment?

(Among Renters with a Rent Increase in the Past 12 Months)



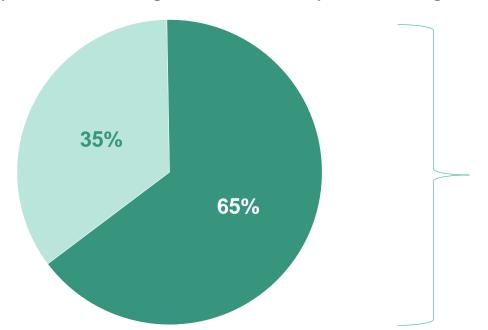
## More than half of renters who changed their housing plans in the past 12 months said they are now less likely to buy



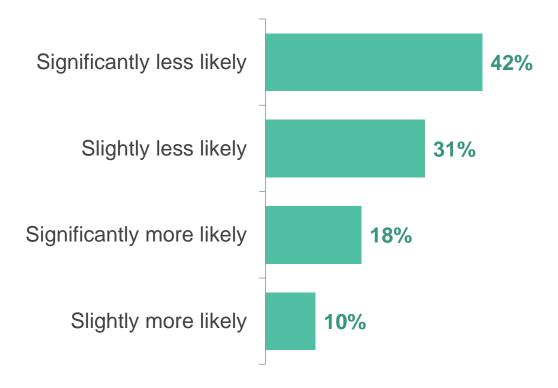
#### How have your plans to buy a home changed in the past year?

#### (Among All Renters)

■ Plans to buy have not changed ■ Plans to buy have changed



#### **Among Renters Who Changed Plans:**



## Among those less likely to buy, half of renters cite high home prices



#### Which of the following made you less likely to buy a home over the past year?

(Top 5 Reasons Among Renters Less Likely to Buy)

