

Kevin: you can fill out these Census forms they send around all the time and send them in, but I don't think it does any good. I don't know whether to even read them or not. But it's just something where they put that in their budget for money they spent this year so they get more the following year.

Moderator: Right.

Vince: Usually the governor's not elected by downstate too.

Kevin: Mm. That would help.

Moderator: Who do you blame in that?

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Annette: Ultimately, the voters. And to be very honest with you, in this governor election we just had, I don't think there was anything better than what we got. I mean, we don't like what we got, but I don't think the choices were there. We needed better choices.

Vince: The lesser of evils.

Darlene: Yeah.

Donna: That's true.

Darlene: He was.

Vince: But we didn't have, have a second choice.

Annette: We really needed – I mean, yeah, we, we really didn't. And, and that was a scary thing.

Vince: But what scares me thinking back, when **Renfay** was saying the budget's gonna be a six billion-dollar deficit, everybody treated him like you're the off the wall, from Mars.

Donna: And he was right.

Vince: Well, how smart was that guy, really?

Annette: I know. Well –

Vince: He was a clown, but.

Annette: He hit it pretty well.

Vince: Yeah. He knew – he knew finances, obviously.

Moderator: So, the state government was to blame? Beyond the voters who voted them in, the state government? No one else?

Annette: Well, I think the federal government plays into it, because some of our problems trickle down from there.

Moderator: Okay.