

**1,259,078 Safety or Protection?** The number of automated FBI background checks related to firearms purchases performed in February, Up 23.3% from February 2008. (*Source: National Shooting Sports Foundation*)

**\$1.88** - The average gift children now receive per tooth from the Tooth Fairy, down from 2.09 one year ago...A sign of the times? (*Source: Securian Life Insurance Company*)

**747.5** – The average Fico credit Score on mortgages bought by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac in the fourth quarter of 2008, up from 722.3 in 2005 (*Source: Bloomberg, Inside Mortgage Finance*)

**40%** - The percent of American who say they have pushed their retirement date back 10 years or indefinitely due to the economy, based on a February online survey of 1,223 adults. (*Source: ING Direct*)