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Price Movements

March 1996

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.5 percent before seasonal adjustment in March to a level of 155.7 (1982-84=100). For the 12-month period ended in March, the CPI-U increased 2.8 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) also rose 0.5 percent in March, prior to seasonal adjustment. The March 1996 CPI-W level of 152.9 was 2.8 percent higher than the index in March 1995.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.4 percent in March, following increases of 0.4 and 0.2 percent in the first 2 months of 1996. Each of the three groups—food, energy, and all items less food and energy—contributed to the larger advance in March. The food index, which had risen 0.1 percent in each of the 3 preceding months, increased 0.6 percent in March. A 6.0-percent rise in the index for fresh fruits and vegetables accounted for about 85 percent of the March increase. The energy index registered its fourth consecutive increase—up 1.4 percent in March—after declining throughout most of 1995. The index for petroleum-based energy increased 3.5 percent in March, more than offsetting a 0.6-percent decline in the index for energy services. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent after increasing 0.2 percent in March. Within this index, an upturn in prices for apparel and upkeep more than

offset the deceleration in the indexes for public transportation and entertainment. (See table A.)

During the first 3 months of 1996, The CPI-U rose at a 4.0-percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with a 2.5-percent increase for all of 1995. The food index has increased at a 3.2-percent SAAR and energy at a 15.8-percent SAAR thus far in 1996.

Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U increased at a 3.5-percent SAAR in the first 3 months of 1996. This compares with a 3.0-percent increase in all of 1995. The indexes for apparel and upkeep and public transportation increased at a faster pace during the first quarter of 1996 than during all of 1995 and were largely responsible for the acceleration in the overall index for all items less food and energy. The rates for selected groups during the last 8¹/₄ years are shown in table Q1.

The food and beverage index rose 0.5 percent in March. The index for grocery store foods, which registered no change in each of the preceding 2 months, increased 0.9 percent in March. The index for fresh fruits and vegetables advanced 6.0 percent; the index for fresh vegetables rose 10.0 percent and that for fresh fruits rose 2.6 percent. Among the other major grocery store foods, the indexes for cereal and bakery products and for other food at home each increased 0.5 percent, while the indexes for dairy products and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs each declined 0.2 percent. Within the

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Unadjusted	
	Changes from preceding month						Compound annual rate, 3 months ended March 1996	12 months ended March 1996	
	1995				1996				
	September	October	November	December	January	February			March
All Items	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.4	4.0	2.8
Food and beverages	.3	.3	.0	.1	.1	.1	.5	3.2	2.8
Housing	.1	.3	.2	.3	.3	.2	.3	3.2	2.9
Apparel and upkeep	-.2	.3	.0	.1	.7	-.9	.6	1.5	.3
Transportation	-.1	.1	-.4	.1	.7	.5	.7	8.0	2.3
Medical care	.4	.2	.3	.4	.4	.2	.3	3.2	3.8
Entertainment	.3	.3	.4	.4	.3	.8	.1	4.7	3.8
Other goods and services	.4	.4	.4	.2	.2	.4	.4	4.4	4.4
Special Indexes:									
Energy	-1.3	.3	-.9	1.1	1.9	.4	1.4	15.8	2.8
Food	.3	.3	.0	.1	.1	.1	.6	3.2	2.8
All items less food and energy	.2	.3	.1	.1	.3	.2	.3	3.5	2.8

Table Q1. Annual percent changes in the CPI for All Urban Consumer, 1988-96

Expenditure category	Percent change 12 months ended in December								SAAR 3-months ended in March 1996
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	
All Items	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	4.0
Food and beverages	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	3.2
Housing	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	3.2
Apparel and upkeep	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	.9	-1.6	.1	1.5
Transportation	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	8.0
Medical care	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.2
Entertainment	4.6	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	4.7
Other goods and services	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	4.4
Special Indexes:									
Energy	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	15.8
Food	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	3.2
All items less food and energy	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	3.5

latter group, price declines for beef and for poultry offset price increases for pork, for fish and seafood, and for eggs. The drop in the beef and veal index—down 1.0 percent in March—was its fourth consecutive decline and the largest monthly fall since a 1.1-percent decrease in January 1992. The other two components of the food and beverage index—restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages—increased 0.1 and 0.3 percent, respectively, in March.

The housing component rose 0.3 percent in March, following an increase of 0.2 percent in February. Shelter costs increased 0.2 percent for the second consecutive month. Within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.3 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.2 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.4 percent. The index for fuel and utilities, which rose 0.6 percent in February, increased 0.2 percent in March. The index for household fuels fell 0.3 percent, as a result of a 2.7-percent decrease in the index for natural gas. Partially offsetting this decline, the index for electricity increased 0.3 percent and the index for fuel oil rose 3.0 percent. The index for other utilities and public services rose 1.0 percent, reflecting increases in the index for telephone services and water and sewerage treatment—up 0.6 and 2.6 percent, respectively. The index for household furnishings and operation rose 0.2 percent in March, following a 0.2-percent decline in February.

The transportation index advanced 0.7 percent in March, following an increase of 0.5 percent in February. The index for motor fuels, which fell 0.2 percent in February after increasing 3.8 percent in January, turned back up in March, advancing 3.6 percent and accounting for 90 percent of the overall transportation increase. Despite the sharp increase thus far in 1996, March gasoline prices remain 11.3 percent lower than their peak level of December 1990. Automobile purchase costs continued their pattern of very little movement evident since the introduction of the 1996 models. The index for new car prices increased 0.1 percent in March and

the index for automobile finance charges also rose 0.1 percent, its first increase in 6 months. The index for used cars rose 0.8 percent in March. The index for public transportation increased 0.2 percent. A decline in airline fares—down 1.9 percent in March after increasing 5.9 percent in February—was more than offset by a 1.0-percent increase in other intercity transportation costs and a 4.0-percent rise in intracity transportation costs.

The index for apparel and upkeep, which declined 0.9 percent in February, increased 0.6 percent in March. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, clothing prices rose 3.0 percent, reflecting seasonal price increases associated with the continued introduction of the 1996 spring-summer wear.)

Medical care costs rose 0.3 percent in March to a level 3.8 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities—prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies—increased 0.2 percent in March. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent in March. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.2 and 0.6 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs rose 0.1 percent in March, following a 0.8-percent rise in February. The indexes for toys, hobbies, and music equipment and for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events, which increased 2.3 and 1.4 percent, respectively, in February, rose 0.1 and declined 0.1 percent, respectively, in March.

The index for other goods and services advanced 0.4 percent in March, the same as in February. In March, the indexes for tobacco and smoking products and for legal service fees rose 0.7 and 0.8 percent, respectively, accounting for about one half of the overall increase in this major group.

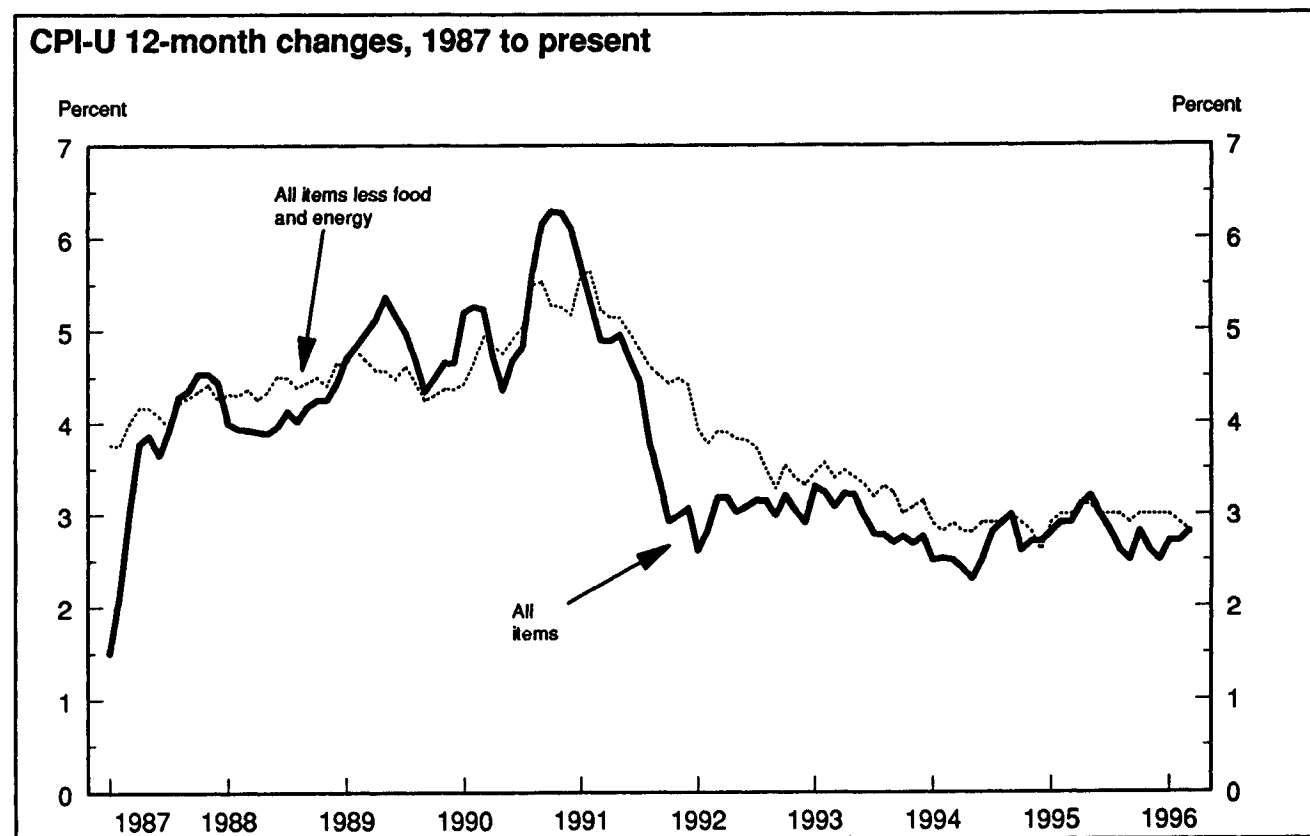
CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers rose 0.5 percent in March.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Unadjusted	
	Changes from preceding month							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended March 1996	12 months ended March 1996
	1995				1996				
	September	October	November	December	January	February	March		
All Items	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.5	4.3	2.8
Food and beverages	.4	.3	.1	.1	.1	.1	.5	3.2	2.9
Housing	.1	.3	.1	.3	.3	.1	.3	3.3	2.9
Apparel and upkeep	0	.3	-.2	.2	.7	-.7	.6	2.5	.5
Transportation	-.1	.1	-.3	.4	-.9	.3	.9	8.3	2.4
Medical care	.4	.2	.3	.4	.4	.2	.2	3.1	3.8
Entertainment	.3	.1	.4	.3	.4	.8	0	4.8	3.7
Other goods and services	.5	.4	.4	.1	.2	.4	.3	3.7	4.2
Special Indexes:									
Energy	-1.2	.2	-.8	1.0	2.1	.2	1.8	17.7	3.2
Food	.4	.3	.0	.2	.1	.1	.6	3.2	2.9
All items less food and energy	.3	.3	.2	.2	.3	.2	.3	3.3	2.8

CPI-U 12-month changes, 1987 to present



Extending the Improvements in CPI Sample Rotation Procedures and Improving the Procedures for Substitute Items

Effective with the Consumer Price Index for June 1996, the Bureau of Labor Statistics will extend to all categories of items in the CPI the change in sample rotation procedures introduced in the January 1995 CPI for food-at-home categories. In addition, effective with the CPI for July 1996, BLS will change the way it determines the weight of replacement items that enter the sample during certain types of item substitutions. These changes will complete the process of correcting a technical problem that ties an item's weight to its expected price change. BLS researchers identified this problem, and determined that it can lead to an overstatement of inflation whenever new items are introduced into the CPI sample. The Senate Finance Committee's Advisory Commission To Study the CPI has referred to this problem as "formula bias."

Sample rotation improvements

The CPI samples items in proportion to consumer expenditures for them. However, as a fixed quantity weight index, the CPI assigns weights to items by their quantities. BLS estimates the base-period quantity of a sample item by dividing its base-period expenditure by an estimate of its price during the same period. BLS estimates the item's base-period price by projecting a recent price for the item back to the base period.

The CPI replaces its samples of items and retail outlets on a 5-year rotation to keep them from becoming out of date. As part of the sample rotation process, there is an initiation period during which BLS staff members find the new outlets and select the items in them. In the overlap period, which follows the initiation period, BLS prices both the new and old samples but uses only the old sample in the CPI.¹ The old practice was to estimate the base period prices of the items in the new sample using their overlap-period prices. Then BLS would also use the overlap-period prices to calculate their subsequent price changes. This double use of the overlap-period prices can set up a correlation between quantity weight and price change. Relatively high weights

were assigned to items with prices that were temporarily low and therefore more likely to rise in subsequent periods. Conversely, items with temporarily high prices received relatively low weights.

Many categories of food items exhibit short-term price fluctuations that make it especially likely that they will suffer from this problem. Effective with the index for January 1995, in a process called "seasoning," BLS lengthened the overlap period by 3 months for food-at-home items. The seasoning period is a time to obtain the data needed to properly assign a weight to each new sample observation before its use in the index. Seasoning breaks the link between the weights for food-at-home items and the prices eventually used in price index calculation. The October 1994 *CPI Detailed Report* article explained this change in the treatment of new samples of food-at-home categories.²

Starting with the index for June 1996, this treatment will be extended to all other nonshelter categories in the CPI. (Residential rent and owners' equivalent rent are not subject to "formula bias" and their treatment will not be changed.) Prices used in CPI price change calculations will no longer be used to determine item weights. Item weights for city outlet samples introduced into the index during 1996 will be based on prices collected during the samples' initiation periods. Subsequent city samples will be handled by an extension of the "seasoning" procedure from food-at-home categories to the remainder of the CPI. The overlap period for pricing of both old and new samples will be lengthened by a minimum of 3 months. Special seasoning or other procedures will be used in several minor sample rotation situations during 1996 and early 1997.

Item substitution procedure

When an outlet stops selling a CPI sample item, or other circumstances make it necessary or desirable for the CPI to replace an item it has been following, the CPI field agent finds a replacement item. The object of the substitution process is to find the item in the outlet that is most similar to

¹ See "Improving CPI Sample Rotation Procedures" in the October 1994 *CPI Detailed Report*. This article provides a mathematical description of how this procedure can lead to "formula bias."

² See "Improving CPI Sample Rotation Procedures" in the October 1994 *CPI Detailed Report*. This article explains this change in the treatment of new samples of food-at-home categories.

the one the CPI had been following. About 3.5 percent of all pricings result in substitutions. Whenever there is a substitution, a CPI analyst determines if the new item is comparable to (not significantly different from) the item it replaces. If the item is judged comparable, there is no break in the series or change in the item's weight. About 55 percent of substitutions are comparable. If the substitute is not comparable to the previous item, the analyst may be able to determine the value of the difference and make a quality adjustment to keep the series continuous. The weight will change according to the value of the quality adjustment, but, because the quality adjustment does not depend on the price of the new item, this will not cause "formula bias."

CPI analysts adjust for quality about 15 percent of the substitutions. However, about 30 percent of the substitutes are neither comparable nor adjustable. In this case, CPI starts the item's series anew and recalculates its base-period price using the price of the substitute item. As in the sample rotation case, this creates a situation in which the item's weight is not independent of its probability of price change.

Effective with the CPI for July 1996, the CPI will not—except in rare and extreme cases—recalculate the base-period price, and hence the implicit quantity weight, of a noncomparable substitute item. Instead, the CPI will use the originally calculated weight for the item throughout the life of that item series. This will prevent "formula bias" from entering the index through item substitution.

Research on alternative methods

Because the "formula bias" problem was first identified by BLS researchers, a number of theoretical and empirical research projects have been conducted to clearly define the problem and evaluate a number of proposed solutions. The evaluation included simulations of sample rotations using historical data, as well as mathematical derivations. The re-

search indicated that the method of seasoning, as described above, should effectively eliminate any upward bias associated with estimation of base prices following sample replacement.

Results of simulations

BLS analyzed simulations based on 2 years of historical CPI data to assess the effect of the improvements to the sample rotation and item substitution procedures. The results of the simulations suggest that the combined effect of the two changes will be to reduce the measured rate of price change of the all-items CPI index by about 0.10 percent per year. The methods used in the simulations are similar to those that were described in detail in BLS Working Paper No. 263, "Improvements to the Food at Home, Shelter, and Prescription Drug Indexes in the U.S. Consumer Price Index."

This estimated effect of 0.10 percent per year is in addition to the effects of the January 1995 change in rotation procedures for food at home. In combination with simultaneous improvements in the CPI shelter indexes, the 1995 food-at-home changes were estimated at that time to reduce the rate of growth in the all-items index by approximately 0.11 percent per year.

Because the exact magnitude of "formula bias" will vary from year to year, the effect of eliminating it from the index is impossible to calculate precisely in advance. Estimated percentage effects on the CPI must be based on historical simulations. As resources permit in the future, BLS will continue to prepare retrospective simulations of the effects of these and other methodological improvements.

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1995	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	154.9	155.7	2.8	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.4
All items (1967=100)	-	464.2	466.5	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.332	151.3	152.1	2.8	.5	.1	.1	.5
Food	15.766	150.8	151.6	2.8	.5	.1	.1	.6
Food at home	9.880	151.4	152.5	3.3	.7	.0	.0	.9
Cereals and bakery products	1.473	172.1	172.0	4.1	-.1	.9	-.1	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.936	142.4	142.6	3.0	.1	.1	.0	-.2
Dairy products	1.169	137.2	136.7	3.4	-.4	.2	1.0	-.2
Fruits and vegetables	1.936	177.7	183.7	5.6	3.4	-1.0	-.1	4.0
Other food at home	2.365	141.9	142.4	1.2	.4	.1	-.2	.5
Sugar and sweets	.327	141.6	142.3	4.3	.5	1.4	.1	.4
Fats and oils	.248	139.7	140.1	2.4	.3	.3	-.2	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages	.763	129.9	129.7	-2.4	-.2	-.8	-.7	.3
Other prepared food	1.027	153.4	154.6	2.7	.8	.3	.0	.7
Food away from home	5.886	150.9	151.2	2.1	.2	.1	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.566	156.7	157.4	2.8	.4	.4	.5	.3
Housing	41.346	151.2	151.7	2.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Shelter	28.289	169.4	170.1	3.4	.4	.4	.2	.2
Renters' costs ¹	7.988	178.8	180.4	3.3	.9	.7	.2	.3
Rent, residential	5.762	160.4	160.6	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Other renters' costs	2.227	214.1	219.7	5.3	2.6	1.6	.2	.9
Homeowners' costs ¹	20.102	174.6	175.0	3.4	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	19.716	175.0	175.3	3.4	.2	.3	.2	.2
Household insurance ¹	.386	158.6	159.1	1.3	.3	-.3	.4	.3
Maintenance and repairs ²	.199	137.0	137.5	2.5	.4	-.2	.5	.4
Maintenance and repair services ²	.122	143.0	143.8	3.6	.6	.0	.6	.6
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	.077	128.8	129.0	.6	.2	-.4	.2	.2
Fuel and other utilities	7.014	125.0	125.2	2.4	.2	.5	.6	.2
Fuels	3.792	112.5	111.9	1.9	-.5	.6	.7	-.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	.356	97.7	99.3	11.6	1.6	7.5	.2	2.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.436	119.1	118.2	.9	-.8	-.2	.8	-.6
Other utilities and public services ²	3.222	154.9	156.4	3.0	1.0	.3	.3	1.0
Household furnishings and operation	6.043	124.3	124.6	1.6	.2	.2	-.2	.2
Housefurnishings	3.445	111.4	111.7	.4	.3	.3	-.4	.0
Housekeeping supplies	1.116	140.4	140.9	3.8	.4	.4	-.2	.9
Housekeeping services	1.482	146.3	146.6	2.6	.2	.0	.2	.2
Apparel and upkeep	5.516	131.2	134.8	.3	2.7	.7	-.9	.6
Apparel commodities	4.967	127.8	131.6	.2	3.0	.7	-1.0	.6
Men's and boys' apparel	1.303	126.4	129.1	1.5	2.1	1.1	.2	.8
Women's and girls' apparel	2.195	124.6	129.9	-1.2	4.3	1.3	-2.5	.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	.195	134.4	133.3	4.9	-.8	2.2	2.2	-.8
Footwear	.732	125.8	128.1	1.7	1.8	-.6	1.4	.8
Other apparel commodities	.542	149.7	154.7	-.2	3.3	-.6	-2.1	2.1
Apparel services ²	.550	158.5	158.9	.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Transportation	16.953	140.4	141.2	2.3	.6	.7	.5	.7
Private transportation	15.430	137.5	138.3	2.3	.6	.8	.2	.8
New vehicles	5.027	143.5	143.6	2.1	.1	.1	.3	.1
New cars	4.015	141.3	141.5	1.8	.1	.1	.3	.1
Used cars	1.342	157.5	157.3	1.6	-.1	.8	.7	.8
Motor fuel	2.908	98.2	101.4	4.0	3.3	3.8	-.2	3.6
Gasoline	-	97.8	101.1	4.0	3.4	3.7	-.3	3.7
Maintenance and repairs	1.535	156.6	156.9	2.8	.2	.4	.1	.2
Other private transportation	4.618	173.2	172.5	1.4	-.4	-.1	.4	-.3
Other private transportation commodities	.608	105.4	105.3	.7	-.1	.0	.1	.1
Other private transportation services	4.010	189.2	188.3	1.5	-.5	-.1	.5	-.4
Public transportation	1.523	177.4	178.9	2.5	.8	-.5	3.3	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1995	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Medical care	7.362	226.2	226.6	3.8	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3
Medical care commodities	1.282	208.5	208.9	2.6	.2	.5	.2	.2
Medical care services	6.081	230.3	230.7	4.0	.2	.4	.2	.3
Professional medical services	3.465	206.1	206.5	3.7	.2	.3	.2	.2
Entertainment	4.367	158.3	158.4	3.8	.1	.3	.8	.1
Entertainment commodities	1.975	142.5	142.7	3.9	.1	.3	.8	.1
Entertainment services	2.392	177.0	177.0	3.7	.0	.2	.7	.0
Other goods and services	7.123	212.6	213.0	4.4	.2	.2	.4	.4
Tobacco and smoking products	1.610	229.8	230.8	3.7	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Personal care ²	1.170	149.3	149.4	2.3	.1	.1	.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ²	.613	144.1	144.0	1.3	-.1	-.3	.3	-.1
Personal care services ²	.557	155.2	155.3	3.4	.1	.5	.1	.1
Personal and educational expenses	4.342	243.7	244.1	5.2	.2	.5	.5	.5
School books and supplies	.258	224.7	225.2	5.9	.2	1.0	.4	.6
Personal and educational services	4.084	245.4	245.7	5.2	.1	.4	.5	.4
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	154.9	155.7	2.8	.5	.4	.2	.4
Commodities	42.916	138.0	139.2	2.4	.9	.5	.0	.7
Food and beverages	17.332	151.3	152.1	2.8	.5	.1	.1	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	25.584	129.9	131.3	2.1	1.1	.8	-.1	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.075	130.3	132.6	2.6	1.8	1.4	-.1	1.1
Apparel commodities	4.967	127.8	131.6	.2	3.0	.7	-1.0	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel ²	10.108	134.6	136.2	3.9	1.2	1.7	.4	1.6
Durables	10.509	129.4	129.5	1.4	.1	.2	.2	.2
Services	57.084	172.2	172.6	3.2	.2	.3	.4	.2
Rent of shelter ¹	27.671	176.3	177.0	3.4	.4	.3	.2	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	8.681	139.5	139.6	2.0	.1	-.1	.4	.2
Transportation services	7.068	178.5	178.5	2.0	.0	-.1	1.0	-.1
Medical care services	6.081	230.3	230.7	4.0	.2	.4	.2	.3
Other services	7.583	199.0	199.2	4.2	.1	.4	.6	.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.234	155.7	156.5	2.9	.5	.5	.3	.4
All items less shelter	71.711	150.8	151.6	2.6	.5	.4	.2	.5
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	79.898	155.9	156.9	2.8	.6	.5	.2	.4
All items less medical care	92.638	150.9	151.7	2.8	.5	.4	.2	.4
Commodities less food	27.150	131.0	132.4	2.2	1.1	.8	-.1	.8
Nondurables less food	16.641	131.8	134.0	2.7	1.7	1.2	-.1	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.674	135.9	137.3	3.7	1.0	1.3	.1	1.3
Nondurables	32.407	141.0	142.5	2.7	1.1	.8	.1	.8
Services less rent of shelter ¹	29.414	180.2	180.4	3.0	.1	.2	.6	.1
Services less medical care services	51.004	166.8	167.2	3.1	.2	.2	.4	.2
Energy	6.700	104.9	106.1	2.8	1.1	1.9	.4	1.4
All items less energy	93.300	161.6	162.3	2.9	.4	.3	.2	.3
All items less food and energy	77.534	164.2	164.9	2.8	.4	.3	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.885	140.8	141.9	1.8	.8	.4	-.1	.4
Energy commodities	3.264	98.3	101.4	4.9	3.2	4.2	-.2	3.5
Services less energy services	53.648	177.6	178.1	3.3	.3	.3	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ²	-	\$.645	\$.642	-2.7	-.5	-.5	-.5	-.5
1987=\$1.00 ²	-	.215	.214	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.5	1.6	2.4	4.0	2.5	3.2
Food and beverages	150.5	150.7	150.9	151.7	3.6	2.7	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.6
Food	150.2	150.3	150.5	151.4	3.6	2.7	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.6
Food at home	150.5	150.5	150.5	151.9	4.4	3.3	1.9	3.8	3.8	2.8
Cereals and bakery products	170.2	171.8	171.7	172.5	3.2	3.1	4.3	5.5	3.2	4.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.0	142.1	142.1	141.8	-3	6.6	6.7	-6	3.1	3.0
Dairy products	135.1	135.4	136.8	136.5	1.2	1.5	7.1	4.2	1.4	5.6
Fruits and vegetables	176.8	175.1	174.9	181.9	19.1	2.0	-8.8	12.0	10.2	1.1
Other food at home	141.4	141.5	141.2	141.9	1.1	1.7	.6	1.4	1.4	1.0
Sugar and sweets	139.5	141.4	141.5	142.1	3.6	3.2	2.9	7.7	3.4	5.3
Fats and oils	138.9	139.3	139.0	139.7	.0	4.2	3.2	2.3	2.1	2.8
Nonalcoholic beverages	130.5	129.5	128.6	129.0	-1.8	1.2	-4.5	-4.5	-3	-4.5
Other prepared food	152.7	153.1	153.1	154.2	3.0	1.3	2.7	4.0	2.1	3.3
Food away from home	150.4	150.6	151.1	151.2	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Alcoholic beverages	155.3	155.9	156.7	157.1	2.6	2.4	1.6	4.7	2.5	3.1
Housing	150.3	150.8	151.1	151.5	2.7	2.7	3.3	3.2	2.7	3.2
Shelter	167.9	168.6	168.9	169.3	3.7	2.9	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4
Renters' costs ¹	175.5	176.7	177.1	177.7	3.3	3.0	1.8	5.1	3.2	3.5
Rent, residential	159.6	160.0	160.4	160.6	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.7
Other renters' costs	206.9	210.3	210.7	212.5	5.5	5.0	.0	11.3	5.2	5.5
Homeowners' costs ¹	173.9	174.3	174.6	175.0	3.8	3.3	4.0	2.6	3.6	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	174.2	174.7	175.0	175.3	3.8	3.3	4.0	2.5	3.6	3.3
Household insurance ¹	158.5	158.1	158.8	159.3	1.8	-2.8	4.4	2.0	-5	3.2
Maintenance and repairs ²	136.6	136.3	137.0	137.5	2.4	1.2	3.6	2.7	1.8	3.1
Maintenance and repair services ²	142.1	142.1	143.0	143.8	1.7	2.6	5.2	4.9	2.2	5.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	129.1	128.6	128.8	129.0	2.5	-3	.6	-3	1.1	.2
Fuel and other utilities	124.4	125.0	125.7	126.0	1.3	-3	3.3	5.2	.5	4.3
Fuels	111.3	112.0	112.8	112.5	.4	-1.4	4.4	4.4	-5	4.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	88.8	95.5	95.7	97.8	3.7	-5	1.8	47.1	1.6	22.4
Gas (pipel) and electricity (energy services)	119.1	118.9	119.9	119.2	.0	-1.3	4.8	.3	-7	2.6
Other utilities and public services ²	153.9	154.4	154.9	156.4	2.1	1.3	1.8	6.7	1.7	4.2
Household furnishings and operation	124.1	124.4	124.1	124.4	.0	4.0	1.6	1.0	2.0	1.3
Housefurnishings	111.6	111.9	111.4	111.4	-7	3.3	.0	-7	1.3	-4
Housekeeping supplies	140.0	140.5	140.2	141.4	.0	6.9	4.7	4.1	3.4	4.4
Housekeeping services	145.7	145.7	146.0	146.3	1.7	3.7	3.4	1.7	2.7	2.5
Apparel and upkeep	132.2	133.1	131.9	132.7	-2.7	.9	1.5	1.5	-9	1.5
Apparel commodities	128.8	129.7	128.4	129.2	-2.8	.9	1.6	1.2	-9	1.4
Men's and boys' apparel	125.9	127.3	127.6	128.6	-1.6	-6	-3	8.9	-1.1	4.2
Women's and girls' apparel	126.9	128.5	125.3	125.6	-3.1	-2.2	4.9	-4.0	-2.7	.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	128.7	131.5	134.4	133.3	-16.2	35.5	-7.4	15.1	6.6	3.2
Footwear	125.4	124.6	126.4	127.4	-1.9	4.9	-2.5	6.5	1.4	1.9
Other apparel commodities	154.0	153.0	149.8	153.0	.5	1.0	.3	-2.6	.8	-1.2
Apparel services ²	157.7	158.2	158.5	158.9	-1.8	1.3	.8	3.1	-3	1.9
Transportation	139.0	140.0	140.7	141.7	6.8	-3.9	-1.1	8.0	1.3	3.3
Private transportation	136.7	137.8	138.1	139.2	4.2	-2.9	.6	7.5	.6	4.0
New vehicles	142.0	142.1	142.5	142.7	3.5	1.7	.8	2.0	2.6	1.4
New cars	139.8	140.0	140.4	140.6	2.9	1.2	.6	2.3	2.0	1.4
Used cars	157.4	158.7	159.8	161.1	-4.0	-3.0	4.2	9.7	-3.5	6.9
Motor fuel	97.5	101.2	101.0	104.6	12.9	-20.6	-1.6	32.5	-5.3	14.2
Gasoline	97.3	100.9	100.6	104.3	16.5	-23.3	-1.2	32.0	-5.5	14.2
Maintenance and repairs	155.8	156.5	156.6	156.9	2.6	3.2	2.3	2.9	2.9	2.6
Other private transportation	171.7	171.6	172.3	171.7	2.4	2.8	.2	.0	2.6	.1
Other private transportation commodities	105.0	105.0	105.1	105.2	1.5	.8	-4	.8	1.2	.2
Other private transportation services	187.6	187.4	188.3	187.6	2.6	3.0	.4	.0	2.8	.2
Public transportation	170.5	169.6	175.2	175.6	35.5	-13.0	-16.6	12.5	8.6	-3.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category										
Medical care	224.6	225.4	225.8	226.4	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.2	4.1	3.4
Medical care commodities	206.7	207.7	208.1	208.5	1.4	2.2	3.2	3.5	1.8	3.3
Medical care services	228.5	229.3	229.7	230.3	4.4	4.7	3.8	3.2	4.6	3.5
Professional medical services	204.6	205.2	205.6	206.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.5
Entertainment	156.5	156.9	158.1	158.3	2.9	3.7	4.2	4.7	3.3	4.4
Entertainment commodities	140.9	141.3	142.5	142.7	2.6	3.2	4.7	5.2	2.9	4.9
Entertainment services	174.9	175.3	176.6	176.6	2.8	4.3	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.8
Other goods and services	211.7	212.2	213.1	214.0	4.2	4.9	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.2
Tobacco and smoking products	229.0	228.4	229.4	231.1	5.5	5.2	.7	3.7	5.4	2.2
Personal care ²	148.9	149.1	149.3	149.4	1.9	2.2	3.9	1.3	2.1	2.6
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ²	144.1	143.7	144.1	144.0	1.7	.6	3.1	-.3	1.1	1.4
Personal care services ²	154.3	155.0	155.2	155.3	2.1	3.8	5.1	2.6	3.0	3.8
Personal and educational expenses	241.4	242.5	243.7	244.8	4.4	5.6	5.5	5.8	5.0	5.6
School books and supplies	219.8	222.1	222.9	224.3	3.6	4.8	7.0	8.4	4.2	7.7
Personal and educational services	242.9	243.9	245.1	246.2	4.3	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.0	5.4
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.5	1.6	2.4	4.0	2.5	3.2
Commodities	137.4	138.1	138.1	139.1	2.4	.6	1.8	5.0	1.5	3.4
Food and beverages	150.5	150.7	150.9	151.7	3.6	2.7	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages	129.4	130.4	130.3	131.3	1.9	-.9	1.6	6.0	.5	3.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.8	131.6	131.5	132.9	2.2	-3.0	2.2	9.9	-.5	6.0
Apparel commodities	128.8	129.7	128.4	129.2	-2.8	.9	1.6	1.2	-.9	1.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel ²	133.1	135.3	135.8	138.0	4.6	-5.5	2.1	15.6	-.6	8.6
Durables	128.7	129.0	129.2	129.5	.9	1.3	.9	2.5	1.1	1.7
Services	170.9	171.4	172.1	172.4	4.1	2.6	2.6	3.6	3.4	3.1
Rent of shelter ¹	175.0	175.6	176.0	176.5	4.0	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.4
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	139.5	139.4	140.0	140.3	1.5	.6	3.5	2.3	1.0	2.9
Transportation services	175.9	175.7	177.5	177.3	9.3	-.9	-3.1	3.2	4.1	.0
Medical care services	228.5	229.3	229.7	230.3	4.4	4.7	3.8	3.2	4.6	3.5
Other services	197.6	198.3	199.4	199.9	3.2	4.8	4.4	4.7	4.0	4.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	154.6	155.3	155.7	156.3	3.5	1.6	2.1	4.5	2.5	3.3
All items less shelter	149.9	150.5	150.8	151.5	3.3	1.4	1.6	4.3	2.3	3.0
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	154.9	155.6	155.9	156.6	3.2	1.3	1.8	4.5	2.2	3.1
All items less medical care	149.9	150.5	150.8	151.4	3.3	1.6	2.2	4.1	2.5	3.1
Commodities less food	130.5	131.6	131.5	132.5	1.9	-.6	1.2	6.3	.6	3.7
Nondurables less food	131.4	133.0	132.9	134.2	2.5	-2.4	2.5	8.8	.0	5.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	134.8	136.6	136.8	138.6	4.9	-4.1	3.0	11.8	.3	7.3
Nondurables	140.2	141.3	141.4	142.5	2.9	.0	1.7	6.7	1.4	4.2
Services less rent of shelter ¹	178.8	179.2	180.2	180.4	3.9	2.5	2.0	3.6	3.2	2.8
Services less medical care services	165.5	165.9	166.6	167.0	3.5	2.7	2.5	3.7	3.1	3.1
Energy	104.1	106.1	106.5	108.0	5.8	-10.5	1.9	15.8	-2.6	8.7
All items less energy	160.7	161.2	161.5	162.0	3.3	2.5	2.3	3.3	2.9	2.8
All items less food and energy	163.3	163.8	164.2	164.7	3.0	2.8	2.2	3.5	2.9	2.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	140.4	140.9	140.8	141.3	.9	2.0	1.7	2.6	1.4	2.2
Energy commodities	96.6	100.7	100.5	104.0	12.2	-18.9	-1.2	34.3	-4.6	15.2
Services less energy services	176.2	176.7	177.3	177.7	4.3	3.0	2.5	3.4	3.6	3.0

¹ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	151.3	152.1	2.8	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5
Food	150.8	151.6	2.8	.5	.1	.1	.6
Food at home	151.4	152.5	3.3	.7	.0	.0	.9
Cereals and bakery products	172.1	172.0	4.1	-.1	.9	-.1	.5
Cereals and cereal products	169.7	170.8	3.0	.6	.0	-.1	.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	146.3	147.4	6.2	.8	1.1	-.5	1.2
Cereal ¹	194.3	195.4	2.6	.6	.1	.0	.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	142.4	143.4	1.8	.7	-.8	-.4	.6
Bakery products ¹	172.9	172.2	4.6	-.4	1.4	.5	-.4
White bread ¹	172.9	172.2	5.6	-.4	1.5	.6	-.4
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	173.4	173.6	5.7	.1	1.3	.5	.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	171.8	171.8	2.9	.0	-.1	.2	.0
Other bakery products	173.7	171.9	4.2	-1.0	2.8	-1.1	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.4	142.6	3.0	.1	.1	.0	-.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	142.3	142.3	1.7	.0	.0	.0	-.3
Meats	137.5	137.6	1.5	.1	-.1	.0	-.4
Beef and veal	134.8	134.4	-1.8	-.3	-.2	-.2	-1.0
Ground beef other than canned	115.2	114.3	-3.9	-.8	-1.6	.4	-1.2
Chuck roast	139.6	138.0	-4.2	-1.1	1.1	-3.1	-1.9
Round roast	128.0	125.5	-3.1	-2.0	1.5	-.7	-2.5
Round steak	130.5	128.9	-4.1	-1.2	-.2	.7	-2.3
Sirloin steak	135.6	138.7	-.8	2.3	.4	-.2	1.2
Other beef and veal ¹	156.7	157.2	1.3	.3	.6	-.5	.3
Pork	140.0	140.7	5.9	.5	-.6	.6	.3
Bacon ¹	130.9	131.6	14.2	.5	-1.1	1.6	.5
Chops	147.7	149.2	5.4	1.0	2.0	-1.5	1.0
Ham	143.4	144.9	3.1	1.0	-2.7	2.3	.0
Other pork, including sausage	137.2	136.7	4.3	-.4	-.7	.7	-.9
Other meats ¹	141.8	142.3	4.0	.4	.9	-.6	.4
Poultry ¹	149.4	148.0	3.3	-.9	1.2	.9	-.9
Fresh whole chicken ¹	146.6	146.4	3.3	-.1	1.0	.2	-.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	153.8	150.2	2.7	-2.3	1.0	1.4	-2.3
Other poultry	147.2	149.0	4.4	1.2	.5	.5	1.4
Fish and seafood	172.1	173.0	1.1	.5	-1.0	-.5	.4
Canned fish and seafood ¹	125.1	124.8	.3	-.2	.5	-.8	-.2
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	194.9	196.2	1.2	.7	-1.3	-.4	.4
Eggs	141.2	145.9	26.5	3.3	1.7	-1.1	1.6
Dairy products	137.2	136.7	3.4	-.4	.2	1.0	-.2
Fresh milk and cream	137.3	137.4	4.2	.1	1.0	.8	.4
Fresh whole milk	136.3	136.2	4.4	-.1	1.1	1.0	.2
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	138.5	138.8	4.0	.2	2.1	.2	.2
Processed dairy products	137.7	136.7	2.7	-.7	-.8	1.2	-.7
Cheese	141.1	139.9	2.1	-.9	-.6	1.4	-.7
Ice cream and related products	140.9	140.3	2.0	-.4	.1	.4	-.6
Other dairy products, including butter	121.1	120.3	5.6	-.7	-1.9	1.0	-.7
Fruits and vegetables	177.7	183.7	5.6	3.4	-1.0	-.1	4.0
Fresh fruits and vegetables	203.6	213.7	6.6	5.0	-1.8	-.6	6.0
Fresh fruits	218.8	221.5	7.0	1.2	-.8	-2.2	2.6
Apples	196.3	200.2	14.1	2.0	.6	-1.2	2.1
Bananas	162.6	175.6	10.4	8.0	-1.4	-1.0	4.1
Oranges, including tangerines	194.9	197.8	6.7	1.5	-7.4	2.5	2.6
Other fresh fruits	249.7	249.1	4.5	-.2	.6	-3.8	2.5
Fresh vegetables	188.4	206.0	6.3	9.3	-3.0	1.3	10.0
Potatoes	179.0	183.8	13.6	2.7	.2	.2	-.2
Lettuce ¹	165.6	208.8	17.2	26.1	17.1	-17.9	26.1
Tomatoes ¹	178.0	237.4	35.7	33.4	-26.6	-.1	33.4
Other fresh vegetables	200.8	206.2	-4.0	2.7	6.1	.8	2.3
Processed fruits and vegetables	141.2	140.9	3.2	-.2	.8	.9	-.1
Processed fruits	141.9	141.3	3.5	-.4	1.5	.6	-.6
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	141.5	140.5	2.9	-.7	2.0	.6	-1.1
Canned and dried fruits	141.0	141.8	5.4	.6	.4	.4	1.1
Processed vegetables	140.7	140.8	2.8	.1	-.4	1.2	.8
Frozen vegetables	142.5	142.6	1.7	.1	-1.1	1.0	.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	140.5	140.7	3.5	.1	-.3	1.6	1.0

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	141.9	142.4	1.2	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.5
Sugar and sweets	141.6	142.3	4.3	.5	1.4	.1	.4
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	130.6	131.6	4.8	.8	.8	-.5	1.1
Sweets, including candy ¹	146.1	146.6	4.2	.3	2.0	.3	.3
Fats and oils	139.7	140.1	2.4	.3	.3	-.2	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages	129.9	129.7	-2.4	-.2	-.8	-.7	.3
Carbonated drinks	120.9	120.4	-.1	-.4	.2	-1.6	.3
Coffee ¹	152.9	152.5	-8.2	-.3	-2.1	.1	-.3
Other noncarbonated drinks	136.3	137.1	2.5	.6	-.4	-.2	1.3
Other prepared food	153.4	154.6	2.7	.8	.3	.0	.7
Canned and packaged soup	176.6	178.7	3.1	1.2	-.7	.2	1.5
Frozen prepared food ¹	140.5	140.7	.5	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Snacks ¹	146.6	147.9	4.2	.9	.9	1.3	.9
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	159.3	160.9	4.1	1.0	.4	-.6	1.1
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	155.2	156.2	1.6	.6	.2	-.3	.3
Food away from home	150.9	151.2	2.1	.2	.1	.3	.1
Lunch	151.6	151.8	2.2	.1	.3	.1	.1
Dinner	149.1	149.3	2.1	.1	.2	.2	.1
Other meals and snacks ¹	153.7	154.0	2.4	.2	.1	.3	.2
Alcoholic beverages	156.7	157.4	2.8	.4	.4	.5	.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	145.5	146.3	2.2	.5	.4	.6	.3
Beer and ale	146.6	147.7	2.4	.8	.3	1.0	.4
Wine	137.2	137.7	3.2	.4	1.3	.1	.4
Distilled spirits ¹	146.2	146.7	1.2	.3	.5	.0	.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home	180.0	180.6	3.4	.3	.3	.3	.1
Housing	151.2	151.7	2.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Shelter	169.4	170.1	3.4	.4	.4	.2	.2
Renters' costs ²	178.8	180.4	3.3	.9	.7	.2	.3
Rent, residential	160.4	160.6	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Other renters' costs	214.1	219.7	5.3	2.6	1.6	.2	.9
Lodging while out of town	213.4	219.7	5.5	3.0	1.8	.2	.9
Lodging while at school ²	210.7	210.7	4.1	.0	.3	.4	.4
Tenants' insurance	152.4	152.9	1.7	.3	-.3	.7	.1
Homeowners' costs ²	174.6	175.0	3.4	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ²	175.0	175.3	3.4	.2	.3	.2	.2
Household insurance ²	158.6	159.1	1.3	.3	-.3	.4	.3
Maintenance and repairs ¹	137.0	137.5	2.5	.4	-.2	.5	.4
Maintenance and repair services ¹	143.0	143.8	3.6	.6	.0	.6	.6
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	128.8	129.0	.6	.2	-.4	.2	.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 3}	120.1	120.4	-.4	.2	-.7	.3	.2
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	125.4	125.4	1.4	.0	-.2	.0	.0
Fuel and other utilities	125.0	125.2	2.4	.2	.5	.6	.2
Fuels	112.5	111.9	1.9	-.5	.6	.7	-.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	97.7	99.3	11.6	1.6	7.5	.2	2.2
Fuel oil	95.2	97.0	13.3	1.9	8.8	-.5	3.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 3}	127.1	128.3	7.5	.9	5.4	1.0	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	119.1	118.2	.9	-.8	-.2	.8	-.6
Electricity	127.9	128.3	2.3	.3	-.4	.2	.3
Utility (piped) gas	105.8	102.4	-2.2	-3.2	.6	2.1	-2.7
Other utilities and public services ¹	154.9	156.4	3.0	1.0	.3	.3	1.0
Telephone services ¹	124.7	125.4	1.5	.6	.1	.0	.6
Local charges ¹	160.7	160.6	.3	-.1	-.1	.1	-.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	75.8	78.0	5.3	2.9	.0	.0	2.9
Intrastate toll calls ¹	87.2	87.5	2.3	.3	.5	.0	.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	200.7	205.7	5.6	2.5	.6	.1	2.6
Cable television ^{1 4}	206.8	207.6	4.2	.4	.6	1.3	.4
Refuse collection ⁴	243.9	244.3	2.2	.2	.0	.1	.3

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation	124.3	124.6	1.6	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Housefurnishings	111.4	111.7	.4	.3	.3	-.4	.0
Textile housefurnishings	122.5	122.1	-.6	-.3	.6	-1.0	-.1
Furniture and bedding ¹	132.7	132.7	1.8	.0	.3	-.7	.0
Bedroom furniture ¹	136.8	136.0	-.1	-.6	.4	-.4	-.6
Sofas ¹	137.2	139.1	6.5	1.4	-1.1	-1.3	1.4
Living room chairs and tables ¹	137.7	136.9	.8	-.6	.9	-1.0	-.6
Other furniture	123.2	123.4	1.7	.2	.0	.2	.1
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	78.7	78.9	-2.4	.3	-.5	.6	.3
Video and audio products ¹	72.1	72.4	-3.5	.4	-.7	.6	.4
Televisions ¹	66.0	66.0	-5.0	.0	-1.1	.5	.0
Video products other than televisions ^{1 5}	66.8	66.6	-7.4	-.3	-1.8	1.4	-.3
Audio products ¹	91.1	91.7	-1.2	.7	-.1	.6	.7
Major household appliances ^{1 3}	102.5	103.1	.4	.6	-.2	.4	.6
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	108.0	109.8	1.4	1.7	.0	-.8	1.7
Laundry equipment ¹	110.8	111.3	1.3	.5	-.5	1.5	.5
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 3}	95.1	94.8	-1.3	-.3	-.1	.7	-.3
Information processing equipment ^{1 6}	61.0	60.4	-5.9	-1.0	-.5	.5	-1.0
Other housefurnishings ^{1 3}	115.7	116.3	1.3	.5	.5	.2	.5
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	139.8	139.9	2.6	.1	1.2	-.5	.1
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	121.6	121.2	2.5	-.3	1.5	-1.9	-.3
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	122.8	124.2	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.8	1.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	107.5	107.5	1.3	.0	-.1	-.2	.0
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 3}	89.6	89.2	-1.5	-.4	1.0	.4	-.4
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 6}	115.9	118.8	.8	2.5	-1.7	2.0	2.5
Housekeeping supplies	140.4	140.9	3.8	.4	.4	-.2	.9
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	142.0	141.9	.6	-.1	.8	-.4	-.1
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	145.4	145.1	9.1	-.2	.5	.3	-.2
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	133.2	135.4	2.2	1.7	-.2	.2	1.7
Housekeeping services	146.3	146.6	2.6	.2	.0	.2	.2
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	154.4	154.5	4.1	.1	.1	.5	.1
Gardening and other household services ^{1 3}	133.5	133.8	2.4	.2	.7	.8	.2
Apparel and upkeep	131.2	134.8	.3	2.7	.7	-.9	.6
Apparel commodities	127.8	131.6	.2	3.0	.7	-1.0	.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	128.1	132.3	.0	3.3	1.0	-1.5	.6
Men's and boys'	126.4	129.1	1.5	2.1	1.1	.2	.8
Men's	128.9	131.8	1.8	2.2	1.3	1.0	.5
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	132.5	134.4	.7	1.4	1.0	.5	-.5
Furnishings and special clothing	119.0	122.2	2.9	2.7	1.8	2.3	1.7
Shirts	132.6	137.6	1.3	3.8	1.2	-1.5	1.7
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	132.0	133.4	2.9	1.1	1.3	1.6	.3
Boys'	115.9	117.8	.3	1.6	.2	-.5	1.1
Women's and girls'	124.6	129.9	-1.2	4.3	1.3	-2.5	.2
Women's	123.8	129.4	-1.4	4.5	1.2	-2.7	.2
Coats and jackets	117.7	121.1	3.4	2.9	2.1	-3.6	.7
Dresses	110.0	118.5	-2.8	7.7	-2.6	-7.1	4.5
Separates and sportswear	125.5	131.7	-3.9	4.9	2.7	-2.7	-1.6
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	132.9	133.6	4.0	.5	.3	1.7	.0
Suits	150.7	160.4	.1	6.4	.6	-2.0	2.0
Girls'	129.3	133.1	-.4	2.9	1.5	-1.4	.2
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	134.4	133.3	4.9	-.8	2.2	2.2	-.8
Other apparel commodities	149.7	154.7	-.2	3.3	-.6	-2.1	2.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 3}	131.7	134.5	1.6	2.1	.8	-1.2	2.1
Watches and jewelry ³	149.1	154.5	-.5	3.6	-.7	-2.3	2.5
Watches ^{1 3}	130.7	132.9	5.1	1.7	.5	-.5	1.7
Jewelry ³	154.3	160.6	-1.8	4.1	-.6	-2.7	2.8
Footwear	125.8	128.1	1.7	1.8	-.6	1.4	.8
Men's	131.4	132.7	-1.2	1.0	-.9	.1	.8
Boys' and girls'	125.1	130.3	2.6	4.2	-.9	2.3	2.4
Women's	121.3	122.9	3.4	1.3	-.1	2.0	.7
Apparel services ¹	158.5	158.9	.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	160.1	160.5	.7	.2	.4	.2	.2
Other apparel services ¹	157.1	157.4	.8	.2	.1	.2	.2

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Transportation	140.4	141.2	2.3	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.7
Private	137.5	138.3	2.3	.6	.8	.2	.8
New vehicles	143.5	143.6	2.1	.1	.1	.3	.1
New cars	141.3	141.5	1.8	.1	.1	.3	.1
Subcompact new cars ³	123.2	123.2	1.7	.0	.1	.3	.0
Compact new cars ³	121.1	121.5	2.4	.3	.2	.4	.7
Intermediate new cars ³	121.8	121.7	1.2	-.1	.0	.2	.1
Full-size new cars ³	123.3	123.2	1.0	-.1	-.5	-.2	.2
Luxury new cars ³	132.5	133.1	3.1	.5	.5	.6	.7
New trucks ⁴	149.1	148.7	2.6	-.3	.3	.1	-.3
New motorcycles ⁵	159.1	160.6	6.2	.9	.4	1.1	1.1
Used cars	157.5	157.3	1.6	-.1	.8	.7	.8
Motor fuel	98.2	101.4	4.0	3.3	3.8	-.2	3.6
Gasoline	97.8	101.1	4.0	3.4	3.7	-.3	3.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular	95.6	99.0	4.4	3.6	4.1	-.2	4.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 7}	102.4	105.6	3.6	3.1	2.2	-.4	3.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	100.0	102.7	2.9	2.7	3.3	-.2	3.1
Automobile maintenance and repair	156.6	156.9	2.8	.2	.4	.1	.2
Body work ¹	162.9	163.5	3.9	.4	.4	.6	.4
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	164.0	164.3	2.7	.2	.3	.3	.2
Maintenance and servicing ¹	144.8	145.2	2.3	.3	.2	.2	.3
Power plant repair	162.2	162.2	2.9	.0	.4	-.1	-.1
Other private transportation	173.2	172.5	1.4	-.4	-.1	.4	-.3
Other private transportation commodities	105.4	105.3	.7	-.1	.0	.1	.1
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	132.3	132.2	3.1	-.1	1.3	.5	-.1
Automobile parts and equipment	102.5	102.4	.4	-.1	.1	.0	.0
Tires ¹	101.7	101.9	.8	.2	.0	-.1	.2
Other parts and equipment ¹	107.4	107.0	.0	-.4	.2	-.1	-.4
Other private transportation services	189.2	188.3	1.5	-.5	-.1	.5	-.4
Automobile insurance	240.9	240.7	4.0	-.1	.4	.2	.1
Automobile finance charges	94.0	93.2	-9.3	-.9	-2.5	-1.9	.1
Automobile fees ¹	184.5	182.2	2.7	-1.2	.8	3.1	-1.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	183.6	183.3	1.8	-.2	.0	-.1	-.2
Other automobile-related fees ¹	186.7	182.4	3.7	-2.3	1.6	6.4	-2.3
Public transportation	177.4	178.9	2.5	.8	-.5	3.3	.2
Airline fares	188.4	187.9	-.3	-.3	-.9	5.9	-1.9
Other intercity transportation	154.3	155.9	1.3	1.0	.1	-.3	1.0
Intracity public transportation ¹	166.3	173.0	11.8	4.0	.4	.2	4.0
Medical care	226.2	226.6	3.8	.2	.4	.2	.3
Medical care commodities	208.5	208.9	2.6	.2	.5	.2	.2
Prescription drugs	240.2	241.1	3.2	.4	.5	.2	.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 2}	142.6	142.3	1.1	-.2	.8	-.1	-.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	169.3	168.9	1.0	-.2	1.3	-.2	-.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	168.8	168.8	1.3	.0	.2	.1	.1
Medical care services	230.3	230.7	4.0	.2	.4	.2	.3
Professional medical services	206.1	206.5	3.7	.2	.3	.2	.2
Physicians' services	214.5	215.0	4.0	.2	.5	.0	.2
Dental services ¹	212.8	213.3	4.2	.2	.4	.7	.2
Eye care ^{1 3}	139.1	139.2	2.2	.1	.3	.3	.1
Services by other medical professionals ³	145.2	145.5	1.0	.2	.2	.1	.1
Hospital and related services	266.4	266.6	4.8	.2	.5	.2	.6
Hospital rooms	258.1	258.5	4.0	.2	.0	.2	.4
Other inpatient services ³	214.7	214.9	5.2	.1	.9	.4	.5
Outpatient services ³	211.7	212.3	5.3	.3	.6	.0	.6

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Entertainment	158.3	158.4	3.8	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.1
Entertainment commodities	142.5	142.7	3.9	.1	.3	.8	.1
Reading materials	175.6	175.1	6.0	-.3	.9	.5	-.3
Newspapers ¹	187.6	188.2	7.8	.3	.9	.4	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	164.7	163.2	4.2	-.9	1.0	.2	-.9
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	124.6	125.0	1.0	.3	.4	.8	.3
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	127.0	127.2	.8	.2	.7	1.0	.2
Other sporting goods ¹	119.7	120.1	1.0	.3	.2	.7	.3
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	130.6	131.3	3.8	.5	.2	1.2	.5
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	125.3	125.6	2.7	.2	-.5	2.3	.1
Photographic supplies and equipment	133.4	133.5	1.0	.1	-.2	-.5	-.1
Pet supplies and expense ¹	137.0	138.4	6.1	1.0	.4	.7	1.0
Entertainment services	177.0	177.0	3.7	.0	.2	.7	.0
Club memberships ²	134.5	133.4	.6	-.8	.2	.3	-.6
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ³	163.9	164.1	3.6	.1	1.3	.2	.0
Admissions ¹	189.4	189.2	5.6	-.1	.2	1.4	-.1
Fees for lessons or instructions ³	157.2	158.3	3.2	.7	.1	-.1	.9
Other entertainment services ^{1,3}	137.5	137.8	3.7	.2	.2	.7	.2
Other goods and services	212.6	213.0	4.4	.2	.2	.4	.4
Tobacco and smoking products	229.8	230.8	3.7	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Personal care ¹	149.3	149.4	2.3	.1	.1	.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.1	144.0	1.3	-.1	-.3	.3	-.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	146.6	145.9	1.7	-.5	.0	-.2	-.5
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	142.4	142.8	1.1	.3	-.4	.6	.3
Personal care services ¹	155.2	155.3	3.4	.1	.5	.1	.1
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	154.9	155.0	3.7	.1	.5	.1	.1
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	155.7	156.0	2.2	.2	-.2	-.1	.5
Personal and educational expenses	243.7	244.1	5.2	.2	.5	.5	.5
School books and supplies	224.7	225.2	5.9	.2	1.0	.4	.6
Personal and educational services	245.4	245.7	5.2	.1	.4	.5	.4
Tuition and other school fees	262.5	262.6	5.3	.0	.4	.5	.5
College tuition	274.6	274.6	5.7	.0	.4	.6	.6
Elementary and high school tuition	268.2	268.3	5.9	.0	.2	.4	.6
Day care and nursery school ⁴	127.7	127.8	3.4	.1	.2	.3	.2
Personal expenses	212.9	213.6	4.9	.3	.6	.2	.3
Legal service fees ^{1,5}	153.7	155.0	3.3	.8	.0	.1	.8
Personal financial services ^{1,5}	182.2	182.1	6.2	-.1	1.6	.9	-.1
Funeral expenses ⁵	159.2	159.6	5.4	.3	.7	.5	.0
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	152.5	153.7	3.9	.8	.3	.4	.8
Selected beef cuts	127.8	127.0	-.3	-.6	-.5	-.3	-1.2
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	98.7	101.9	4.0	3.2	3.6	-.3	3.4
Utilities and public transportation	139.2	139.5	2.0	.2	.1	1.1	.1
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	146.2	146.5	2.6	.2	.2	.4	.2

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	150.9	151.7	3.6	2.7	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.6
Food	150.5	151.4	3.6	2.7	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.6
Food at home	150.5	151.9	4.4	3.3	1.9	3.8	3.8	2.8
Cereals and bakery products	171.7	172.5	3.2	3.1	4.3	5.5	3.2	4.9
Cereals and cereal products	169.7	170.8	2.7	2.4	5.1	2.1	2.6	3.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	145.4	147.2	4.4	7.6	5.1	7.4	6.0	6.3
Cereal ¹	194.3	195.4	3.4	-1.0	5.3	2.7	1.2	4.0
Rice, pasta, and commmeal	141.9	142.7	.6	2.6	7.0	-2.5	1.6	2.1
Bakery products ¹	172.9	172.2	6.7	2.7	2.6	6.3	4.7	4.4
White bread ¹	172.9	172.2	1.2	8.3	6.1	7.0	4.7	6.6
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	173.4	173.6	5.5	3.7	5.6	8.0	4.6	6.8
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	171.8	171.8	4.6	.2	6.3	.5	2.4	3.3
Other bakery products	172.8	174.2	4.1	.7	2.4	10.0	2.4	6.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.1	141.8	-3	6.6	6.7	-.6	3.1	3.0
Meats, poultry, and fish	142.2	141.8	-.9	5.0	4.3	-1.1	2.0	1.6
Meats	137.5	137.0	-2.6	4.6	6.7	-2.0	.9	2.2
Beef and veal	134.4	133.1	-4.4	.9	2.1	-5.5	-1.8	-1.8
Ground beef other than canned	114.1	112.7	-6.6	-.3	1.4	-9.7	-3.5	-4.3
Chuck roast	137.7	135.1	-9.3	.3	9.3	-14.8	-4.6	-3.5
Round roast	126.5	123.4	-12.0	3.6	3.6	-6.5	-4.5	-1.6
Round steak	130.3	127.3	-12.3	2.8	.6	-6.9	-5.1	-3.2
Sirloin steak	136.8	138.4	-1.4	-3.4	-3.7	5.4	-2.4	.7
Other beef and veal ¹	156.7	157.2	-.8	1.6	2.6	1.8	.4	2.2
Pork	140.7	141.1	-3.6	13.7	13.2	1.1	4.7	7.0
Bacon ¹	130.9	131.6	.0	30.0	25.6	4.4	14.0	14.5
Chops	148.4	149.9	-4.4	19.8	1.9	5.8	7.0	3.8
Ham	144.9	144.9	-6.1	4.1	17.3	-1.6	-1.1	7.4
Other pork, including sausage	138.0	136.7	-.6	9.2	13.2	-3.7	4.2	4.4
Other meats ¹	141.8	142.3	4.2	1.2	8.3	2.6	2.6	5.4
Poultry ¹	149.4	148.0	-1.1	8.7	1.1	4.7	3.7	2.9
Fresh whole chicken ¹	146.6	146.4	.0	9.9	-.8	4.5	4.9	1.8
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	153.8	150.2	-3.5	8.5	6.1	.0	2.3	3.0
Other poultry	146.9	149.0	-.6	4.0	4.5	10.0	1.7	7.2
Fish and seafood	170.7	171.4	7.3	3.5	-2.1	-4.3	5.4	-3.2
Canned fish and seafood ¹	125.1	124.8	3.9	-1.6	1.3	-2.2	1.1	-.5
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	193.0	193.7	9.3	4.8	-3.2	-5.2	7.0	-4.2
Eggs	139.2	141.4	12.7	35.6	54.2	9.0	23.6	29.6
Dairy products	136.8	136.5	1.2	1.5	7.1	4.2	1.4	5.6
Fresh milk and cream	136.8	137.3	.3	1.2	6.5	9.2	.8	7.9
Fresh whole milk	135.9	136.2	-.6	2.5	6.2	9.6	.9	7.9
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	138.5	138.8	1.5	-3.5	8.1	10.4	-1.0	9.2
Processed dairy products	137.3	136.3	1.5	2.4	8.3	-1.5	2.0	3.3
Cheese	140.6	139.6	2.4	1.2	4.7	.3	1.8	2.5
Ice cream and related products	140.5	139.6	.6	1.8	5.9	-.3	1.2	2.8
Other dairy products, including butter	120.6	119.8	2.5	7.9	19.5	-6.1	5.2	5.9
Fruits and vegetables	174.9	181.9	19.1	2.0	-8.8	12.0	10.2	1.1
Fresh fruits and vegetables	198.4	210.3	26.2	2.5	-12.8	14.7	13.7	.0
Fresh fruits	216.6	222.3	31.2	11.0	-9.0	-1.4	20.7	-5.3
Apples	197.3	201.4	9.6	14.7	27.0	6.0	12.1	16.0
Bananas	153.1	159.4	26.1	21.1	-8.7	6.8	23.6	-1.2
Oranges, including tangerines	218.1	223.8	25.6	41.2	-18.7	-10.0	33.2	-14.5
Other fresh fruits	240.8	246.9	40.3	2.0	-14.6	-2.7	19.7	-8.8
Fresh vegetables	181.7	199.8	20.8	-6.5	-17.3	36.6	6.3	6.3
Potatoes	186.9	186.6	20.7	28.7	6.5	.6	24.6	3.5
Lettuce ¹	165.6	208.8	91.5	26.1	-63.8	116.2	55.4	-11.5
Tomatoes ¹	178.0	237.4	7.5	-39.4	467.2	-8.3	-19.3	128.1
Other fresh vegetables	189.8	194.2	1.2	-10.2	-34.8	43.6	-4.7	-3.2
Processed fruits and vegetables	140.9	140.8	4.5	1.2	1.2	6.5	2.8	3.8
Processed fruits	141.7	140.9	4.5	2.3	1.2	6.5	3.4	3.8
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	141.3	139.8	3.9	.9	.9	6.2	2.4	3.5
Canned and dried fruits	140.8	142.3	3.3	8.2	2.9	7.3	5.7	5.1
Processed vegetables	140.2	141.3	2.9	1.2	1.2	6.5	2.0	3.8
Frozen vegetables	142.2	142.2	1.4	2.9	3.2	-.6	2.2	1.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	140.0	141.4	3.6	.0	.9	9.6	1.8	5.1

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Other food at home	141.2	141.9	1.1	1.7	0.6	1.4	1.4	1.0
Sugar and sweets	141.5	142.1	3.6	3.2	2.9	7.7	3.4	5.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	129.8	131.2	5.5	2.9	5.4	5.4	4.2	5.4
Sweets, including candy ¹	146.1	146.6	2.3	2.9	.6	11.4	2.6	5.8
Fats and oils	139.0	139.7	.0	4.2	3.2	2.3	2.1	2.8
Nonalcoholic beverages	128.6	129.0	-1.8	1.2	-4.5	-4.5	-3	-4.5
Carbonated drinks	118.5	118.8	2.7	3.4	-1.6	-4.3	3.1	-3.0
Coffee ¹	152.9	152.5	-7.5	-4.8	-11.6	-8.9	-6.2	-10.3
Other noncarbonated drinks	135.4	137.1	3.0	1.5	3.3	2.4	2.3	2.8
Other prepared food	153.1	154.2	3.0	1.3	2.7	4.0	2.1	3.3
Canned and packaged soup	177.0	179.6	1.4	2.8	4.2	3.9	2.1	4.0
Frozen prepared food ¹	140.5	140.7	-.3	1.1	-1.4	2.6	.4	.6
Snacks ¹	146.6	147.9	2.0	.3	2.0	13.2	1.1	7.4
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	158.3	160.1	6.4	-.3	6.6	4.1	3.0	5.3
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	155.0	155.5	2.1	1.6	2.1	1.0	1.8	1.6
Food away from home	151.1	151.2	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Lunch	151.6	151.8	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.9	2.3	2.0
Dinner	149.1	149.3	1.7	2.5	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.0
Other meals and snacks ¹	153.7	154.0	2.4	2.7	1.9	2.6	2.5	2.2
Alcoholic beverages	156.7	157.1	2.6	2.4	1.6	4.7	2.5	3.1
Alcoholic beverages at home	145.3	145.7	.8	1.4	1.1	5.4	1.1	3.2
Beer and ale	146.4	147.0	.3	.8	1.4	7.1	.6	4.2
Wine	136.5	137.1	2.4	.9	2.1	7.6	1.7	4.8
Distilled spirits ¹	146.2	146.7	1.7	3.1	-3.2	3.3	2.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages away from home	180.2	180.4	4.0	3.9	2.7	2.9	3.9	2.8
Housing	151.1	151.5	2.7	2.7	3.3	3.2	2.7	3.2
Shelter	168.9	169.3	3.7	2.9	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4
Renters' costs ²	177.1	177.7	3.3	3.0	1.8	5.1	3.2	3.5
Rent, residential	160.4	160.6	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.7
Other renters' costs	210.7	212.5	5.5	5.0	.0	11.3	9.2	5.5
Lodging while out of town	209.7	211.5	5.7	5.4	-.6	12.0	5.6	5.5
Lodging while at school ²	210.7	211.5	4.0	3.2	4.9	4.3	3.6	4.6
Tenants' insurance	152.7	152.9	2.7	-2.6	4.6	2.1	.0	3.4
Homeowners' costs ²	174.6	175.0	3.8	3.3	4.0	2.6	3.6	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	175.0	175.3	3.8	3.3	4.0	2.5	3.6	3.3
Household insurance ²	158.8	159.3	1.8	-2.8	4.4	2.0	-.5	3.2
Maintenance and repairs ¹	137.0	137.5	2.4	1.2	3.6	2.7	1.8	3.1
Maintenance and repair services ¹	143.0	143.8	1.7	2.6	5.2	4.9	2.2	5.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	128.8	129.0	2.5	-.3	.6	-.3	1.1	.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 3}	120.1	120.4	-2.3	-4.6	6.2	-7	-3.4	2.7
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	125.4	125.4	7.0	2.9	-3.4	-.6	4.9	-2.0
Fuel and other utilities	125.7	126.0	1.3	-.3	3.3	5.2	.5	4.3
Fuels	112.8	112.5	.4	-1.4	4.4	4.4	-.5	4.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	95.7	97.8	3.7	-.5	1.8	47.1	1.6	22.4
Fuel oil	92.5	95.3	6.3	-.5	.9	54.4	2.9	24.8
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 3}	127.1	128.3	-5.6	-4.3	11.1	33.3	-5.0	21.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	119.9	119.2	.0	-1.3	4.8	.3	-.7	2.6
Electricity	130.9	131.3	3.2	-.6	6.0	.6	1.2	3.3
Utility (piped) gas	104.7	101.9	-7.1	-3.5	2.0	.0	-5.3	1.0
Other utilities and public services ¹	154.9	156.4	2.1	1.3	1.8	6.7	1.7	4.2
Telephone services ¹	124.7	125.4	1.3	.3	1.6	2.6	.8	2.1
Local charges ¹	160.7	160.6	1.0	.0	.5	-.2	.5	.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	75.8	78.0	4.4	.0	4.9	12.1	2.2	8.4
Intrastate toll calls ¹	87.2	87.5	.0	2.8	3.3	3.3	1.4	3.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	200.7	205.9	2.3	2.5	3.9	13.9	2.4	8.8
Cable television ^{1 4}	206.8	207.6	3.9	.8	2.4	9.8	2.3	6.0
Refuse collection ⁴	244.1	244.8	4.6	-.2	3.0	1.5	2.2	2.2

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Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation	124.1	124.4	0.0	4.0	1.6	1.0	2.0	1.3
Housefurnishings	111.4	111.4	-.7	3.3	.0	-.7	1.3	-.4
Textile housefurnishings	121.9	121.8	1.3	-1.9	.0	-1.9	-.3	-1.0
Furniture and bedding ¹	132.7	132.7	-.9	6.9	3.1	-1.5	2.9	.8
Bedroom furniture ¹	136.8	136.0	2.7	3.3	-3.7	-2.3	3.0	-3.0
Sofas ¹	137.2	139.1	-1.8	14.2	19.4	-3.9	5.9	7.1
Living room chairs and tables ¹	137.7	136.9	.6	5.4	.3	-2.9	3.0	-1.3
Other furniture	123.5	123.6	-6.1	8.6	3.7	1.3	1.0	2.5
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	78.7	78.9	-3.4	-3.9	-3.5	1.5	-3.7	-1.0
Video and audio products ¹	72.1	72.4	-6.2	-4.3	-4.3	1.1	-5.3	-1.6
Televisions ¹	66.0	66.0	-6.2	-7.4	-4.1	-2.4	-6.8	-3.3
Video products other than televisions ^{1 5}	66.8	66.6	-12.2	-3.4	-10.6	-2.9	-7.9	-6.8
Audio products ¹	91.1	91.7	-4.7	-2.2	-2.2	4.5	-3.4	1.1
Major household appliances ^{1 3}	102.5	103.1	-1.2	-1.9	1.6	3.2	-1.6	2.4
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	108.0	109.8	-5.8	5.7	2.6	3.3	-.2	3.0
Laundry equipment ¹	110.8	111.3	-.4	-2.2	2.2	5.6	-1.3	3.9
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 3}	95.1	94.8	1.7	-7.3	-.4	1.3	-2.9	.4
Information processing equipment ^{1 5}	61.0	60.4	2.5	-6.6	-14.8	-3.9	-2.2	-9.5
Other housefurnishings ^{1 3}	115.7	116.3	-1.4	6.1	-4.1	5.0	2.3	.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	139.8	139.9	1.8	7.2	-1.4	3.2	4.5	.9
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	121.6	121.2	-1.3	10.9	3.7	-2.9	4.6	.3
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	122.8	124.2	-7.0	8.5	-12.4	17.5	.5	1.5
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	107.5	107.5	1.1	2.3	3.0	-1.1	1.7	.9
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 3}	89.6	89.2	4.9	-5.1	-9.4	4.1	-.2	-2.9
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 6}	115.9	118.8	-5.0	7.1	-8.8	11.5	.9	.8
Housekeeping supplies	140.2	141.4	.0	6.9	4.7	4.1	3.4	4.4
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	142.0	141.9	-.6	.6	1.1	1.4	.0	1.3
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	145.4	145.1	8.1	17.2	9.4	2.2	12.6	5.8
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	133.2	135.4	-1.5	.9	3.1	6.5	-.3	4.7
Housekeeping services	146.0	146.3	1.7	3.7	3.4	1.7	2.7	2.5
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	154.4	154.5	1.1	6.6	6.5	2.4	3.8	4.4
Gardening and other household services ^{1 3}	133.5	133.8	.0	4.0	-1.2	6.9	2.0	2.7
Apparel and upkeep	131.9	132.7	-2.7	.9	1.5	1.5	-.9	1.5
Apparel commodities	128.4	129.2	-2.8	.9	1.6	1.2	-.9	1.4
Apparel commodities less footwear	128.7	129.5	-2.8	.0	2.2	.6	-1.4	1.4
Men's and boys'	127.6	128.6	-1.6	-.6	-.3	8.9	-1.1	4.2
Men's	130.8	131.4	-1.5	-1.2	-1.2	11.8	-1.4	5.1
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	135.5	134.8	-5.8	3.7	1.2	4.0	-1.2	2.6
Furnishings and special clothing	121.2	123.2	.7	-5.9	-6.0	25.5	-2.7	8.6
Shirts	133.4	135.7	2.1	-7.8	5.6	5.8	-3.0	5.7
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.5	131.9	-3.7	2.5	-.6	13.8	-.6	6.4
Boys'	116.8	118.1	-4.7	2.4	.7	3.1	-1.2	1.9
Women's and girls'	125.3	125.6	-3.1	-2.2	4.9	-4.0	-2.7	.3
Women's	124.6	124.9	-2.2	-1.0	3.2	-5.0	-1.6	-1.0
Coats and jackets	118.2	119.0	2.5	3.9	11.8	-3.6	3.2	3.8
Dresses	110.0	115.0	16.5	-12.4	9.0	-20.0	1.0	-6.6
Separates and sportswear	127.4	125.3	-5.1	-5.5	1.9	-6.7	-5.3	-2.5
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	133.3	133.3	2.2	2.2	3.8	8.2	2.2	6.0
Suits	148.2	151.1	-25.5	38.2	-3.9	1.9	1.5	-1.1
Girls'	129.9	130.1	-6.6	-7.9	13.7	.6	-7.2	7.0
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	134.4	133.3	-16.2	35.5	-7.4	15.1	6.6	3.2
Other apparel commodities	149.8	153.0	.5	1.0	.3	-2.6	.8	-1.2
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 3}	131.7	134.5	-3.6	13.4	-8.8	6.8	4.6	-1.3
Watches and jewelry ³	149.1	152.8	.0	-.3	.5	-2.3	-.1	-.9
Watches ^{1 3}	130.7	132.9	-.6	26.3	-9.5	7.2	12.0	-1.5
Jewelry ³	154.2	158.5	-.5	-3.9	.0	-2.5	-2.2	-1.2
Footwear	126.4	127.4	-1.9	4.9	-2.5	6.5	1.4	1.9
Men's	131.4	132.5	2.1	1.2	-7.5	.0	1.6	-3.8
Boys' and girls'	126.9	130.0	-14.3	-4.5	16.2	16.6	-9.5	16.4
Women's	121.7	122.5	-.7	12.0	-7.3	10.8	5.5	1.3
Apparel services ¹	158.5	158.9	-1.8	1.3	.8	3.1	-.3	1.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	160.1	160.5	-3.7	2.6	.5	3.6	-.6	2.0
Other apparel services ¹	157.1	157.4	.0	.3	1.0	2.1	.1	1.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Transportation	140.7	141.7	6.8	-3.9	-1.1	8.0	1.3	3.3
Private	138.1	139.2	4.2	-2.9	.6	7.5	.6	4.0
New vehicles	142.5	142.7	3.5	1.7	.8	2.0	2.6	1.4
New cars	140.4	140.6	2.9	1.2	.6	2.3	2.0	1.4
Subcompact new cars ³	122.8	122.8	2.7	2.3	.0	1.6	2.5	.8
Compact new cars ³	120.2	121.0	3.8	1.0	-3	5.1	2.4	2.4
Intermediate new cars ³	120.8	120.9	1.7	.3	1.7	1.0	1.0	1.3
Full-size new cars ³	122.2	122.5	1.3	1.3	3.7	-1.9	1.3	.8
Luxury new cars ³	131.1	132.0	2.2	1.6	1.2	7.3	1.9	4.2
New trucks ⁴	148.2	147.8	5.4	4.5	-3	.8	4.9	.3
New motorcycles ³	158.3	160.1	6.2	3.2	4.5	10.9	4.7	7.7
Used cars	159.8	161.1	-4.0	-3.0	4.2	9.7	-3.5	6.9
Motor fuel	101.0	104.6	12.9	-20.6	-1.6	32.5	-5.3	14.2
Gasoline	100.6	104.3	16.5	-23.3	-1.2	32.0	-5.5	14.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	98.6	102.5	14.6	-22.0	-2.1	36.1	-5.4	15.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 7}	102.4	105.6	39.3	-21.5	-13.1	21.4	4.6	2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.4	105.6	14.8	-21.4	-3.2	27.9	-5.0	11.3
Automobile maintenance and repair	156.6	156.9	2.6	3.2	2.3	2.9	2.9	2.6
Body work ¹	162.9	163.5	3.6	2.8	3.3	5.8	3.2	4.6
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	164.0	164.3	2.3	3.0	2.2	3.2	2.6	2.7
Maintenance and servicing ¹	144.8	145.2	2.3	5.4	-1.4	2.8	3.8	.7
Power plant repair	161.9	161.8	3.6	3.1	3.5	1.2	3.3	2.4
Other private transportation	172.3	171.7	2.4	2.8	.2	.0	2.6	.1
Other private transportation commodities	105.1	105.2	1.5	.8	-.4	.8	1.2	.2
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	132.3	132.2	.0	3.2	2.5	6.9	1.6	4.7
Automobile parts and equipment	102.3	102.3	1.6	.4	-.8	.4	1.0	-.2
Tires ¹	101.7	101.9	.4	2.0	.4	.4	1.2	.4
Other parts and equipment ¹	107.4	107.0	-.4	-.4	1.9	-1.1	-.4	.4
Other private transportation services	188.3	187.6	2.6	3.0	.4	.0	2.8	.2
Automobile insurance	240.0	240.2	5.3	4.7	3.1	2.9	5.0	3.0
Automobile finance charges	92.3	92.4	-7.6	-7.0	-6.7	-15.9	-7.3	-11.5
Automobile fees ¹	184.5	182.2	-6.0	10.2	-3.1	10.8	1.8	3.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	183.6	183.3	2.9	4.5	.9	-.9	3.7	.0
Other automobile-related fees ¹	186.7	182.4	-14.2	16.8	-7.1	24.1	.1	7.4
Public transportation	175.2	175.6	35.5	-13.0	-16.6	12.5	8.6	-3.1
Airline fares	188.8	185.3	40.8	-22.2	-20.0	12.3	4.7	-5.2
Other intercity transportation	153.7	155.3	-1.3	2.6	.3	3.7	.7	2.0
Intracity public transportation ¹	166.3	173.0	5.3	4.4	18.0	20.3	4.8	19.1
Medical care	225.8	226.4	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.2	4.1	3.4
Medical care commodities	208.1	208.5	1.4	2.2	3.2	3.5	1.8	3.3
Prescription drugs	239.5	240.4	2.6	3.1	3.1	4.1	2.9	3.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 3}	142.6	142.3	-2.8	1.7	3.2	2.3	-.6	2.7
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	169.3	168.9	-3.8	3.2	1.4	3.1	-.4	2.3
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	168.7	168.8	-1.0	-1.2	5.9	1.4	-1.1	3.7
Medical care services	229.7	230.3	4.4	4.7	3.8	3.2	4.6	3.5
Professional medical services	205.6	206.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.5
Physicians' services	214.0	214.5	4.1	4.5	4.6	2.8	4.3	3.7
Dental services ¹	212.8	213.3	3.8	3.7	3.7	5.6	3.7	4.7
Eye care ^{1 3}	139.1	139.2	.9	5.1	.3	2.6	3.0	1.5
Services by other medical professionals ³	145.1	145.2	1.1	-1.1	2.2	1.7	.0	2.0
Hospital and related services	265.0	266.5	4.5	5.6	4.1	5.1	5.0	4.6
Hospital rooms	257.1	258.0	4.1	6.0	3.7	2.4	5.1	3.0
Other inpatient services ³	213.7	214.7	4.4	4.7	4.3	7.2	4.6	5.7
Outpatient services ³	210.5	211.8	4.6	6.4	4.7	4.9	5.5	4.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Entertainment	158.1	158.3	2.9	3.7	4.2	4.7	3.3	4.4
Entertainment commodities	142.5	142.7	2.6	3.2	4.7	5.2	2.9	4.9
Reading materials	175.8	175.3	4.4	5.1	10.6	4.2	4.8	7.3
Newspapers ¹	187.6	188.2	7.3	5.7	11.8	6.4	6.5	9.1
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	164.7	163.2	.8	5.2	10.2	1.0	3.0	5.5
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	124.6	125.0	-1.6	.7	-1.3	6.3	-.5	2.4
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	127.0	127.2	-2.8	-.3	-1.3	7.9	-1.6	3.2
Other sporting goods ¹	119.7	120.1	-1.0	1.7	-1.3	4.8	.3	1.7
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	130.6	131.3	3.2	3.2	1.3	7.7	3.2	4.4
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	125.8	125.9	2.6	.0	.6	7.7	1.3	4.1
Photographic supplies and equipment	133.3	133.2	4.9	1.5	.6	-3.2	3.2	-1.3
Pet supplies and expense ¹	137.0	138.4	2.2	6.6	6.8	9.2	4.3	8.0
Entertainment services	176.6	176.6	2.8	4.3	3.7	3.9	3.6	3.8
Club memberships ³	133.8	133.0	1.5	.9	.3	-.3	1.2	.0
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ³	162.0	162.0	-5.0	11.1	3.1	6.2	2.7	4.6
Admissions ¹	189.4	189.2	7.6	5.6	3.1	6.1	6.6	4.6
Fees for lessons or instructions ³	156.4	157.8	4.8	1.8	2.3	3.6	3.3	3.0
Other entertainment services ^{1 3}	137.5	137.8	2.7	5.2	2.4	4.5	4.0	3.4
Other goods and services	213.1	214.0	4.2	4.9	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.2
Tobacco and smoking products	229.4	231.1	5.5	5.2	.7	3.7	5.4	2.2
Personal care ¹	149.3	149.4	1.9	2.2	3.9	1.3	2.1	2.6
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.1	144.0	1.7	.6	3.1	-.3	1.1	1.4
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	146.6	145.9	4.0	2.2	3.3	-2.7	3.1	.3
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	142.4	142.8	.3	-.3	2.6	1.7	.0	2.1
Personal care services ¹	155.2	155.3	2.1	3.8	5.1	2.6	3.0	3.8
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	154.9	155.0	2.4	4.3	5.4	2.9	3.4	4.1
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	155.0	155.7	2.1	2.9	3.1	.8	2.5	2.0
Personal and educational expenses	243.7	244.8	4.4	5.6	5.5	5.8	5.0	5.6
School books and supplies	222.9	224.3	3.6	4.8	7.0	8.4	4.2	7.7
Personal and educational services	245.1	246.2	4.3	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.0	5.4
Tuition and other school fees	262.0	263.4	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.7	5.2	5.5
College tuition	274.0	275.7	5.6	3.8	6.8	6.6	4.7	6.7
Elementary and high school tuition	268.0	269.6	6.6	6.3	5.6	5.0	6.5	5.3
Day care and nursery school ⁶	127.3	127.6	2.3	3.9	4.2	2.9	3.1	3.5
Personal expenses	212.5	213.2	3.2	8.0	4.1	4.6	5.6	4.4
Legal service fees ^{1 3}	153.7	155.0	3.8	3.5	2.1	4.0	3.6	3.0
Personal financial services ^{1 3}	182.2	182.1	-1.2	12.0	4.2	10.5	5.2	7.3
Funeral expenses ³	158.9	158.9	6.8	5.3	4.7	4.9	6.1	4.8
Special Indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	152.2	153.4	4.1	3.3	2.1	5.9	3.7	4.0
Selected beef cuts	126.8	125.3	-6.0	-.3	1.3	-7.9	-3.2	-3.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	101.5	105.0	14.2	-20.5	-.8	30.2	-4.7	13.6
Utilities and public transportation	139.9	140.1	6.0	-2.6	-.3	5.3	1.6	2.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	146.2	146.5	.6	4.0	2.5	3.3	2.3	2.9

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories ¹

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to Mar. 1996 from—
	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Food and beverages									
Other breads	171.6	174.2	175.5	174.4	0.5	1.5	0.7	-0.6	6.1
Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins	160.0	161.2	161.5	162.6	-.4	.8	.2	.7	2.8
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	169.8	170.5	172.5	171.4	-1.3	.4	1.2	-.6	4.8
Cookies	174.2	172.1	172.6	172.6	1.2	-1.2	.3	.0	2.8
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	183.8	192.6	195.4	191.7	1.1	4.8	1.5	-1.9	10.0
Fresh sweetrolls, coffee cake, and donuts	168.9	169.5	169.8	166.9	.1	.4	.2	-1.7	1.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers	170.8	177.1	174.1	173.0	-.1	3.7	-1.7	-.6	2.9
Ham other than canned	151.9	147.4	151.6	153.0	-.5	-3.0	2.8	.9	3.1
Pork sausage	134.1	133.1	134.6	131.2	1.9	-.7	1.1	-2.5	1.2
Other pork	138.8	139.2	139.1	141.3	-.3	.3	-.1	1.6	7.4
Frankfurters	139.3	144.6	144.6	145.1	-1.7	3.8	.0	.3	6.5
Bologna, liverwurst, and salami	142.5	141.4	142.3	143.7	1.1	-.8	.6	1.0	3.2
Other lunchmeats	134.8	134.6	133.4	132.8	.3	-.1	-.9	-.4	1.1
Lamb and organ meats	151.8	153.0	150.8	151.3	-.3	.8	-1.4	.3	7.2
Butter	93.4	93.6	92.7	91.3	3.8	.2	-1.0	-1.5	9.7
Other dairy products	149.0	147.5	149.6	150.1	.6	-1.0	1.4	.3	3.3
Frozen fruit and fruit juices	124.3	127.1	129.0	128.5	.6	2.3	1.5	-.4	2.8
Other fruit juices	142.7	145.3	146.1	145.1	.0	1.8	.6	-.7	3.1
Cut corn, canned beans except lima	135.2	140.7	140.8	142.3	2.9	4.1	.1	1.1	6.0
Other processed vegetables	143.7	142.5	144.6	144.6	.1	-.8	1.5	.0	3.7
Candy and chewing gum	143.0	145.5	146.0	146.4	.1	1.7	.3	.3	4.1
Other sweets	138.2	145.5	146.1	146.5	-3.2	5.3	.4	.3	6.8
Margarine	141.6	143.6	142.5	145.4	-.8	1.4	-.8	2.0	3.5
Other fats, oils, and salad dressing	139.8	141.8	141.9	141.9	-.1	1.4	.1	.0	3.8
Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter	134.4	136.8	137.6	137.1	-.5	1.8	.6	-.4	1.0
Roasted coffee	159.5	154.6	154.2	153.8	-.4	-3.1	-.3	-.3	-10.0
Instant and freeze-dried coffee	148.9	147.9	149.1	149.0	-.7	-.7	.8	-.1	-3.4
Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish	162.8	163.3	165.2	166.4	2.1	.3	1.2	.7	6.1
Other condiments	148.2	151.2	150.8	152.6	.1	2.0	-.3	1.2	3.0
Miscellaneous prepared foods and baby foods	168.7	169.9	170.0	171.0	.1	.7	.1	.6	2.5
Other canned and packaged prepared foods	137.5	136.8	136.7	138.0	.7	-.5	-.1	1.0	1.8
Whiskey at home	145.2	145.9	145.8	145.6	-.6	.5	-.1	-.1	1.3
Other alcoholic beverages at home	145.1	146.2	146.5	146.6	-.5	.8	.2	.1	1.0
Housing									
Household linens	111.8	112.2	113.2	114.3	.1	.4	.9	1.0	-.6
Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials	133.8	137.2	135.4	133.5	-1.1	2.5	-1.3	-1.4	-1.2
Soaps and detergents	139.9	140.1	140.4	139.6	-.4	.1	.2	-.6	.4
Other laundry and cleaning products	141.0	143.0	141.9	142.8	-.3	1.4	-.8	.6	1.3
Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels, and napkins	143.0	144.0	145.1	145.4	.1	.7	.8	.2	12.4
Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap	147.2	147.4	147.3	146.6	.7	.1	-.1	-.5	4.5
Apparel and upkeep									
Men's suits, sport coats, and jackets	132.7	130.5	132.8	134.9	-2.7	-1.7	1.8	1.6	.7
Men's coats and jackets	142.6	138.5	138.9	140.6	-2.6	-2.9	.3	1.2	1.7
Boys' coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts	115.2	111.1	111.8	113.8	-1.6	-3.6	.6	1.8	-.3
Boys' trousers, sport coats, and jackets	119.0	119.2	118.1	120.2	-.4	.2	-.9	1.8	-1.8
Girls' coats, jackets, dresses, and suits	120.8	123.5	122.0	127.5	-6.1	2.2	-1.2	4.5	-2.4
Girls' separates and sportswear	120.4	117.9	120.2	125.9	-1.5	-2.1	2.0	4.7	-.5
Transportation									
State automobile registration	205.8	205.8	205.7	205.2	.0	.0	.0	-.2	1.6
Other goods and services									
Products for hair, hair pieces, and wigs	133.2	131.8	132.6	132.8	-.9	-1.1	.6	.2	.9

¹ These special indexes are based on substantially smaller samples.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1995	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	152.2	152.9	2.8	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.5
All items (1967=100)	-	453.2	455.6	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.282	150.7	151.5	2.9	.5	.1	.1	.5
Food	17.581	150.3	151.1	2.9	.5	.1	.1	.6
Food at home	11.206	150.5	151.6	3.3	.7	.0	.0	.9
Cereals and bakery products	1.682	171.7	171.6	3.9	-.1	1.0	-.1	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.453	142.1	142.3	3.0	.1	.1	-.1	-.2
Dairy products	1.300	136.9	136.6	3.6	-.2	.4	1.0	-.1
Fruits and vegetables	2.052	176.5	182.7	5.8	3.5	-1.1	-.2	4.5
Other food at home	2.719	141.5	142.1	1.3	.4	.0	-.1	.5
Sugar and sweets	.369	141.6	142.3	4.3	.5	1.3	.1	.6
Fats and oils	.285	139.6	139.9	2.3	.2	.4	-.2	.4
Nonalcoholic beverages	.885	129.4	129.2	-2.3	-.2	-.7	-.8	.3
Other prepared food	1.180	153.2	154.4	2.8	.8	.2	.1	.6
Food away from home	6.374	150.9	151.1	2.2	.1	.2	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.681	156.1	156.8	2.7	.4	.4	.5	.3
Housing	38.888	148.0	148.5	2.9	.3	.3	.1	.3
Shelter	25.976	164.6	165.1	3.3	.3	.3	.1	.3
Renters' costs ¹	8.091	156.0	157.0	3.1	.6	.5	.3	.3
Rent, residential	6.616	160.1	160.3	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Other renters' costs	1.475	214.0	219.6	5.3	2.6	1.3	.8	.9
Homeowners' costs ¹	17.695	159.3	159.6	3.4	.2	.2	.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	17.366	159.5	159.8	3.4	.2	.2	.1	.3
Household insurance ¹	.329	145.6	145.9	1.2	.2	-.3	.5	.1
Maintenance and repairs ²	.189	135.7	136.3	1.9	.4	-.2	.1	.4
Maintenance and repair services ²	.105	145.0	145.8	2.9	.6	-.1	.3	.6
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	.085	123.8	124.1	.8	.2	-.5	.2	.2
Fuel and other utilities	7.247	124.6	125.0	2.5	.3	.4	.6	.5
Fuels	3.887	111.8	111.5	2.2	-.3	.6	.7	.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	.327	97.6	99.1	11.5	1.5	7.4	.3	2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.560	118.4	117.9	1.4	-.4	.0	.8	-.2
Other utilities and public services ²	3.360	155.4	157.0	3.1	1.0	.3	.4	1.0
Household furnishings and operation	5.666	122.9	123.2	1.5	.2	.2	-.2	.2
Housefurnishings	3.367	110.0	110.2	.3	.2	.2	-.3	.1
Housekeeping supplies	1.149	140.7	141.3	4.0	.4	.5	-.1	.7
Housekeeping services	1.150	149.4	149.6	2.4	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Apparel and upkeep	5.533	130.2	133.9	.5	2.8	.7	-.7	.6
Apparel commodities	5.017	127.0	130.9	.5	3.1	.8	-.8	.6
Men's and boys' apparel	1.310	126.3	128.9	1.7	2.1	1.0	.2	.9
Women's and girls' apparel	2.148	123.3	128.6	-.9	4.3	1.5	-.2	.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	.251	135.3	134.7	5.7	-.4	1.9	2.3	-.4
Footwear	.812	126.3	128.8	1.6	2.0	-.9	1.3	1.0
Other apparel commodities	.495	146.9	153.7	-.6	4.6	-.7	-.1	2.4
Apparel services ²	.516	157.9	158.2	.7	.2	.3	.2	.2
Transportation	19.020	140.0	140.9	2.4	.6	.9	.3	.9
Private transportation	17.847	138.0	138.8	2.3	.6	.9	.1	.9
New vehicles	4.958	144.5	144.5	2.1	.0	.2	.2	.2
New cars	3.591	141.0	141.0	1.7	.0	.1	.3	.1
Used cars	2.432	158.6	158.3	1.8	-.2	.9	.8	.6
Motor fuel	3.584	98.1	101.4	4.2	3.4	3.7	-.5	3.9
Gasoline	-	97.8	101.2	4.3	3.5	4.0	-.5	3.9
Maintenance and repairs	1.619	157.6	157.9	2.9	.2	.4	.1	.2
Other private transportation	5.255	168.8	168.1	1.1	-.4	-.1	.2	-.2
Other private transportation commodities	.767	104.6	104.4	.6	-.2	.0	.2	-.1
Other private transportation services	4.488	185.0	184.1	1.2	-.5	-.1	.2	-.3
Public transportation	1.173	174.6	177.2	4.2	1.5	-.4	2.4	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1995	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Medical care	6.262	225.6	226.0	3.8	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2
Medical care commodities	1.055	206.1	206.5	2.5	.2	.6	.0	.1
Medical care services	5.208	230.1	230.4	4.1	.1	.3	.2	.2
Professional medical services	2.965	207.2	207.6	3.8	.2	.2	.4	.1
Entertainment	4.029	156.0	156.1	3.7	.1	.4	.8	.0
Entertainment commodities	2.053	141.4	141.7	3.7	.2	.4	.9	.0
Entertainment services	1.976	176.9	176.9	3.7	.0	.4	.6	.1
Other goods and services	7.006	209.6	209.9	4.2	.1	.2	.4	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	2.135	229.8	230.7	3.6	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Personal care ²	1.132	149.2	149.3	2.2	.1	.1	.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ²	.635	144.6	144.6	1.2	.0	-.2	.1	.0
Personal care services ²	.497	155.1	155.2	3.3	.1	.5	.1	.1
Personal and educational expenses	3.739	239.3	239.5	5.2	.1	.5	.5	.3
School books and supplies	.227	225.8	226.3	5.9	.2	1.1	.3	.5
Personal and educational services	3.512	240.7	240.9	5.2	.1	.4	.5	.3
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	152.2	152.9	2.8	.5	.4	.2	.5
Commodities	47.052	137.9	139.1	2.5	.9	.6	.0	.7
Food and beverages	19.262	150.7	151.5	2.9	.5	.1	.1	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	27.790	130.0	131.4	2.2	1.1	.9	.0	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	16.074	129.7	132.2	2.9	1.9	1.4	.0	1.1
Apparel commodities	5.017	127.0	130.9	.5	3.1	.8	-.8	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel ²	11.057	134.0	135.7	3.9	1.3	1.7	.4	1.6
Durables	11.716	129.3	129.3	1.4	.0	.3	.3	.0
Services	52.948	169.4	169.8	3.2	.2	.2	.3	.2
Rent of shelter ¹	25.430	158.4	158.9	3.3	.3	.3	.2	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	6.561	186.8	186.8	2.2	.3	-.4	.5	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	82.419	152.4	153.2	2.8	.5	.5	.2	.4
All items less shelter	74.024	148.9	149.8	2.7	.6	.4	.2	.5
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	82.305	142.8	143.7	2.7	.6	.4	.2	.5
All items less medical care	93.738	148.7	149.5	2.7	.5	.4	.2	.5
Commodities less food	29.471	131.0	132.4	2.2	1.1	.9	.0	.8
Nondurables less food	17.756	131.3	133.6	2.8	1.8	1.3	.0	1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	12.739	135.3	136.9	3.8	1.2	1.4	.2	1.5
Nondurables	35.336	140.5	142.1	2.8	1.1	.8	.1	.9
Services less rent of shelter ¹	27.518	160.5	160.7	2.9	.1	.2	.4	.1
Services less medical care services	47.740	164.2	164.6	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.2
Energy	7.470	104.2	105.8	3.2	1.5	2.1	.2	1.8
All items less energy	92.530	158.8	159.5	2.8	.4	.3	.2	.4
All items less food and energy	74.949	161.0	161.7	2.8	.4	.3	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	25.560	140.4	141.4	1.9	.7	.4	.1	.4
Energy commodities	3.911	98.4	101.5	4.9	3.2	4.0	-.4	3.7
Services less energy services	49.388	175.0	175.5	3.3	.3	.2	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ²	-	\$.657	\$.654	-2.7	-.5	-.6	-.3	-.5
1967=\$1.00 ²	-	.221	.219	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.3	2.4	4.3	2.3	3.4
Food and beverages	150.1	150.3	150.5	151.3	3.0	3.3	1.9	3.2	3.2	2.6
Food	149.7	149.8	150.0	150.9	3.0	3.0	2.2	3.2	3.0	2.7
Food at home	149.8	149.8	149.8	151.1	3.9	3.8	1.9	3.5	3.9	2.7
Cereals and bakery products	169.9	171.6	171.4	172.1	3.2	3.2	4.1	5.3	3.2	4.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	141.7	141.8	141.7	141.4	-6	6.6	7.1	-8	2.9	3.0
Dairy products	134.7	135.2	136.5	136.3	1.2	2.1	6.2	4.8	1.7	5.5
Fruits and vegetables	176.5	174.5	174.2	182.1	17.6	2.7	-8.4	13.3	9.9	1.9
Other food at home	141.0	141.0	140.8	141.5	1.2	2.0	.6	1.4	1.6	1.0
Sugar and sweets	139.4	141.2	141.3	142.2	3.3	3.2	2.9	8.3	3.3	5.6
Fats and oils	138.7	139.2	138.9	139.5	.3	3.9	2.9	2.3	2.1	2.6
Nonalcoholic beverages	129.9	129.0	128.0	128.4	-1.8	2.2	-4.5	-4.5	.2	-4.5
Other prepared food	152.5	152.8	153.0	153.9	3.2	1.1	2.9	3.7	2.1	3.3
Food away from home	150.3	150.6	151.0	151.1	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Alcoholic beverages	154.7	155.3	156.1	156.5	1.8	2.4	1.8	4.7	2.1	3.3
Housing	147.1	147.6	147.8	148.3	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.3	2.5	3.2
Shelter	163.5	164.0	164.2	164.7	3.6	3.0	3.5	3.0	3.3	3.2
Renters' costs ¹	153.9	154.6	155.1	155.6	2.9	2.4	2.4	4.5	2.7	3.4
Rent, residential	159.3	159.7	160.1	160.3	2.6	1.8	3.1	2.5	2.2	2.8
Other renters' costs	206.5	209.2	210.8	212.8	5.0	4.8	-1.0	12.8	4.9	5.7
Homeowners' costs ¹	158.7	159.0	159.1	159.6	3.7	3.1	4.4	2.3	3.4	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	159.0	159.3	159.4	159.8	3.7	3.4	4.4	2.0	3.5	3.2
Household insurance ¹	145.6	145.2	145.9	146.0	1.7	-4.1	6.0	1.1	-1.2	3.5
Maintenance and repairs ²	135.8	135.5	135.7	136.3	2.1	1.8	2.4	1.5	2.0	1.9
Maintenance and repair services ²	144.7	144.6	145.0	145.8	2.0	1.7	4.8	3.1	1.8	4.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	124.2	123.6	123.8	124.1	2.3	1.6	-3	-3	2.0	-3
Fuel and other utilities	123.9	124.4	125.1	125.7	1.0	-3	3.6	5.9	.3	4.8
Fuels	110.5	111.2	112.0	112.0	.0	-1.5	4.8	5.5	-7	5.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	88.7	95.3	95.6	97.6	3.7	-5	1.8	46.6	1.6	22.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	118.2	118.2	119.1	118.9	.0	-1.7	4.9	2.4	-9	3.6
Other utilities and public services ²	154.3	154.8	155.4	157.0	2.4	1.0	1.8	7.2	1.7	4.5
Household furnishings and operation	122.7	122.9	122.7	123.0	.0	4.4	.7	1.0	2.2	.8
Housefurnishings	110.1	110.3	110.0	110.1	-1.1	3.7	-1.4	.0	1.3	-7
Housekeeping supplies	140.1	140.8	140.7	141.7	.9	6.6	4.1	4.6	3.7	4.4
Housekeeping services	149.0	148.8	149.0	149.1	1.9	3.9	3.6	.3	2.9	1.9
Apparel and upkeep	131.0	131.9	131.0	131.8	-2.4	.9	1.2	2.5	-8	1.8
Apparel commodities	127.9	128.9	127.9	128.7	-2.2	.9	.9	2.5	-6	1.7
Men's and boys' apparel	125.8	127.1	127.3	128.5	-6	-1.6	.6	8.9	-1.1	4.7
Women's and girls' apparel	125.6	127.5	124.6	124.7	-1.9	-2.5	3.9	-2.8	-2.2	.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	129.8	132.3	135.3	134.7	-14.8	37.7	-8.2	16.0	8.3	3.2
Footwear	126.4	125.3	126.9	128.2	-1.9	4.9	-1.9	5.8	1.4	1.9
Other apparel commodities	151.4	150.3	147.6	151.1	-2.3	-5	1.1	-8	-1.4	.1
Apparel services ²	157.1	157.6	157.9	158.2	-1.5	.8	.8	2.8	-4	1.8
Transportation	138.9	140.1	140.5	141.7	5.9	-4.5	.6	8.3	.6	4.4
Private transportation	137.1	138.4	138.6	139.8	4.5	-4.0	.9	8.1	.1	4.4
New vehicles	142.9	143.2	143.5	143.8	3.2	1.7	1.1	2.5	2.4	1.8
New cars	139.6	139.7	140.1	140.2	2.6	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.4
Used cars	158.3	159.8	161.0	161.9	-2.7	-3.0	4.1	9.4	-2.9	6.7
Motor fuel	97.6	101.2	100.7	104.6	16.5	-22.1	-1.2	31.9	-4.7	14.2
Gasoline	97.2	101.1	100.6	104.5	16.9	-22.7	-2.0	33.6	-4.9	14.4
Maintenance and repairs	156.8	157.4	157.6	157.9	2.9	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.7
Other private transportation	167.7	167.6	167.9	167.5	1.9	2.7	.2	-5	2.3	-1
Other private transportation commodities	104.2	104.2	104.4	104.3	1.2	1.2	-4	.4	1.2	.0
Other private transportation services	183.7	183.5	183.9	183.4	2.2	2.9	.4	-7	2.6	-1
Public transportation	170.2	169.6	173.7	175.1	26.3	-10.6	-6.8	12.0	6.3	2.2

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Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category										
Medical care	223.9	224.7	225.1	225.6	3.7	4.4	3.7	3.1	4.1	3.4
Medical care commodities	204.3	205.6	205.7	206.0	1.0	2.4	3.0	3.4	1.7	3.2
Medical care services	228.2	228.9	229.4	229.9	4.4	4.9	3.8	3.0	4.7	3.4
Professional medical services	205.7	206.2	207.0	207.2	4.1	3.8	4.2	2.9	3.9	3.6
Entertainment	154.1	154.7	155.9	155.9	3.0	3.8	3.4	4.8	3.4	4.1
Entertainment commodities	139.7	140.3	141.6	141.6	2.4	3.5	3.2	5.6	2.9	4.4
Entertainment services	174.8	175.5	176.5	176.6	3.1	4.0	3.7	4.2	3.6	4.0
Other goods and services	208.5	208.9	209.7	210.4	4.4	5.0	3.7	3.7	4.7	3.7
Tobacco and smoking products	229.2	228.4	229.4	230.9	5.5	4.7	1.2	3.0	5.1	2.1
Personal care ²	148.9	149.1	149.2	149.3	1.9	2.2	3.6	1.1	2.1	2.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ²	144.7	144.4	144.6	144.6	1.7	.6	2.8	-.3	1.1	1.3
Personal care services ²	154.2	154.9	155.1	155.2	1.9	4.3	4.5	2.6	3.1	3.6
Personal and educational expenses	236.9	238.0	239.1	239.8	4.5	6.0	5.4	5.0	5.2	5.2
School books and supplies	221.2	223.6	224.2	225.4	3.2	5.1	7.6	7.8	4.2	7.7
Personal and educational services	238.3	239.3	240.4	241.1	4.4	6.2	5.2	4.8	5.3	5.0
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.3	2.4	4.3	2.3	3.4
Commodities	137.3	138.1	138.1	139.1	3.0	.3	1.5	5.3	1.6	3.4
Food and beverages	150.1	150.3	150.5	151.3	3.0	3.3	1.9	3.2	3.2	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages	129.4	130.5	130.5	131.6	2.5	-1.5	1.2	7.0	.5	4.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.3	131.1	131.1	132.6	3.1	-3.9	2.2	10.6	-.5	6.3
Apparel commodities	127.9	128.9	127.9	128.7	-2.2	.9	.9	2.5	-.6	1.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel ²	132.7	134.9	135.5	137.7	5.5	-6.1	1.8	15.9	-.5	8.7
Durables	128.6	129.0	129.4	129.4	1.3	.6	1.3	2.5	.9	1.9
Services	168.3	168.7	169.2	169.6	3.4	2.7	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
Rent of shelter ¹	157.4	157.9	158.2	158.6	3.7	3.1	3.4	3.1	3.4	3.2
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	128.1	128.0	128.7	129.2	1.3	.0	4.2	3.5	.6	3.8
Transportation services	174.7	174.6	175.5	175.6	6.2	.5	-.2	2.1	3.3	.9
Medical care services	228.2	228.9	229.4	229.9	4.4	4.9	3.8	3.0	4.7	3.4
Other services	194.3	195.1	196.0	196.4	3.4	4.9	4.2	4.4	4.2	4.3
Special indexes										
All items less food	151.4	152.1	152.4	153.0	3.3	1.1	2.7	4.3	2.2	3.5
All items less shelter	148.1	148.7	149.0	149.8	3.1	1.1	1.9	4.7	2.1	3.3
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	142.0	142.6	142.9	143.6	3.2	1.1	2.0	4.6	2.2	3.3
All items less medical care	147.8	148.4	148.7	149.4	3.1	1.4	2.2	4.4	2.2	3.3
Commodities less food	130.5	131.7	131.7	132.8	2.5	-1.2	.9	7.2	.6	4.0
Nondurables less food	130.8	132.5	132.5	134.0	2.8	-3.3	2.2	10.2	-.3	6.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	134.2	136.1	136.4	138.4	5.2	-4.7	2.4	13.1	.2	7.6
Nondurables	139.8	140.9	141.1	142.3	2.6	-.3	2.0	7.3	1.2	4.7
Services less rent of shelter ¹	159.5	159.8	160.5	160.7	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.9
Services less medical care services	163.2	163.5	164.0	164.4	3.6	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Energy	103.5	105.7	105.9	107.8	7.9	-12.2	1.6	17.7	-2.7	9.3
All items less energy	158.0	158.4	158.7	159.3	2.6	2.9	2.3	3.3	2.7	2.8
All items less food and energy	160.3	160.8	161.1	161.6	2.8	2.6	2.5	3.3	2.7	2.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	140.0	140.5	140.6	141.1	.6	2.0	1.7	3.2	1.3	2.5
Energy commodities	97.0	100.9	100.5	104.2	15.3	-20.4	-1.2	33.2	-4.2	14.7
Services less energy services	174.0	174.4	174.9	175.4	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.2

¹ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	150.7	151.5	2.9	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5
Food	150.3	151.1	2.9	.5	.1	.1	.6
Food at home	150.5	151.6	3.3	.7	.0	.0	.9
Cereals and bakery products	171.7	171.6	3.9	-.1	1.0	-.1	.4
Cereals and cereal products	168.8	169.9	3.0	.7	.1	-.2	.7
Flour and prepared flour mixes	145.8	146.8	6.2	.7	1.1	-.5	1.2
Cereal ¹	193.8	194.9	2.6	.6	.2	-.1	.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	142.6	143.7	1.9	.8	-.7	-.6	.6
Bakery products ¹	172.7	172.1	4.4	-.3	1.4	.5	-.3
White bread ¹	172.8	172.3	5.6	-.3	1.4	.6	-.3
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	173.9	174.2	5.7	.2	1.3	.6	.2
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	170.9	170.7	2.8	-.1	-.1	.2	-.1
Other bakery products	173.9	171.8	3.8	-1.2	2.9	-1.1	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.1	142.3	3.0	.1	.1	-.1	-.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	142.1	142.0	1.7	-.1	-.1	.0	-.4
Meats	137.6	137.7	1.5	.1	-.1	-.1	-.4
Beef and veal	134.6	134.2	-2.0	-.3	-.1	-.4	-1.0
Ground beef other than canned	115.1	114.1	-4.1	-.9	-1.7	.2	-1.1
Chuck roast	140.4	138.5	-4.6	-1.4	1.1	-3.0	-2.4
Round roast	133.8	131.2	-2.3	-1.9	2.5	-.1	-2.7
Round steak	130.7	129.0	-3.9	-1.3	-.3	.9	-2.2
Sirloin steak	137.2	140.2	-.8	2.2	.1	-.1	.9
Other beef and veal ¹	156.7	157.2	1.2	.3	.6	-.6	.3
Pork	140.4	141.0	5.9	.4	-.8	.6	.3
Bacon ¹	130.9	131.5	14.1	.5	-1.0	1.7	.5
Chops	148.3	150.1	5.6	1.2	1.8	-1.3	1.1
Ham	143.7	145.1	3.4	1.0	-3.2	2.3	.1
Other pork, including sausage	137.4	136.8	4.3	-.4	-.6	.5	-1.2
Other meats ¹	141.6	142.1	4.2	.4	1.0	-.7	.4
Poultry ¹	149.1	147.4	2.9	-1.1	1.2	.9	-1.1
Fresh whole chicken ¹	147.1	146.7	3.2	-.3	1.1	.2	-.3
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	153.4	149.5	2.1	-2.5	1.0	1.3	-2.5
Other poultry	146.1	147.8	4.4	1.2	.6	.4	1.4
Fish and seafood	172.8	173.5	1.4	.4	-1.0	-.3	.5
Canned fish and seafood ¹	125.3	125.0	.6	-.2	.6	-.9	-.2
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	196.8	197.8	1.6	.5	-1.3	-.2	.4
Eggs	140.3	145.1	26.8	3.4	1.7	-1.3	1.7
Dairy products	136.9	136.6	3.6	-.2	.4	1.0	-.1
Fresh milk and cream	137.0	137.2	4.3	.1	1.1	.7	.4
Fresh whole milk	136.1	136.1	4.5	.0	1.0	1.0	.4
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	138.4	138.9	3.9	.4	2.1	.1	.4
Processed dairy products	137.3	136.4	2.8	-.7	-.6	1.1	-.7
Cheese	140.6	139.5	2.3	-.8	-.4	1.2	-.7
Ice cream and related products	141.0	140.5	2.1	-.4	.1	.6	-.7
Other dairy products, including butter	120.7	119.9	5.7	-.7	-1.9	1.1	-.6
Fruits and vegetables	176.5	182.7	5.8	3.5	-1.1	-.2	4.5
Fresh fruits and vegetables	201.9	212.6	7.0	5.3	-2.0	-.7	6.7
Fresh fruits	216.7	219.5	7.1	1.3	-.9	-1.9	2.5
Apples	197.0	201.1	14.1	2.1	.7	-1.0	2.1
Bananas	162.7	175.6	10.8	7.9	-1.4	-1.2	4.3
Oranges, including tangerines	193.6	196.4	7.1	1.4	-6.7	2.2	2.6
Other fresh fruits	248.1	247.2	4.2	-.4	.6	-3.6	2.3
Fresh vegetables	187.6	206.0	7.0	9.8	-3.3	.9	11.6
Potatoes	179.0	184.2	14.3	2.9	-.1	.6	.1
Lettuce ¹	163.9	206.6	17.5	26.1	17.0	-18.1	26.1
Tomatoes ¹	174.7	233.2	35.3	33.5	-27.0	.0	33.5
Other fresh vegetables	201.7	207.5	-4.0	2.9	6.9	.3	2.4
Processed fruits and vegetables	140.9	140.6	3.2	-.2	.7	.9	-.1
Processed fruits	141.1	140.5	3.5	-.4	1.4	.6	-.6
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	140.9	139.9	2.9	-.7	1.8	.5	-.8
Canned and dried fruits	140.0	140.9	5.5	.6	.3	.4	1.0
Processed vegetables	140.9	141.1	2.9	.1	-.6	1.4	.7
Frozen vegetables	142.8	142.9	1.8	.1	-1.3	1.1	-.1
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	140.7	140.9	3.4	.1	-.3	1.7	.7

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	141.5	142.1	1.3	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.5
Sugar and sweets	141.6	142.3	4.3	.5	1.3	.1	.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	131.0	132.0	4.8	.8	.8	-5	1.0
Sweets, including candy ¹	146.0	146.6	4.1	.4	2.0	.3	.4
Fats and oils	139.6	139.9	2.3	.2	.4	-2	.4
Nonalcoholic beverages	129.4	129.2	-2.3	.2	-7	-8	.3
Carbonated drinks	121.4	121.0	.0	-3	.1	-1.4	.2
Coffee ¹	152.2	151.8	-8.4	-3	-2.2	.1	-3
Other noncarbonated drinks	136.2	137.0	2.5	.6	-4	-1	1.2
Other prepared food	153.2	154.4	2.8	.8	.2	.1	.6
Canned and packaged soup	177.2	179.3	3.0	1.2	-8	.3	1.4
Frozen prepared food ¹	139.3	139.7	.6	.3	.3	.4	.3
Snacks ¹	146.3	147.7	4.3	1.0	.7	1.4	1.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	159.2	160.8	4.3	1.0	.5	-6	1.1
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	154.9	155.9	1.6	.6	.4	-2	.1
Food away from home	150.9	151.1	2.2	.1	.2	.3	.1
Lunch	151.3	151.5	2.2	.1	.3	.1	.1
Dinner	149.2	149.4	2.0	.1	.1	.2	.1
Other meals and snacks ¹	153.2	153.4	2.3	.1	.1	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	156.1	156.8	2.7	.4	.4	.5	.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	145.3	146.2	2.2	.6	.3	.8	.3
Beer and ale	146.5	147.6	2.4	.8	.3	1.0	.4
Wine	135.4	136.1	3.2	.5	1.1	.5	.3
Distilled spirits ¹	145.6	146.2	1.1	.4	.4	.0	.4
Alcoholic beverages away from home	179.1	179.6	3.3	.3	.3	.4	.1
Housing	148.0	148.5	2.9	.3	.3	.1	.3
Shelter	164.6	165.1	3.3	.3	.3	.1	.3
Renters' costs ²	156.0	157.0	3.1	.6	.5	.3	.3
Rent, residential	160.1	160.3	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Other renters' costs	214.0	219.6	5.3	2.6	1.3	.8	.9
Lodging while out of town	213.3	219.5	5.5	2.9	1.5	.8	1.0
Lodging while at school ³	211.9	211.9	4.2	.0	.3	.5	.4
Tenants' insurance	150.4	150.9	.9	.3	-7	.5	.2
Homeowners' costs ²	159.3	159.6	3.4	.2	.2	.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	159.5	159.8	3.4	.2	.2	.1	.3
Household insurance ^{1,2}	145.6	145.9	1.2	.2	-3	.5	.1
Maintenance and repairs ¹	135.7	136.3	1.9	.4	-2	.1	.4
Maintenance and repair services ¹	145.0	145.8	2.9	.6	-1	.3	.6
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	123.8	124.1	.8	.2	-5	.2	.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1,4}	117.9	118.3	.6	.3	-5	.2	.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	121.7	121.9	1.0	.2	-3	.0	.2
Fuel and other utilities	124.6	125.0	2.5	.3	.4	.6	.5
Fuels	111.8	111.5	2.2	-3	.6	.7	.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	97.6	99.1	11.5	1.5	7.4	.3	2.1
Fuel oil	95.6	97.4	13.4	1.9	8.5	-2	2.8
Other household fuel commodities ^{1,4}	127.4	128.5	7.9	.9	5.6	1.2	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	118.4	117.9	1.4	-4	.0	.8	-2
Electricity	127.3	127.7	2.4	.3	-4	.2	.4
Utility (piped) gas	105.2	103.0	-9	-2.1	.8	2.1	-1.3
Other utilities and public services ¹	155.4	157.0	3.1	1.0	.3	.4	1.0
Telephone services ¹	124.5	125.2	1.5	.6	.1	.0	.6
Local charges ¹	159.9	159.8	.3	-1	-1	.1	-1
Interstate toll calls ¹	75.9	78.0	5.3	2.8	.0	.1	2.8
Intrastate toll calls ¹	87.5	87.8	2.3	.3	.5	.0	.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	198.0	203.6	5.9	2.8	.6	.1	3.0
Cable television ^{1,5}	207.7	208.4	4.2	.3	.6	1.4	.3
Refuse collection ⁵	243.9	244.5	2.1	.2	.0	.1	.3

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation	122.9	123.2	1.5	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Housefurnishings	110.0	110.2	.3	.2	.2	-.3	.1
Textile housefurnishings	123.6	123.0	-.2	-.5	.7	-.8	.0
Furniture and bedding ¹	129.9	130.0	1.6	.1	.2	-.8	.1
Bedroom furniture ¹	134.9	133.8	-.4	-.8	.5	-.4	-.8
Sofas ¹	132.9	135.6	7.4	2.0	-1.3	-1.6	2.0
Living room chairs and tables ¹	134.2	133.4	1.1	-.6	1.0	-1.3	-.6
Other furniture	120.1	120.1	.3	.0	-.4	.2	.2
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	80.5	80.7	-2.5	.2	-.5	.5	.2
Video and audio products ¹	72.2	72.4	-3.7	.3	-.6	.4	.3
Televisions ¹	65.1	65.0	-5.4	-.2	-.6	.5	-.2
Video products other than televisions ^{1 8}	67.1	67.1	-7.6	.0	-1.9	.9	.0
Audio products ¹	91.2	91.7	-1.2	.5	.0	.4	.5
Major household appliances ^{1 4}	102.7	103.3	.4	.6	-.3	.7	.6
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	108.8	110.5	1.1	1.6	.0	-.6	1.6
Laundry equipment ¹	110.3	110.8	1.3	.5	-.6	1.4	.5
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 4}	94.8	94.7	-1.1	-.1	.0	1.1	-.1
Information processing equipment ^{1 8}	60.8	60.2	-6.5	-1.0	-.7	-.3	-1.0
Other housefurnishings ^{1 4}	114.8	115.5	1.6	.6	.4	.3	.6
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	138.9	138.7	3.2	-.1	1.5	-.4	-.1
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	118.2	118.3	3.1	.1	1.3	-1.7	.1
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	124.3	125.8	1.5	1.2	1.0	2.0	1.2
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	107.6	107.7	1.6	.1	-.1	-.3	.1
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 4}	89.7	89.1	-1.8	-.7	1.1	.6	-.7
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 7}	117.5	120.6	1.3	2.6	-1.8	2.9	2.6
Housekeeping supplies	140.7	141.3	4.0	.4	.5	-.1	.7
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	141.8	141.8	.6	.0	.8	-.4	.0
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	145.3	145.4	9.4	.1	.4	.3	.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	134.1	136.2	2.8	1.6	.3	.2	1.6
Housekeeping services	149.4	149.6	2.4	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	152.3	152.4	4.3	.1	.1	.4	.1
Gardening and other household services ^{1 4}	132.2	132.5	2.6	.2	.8	.8	.2
Apparel and upkeep	130.2	133.9	.5	2.8	.7	-.7	.6
Apparel commodities	127.0	130.9	.5	3.1	.8	-.8	.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	127.1	131.3	.3	3.3	1.1	-1.2	.6
Men's and boys'	126.3	128.9	1.7	2.1	1.0	.2	.9
Men's	129.6	132.4	2.2	2.2	1.9	.5	.8
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	135.5	136.6	1.3	.8	1.3	.8	-.7
Furnishings and special clothing	119.3	122.5	2.9	2.7	2.0	1.5	2.0
Shirts	133.1	138.6	1.7	4.1	1.3	-1.9	2.2
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.8	133.2	2.9	1.1	1.5	1.2	.5
Boys'	115.8	117.6	.1	1.6	.0	-.5	.4
Women's and girls'	123.3	128.6	-.9	4.3	1.5	-2.3	.1
Women's	122.0	127.6	-.9	4.6	1.2	-2.4	.2
Coats and jackets	117.6	121.8	5.2	3.6	1.6	-1.2	2.2
Dresses	110.6	119.7	-1.0	8.2	-2.4	-6.9	3.5
Separates and sportswear	124.9	131.2	-3.9	5.0	2.9	-2.9	-1.7
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	132.5	133.0	3.7	.4	.5	1.6	-.2
Suits	139.3	147.7	2.3	6.0	-.4	.5	3.3
Girls'	129.7	133.4	-.7	2.9	2.5	-2.0	-.2
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	135.3	134.7	5.7	-.4	1.9	2.3	-.4
Other apparel commodities	146.9	153.7	-.6	4.6	-.7	-1.8	2.4
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 4}	130.4	132.8	.6	1.8	.8	-1.1	1.8
Watches and jewelry ⁴	146.1	153.7	-.8	5.2	-.8	-2.1	3.1
Watches ^{1 4}	128.3	130.9	4.2	2.0	.5	-1.2	2.0
Jewelry ⁴	151.2	160.3	-1.8	6.0	-.8	-2.3	3.7
Footwear	126.3	128.8	1.6	2.0	-.9	1.3	1.0
Men's	132.5	133.9	-.7	1.1	-1.0	.2	.9
Boys' and girls'	125.3	130.3	2.8	4.0	-1.1	2.3	2.6
Women's	121.0	122.9	2.8	1.6	-.2	1.8	.7
Apparel services ¹	157.9	158.2	.7	.2	.3	.2	.2
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	159.7	160.1	.6	.3	.4	.2	.3
Other apparel services ¹	156.9	157.2	.7	.2	.1	.2	.2

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Transportation	140.0	140.9	2.4	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.9
Private	138.0	138.8	2.3	.6	.9	.1	.9
New vehicles	144.5	144.5	2.1	.0	.2	.2	.2
New cars	141.0	141.0	1.7	.0	.1	.3	.1
Subcompact new cars ⁴	123.2	122.9	1.6	-.2	.2	.2	-.2
Compact new cars ⁴	121.0	121.2	2.4	.2	.2	.6	.4
Intermediate new cars ⁴	122.0	121.8	1.1	-.2	-.1	.2	.1
Full-size new cars ⁴	122.8	122.6	.7	-.2	-.5	-.2	.2
Luxury new cars ⁴	132.9	133.4	2.9	.4	.4	.7	.6
New trucks ⁵	150.2	150.1	2.9	-.1	.4	.1	-.1
New motorcycles ⁴	159.2	160.7	5.9	.9	.3	1.6	.9
Used cars	158.6	158.3	1.8	-.2	.9	.8	.6
Motor fuel	98.1	101.4	4.2	3.4	3.7	-.5	3.9
Gasoline	97.8	101.2	4.3	3.5	4.0	-.5	3.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	95.5	99.0	4.7	3.7	4.1	-.4	4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 8}	102.4	105.6	3.6	3.1	2.2	-.4	3.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	99.9	102.7	3.1	2.8	3.4	-.4	3.1
Automobile maintenance and repair	157.6	157.9	2.9	.2	.4	.1	.2
Body work ¹	163.0	163.8	4.2	.5	.3	.7	.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	165.3	165.5	2.7	.1	.3	.4	.1
Maintenance and servicing ¹	145.0	145.5	2.4	.3	.3	.1	.3
Power plant repair	162.5	162.4	2.9	-.1	.4	.0	-.2
Other private transportation	168.8	168.1	1.1	-.4	-.1	.2	-.2
Other private transportation commodities	104.6	104.4	.6	-.2	.0	.2	-.1
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	130.5	130.4	2.6	-.1	.7	.5	-.1
Automobile parts and equipment	101.7	101.5	.3	-.2	.1	-.1	.0
Tires ¹	101.2	101.3	.7	.1	.0	.0	.1
Other parts and equipment ¹	106.6	106.2	.0	-.4	.3	-.1	-.4
Other private transportation services	185.0	184.1	1.2	-.5	-.1	.2	-.3
Automobile insurance	240.3	240.2	4.1	.0	.4	.2	.1
Automobile finance charges	93.6	92.7	-9.6	-1.0	-2.8	-1.9	.1
Automobile fees ¹	183.5	180.6	2.6	-1.6	.5	3.1	-1.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	181.2	180.9	1.9	-.2	.0	-.1	-.2
Other automobile-related fees ¹	187.7	181.4	3.5	-3.4	1.3	7.6	-3.4
Public transportation	174.6	177.2	4.2	1.5	-.4	2.4	.8
Airline fares	186.9	186.6	-.1	-.2	-1.3	6.0	-1.7
Other intercity transportation	156.5	158.1	2.0	1.0	.0	-.2	1.0
Intracity public transportation ¹	166.0	172.7	11.5	4.0	.4	.3	4.0
Medical care	225.6	226.0	3.8	.2	.4	.2	.2
Medical care commodities	206.1	206.5	2.5	.2	.6	.0	.1
Prescription drugs	240.0	240.9	3.2	.4	.3	.3	.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 4}	141.5	141.2	1.0	-.2	.9	-.1	-.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	167.5	167.0	.8	-.3	1.2	-.2	-.3
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	171.4	171.8	1.7	.2	-.2	.4	.0
Medical care services	230.1	230.4	4.1	.1	.3	.2	.2
Professional medical services	207.2	207.6	3.8	.2	.2	.4	.1
Physicians' services	215.0	215.4	4.0	.2	.4	.1	.2
Dental services ¹	212.6	213.1	4.2	.2	.5	.7	.2
Eye care ^{1 4}	139.3	139.5	2.2	.1	.4	.2	.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁴	148.2	148.6	2.1	.3	.3	.2	.1
Hospital and related services	263.7	264.0	4.7	.1	.5	.2	.5
Hospital rooms	252.8	253.1	4.1	.1	-.1	.3	.4
Other inpatient services ⁴	214.8	214.9	5.1	.0	.9	.5	.5
Outpatient services ⁴	212.1	212.5	5.1	.2	.7	.0	.6

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Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1996 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category							
Entertainment	156.0	156.1	3.7	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.0
Entertainment commodities	141.4	141.7	3.7	.2	.4	.9	.0
Reading materials	176.5	176.0	6.1	-.3	.9	.5	-.3
Newspapers ¹	188.6	189.1	7.7	.3	.8	.3	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	164.4	162.8	4.0	-1.0	1.0	.2	-1.0
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	126.9	127.0	.2	.1	.8	1.1	.1
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	130.4	130.5	-.1	.1	1.3	1.2	.1
Other sporting goods ¹	119.3	119.4	.7	.1	.3	.8	.1
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	131.0	131.8	4.1	.6	.2	1.2	.6
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	126.1	126.4	3.0	.2	-.1	2.1	.0
Photographic supplies and equipment	133.7	134.1	1.1	.3	-.3	-.7	.2
Pet supplies and expense ¹	136.8	138.3	6.2	1.1	.4	.7	1.1
Entertainment services	176.9	176.9	3.7	.0	.4	.6	.1
Club memberships ⁴	137.5	136.5	.7	-.7	.1	.4	-.7
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ⁴	162.5	162.6	3.3	.1	1.1	.5	.0
Admissions ¹	188.5	188.3	5.5	-.1	.3	1.2	-.1
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁴	159.5	160.3	2.9	.5	.1	.0	.8
Other entertainment services ^{1,4}	136.6	136.9	3.3	.2	.2	.4	.2
Other goods and services	209.6	209.9	4.2	.1	.2	.4	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	229.8	230.7	3.6	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Personal care ¹	149.2	149.3	2.2	.1	.1	.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.6	144.6	1.2	.0	-.2	.1	.0
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	148.3	147.7	1.7	-.4	.0	-.4	-.4
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	142.5	142.8	.8	.2	-.4	.5	.2
Personal care services ¹	155.1	155.2	3.3	.1	.5	.1	.1
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	154.7	154.8	3.7	.1	.5	.1	.1
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	155.8	156.1	2.2	.2	-.2	-.1	.4
Personal and educational expenses	239.3	239.5	5.2	.1	.5	.5	.3
School books and supplies	225.8	226.3	5.9	.2	1.1	.3	.5
Personal and educational services	240.7	240.9	5.2	.1	.4	.5	.3
Tuition and other school fees	256.7	256.7	5.4	.0	.4	.5	.4
College tuition	272.1	272.1	6.3	.0	.4	.7	.5
Elementary and high school tuition	266.9	267.0	6.0	.0	.2	.4	.6
Day care and nursery school ⁷	128.3	128.4	3.4	.1	.2	.4	.2
Personal expenses	212.0	212.3	4.6	.1	.7	.4	-.1
Legal service fees ^{1,4}	153.3	154.8	3.7	1.0	.0	.1	1.0
Personal financial services ^{1,4}	182.9	181.5	5.6	-.8	2.0	.9	-.8
Funeral expenses ⁴	160.6	160.8	4.9	.1	.4	.7	-.1
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	151.7	152.9	3.9	.8	.3	.3	.8
Selected beef cuts	128.2	127.3	-3.5	-.7	-.4	-.2	-1.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	98.7	101.9	4.2	3.2	3.8	-.5	3.7
Utilities and public transportation	137.3	138.0	2.5	.5	-.1	.9	.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	150.6	150.9	2.4	.2	.2	.3	.2

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	150.5	151.3	3.0	3.3	1.9	3.2	3.2	2.6
Food	150.0	150.9	3.0	3.0	2.2	3.2	3.0	2.7
Food at home	149.8	151.1	3.9	3.8	1.9	3.5	3.9	2.7
Cereals and bakery products	171.4	172.1	3.2	3.2	4.1	5.3	3.2	4.7
Cereals and cereal products	168.8	169.9	2.7	2.4	5.1	2.1	2.6	3.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	144.9	146.6	5.0	8.0	4.6	7.4	6.5	6.0
Cereal ¹	193.8	194.9	3.4	-1.2	5.6	2.7	1.1	4.1
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	142.0	142.8	1.1	2.6	7.0	-3.0	1.9	1.8
Bakery products ¹	172.7	172.1	6.2	3.1	2.2	6.3	4.7	4.2
White bread ¹	172.8	172.3	1.0	9.4	5.1	7.0	5.1	6.1
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	173.9	174.2	6.0	3.1	5.3	8.5	4.5	6.9
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	170.9	170.7	5.2	-5	6.6	.0	2.3	3.2
Other bakery products	173.2	174.0	3.4	.7	1.9	9.2	2.0	5.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	141.7	141.4	-6	6.6	7.1	-8	2.9	3.0
Meats, poultry, and fish	141.8	141.3	-1.1	5.3	4.6	-1.7	2.0	1.4
Meats	137.4	136.9	-2.6	4.6	6.7	-2.3	.9	2.1
Beef and veal	134.1	132.7	-4.6	.9	1.8	-6.1	-1.9	-2.2
Ground beef other than canned	113.8	112.5	-7.0	.0	1.4	-10.3	-3.5	-4.6
Chuck roast	138.4	135.1	-9.0	.9	7.4	-16.0	-4.2	-5.0
Round roast	132.9	129.3	-13.5	2.2	4.8	-1.5	-6.0	1.6
Round steak	130.4	127.5	-11.2	2.2	.6	-6.6	-4.8	-3.1
Sirloin steak	138.5	139.8	-3	-3.4	-3.4	4.1	-1.8	.3
Other beef and veal ¹	156.7	157.2	-8	1.8	2.6	1.3	.5	1.9
Pork	140.9	141.3	-3.3	14.0	13.5	.6	5.0	6.8
Bacon ¹	130.9	131.5	-3	30.4	24.4	4.7	14.0	14.1
Chops	149.1	150.8	-5.2	20.1	2.5	6.6	6.7	4.5
Ham	144.8	145.0	-5.6	4.7	19.9	-3.5	-6	7.6
Other pork, including sausage	138.2	136.6	-3	9.2	13.8	-4.8	4.3	4.1
Other meats ¹	141.6	142.1	4.2	1.8	8.3	2.6	3.0	5.4
Poultry ¹	149.1	147.4	-1.9	9.0	.8	3.9	3.4	2.3
Fresh whole chicken ¹	147.1	146.7	-1.1	10.2	-3	4.2	4.4	1.9
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	153.4	149.5	-3.2	7.6	5.8	-1.3	2.1	2.2
Other poultry	145.6	147.6	-6	6.7	1.7	10.1	3.0	5.8
Fish and seafood	171.3	172.1	7.0	4.5	-2.3	-3.4	5.7	-2.8
Canned fish and seafood ¹	125.3	125.0	4.9	-1.9	1.6	-2.2	1.5	-3
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	194.7	195.5	8.8	6.5	-3.9	-4.2	7.6	-4.1
Eggs	138.2	140.5	12.5	37.3	55.1	8.4	24.3	29.6
Dairy products	136.5	136.3	1.2	2.1	6.2	4.8	1.7	5.5
Fresh milk and cream	136.5	137.1	.3	1.2	6.2	9.6	.8	7.9
Fresh whole milk	135.6	136.1	-3	2.2	6.6	9.7	.9	8.1
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	138.4	138.9	1.2	-3.5	7.4	11.1	-1.2	9.2
Processed dairy products	136.9	136.0	1.8	3.0	7.0	-6	2.4	3.2
Cheese	140.0	139.0	2.4	2.1	4.4	.0	2.2	2.2
Ice cream and related products	140.7	139.7	.9	1.8	5.9	.0	1.3	2.9
Other dairy products, including butter	120.3	119.6	2.9	7.6	20.0	-5.5	5.2	6.5
Fruits and vegetables	174.2	182.1	17.6	2.7	-8.4	13.3	9.9	1.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables	199.1	212.5	24.1	3.5	-12.3	16.6	13.3	1.1
Fresh fruits	214.9	220.3	30.6	12.2	-9.0	-1.3	21.0	-5.2
Apples	198.2	202.3	9.3	14.9	26.1	7.0	12.1	16.2
Bananas	152.9	159.5	27.1	20.5	-7.8	6.8	23.8	-7
Oranges, including tangerines	216.1	221.7	26.4	40.3	-19.1	-8.4	33.2	-13.9
Other fresh fruits	239.5	245.0	39.9	2.4	-14.9	-3.2	19.7	-9.3
Fresh vegetables	180.6	201.6	17.4	-5.6	-15.9	40.7	5.3	8.8
Potatoes	187.3	187.5	20.1	28.4	7.4	2.6	24.2	5.0
Lettuce ¹	163.9	206.6	100.5	27.0	-64.8	112.6	59.6	-13.5
Tomatoes ¹	174.7	233.2	8.9	-39.8	467.2	-9.7	-19.1	126.4
Other fresh vegetables	190.7	195.2	.2	-9.5	-35.5	45.3	-4.8	-3.2
Processed fruits and vegetables	140.6	140.5	4.5	1.2	.9	6.5	2.8	3.7
Processed fruits	140.8	140.0	4.5	2.4	1.2	5.9	3.4	3.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	140.5	139.4	3.9	.9	1.2	6.3	2.4	3.7
Canned and dried fruits	140.0	141.4	3.9	8.8	2.0	7.1	6.4	4.5
Processed vegetables	140.5	141.5	3.2	1.5	.9	6.2	2.3	3.5
Frozen vegetables	142.6	142.5	2.0	2.9	3.1	-8	2.4	1.1
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	140.5	141.5	4.2	.3	.6	8.9	2.2	4.7

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Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Other food at home	140.8	141.5	1.2	2.0	0.6	1.4	1.6	1.0
Sugar and sweets	141.3	142.2	3.3	3.2	2.9	8.3	3.3	5.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	130.2	131.5	5.5	3.2	5.4	5.0	4.3	5.2
Sweets, including candy ¹	146.0	146.6	2.0	2.6	.6	11.7	2.3	6.0
Fats and oils	138.9	139.5	.3	3.9	2.9	2.3	2.1	2.6
Nonalcoholic beverages	128.0	128.4	-1.8	2.2	-4.5	-4.5	.2	-4.5
Carbonated drinks	119.1	119.3	2.7	4.1	-2.0	-4.6	3.4	-3.3
Coffee ¹	152.2	151.8	-7.7	-4.8	-11.7	-9.4	-6.3	-10.5
Other noncarbonated drinks	135.4	137.0	3.0	1.5	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.8
Other prepared food	153.0	153.9	3.2	1.1	2.9	3.7	2.1	3.3
Canned and packaged soup	177.7	180.2	1.8	2.5	4.1	3.6	2.2	3.9
Frozen prepared food ¹	139.3	139.7	-.3	1.4	-2.3	3.8	.6	.7
Snacks ¹	146.3	147.7	2.3	.3	2.3	12.9	1.3	7.4
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	158.3	160.0	6.4	.5	6.3	4.1	3.4	5.2
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	154.9	155.1	2.6	.5	1.8	1.3	1.6	1.6
Food away from home	151.0	151.1	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2
Lunch	151.4	151.5	2.2	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.3	2.0
Dinner	149.2	149.4	1.4	2.2	2.5	1.9	1.8	2.2
Other meals and snacks ¹	153.2	153.4	2.2	2.7	1.9	2.4	2.4	2.1
Alcoholic beverages	156.1	156.5	1.8	2.4	1.8	4.7	2.1	3.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	145.1	145.6	.6	1.1	1.4	5.7	.8	3.5
Beer and ale	146.3	146.9	.0	1.1	1.7	6.8	.6	4.2
Wine	135.0	135.4	1.5	1.2	1.8	8.1	1.4	4.9
Distilled spirits ¹	145.6	146.2	1.7	2.8	-3.2	3.4	2.2	.0
Alcoholic beverages away from home	179.5	179.6	3.7	3.7	2.7	3.2	3.7	3.0
Housing	147.8	148.3	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.3	2.5	3.2
Shelter	164.2	164.7	3.6	3.0	3.5	3.0	3.3	3.2
Renters' costs ²	155.1	155.6	2.9	2.4	2.4	4.5	2.7	3.4
Rent, residential	160.1	160.3	2.6	1.8	3.1	2.5	2.2	2.8
Other renters' costs	210.8	212.8	5.0	4.8	-1.0	12.8	4.9	5.7
Lodging while out of town	209.8	211.9	5.3	5.0	-1.5	13.9	5.1	5.9
Lodging while at school ³	212.1	212.9	4.2	1.6	6.1	4.8	2.9	5.5
Tenants' insurance	150.7	151.0	2.2	-4.7	6.3	.3	-1.3	3.3
Homeowners' costs ²	159.1	159.6	3.7	3.1	4.4	2.3	3.4	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	159.4	159.8	3.7	3.4	4.4	2.0	3.5	3.2
Household insurance ^{1 2}	145.9	146.0	1.7	-4.1	6.0	1.1	-1.2	3.5
Maintenance and repairs ¹	135.7	136.3	2.1	1.8	2.4	1.5	2.0	1.9
Maintenance and repair services ¹	145.0	145.8	2.0	1.7	4.8	3.1	1.8	4.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	123.8	124.1	2.3	1.6	-.3	-.3	2.0	-.3
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 4}	117.9	118.3	.0	-3.0	5.6	.0	-1.5	2.8
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	121.7	121.9	4.7	5.3	-5.1	-.7	5.0	-2.9
Fuel and other utilities	125.1	125.7	1.0	-.3	3.6	5.9	.3	4.8
Fuels	112.0	112.0	.0	-1.5	4.8	5.5	-.7	5.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	95.6	97.6	3.7	-.5	1.8	46.6	1.6	22.2
Fuel oil	93.1	95.7	5.8	-.5	2.4	53.3	2.6	25.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 4}	127.4	128.5	-5.6	-4.7	11.5	35.1	-5.1	22.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	119.1	118.9	.0	-1.7	4.9	2.4	-.9	3.6
Electricity	130.4	130.9	3.2	-.6	6.4	.9	1.3	3.6
Utility (piped) gas	103.9	102.5	-7.1	-3.9	2.0	6.1	-5.5	4.0
Other utilities and public services ¹	155.4	157.0	2.4	1.0	1.8	7.2	1.7	4.5
Telephone services ¹	124.5	125.2	1.3	.3	1.6	2.6	.8	2.1
Local charges ¹	159.9	159.8	1.0	-.3	.5	-.2	.4	.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	75.9	78.0	4.4	.0	4.9	12.1	2.2	8.4
Intrastate toll calls ¹	87.5	87.8	-.5	3.3	3.3	3.3	1.4	3.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	197.8	203.8	2.7	2.1	3.7	15.7	2.4	9.6
Cable television ^{1 5}	207.7	208.4	3.9	.6	2.6	10.0	2.2	6.2
Refuse collection ⁵	244.1	244.9	3.9	.0	2.7	2.0	1.9	2.3

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Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation	122.7	123.0	0.0	4.4	0.7	1.0	2.2	0.8
Housefurnishings	110.0	110.1	-1.1	3.7	-1.4	.0	1.3	-.7
Textile housefurnishings	123.0	123.0	.7	-.3	-1.0	-.3	.2	-.6
Furniture and bedding ¹	129.9	130.0	.3	6.1	2.5	-2.1	3.2	.2
Bedroom furniture ¹	134.9	133.8	3.3	3.0	-4.6	-2.9	3.2	-3.8
Sofas ¹	132.9	135.6	2.9	11.5	20.4	-3.7	7.1	7.6
Living room chairs and tables ¹	134.2	133.4	.9	5.9	1.2	-3.5	3.4	-1.2
Other furniture	120.3	120.5	-9.9	10.7	2.4	-.3	-.2	1.0
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	80.5	80.7	-4.7	-3.4	-2.9	1.0	-4.1	-1.0
Video and audio products ¹	72.2	72.4	-6.7	-3.7	-4.8	.6	-5.2	-2.2
Televisions ¹	65.1	65.0	-7.4	-6.4	-6.5	-1.2	-6.9	-3.9
Video products other than televisions ^{1 6}	67.1	67.1	-14.1	-2.3	-9.4	-4.1	-8.4	-6.8
Audio products ¹	91.2	91.7	-4.7	-2.2	-1.7	4.0	-3.4	1.1
Major household appliances ^{1 4}	102.7	103.3	-1.5	-2.3	1.6	4.0	-1.9	2.8
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	108.8	110.5	-5.7	2.6	4.1	3.7	-1.6	3.9
Laundry equipment ¹	110.3	110.8	-1.1	-1.1	2.6	4.8	-1.1	3.7
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 4}	94.8	94.7	1.3	-8.1	-1.3	3.9	-3.5	1.3
Information processing equipment ^{1 6}	60.8	60.2	.0	-4.3	-13.7	-7.6	-2.2	-10.7
Other housefurnishings ^{1 4}	114.8	115.5	-.4	5.8	-4.4	5.7	2.7	.5
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	138.9	138.7	6.7	5.4	-3.1	4.1	6.0	.4
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	118.2	118.3	.0	11.6	2.7	-1.3	5.7	.7
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	124.3	125.8	-6.9	7.1	-9.9	18.0	-.2	3.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	107.6	107.7	1.9	2.3	3.4	-1.1	2.1	1.1
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 4}	89.7	89.1	4.9	-4.7	-10.6	4.1	.0	-3.5
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 7}	117.5	120.6	-5.9	12.5	-14.1	15.6	2.9	-.3
Housekeeping supplies	140.7	141.7	.9	6.6	4.1	4.6	3.7	4.4
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	141.8	141.8	-.6	.9	.6	1.7	.1	1.1
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	145.3	145.4	8.7	16.9	9.4	3.1	12.7	6.2
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	134.1	136.2	-.3	.3	2.7	8.7	.0	5.7
Housekeeping services	149.0	149.1	1.9	3.9	3.6	.3	2.9	1.9
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	152.3	152.4	1.4	6.4	7.5	2.1	3.9	4.8
Gardening and other household services ^{1 4}	132.2	132.5	.0	4.1	-.6	7.3	2.0	3.2
Apparel and upkeep	131.0	131.8	-2.4	.9	1.2	2.5	-.8	1.8
Apparel commodities	127.9	128.7	-2.2	.9	.9	2.5	-.6	1.7
Apparel commodities less footwear	127.9	128.7	-2.2	.0	1.9	1.9	-1.1	1.9
Men's and boys'	127.3	128.5	-.6	-1.6	.6	8.9	-1.1	4.7
Men's	131.0	132.0	.6	-3.7	-.9	13.5	-1.5	6.0
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	137.9	136.9	-3.5	3.3	.0	5.4	-.1	2.7
Furnishings and special clothing	121.0	123.4	1.3	-4.3	-6.9	24.2	-1.5	7.5
Shirts	134.0	137.0	7.9	-14.1	8.1	6.7	-3.7	7.4
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.2	131.9	-4.6	2.9	.3	13.8	-.9	6.9
Boys'	116.9	117.4	-4.4	3.5	1.4	-.3	-.5	.5
Women's and girls'	124.6	124.7	-1.9	-2.5	3.9	-2.8	-2.2	.5
Women's	123.3	123.5	-1.0	-1.6	2.9	-4.1	-1.3	-.6
Coats and jackets	117.9	120.5	.0	6.4	3.8	11.0	3.2	7.4
Dresses	111.9	115.8	19.8	-7.9	11.5	-21.7	5.0	-6.6
Separates and sportswear	127.0	124.9	-4.8	-4.9	.9	-6.7	-4.9	-3.0
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	132.9	132.7	1.3	2.2	3.5	7.9	1.7	5.7
Suits	135.3	139.8	-17.2	20.8	-4.6	14.3	.0	4.4
Girls'	130.4	130.2	-7.4	-6.7	10.5	1.6	-7.0	5.9
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	135.3	134.7	-14.8	37.7	-8.2	16.0	8.3	3.2
Other apparel commodities	147.6	151.1	-2.3	-.5	1.1	-.8	-1.4	.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 4}	130.4	132.8	-5.6	14.9	-11.1	6.3	4.1	-2.8
Watches and jewelry ⁴	146.6	151.2	-3.4	-1.8	1.1	.8	-2.6	.9
Watches ^{1 4}	128.3	130.9	.3	22.7	-8.8	5.0	11.0	-2.1
Jewelry ⁴	151.7	157.3	-4.9	-5.2	.5	2.3	-5.0	1.4
Footwear	126.9	128.2	-1.9	4.9	-1.9	5.8	1.4	1.9
Men's	132.2	133.4	3.3	1.5	-7.2	.0	2.4	-3.6
Boys' and girls'	127.0	130.3	-14.6	-2.3	15.7	15.8	-8.6	15.8
Women's	121.6	122.5	-1.0	13.1	-8.8	9.7	5.8	.0
Apparel services ¹	157.9	158.2	-1.5	.8	.8	2.8	-.4	1.8
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	159.7	160.1	-3.7	2.3	.5	3.6	-.8	2.0
Other apparel services ¹	156.9	157.2	.0	-.5	1.3	2.1	-.3	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Transportation	140.5	141.7	5.9	-4.5	0.6	8.3	0.6	4.4
Private	138.6	139.8	4.5	-4.0	.9	8.1	.1	4.4
New vehicles	143.5	143.8	3.2	1.7	1.1	2.5	2.4	1.8
New cars	140.1	140.2	2.6	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.4
Subcompact new cars ⁴	122.7	122.5	3.0	1.3	.7	1.0	2.2	.8
Compact new cars ⁴	120.2	120.7	4.5	.3	.0	4.8	2.4	2.4
Intermediate new cars ⁴	121.0	121.1	1.3	.3	2.0	.7	.8	1.3
Full-size new cars ⁴	121.7	121.9	.7	1.0	4.0	-2.3	.8	.8
Luxury new cars ⁴	131.5	132.3	1.9	1.2	1.6	6.9	1.6	4.2
New trucks ⁵	149.3	149.2	5.3	3.6	.8	1.6	4.5	1.2
New motorcycles ⁴	158.9	160.4	5.7	2.9	3.7	12.1	4.3	7.8
Used cars	161.0	161.9	-2.7	-3.0	4.1	9.4	-2.9	6.7
Motor fuel	100.7	104.6	16.5	-22.1	-1.2	31.9	-4.7	14.2
Gasoline	100.6	104.5	16.9	-22.7	-2.0	33.6	-4.9	14.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	98.5	102.5	16.9	-22.9	-1.7	35.5	-5.0	15.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 8}	102.4	105.6	39.3	-21.5	-13.1	21.4	4.6	2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.3	105.5	16.1	-21.4	-2.8	27.4	-4.4	11.3
Automobile maintenance and repair	157.6	157.9	2.9	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.7
Body work ¹	163.0	163.8	4.7	3.1	3.0	6.1	3.9	4.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	165.3	165.5	2.3	2.7	2.5	3.2	2.5	2.8
Maintenance and servicing ¹	145.0	145.5	2.3	5.1	-8	3.1	3.7	1.1
Power plant repair	162.2	161.9	4.1	3.3	3.3	1.0	3.7	2.1
Other private transportation	167.9	167.5	1.9	2.7	.2	-5	2.3	-1
Other private transportation commodities	104.4	104.3	1.2	1.2	-4	.4	1.2	.0
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	130.5	130.4	.6	2.2	3.2	4.4	1.4	3.8
Automobile parts and equipment	101.4	101.4	1.2	.4	-4	.0	.8	-2
Tires ¹	101.2	101.3	.0	2.0	.4	.4	1.0	.4
Other parts and equipment ¹	106.6	106.2	-4	.0	1.1	-7	-2	.2
Other private transportation services	183.9	183.4	2.2	2.9	.4	-7	2.6	-1
Automobile insurance	239.4	239.7	5.1	4.9	3.3	2.9	5.0	3.1
Automobile finance charges	92.0	92.1	-8.4	-6.6	-6.0	-17.0	-7.5	-11.7
Automobile fees ¹	183.5	180.6	-4.2	8.8	-2.0	8.4	2.1	3.1
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	181.2	180.9	3.0	4.3	1.1	-9	3.6	.1
Other automobile-related fees ¹	187.7	181.4	-13.6	15.8	-6.7	23.1	.0	7.2
Public transportation	173.7	175.1	26.3	-10.6	-6.8	12.0	6.3	2.2
Airline fares	187.1	183.9	43.9	-22.6	-19.7	11.9	5.5	-5.2
Other intercity transportation	156.0	157.6	-3	3.4	1.3	3.4	1.6	2.3
Intracity public transportation ¹	166.0	172.7	4.7	4.7	17.2	20.3	4.7	18.7
Medical care	225.1	225.6	3.7	4.4	3.7	3.1	4.1	3.4
Medical care commodities	205.7	206.0	1.0	2.4	3.0	3.4	1.7	3.2
Prescription drugs	239.3	240.2	2.6	2.9	3.6	3.6	2.8	3.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 4}	141.5	141.2	-2.8	2.0	2.6	2.3	-4	2.5
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	167.5	167.0	-3.6	2.7	1.5	2.7	-5	2.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	171.4	171.4	.0	.7	5.8	.5	.4	3.1
Medical care services	229.4	229.9	4.4	4.9	3.8	3.0	4.7	3.4
Professional medical services	207.0	207.2	4.1	3.8	4.2	2.9	3.9	3.6
Physicians' services	214.5	215.0	4.1	4.5	4.2	3.0	4.3	3.6
Dental services ¹	212.6	213.1	4.0	3.5	3.3	5.8	3.7	4.6
Eye care ^{1 4}	139.3	139.5	1.2	4.8	.0	2.9	3.0	1.4
Services by other medical professionals ⁴	148.2	148.4	.3	1.7	3.9	2.5	1.0	3.2
Hospital and related services	262.1	263.5	4.5	5.3	4.3	4.7	4.9	4.5
Hospital rooms	251.6	252.6	4.4	6.0	3.7	2.4	5.2	3.1
Other inpatient services ⁴	213.7	214.7	4.4	4.9	4.1	7.4	4.7	5.7
Outpatient services ⁴	210.8	212.1	4.6	6.4	4.3	5.1	5.5	4.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			June 1995	Sept. 1995	Dec. 1995	Mar. 1996	Sept. 1995	Mar. 1996
Expenditure category								
Entertainment	155.9	155.9	3.0	3.8	3.4	4.8	3.4	4.1
Entertainment commodities	141.6	141.6	2.4	3.5	3.2	5.6	2.9	4.4
Reading materials	176.7	176.2	4.7	5.3	10.2	4.2	5.0	7.2
Newspapers ¹	188.6	189.1	7.5	5.9	12.0	5.7	6.7	8.8
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	164.4	162.8	.3	5.7	9.7	.7	3.0	5.1
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	126.9	127.0	-1.9	-1.6	-3.5	8.3	-1.7	2.2
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	130.4	130.5	-2.4	-3.9	-3.7	10.4	-3.2	3.1
Other sporting goods ¹	119.3	119.4	-1.0	1.7	-2.7	4.8	.3	1.0
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	131.0	131.8	3.2	3.5	1.6	8.3	3.3	4.9
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	126.6	126.6	3.0	.3	.6	8.3	1.6	4.4
Photographic supplies and equipment	133.6	133.9	4.6	2.4	.6	-2.9	3.5	-1.2
Pet supplies and expense ¹	136.8	138.3	2.2	7.2	6.8	8.8	4.7	7.8
Entertainment services	176.5	176.6	3.1	4.0	3.7	4.2	3.6	4.0
Club memberships ⁴	136.7	135.8	1.8	-.3	2.1	-.6	.7	.7
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ⁴	161.0	161.0	-5.8	10.3	3.1	6.5	1.9	4.8
Admissions ¹	188.5	188.3	8.1	5.8	2.6	5.7	7.0	4.2
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁴	158.8	160.0	5.0	1.3	2.0	3.3	3.1	2.7
Other entertainment services ^{1 4}	136.6	136.9	2.7	4.9	2.1	3.6	3.8	2.8
Other goods and services	209.7	210.4	4.4	5.0	3.7	3.7	4.7	3.7
Tobacco and smoking products	229.4	230.9	5.5	4.7	1.2	3.0	5.1	2.1
Personal care ¹	149.2	149.3	1.9	2.2	3.6	1.1	2.1	2.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.6	144.6	1.7	.6	2.8	-.3	1.1	1.3
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	148.3	147.7	4.2	2.8	3.3	-3.2	3.5	.0
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	142.5	142.8	.3	-.8	2.6	1.4	-.3	2.0
Personal care services ¹	155.1	155.2	1.9	4.3	4.5	2.6	3.1	3.6
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	154.7	154.8	2.2	5.2	4.5	2.9	3.6	3.7
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	155.2	155.8	2.4	2.9	3.4	.5	2.6	2.0
Personal and educational expenses	239.1	239.8	4.5	6.0	5.4	5.0	5.2	5.2
School books and supplies	224.2	225.4	3.2	5.1	7.6	7.8	4.2	7.7
Personal and educational services	240.4	241.1	4.4	6.2	5.2	4.8	5.3	5.0
Tuition and other school fees	256.4	257.5	5.2	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.5	5.4
College tuition	271.9	273.2	6.0	6.3	6.2	6.6	6.2	6.4
Elementary and high school tuition	266.7	268.3	6.5	6.4	6.1	4.9	6.4	5.5
Day care and nursery school ⁷	128.0	128.3	1.9	4.2	4.2	3.2	3.1	3.7
Personal expenses	212.0	211.7	3.4	7.2	4.1	3.9	5.3	4.0
Legal service fees ^{1 4}	153.3	154.8	3.8	4.6	1.8	4.5	4.2	3.2
Personal financial services ^{1 4}	182.9	181.5	-1.2	11.7	3.7	8.8	5.1	6.2
Funeral expenses ⁴	160.3	160.2	6.4	4.5	4.4	4.4	5.4	4.4
Special indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	151.4	152.6	3.6	3.6	2.7	5.7	3.6	4.2
Selected beef cuts	127.3	125.5	-6.3	-.3	.6	-7.9	-3.4	-3.7
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	101.3	105.0	16.0	-21.4	-1.2	31.2	-4.5	13.9
Utilities and public transportation	138.0	138.7	4.5	-1.7	2.7	5.1	1.3	3.9
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	150.6	150.9	.3	4.4	2.4	2.7	2.3	2.6

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 10. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent change to Mar. 1996 from—			Percent change to Feb. 1996 from—		
		Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996
U.S. city average	M	153.5	154.4	154.9	155.7	2.8	0.8	0.5	2.7	0.9	0.3
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	160.5	161.4	162.2	162.8	3.0	.9	.4	2.9	1.1	.5
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	161.1	162.2	163.0	163.7	3.2	.9	.4	3.0	1.2	.5
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	158.6	158.7	159.2	160.2	2.8	.9	.6	2.2	.4	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	158.6	159.8	160.6	160.8	2.7	.6	.1	2.9	1.3	.5
North Central urban	M	149.5	150.2	150.8	151.7	3.0	1.0	.6	2.8	.9	.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	150.3	151.0	151.7	152.6	2.8	1.1	.6	2.5	.9	.5
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	148.0	148.6	149.5	150.4	2.9	1.2	.6	3.0	1.0	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	151.5	152.2	152.4	153.1	3.2	.6	.5	3.2	.6	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	145.8	146.5	146.9	147.7	3.5	.8	.5	3.2	.8	.3
South urban	M	150.3	151.1	151.5	152.4	3.0	.9	.6	2.8	.8	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	149.5	150.4	150.6	151.5	2.4	.7	.6	2.2	.7	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	152.4	153.2	154.1	155.0	3.1	1.2	.6	3.0	1.1	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	150.3	151.1	151.4	152.2	3.8	.7	.5	3.6	.7	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	149.1	149.9	150.1	151.6	3.4	1.1	1.0	2.7	.7	.1
West urban	M	154.3	155.3	155.8	156.4	2.4	.7	.4	2.2	1.0	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	154.4	155.4	155.9	156.6	2.0	.8	.4	1.8	1.0	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	158.6	159.8	160.8	161.4	4.0	1.0	.4	3.7	1.4	.6
Size classes											
A ³	M	138.6	139.5	140.0	140.7	2.6	.9	.5	2.4	1.0	.4
B	M	153.4	153.9	154.7	155.5	2.9	1.0	.5	2.8	.8	.5
C	M	153.5	154.4	154.8	155.5	3.5	.7	.5	3.3	.8	.3
D	M	150.1	150.9	151.1	152.1	3.4	.8	.7	3.1	.7	.1
Selected local areas ⁴											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	153.8	154.6	155.2	156.3	2.4	1.1	.7	1.9	.9	.4
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	154.6	155.7	156.2	157.3	1.7	1.0	.7	1.1	1.0	.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	163.7	164.8	165.7	166.5	3.5	1.0	.5	3.4	1.2	.5
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	M	159.1	160.3	161.2	162.0	2.5	1.1	.5	2.2	1.3	.6
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	152.1	152.9	153.2	152.9	1.2	.0	-.2	1.8	.7	.2
Baltimore, MD	1	-	151.6	-	153.0	1.8	.9	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	162.2	-	162.8	2.8	.4	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	149.0	-	150.9	2.4	1.3	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	152.0	-	152.4	2.5	.3	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	147.2	-	148.9	3.0	1.2	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	156.8	-	158.4	2.1	1.0	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	145.5	-	146.2	-	-	-	-	2.0	.5	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	150.3	-	151.3	-	-	-	-	2.7	.7	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	140.9	-	141.5	-	-	-	-	1.6	.4	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	150.0	-	151.1	-	-	-	-	2.6	.7	-

¹ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Atlanta, GA; Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder, CO; Honolulu, HI;

Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA; San Diego, CA; and Seattle-Tacoma, WA.

The following metropolitan areas are published annually and appear in tables 16A and 23A of the January issue of the CPI Detailed Report: New Orleans, LA and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
All items	162.8	3.0	0.4	151.7	3.0	0.6	152.4	3.0	0.6	156.4	2.4	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	256.4	-	-	246.8	-	-	247.3	-	-	252.9	-	-
Food and beverages	155.9	2.7	.3	148.6	2.6	.4	150.4	3.4	.5	153.4	2.7	1.0
Food	155.4	2.7	.2	147.9	2.6	.4	150.2	3.3	.5	152.8	2.7	1.1
Food at home	157.0	3.0	.1	147.8	2.7	.5	149.3	4.0	.8	156.5	3.4	1.8
Cereals and bakery products	177.7	4.0	-.4	171.1	3.3	-.3	167.0	5.0	.2	171.9	3.7	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.2	2.2	-.4	139.4	2.7	.0	139.0	4.0	.4	143.7	3.4	1.0
Dairy products	129.7	1.8	-1.2	138.0	4.0	.8	134.5	3.4	-.4	146.4	4.6	-.6
Fruits and vegetables	188.0	6.6	3.0	168.7	3.9	2.2	183.2	6.2	3.2	194.2	5.1	5.0
Other food at home	150.1	1.1	-.3	138.2	.9	.3	139.4	1.6	.1	143.3	1.3	1.6
Sugar and sweets	149.5	4.8	.1	140.6	4.5	.7	138.2	4.9	.1	142.9	3.2	.9
Fats and oils	148.5	2.1	-.3	134.8	2.7	.9	137.5	2.7	-.1	140.8	2.0	.8
Nonalcoholic beverages	139.4	-2.4	-1.1	126.0	-2.2	.6	123.9	-3.4	.0	130.1	-1.4	-.1
Other prepared food	161.2	2.5	.0	148.9	1.8	-.1	154.4	4.0	.2	155.6	2.4	3.2
Food away from home	154.6	2.1	.3	148.5	2.5	.2	153.4	2.4	.2	147.4	1.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages	161.5	2.4	.6	157.6	2.5	.7	151.4	3.3	.3	159.7	3.0	.4
Housing	163.8	3.0	.3	146.5	3.4	.5	144.0	3.7	.8	153.4	1.7	-.3
Shelter	190.0	2.9	.2	166.4	3.9	.4	155.0	4.0	.7	168.2	2.9	.3
Renters' costs ²	199.5	3.8	.5	172.0	3.8	.9	168.6	3.6	2.1	178.2	2.3	.3
Rent, residential	172.7	2.2	.0	157.3	2.9	.2	149.4	3.1	.2	161.0	2.0	.2
Other renters' costs	250.8	7.0	1.4	193.0	5.6	2.4	216.8	4.6	6.1	215.8	3.3	.6
Homeowners' costs ²	196.6	2.5	.1	170.1	4.1	.2	155.9	4.1	.2	178.2	3.0	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	197.6	2.5	.1	170.4	4.1	.2	155.4	4.2	.2	178.5	3.1	.3
Maintenance and repairs	136.0	-.9	-	138.1	1.8	-.1	132.7	2.1	1.1	141.4	7.9	.3
Maintenance and repair services	NA	-	-	148.2	-	.0	133.8	2.9	1.4	149.5	10.0	.4
Maintenance and repair commodities	126.4	-3.0	.2	128.8	2.1	-.2	130.3	.6	.3	130.3	4.0	.1
Fuel and other utilities	123.1	3.8	.6	119.6	3.4	.6	131.6	4.3	1.6	129.4	-3.8	-3.4
Fuels	114.7	4.7	.6	105.3	4.4	.8	115.7	4.3	1.3	114.5	-10.1	-7.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	98.4	14.2	2.3	93.4	9.1	1.0	104.9	8.3	.5	99.0	.3	-.3
Fuel oil	98.1	15.1	2.2	89.6	8.7	2.4	91.9	8.2	.2	107.0	2.7	.7
Other household fuel commodities ³	123.2	8.9	3.0	127.0	9.3	-.6	138.3	8.2	.6	113.4	-.9	-.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	128.4	2.2	.2	110.3	4.2	.7	118.3	4.0	1.5	116.9	-10.4	-7.9
Electricity	136.4	2.8	.2	121.2	1.2	-.2	120.1	4.3	1.3	145.1	-.4	-.6
Utility (piped) gas	116.2	1.1	.1	100.2	8.3	1.9	113.0	3.1	2.0	76.2	-32.3	-25.6
Other utilities and public services	157.3	2.4	.4	152.6	2.1	.3	160.9	4.3	2.0	153.7	2.3	.5
Household furnishings and operation	126.9	2.4	.5	122.4	1.2	.8	125.7	1.4	-.2	123.4	1.3	-.2
Housefurnishings	110.5	1.3	.7	109.2	.1	1.1	115.1	-.1	-.5	111.6	.7	-.3
Housekeeping supplies	150.7	4.7	.6	141.0	2.6	.9	134.2	4.8	.4	138.5	3.2	-.7
Housekeeping services	150.3	3.0	-.1	143.0	2.7	.0	150.7	3.1	.6	141.4	1.2	.1
Apparel and upkeep	130.6	2.4	2.8	132.3	.2	2.3	144.5	-2.4	2.0	130.0	2.4	4.3
Apparel commodities	126.6	2.3	3.1	130.3	.1	2.5	141.0	-2.6	2.2	126.7	2.7	4.8
Men's and boys' apparel	126.5	2.3	2.2	128.6	.5	1.3	137.7	.5	.8	121.9	3.2	5.3
Women's and girls' apparel	122.3	2.9	5.2	129.8	-2.3	3.0	142.5	-6.1	4.2	122.7	3.4	4.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	132.3	-2.1	-7.6	136.2	7.6	1.9	137.2	6.9	2.2	129.8	7.2	.2
Footwear	131.1	3.6	2.8	130.6	2.4	2.1	127.6	-.6	.4	121.5	2.1	2.3
Other apparel commodities	152.2	-.6	1.5	141.2	4.3	5.8	161.9	-1.0	.6	154.4	-1.1	7.8
Apparel services	164.1	2.8	.1	148.5	1.3	.1	168.7	-.9	.2	152.2	.5	.3
Transportation	143.0	2.4	.4	139.6	2.9	1.0	139.7	1.8	.4	142.9	2.0	.6
Private transportation	138.4	1.9	.1	136.4	2.9	1.0	138.6	2.0	.4	139.7	2.3	.6
New vehicles	142.4	2.4	.1	140.8	1.2	-.1	147.3	1.9	.0	142.9	2.8	.2
New cars	140.8	2.0	.1	137.3	1.0	-.1	146.7	1.9	.1	140.0	2.6	.3
Used cars	161.0	2.8	-.1	157.9	1.5	-.3	157.5	1.3	-.2	154.4	1.4	-.1
Motor fuel	98.5	1.1	.8	102.8	8.3	5.2	98.7	2.9	3.4	105.8	3.1	3.1
Gasoline	97.8	.8	.7	102.7	8.6	5.4	98.3	2.8	3.5	105.7	3.2	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	96.3	1.5	.8	101.2	8.9	5.5	95.2	3.1	3.8	103.1	2.8	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	101.8	.3	.6	113.1	7.8	4.4	105.1	2.5	3.4	103.0	4.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	99.5	-.1	.6	107.0	8.7	5.4	101.7	2.3	2.9	107.6	3.1	2.8
Maintenance and repairs	164.8	2.2	.4	147.5	3.3	.1	155.7	3.1	-.1	159.9	2.4	.4
Other private transportation	173.3	1.6	-.6	166.3	1.1	-.4	180.1	1.3	-.6	171.2	1.5	-.1
Other private transportation commodities	106.2	2.5	.8	105.5	-.2	-.4	104.5	.9	-.4	104.2	-.2	-.2
Other private transportation services	186.6	1.5	-.7	179.8	1.3	-.4	201.0	1.3	-.6	187.1	1.9	.0
Public transportation	182.0	6.6	2.4	191.5	2.8	1.1	161.3	.7	.8	180.5	-.5	-.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category												
Medical care	234.8	3.7	0.2	221.0	3.3	0.0	225.4	4.2	0.1	225.9	3.6	0.3
Medical care commodities	213.2	4.0	.1	207.6	1.0	.1	203.4	1.9	.3	215.6	3.8	.2
Medical care services	239.5	3.7	.3	224.3	3.7	.0	230.9	4.7	.1	228.3	3.5	.3
Professional medical services	216.0	3.3	.3	202.2	3.5	.1	210.4	4.9	.2	196.4	2.8	.3
Entertainment	165.9	4.7	.0	155.9	3.2	.2	155.4	4.2	.1	156.7	3.2	.1
Entertainment commodities	145.8	4.6	.5	143.2	2.9	.1	140.3	4.4	-.1	141.4	4.1	.3
Entertainment services	188.0	4.8	-.4	171.2	3.5	.2	174.4	4.0	.2	174.3	2.5	.0
Other goods and services	222.3	4.7	.2	207.2	3.4	.0	205.1	4.7	.2	218.3	4.7	.4
Tobacco and smoking products	221.7	3.3	.3	239.2	1.7	.0	219.3	4.2	.3	251.8	6.4	1.4
Personal care	161.8	3.4	.4	142.4	2.2	-.1	141.7	1.6	-.2	153.5	2.0	-.1
Personal and educational expenses	253.1	5.5	.2	233.6	4.6	-.1	240.9	5.8	.3	250.8	4.8	.2
Commodity and service group												
All items	162.8	3.0	.4	151.7	3.0	.6	152.4	3.0	.6	156.4	2.4	.4
Commodities	139.9	2.9	.7	137.9	2.2	.9	139.3	2.1	.7	139.7	2.7	1.2
Food and beverages	155.9	2.7	.3	148.6	2.6	.4	150.4	3.4	.5	153.4	2.7	1.0
Commodities less food and beverages	129.3	3.0	1.1	131.7	2.0	1.3	132.8	1.1	.8	131.2	2.7	1.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.9	3.7	1.6	133.2	2.9	2.0	134.2	1.3	1.5	133.2	3.3	2.2
Apparel commodities	126.6	2.3	3.1	130.3	.1	2.5	141.0	-2.6	2.2	126.7	2.7	4.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	135.3	4.3	.7	137.0	4.2	1.7	134.2	3.5	1.1	139.0	3.4	1.0
Durables	128.5	1.9	.2	128.9	.9	.3	131.3	1.1	-.2	128.6	2.0	.2
Services	186.0	3.2	.2	166.5	3.6	.2	166.3	3.8	.6	171.9	2.1	-.2
Rent of shelter ²	198.2	2.9	.2	171.0	4.0	.4	159.3	4.0	.7	178.6	2.9	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ²	144.2	2.5	.3	132.1	3.0	.4	141.4	3.7	1.4	141.7	-2.3	-2.5
Transportation services	180.5	3.0	.4	174.0	2.0	.0	181.4	1.6	-.3	179.4	1.4	-.2
Medical care services	239.5	3.7	.3	224.3	3.7	.0	230.9	4.7	.1	228.3	3.5	.3
Other services	212.6	5.0	.0	189.2	3.8	.0	195.8	4.4	.3	198.4	3.6	.1
Special indexes												
All items less food	164.3	3.1	.4	152.3	3.0	.6	152.8	3.0	.7	157.2	2.3	.3
All items less shelter	154.2	3.1	.5	147.6	2.6	.6	152.0	2.6	.6	153.0	2.2	.5
All items less homeowners' costs ²	161.3	3.2	.5	151.7	2.7	.7	156.0	2.8	.7	158.8	2.2	.4
All items less medical care	159.2	3.0	.4	147.9	3.0	.6	147.7	2.9	.7	152.6	2.3	.4
Commodities less food	130.6	3.0	1.0	132.7	2.1	1.3	133.5	1.3	.8	132.5	2.7	1.2
Nondurables less food	131.7	3.5	1.5	134.5	2.8	1.8	134.9	1.4	1.4	135.1	3.2	2.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	136.9	4.1	.8	138.2	4.0	1.6	134.8	3.5	1.0	140.4	3.4	.9
Nondurables	143.2	3.1	.8	141.0	2.7	1.1	142.3	2.3	1.0	143.6	2.9	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ²	188.5	3.5	.2	171.0	3.2	.2	180.1	3.6	.4	182.5	1.4	-.6
Services less medical care services	181.6	3.2	.2	161.1	3.5	.3	159.2	3.6	.6	167.1	2.0	-.2
Energy	107.9	3.4	.7	103.6	6.1	2.7	105.4	3.6	2.1	108.7	-3.3	-2.1
All items less energy	170.3	3.0	.4	158.7	2.7	.4	158.8	3.0	.5	161.9	2.7	.6
All items less food and energy	174.2	3.1	.5	161.3	2.7	.4	160.8	2.8	.5	164.0	2.8	.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	141.7	2.7	1.0	141.6	1.1	.7	143.3	1.1	.4	140.4	2.6	1.0
Energy commodities	98.4	4.6	1.2	102.5	8.4	5.0	99.4	3.3	3.0	106.6	3.0	3.1
Services less energy services	191.5	3.2	.2	173.6	3.5	.2	171.5	3.8	.5	175.9	2.7	.2

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
All items	140.7	2.6	0.5	155.5	2.9	0.5	155.5	3.5	0.5	152.1	3.4	0.7
All items (December 1977 = 100)	140.7	-	-	252.4	-	-	250.0	-	-	245.3	-	-
Food and beverages	137.5	2.7	.6	151.6	3.0	.5	151.2	3.3	.5	146.6	2.7	.4
Food	137.1	2.7	.6	151.6	3.1	.5	150.7	3.3	.5	146.0	2.7	.4
Food at home	141.2	3.1	.9	154.1	3.6	.7	149.4	3.6	.7	143.6	2.9	.3
Cereals and bakery products	154.9	4.2	.4	169.8	3.3	.1	166.2	4.6	-1.1	172.5	3.3	-1.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	132.2	3.3	.3	144.9	3.6	.3	137.5	2.1	-1.1	132.6	2.5	.1
Dairy products	132.5	3.1	-.3	138.5	4.3	-.4	130.7	4.2	-.5	128.7	2.8	.2
Fruits and vegetables	168.8	5.1	3.2	189.4	5.7	3.2	183.5	7.8	4.9	163.9	3.8	1.4
Other food at home	131.0	.8	.5	143.5	2.0	.1	143.5	1.3	-.1	136.7	2.2	.9
Sugar and sweets	131.6	4.1	.5	141.2	4.9	-.1	140.7	4.4	.8	134.9	4.3	1.0
Fats and oils	132.1	2.6	.2	139.7	3.7	.2	140.1	1.7	1.2	134.2	.8	-1.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	120.7	-2.7	-.1	127.1	-2.9	-.5	133.1	-1.7	-.4	121.1	-1.2	.4
Other prepared food	139.6	2.0	1.1	160.4	4.2	.7	154.1	2.7	-.4	150.7	4.2	1.6
Food away from home	130.8	1.9	.2	148.6	2.1	.1	154.3	2.8	.3	151.3	2.5	.4
Alcoholic beverages	142.1	2.8	.4	152.2	2.3	.7	158.0	3.3	.1	155.7	2.8	.6
Housing	135.9	2.5	.2	153.0	2.8	.3	150.0	3.8	.5	146.1	4.5	.9
Shelter	142.9	3.0	.3	172.1	3.9	.6	168.1	4.0	.5	164.0	4.3	.6
Renters' costs ³	144.5	3.3	.5	193.5	4.4	1.8	170.4	3.0	1.4	168.5	2.2	1.4
Rent, residential	133.2	2.3	.1	160.1	2.7	.2	155.5	3.0	.1	153.7	3.2	.2
Other renters' costs	185.3	5.9	1.4	261.6	7.3	4.6	195.9	2.8	4.2	193.2	.1	3.9
Homeowners' costs ³	142.5	2.8	.2	174.1	3.7	.1	174.9	4.4	.2	170.0	5.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ³	142.8	2.9	.2	174.5	3.7	.1	175.6	4.5	.2	169.5	5.1	.2
Maintenance and repairs	122.1	.5	.2	134.2	.9	1.7	152.1	7.9	-.1	132.7	-	.2
Maintenance and repair services	124.2	.9	.2	137.0	4.4	2.6	166.3	8.5	.2	142.6	-	.0
Maintenance and repair commodities	118.7	-.1	.1	131.8	-2.4	.9	135.6	7.0	-.7	118.0	-1.1	.6
Fuel and other utilities	124.8	1.5	-.1	128.4	.7	-.5	128.6	4.2	.2	126.6	6.4	2.6
Fuels	123.1	1.0	-.6	108.7	-.8	-1.3	114.9	5.7	.2	106.3	5.1	.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	143.5	11.5	1.5	95.2	11.6	1.5	99.5	11.7	2.1	92.2	11.0	1.3
Fuel oil	146.5	12.8	1.9	94.5	13.6	1.7	93.5	14.6	2.0	88.9	14.4	1.9
Other household fuel commodities ²	132.0	6.6	-.2	127.6	9.1	1.3	127.9	7.7	2.1	122.7	6.8	.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	121.2	-.1	-.8	114.9	-2.3	-1.7	121.4	4.9	-.2	114.6	4.6	-.2
Electricity	128.1	1.2	.5	125.9	-.4	-.2	130.9	7.6	.5	121.7	3.1	.4
Utility (piped) gas	109.9	-2.4	-3.2	93.6	-7.7	-5.9	105.8	-2.3	-1.9	104.7	8.6	-1.6
Other utilities and public services	127.0	2.3	.5	169.6	2.4	.4	156.9	2.5	.3	166.6	7.7	5.4
Household furnishings and operation	117.8	1.2	.2	124.5	1.0	-.1	123.5	2.6	.8	123.2	3.0	.0
Housefurnishings	108.6	.6	.2	114.4	-1.2	-.2	109.0	1.5	1.1	109.2	.4	-.4
Housekeeping supplies	134.4	3.4	.2	131.1	3.5	.3	138.2	4.8	.7	134.7	5.6	1.1
Housekeeping services	130.2	.8	.2	149.8	5.1	-.1	153.0	3.6	.2	151.6	7.4	.3
Apparel and upkeep	125.5	-.4	3.6	131.6	.2	1.8	141.7	2.9	1.2	134.3	.1	1.7
Apparel commodities	124.7	-.4	4.1	127.6	.0	1.9	139.2	3.0	1.2	131.6	-.1	1.8
Men's and boys' apparel	119.7	.7	2.8	132.0	2.5	2.0	136.5	4.8	.9	121.3	-.1	-.3
Women's and girls' apparel	120.5	-2.7	5.7	132.3	-.6	1.9	139.4	2.6	2.0	137.3	-.6	3.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	116.2	4.7	-2.8	125.0	1.1	2.3	154.2	7.7	2.3	131.8	6.9	.5
Footwear	128.8	2.5	2.4	110.4	-3.7	1.8	131.6	2.3	.2	127.1	4.3	1.1
Other apparel commodities	156.0	.2	5.0	125.3	1.2	2.2	158.8	.6	.1	145.5	-7.1	-.7
Apparel services	133.2	.1	.2	164.3	1.7	.1	167.6	1.9	.4	159.2	1.9	.1
Transportation	139.1	2.3	.6	140.1	2.1	.8	140.9	2.4	.3	140.0	2.1	.6
Private transportation	138.8	2.4	.5	137.1	2.1	.7	137.9	2.3	.3	135.9	1.9	.7
New vehicles	126.1	2.2	.2	142.5	1.7	.0	143.5	1.7	-.3	144.2	2.3	.3
New cars	124.7	2.0	.2	138.1	1.2	.0	142.2	1.6	-.2	141.0	2.0	.4
Used cars	148.4	2.4	-.1	157.2	.9	-.2	157.6	1.2	-.2	153.8	.7	-.3
Motor fuel	148.8	3.3	3.2	100.6	5.2	4.0	100.1	5.3	2.9	98.0	3.7	3.3
Gasoline	148.6	3.4	3.3	100.4	5.2	4.1	100.1	5.1	3.0	97.4	3.5	3.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	148.6	3.8	3.5	97.7	6.0	4.7	97.4	5.2	2.9	93.5	3.4	3.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	104.0	3.1	2.9	105.6	3.9	3.7	109.0	4.5	2.8	108.0	4.1	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	139.8	2.0	2.7	102.8	3.9	2.9	103.2	4.7	2.3	101.0	2.9	2.9
Maintenance and repairs	139.8	2.9	.4	161.9	2.7	-.1	154.9	2.4	-.1	142.2	2.4	-.2
Other private transportation	145.5	1.7	-.5	168.8	.7	-.1	176.5	1.3	-.4	170.5	.6	.1
Other private transportation commodities	109.1	1.3	.3	99.2	-2.3	-.5	105.8	.9	-.2	120.6	1.3	-1.1
Other private transportation services	152.8	1.7	-.7	185.5	1.1	.1	196.1	1.4	-.4	184.3	.5	.2
Public transportation	142.0	2.1	1.1	195.2	2.5	1.7	199.5	3.2	-.5	218.3	5.9	-.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
Medical care	179.9	3.7	0.3	224.7	4.0	0.0	229.9	3.9	0.0	220.7	3.1	0.0
Medical care commodities	169.6	3.2	.5	206.8	2.5	.0	199.4	.4	-.4	209.7	3.1	.3
Medical care services	182.2	3.8	.3	229.0	4.4	.0	237.1	4.6	.0	223.7	3.0	.0
Professional medical services	164.1	3.5	.2	199.9	4.3	.2	216.0	4.5	.1	212.0	2.7	.0
Entertainment	140.9	3.9	.0	156.1	4.2	.1	161.6	3.1	.2	144.1	3.8	.7
Entertainment commodities	131.4	4.0	.0	141.3	3.9	.0	146.3	3.8	.1	136.1	4.4	1.6
Entertainment services	148.8	3.9	.0	176.1	4.4	.1	181.9	2.4	.2	155.3	3.0	-.4
Other goods and services	171.8	4.1	.0	212.7	4.9	.9	209.6	4.7	.0	205.9	4.7	.2
Tobacco and smoking products	181.2	3.1	-.2	239.6	7.3	2.9	232.2	3.7	-.2	218.0	1.1	.7
Personal care	133.5	2.5	-.1	148.8	2.5	.1	149.0	2.2	.3	133.5	.7	-.1
Personal and educational expenses	182.4	4.9	.1	243.2	4.5	.2	240.1	6.0	.1	243.9	7.3	.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	140.7	2.6	.5	155.5	2.9	.5	155.5	3.5	.5	152.1	3.4	.7
Commodities	133.7	2.3	1.0	137.7	2.4	.8	139.2	3.0	.6	136.1	2.3	.7
Food and beverages	137.5	2.7	.6	151.6	3.0	.5	151.2	3.3	.5	146.6	2.7	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	131.1	2.0	1.3	129.8	2.0	1.0	132.3	2.9	.7	130.2	2.0	.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.7	2.1	2.1	130.2	3.0	1.7	134.6	3.8	1.0	130.3	2.4	1.6
Apparel commodities	124.7	-.4	4.1	127.6	.0	1.9	139.2	3.0	1.2	131.6	-.1	1.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	147.6	3.7	1.0	134.5	4.5	1.7	135.3	4.2	1.0	131.7	3.5	1.4
Durables	120.7	1.6	.1	129.3	.6	-.1	129.4	1.6	.2	130.3	1.4	.0
Services	146.3	2.8	.2	174.1	3.3	.2	173.2	3.8	.2	169.6	4.3	.6
Rent of shelter ³	143.3	2.9	.3	179.7	3.9	.6	174.4	4.1	.5	169.5	4.3	.5
Household services less rent of shelter ³	125.3	1.0	-.1	141.6	.9	-.4	141.6	3.7	.1	142.2	6.2	2.2
Transportation services	147.1	2.1	.0	180.9	1.7	.3	184.7	1.9	-.4	179.4	1.9	-.1
Medical care services	182.2	3.8	.3	229.0	4.4	.0	237.1	4.6	.0	223.7	3.0	.0
Other services	162.5	4.1	.1	199.1	4.2	.2	197.6	4.2	.2	193.3	5.5	-.1
Special indexes												
All items less food	141.4	2.5	.5	156.2	2.8	.5	156.4	3.5	.4	153.2	3.5	.7
All items less shelter	139.8	2.4	.6	150.8	2.5	.5	152.1	3.3	.3	149.3	3.1	.7
All items less homeowners' costs ³	140.3	2.6	.6	156.6	2.7	.6	155.9	3.2	.5	153.2	3.0	.7
All items less medical care	138.5	2.5	.5	151.5	2.8	.5	151.0	3.5	.5	147.2	3.4	.8
Commodities less food	131.7	2.0	1.2	130.6	2.0	1.0	133.2	2.9	.7	130.9	1.9	.8
Nondurables less food	139.1	2.3	1.9	131.3	3.0	1.7	135.8	3.7	1.0	131.5	2.5	1.5
Nondurables less food and apparel	146.8	3.5	1.0	135.1	4.2	1.6	136.5	4.1	.8	133.0	3.3	1.3
Nondurables	138.1	2.4	1.2	140.9	3.1	1.1	142.8	3.6	.7	138.5	2.6	.9
Services less rent of shelter ³	149.4	2.7	.0	180.2	2.6	.0	181.8	3.6	.0	178.9	4.4	.7
Services less medical care services	143.3	2.7	.1	168.7	3.1	.3	166.6	3.7	.2	162.9	4.6	.7
Energy	133.6	2.1	1.1	103.3	1.7	.9	106.8	5.5	1.3	101.1	4.4	1.3
All items less energy	141.2	2.6	.4	162.6	3.0	.4	162.4	3.3	.3	159.4	3.3	.6
All items less food and energy	142.1	2.6	.4	165.3	3.0	.5	165.3	3.4	.3	162.5	3.4	.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities	129.7	1.7	1.0	140.0	1.4	.6	143.1	2.4	.4	141.2	1.7	.6
Energy commodities	148.2	4.1	3.0	99.9	5.9	3.6	100.3	6.0	2.7	97.5	4.4	3.1
Services less energy services	148.1	3.0	.3	180.4	3.6	.4	179.1	3.8	.3	176.1	4.4	.7

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category									
All items	163.7	3.2	0.4	160.2	2.8	0.6	160.8	2.7	0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	252.9	-	-	257.8	-	-	266.9	-	-
Food and beverages	155.9	2.7	.2	158.5	2.7	.6	154.6	2.9	.2
Food	155.4	2.7	.2	158.3	2.7	.5	153.9	2.9	.2
Food at home	157.6	3.1	.1	161.0	3.1	.8	151.3	3.1	.0
Cereals and bakery products	180.3	4.9	.2	165.8	.7	-1.6	172.8	1.4	-3.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.5	2.2	-.7	156.1	3.0	1.6	147.8	.9	-1.0
Dairy products	131.1	1.8	-1.1	136.1	3.2	.1	114.4	.8	-3.3
Fruits and vegetables	189.3	6.4	2.7	186.4	7.1	3.0	185.2	9.7	5.7
Other food at home	149.2	.4	-.7	162.3	1.6	-.1	142.0	2.7	.4
Food away from home	154.2	2.1	.3	155.6	2.0	.0	160.2	2.6	.6
Alcoholic beverages	161.1	2.4	.4	163.8	2.2	2.0	162.9	3.1	.4
Housing	164.0	3.1	.3	162.5	2.3	.4	161.9	2.7	.2
Shelter	188.5	3.2	.2	191.1	2.1	.3	193.2	2.8	.2
Renters' costs ²	198.5	4.0	.3	211.9	3.9	1.5	186.5	2.8	.5
Rent, residential	172.8	2.6	.1	166.0	.7	-.1	170.2	2.2	.2
Other renters' costs	252.9	7.2	.9	277.9	8.3	3.7	201.7	3.9	1.4
Homeowners' costs ²	192.6	2.8	.2	197.3	1.3	-.2	207.6	2.8	.1
Owners' equivalent rent ²	193.4	2.9	.2	198.6	1.3	-.2	208.8	2.7	.1
Fuel and other utilities	122.3	3.5	.3	130.9	3.8	.7	117.6	4.0	1.1
Fuels	117.5	4.3	.3	116.1	4.9	1.0	99.8	4.3	1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	103.9	13.7	2.3	92.7	16.0	1.9	89.7	13.3	2.4
Fuel oil	102.3	13.7	2.3	93.3	17.4	1.7	91.2	15.9	1.7
Other household fuel commodities ³	139.9	12.4	-	120.1	12.1	2.7	103.5	4.1	5.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	128.2	2.3	-.2	138.1	1.8	.7	111.9	-.2	1.1
Electricity	134.6	2.9	.1	148.7	3.3	.3	119.4	1.5	.3
Utility (piped) gas	119.3	1.4	-.6	117.1	-1.8	1.6	95.3	-6.0	3.9
Household furnishings and operation	129.3	2.6	.8	120.3	1.8	.2	118.1	1.0	-.5
Apparel and upkeep	128.5	2.1	3.1	129.9	3.3	4.1	138.8	3.7	-.4
Apparel commodities	123.8	2.1	3.6	127.2	3.4	4.4	135.7	3.7	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel	120.4	2.6	2.9	141.2	2.5	1.3	146.8	4.3	2.3
Women's and girls' apparel	118.2	2.5	5.9	127.6	7.1	8.0	130.3	2.0	-3.3
Footwear	131.7	2.6	3.2	115.6	-.7	.9	147.4	13.8	1.7
Transportation	145.8	2.8	.4	136.6	1.3	.4	139.6	1.8	-.1
Private transportation	140.8	2.1	.0	134.7	1.4	.2	132.8	1.6	.0
Motor fuel	97.7	.7	.8	99.0	1.0	1.0	98.3	2.7	.6
Gasoline	97.0	.5	.7	98.6	.7	.8	97.5	2.0	.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	95.4	1.4	1.0	96.0	1.5	.8	96.7	1.8	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	100.2	-.3	.7	104.7	.9	.7	104.8	1.8	.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	98.6	-.3	.7	100.5	.0	.8	100.7	1.4	.0
Public transportation	176.5	7.8	3.2	172.3	1.2	1.9	237.7	2.9	-1.3
Medical care	236.6	3.9	.4	236.2	4.1	.1	223.0	2.7	-.5
Entertainment	169.0	5.2	-.2	154.3	5.5	.3	165.3	1.4	.2
Other goods and services	220.2	4.2	.2	218.3	5.9	1.0	226.6	3.5	-.2
Personal care	165.7	3.7	.2	151.9	2.8	.3	150.0	2.2	1.2
Commodity and service group									
All items	163.7	3.2	.4	160.2	2.8	.6	160.8	2.7	.1
Commodities	141.3	2.8	.8	137.4	3.2	1.0	137.0	2.6	.0
Food and beverages	155.9	2.7	.2	158.5	2.7	.6	154.6	2.9	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	130.8	3.0	1.3	125.0	3.6	1.3	126.7	2.5	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	131.2	3.5	1.8	124.6	5.0	2.2	129.9	3.2	-.1
Durables	130.9	2.2	.5	124.3	1.4	-.2	122.0	1.4	-.2
Services	184.9	3.4	.2	186.9	2.5	.3	187.2	2.7	.2
Medical care services	241.2	3.7	.4	241.9	4.0	.1	228.2	3.6	.0
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	155.4	3.2	.5	151.6	3.1	.7	151.1	2.6	.1
All items less medical care	160.1	3.1	.4	156.3	2.7	.6	157.6	2.7	.1
All items less energy	170.4	3.1	.4	168.7	2.7	.6	169.7	2.6	.0
All items less food and energy	174.3	3.3	.5	171.6	2.8	.6	173.8	2.5	-.1
Energy	109.6	3.0	.5	109.0	3.4	1.0	98.2	3.7	1.2
Commodities less food	132.1	3.0	1.2	126.5	3.4	1.4	128.2	2.6	-.1
Nondurables less food	133.0	3.4	1.7	126.7	4.6	2.2	131.8	3.1	-.1
Nondurables	144.4	3.1	.9	141.0	3.7	1.4	142.0	3.0	.1
Services less rent of shelter ²	188.1	3.6	.2	189.6	3.0	.4	186.2	2.6	.1
Services less medical care services	180.4	3.3	.2	181.8	2.4	.4	183.7	2.6	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
All items	152.6	2.8	0.6	150.4	2.9	0.6	153.1	3.2	0.5	147.7	3.5	0.5
All items (December 1977=100)	251.9	-	-	243.1	-	-	243.7	-	-	236.7	-	-
Food and beverages	150.9	2.7	.5	145.9	3.0	.7	147.8	2.1	.3	142.5	2.6	.3
Food	150.1	2.7	.4	146.3	3.2	.7	146.8	2.2	.3	141.5	2.6	.4
Food at home	150.7	2.8	.5	148.2	3.6	1.0	145.6	1.9	.3	138.4	2.9	.1
Cereals and bakery products	171.6	2.3	-.3	179.2	4.0	.6	167.3	4.6	.4	166.6	4.6	-2.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	145.5	3.4	.1	134.3	3.9	-.5	129.7	-.1	-.8	131.9	2.2	.9
Dairy products	141.4	4.0	1.5	141.5	3.6	-1.0	135.5	5.9	1.1	127.2	1.7	-.2
Fruits and vegetables	171.2	3.8	1.5	164.7	3.9	6.7	174.2	3.3	2.1	153.3	6.7	1.1
Other food at home	138.6	1.0	.4	142.2	2.9	.4	141.1	-.3	-.1	128.2	.9	.6
Food away from home	149.3	2.5	.1	143.0	2.5	.1	149.5	2.7	.1	147.8	2.1	.7
Alcoholic beverages	159.2	3.1	1.0	141.2	1.4	.4	161.2	.6	.1	158.4	2.5	.4
Housing	147.0	3.3	.5	146.9	3.1	.3	150.5	3.6	.9	139.3	4.3	-.1
Shelter	168.0	3.6	.2	173.2	4.3	.5	168.0	4.1	.5	152.1	5.0	.5
Renters' costs ²	172.7	4.3	.9	190.9	4.7	1.4	172.0	1.7	.8	151.4	3.1	.5
Rent, residential	160.2	2.8	.2	162.1	2.5	-.1	154.3	3.1	.2	143.8	3.5	.4
Other renters' costs	187.1	8.2	2.8	227.6	7.1	2.9	202.9	-.7	2.1	159.0	2.0	.4
Homeowners' costs ²	171.9	3.4	.1	173.2	4.1	.3	172.1	5.1	.3	160.0	5.8	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ²	171.9	3.4	.1	174.2	4.3	.3	172.9	5.1	.3	160.0	5.9	.4
Fuel and other utilities	116.7	3.5	.8	113.7	1.7	.8	126.3	3.7	.6	126.1	3.9	-.6
Fuels	105.3	4.8	1.1	98.7	1.8	1.2	113.5	4.9	.9	100.2	5.3	-1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	93.5	8.0	.6	94.2	11.3	1.4	97.4	13.1	1.4	86.5	2.5	.7
Fuel oil	91.5	9.4	2.2	92.1	9.0	2.2	88.7	12.6	3.4	85.1	.1	1.7
Other household fuel commodities ³	119.0	6.2	-1.3	132.9	13.2	.8	135.6	13.6	-.7	125.3	4.9	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	108.2	4.6	1.0	103.9	1.3	1.2	122.3	4.4	.8	108.0	5.4	-1.6
Electricity	119.9	-.2	-.2	124.9	2.0	.5	133.3	3.4	.3	104.7	1.0	-2.0
Utility (piped) gas	97.6	10.7	2.5	84.1	.2	2.6	111.4	6.1	1.9	114.7	10.7	-1.2
Household furnishings and operation	119.2	1.4	1.1	118.2	-.4	-.9	133.9	1.4	2.4	123.0	2.0	-1.0
Apparel and upkeep	131.8	-1.1	3.4	132.6	-1.4	1.8	129.0	4.4	-.8	140.6	2.2	3.3
Apparel commodities	130.4	-1.3	3.7	129.9	-1.7	1.9	125.0	4.6	-1.0	140.1	2.3	3.5
Men's and boys' apparel	129.9	-.2	1.1	129.1	3.4	5.4	122.8	.6	-1.4	130.3	1.8	1.6
Women's and girls' apparel	123.9	-4.8	4.5	143.4	-4.0	.4	128.0	6.9	-.9	142.7	-1.5	6.6
Footwear	131.4	.5	3.5	101.8	-3.1	1.6	124.4	2.3	-.4	163.0	14.9	.8
Transportation	140.4	2.6	.9	139.9	2.7	1.5	138.6	3.2	.7	137.6	3.9	1.3
Private transportation	138.4	2.7	.8	136.0	2.4	1.5	135.5	3.4	.7	130.0	3.0	1.3
Motor fuel	104.4	8.6	5.6	105.8	10.4	7.8	100.2	7.2	3.4	97.2	6.1	3.7
Gasoline	104.3	9.1	5.8	106.3	10.6	8.1	100.0	7.1	3.3	96.3	6.2	3.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.1	9.3	5.9	103.5	11.7	8.9	98.4	7.4	3.1	93.6	6.2	3.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	113.3	8.4	4.9	115.5	9.4	7.7	111.6	5.8	1.8	112.6	7.2	4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.8	9.0	5.7	111.4	9.0	6.4	101.5	8.2	3.7	98.6	4.7	3.5
Public transportation	165.6	.4	1.0	232.3	6.1	1.9	206.2	.1	.0	324.0	15.3	1.7
Medical care	220.4	3.2	.1	218.4	5.4	-.2	231.5	2.3	-.3	213.6	2.6	.2
Entertainment	157.7	3.1	.1	148.5	4.3	.7	161.7	2.5	.1	148.2	3.3	.0
Other goods and services	211.3	3.0	-.2	205.9	3.3	-.3	202.7	5.7	.0	196.4	1.7	.9
Personal care	136.8	1.4	.0	156.7	3.5	-.1	158.0	2.9	-.3	130.2	3.0	.2
Commodity and service group												
All items	152.6	2.8	.6	150.4	2.9	.6	153.1	3.2	.5	147.7	3.5	.5
Commodities	139.6	2.2	1.1	133.8	1.6	.9	137.8	2.8	.6	136.3	2.3	.8
Food and beverages	150.9	2.7	.5	145.9	3.0	.7	147.8	2.1	.3	142.5	2.6	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	132.6	1.9	1.6	127.7	.9	1.0	132.2	3.3	.8	132.4	2.1	1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.3	2.4	2.5	129.1	2.1	2.1	130.6	4.6	.5	134.4	2.8	2.1
Durables	127.4	1.0	.2	127.0	-.6	-.3	134.2	1.4	1.4	129.7	1.2	-.3
Services	166.2	3.2	.2	168.3	4.0	.4	170.6	3.6	.3	160.1	4.5	.3
Medical care services	222.9	3.8	.2	219.9	5.5	-.2	240.5	3.1	-.3	214.8	2.7	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	148.2	2.4	.7	144.4	2.5	.7	149.0	3.0	.4	146.8	3.0	.5
All items less medical care	149.1	2.8	.7	146.9	2.8	.7	149.0	3.3	.5	142.8	3.6	.6
All items less energy	159.2	2.4	.4	158.6	2.8	.4	160.4	3.0	.3	154.7	3.3	.5
All items less food and energy	161.5	2.4	.4	161.4	2.7	.3	163.9	3.1	.3	157.7	3.4	.6
Energy	105.2	6.7	3.2	99.6	5.4	4.1	106.3	5.8	1.9	97.6	5.6	.6
Commodities less food	133.8	2.0	1.6	128.0	.8	.9	133.2	3.1	.8	133.3	2.1	1.1
Nondurables less food	136.8	2.5	2.3	129.5	2.0	2.0	132.2	4.3	.5	135.7	2.7	2.0
Nondurables	143.4	2.6	1.4	137.1	2.5	1.5	138.7	3.2	.3	139.1	2.7	1.2
Services less rent of shelter ²	170.2	2.8	.1	166.7	3.6	.4	176.6	3.2	.1	170.5	4.0	.2
Services less medical care services	161.2	3.1	.1	163.9	3.9	.5	164.3	3.7	.4	153.1	4.9	.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
	Expenditure category											
All items	151.5	2.4	0.6	155.0	3.1	0.6	152.2	3.8	0.5	151.6	3.4	1.0
All items (December 1977=100)	244.5	-	-	253.0	-	-	246.4	-	-	246.2	-	-
Food and beverages	150.7	2.8	.5	151.5	3.7	.7	151.9	4.1	.5	144.9	2.8	.4
Food	150.6	2.7	.5	151.4	3.8	.7	151.7	4.0	.5	144.7	2.7	.3
Food at home	149.8	3.1	.6	151.9	4.9	1.1	150.8	4.9	.9	141.2	2.6	.4
Cereals and bakery products	166.4	4.2	1.0	167.5	6.5	1.0	163.3	6.6	-1.4	175.0	2.2	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	140.0	4.9	1.0	141.1	3.9	.0	137.7	3.8	.7	135.3	2.6	-.9
Dairy products	140.7	2.4	-.9	133.9	4.8	.3	134.5	3.9	-.5	122.6	3.2	.5
Fruits and vegetables	182.2	2.9	1.3	201.1	8.2	5.0	184.1	10.2	5.1	155.9	4.0	1.5
Other food at home	138.1	.9	.2	136.2	2.3	-.1	148.4	1.8	-.2	131.9	1.7	1.2
Food away from home	153.2	2.3	.3	152.2	2.2	.1	155.4	2.6	.1	153.9	3.1	.5
Alcoholic beverages	150.9	2.7	.5	152.6	2.6	.4	153.1	4.6	-.5	146.4	4.4	.3
Housing	142.1	2.5	.6	150.4	3.4	.7	139.9	4.7	.6	145.4	5.6	2.0
Shelter	154.2	3.5	.6	159.8	4.4	.9	148.9	4.1	.7	162.4	4.5	.7
Renters' costs ²	163.7	3.3	1.2	189.0	4.9	2.8	155.5	3.6	2.4	170.8	1.2	2.8
Rent, residential	151.0	2.9	.3	150.4	3.5	.3	143.8	2.8	.1	151.6	4.3	.2
Other renters' costs	199.7	4.9	4.2	285.9	7.1	6.9	184.8	5.2	7.5	196.7	-3.1	7.0
Homeowners' costs ²	155.8	3.5	.3	158.2	4.3	.2	150.5	4.2	.1	164.4	5.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ²	155.6	3.7	.3	158.0	4.4	.2	150.0	4.2	.1	162.6	5.7	.2
Fuel and other utilities	118.4	2.1	1.6	140.8	2.0	.4	137.8	6.7	.6	130.0	9.6	6.2
Fuels	106.7	1.5	2.8	115.9	1.0	.4	129.1	10.8	.9	109.2	5.0	.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	99.5	8.4	-2.0	106.9	7.7	1.2	118.5	8.1	1.8	95.5	9.0	.0
Fuel oil	96.2	10.3	-1.9	95.5	7.3	1.5	78.0	5.1	3.6	87.5	7.9	.1
Other household fuel commodities ³	134.0	5.6	-1.7	139.6	7.9	1.0	152.3	8.9	1.4	116.6	10.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	109.9	1.2	3.1	115.9	.2	.3	130.8	10.9	.8	113.9	4.7	.7
Electricity	108.8	.7	2.8	115.8	-1.0	-.1	135.1	13.3	.7	118.3	4.3	1.5
Utility (piped) gas	109.6	2.3	3.8	119.9	7.1	2.2	121.9	-2	1.3	98.5	8.0	-5.8
Household furnishings and operation	128.9	-.8	-.3	132.9	1.7	.1	117.0	4.4	-.2	120.3	3.9	.6
Apparel and upkeep	149.7	-5.0	2.3	136.5	-.7	1.6	149.2	.0	2.4	134.0	-.5	1.3
Apparel commodities	145.5	-5.1	2.5	131.4	-1.1	1.7	147.6	-.1	2.6	130.2	-.8	1.3
Men's and boys' apparel	145.4	-1.7	1.9	134.8	2.4	1.0	133.7	3.7	-1.1	124.2	-.1	-.7
Women's and girls' apparel	141.0	-11.2	4.5	135.2	-3.0	2.0	152.1	-1.7	6.2	144.3	-1.7	3.7
Footwear	136.9	1.6	.1	117.8	-5.3	2.1	131.7	-1.0	-.6	104.9	1.9	-.1
Transportation	138.9	2.1	.4	139.4	1.5	.6	141.9	2.5	.4	139.0	.5	.4
Private transportation	138.9	2.5	.4	137.1	1.6	.5	140.0	2.3	.4	137.6	.7	.4
Motor fuel	100.5	1.6	2.9	98.9	3.5	3.5	99.3	4.2	3.8	91.8	3.3	3.4
Gasoline	99.8	1.5	3.0	98.5	3.7	3.6	99.9	4.3	4.1	90.7	2.7	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	97.1	2.0	3.3	95.5	4.3	4.0	95.9	4.5	4.5	86.1	2.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	102.0	.7	2.6	104.3	3.4	3.9	109.2	3.7	4.1	108.1	3.2	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.5	1.0	2.9	101.0	2.4	2.7	103.3	4.2	3.2	98.5	3.2	3.2
Public transportation	142.5	-1.5	.4	183.3	.2	1.1	187.4	7.8	.5	171.2	-.1	2.2
Medical care	227.6	4.5	.3	218.9	3.8	.0	229.6	5.0	.1	224.7	2.7	.0
Entertainment	162.0	5.6	.5	157.4	3.6	-.8	153.4	2.3	.0	142.8	4.2	.5
Other goods and services	200.1	5.1	.1	219.0	4.7	.5	203.3	4.3	.2	197.6	4.4	.0
Personal care	143.3	2.4	-1.0	151.0	2.7	.2	139.9	1.0	.6	125.0	-1.7	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	151.5	2.4	.6	155.0	3.1	.6	152.2	3.8	.5	151.6	3.4	1.0
Commodities	139.5	1.2	.6	139.9	2.4	.8	140.5	3.0	.6	135.1	2.0	.7
Food and beverages	150.7	2.8	.5	151.5	3.7	.7	151.9	4.1	.5	144.9	2.8	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	132.9	.2	.7	133.0	1.5	.8	133.8	2.2	.8	129.7	1.6	.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.3	-.2	1.4	134.1	2.3	1.4	137.3	2.4	1.6	129.5	2.4	1.5
Durables	133.2	.9	-.3	131.3	.7	.0	130.0	2.0	-.4	129.9	.6	.0
Services	163.7	3.3	.5	170.6	3.5	.5	165.1	4.6	.4	169.3	4.6	1.3
Medical care services	232.7	5.1	.2	224.6	4.3	.0	236.9	5.9	.1	227.1	2.6	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	150.9	2.0	.6	153.8	2.5	.5	153.6	3.8	.5	149.0	3.1	1.1
All items less medical care	147.3	2.1	.6	150.9	2.9	.7	146.8	3.7	.5	145.6	3.5	1.1
All items less energy	158.3	2.4	.4	161.3	3.1	.5	157.8	3.5	.4	159.1	3.4	1.0
All items less food and energy	160.1	2.3	.4	163.7	3.0	.5	159.4	3.4	.4	162.4	3.4	1.1
Energy	102.4	1.6	2.9	104.4	2.1	1.8	112.9	7.9	2.1	98.8	4.3	1.8
Commodities less food	133.7	.4	.8	133.7	1.6	.8	134.5	2.4	.7	130.1	1.7	.9
Nondurables less food	134.2	.0	1.4	134.9	2.3	1.4	138.0	2.6	1.5	130.1	2.4	1.5
Nondurables	142.0	1.3	1.0	143.0	3.0	1.1	144.6	3.3	1.0	137.1	2.5	1.0
Services less rent of shelter ²	178.2	3.1	.5	183.3	2.7	.0	181.4	4.9	.2	179.4	4.4	1.6
Services less medical care services	157.5	3.1	.6	164.7	3.4	.5	156.4	4.3	.4	160.9	4.9	1.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category						
All items	156.6	2.0	0.4	161.4	4.0	0.4
All items (December 1977 = 100)	255.4	-	-	250.4	-	-
Food and beverages	154.5	2.7	1.2	151.3	3.9	1.2
Food	153.7	2.6	1.3	151.0	3.9	1.1
Food at home	157.8	3.6	2.1	149.9	4.2	1.7
Cereals and bakery products	174.9	5.2	1.0	162.7	3.6	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	145.2	3.3	1.2	137.7	2.9	-1.1
Dairy products	149.7	4.1	-6	135.0	6.7	.0
Fruits and vegetables	193.5	6.1	6.2	196.3	7.0	8.3
Other food at home	143.6	.8	2.0	136.8	2.4	-1.1
Food away from home	148.1	1.0	.0	153.3	3.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	161.3	3.1	.2	156.0	4.6	1.3
Housing	154.9	1.2	-3	159.5	4.0	.1
Shelter	168.0	1.9	.2	180.3	5.7	.5
Renters' costs ²	181.5	1.9	.1	178.4	3.5	1.1
Rent, residential	163.4	1.6	.2	160.6	4.0	.2
Other renters' costs	214.5	3.3	-2	211.3	2.2	3.9
Homeowners' costs ²	178.9	2.0	.3	195.9	6.4	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	179.1	2.0	.3	197.3	6.5	.4
Fuel and other utilities	134.4	-3.3	-3.0	122.7	-2.9	-3.5
Fuels	121.0	-9.2	-6.8	100.7	-9.3	-8.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁵	96.9	-4	.0	251.4	1.1	.0
Fuel oil ⁵	92.6	2.9	.9	308.6	-1.0	.3
Other household fuel commodities ³	130.7	-3.3	-8	113.6	1.5	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.1	-9.4	-7.0	99.5	-9.6	-8.5
Electricity	153.7	.4	-3	120.8	.6	.0
Utility (piped) gas	79.2	-32.8	-24.9	73.9	-26.2	-22.9
Household furnishings and operation	124.5	1.3	-7	126.6	2.3	1.3
Apparel and upkeep	128.7	1.9	5.8	147.1	8.2	2.9
Apparel commodities	125.0	2.2	6.7	145.9	8.7	3.1
Men's and boys' apparel	119.3	1.4	5.7	154.4	14.3	7.6
Women's and girls' apparel	118.5	2.2	7.9	138.2	8.6	1.7
Footwear	127.2	5.7	2.3	129.0	-1.7	1.7
Transportation	142.0	1.6	.6	142.6	1.4	-3
Private transportation	138.9	2.1	.8	141.2	1.4	-1
Motor fuel	106.1	1.8	3.2	103.5	6.8	1.8
Gasoline	106.0	1.9	3.3	103.0	6.8	2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.6	1.7	3.3	99.3	6.7	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	102.3	3.8	3.4	109.1	7.5	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.9	.7	3.0	105.0	6.1	1.4
Public transportation	180.0	-1.3	-7	165.6	.0	-2.0
Medical care	223.8	3.4	.4	234.9	3.9	.1
Entertainment	155.2	2.4	-1	173.6	7.7	.4
Other goods and services	225.1	4.4	.0	217.8	5.8	.0
Personal care	160.2	2.1	.1	153.0	3.4	.0
Commodity and service group						
All items	156.6	2.0	.4	161.4	4.0	.4
Commodities	139.7	2.5	1.4	141.4	4.3	1.1
Food and beverages	154.5	2.7	1.2	151.3	3.9	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	130.4	2.4	1.5	135.6	4.5	1.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.6	2.6	2.6	142.2	7.4	1.9
Durables	126.8	2.1	.0	128.1	.7	.2
Services	171.7	1.7	-1	180.6	3.9	-2
Medical care services	224.9	3.1	.4	242.3	4.2	.1
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	153.4	2.0	.7	155.3	3.3	.3
All items less medical care	153.1	1.9	.5	156.8	4.0	.4
All items less energy	161.7	2.3	.6	168.3	4.3	.5
All items less food and energy	163.7	2.2	.5	171.9	4.4	.5
Energy	110.2	-3.5	-1.5	102.2	-8	-2.9
Commodities less food	132.0	2.5	1.5	136.4	4.4	1.1
Nondurables less food	134.8	2.7	2.3	142.9	7.0	1.8
Nondurables	144.0	2.6	1.8	147.3	5.7	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ²	183.9	1.3	-4	186.2	1.9	-1.1
Services less medical care services	167.5	1.5	-1	174.1	3.8	-3

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

² Indexes on a December 1982 = 100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993 = 100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a June 1978 = 100 base in West size class C.

- Data not available.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other food at home
Indexes, March 1996						
U.S. city average	152.5	172.0	142.6	136.7	183.7	142.4
Region and area size ¹						
Northeast urban	157.0	177.7	148.2	129.7	188.0	150.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.6	180.3	147.5	131.1	189.3	149.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	161.0	165.8	156.1	136.1	186.4	162.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	151.3	172.8	147.8	114.4	185.2	142.0
North Central urban	147.8	171.1	139.4	138.0	168.7	138.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	150.7	171.6	145.5	141.4	171.2	138.6
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	148.2	179.2	134.3	141.5	164.7	142.2
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	145.6	167.3	129.7	135.5	174.2	141.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	138.4	166.6	131.9	127.2	153.3	128.2
South urban	149.3	167.0	139.0	134.5	183.2	139.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	149.8	166.4	140.0	140.7	182.2	138.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	151.9	167.5	141.1	133.9	201.1	136.2
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	150.8	163.3	137.7	134.5	184.1	148.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	141.2	175.0	135.3	122.6	155.9	131.9
West urban	156.5	171.9	143.7	146.4	194.2	143.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.8	174.9	145.2	149.7	193.5	143.6
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	149.9	162.7	137.7	135.0	196.3	136.8
Size classes						
A ²	141.2	154.9	132.2	132.5	168.8	131.0
B	154.1	169.8	144.9	138.5	189.4	143.5
C	149.4	166.2	137.5	130.7	183.5	143.5
D	143.6	172.5	132.6	128.7	163.9	136.7
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD	156.4	195.7	136.3	144.8	184.5	151.7
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	156.2	183.1	144.9	128.1	200.0	141.3
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	159.4	179.3	160.3	153.1	176.7	140.3
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	147.8	169.3	144.6	133.6	177.8	127.8
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	143.3	155.0	137.5	139.5	162.7	134.0
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	145.8	171.2	139.1	126.9	174.8	134.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	147.6	161.2	136.5	133.4	173.7	146.8
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	162.1	173.9	151.4	161.5	199.7	143.8
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	155.7	157.4	140.3	140.5	224.6	132.8
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	160.1	181.3	150.8	132.3	192.5	151.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	156.7	185.4	145.4	130.7	181.3	151.8
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	146.6	156.7	135.7	133.3	168.5	146.8
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	146.9	156.1	130.6	141.6	178.8	144.7
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	161.1	172.2	147.4	145.4	199.6	149.4
Washington, DC-MD-VA	156.2	183.8	146.1	150.6	176.4	143.6

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas—Continued

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other food at home
Percent change, February 1996 to March 1996						
U.S. city average	0.7	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	3.4	0.4
Region and area size ¹						
Northeast urban	.1	-.4	-.4	-1.2	3.0	-.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.1	.2	-.7	-1.1	2.7	-.7
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	.8	-1.6	1.6	.1	3.0	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	.0	-3.2	-1.0	-3.3	5.7	.4
North Central urban	.5	-.3	.0	.8	2.2	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.5	-.3	.1	1.5	1.5	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	1.0	.6	-.5	-1.0	6.7	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	.3	.4	-.8	1.1	2.1	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.1	-2.5	.9	-.2	1.1	.6
South urban	.8	.2	.4	-.4	3.2	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.6	1.0	1.0	-.9	1.3	.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	1.1	1.0	.0	.3	5.0	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	.9	-1.4	.7	-.5	5.1	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.4	.1	-.9	.5	1.5	1.2
West urban	1.8	.4	1.0	-.6	5.0	1.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000	2.1	1.0	1.2	-.6	6.2	2.0
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	1.7	.3	-.1	.0	8.3	-.1
Size classes						
A	.9	.4	.3	-.3	3.2	.5
B	.7	.1	.3	-.4	3.2	.1
C	.7	-1.1	-.1	-.5	4.9	-.1
D	.3	-1.0	.1	.2	1.4	.9
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD	1.0	4.3	.1	-2.6	1.4	1.1
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.8	6.7	-.8	-1.2	4.9	.9
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	1.0	.4	-.1	3.4	1.6	1.2
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	.4	-1.1	-.5	.2	2.2	1.3
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	.4	-4.9	-1.2	-3.0	11.1	-.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	1.0	1.8	1.5	.6	1.2	-.1
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	.9	.1	1.9	1.5	.2	.4
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	1.9	.9	1.2	.2	4.7	1.9
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-.6	-.4	-.3	-.7	-1.7	.2
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	.0	-.8	-.8	-1.0	3.4	-1.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	-.6	.5	-.1	-2.0	-2.0	-.6
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	.8	-.6	-1.6	-.4	6.7	.4
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	2.0	1.4	2.6	-.4	5.8	.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	3.0	.6	1.7	-.6	9.7	1.2
Washington, DC-MD-VA	.6	2.7	2.5	-1.0	-2.3	.1

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, February 1996 to March 1996

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago- Gary- Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles- Anaheim- Riverside, CA	N.Y.- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA
Expenditure category						
All items	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	-0.2
Food and beverages	.5	.7	1.0	.1	-.3	1.7
Food	.5	.7	1.2	.0	-.3	1.8
Food at home	.7	1.0	1.9	.0	-.6	3.0
Cereals and bakery products	-.1	.4	.9	-.8	.5	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	.1	-.1	1.2	-.8	-.1	1.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	.0	-.3	.9	-.9	.1	.9
Dairy products	-.4	3.4	.2	-1.0	-2.0	-.6
Fruits and vegetables	3.4	1.6	4.7	3.4	-2.0	9.7
Other food at home	.4	1.2	1.9	-1.0	-.6	1.2
Food away from home	.2	.1	-.1	.1	.2	.2
Alcoholic beverages	.4	.7	-.5	.4	.3	1.0
Housing	.3	.5	.0	.3	.5	-1.8
Shelter	.4	.1	.1	.4	.4	.2
Renters' costs	.9	.1	-.5	.5	1.1	.2
Rent, residential	.1	.2	.1	.1	-.1	.2
Other renters' costs	2.6	-.5	-2.6	1.7	2.6	.3
Homeowners' costs	.2	.2	.4	.3	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent	.2	.2	.3	.2	.1	.2
Fuel and other utilities	.2	1.5	.5	.0	.5	-14.3
Fuels	-.5	2.4	.6	-.3	.7	-30.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	1.6	.6	.0	1.8	1.6	.1
Fuel oil	1.9	.0	-	1.8	1.6	.6
Other household fuel commodities	.9	1.4	.0	2.3	-	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	-.8	2.4	.7	-1.0	.6	-30.8
Electricity	.3	-1.0	.0	-.2	.0	.0
Utility (piped) gas	-3.2	6.4	2.3	-2.4	1.8	-
Household furnishings and operation	.2	1.3	-.9	.8	.6	-1.5
Apparel and upkeep	2.7	2.6	5.2	2.9	5.6	7.9
Apparel commodities	3.0	2.7	5.9	3.2	6.3	9.0
Men's and boys' apparel	2.1	3.1	7.8	2.2	2.8	2.8
Women's and girls' apparel	4.3	1.8	9.3	4.8	15.6	2.7
Footwear	1.8	7.1	2.4	4.7	2.0	4.8
Transportation	.6	1.4	1.1	1.1	-.1	.2
Private transportation	.6	1.3	.9	.6	-.3	1.0
Motor fuel	3.3	6.0	3.8	.9	.3	3.2
Gasoline	3.4	6.1	3.8	.8	.3	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	3.6	6.5	3.4	1.0	.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ¹	3.1	5.3	4.5	.9	.0	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	2.7	5.6	3.4	1.0	.1	3.6
Public transportation	.8	2.2	2.0	3.6	1.6	-4.0
Medical care	.2	.1	.5	.4	-.2	.5
Entertainment	.1	-.5	.7	-1.4	2.4	-1.1
Other goods and services	.2	.2	.1	.0	.4	.0
Personal care	.1	.5	.4	-.1	1.4	.0
Commodity and service group						
All items	.5	.7	.7	.5	.5	-.2
Commodities	.9	1.2	1.3	.8	.7	1.8
Food and beverages	.5	.7	1.0	.1	-.3	1.7
Commodities less food and beverages	1.1	1.5	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	1.8	2.4	2.4	1.6	2.0	3.1
Durables	.1	.2	.2	.7	.5	-.3
Services	.2	.4	.3	.3	.3	-1.3
Medical care services	.2	.2	.7	.4	.0	.5
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	.5	.9	1.0	.5	.5	-.4
All items less medical care	.5	.8	.7	.4	.6	-.3
All items less energy	.4	.4	.6	.5	.5	.6
All items less food and energy	.4	.4	.5	.6	.6	.3
Energy	1.1	4.1	2.3	.0	.6	-13.8
Commodities less food	1.1	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.7
Nondurables less food	1.7	2.2	2.1	1.6	1.9	2.7
Nondurables	1.1	1.5	1.7	.8	.8	2.3
Services less rent of shelter	.1	.5	.5	.2	.4	-3.2
Services less medical care services	.2	.4	.3	.3	.4	-1.5

¹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	U.S. city average			Baltimore, MD			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996
Expenditure category												
All items	155.7	2.8	0.8	153.0	1.8	0.9	162.8	2.8	0.4	156.3	2.4	1.1
All items (1967=100)	466.5	-	-	457.7	-	-	473.2	-	-	467.0	-	-
Food and beverages	152.1	2.8	.5	156.6	2.2	.1	157.6	2.9	1.0	154.2	1.9	.6
Food	151.6	2.8	.4	157.2	2.1	.1	157.5	3.0	1.1	152.9	1.7	.5
Food at home	152.5	3.3	.4	156.4	2.3	-.2	156.2	2.9	.8	159.4	1.7	.4
Cereals and bakery products	172.0	4.1	.3	195.7	4.4	3.4	183.1	5.4	6.1	179.3	3.9	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.6	3.0	-.1	136.3	-2.1	-2.0	144.9	4.7	1.4	160.3	2.9	.0
Meats, poultry, and fish	142.3	1.7	-.1	136.9	-4.0	-1.9	145.2	4.2	1.4	162.1	1.6	.0
Dairy products	136.7	3.4	.3	144.8	.1	-2.9	128.1	-1.8	-1.7	153.1	4.6	3.2
Fruits and vegetables	183.7	5.6	1.2	184.5	5.9	-1.5	200.0	1.2	-4.4	176.7	-1.9	-1.6
Other food at home	142.4	1.2	.4	151.7	5.1	1.9	141.3	3.0	3.2	140.3	.2	.6
Food away from home	151.2	2.1	.4	158.0	1.6	.7	160.9	3.1	1.6	141.5	1.8	.6
Alcoholic beverages	157.4	2.8	1.2	149.5	4.3	.1	159.9	2.3	.3	168.4	3.4	1.7
Housing	151.7	2.9	.7	142.4	2.2	.2	157.3	2.7	.1	153.8	3.2	.9
Shelter	170.1	3.4	.9	159.4	1.9	.3	179.7	2.5	-.3	178.4	3.3	.5
Renters' costs ²	180.4	3.3	2.2	161.5	2.0	.6	192.0	1.7	-.6	178.1	2.7	.7
Rent, residential	160.6	2.5	.4	158.7	2.1	.1	167.6	3.3	-.2	174.0	2.7	.5
Other renters' costs	219.7	5.3	6.4	148.8	1.6	2.1	228.5	-1.1	-1.3	163.7	2.4	1.2
Homeowners' costs ²	175.0	3.4	.4	166.1	1.9	.1	182.3	3.0	-.2	185.3	3.6	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ²	175.3	3.4	.3	167.1	1.9	.1	182.8	3.0	-.2	184.0	3.4	.5
Fuel and other utilities	125.2	2.4	.4	114.0	5.8	-.1	128.6	2.6	.9	116.4	3.7	2.3
Fuels	111.9	1.9	-.3	107.2	7.6	-.8	112.8	3.8	1.7	107.1	5.6	3.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	99.3	11.6	1.7	94.1	12.6	-11.8	97.4	14.9	4.4	94.3	4.5	1.4
Fuel oil	97.0	13.3	1.5	96.3	12.6	-11.7	98.6	15.6	4.6	91.4	.3	.0
Other household fuel commodities ³	128.3	7.5	2.0	NA	-	-	101.0	.0	.0	125.1	10.1	3.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	118.2	.9	-.4	121.3	6.7	1.6	135.8	.4	.8	109.9	5.6	3.6
Electricity	128.3	2.3	.3	123.6	.2	.2	134.4	.4	-.8	116.5	-2.3	-1.4
Utility (piped) gas	102.4	-2.2	-2.1	116.3	26.0	5.2	134.5	.5	2.7	103.7	15.6	9.3
Household furnishings and operation	124.6	1.6	.4	126.7	.1	.5	119.1	4.1	1.4	119.2	1.8	1.1
Apparel and upkeep	134.8	.3	3.7	138.7	-1.0	16.5	145.2	2.0	4.8	127.7	-1.8	5.7
Apparel commodities	131.6	.2	4.0	133.4	-1.3	18.5	135.8	2.3	5.8	127.9	-2.1	6.1
Men's and boys' apparel	129.1	1.5	3.5	131.7	1.7	18.6	134.7	8.0	9.6	122.3	-3.5	-.6
Women's and girls' apparel	129.9	-1.2	5.3	124.0	-9.5	25.9	118.5	.4	10.4	121.4	-3.9	14.4
Footwear	128.1	1.7	3.8	153.0	2.5	9.1	153.8	11.0	-1.5	145.3	2.9	11.3
Transportation	141.2	2.3	.9	138.9	.2	-.2	137.1	.9	-1.2	138.3	2.7	1.7
Private transportation	138.3	2.3	.7	138.1	.4	-.6	137.5	.8	-1.7	136.4	3.4	.9
Motor fuel	101.4	4.0	2.8	99.2	-.8	1.6	99.3	1.2	-.1	105.4	8.3	5.5
Gasoline	101.1	4.0	3.0	96.8	-1.1	1.7	98.3	1.1	-.2	105.1	8.2	5.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	99.0	4.4	3.1	96.4	-.1	1.7	96.6	.6	-.4	103.1	8.5	5.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	105.6	3.6	2.7	97.9	-1.7	1.5	103.1	.7	-.4	112.3	7.6	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.7	2.9	2.2	96.0	-2.7	1.9	102.7	-.7	-1.2	106.5	8.2	5.0
Public transportation	178.9	2.5	4.3	147.4	-2.6	7.0	135.2	1.9	3.7	152.8	-1.6	7.2
Medical care	226.6	3.8	.6	234.8	2.5	.7	278.5	6.0	1.2	228.1	2.8	.4
Entertainment	158.4	3.8	.9	166.0	5.5	1.4	169.6	2.2	.7	162.8	1.8	.5
Other goods and services	213.0	4.4	.5	210.6	2.6	.2	218.3	4.4	.2	219.9	2.5	.3
Personal care	149.4	2.3	.2	128.6	-3.2	1.3	146.0	8.5	1.7	149.7	.3	.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	155.7	2.8	.8	153.0	1.8	.9	162.8	2.8	.4	156.3	2.4	1.1
Commodities	139.2	2.4	1.0	139.8	1.5	1.7	138.7	3.7	1.5	141.5	1.7	1.5
Food and beverages	152.1	2.8	.5	156.6	2.2	.1	157.6	2.9	1.0	154.2	1.9	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	131.3	2.1	1.4	130.5	1.0	2.8	127.0	4.3	1.8	133.0	1.4	2.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.6	2.6	2.2	133.2	1.4	5.1	131.1	5.0	3.0	135.6	2.0	3.4
Durables	129.5	1.4	.2	128.9	.6	-.2	125.3	3.3	.0	128.1	.5	.2
Services	172.6	3.2	.8	169.2	2.1	.4	186.1	2.2	-.3	170.9	3.1	.8
Medical care services	230.7	4.0	.6	237.8	2.2	.2	287.6	6.2	1.1	228.1	3.4	.6
Special Indexes												
All items less shelter	151.6	2.6	.9	152.0	1.7	1.2	158.3	2.9	.7	149.5	2.0	1.4
All items less medical care	151.7	2.8	.9	149.1	1.8	1.0	157.3	2.5	.3	152.7	2.4	1.2
All items less energy	162.3	2.9	.8	160.4	1.7	1.0	171.1	2.8	.4	163.0	2.1	.9
All items less food and energy	164.9	2.8	.9	161.2	1.6	1.2	174.4	2.7	.2	165.6	2.2	1.0
Energy	106.1	2.8	1.0	102.9	3.6	.3	107.3	2.9	1.0	105.7	6.9	4.4
Commodities less food	132.4	2.2	1.4	131.3	1.2	2.7	128.5	4.1	1.7	134.8	1.6	2.1
Nondurables less food	134.0	2.7	2.1	134.2	1.6	4.8	132.7	4.7	2.7	137.9	2.1	3.2
Nondurables	142.5	2.7	1.3	144.3	1.8	2.5	144.1	3.8	1.9	145.2	1.9	1.8
Services less rent of shelter ²	180.4	3.0	.7	185.4	2.2	.4	201.2	1.9	-.1	171.1	2.9	1.2
Services less medical care services	167.2	3.1	.8	163.6	2.1	.3	178.1	1.8	-.4	166.2	3.0	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996
Expenditure category												
All items	150.9	2.4	1.3	157.3	1.7	1.0	152.4	2.5	0.3	166.5	3.5	1.0
All items (1967=100) ⁵	483.4	-	-	464.8	-	-	245.7	-	-	481.2	-	-
Food and beverages	151.6	3.2	.6	157.0	2.8	1.4	159.2	1.8	.2	158.7	2.8	.4
Food	152.4	3.2	.5	155.0	2.7	1.4	159.1	1.7	.2	158.4	2.7	.3
Food at home	147.8	4.5	1.0	162.1	3.8	2.2	155.7	1.0	-.2	160.1	3.3	.3
Cereals and bakery products	169.3	5.5	-.4	173.9	4.6	2.4	157.4	2.9	1.0	181.3	3.5	-.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	144.6	5.9	-.1	151.4	3.9	3.8	140.3	3.9	-.2	150.8	2.0	-.8
Meats, poultry, and fish	145.4	4.9	-.1	147.7	2.6	3.9	141.3	3.1	-.2	151.1	1.1	-1.0
Dairy products	133.6	1.8	-.2	161.5	6.5	1.1	140.5	-.4	-.9	132.3	2.8	.5
Fruits and vegetables	177.8	7.1	6.0	199.7	4.8	1.4	224.6	-.6	.7	192.5	9.1	3.8
Other food at home	127.8	1.2	.0	143.8	.7	1.6	132.8	-1.4	1.5	151.0	-.3	-.9
Food away from home	162.3	1.2	-.1	144.9	1.0	.1	165.4	2.2	.4	159.6	1.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	144.5	3.4	.9	175.6	3.4	1.0	157.9	3.3	.4	160.7	3.1	.8
Housing	148.0	2.9	1.6	153.4	.9	.2	144.5	3.9	.5	167.4	3.3	.5
Shelter	167.6	5.3	2.0	163.1	.9	.5	154.5	4.1	1.0	192.7	3.3	.5
Renters' costs ²	184.2	6.7	5.6	172.4	.8	.7	161.9	4.0	3.4	199.6	4.3	1.0
Rent, residential	156.2	3.7	.1	156.7	.7	.3	144.4	3.4	.4	176.5	2.6	.5
Other renters' costs	241.1	12.6	17.4	212.3	1.0	2.1	261.6	6.3	15.0	258.7	9.6	2.4
Homeowners' costs ²	162.5	4.8	.7	172.4	.9	.5	157.0	4.2	-.1	198.8	2.8	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	163.3	4.8	.7	172.1	.8	.3	154.6	4.0	-.1	199.7	2.7	.2
Fuel and other utilities	118.5	.9	.9	149.3	.0	.7	117.6	4.9	.7	117.0	4.2	.6
Fuels	109.7	-.1	1.5	146.1	-2.0	.8	109.2	5.0	.2	116.1	6.0	.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	99.0	5.1	3.0	117.4	-.6	.0	158.0	3.9	-.5	105.7	12.6	.2
Fuel oil	89.8	10.7	6.0	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	105.1	12.6	.0
Other household fuel commodities ³	120.7	-.4	.0	117.4	-.6	.0	142.7	4.0	-.5	125.4	11.9	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	111.0	-.3	1.5	146.6	-2.0	.8	108.4	5.0	.2	124.5	4.3	.7
Electricity	129.0	-.5	.5	168.4	-.2	.1	106.3	4.6	.0	127.7	3.7	1.9
Utility (piped) gas	96.2	-.1	2.8	123.1	-6.3	2.5	162.6	13.5	4.2	119.1	5.5	-1.2
Household furnishings and operation	125.8	-3.2	.6	121.1	2.0	-1.9	134.0	1.9	-2.0	134.1	2.7	.6
Apparel and upkeep	132.2	-3.2	9.3	134.0	2.3	5.7	149.7	-5.8	-.1	131.7	3.0	6.6
Apparel commodities	130.4	-3.7	10.1	131.0	2.6	6.5	141.9	-7.1	-.2	127.6	3.0	7.4
Men's and boys' apparel	139.0	-2.8	5.2	130.4	4.6	10.7	138.3	-3.8	-2.3	117.3	.4	6.5
Women's and girls' apparel	141.7	-.3	17.0	127.0	1.4	8.1	155.2	-15.5	.1	127.1	4.2	8.3
Footwear	80.9	-19.9	3.3	118.2	1.9	2.1	138.7	2.7	-.2	137.9	2.7	9.2
Transportation	136.0	2.9	1.5	143.7	.6	1.8	141.1	1.6	-.2	150.7	4.3	1.4
Private transportation	136.7	3.0	1.2	139.7	1.0	1.5	141.0	2.5	.1	142.8	2.7	.5
Motor fuel	111.4	12.5	4.3	103.3	-1.1	4.1	106.5	2.1	3.4	96.1	1.2	.3
Gasoline	111.1	13.1	4.6	102.9	-.8	4.8	106.2	2.1	3.4	95.7	1.2	.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.9	13.5	4.8	101.0	-1.2	4.6	103.2	2.8	3.7	94.1	2.5	.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	113.8	11.5	3.9	101.4	2.9	4.5	102.0	1.1	3.0	99.0	.5	-.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	113.6	10.5	3.1	104.6	-2.5	3.0	108.8	1.7	3.1	98.5	.3	.2
Public transportation	130.2	1.1	5.3	198.1	-2.4	3.8	139.7	-9.7	-4.8	186.1	11.6	5.3
Medical care	209.0	3.2	.5	227.7	3.2	.6	213.6	6.7	.4	232.6	3.2	.6
Entertainment	154.3	.1	-1.0	147.0	4.1	.8	144.6	3.2	1.5	164.0	4.5	1.6
Other goods and services	191.1	1.6	-3.8	230.1	3.3	.5	173.5	3.6	.2	219.8	4.7	.3
Personal care	138.1	1.9	.0	163.4	1.9	.5	101.0	-4.8	.0	166.8	4.7	.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	150.9	2.4	1.3	157.3	1.7	1.0	152.4	2.5	.3	166.5	3.5	1.0
Commodities	140.5	1.2	1.4	140.8	2.5	1.5	145.3	.8	-.1	144.7	3.0	1.3
Food and beverages	151.6	3.2	.6	157.0	2.8	1.4	159.2	1.8	.2	158.7	2.8	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	133.1	-.4	2.1	130.4	2.4	1.7	135.5	.1	-.4	133.5	3.2	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	136.5	.3	3.3	135.1	2.1	3.0	130.4	-1.7	.6	133.7	3.9	2.9
Durables	123.2	-1.7	-.2	123.4	2.9	-.2	143.4	2.4	-1.6	133.0	1.8	.7
Services	162.5	3.6	1.1	172.1	1.2	.7	159.1	4.0	.6	185.9	3.8	.8
Medical care services	206.0	5.1	.4	230.5	3.0	.7	219.5	7.4	.6	237.1	3.0	.5
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	145.6	1.4	1.0	156.0	2.1	1.3	151.7	1.9	.0	156.8	3.6	1.2
All items less medical care	148.0	2.4	1.3	153.5	1.6	1.1	148.8	2.1	.2	163.2	3.5	1.0
All items less energy	156.5	2.1	1.1	161.7	2.0	.9	157.5	2.4	.1	173.0	3.4	1.1
All items less food and energy	157.2	1.8	1.2	163.4	1.7	.8	157.2	2.6	.1	176.7	3.6	1.2
Energy	112.3	6.1	2.9	117.9	-1.5	2.5	106.0	3.4	1.8	108.5	4.4	.5
Commodities less food	133.5	-.2	2.0	132.8	2.5	1.7	137.0	.4	-.3	134.6	3.1	2.0
Nondurables less food	136.5	.6	3.1	138.5	2.3	2.8	132.9	-1.0	.6	135.3	3.9	2.8
Nondurables	144.5	1.9	1.9	146.7	2.5	2.1	146.1	.5	.4	147.5	3.3	1.5
Services less rent of shelter ²	160.8	2.0	.0	190.9	1.5	.9	169.5	4.0	.2	185.8	4.3	1.1
Services less medical care services	158.7	3.5	1.1	167.2	1.0	.7	153.4	3.6	.6	181.9	3.9	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA			Washington, DC-MD-VA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
All items	162.0	2.5	1.1	148.9	3.0	1.2	152.9	1.2	0.0	158.4	2.1	1.0
All items (1967=100)	468.1	-	-	442.3	-	-	470.0	-	-	467.7	-	-
Food and beverages	150.2	1.6	-6	150.2	3.1	.3	154.8	1.7	1.4	151.1	3.0	1.2
Food	149.0	1.8	-7	149.2	3.1	.2	155.2	1.6	1.3	151.4	3.0	1.2
Food at home	156.7	1.7	-1.3	146.9	3.7	-3	161.1	2.4	1.8	156.2	4.0	1.5
Cereals and bakery products	185.4	7.8	2.6	156.1	1.0	-4	172.2	3.3	1.4	183.8	4.4	4.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	145.4	1.4	-2.2	130.6	5.3	-5	147.4	1.4	-7	146.1	11.5	6.5
Meats, poultry, and fish	145.8	.7	-2.3	132.2	5.6	-1	140.9	-1.0	-7	146.2	11.0	7.2
Dairy products	130.7	-1.0	-1.0	141.6	.9	-2	145.4	4.7	.5	150.6	-5	-7
Fruits and vegetables	181.3	1.0	-4.3	178.8	10.3	-1.4	199.6	4.1	7.3	176.4	-2.6	-5.2
Other food at home	151.8	-3	-4	144.7	.1	1.0	149.4	-1	.7	143.6	3.3	.7
Food away from home	135.9	2.1	.3	153.6	2.2	.9	148.2	.4	.5	146.9	1.6	.7
Alcoholic beverages	165.6	-4	.9	156.2	3.0	1.2	152.1	3.3	2.5	149.7	3.3	1.7
Housing	162.1	3.1	.9	141.8	2.1	1.1	153.1	-3	-1.6	155.6	2.0	.6
Shelter	189.7	3.2	1.1	160.6	3.3	1.6	169.8	2.3	.4	170.9	3.3	.9
Renters' costs 2	213.6	5.0	4.7	171.0	5.0	6.1	192.7	3.3	.4	187.1	3.7	1.0
Rent, residential	170.5	1.9	.1	143.5	2.4	.4	172.0	1.8	.2	168.2	2.4	.8
Other renters' costs	291.3	9.2	11.0	222.3	9.8	17.7	198.4	9.0	.9	205.4	7.8	1.8
Homeowners' costs 2	191.8	2.5	-4	166.2	2.5	.0	183.6	1.8	.4	171.7	3.2	.9
Owners' equivalent rent 2	192.6	2.4	-4	167.4	2.6	.0	184.7	2.0	.4	172.2	3.2	.9
Fuel and other utilities	125.0	3.5	.7	116.9	2.9	-3	123.1	-15.4	-14.4	123.4	.9	1.8
Fuels	114.2	2.8	.5	106.0	5.4	-2	100.3	-33.7	-30.2	105.6	-1	3.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	107.1	17.4	.8	91.8	5.9	-2	148.1	-6.1	-1.4	103.6	9.6	5.6
Fuel oil	100.5	17.4	.8	85.8	10.0	4.1	94.7	-4	-7.6	97.5	11.6	7.1
Other household fuel commodities 3	NA	-	-	112.8	3.3	-3.2	171.2	-6.6	-9	168.3	4.0	1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.7	.6	.5	108.8	5.2	-2	99.5	-34.2	-30.8	111.8	-1.1	3.2
Electricity	146.0	2.9	.0	124.8	-2.0	.2	174.7	-2.8	.0	116.1	-1.3	.7
Utility (piped) gas	101.3	-4.5	1.6	93.9	15.9	-7	NA	-	-	105.2	-1.1	7.6
Household furnishings and operation	122.4	1.2	.2	119.0	-3.4	1.1	115.8	.0	-1.2	134.3	-2.2	-2.0
Apparel and upkeep	106.9	-1	9.6	124.1	2.8	5.3	122.2	3.7	6.4	142.8	-4.2	3.3
Apparel commodities	101.9	-6	10.9	121.9	3.1	6.0	117.9	4.3	7.4	138.3	-5.0	3.8
Men's and boys' apparel	122.1	8.1	10.3	134.7	13.8	4.0	103.5	-5.7	5.0	152.1	-3.4	3.5
Women's and girls' apparel	78.5	-8.1	18.6	102.8	-11.1	5.0	102.3	13.8	9.9	138.9	-3.2	10.8
Footwear	113.0	5.3	6.7	91.4	-1.2	-3.9	153.5	17.5	9.1	125.5	-11.6	-5.3
Transportation	150.1	1.1	.6	141.5	4.6	2.0	131.9	3.5	1.5	142.0	1.6	1.6
Private transportation	148.1	1.6	.4	142.1	4.0	1.6	127.5	3.4	1.7	143.4	2.1	1.6
Motor fuel	99.9	-2.8	-2	104.4	12.4	4.4	111.7	5.2	3.6	103.0	-5	3.1
Gasoline	98.1	-3.5	-3	103.6	12.9	4.8	110.9	5.5	4.0	102.3	-6	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	97.2	-3.1	-7	99.5	12.2	5.0	107.8	6.1	4.5	99.8	-7	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade 4	98.1	-3.8	-2	119.2	14.0	3.8	107.0	5.1	3.5	97.7	-1.8	3.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	94.5	-4.2	.1	105.8	13.6	4.6	112.4	4.1	3.6	102.4	-1.2	2.9
Public transportation	171.3	-4.7	2.9	144.7	12.1	8.6	171.2	4.1	1.0	137.7	-2.1	1.6
Medical care	236.8	3.4	.0	216.1	3.7	.1	213.3	2.0	.4	219.1	4.8	.6
Entertainment	180.0	9.8	4.1	162.7	5.4	1.8	165.9	-4	-1.1	165.8	1.6	.5
Other goods and services	230.9	2.8	.9	183.4	2.7	-3	225.9	3.6	.1	224.5	6.1	.8
Personal care	190.8	1.2	2.0	105.7	-4.0	-9	161.3	2.9	.0	159.5	1.7	-4.4
Commodity and service group												
All items	162.0	2.5	1.1	148.9	3.0	1.2	152.9	1.2	.0	158.4	2.1	1.0
Commodities	135.1	1.7	1.0	136.7	2.8	1.1	138.4	2.1	1.5	140.3	.4	.9
Food and beverages	150.2	1.6	-6	150.2	3.1	.3	154.8	1.7	1.4	151.1	3.0	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	125.4	1.6	2.0	128.4	2.6	1.7	127.3	2.5	1.7	134.5	-1.0	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages	124.5	1.4	3.7	129.1	4.4	2.5	130.2	3.2	2.8	132.5	-1.5	1.5
Durables	128.1	2.1	-1	126.0	-2	.5	122.4	1.5	-1	138.5	-5	-2
Services	190.5	3.2	1.1	162.6	3.3	1.2	165.6	.7	-1.0	175.0	3.4	1.2
Medical care services	241.5	3.6	.2	220.8	4.0	.3	214.5	2.3	.3	221.9	5.9	.5
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	154.1	2.3	1.0	146.2	3.0	1.0	148.0	.6	-3	154.1	1.7	1.1
All items less medical care	158.4	2.5	1.1	145.0	3.0	1.3	150.1	1.1	-1	155.3	2.0	1.1
All items less energy	169.3	2.7	1.1	155.2	2.6	1.1	158.1	2.2	.8	165.1	2.4	1.0
All items less food and energy	174.8	2.9	1.5	156.7	2.6	1.4	159.0	2.3	.6	168.2	2.2	.9
Energy	108.2	.7	.3	105.3	8.6	1.9	104.5	-15.2	-13.6	103.7	-3	3.3
Commodities less food	127.1	1.6	2.0	129.7	2.5	1.7	128.7	2.5	1.7	135.1	-8	.7
Nondurables less food	127.2	1.3	3.4	130.9	4.2	2.3	131.7	3.1	2.7	133.5	-1.0	1.4
Nondurables	137.8	1.5	1.3	140.3	3.7	1.3	143.0	2.3	2.0	141.5	.6	1.3
Services less rent of shelter 2	196.8	3.1	1.2	168.6	3.4	.9	168.0	-1.5	-2.6	186.4	3.4	1.2
Services less medical care services	186.4	3.2	1.2	156.8	3.2	1.4	162.4	.5	-1.1	171.0	3.1	1.2

¹ Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see table 10) will appear next month.

² Indexes are on a November 1982=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Miami, St. Louis, Washington. Indexes are on a December 1982=100 base in the U.S., Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

³ Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston,

Cleveland, Miami, St. Louis, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in U.S., Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁵ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

^{NA} Data not adequate for publication.

Data not available.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent change to Mar. 1996 from—			Percent change to Feb. 1996 from—		
		Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Feb. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996
U.S. city average	M	150.9	151.7	152.2	152.9	2.8	0.8	0.5	2.6	0.9	0.3
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	158.0	158.8	159.4	160.1	3.0	.8	.4	2.7	.9	.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	157.6	158.5	159.2	160.0	3.2	.9	.5	2.8	1.0	.4
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	156.5	156.5	156.9	158.1	2.7	1.0	.8	2.1	.3	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	160.4	161.4	162.0	162.1	2.5	.4	.1	2.8	1.0	.4
North Central urban	M	146.3	147.0	147.5	148.3	2.8	.9	.5	2.7	.8	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	146.4	147.1	147.7	148.6	2.7	1.0	.6	2.4	.9	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	144.5	145.0	145.7	146.6	2.8	1.1	.6	2.8	.8	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	148.9	149.6	149.8	150.4	3.3	.5	.4	3.2	.6	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	144.1	144.7	144.9	145.7	3.3	.7	.6	3.2	.6	.1
South urban	M	148.9	149.7	150.0	150.8	2.9	.7	.5	2.8	.7	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	147.8	148.6	148.7	149.5	2.3	.6	.5	2.3	.6	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	148.9	149.6	150.3	151.1	2.9	1.0	.5	2.7	.9	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	150.3	151.1	151.3	152.0	3.8	.6	.5	3.6	.7	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	149.5	150.4	150.4	152.1	3.7	1.1	1.1	2.7	.6	.0
West urban	M	151.3	152.2	152.7	153.4	2.4	.8	.5	2.2	.9	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	150.0	150.9	151.2	152.1	2.0	.8	.6	1.7	.8	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	155.5	156.6	157.6	158.2	3.9	1.0	.4	3.5	1.4	.6
Size classes											
A ³	M	137.7	138.5	138.9	139.7	2.6	.9	.6	2.4	.9	.3
B	M	150.7	151.1	151.8	152.6	2.8	1.0	.5	2.6	.7	.5
C	M	152.7	153.5	153.9	154.4	3.4	.6	.3	3.3	.8	.3
D	M	149.4	150.2	150.3	151.4	3.5	.8	.7	3.1	.6	.1
Selected local areas ⁴											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	149.0	149.7	150.2	151.3	2.4	1.1	.7	1.8	.8	.3
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	149.4	150.4	150.9	151.9	1.7	1.0	.7	1.1	1.0	.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	159.9	160.9	161.7	162.5	3.4	1.0	.5	3.3	1.1	.5
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	M	158.7	159.7	160.5	161.3	2.4	1.0	.5	1.9	1.1	.5
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	149.6	150.5	150.5	150.7	1.2	.1	.1	1.5	.6	.0
Baltimore, MD	1	-	150.3	-	151.8	1.8	1.0	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	161.1	-	161.7	3.1	.4	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	141.5	-	143.1	2.4	1.1	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	150.0	-	150.3	2.5	.2	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	146.5	-	148.0	2.8	1.0	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	153.9	-	155.4	2.0	1.0	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	145.4	-	145.9	-	-	-	-	2.2	.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	145.5	-	146.5	-	-	-	-	2.7	.7	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	140.5	-	140.8	-	-	-	-	1.4	.2	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	143.7	-	144.7	-	-	-	-	2.6	.7	-

¹ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Atlanta, GA; Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder, CO; Honolulu, HI;

Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA; San Diego, CA; and Seattle-Tacoma, WA.

The following metropolitan areas are published annually and appear in tables 16A and 23A of the January issue of the CPI Detailed Report: New Orleans, LA and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar.

Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category												
All items	160.1	3.0	0.4	148.3	2.8	0.5	150.8	2.9	0.5	153.4	2.4	0.5
All items (December 1977=100)	250.1	-	-	239.9	-	-	244.3	-	-	246.8	-	-
Food and beverages	155.4	2.6	.2	148.5	2.6	.4	149.4	3.5	.5	153.1	2.8	1.0
Food	155.0	2.6	.2	147.7	2.6	.4	149.4	3.4	.5	152.4	2.8	1.1
Food at home	156.4	3.0	.1	147.5	2.7	.5	148.2	4.0	.7	155.6	3.6	1.7
Cereals and bakery products	177.0	3.8	-.6	171.1	3.1	-.2	166.6	5.0	.2	171.3	3.8	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.3	2.1	-.4	139.0	2.7	.0	138.4	4.1	.3	143.5	3.5	1.0
Dairy products	129.5	1.8	-1.1	138.1	4.0	.9	134.2	3.8	-.2	147.0	4.6	-.6
Fruits and vegetables	187.1	7.0	3.1	169.5	4.1	2.2	182.9	6.5	3.6	193.3	5.7	5.3
Other food at home	150.2	1.1	-.4	138.2	.9	.3	138.7	1.6	.1	142.9	1.3	1.6
Sugar and sweets	149.3	4.7	.1	140.6	4.3	.6	138.7	4.8	.1	143.0	3.2	1.1
Fats and oils	148.6	2.1	-.5	135.2	2.7	1.0	136.7	2.6	-.1	140.6	2.0	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	138.9	-2.3	-1.3	126.3	-2.2	.6	123.5	-3.1	.0	128.8	-1.2	.0
Other prepared food	162.4	2.8	.1	148.8	1.8	-.1	153.8	4.1	.3	155.2	2.3	3.1
Food away from home	154.7	2.0	.3	148.5	2.5	.2	152.8	2.5	.2	147.8	1.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages	160.7	2.4	.6	157.9	2.4	.6	148.5	3.3	.3	159.7	2.8	.3
Housing	160.7	2.8	.3	142.1	3.3	.5	142.8	3.5	.6	150.3	1.7	-.3
Shelter	185.8	2.7	.2	158.9	3.9	.3	153.4	3.9	.5	163.0	2.8	.2
Renters' costs ²	171.5	3.3	.5	155.2	3.6	.8	147.1	3.4	1.2	153.4	2.2	.2
Rent, residential	172.2	2.2	.1	157.5	2.9	.1	149.1	3.0	.2	161.1	2.0	.2
Other renters' costs	252.8	6.8	1.7	195.5	6.0	2.8	217.4	4.9	6.2	214.6	3.0	.4
Homeowners' costs ²	173.6	2.4	.1	158.5	4.0	.2	145.5	4.1	.1	159.7	3.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	174.4	2.5	.1	158.8	4.1	.1	145.3	4.2	.2	159.7	3.1	.3
Maintenance and repairs	134.2	-.3	-	135.1	1.4	-.1	136.2	2.0	1.4	139.2	6.3	.1
Maintenance and repair services	NA	-	-	147.1	-	.0	140.5	3.2	2.0	144.8	9.6	.3
Maintenance and repair commodities	118.0	-1.9	.6	120.9	1.3	-.2	130.3	.4	.5	130.6	3.7	.1
Fuel and other utilities	122.8	3.5	.6	119.9	3.4	.6	132.1	4.5	1.9	129.4	-3.4	-3.1
Fuels	114.2	4.2	.6	105.4	4.4	.8	115.3	4.3	1.3	115.7	-9.0	-6.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	98.4	14.2	2.3	93.5	8.7	.6	105.2	8.3	.3	101.5	-.2	-.4
Fuel oil	98.4	15.2	2.1	89.7	8.3	2.4	93.0	8.3	-.2	108.2	2.7	.5
Other household fuel commodities ³	123.7	9.6	3.1	126.4	9.1	-.9	137.2	8.3	.5	117.2	-1.3	-.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.9	2.0	.2	110.3	4.2	.7	117.9	4.1	1.4	117.9	-9.4	-7.1
Electricity	136.4	2.8	.3	121.2	1.2	-.2	119.6	4.3	1.3	145.1	-.3	-.7
Utility (piped) gas	115.4	.5	.3	100.1	8.3	2.0	113.3	3.4	2.2	78.7	-29.9	-23.1
Other utilities and public services	157.1	2.5	.4	153.4	2.1	.3	163.2	4.5	2.2	152.2	2.2	.5
Household furnishings and operation	124.9	2.6	.6	121.0	1.0	.8	124.2	1.1	-.2	123.4	1.6	-.2
Housefurnishings	108.2	1.9	.8	107.6	-.4	.8	113.5	-.5	-.5	111.9	1.0	-.2
Housekeeping supplies	150.5	4.7	.8	142.6	3.3	1.1	133.9	4.8	.4	139.1	3.2	-.9
Housekeeping services	155.9	2.5	-.1	143.7	2.3	.1	155.2	3.1	.3	144.3	1.8	.1
Apparel and upkeep	128.5	2.7	3.0	131.8	.1	2.4	143.3	-1.9	2.1	130.9	2.3	4.5
Apparel commodities	124.9	2.8	3.4	130.1	.0	2.5	139.7	-2.0	2.3	127.7	2.7	4.9
Men's and boys' apparel	126.6	2.1	1.7	126.2	.1	1.1	136.7	1.0	.7	125.6	4.5	5.6
Women's and girls' apparel	119.2	4.0	6.2	129.4	-2.3	2.8	141.7	-5.8	4.3	121.8	3.2	4.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	126.7	-.6	-8.2	139.8	8.4	2.9	138.2	7.1	2.0	130.5	7.3	.3
Footwear	129.8	2.9	2.9	131.9	2.5	2.0	126.7	-1.2	.7	125.4	2.9	2.7
Other apparel commodities	155.5	-1.3	1.6	144.2	3.3	7.3	160.3	.3	.9	151.8	-3.4	9.9
Apparel services	163.4	2.7	.1	146.6	1.0	.1	169.2	-.6	.2	153.6	.3	.4
Transportation	143.3	2.7	.5	139.2	2.9	.9	139.9	2.0	.4	141.6	2.1	.6
Private transportation	139.6	2.0	.1	137.2	2.8	.9	139.1	1.9	.4	139.6	2.2	.6
New vehicles	143.5	2.6	.1	143.2	1.4	-.1	146.8	1.9	-.1	144.4	2.8	.1
New cars	140.4	2.0	.0	138.1	1.0	-.1	145.6	1.9	.1	139.6	2.1	.1
Used cars	160.9	2.9	-.1	160.0	1.7	-.2	158.9	1.4	-.1	154.2	1.9	.0
Motor fuel	98.4	1.1	.8	103.0	8.3	5.2	98.8	3.0	3.3	105.5	3.1	3.1
Gasoline	97.8	.9	.8	102.9	8.5	5.4	98.5	3.0	3.6	105.4	3.2	3.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	96.1	1.5	.8	101.4	8.9	5.5	95.3	3.3	3.7	102.7	2.8	3.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	101.8	.3	.6	113.1	7.8	4.4	105.1	2.5	3.4	103.0	4.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	99.2	.0	.6	106.9	8.7	5.4	101.7	2.4	3.0	107.5	3.1	2.8
Maintenance and repairs	166.4	2.3	.4	148.1	3.3	.0	157.1	3.1	-.1	161.1	2.5	.3
Other private transportation	171.6	1.7	-.3	162.5	.6	-.6	175.3	1.1	-.6	165.5	1.2	-.1
Other private transportation commodities	106.7	2.8	.6	104.3	-.1	-.4	103.0	.5	-.4	103.0	.1	.0
Other private transportation services	184.5	1.5	-.3	175.8	.7	-.6	196.6	1.2	-.7	182.6	1.5	-.1
Public transportation	180.9	9.1	3.8	182.9	2.6	.9	162.1	2.5	.8	179.0	.6	-.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category													
Medical care	233.1	3.6	0.2	221.4	3.4	0.0	225.7	4.2	0.1	224.4	3.8	0.3	
Medical care commodities	210.5	3.8	.0	206.7	1.0	.0	202.4	1.9	.3	210.6	4.0	.2	
Medical care services	238.0	3.5	.2	224.7	3.9	.0	231.2	4.7	.1	227.6	3.8	.3	
Professional medical services	216.5	3.1	.3	202.9	3.7	.1	211.3	5.0	.2	198.8	3.1	.3	
Entertainment	164.6	4.4	.0	153.6	3.2	.2	152.6	4.1	.0	154.0	3.2	.3	
Entertainment commodities	145.7	4.4	.5	141.6	2.8	.1	139.0	4.1	-.1	140.5	3.8	.4	
Entertainment services	190.3	4.5	-.4	169.7	3.6	.3	175.5	4.0	.1	173.5	2.7	.2	
Other goods and services	220.2	4.6	.3	204.3	3.0	-.1	202.6	4.6	.2	214.2	4.6	.4	
Tobacco and smoking products	222.4	3.4	.4	238.0	1.7	.0	220.1	4.3	.3	251.3	6.3	1.2	
Personal care	161.8	3.2	.4	142.8	2.0	-.1	141.2	1.7	-.1	153.7	1.7	-.1	
Personal and educational expenses	252.5	5.5	.2	225.4	4.5	-.3	236.2	5.6	.2	246.6	4.8	.1	
Commodity and service group													
All items	160.1	3.0	.4	148.3	2.8	.5	150.8	2.9	.5	153.4	2.4	.5	
Commodities	140.8	2.9	.7	136.9	2.3	1.0	139.1	2.2	.7	139.8	2.7	1.2	
Food and beverages	155.4	2.6	.2	148.5	2.6	.4	149.4	3.5	.5	153.1	2.8	1.0	
Commodities less food and beverages	130.5	3.2	1.1	130.4	2.1	1.3	133.1	1.4	.8	131.6	2.7	1.3	
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.2	3.6	1.6	132.7	3.0	2.1	133.5	1.7	1.5	133.0	3.3	2.2	
Apparel commodities	124.9	2.8	3.4	130.1	.0	2.5	139.7	-2.0	2.3	127.7	2.7	4.9	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	134.9	4.1	.8	136.6	4.4	1.9	133.6	3.6	1.2	138.5	3.5	1.1	
Durables	130.1	2.2	.2	126.1	.9	.2	131.5	1.0	-.2	129.7	2.0	.2	
Services	183.4	3.1	.3	162.7	3.4	.2	165.5	3.8	.5	168.3	2.1	-.2	
Rent of shelter ²	173.5	2.7	.2	157.9	3.9	.4	145.9	4.0	.5	157.2	2.7	.3	
Household services less rent of shelter ²	131.5	2.3	.2	121.7	3.0	.5	132.2	3.9	1.6	129.4	-2.1	-2.3	
Transportation services	179.5	3.3	.7	170.1	1.6	-.2	181.2	1.7	-.4	176.5	1.6	-.1	
Medical care services	238.0	3.5	.2	224.7	3.9	.0	231.2	4.7	.1	227.6	3.8	.3	
Other services	213.5	4.9	.0	182.6	3.8	.0	193.9	4.4	.2	193.0	3.7	.2	
Special Indexes													
All items less food	161.3	3.1	.6	148.4	3.0	.6	151.0	2.9	.6	153.6	2.3	.3	
All items less shelter	152.7	3.1	.5	146.0	2.5	.6	150.5	2.8	.7	150.7	2.2	.5	
All items less homeowners' costs ²	147.6	3.1	.5	140.7	2.6	.6	142.8	2.7	.6	144.1	2.2	.5	
All items less medical care	157.1	2.9	.4	145.0	2.8	.6	146.6	2.9	.6	150.2	2.3	.5	
Commodities less food	131.8	3.1	1.1	131.4	2.1	1.2	133.6	1.5	.8	132.9	2.7	1.2	
Nondurables less food	131.1	3.6	1.5	134.2	3.0	1.9	134.1	1.8	1.4	134.9	3.2	2.0	
Nondurables less food and apparel	136.6	3.9	.8	137.9	4.2	1.8	134.0	3.6	1.1	139.6	3.4	.9	
Nondurables	142.9	3.0	.8	140.8	2.8	1.2	141.5	2.6	1.0	143.6	3.0	1.6	
Services less rent of shelter ²	166.1	3.5	.3	153.3	3.0	.1	162.7	3.6	.5	162.3	1.4	-.6	
Services less medical care services	179.3	3.0	.3	157.5	3.4	.3	158.6	3.7	.6	163.8	1.9	-.2	
Energy	106.8	3.0	.8	103.8	6.4	3.0	105.1	3.8	2.3	109.5	-2.2	-1.2	
All items less energy	167.7	3.0	.5	155.0	2.6	.3	157.4	2.9	.4	158.6	2.7	.6	
All items less food and energy	171.4	3.1	.5	156.8	2.6	.3	159.4	2.8	.4	160.2	2.7	.5	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	142.5	3.0	1.1	139.5	1.2	.6	142.9	1.2	.4	140.7	2.6	1.0	
Energy commodities	98.3	3.9	1.1	102.8	8.3	5.0	99.5	3.3	3.1	106.4	3.0	3.1	
Services less energy services	189.2	3.1	.3	169.6	3.4	.1	171.3	3.8	.4	172.2	2.7	.2	

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	
All items	139.7	2.6	0.6	152.6	2.8	0.5	154.4	3.4	0.3	151.4	3.5	0.7	
All items (December 1977 = 100)	139.7	-	-	246.4	-	-	247.4	-	-	244.6	-	-	
Food and beverages	137.3	2.8	.5	151.1	3.0	.6	150.5	3.2	.5	145.7	2.8	.3	
Food	136.9	2.8	.6	151.2	3.1	.6	149.9	3.2	.5	145.0	2.7	.3	
Food at home	140.7	3.2	.9	153.2	3.7	.9	148.4	3.6	.7	142.4	2.8	.3	
Cereals and bakery products	154.5	4.0	.3	170.0	3.4	.2	166.0	4.7	-1.0	171.6	3.2	-1.0	
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	132.2	3.3	.1	144.3	3.5	.5	136.7	2.2	-.1	131.4	2.1	-.2	
Dairy products	132.5	3.2	-.2	138.0	4.3	-.2	130.6	4.2	-.5	128.8	2.8	.1	
Fruits and vegetables	167.9	5.3	3.3	188.4	6.3	3.9	183.3	7.8	5.0	161.4	4.3	1.4	
Other food at home	130.7	.8	.5	143.5	2.0	.2	143.0	1.3	.0	136.9	2.4	1.0	
Sugar and sweets	131.9	4.3	.5	141.0	4.8	-.1	140.2	4.2	.9	135.0	4.2	1.0	
Fats and oils	132.2	2.5	.1	139.4	3.8	.3	139.8	1.8	1.4	133.5	.7	-1.0	
Nonalcoholic beverages	120.6	-2.5	.0	126.5	-2.7	-.4	132.5	-1.6	-.5	119.9	-.9	.5	
Other prepared food	138.9	2.0	1.0	161.8	4.3	.7	153.9	2.6	-.3	151.3	4.3	1.7	
Food away from home	130.8	1.9	.2	149.0	2.1	.1	154.0	2.7	.2	151.0	2.5	.4	
Alcoholic beverages	141.7	2.8	.4	151.1	2.3	.7	156.9	2.8	.1	155.1	2.9	.7	
Housing	134.5	2.4	.2	149.2	2.7	.3	151.3	3.8	.4	147.5	4.8	1.0	
Shelter	141.5	2.8	.2	165.4	3.7	.5	171.2	3.9	.4	166.5	4.5	.4	
Renters' costs ³	139.7	2.9	.4	167.2	4.0	1.3	151.3	2.8	.9	150.1	2.7	.8	
Rent, residential	133.0	2.3	.2	160.0	2.6	.1	155.7	2.9	.1	154.0	3.2	.3	
Other renters' costs	181.3	5.7	1.5	259.9	7.5	4.2	195.9	2.1	4.0	195.7	.6	3.3	
Homeowners' costs ³	142.7	2.8	.1	159.1	3.6	.1	163.3	4.4	.2	158.0	5.2	.3	
Owners' equivalent rent ³	143.0	2.9	.2	159.5	3.7	.1	163.8	4.5	.2	157.8	5.3	.3	
Maintenance and repairs	121.1	.9	.3	132.8	.2	1.5	150.4	5.0	-.2	137.1	-	.4	
Maintenance and repair services	125.1	1.2	.6	142.6	3.3	2.3	163.7	4.1	.1	152.0	-	.0	
Maintenance and repair commodities	116.4	.7	.1	125.0	-2.0	1.0	133.0	6.5	-.7	118.7	-.7	.9	
Fuel and other utilities	124.3	1.7	.1	129.7	1.0	-.3	128.6	4.2	.2	128.1	6.9	3.2	
Fuels	122.5	1.3	-.2	109.4	-.4	-.9	114.8	5.7	.3	106.0	5.0	-.1	
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	142.3	11.3	1.4	96.6	11.7	1.5	99.7	11.9	2.0	90.3	10.4	1.2	
Fuel oil	146.0	12.7	1.7	94.9	13.7	1.7	94.1	14.9	2.0	89.4	13.7	1.9	
Other household fuel commodities ²	130.8	6.6	-.3	128.7	9.5	1.4	128.9	8.2	2.0	122.2	7.2	.5	
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	120.9	.5	-.4	115.0	-1.5	-1.1	122.2	5.2	.1	114.0	4.4	-.2	
Electricity	127.6	1.2	.6	126.0	-.2	-.2	131.5	7.5	.5	120.8	3.0	.2	
Utility (piped) gas	110.5	-.6	-2.0	95.4	-5.6	-4.1	106.8	-1.5	-1.0	104.6	8.3	-1.6	
Other utilities and public services	126.6	2.3	.4	172.1	2.5	.3	157.5	2.5	.3	170.9	8.7	6.4	
Household furnishings and operation	116.7	1.2	.3	123.5	.7	.0	121.9	2.3	.6	122.5	2.9	.0	
Housefurnishings	107.2	.5	.2	112.4	-1.1	-.1	109.1	1.2	.8	108.8	.7	-.4	
Housekeeping supplies	134.4	3.8	.4	132.2	3.5	.5	138.4	4.9	.6	134.4	5.0	.8	
Housekeeping services	132.0	.8	.2	155.3	4.0	-.1	152.6	3.2	.1	156.5	7.3	.3	
Apparel and upkeep	124.0	-.2	3.8	132.0	.4	2.2	142.0	3.1	.9	134.4	.3	1.5	
Apparel commodities	123.1	-.2	4.1	128.3	.2	2.4	139.8	3.3	1.0	131.7	.2	1.6	
Men's and boys' apparel	119.2	.5	2.7	131.8	2.6	1.9	137.4	5.3	1.0	121.2	.1	.0	
Women's and girls' apparel	118.5	-2.3	5.6	134.3	-.1	3.0	137.9	2.8	1.5	136.2	-.7	3.5	
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	115.8	6.4	-2.6	124.4	1.4	2.1	156.6	7.9	2.5	120.0	6.9	.7	
Footwear	127.9	2.4	2.7	111.4	-4.4	1.6	132.0	2.0	.0	136.1	5.5	1.3	
Other apparel commodities	154.0	-.3	7.4	123.9	1.8	2.3	167.1	-.5	-.2	146.9	-7.4	-.9	
Apparel services	132.8	.2	.2	163.7	1.3	.1	167.8	1.8	.3	159.0	1.9	.1	
Transportation	140.2	2.5	.6	140.2	2.0	.8	139.2	2.5	.4	140.4	2.2	.6	
Private transportation	140.0	2.3	.5	138.6	2.0	.7	137.4	2.4	.4	138.0	2.0	.7	
New vehicles	126.8	2.2	.1	144.6	2.0	.1	144.2	1.8	-.2	147.1	2.7	.1	
New cars	124.2	1.7	.0	138.3	1.2	-.1	141.3	1.7	-.2	142.8	2.4	.3	
Used cars	149.3	2.5	-.1	158.6	.9	-.2	157.9	1.6	-.2	154.0	.7	-.3	
Motor fuel	148.8	3.6	3.3	100.7	5.1	4.0	100.1	5.3	2.9	98.2	3.8	3.3	
Gasoline	148.6	3.7	3.4	100.5	5.1	4.1	100.1	5.1	3.1	97.6	3.6	3.4	
Gasoline, unleaded regular	148.7	4.2	3.6	97.8	5.8	4.7	97.5	5.3	3.0	93.7	3.5	3.4	
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	104.0	3.1	2.9	105.6	3.9	3.7	109.0	4.5	2.8	108.0	4.1	3.3	
Gasoline, unleaded premium	139.7	2.3	2.9	103.1	3.9	3.0	103.1	4.7	2.4	100.6	3.0	3.0	
Maintenance and repairs	140.5	2.9	.4	161.3	2.7	.0	155.7	2.7	-.1	144.2	2.5	-.3	
Other private transportation	143.7	1.5	-.6	166.4	.2	-.1	169.7	1.3	-.4	166.6	.7	.1	
Other private transportation commodities	107.6	.8	.1	99.1	-1.6	-.5	105.5	1.1	-.2	121.9	1.6	-.9	
Other private transportation services	152.2	1.5	-.7	183.6	.5	-.1	188.0	1.3	-.4	178.4	.6	.3	
Public transportation	142.8	4.3	1.9	187.9	2.4	1.6	196.4	4.2	-.4	210.0	6.3	-.3	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category												
Medical care	179.5	3.7	0.3	223.9	4.1	0.0	229.7	3.9	-0.1	219.0	3.2	0.0
Medical care commodities	168.5	3.0	.5	202.1	2.5	.0	198.8	.4	-.5	208.6	3.3	.4
Medical care services	182.0	3.9	.3	228.7	4.4	.0	236.3	4.6	.0	221.6	3.2	.0
Professional medical services	165.0	3.6	.2	201.5	4.3	.2	217.0	4.4	.1	211.6	2.9	.0
Entertainment	139.4	3.7	.0	152.6	4.1	.1	160.2	3.3	.3	141.8	3.7	.7
Entertainment commodities	130.5	3.5	.0	138.8	3.9	.1	146.1	3.8	.2	133.5	4.2	1.6
Entertainment services	149.2	3.9	.0	175.1	4.4	.2	183.3	2.6	.2	155.0	3.0	-.4
Other goods and services	169.9	3.9	-.1	210.6	4.7	.9	206.7	4.5	.0	206.8	4.6	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	181.3	2.9	-.2	236.8	6.8	2.5	231.9	3.9	-.2	217.9	.7	.8
Personal care	133.3	2.3	-.1	147.2	2.4	.1	149.6	2.0	.3	134.9	.7	-.1
Personal and educational expenses	179.2	5.0	.1	240.0	4.1	.1	232.4	5.7	.2	247.9	8.2	.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	139.7	2.6	.6	152.6	2.8	.5	154.4	3.4	.3	151.4	3.5	.7
Commodities	134.2	2.3	1.0	137.9	2.5	1.0	139.9	3.1	.6	137.1	2.3	.7
Food and beverages	137.3	2.8	.5	151.1	3.0	.6	150.5	3.2	.5	145.7	2.8	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	132.1	2.1	1.3	130.3	2.2	1.2	133.6	2.9	.7	131.9	2.0	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	139.2	2.4	2.1	130.4	3.3	2.1	134.1	4.0	1.1	130.6	2.4	1.6
Apparel commodities	123.1	-.2	4.1	128.3	.2	2.4	139.8	3.3	1.0	131.7	.2	1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	148.6	3.7	1.2	134.0	4.7	1.9	134.4	4.3	1.0	131.6	3.3	1.6
Durables	122.8	1.5	.1	128.6	.8	-.1	131.3	1.6	.2	131.4	1.5	-.1
Services	144.8	2.8	.2	170.5	3.0	.2	173.6	3.8	.2	170.3	4.5	.7
Rent of shelter ³	141.9	2.9	.3	161.8	3.8	.4	160.2	4.0	.4	155.5	4.5	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ³	124.9	1.2	.0	132.2	.9	-.3	129.3	3.7	.2	131.6	6.6	2.7
Transportation services	147.6	2.4	.1	178.0	1.3	.1	179.6	2.0	-.3	173.9	1.8	.2
Medical care services	182.0	3.9	.3	228.7	4.4	.0	236.3	4.6	.0	221.6	3.2	.0
Other services	160.7	4.1	.1	196.9	4.0	.2	194.8	4.2	.2	192.4	5.9	.0
Special indexes												
All items less food	140.3	2.6	.6	152.8	2.7	.5	155.3	3.5	.3	152.6	3.6	.8
All items less shelter	139.0	2.5	.7	149.5	2.5	.6	150.0	3.2	.3	147.8	3.1	.7
All items less homeowners' costs ³	139.0	2.5	.7	143.9	2.6	.6	143.3	3.2	.4	141.0	3.1	.8
All items less medical care	137.8	2.5	.6	149.1	2.7	.6	150.6	3.4	.4	147.3	3.4	.8
Commodities less food	132.6	2.1	1.2	131.0	2.3	1.2	134.4	2.9	.6	132.7	2.1	.8
Nondurables less food	139.4	2.4	2.0	131.4	3.2	1.9	135.3	3.9	1.0	131.8	2.5	1.5
Nondurables less food and apparel	147.5	3.5	1.0	134.6	4.3	1.7	135.6	4.1	.9	132.9	3.3	1.5
Nondurables	138.1	2.5	1.2	140.9	3.1	1.3	142.3	3.6	.8	138.4	2.6	.9
Services less rent of shelter ³	147.8	2.7	.1	162.5	2.4	.0	162.1	3.6	.0	160.1	4.6	1.0
Services less medical care services	141.9	2.7	.1	165.2	2.8	.2	167.6	3.6	.2	164.3	4.7	.8
Energy	134.4	2.4	1.5	103.9	2.3	1.5	106.0	5.5	1.4	101.3	4.4	1.5
All items less energy	140.1	2.6	.5	159.4	2.8	.4	161.6	3.2	.2	158.6	3.4	.6
All items less food and energy	140.9	2.5	.5	161.6	2.8	.4	164.7	3.3	.2	162.2	3.6	.7
Commodities less food and energy commodities	130.5	1.8	.9	139.4	1.7	.7	144.2	2.5	.3	142.0	1.7	.5
Energy commodities	148.3	4.2	3.2	100.4	5.8	3.8	100.4	5.9	2.8	97.5	4.4	3.2
Services less energy services	146.6	2.9	.2	177.0	3.4	.3	180.1	3.7	.2	177.4	4.6	.8

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
All items	160.0	3.2	0.5	158.1	2.7	0.8	162.1	2.5	0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	244.4	-	-	252.3	-	-	269.6	-	-
Food and beverages	155.3	2.6	.1	157.7	2.6	.6	153.8	2.9	.1
Food	154.9	2.6	.1	157.5	2.7	.6	153.0	2.8	.1
Food at home	156.7	3.0	.1	161.1	3.1	.9	150.2	3.0	-.1
Cereals and bakery products	179.8	4.6	.0	165.3	.7	-1.5	173.4	1.5	-3.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.4	2.1	-.8	156.4	2.8	1.8	146.7	.8	-1.0
Dairy products	130.5	1.5	-1.1	135.6	3.3	.1	115.0	1.0	-3.2
Fruits and vegetables	188.5	6.9	3.0	186.4	7.5	3.2	183.7	9.8	5.7
Other food at home	148.6	.6	-.7	163.2	1.6	-.2	141.8	2.8	.4
Food away from home	153.7	1.9	.3	155.1	2.0	.1	160.1	2.6	.6
Alcoholic beverages	160.6	2.3	.4	162.5	2.2	2.0	161.6	3.0	.4
Housing	158.5	3.0	.3	159.7	2.4	.4	168.4	2.6	.2
Shelter	180.5	2.9	.2	184.3	2.2	.4	206.2	2.7	.2
Renters' costs ²	169.9	3.3	.2	190.1	4.0	1.6	158.8	2.4	.3
Rent, residential	172.8	2.6	.1	166.0	.6	-.1	170.2	2.2	.2
Other renters' costs	249.2	6.5	.8	279.3	8.4	3.7	198.7	3.8	1.2
Homeowners' costs ²	170.0	2.8	.2	172.5	1.4	-.2	186.9	2.7	.1
Owners' equivalent rent ²	170.7	2.8	.2	173.1	1.3	-.2	187.7	2.7	.1
Fuel and other utilities	121.1	3.2	.3	133.3	3.7	.7	116.8	3.5	1.1
Fuels	116.6	4.0	.3	118.0	4.5	.9	98.2	3.4	1.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	103.9	13.6	2.1	92.9	15.8	2.0	88.7	13.1	2.4
Fuel oil	102.4	13.7	2.2	93.2	17.2	1.7	91.2	15.9	1.7
Other household fuel commodities ³	140.2	13.1	-	120.1	12.1	2.7	103.5	4.1	5.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.9	2.1	-.2	137.5	1.9	.7	111.9	-.4	1.1
Electricity	134.6	2.8	.1	148.8	3.3	.3	120.2	1.5	.3
Utility (piped) gas	118.8	1.0	-.4	117.1	-1.8	1.6	95.4	-6.1	3.9
Household furnishings and operation	127.9	3.2	.9	119.3	1.4	.4	115.7	1.0	-.5
Apparel and upkeep	125.0	2.5	3.1	131.6	4.2	6.5	140.4	3.7	-.4
Apparel commodities	120.4	2.4	3.3	129.3	4.4	6.9	137.6	3.8	-.4
Men's and boys' apparel	119.7	2.2	2.5	138.9	2.6	1.0	148.6	3.8	1.3
Women's and girls' apparel	112.3	3.5	6.1	135.0	9.5	13.6	128.7	1.3	-3.5
Footwear	130.2	2.0	3.3	115.6	-2.4	.8	144.6	13.4	1.8
Transportation	146.7	3.3	.7	138.0	1.4	.4	136.5	1.7	.0
Private transportation	142.2	2.3	.2	136.7	1.5	.3	133.2	1.7	.1
Motor fuel	97.7	.8	.9	99.0	1.0	1.0	98.3	2.7	.6
Gasoline	97.1	.7	.9	98.6	.7	.8	97.5	2.0	.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	95.3	1.5	.8	95.9	1.5	.8	96.7	1.8	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	100.2	-.3	.7	104.7	.9	.7	104.8	1.8	.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	98.6	-.1	.8	100.6	.0	.8	100.7	1.4	.0
Public transportation	178.0	11.1	4.7	172.0	1.1	1.9	226.4	2.7	-1.1
Medical care	234.5	3.6	.3	233.9	4.0	.1	224.3	2.8	-.5
Entertainment	167.3	4.8	-.4	155.2	5.1	.3	163.9	1.2	.3
Other goods and services	218.8	4.1	.1	216.2	5.5	1.2	222.9	3.0	-.2
Personal care	165.9	3.6	.4	150.5	2.9	.5	151.3	2.3	1.3
Commodity and service group									
All items	160.0	3.2	.5	158.1	2.7	.8	162.1	2.5	.1
Commodities	141.1	2.9	.7	139.0	3.3	1.2	141.1	2.6	.0
Food and beverages	155.3	2.6	.1	157.7	2.6	.6	153.8	2.9	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	130.5	3.2	1.2	127.2	3.8	1.8	132.5	2.3	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.0	3.4	1.7	127.3	5.3	3.1	131.7	2.9	-.2
Durables	131.1	2.6	.5	125.0	1.8	-.1	130.0	1.5	-.2
Services	181.2	3.4	.3	184.2	2.3	.4	190.5	2.5	.2
Medical care services	239.2	3.5	.3	239.8	3.9	.1	229.8	3.6	.0
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	153.6	3.2	.6	151.2	2.9	.9	149.4	2.5	.1
All items less medical care	156.9	3.2	.5	155.1	2.7	.8	159.3	2.5	.1
All items less energy	166.9	3.2	.5	165.7	2.8	.8	171.7	2.5	.0
All items less food and energy	170.4	3.3	.6	168.1	2.8	.8	176.8	2.4	-.1
Energy	108.1	2.7	.5	109.2	3.1	1.0	96.9	3.1	1.1
Commodities less food	131.8	3.1	1.2	128.5	3.6	1.7	134.0	2.4	-.1
Nondurables less food	130.9	3.3	1.6	129.2	4.9	2.9	133.7	3.0	-.1
Nondurables	143.1	2.9	.8	142.8	3.7	1.6	142.7	2.9	.0
Services less rent of shelter ²	165.4	3.7	.4	168.2	2.5	.4	164.4	2.4	.1
Services less medical care services	176.9	3.3	.2	179.8	2.2	.4	187.2	2.4	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
	Expenditure category											
All items	148.6	2.7	0.6	146.6	2.8	0.6	150.4	3.3	0.4	145.7	3.3	0.6
All items (December 1977 = 100)	242.9	-	-	236.1	-	-	236.5	-	-	236.1	-	-
Food and beverages	150.7	2.7	.4	145.8	3.2	.7	147.5	2.1	.3	141.9	2.5	.4
Food	149.9	2.7	.4	146.1	3.3	.7	146.3	2.2	.3	140.8	2.5	.3
Food at home	150.6	2.8	.5	147.8	3.8	1.0	145.0	1.9	.3	137.4	2.8	.1
Cereals and bakery products	172.0	2.3	-.2	178.8	3.9	.6	168.9	4.6	.4	166.0	4.6	-2.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	145.2	3.6	.2	134.0	4.3	-.4	129.4	-.1	-.8	130.8	1.7	.8
Dairy products	141.2	3.9	1.4	141.7	3.7	-1.0	135.2	5.6	1.0	126.9	1.7	-.3
Fruits and vegetables	172.4	3.7	1.4	163.3	4.3	6.9	174.8	3.7	2.5	152.3	6.8	1.3
Other food at home	138.3	.9	.4	142.7	3.0	.4	140.9	-.3	-.1	128.6	1.0	.7
Food away from home	149.2	2.5	.1	143.4	2.5	.1	149.6	2.7	.1	147.8	2.1	.7
Alcoholic beverages	159.6	3.0	.9	141.8	1.5	.5	162.1	.6	.0	157.9	2.5	.4
Housing	140.9	3.2	.4	140.5	2.9	.4	148.1	3.6	.7	139.4	4.1	-.1
Shelter	157.7	3.5	.3	161.4	4.1	.4	164.6	4.2	.4	153.1	5.0	.4
Renters' costs ²	154.9	4.1	.8	166.5	4.1	1.0	157.2	1.7	.8	141.1	3.3	.4
Rent, residential	160.2	2.8	.1	162.1	2.5	-.1	154.3	3.1	.2	143.8	3.5	.4
Other renters' costs	188.8	8.5	3.1	227.5	7.3	3.0	201.5	-1.2	2.3	163.1	2.1	.4
Homeowners' costs ²	157.4	3.4	.1	161.1	4.1	.2	164.6	5.0	.4	152.0	5.8	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ²	157.5	3.4	.1	161.8	4.3	.2	165.5	5.1	.4	152.3	5.9	.5
Fuel and other utilities	117.1	3.5	.8	113.0	1.8	.9	127.5	3.7	.6	127.3	3.8	-.5
Fuels	105.1	4.8	1.1	98.2	1.8	1.2	114.5	4.9	.9	100.7	5.2	-1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	92.4	6.6	-.1	94.4	11.7	1.4	98.3	13.1	1.2	87.0	2.1	.8
Fuel oil	90.3	8.0	1.9	92.1	9.0	2.2	88.6	12.6	3.4	85.1	.0	1.6
Other household fuel commodities ³	118.2	5.3	-1.8	132.9	13.2	.8	135.6	13.6	-.7	125.3	4.9	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	108.2	4.6	1.1	103.3	1.3	1.3	123.4	4.4	.9	108.0	5.4	-1.6
Electricity	119.4	-.2	-.2	124.9	1.9	.4	133.1	3.3	.2	104.7	1.0	-2.1
Utility (piped) gas	98.1	10.7	2.6	84.0	.2	2.6	111.4	6.1	1.9	114.6	10.6	-1.2
Household furnishings and operation	117.2	1.2	1.0	118.7	-.9	-.8	131.9	1.2	1.9	123.2	1.8	-1.0
Apparel and upkeep	131.5	-1.3	3.5	131.2	-2.1	1.2	129.7	4.4	-.8	138.4	2.8	2.8
Apparel commodities	130.5	-1.4	3.7	128.6	-2.4	1.3	126.1	4.6	-.9	137.8	3.0	3.1
Men's and boys' apparel	126.5	-1.2	1.1	125.7	3.8	5.5	122.6	1.0	-1.5	130.7	1.6	1.6
Women's and girls' apparel	125.2	-4.6	4.3	144.3	-5.3	-.8	128.9	6.9	-.6	134.5	-.3	5.9
Footwear	130.8	.9	3.1	100.3	-2.7	1.6	128.0	3.1	-.3	170.9	14.4	.9
Transportation	139.5	2.6	.7	140.0	2.6	1.6	138.2	3.2	.7	138.1	3.8	1.5
Private transportation	138.1	2.8	.8	137.8	2.5	1.5	136.5	3.4	.7	133.4	3.3	1.4
Motor fuel	104.6	8.7	5.7	105.8	10.4	7.8	100.2	7.2	3.4	97.2	6.1	3.7
Gasoline	104.4	9.1	5.8	106.3	10.6	8.1	100.0	7.1	3.3	96.3	6.2	3.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.2	9.2	5.8	103.5	11.7	8.9	98.4	7.4	3.1	93.6	6.2	3.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	113.3	8.4	4.9	115.5	9.4	7.7	111.6	5.8	1.8	112.6	7.2	4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.5	9.0	5.7	111.4	9.0	6.4	101.5	8.2	3.6	98.6	4.7	3.5
Public transportation	163.4	1.2	.8	237.1	6.1	2.0	206.1	.1	.0	314.2	14.8	1.6
Medical care	221.7	3.4	.1	219.2	5.3	-.2	230.3	2.3	-.3	211.1	2.8	.2
Entertainment	155.7	2.9	.0	144.2	4.6	.8	160.7	2.9	.2	143.6	3.2	.1
Other goods and services	208.2	2.8	-.3	203.6	1.7	-.4	199.6	5.7	.0	194.8	1.0	1.1
Personal care	137.1	1.5	.0	156.8	3.1	-.1	158.3	2.3	-.3	130.5	3.2	.2
Commodity and service group												
All items	148.6	2.7	.6	146.6	2.8	.6	150.4	3.3	.4	145.7	3.3	.6
Commodities	137.7	2.2	1.1	133.6	1.8	1.0	137.2	2.9	.6	136.3	2.3	.8
Food and beverages	150.7	2.7	.4	145.8	3.2	.7	147.5	2.1	.3	141.9	2.5	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	130.2	1.9	1.6	127.2	1.1	1.1	131.6	3.5	.7	133.2	2.1	1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	134.5	2.6	2.6	128.7	2.1	2.1	130.7	4.9	.5	133.4	2.8	2.1
Durables	124.3	.9	.2	124.2	-.4	-.2	130.8	1.4	1.0	128.9	1.3	-.5
Services	161.8	3.2	.1	162.4	3.5	.3	168.3	3.7	.3	158.3	4.4	.3
Medical care services	224.6	4.0	.2	220.7	5.4	-.2	238.2	3.0	-.3	211.6	2.8	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	146.7	2.4	.8	143.5	2.3	.7	147.0	2.9	.4	144.4	2.9	.6
All items less medical care	145.3	2.7	.6	143.2	2.6	.7	147.1	3.4	.5	142.1	3.3	.6
All items less energy	155.0	2.4	.4	154.2	2.5	.3	157.3	3.0	.3	152.3	3.1	.5
All items less food and energy	156.2	2.3	.3	156.3	2.4	.2	160.3	3.2	.3	155.2	3.3	.5
Energy	104.9	6.7	3.3	100.3	5.9	4.5	106.1	6.0	2.0	99.0	5.7	1.0
Commodities less food	131.4	2.0	1.5	127.6	1.1	1.0	132.7	3.3	.7	134.0	2.1	1.0
Nondurables less food	136.1	2.6	2.4	129.3	2.1	2.1	132.5	4.6	.5	134.9	2.7	2.0
Nondurables	142.9	2.7	1.4	137.1	2.7	1.4	138.9	3.4	.4	138.2	2.6	1.2
Services less rent of shelter ²	153.8	2.7	.0	152.6	2.9	.3	154.7	3.1	.2	149.4	3.9	.3
Services less medical care services	156.7	3.1	.1	157.4	3.3	.4	162.8	3.8	.4	152.6	4.6	.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B			Size class C			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar.	Feb.		Mar.	Feb.		Mar.	Feb.		Mar.	Feb.
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category												
All items	149.5	2.3	0.5	151.1	2.9	0.5	152.0	3.8	0.5	152.1	3.7	1.1
All items (December 1977=100)	242.2	-	-	244.9	-	-	246.0	-	-	246.1	-	-
Food and beverages	149.3	3.0	.5	150.8	3.7	.8	151.0	4.1	.5	144.1	2.9	.3
Food	149.4	3.0	.5	150.8	3.8	.8	151.0	4.1	.6	144.0	2.7	.3
Food at home	148.8	3.4	.6	150.3	4.7	1.2	149.6	4.7	.7	140.4	2.6	.3
Cereals and bakery products	164.6	4.2	.8	168.5	6.5	1.4	162.7	6.5	-1.5	174.8	2.0	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	139.3	5.1	.7	140.0	3.6	.0	137.4	3.8	.7	133.8	2.4	-1.2
Dairy products	140.0	3.2	-.8	133.5	4.8	.6	134.6	3.8	-.5	122.5	3.2	.4
Fruits and vegetables	180.7	3.3	1.7	200.5	8.4	5.4	183.8	10.3	5.4	156.1	4.1	1.7
Other food at home	138.0	.7	.1	135.3	2.3	-.1	147.3	1.9	-.1	131.5	2.0	1.2
Food away from home	151.9	2.4	.3	152.7	2.3	.2	155.0	2.7	.1	153.6	3.1	.4
Alcoholic beverages	147.2	3.1	.5	150.1	2.7	.3	151.0	3.6	-.7	145.4	4.4	.6
Housing	139.6	2.3	.5	144.5	3.2	.5	142.4	4.6	.4	148.9	6.4	2.4
Shelter	151.3	3.3	.5	150.7	4.3	.7	153.3	3.9	.5	169.0	4.9	.5
Renters' costs ²	144.0	3.0	.8	158.5	4.3	1.7	140.0	3.2	1.3	147.9	2.9	1.3
Rent, residential	150.0	2.8	.2	150.4	3.5	.3	143.8	2.8	.1	151.6	4.3	.2
Other renters' costs	198.6	4.5	5.2	282.2	6.9	6.6	184.5	5.1	7.1	196.5	-2.5	6.4
Homeowners' costs ²	145.1	3.4	.2	146.5	4.3	.2	142.0	4.2	.1	155.0	5.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ²	145.0	3.6	.3	146.6	4.3	.1	141.5	4.3	.1	153.7	5.7	.2
Fuel and other utilities	118.0	2.0	1.6	142.0	1.9	.4	138.0	6.6	.5	132.9	10.8	7.6
Fuels	106.6	1.5	2.9	115.5	.9	.3	129.4	10.9	.9	109.2	5.0	.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	98.6	8.2	-2.8	109.6	7.7	1.2	125.7	8.6	1.6	91.8	9.3	.0
Fuel oil	94.9	10.5	-3.5	95.7	7.3	1.6	78.1	5.3	3.7	87.5	7.9	.1
Other household fuel commodities ³	132.4	6.0	-1.9	139.6	7.9	1.0	152.3	8.9	1.4	116.6	10.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	109.9	1.3	3.2	115.4	.3	.3	130.9	10.9	.8	114.2	4.6	.8
Electricity	109.2	.6	2.9	115.7	-1.0	-.1	135.2	13.4	.7	118.4	4.3	1.5
Utility (piped) gas	109.3	3.1	3.8	119.4	7.1	2.2	122.0	-.2	1.3	98.6	8.0	-5.8
Household furnishings and operation	126.9	-1.4	-.5	131.1	1.2	.0	116.2	3.8	-.4	117.9	3.9	.5
Apparel and upkeep	147.4	-4.3	2.9	136.8	-.5	1.6	150.0	.3	1.8	132.4	-.8	1.0
Apparel commodities	143.1	-4.4	3.2	132.1	-.8	1.7	148.4	.2	1.9	128.0	-1.1	1.1
Men's and boys' apparel	144.3	-1.2	1.9	135.9	2.3	1.0	133.4	4.1	-1.3	118.6	-.7	-.5
Women's and girls' apparel	140.7	-11.0	5.6	135.8	-3.0	2.0	150.7	-1.3	5.2	143.2	-2.1	3.0
Footwear	136.0	1.3	.8	117.4	-5.2	2.1	131.8	-1.6	-.7	105.7	1.5	.0
Transportation	140.3	2.3	.4	139.7	1.5	.6	140.0	2.6	.5	139.8	.6	.4
Private transportation	140.0	2.3	.4	138.8	1.5	.6	138.6	2.4	.4	138.9	.7	.4
Motor fuel	101.0	1.9	3.0	98.9	3.5	3.5	99.3	4.2	3.8	91.8	3.3	3.4
Gasoline	100.3	1.8	3.1	98.5	3.7	3.6	99.9	4.3	4.1	90.7	2.7	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	97.8	2.2	3.4	95.5	4.3	4.0	95.9	4.5	4.5	86.1	2.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	102.0	.7	2.6	104.3	3.4	3.9	109.2	3.7	4.1	108.1	3.2	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.6	1.3	2.9	101.0	2.4	2.7	103.3	4.2	3.2	98.5	3.2	3.2
Public transportation	144.3	.6	.6	172.6	.5	1.0	190.8	10.2	.5	168.6	.9	1.9
Medical care	228.2	4.3	.4	219.3	3.8	.0	230.5	5.2	.1	223.3	2.7	.0
Entertainment	160.8	5.8	.4	151.4	3.4	-.8	150.4	2.2	.0	140.4	4.1	.5
Other goods and services	195.4	4.8	-.1	215.2	4.9	.6	201.2	4.2	.3	200.7	4.6	.0
Personal care	142.3	2.3	-.8	149.4	2.5	.3	139.6	1.1	.6	125.5	-2.2	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	149.5	2.3	.5	151.1	2.9	.5	152.0	3.8	.5	152.1	3.7	1.1
Commodities	139.2	1.5	.7	139.0	2.4	.8	141.0	2.9	.6	135.2	2.1	.7
Food and beverages	149.3	3.0	.5	150.8	3.7	.8	151.0	4.1	.5	144.1	2.9	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	133.3	.5	.8	132.6	1.7	.9	134.9	2.3	.7	130.0	1.6	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	134.1	.4	1.7	133.3	2.5	1.5	135.7	2.6	1.5	128.2	2.3	1.5
Durables	132.0	.6	-.3	129.8	.5	-.1	133.3	2.0	-.4	130.4	.8	.0
Services	162.1	3.2	.5	165.6	3.3	.2	166.2	4.5	.3	174.2	5.1	1.5
Medical care services	233.2	4.8	.2	225.5	4.4	.0	237.0	5.9	.1	225.8	2.6	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	149.4	2.0	.5	152.0	2.5	.5	151.6	3.6	.5	148.2	3.3	1.3
All items less medical care	145.6	2.2	.6	147.4	2.8	.5	147.3	3.6	.5	146.8	3.7	1.2
All items less energy	156.3	2.4	.4	157.3	2.9	.4	158.4	3.4	.3	159.9	3.6	1.0
All items less food and energy	158.1	2.3	.4	158.9	2.8	.3	160.3	3.2	.3	164.1	3.8	1.2
Energy	102.9	1.7	2.9	104.5	2.3	2.0	111.6	7.6	2.1	98.2	4.2	1.9
Commodities less food	133.7	.6	.8	133.1	1.8	.8	135.4	2.3	.6	130.4	1.7	.9
Nondurables less food	134.5	.7	1.5	134.0	2.5	1.4	136.3	2.6	1.3	128.7	2.5	1.4
Nondurables	141.7	1.8	1.1	142.2	3.1	1.1	143.4	3.3	1.0	136.1	2.6	.9
Services less rent of shelter ²	158.9	3.0	.4	164.4	2.6	.0	165.0	4.9	.2	165.1	5.0	2.2
Services less medical care services	155.7	3.0	.5	159.6	3.2	.3	158.2	4.3	.3	166.7	5.5	1.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Feb. 1996
Expenditure category						
All items	152.1	2.0	0.6	158.2	3.9	0.4
All items (December 1977 = 100)	246.2	-	-	244.0	-	-
Food and beverages	154.4	2.7	1.2	151.2	4.1	1.2
Food	153.5	2.7	1.3	151.0	3.9	1.1
Food at home	157.0	3.8	2.1	149.7	4.4	1.7
Cereals and bakery products	174.9	5.2	.9	161.6	3.5	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	144.9	3.5	1.1	136.5	3.6	.0
Dairy products	150.4	4.3	-.5	134.9	6.8	.0
Fruits and vegetables	192.8	6.5	6.3	199.1	7.1	8.4
Other food at home	143.1	.8	2.0	137.0	2.5	.0
Food away from home	148.2	1.0	-.1	153.7	3.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	162.2	2.7	.1	155.8	4.6	1.2
Housing	148.7	1.2	-.3	156.9	3.8	.1
Shelter	158.4	1.9	.2	177.2	5.4	.5
Renters' costs ²	154.1	1.8	.1	155.6	3.7	.8
Rent, residential	163.7	1.6	.2	161.0	4.0	.2
Other renters' costs	211.8	2.8	-.6	213.1	2.3	4.2
Homeowners' costs ²	156.8	1.9	.3	177.8	6.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	156.7	1.9	.3	178.8	6.4	.3
Fuel and other utilities	134.4	-2.8	-2.5	123.0	-2.6	-3.4
Fuels	123.3	-8.0	-5.8	101.3	-8.7	-7.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁵	98.3	-1.1	-.1	257.1	.8	.0
Fuel oil ⁵	91.9	2.8	.8	311.4	-1.1	.3
Other household fuel commodities ³	132.5	-3.3	-.7	113.3	1.4	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	125.1	-8.1	-6.0	100.0	-9.1	-8.0
Electricity	154.4	.6	-.4	120.8	.7	.0
Utility (piped) gas	82.9	-29.4	-21.3	73.8	-26.3	-23.0
Household furnishings and operation	125.1	1.5	-.7	122.2	2.5	1.4
Apparel and upkeep	129.8	1.6	5.9	146.7	9.0	3.3
Apparel commodities	126.1	1.9	6.6	145.9	9.4	3.4
Men's and boys' apparel	122.1	2.2	5.7	158.3	16.2	9.2
Women's and girls' apparel	117.4	2.0	6.7	136.2	8.2	1.3
Footwear	130.2	6.7	3.3	127.9	-2.6	1.0
Transportation	140.9	1.9	.7	139.2	1.4	-.2
Private transportation	138.7	2.1	.8	138.2	1.4	-.1
Motor fuel	105.7	1.9	3.2	103.4	6.8	1.8
Gasoline	105.7	2.1	3.2	102.9	6.9	2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.1	1.8	3.2	99.2	6.7	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	102.3	3.8	3.4	109.1	7.5	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.7	.8	3.0	104.9	6.1	1.5
Public transportation	181.4	-.3	-.4	161.6	1.1	-1.8
Medical care	222.3	3.6	.4	234.3	4.0	.1
Entertainment	151.4	2.4	.1	174.0	8.8	.8
Other goods and services	216.9	4.2	.0	216.9	5.5	.0
Personal care	161.3	1.8	.1	152.7	3.4	.1
Commodity and service group						
All items	152.1	2.0	.6	158.2	3.9	.4
Commodities	139.2	2.5	1.3	140.5	4.3	1.2
Food and beverages	154.4	2.7	1.2	151.2	4.1	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	129.8	2.3	1.4	134.4	4.5	1.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	131.8	2.4	2.5	141.0	7.6	2.0
Durables	127.6	2.1	.0	126.5	.9	.2
Services	165.7	1.6	-.1	179.5	3.6	-.3
Medical care services	224.7	3.4	.4	240.5	4.2	.1
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	150.8	2.0	.7	152.6	3.4	.3
All items less medical care	149.2	1.9	.6	154.1	3.9	.4
All items less energy	156.9	2.3	.6	164.8	4.2	.6
All items less food and energy	157.9	2.2	.5	167.9	4.3	.5
Energy	110.9	-2.4	-.7	102.7	.0	-2.3
Commodities less food	131.4	2.3	1.3	135.1	4.5	1.1
Nondurables less food	134.1	2.5	2.2	141.0	7.3	2.0
Nondurables	143.6	2.6	1.7	146.5	5.7	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ²	162.1	1.3	-.4	165.5	1.8	-1.1
Services less medical care services	161.7	1.4	-.1	173.4	3.5	-.3

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

² Indexes on a December 1984 = 100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993 = 100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a June 1978 = 100 base in West size class C.

- Data not available.

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other food at home
Indexes, March 1996						
U.S. city average	151.6	171.6	142.3	136.6	182.7	142.1
Region and area size ¹						
Northeast urban	156.4	177.0	148.3	129.5	187.1	150.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	156.7	179.8	147.4	130.5	188.5	148.6
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	161.1	165.3	156.4	135.6	186.4	163.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	150.2	173.4	146.7	115.0	183.7	141.8
North Central urban	147.5	171.1	139.0	138.1	169.5	138.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	150.6	172.0	145.2	141.2	172.4	138.3
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	147.8	178.8	134.0	141.7	163.3	142.7
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	145.0	166.9	129.4	135.2	174.8	140.9
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	137.4	166.0	130.8	126.9	152.3	128.6
South urban	148.2	166.6	138.4	134.2	182.9	138.7
Size A - More than 1,200,000	148.8	164.6	139.3	140.0	180.7	138.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	150.3	168.5	140.0	133.5	200.5	135.3
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	149.6	162.7	137.4	134.6	183.8	147.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	140.4	174.8	133.8	122.5	156.1	131.5
West urban	155.6	171.3	143.5	147.0	193.3	142.9
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.0	174.9	144.9	150.4	192.8	143.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	149.7	161.6	136.5	134.9	199.1	137.0
Size classes						
A ²	140.7	154.5	132.2	132.5	167.9	130.7
B	153.2	170.0	144.3	138.0	188.4	143.5
C	148.4	166.0	136.7	130.6	183.3	143.0
D	142.4	171.6	131.4	128.8	161.4	136.9
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD	156.6	194.6	135.7	143.8	181.5	152.6
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	153.6	182.7	142.8	127.1	196.7	139.9
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	159.0	178.6	159.3	153.1	178.9	140.3
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	147.0	168.4	143.8	133.5	177.6	127.6
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	143.0	155.9	137.0	140.4	163.6	133.0
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	145.8	171.4	138.9	127.2	175.9	132.9
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	147.9	161.3	137.2	133.9	172.7	147.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	161.4	174.5	151.1	162.4	197.9	143.2
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	154.2	153.1	139.6	141.7	225.9	133.6
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	159.4	180.6	150.6	131.6	192.6	150.1
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	156.7	185.4	147.4	130.5	181.0	151.5
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	145.4	155.9	134.9	132.9	164.5	147.0
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	146.1	156.5	130.7	142.3	173.1	146.6
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	160.4	171.7	147.0	146.4	200.1	149.7
Washington, DC-MD-VA	155.1	183.3	143.6	151.2	176.5	142.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas—Continued

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other food at home
Percent change, February 1996 to March 1996						
U.S. city average	0.7	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	3.5	0.4
Region and area size ¹						
Northeast urban	.1	-.6	-.4	-1.1	3.1	-.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.1	.0	-.8	-1.1	3.0	-.7
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	.9	-1.5	1.8	.1	3.2	-.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	-.1	-3.2	-1.0	-3.2	5.7	.4
North Central urban	.5	-.2	.0	.9	2.2	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.5	-.2	.2	1.4	1.4	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	1.0	.6	-.4	-1.0	6.9	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	.3	.4	-.8	1.0	2.5	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.1	-2.5	.8	-.3	1.3	.7
South urban	.7	.2	.3	-.2	3.6	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.6	.8	.7	-.8	1.7	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	1.2	1.4	.0	.6	5.4	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	.7	-1.5	.7	-.5	5.4	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.3	.1	-1.2	.4	1.7	1.2
West urban	1.7	.4	1.0	-.6	5.3	1.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000	2.1	.9	1.1	-.5	6.3	2.0
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	1.7	.1	.0	.0	8.4	.0
Size classes						
A	.9	.3	.1	-.2	3.3	.5
B	.9	.2	.5	-.2	3.9	.2
C	.7	-1.0	-.1	-.5	5.0	.0
D	.3	-1.0	-.2	.1	1.4	1.0
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD	1.0	4.4	.1	-2.4	1.3	1.2
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.4	6.5	-1.2	-1.3	4.3	1.0
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	1.0	.3	.0	3.4	1.8	1.3
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	.5	-1.2	-.2	.2	2.2	1.4
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	.3	-4.6	-1.4	-3.2	11.7	.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	1.0	1.8	1.5	.7	1.2	-.3
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	1.0	.1	2.0	1.7	.2	.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	2.0	1.0	1.2	.2	5.0	1.8
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-.5	-.6	.0	-.6	-1.4	.2
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	.1	-.9	-.9	-.9	3.9	-1.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	-.6	.4	-.1	-1.9	-1.9	-.7
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	.7	-.5	-1.5	-.4	6.5	.5
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1.7	1.6	2.3	-.4	4.9	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2.9	.6	1.7	-.4	9.6	1.5
Washington, DC-MD-VA	.4	2.5	1.6	-.5	-2.1	-.1

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, February 1996 to March 1996

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago- Gary- Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles- Anaheim- Riverside, CA	N.Y.- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA
Expenditure category						
All items	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.1
Food and beverages	.5	.7	1.0	.1	-.3	1.8
Food	.5	.7	1.2	.0	-.4	2.0
Food at home	.7	1.0	2.0	.1	-.6	2.9
Cereals and bakery products	-.1	.3	1.0	-.9	.4	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	.1	.0	1.2	-.9	-.1	1.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	-.1	-.3	.8	-1.0	.0	.9
Dairy products	-.2	3.4	.2	-.9	-1.9	-.4
Fruits and vegetables	3.5	1.8	5.0	3.9	-1.9	9.6
Other food at home	.4	1.3	1.8	-1.0	-.7	1.5
Food away from home	.1	.1	-.1	.1	.3	.2
Alcoholic beverages	.4	.6	-.3	.6	.2	.7
Housing	.3	.6	.1	.4	.4	-1.9
Shelter	.3	.2	.1	.3	.3	.1
Renters' costs	.6	.1	-.3	.3	1.0	.2
Rent, residential	.1	.2	.1	.1	-.1	.2
Other renters' costs	2.6	-.5	-2.7	1.4	2.5	.3
Homeowners' costs	.2	.2	.4	.3	.1	.1
Owners' equivalent rent	.2	.2	.3	.3	.1	.1
Fuel and other utilities	.3	1.5	.5	.1	.5	-13.0
Fuels	-.3	2.5	.7	-.3	.7	-28.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	1.5	.4	.0	1.8	1.6	.1
Fuel oil	1.9	.0	-	1.8	1.6	.7
Other household fuel commodities	.9	1.4	.0	2.7	-	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	-.4	2.5	.7	-1.0	.6	-28.7
Electricity	.3	-1.0	.0	-.2	.0	.0
Utility (piped) gas	-2.1	6.4	2.3	-2.2	1.8	-
Household furnishings and operation	.2	1.1	-.8	1.2	.9	-2.0
Apparel and upkeep	2.8	2.4	4.5	2.7	6.3	10.0
Apparel commodities	3.1	2.7	5.2	3.0	7.2	11.1
Men's and boys' apparel	2.1	2.5	7.8	1.6	2.1	2.2
Women's and girls' apparel	4.3	1.9	7.8	5.0	17.1	2.8
Footwear	2.0	6.3	2.9	4.9	1.7	7.1
Transportation	.6	1.3	.8	1.4	.1	.3
Private transportation	.6	1.3	.7	.6	.1	.8
Motor fuel	3.4	6.1	3.8	.9	.3	3.2
Gasoline	3.5	6.1	3.8	.9	.3	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	3.7	6.5	3.4	1.0	.4	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ¹	3.1	5.3	4.5	.9	.0	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	2.8	5.6	3.4	.9	.2	3.6
Public transportation	1.5	2.1	1.8	5.8	1.1	-3.5
Medical care	.2	.1	.5	.4	-.3	.6
Entertainment	.1	-.5	.8	-1.5	2.2	-.9
Other goods and services	.1	.2	.1	.0	.3	.0
Personal care	.1	.6	.4	-.1	1.5	.0
Commodity and service group						
All items	.5	.7	.7	.5	.5	.1
Commodities	.9	1.2	1.2	.7	.7	1.9
Food and beverages	.5	.7	1.0	.1	-.3	1.8
Commodities less food and beverages	1.1	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.5	2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	1.9	2.4	2.1	1.5	2.2	3.9
Durables	.0	.1	.2	.5	.5	-.8
Services	.2	.4	.3	.3	.4	-1.3
Medical care services	.1	.2	.7	.3	.0	.5
Special Indexes						
All items less shelter	.6	1.0	.9	.6	.6	.1
All items less medical care	.5	.8	.7	.6	.6	.1
All items less energy	.4	.4	.6	.5	.5	.8
All items less food and energy	.4	.4	.4	.7	.7	.5
Energy	1.5	4.3	2.5	.1	.6	-10.8
Commodities less food	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.9
Nondurables less food	1.8	2.2	1.9	1.5	2.0	3.4
Nondurables	1.1	1.5	1.5	.7	.8	2.7
Services less rent of shelter	.1	.5	.5	.4	.4	-3.1
Services less medical care services	.2	.4	.2	.3	.4	-1.4

¹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	U.S. city average			Baltimore, MD			Boston- Lawrence- Salem, MA-NH			Chicago-Gary- Lake County, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
All items	152.9	2.8	0.8	151.8	1.8	1.0	161.7	3.1	0.4	151.3	2.4	1.1
All items (1967=100)	455.6	-	-	452.5	-	-	467.4	-	-	444.3	-	-
Food and beverages	151.5	2.9	.5	156.1	2.5	.3	155.9	2.8	1.0	154.4	1.8	.6
Food	151.1	2.9	.4	156.7	2.4	.3	155.7	2.8	1.0	152.9	1.7	.5
Food at home	151.6	3.3	.4	156.6	2.8	.0	153.6	2.7	.7	159.0	1.7	.4
Cereals and bakery products	171.6	3.9	.2	194.6	4.5	3.3	182.7	4.8	6.0	178.6	3.5	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	142.3	3.0	-.1	135.7	-1.5	-1.7	142.8	4.3	1.2	159.3	2.9	.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	142.0	1.7	-.1	136.2	-3.5	-1.6	143.1	3.8	1.2	161.1	1.6	.2
Dairy products	136.6	3.6	.4	143.8	.1	-2.6	127.1	-2.0	-2.5	153.1	4.4	3.2
Fruits and vegetables	182.7	5.8	1.5	181.5	5.7	-1.6	196.7	.7	-4.7	178.9	-1.9	-1.4
Other food at home	142.1	1.3	.5	152.6	5.3	2.1	139.9	3.3	3.4	140.3	.2	.6
Food away from home	151.1	2.2	.3	157.2	1.6	.6	161.3	3.1	1.5	141.6	1.8	.6
Alcoholic beverages	156.8	2.7	1.2	148.5	4.9	.4	159.0	2.3	.3	171.5	3.4	1.8
Housing	148.5	2.9	.7	141.1	2.1	.2	155.7	3.0	.1	144.5	3.1	.9
Shelter	165.1	3.3	.7	158.9	1.9	.2	177.3	2.7	-.2	164.0	3.3	.6
Renters' costs ²	157.0	3.1	1.7	144.1	2.0	.4	163.2	2.3	-.4	159.5	2.7	.6
Rent, residential	160.3	2.5	.4	158.7	2.1	.1	167.6	3.3	-.2	174.0	2.7	.5
Other renters' costs	219.6	5.3	6.9	135.0	.7	2.6	229.7	-1.8	-1.5	164.5	2.3	1.2
Homeowners' costs ²	159.6	3.4	.4	150.4	1.8	.1	160.6	2.9	-.2	165.5	3.6	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ²	159.8	3.4	.3	151.6	1.9	.1	160.7	3.1	-.1	164.6	3.5	.5
Fuel and other utilities	125.0	2.5	.6	112.6	5.6	.4	129.6	2.2	.9	116.2	3.8	2.4
Fuels	111.5	2.2	.1	104.8	7.5	.0	111.9	2.8	1.4	106.4	5.8	3.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	99.1	11.5	1.7	93.0	12.6	-11.8	96.3	14.4	4.2	93.7	3.5	1.1
Fuel oil	97.4	13.4	1.6	96.3	12.6	-11.7	98.6	15.6	4.6	91.4	.3	.0
Other household fuel commodities ³	128.5	7.9	2.1	NA	-	-	101.0	.0	.0	125.1	10.1	3.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	117.9	1.4	-.1	121.3	6.9	1.7	135.4	.4	.7	109.8	5.8	3.7
Electricity	127.7	2.4	.2	123.6	.2	.2	134.4	.4	-.8	116.5	-2.3	-1.4
Utility (piped) gas	103.0	-.9	-.9	116.3	26.0	5.2	134.5	.5	2.7	103.7	15.6	9.3
Household furnishings and operation	123.2	1.5	.3	125.4	-.3	.5	118.2	7.1	1.5	115.6	1.1	1.1
Apparel and upkeep	133.9	.5	3.7	133.8	-2.6	15.7	152.2	2.5	3.3	125.8	-2.4	4.3
Apparel commodities	130.9	.5	4.1	128.5	-2.9	17.4	143.1	2.7	3.9	126.2	-2.5	4.6
Men's and boys' apparel	128.9	1.7	3.3	129.1	.9	18.0	142.2	7.8	11.7	116.9	-4.3	-1.6
Women's and girls' apparel	128.6	-.9	5.2	116.7	-12.5	24.3	118.8	4.0	8.7	117.5	-5.5	11.2
Footwear	128.8	1.6	4.0	157.6	2.3	7.6	155.4	12.1	-1.5	144.2	3.5	10.1
Transportation	140.9	2.4	.9	139.8	.2	-.1	140.3	1.4	-1.1	136.5	2.9	1.4
Private transportation	138.8	2.3	.6	139.4	.2	-.5	140.2	.9	-1.7	134.5	3.1	.9
Motor fuel	101.4	4.2	2.8	99.2	-.8	1.6	99.3	1.2	-.1	105.4	8.3	5.5
Gasoline	101.2	4.3	3.1	96.8	-1.1	1.7	98.3	1.1	-.2	105.1	8.2	5.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	99.0	4.7	3.2	96.4	-.1	1.7	96.6	.6	-.4	103.1	8.5	5.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	105.6	3.6	2.7	97.9	-1.7	1.5	103.1	.7	-.4	112.3	7.6	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.7	3.1	2.3	96.0	-2.7	1.9	102.7	-.7	-1.2	106.5	8.2	5.0
Public transportation	177.2	4.2	4.5	150.1	1.0	8.2	140.0	7.6	6.5	155.0	.5	6.2
Medical care	226.0	3.8	.7	230.5	2.7	.7	271.8	5.9	1.3	232.5	3.2	.4
Entertainment	156.1	3.7	.9	169.9	5.8	1.3	172.4	2.4	1.0	161.9	1.5	.6
Other goods and services	209.9	4.2	.4	210.8	3.0	.4	216.5	5.2	.3	218.9	1.7	.3
Personal care	149.3	2.2	.1	128.5	-3.1	1.1	141.8	8.3	1.8	149.5	.5	.4
Commodity and service group												
All items	152.9	2.8	.8	151.8	1.8	1.0	161.7	3.1	.4	151.3	2.4	1.1
Commodities	139.1	2.5	1.0	139.7	1.3	1.7	141.0	4.0	1.2	139.0	1.5	1.3
Food and beverages	151.5	2.9	.5	156.1	2.5	.3	155.9	2.8	1.0	154.4	1.8	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	131.4	2.2	1.3	130.9	.5	2.7	131.8	4.9	1.4	129.4	1.3	1.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.2	2.9	2.2	132.5	.7	4.7	134.4	5.5	2.2	135.3	1.9	2.9
Durables	129.3	1.4	.2	127.2	.3	-.2	127.7	3.7	.2	122.6	.4	.2
Services	169.8	3.2	.7	169.2	2.2	.4	185.4	2.4	-.2	165.2	3.1	.8
Medical care services	230.4	4.1	.7	233.2	2.4	.2	282.5	6.1	1.2	233.7	4.0	.7
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	149.8	2.7	.9	150.5	1.8	1.2	158.3	3.2	.6	148.0	2.0	1.2
All items less medical care	149.5	2.7	.8	148.2	1.7	1.0	156.7	2.8	.3	147.3	2.3	1.1
All items less energy	159.5	2.8	.8	159.6	1.7	1.0	170.3	3.1	.4	157.8	2.0	.8
All items less food and energy	161.7	2.8	.9	160.2	1.5	1.1	174.3	3.2	.2	159.0	2.1	.8
Energy	105.8	3.2	1.4	101.6	3.4	.8	106.6	2.2	.9	105.2	7.0	4.6
Commodities less food	132.4	2.2	1.3	131.6	.8	2.6	132.8	4.6	1.4	131.2	1.4	1.8
Nondurables less food	133.6	2.8	2.1	133.4	1.0	4.5	135.2	5.1	2.0	137.8	2.1	2.8
Nondurables	142.1	2.8	1.2	143.7	1.6	2.4	144.5	4.0	1.5	145.2	1.9	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ²	160.7	2.9	.6	163.3	2.5	.4	182.2	2.0	-.2	155.7	3.0	1.1
Services less medical care services	164.6	3.1	.7	163.9	2.2	.3	177.8	2.0	-.3	159.2	3.0	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995		Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996		Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996		Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995
Expenditure category												
All items	143.1	2.4	1.1	151.9	1.7	1.0	150.3	2.5	0.2	162.5	3.4	1.0
All items (1967 = 100) ⁵	447.1	-	-	449.0	-	-	244.1	-	-	462.7	-	-
Food and beverages	151.2	3.3	.7	157.3	2.9	1.5	157.8	1.7	.3	158.0	2.7	.3
Food	151.7	3.3	.6	154.9	2.9	1.5	158.6	1.7	.2	157.9	2.6	.3
Food at home	147.0	4.6	1.0	161.4	3.9	2.3	154.2	1.2	.0	159.4	3.2	.3
Cereals and bakery products	168.4	5.6	-.5	174.5	4.7	2.4	153.1	2.8	.6	180.6	2.8	-1.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	143.8	6.0	-.1	151.1	4.0	3.6	139.6	3.6	-1.7	150.6	1.8	-.9
Meats, poultry, and fish	144.5	5.2	.0	147.2	2.7	3.7	140.4	2.6	-2.0	151.0	1.1	-1.1
Dairy products	133.5	1.9	-.2	162.4	6.7	1.2	141.7	1.6	-.8	131.6	2.3	.5
Fruits and vegetables	177.6	7.0	6.0	197.9	5.2	2.1	225.9	-.2	1.3	192.6	9.6	4.6
Other food at home	127.6	1.3	.1	143.2	.8	1.6	133.6	-1.4	1.6	150.1	-.2	-1.0
Food away from home	161.5	1.3	-.1	145.0	1.0	.1	167.5	2.4	.5	158.8	1.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	146.5	3.1	1.1	177.8	3.4	1.4	146.1	2.6	1.0	158.8	3.0	1.0
Housing	136.3	3.1	1.5	147.6	1.0	.1	143.5	3.9	.3	161.7	3.2	.5
Shelter	148.3	5.2	1.6	154.1	.9	.5	153.9	4.0	.8	185.4	2.9	.4
Renters' costs ²	162.4	5.9	4.2	148.6	.7	.6	151.2	3.8	2.4	169.9	3.4	.8
Rent, residential	156.2	3.7	.1	156.8	.7	.3	144.4	3.4	.4	176.2	2.5	.5
Other renters' costs	215.7	10.5	13.1	211.3	.9	2.1	258.3	6.2	15.4	254.1	8.9	2.1
Homeowners' costs ²	151.0	4.7	.7	153.6	.9	.5	151.1	4.1	-.1	176.6	2.7	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ²	151.8	4.8	.7	153.2	.8	.4	148.6	4.0	-.1	177.5	2.7	.3
Fuel and other utilities	119.2	.8	.9	148.6	-.1	.7	117.7	4.9	.7	115.0	4.2	.7
Fuels	109.3	-.2	1.6	146.3	-2.1	.8	109.5	5.1	.3	115.2	6.0	.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	98.3	3.5	2.2	117.6	-.6	.0	164.1	4.0	-.5	105.5	12.7	.3
Fuel oil	89.8	10.7	6.0	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	105.2	12.8	.1
Other household fuel commodities ³	120.7	-.4	.0	117.7	-.6	.0	142.7	4.0	-.5	124.6	12.8	3.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	110.4	-.3	1.5	146.8	-2.1	.8	108.5	5.0	.2	124.2	4.3	.6
Electricity	129.0	-.5	.5	168.5	-.1	.1	106.3	4.6	.0	127.3	3.7	1.7
Utility (piped) gas	96.2	-.1	2.8	123.0	-6.4	2.5	162.6	13.5	4.2	119.2	5.3	-1.2
Household furnishings and operation	122.8	-2.0	1.2	122.9	2.8	-1.9	133.7	2.5	-2.6	131.8	3.5	.8
Apparel and upkeep	129.6	-3.5	9.4	133.5	1.7	5.4	151.3	-6.9	-.2	127.6	3.2	6.5
Apparel commodities	128.0	-4.0	10.1	130.4	2.1	6.2	143.1	-8.7	-.3	123.9	3.3	7.2
Men's and boys' apparel	131.4	-3.6	5.9	133.3	5.0	11.3	137.9	-8.2	-4.4	114.9	-.2	6.6
Women's and girls' apparel	144.8	-.1	15.6	123.3	-.2	7.1	151.6	-15.2	.3	121.7	4.9	7.8
Footwear	81.7	-17.9	3.8	118.8	2.2	2.9	143.3	-.7	-.5	136.8	1.9	9.2
Transportation	132.5	2.7	1.3	139.7	.9	1.4	140.2	2.0	-.4	151.5	4.8	1.5
Private transportation	132.7	2.7	1.1	136.9	1.1	1.2	140.2	2.5	-.1	144.4	3.0	.5
Motor fuel	111.4	12.5	4.3	103.1	-1.2	4.0	106.5	2.1	3.4	96.0	1.2	.3
Gasoline	111.1	13.1	4.6	102.8	-.8	4.8	106.2	2.1	3.4	95.7	1.3	.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.9	13.5	4.8	100.9	-1.2	4.7	103.2	2.8	3.7	94.0	2.4	.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	113.8	11.5	3.9	101.4	2.9	4.5	102.0	1.1	3.0	99.0	.5	-.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	113.7	10.6	3.2	104.6	-2.5	3.1	108.8	1.7	3.1	98.3	.2	.1
Public transportation	131.5	2.1	4.6	199.7	-2.3	3.5	137.7	-8.3	-4.0	185.6	14.6	6.9
Medical care	206.0	3.6	.5	225.1	3.5	.6	210.9	7.1	.4	233.1	3.1	.7
Entertainment	149.5	-.2	-1.2	147.1	3.5	.8	146.6	3.8	1.5	162.7	3.9	1.7
Other goods and services	191.5	1.1	-4.9	218.3	3.3	.6	166.4	3.2	.2	219.2	4.7	.2
Personal care	139.3	2.1	.0	166.5	1.6	.5	100.6	-5.8	.0	168.3	4.9	-.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	143.1	2.4	1.1	151.9	1.7	1.0	150.3	2.5	.2	162.5	3.4	1.0
Commodities	135.2	1.4	1.4	139.3	2.6	1.5	144.3	.9	-.1	143.8	3.1	1.3
Food and beverages	151.2	3.3	.7	157.3	2.9	1.5	157.8	1.7	.3	158.0	2.7	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	126.2	.2	1.9	128.2	2.3	1.5	135.7	.3	-.4	132.5	3.4	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.5	1.3	3.4	133.4	1.8	2.9	129.0	-2.0	.8	131.1	3.9	2.8
Durables	115.4	-1.5	-.2	123.6	3.0	-.1	144.3	2.6	-1.5	132.5	2.2	.6
Services	152.7	3.5	.8	165.3	1.1	.6	157.3	4.0	.4	182.7	3.7	.8
Medical care services	202.6	5.5	.4	229.5	3.5	.7	213.2	7.7	.7	237.7	2.7	.5
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	143.3	1.6	.8	152.3	2.1	1.3	149.1	1.9	-.1	154.9	3.7	1.3
All items less medical care	140.4	2.3	1.1	148.9	1.6	1.0	147.1	2.2	.1	159.7	3.5	1.1
All items less energy	147.7	2.0	.9	156.2	2.0	.9	156.2	2.4	.1	169.3	3.4	1.0
All items less food and energy	147.0	1.7	1.0	156.7	1.8	.8	155.8	2.6	.0	172.7	3.6	1.3
Energy	112.8	6.7	3.1	116.4	-1.5	2.6	104.4	3.5	1.9	107.2	4.2	.5
Commodities less food	127.0	.4	1.9	130.8	2.4	1.5	136.1	.4	-.4	133.6	3.3	2.1
Nondurables less food	136.0	1.6	3.3	137.3	2.0	2.7	129.9	-1.6	.8	132.7	3.8	2.6
Nondurables	143.9	2.4	2.0	146.1	2.5	2.1	144.5	.1	.5	145.8	3.2	1.4
Services less rent of shelter ²	147.2	1.9	-.1	166.8	1.3	.7	150.0	4.2	.1	163.6	4.7	1.2
Services less medical care services	148.6	3.3	.8	161.0	.8	.6	152.2	3.6	.4	178.8	3.8	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA			Washington, DC-MD-VA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996	Mar. 1996	Mar. 1995	Jan. 1996
Expenditure category												
All items	161.3	2.4	1.0	148.0	2.8	1.0	150.7	1.2	0.1	155.4	2.0	1.0
All items (1967=100)	468.4	-	-	435.3	-	-	458.9	-	-	465.5	-	-
Food and beverages	151.6	1.9	-5	149.9	2.7	.2	155.1	1.8	1.4	151.1	3.1	1.1
Food	150.4	2.0	-6	148.8	2.7	.1	155.8	1.8	1.4	151.3	3.0	1.1
Food at home	156.7	2.0	-1.0	146.1	3.0	-5	160.4	2.5	1.8	155.1	4.1	1.4
Cereals and bakery products	185.4	7.8	2.5	156.5	1.0	-3	171.7	3.2	1.4	183.3	4.2	4.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.4	1.7	-1.8	130.7	5.0	-1.1	147.0	1.4	-6	143.6	9.9	5.9
Meats, poultry, and fish	147.9	1.0	-2.0	132.2	5.2	-7	140.8	-8	-6	143.8	9.3	6.5
Dairy products	130.5	-8	-1.1	142.3	1.2	-2	146.4	5.1	.7	151.2	.4	-1
Fruits and vegetables	181.0	1.7	-3.7	173.1	8.3	-1.6	200.1	5.1	7.3	176.5	-1.1	-5.5
Other food at home	151.5	-4	-3	146.6	-1	.9	149.7	-1	.7	142.5	3.3	.5
Food away from home	136.5	2.2	.4	153.6	2.2	.9	148.1	.4	.5	147.6	1.4	.7
Alcoholic beverages	169.1	-6	.8	152.9	3.0	1.1	150.2	2.8	2.5	150.3	3.4	1.8
Housing	163.7	2.9	.8	143.7	1.9	.9	149.5	-4	-1.7	152.2	1.8	.5
Shelter	192.8	3.0	.8	161.0	3.2	1.4	163.8	2.1	.3	166.8	3.0	.9
Renters' costs 2	184.9	4.6	3.9	155.1	4.9	6.5	157.9	2.7	.3	156.7	2.8	.8
Rent, residential	170.5	1.9	.1	143.5	2.4	.4	172.0	1.8	.2	168.2	2.4	.8
Other renters' costs	290.9	9.1	10.6	228.4	9.8	18.5	203.3	9.5	1.0	210.8	8.0	2.0
Homeowners' costs 2	170.5	2.4	-4	152.7	2.6	.0	154.6	1.8	.3	156.4	3.2	1.0
Owners' equivalent rent 2	171.3	2.5	-4	153.4	2.7	.1	155.1	2.0	.3	157.0	3.2	1.0
Fuel and other utilities	125.1	3.4	.7	117.1	2.6	-5	122.9	-14.0	-13.0	124.6	.8	1.8
Fuels	113.5	2.6	.6	105.3	5.0	-2	104.7	-31.6	-28.0	105.7	-5	3.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	107.1	17.4	.8	91.4	5.7	-5	157.0	-6.2	-1.2	105.3	8.9	5.1
Fuel oil	100.5	17.4	.8	85.8	10.0	4.1	94.8	-3	-7.5	97.5	11.6	7.1
Other household fuel commodities 3	NA	-	-	112.8	3.3	-3.2	171.2	-6.6	-9	168.3	4.0	1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.2	.5	.6	108.1	4.8	-2	103.4	-32.2	-28.7	111.4	-1.2	3.4
Electricity	146.0	2.9	.0	124.8	-2.0	.2	174.7	-2.8	.0	116.1	-1.3	.7
Utility (piped) gas	101.3	-4.5	1.6	93.9	15.9	-7	NA	-	-	105.2	-1.1	7.6
Household furnishings and operation	124.1	1.3	.6	122.1	-3.6	.4	116.4	-3	-1.5	131.5	-2.2	-2.2
Apparel and upkeep	102.8	-4	10.3	124.9	3.3	5.7	128.9	3.6	6.7	143.0	-4.7	3.8
Apparel commodities	97.4	-8	11.7	123.1	3.4	6.1	125.3	4.0	7.4	138.7	-5.5	4.4
Men's and boys' apparel	126.5	9.2	10.8	138.7	13.7	4.2	107.9	-5.9	3.5	146.2	-4.8	3.8
Women's and girls' apparel	72.6	-6.2	19.0	105.5	-11.2	4.1	105.8	13.9	9.5	136.5	-5.0	9.6
Footwear	114.3	4.0	5.9	93.0	.8	-4.1	165.3	22.1	10.5	125.8	-9.2	-2.2
Transportation	150.6	1.1	.6	142.4	4.3	1.3	134.7	3.1	1.1	146.1	2.0	1.5
Private transportation	148.8	1.2	.5	142.3	4.1	1.1	131.6	2.8	1.2	146.0	2.0	1.5
Motor fuel	99.9	-2.8	-2	104.4	12.4	4.4	111.7	5.2	3.6	103.0	-5	3.1
Gasoline	98.1	-3.5	-3	103.6	12.9	4.8	110.9	5.5	4.0	102.3	-6	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	97.2	-3.1	-7	99.5	12.2	5.0	107.8	6.1	4.5	99.8	-7	3.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade 4	98.1	-3.8	-2	119.2	14.0	3.8	107.0	5.1	3.5	97.7	-1.8	3.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	94.6	-4.1	.2	105.8	13.6	4.6	112.4	4.1	3.6	102.4	-1.2	2.9
Public transportation	175.9	-1.5	1.3	146.0	10.6	6.9	179.4	6.8	.9	148.5	1.8	1.1
Medical care	232.2	3.1	-1	214.4	3.8	.1	211.2	2.0	.5	219.1	4.9	.7
Entertainment	174.8	9.6	4.0	156.0	3.6	1.4	155.6	.3	-6	158.7	1.0	.2
Other goods and services	225.4	2.4	.8	177.4	2.0	-2	218.8	2.8	.1	211.7	5.7	.1
Personal care	190.2	1.1	2.1	106.4	-3.8	-8	158.9	2.4	.0	159.1	1.5	-4.6
Commodity and service group												
All items	161.3	2.4	1.0	148.0	2.8	1.0	150.7	1.2	.1	155.4	2.0	1.0
Commodities	137.0	1.6	1.0	138.1	2.7	1.0	140.0	2.0	1.5	140.3	.4	.9
Food and beverages	151.6	1.9	-5	149.9	2.7	.2	155.1	1.8	1.4	151.1	3.1	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	126.4	1.3	2.3	131.1	2.6	1.5	130.3	2.2	1.6	134.3	-1.3	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	121.7	1.1	3.8	126.7	4.5	2.6	130.5	3.2	3.0	133.7	-1.5	1.6
Durables	132.1	1.8	-2	134.9	.3	.0	127.8	.7	-5	133.4	-7	-4
Services	190.5	3.0	1.0	160.9	3.0	1.0	162.0	.5	-1.0	171.8	3.3	1.1
Medical care services	237.9	3.4	.2	219.2	4.0	.3	214.8	2.3	.3	224.0	6.1	.5
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	153.0	2.2	1.1	144.8	2.8	.8	146.7	.8	.0	152.0	1.6	1.1
All items less medical care	158.2	2.3	1.0	144.7	2.8	1.0	148.4	1.2	.1	152.5	1.8	1.0
All items less energy	169.2	2.5	1.0	154.7	2.4	.9	155.9	2.0	.8	161.9	2.1	.8
All items less food and energy	175.0	2.6	1.4	156.1	2.3	1.1	156.0	2.2	.6	164.5	2.0	.8
Energy	106.4	.4	.3	103.8	8.7	2.2	108.4	-11.9	-10.6	103.7	-5	3.3
Commodities less food	128.1	1.2	2.2	132.2	2.6	1.4	131.0	2.2	1.6	135.0	-1.0	.8
Nondurables less food	124.6	1.0	3.6	128.7	4.3	2.5	131.2	3.1	2.9	134.5	-1.2	1.6
Nondurables	137.5	1.5	1.3	138.7	3.6	1.3	143.3	2.4	2.1	142.1	.6	1.4
Services less rent of shelter 2	171.3	2.9	1.0	154.2	2.9	.6	147.7	-1.7	-2.8	160.3	3.5	1.2
Services less medical care services	186.9	3.0	1.0	155.5	2.9	1.2	159.1	.4	-1.1	167.6	3.0	1.1

¹ Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see table 10) will appear next month.

² Indexes are on a November 1984=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Miami, St. Louis, Washington. Indexes are on a December 1984=100 base in the U.S., Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

³ Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston,

Cleveland, Miami, St. Louis, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in U.S., Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁵ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.0	-	-	9.9	-	-
1914	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.2	10.1	-	-	10.0	1.0	1.0
1915	10.1	10.0	9.9	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.3	-	-	10.1	2.0	1.0
1916	10.4	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.8	10.9	11.1	11.3	11.5	11.6	-	-	10.9	12.6	7.9
1917	11.7	12.0	12.0	12.6	12.8	13.0	12.8	13.0	13.3	13.5	13.5	13.7	-	-	12.8	18.1	17.4
1918	14.0	14.1	14.0	14.2	14.5	14.7	15.1	15.4	15.7	16.0	16.3	16.5	-	-	15.1	20.4	18.0
1919	16.5	16.2	16.4	16.7	16.9	16.9	17.4	17.7	17.8	18.1	18.5	18.9	-	-	17.3	14.5	14.6
1920	19.3	19.5	19.7	20.3	20.6	20.9	20.8	20.3	20.0	19.9	19.8	19.4	-	-	20.0	2.6	15.6
1921	19.0	18.4	18.3	18.1	17.7	17.6	17.7	17.7	17.5	17.5	17.4	17.3	-	-	17.9	-10.8	-10.5
1922	16.9	16.9	16.7	16.7	16.7	16.7	16.8	16.6	16.6	16.7	16.8	16.9	-	-	16.8	-2.3	-6.1
1923	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.2	17.1	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.3	-	-	17.1	2.4	1.8
1924	17.3	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.2	17.2	17.3	-	-	17.1	.0	.0
1925	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.5	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	18.0	17.9	-	-	17.5	3.5	2.3
1926	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.9	17.8	17.7	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.7	-	-	17.7	-1.1	1.1
1927	17.5	17.4	17.3	17.3	17.4	17.6	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.4	17.3	17.3	-	-	17.4	-2.3	-1.7
1928	17.3	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.3	17.2	17.2	17.1	-	-	17.1	-1.2	-1.7
1929	17.1	17.1	17.0	16.9	17.0	17.1	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.2	-	-	17.1	.6	.0
1930	17.1	17.0	16.9	17.0	16.9	16.8	16.6	16.5	16.6	16.5	16.4	16.1	-	-	16.7	-6.4	-2.3
1931	15.9	15.7	15.6	15.5	15.3	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.0	14.9	14.7	14.6	-	-	15.2	-9.3	-9.0
1932	14.3	14.1	14.0	13.9	13.7	13.6	13.6	13.5	13.4	13.3	13.2	13.1	-	-	13.7	-10.3	-9.9
1933	12.9	12.7	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.7	13.1	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.2	-	-	13.0	.8	-5.1
1934	13.2	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.6	13.5	13.5	13.4	-	-	13.4	1.5	3.1
1935	13.6	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	-	-	13.7	3.0	2.2
1936	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	13.9	1.4	1.5
1937	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.6	14.6	14.5	14.4	-	-	14.4	2.9	3.6
1938	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	14.1	-2.8	-2.1
1939	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	13.9	.0	-1.4
1940	13.9	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.1	-	-	14.0	.7	.7
1941	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.7	14.7	14.9	15.1	15.3	15.4	15.5	-	-	14.7	9.9	5.0
1942	15.7	15.8	16.0	16.1	16.3	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.7	16.8	16.9	-	-	16.3	9.0	10.9
1943	16.9	16.9	17.2	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.3	3.0	6.1
1944	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.8	-	-	17.6	2.3	1.7
1945	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.9	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.2	-	-	18.0	2.2	2.3
1946	18.2	18.1	18.3	18.4	18.5	18.7	19.8	20.2	20.4	20.8	21.3	21.5	-	-	19.5	18.1	8.3
1947	21.5	21.5	21.9	21.9	21.9	22.0	22.2	22.5	23.0	23.0	23.1	23.4	-	-	22.3	8.8	14.4
1948	23.7	23.5	23.4	23.8	23.9	24.1	24.4	24.5	24.5	24.4	24.2	24.1	-	-	24.1	3.0	8.1
1949	24.0	23.8	23.8	23.9	23.8	23.9	23.7	23.8	23.9	23.7	23.8	23.6	-	-	23.8	-2.1	-1.2
1950	23.5	23.5	23.6	23.6	23.7	23.8	24.1	24.3	24.4	24.6	24.7	25.0	-	-	24.1	5.9	1.3
1951	25.4	25.7	25.8	25.8	25.9	25.9	25.9	25.9	26.1	26.2	26.4	26.5	-	-	26.0	6.0	7.9
1952	26.5	26.3	26.3	26.4	26.4	26.5	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	-	-	26.5	.8	1.9
1953	26.6	26.5	26.6	26.6	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	26.9	27.0	26.9	26.9	-	-	26.7	.7	.8
1954	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.7	-	-	26.9	-.7	.7
1955	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	-	-	26.8	.4	-.4
1956	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.9	27.0	27.2	27.4	27.3	27.4	27.5	27.5	27.6	-	-	27.2	3.0	1.5
1957	27.6	27.7	27.8	27.9	28.0	28.1	28.3	28.3	28.3	28.3	28.4	28.4	-	-	28.1	2.9	3.3
1958	28.6	28.6	28.8	28.9	28.9	28.9	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.9	29.0	28.9	-	-	28.9	1.8	2.8
1959	29.0	28.9	28.9	29.0	29.0	29.1	29.2	29.2	29.3	29.4	29.4	29.4	-	-	29.1	1.7	.7

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1960	29.3	29.4	29.4	29.5	29.5	29.6	29.6	29.6	29.6	29.8	29.8	29.8	-	-	29.6	1.4	1.7
1961	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	30.0	29.9	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	-	-	29.9	.7	1.0
1962	30.0	30.1	30.1	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.3	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	-	-	30.2	1.3	1.0
1963	30.4	30.4	30.5	30.5	30.5	30.6	30.7	30.7	30.7	30.8	30.8	30.9	-	-	30.6	1.6	1.3
1964	30.9	30.9	30.9	30.9	30.9	31.0	31.1	31.0	31.1	31.1	31.2	31.2	-	-	31.0	1.0	1.3
1965	31.2	31.2	31.3	31.4	31.4	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.7	31.7	31.8	-	-	31.5	1.9	1.6
1966	31.8	32.0	32.1	32.3	32.3	32.4	32.5	32.7	32.7	32.9	32.9	32.9	-	-	32.4	3.5	2.9
1967	32.9	32.9	33.0	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.4	33.5	33.6	33.7	33.8	33.9	-	-	33.4	3.0	3.1
1968	34.1	34.2	34.3	34.4	34.5	34.7	34.9	35.0	35.1	35.3	35.4	35.5	-	-	34.8	4.7	4.2
1969	35.6	35.8	36.1	36.3	36.4	36.6	36.8	37.0	37.1	37.3	37.5	37.7	-	-	36.7	6.2	5.5
1970	37.8	38.0	38.2	38.5	38.6	38.8	39.0	39.0	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.8	-	-	38.8	5.6	5.7
1971	39.8	39.9	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.6	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.9	40.9	41.1	-	-	40.5	3.3	4.4
1972	41.1	41.3	41.4	41.5	41.6	41.7	41.9	42.0	42.1	42.3	42.4	42.5	-	-	41.8	3.4	3.2
1973	42.6	42.9	43.3	43.6	43.9	44.2	44.3	45.1	45.2	45.6	45.9	46.2	-	-	44.4	8.7	6.2
1974	46.6	47.2	47.8	48.0	48.6	49.0	49.4	50.0	50.6	51.1	51.5	51.9	-	-	49.3	12.3	11.0
1975	52.1	52.5	52.7	52.9	53.2	53.6	54.2	54.3	54.6	54.9	55.3	55.5	-	-	53.8	6.9	9.1
1976	55.6	55.8	55.9	56.1	56.5	56.8	57.1	57.4	57.6	57.9	58.0	58.2	-	-	56.9	4.9	5.8
1977	58.5	59.1	59.5	60.0	60.3	60.7	61.0	61.2	61.4	61.6	61.9	62.1	-	-	60.6	6.7	6.5
1978	62.5	62.9	63.4	63.9	64.5	65.2	65.7	66.0	66.5	67.1	67.4	67.7	-	-	65.2	9.0	7.6
1979	68.3	69.1	69.8	70.6	71.5	72.3	73.1	73.8	74.6	75.2	75.9	76.7	-	-	72.6	13.3	11.3
1980	77.8	78.9	80.1	81.0	81.8	82.7	82.7	83.3	84.0	84.8	85.5	86.3	-	-	82.4	12.5	13.5
1981	87.0	87.9	88.5	89.1	89.8	90.6	91.6	92.3	93.2	93.4	93.7	94.0	-	-	90.9	8.9	10.3
1982	94.3	94.6	94.5	94.9	95.8	97.0	97.5	97.7	97.9	98.2	98.0	97.6	-	-	96.5	3.8	6.2
1983	97.8	97.9	97.9	98.6	99.2	99.5	99.9	100.2	100.7	101.0	101.2	101.3	-	-	99.6	3.8	3.2
1984	101.9	102.4	102.6	103.1	103.4	103.7	104.1	104.5	105.0	105.3	105.3	105.3	102.9	104.9	103.9	3.9	4.3
1985	105.5	106.0	106.4	106.9	107.3	107.6	107.8	108.0	108.3	108.7	109.0	109.3	106.6	108.5	107.6	3.8	3.6
1986	109.6	109.3	108.8	108.6	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.7	110.2	110.3	110.4	110.5	109.1	110.1	109.6	1.1	1.9
1987	111.2	111.6	112.1	112.7	113.1	113.5	113.8	114.4	115.0	115.3	115.4	115.4	112.4	114.9	113.6	4.4	3.6
1988	115.7	116.0	116.5	117.1	117.5	118.0	118.5	119.0	119.8	120.2	120.3	120.5	116.8	119.7	118.3	4.4	4.1
1989	121.1	121.6	122.3	123.1	123.8	124.1	124.4	124.6	125.0	125.6	125.9	126.1	122.7	125.3	124.0	4.6	4.8
1990	127.4	128.0	128.7	128.9	129.2	129.9	130.4	131.6	132.7	133.5	133.8	133.8	128.7	132.6	130.7	6.1	5.4
1991	134.6	134.8	135.0	135.2	135.6	136.0	136.2	136.6	137.2	137.4	137.8	137.9	135.2	137.2	136.2	3.1	4.2
1992	138.1	138.6	139.3	139.5	139.7	140.2	140.5	140.9	141.3	141.8	142.0	141.9	139.2	141.4	140.3	2.9	3.0
1993	142.6	143.1	143.6	144.0	144.2	144.4	144.4	144.8	145.1	145.7	145.8	145.8	143.7	145.3	144.5	2.7	3.0
1994	146.2	146.7	147.2	147.4	147.5	148.0	148.4	149.0	149.4	149.5	149.7	149.7	147.2	149.3	148.2	2.7	2.6
1995	150.3	150.9	151.4	151.9	152.2	152.5	152.5	152.9	153.2	153.7	153.6	153.5	151.5	153.2	152.4	2.5	2.8
1996	154.4	154.9	155.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Commodity and service group											
All items	110.5	115.4	120.5	126.1	133.8	137.9	141.9	145.8	149.7	153.5	155.7
Commodities	104.5	109.3	113.5	118.2	126.0	127.5	130.1	132.0	135.1	137.0	139.2
Food and beverages	110.9	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	152.1
Commodities less food and beverages	100.5	105.7	109.0	112.6	121.1	121.5	124.3	125.1	127.6	128.9	131.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	95.9	103.1	106.9	112.0	125.8	124.5	127.4	126.5	128.1	128.8	132.6
Apparel commodities	105.8	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	131.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	93.0	101.5	104.5	112.0	130.1	126.0	129.6	127.7	131.5	132.7	136.2
Durables	107.2	109.5	112.2	113.5	114.5	117.2	120.1	123.3	126.9	129.0	129.5
Services	117.2	122.2	128.1	134.6	142.3	148.8	154.2	160.0	164.7	170.4	172.6
Rent of shelter ¹	122.5	128.5	134.3	140.9	148.4	154.2	158.7	163.5	168.3	174.2	177.0
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	110.8	112.3	116.2	119.0	122.2	127.8	131.4	134.9	135.9	138.6	139.6
Transportation services	119.5	124.6	132.1	138.6	150.0	153.7	159.2	166.9	171.1	176.3	178.5
Medical care services	125.7	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	230.7
Other services	122.6	129.0	136.2	145.1	154.5	164.1	172.8	181.6	188.9	197.3	199.2
Special indexes											
All items less food	110.4	115.5	120.4	125.8	133.7	138.1	142.5	146.4	150.2	154.2	156.5
All items less shelter	108.6	113.2	118.1	123.5	131.5	135.0	139.1	142.7	146.3	149.6	151.6
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	111.9	116.6	121.6	127.1	135.5	139.3	143.4	147.2	150.8	154.3	156.9
All items less medical care	109.6	114.3	119.1	124.4	131.8	135.3	138.9	142.5	146.0	149.6	151.7
Commodities less food	100.9	106.0	109.4	113.0	121.4	122.4	125.3	126.1	128.5	129.9	132.4
Nondurables less food	96.7	103.7	107.5	112.6	125.7	125.5	128.5	127.8	129.5	130.4	134.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	94.3	102.1	105.3	112.5	129.0	126.9	130.5	129.1	132.6	134.0	137.3
Nondurables	103.5	109.1	113.9	119.8	130.0	131.1	133.6	135.1	137.8	139.7	142.5
Services less rent of shelter ¹	120.2	124.6	131.1	137.8	146.4	153.9	160.7	167.8	172.7	178.5	180.4
Services less medical care services	116.2	121.0	126.6	132.6	139.7	145.5	150.3	155.6	159.7	165.0	167.2
Energy	81.6	88.3	88.7	93.2	110.1	101.9	103.9	102.4	104.7	103.3	106.1
All items less energy	114.5	119.2	124.8	130.6	137.4	142.8	147.1	151.7	155.7	160.2	162.3
All items less food and energy	115.5	120.4	126.0	131.5	138.3	144.4	149.2	153.9	157.9	162.7	164.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	109.7	113.5	118.0	121.2	125.3	130.3	133.6	135.7	137.6	140.0	141.9
Energy commodities	69.6	82.0	80.1	86.4	117.0	98.2	99.4	94.3	99.2	95.9	101.4
Services less energy services	119.0	124.4	130.6	137.5	145.8	152.5	158.2	164.3	169.6	175.7	178.1
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	110.9	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	152.1
Food	110.8	114.7	120.7	127.4	134.2	136.7	138.7	142.7	146.8	149.9	151.6
Food at home	109.0	112.8	119.1	126.5	133.8	135.5	137.5	142.3	147.3	150.3	152.5
Cereals and bakery products	112.2	116.8	126.6	136.1	142.4	147.4	153.3	158.9	164.2	169.5	172.0
Cereals and cereal products	110.7	116.1	127.2	136.5	143.7	148.8	154.4	159.6	164.5	168.6	170.8
Flour and prepared flour mixes	104.4	105.8	113.1	121.2	124.0	123.5	130.2	129.9	132.3	140.6	147.4
Cereal	119.5	126.7	138.8	152.4	163.5	171.4	178.1	186.5	191.0	194.1	195.4
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	101.5	106.3	118.4	120.1	122.7	126.3	128.9	131.7	139.5	142.8	143.4
Bakery products	112.7	117.0	126.1	135.6	141.5	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.6	172.2
White bread	108.3	113.1	125.5	133.2	138.3	140.4	146.1	156.2	160.4	169.3	172.2
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	109.5	113.2	124.1	132.7	139.0	143.7	151.2	155.8	163.0	170.3	173.6
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	116.3	121.1	128.7	139.0	147.2	154.2	157.7	163.2	169.2	171.6	171.8
Other bakery products	116.3	120.3	126.3	137.5	141.8	147.6	154.9	158.0	163.1	168.0	171.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	109.1	110.3	116.1	123.8	133.6	131.6	132.1	137.1	136.4	142.0	142.6
Meats, poultry, and fish	109.4	111.9	117.1	123.0	133.8	132.0	133.0	138.4	137.6	141.7	142.3
Meats	106.6	110.4	112.7	120.0	133.6	130.8	131.1	135.9	133.7	137.2	137.6
Beef and veal	101.7	108.5	114.6	122.1	133.0	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.6	134.4
Ground beef other than canned	96.4	102.0	104.5	112.2	120.8	119.1	118.4	123.0	117.7	115.7	114.3
Chuck roast	99.9	105.0	112.4	123.4	136.1	137.7	139.2	142.7	140.3	141.7	138.0
Round roast	96.0	101.8	107.0	113.9	124.9	124.1	126.5	127.2	126.9	124.4	125.5
Round steak	101.1	108.1	111.9	118.8	130.2	129.9	129.9	133.3	131.7	129.1	128.9
Sirloin steak	103.1	112.9	120.8	123.4	131.5	127.5	129.1	137.6	135.8	133.4	138.7
Other beef and veal	107.1	115.1	125.4	133.3	146.6	145.3	148.6	154.3	153.0	156.5	157.2
Pork	115.2	113.1	109.6	117.2	136.8	128.5	127.4	133.1	130.1	139.6	140.7
Bacon	113.1	108.2	96.9	105.0	122.9	108.6	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.2	131.6
Chops	116.4	114.3	114.7	123.7	142.5	136.1	139.5	145.8	138.8	146.2	149.2
Ham	121.3	118.1	115.9	121.9	144.4	137.3	134.9	137.1	134.8	144.2	144.9
Other pork, including sausage	111.3	111.4	108.5	115.9	134.9	127.7	125.8	129.9	128.8	136.8	136.7
Other meats	107.6	112.1	113.1	119.5	131.6	132.7	133.0	136.4	137.3	141.4	142.3
Poultry	118.8	107.8	127.1	127.8	129.7	130.2	133.7	141.1	140.4	146.3	148.0
Fresh whole chicken	121.0	107.7	131.0	130.4	130.6	129.9	135.4	141.3	139.4	144.8	146.4
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	121.1	110.8	131.5	130.2	133.2	134.8	136.9	146.8	143.2	150.2	150.2
Other poultry	112.3	103.8	113.3	121.1	123.0	122.8	126.6	130.9	138.9	143.1	149.0
Fish and seafood	121.2	133.3	138.9	143.0	148.5	150.4	152.0	158.7	166.9	172.1	173.0
Canned fish and seafood	99.8	110.0	124.8	119.4	118.8	118.2	119.9	122.8	124.5	125.5	124.8
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	133.0	146.2	148.5	156.3	164.1	167.0	168.7	177.0	187.9	194.8	196.2
Eggs	103.7	85.5	99.6	134.9	128.7	123.5	117.7	116.0	116.4	145.5	145.9

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Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	104.9	106.7	111.4	122.9	126.7	127.4	129.1	130.2	131.6	135.0	136.7
Fresh milk and cream	103.3	105.0	109.9	122.6	125.6	125.3	128.4	131.1	132.0	134.5	137.4
Fresh whole milk	103.4	104.8	110.1	123.0	126.0	125.5	127.8	130.6	131.1	133.7	136.2
Other fresh milk and cream	103.0	105.3	109.5	122.0	124.9	124.9	129.1	131.8	133.2	135.4	138.8
Processed dairy products	106.9	108.8	113.3	123.7	128.4	130.2	130.4	129.8	131.8	136.2	136.7
Cheese	104.5	107.0	112.6	126.9	132.7	135.1	135.4	134.6	136.0	139.0	139.9
Ice cream and related products	109.5	111.0	114.8	123.1	128.5	130.1	130.6	131.5	136.1	139.7	140.3
Other dairy products, including butter	109.1	109.9	112.1	113.4	113.4	113.7	113.5	111.4	111.9	121.4	120.3
Fruits and vegetables	109.4	123.4	131.0	136.7	146.5	152.9	156.2	166.5	180.3	177.9	183.7
Fresh fruits and vegetables	113.0	133.2	138.1	145.6	157.6	169.6	173.9	190.1	212.8	206.3	213.7
Fresh fruits	114.3	126.3	143.2	154.8	171.2	188.6	181.8	205.4	213.1	224.2	221.5
Apples	116.9	103.6	132.4	124.7	151.6	169.9	154.1	166.9	163.2	187.6	200.2
Bananas	91.8	107.4	115.9	122.6	128.3	128.3	124.3	127.6	143.1	146.5	175.6
Oranges, including tangerines	110.4	126.3	144.4	138.5	152.7	186.8	156.7	177.4	178.7	206.7	197.8
Other fresh fruits	121.0	140.4	154.8	179.7	195.7	213.1	215.3	249.3	260.8	264.5	249.1
Fresh vegetables	111.7	140.2	133.0	136.5	144.0	150.7	166.1	174.9	212.7	188.4	206.0
Potatoes	103.9	103.8	128.5	140.0	133.9	129.0	137.2	165.0	154.2	175.3	183.8
Lettuce	115.1	272.7	174.3	135.8	152.0	170.1	183.0	152.1	273.4	172.2	208.8
Tomatoes	126.2	139.3	124.3	140.3	129.5	124.5	193.4	197.2	233.6	242.6	237.4
Other fresh vegetables	110.7	126.3	129.4	135.6	151.0	162.3	166.4	178.5	216.1	183.2	206.2
Processed fruits and vegetables	105.2	110.0	121.9	124.9	131.6	129.7	131.4	133.2	133.8	137.5	140.9
Processed fruits	106.1	112.3	124.4	125.2	134.6	131.5	134.8	133.7	133.3	138.1	141.3
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	105.1	112.1	126.2	126.3	137.4	131.8	135.3	133.4	132.6	137.2	140.5
Canned and dried fruits	108.2	111.5	115.9	119.6	122.5	128.5	130.7	132.9	133.8	139.0	141.8
Processed vegetables	104.2	107.3	118.9	124.8	128.1	127.6	127.3	132.8	134.7	137.1	140.8
Frozen vegetables	108.2	111.5	116.3	124.6	128.5	129.3	130.2	135.4	136.5	140.4	142.6
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	102.7	105.7	120.7	125.4	128.5	127.3	126.6	132.1	134.4	136.2	140.7
Other food at home	109.0	110.0	115.3	120.1	125.2	127.1	128.3	130.9	138.8	140.5	142.4
Sugar and sweets	109.2	111.0	116.7	121.1	126.4	130.9	132.1	133.3	134.5	138.5	142.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	100.8	102.0	110.0	114.8	118.1	118.1	119.3	120.6	122.8	127.9	131.6
Sweets, including candy	112.6	114.7	119.4	123.6	129.8	136.0	137.3	138.4	139.1	142.7	146.6
Fats and oils	105.9	107.7	118.5	121.6	131.0	129.3	128.4	129.4	134.2	137.5	140.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	108.6	104.8	107.8	111.0	113.1	112.5	112.3	114.8	131.7	129.5	129.7
Carbonated drinks	101.7	103.3	104.6	109.8	110.8	111.9	113.7	115.6	115.2	118.5	120.4
Coffee	128.9	110.5	116.9	115.7	117.4	111.3	105.4	111.1	172.7	156.1	152.5
Other noncarbonated drinks	109.9	112.4	115.5	120.2	126.5	129.7	132.3	131.6	132.8	135.9	137.1
Other prepared food	110.4	115.0	120.7	127.6	134.2	138.2	141.2	144.9	148.1	152.1	154.6
Canned and packaged soup	112.1	118.9	123.2	132.4	140.2	148.6	157.0	163.9	170.7	176.5	178.7
Frozen prepared food	112.5	119.0	124.6	131.3	135.8	138.0	138.7	138.6	138.9	139.8	140.7
Snacks	112.2	115.7	121.2	126.2	131.1	132.8	132.5	136.3	138.7	143.4	147.9
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	110.1	113.2	118.3	124.9	132.6	137.9	143.6	147.4	150.9	156.8	160.9
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food	107.8	112.9	119.8	127.9	135.6	140.2	142.9	147.9	152.4	155.4	156.2
Food away from home	114.7	118.9	124.1	129.8	135.7	139.6	141.6	144.3	147.1	150.4	151.2
Lunch	114.2	118.6	124.0	130.2	136.1	140.2	142.3	145.1	147.7	151.1	151.8
Dinner	114.7	118.7	123.9	129.1	134.3	137.9	139.9	142.4	145.3	148.5	149.3
Other meals and snacks	115.6	119.4	124.6	130.6	137.8	142.0	144.1	146.7	149.6	153.0	154.0
Alcoholic beverages	111.7	115.4	119.9	125.6	130.9	143.9	148.1	150.3	151.8	154.9	157.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	109.5	112.0	114.6	119.5	124.0	138.4	141.3	142.0	141.8	143.1	146.3
Beer and ale	109.2	111.5	114.6	120.0	124.3	139.0	142.9	143.3	143.2	144.1	147.7
Wine	102.2	106.1	107.8	111.6	114.5	130.5	132.4	133.1	131.3	133.4	137.7
Distilled spirits	113.4	114.8	117.0	122.1	128.1	139.9	141.8	143.1	144.2	145.5	146.7
Alcoholic beverages away from home	120.3	125.8	133.3	140.3	146.9	158.9	165.0	169.3	173.3	178.8	180.6

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Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Housing	111.5	115.6	120.2	124.9	130.5	135.0	138.5	142.3	145.4	149.7	151.7
Shelter	118.0	123.7	129.3	135.6	142.7	148.2	152.5	157.1	161.8	167.4	170.1
Renters' costs ¹	124.2	129.1	134.1	140.1	149.5	155.8	160.2	164.4	168.2	173.2	180.4
Rent, residential	120.8	125.6	130.1	135.5	141.1	145.2	148.6	151.9	155.7	159.6	160.6
Other renters' costs	119.2	124.1	130.0	137.2	157.0	169.7	176.7	183.3	186.2	194.2	219.7
Lodging while out of town	116.9	121.5	127.0	133.8	154.9	168.0	174.3	181.0	183.3	191.2	219.7
Lodging while at school ¹	128.5	136.5	145.5	156.3	166.1	175.8	188.6	193.8	201.9	210.6	210.7
Tenants' insurance	118.2	122.5	126.6	129.7	131.6	134.4	138.3	142.8	148.7	152.0	152.9
Homeowners' costs ¹	121.6	128.0	134.0	140.9	147.5	153.0	157.5	162.5	167.8	174.0	175.0
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	121.6	128.0	134.1	141.0	147.7	153.2	157.8	162.8	168.1	174.3	175.3
Household insurance ¹	121.6	126.2	130.6	134.0	136.5	140.0	144.3	149.0	155.4	158.3	159.1
Maintenance and repairs	109.7	113.3	115.8	119.5	123.8	128.1	129.3	127.6	132.7	136.6	137.5
Maintenance and repair services	111.8	116.6	118.4	122.2	128.9	131.4	135.2	130.8	137.0	142.1	143.8
Maintenance and repair commodities	107.0	109.1	112.4	115.8	116.8	123.7	121.3	123.5	126.8	129.1	129.0
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ²	100.0	102.2	104.8	109.4	111.7	116.3	117.5	119.1	121.1	120.6	120.4
Other maintenance and repair commodities	104.0	105.7	109.5	111.7	111.5	119.7	114.5	117.0	121.1	125.6	125.4
Fuel and other utilities	100.4	102.0	105.0	108.4	112.7	116.0	118.7	121.7	122.0	123.7	125.2
Fuels	93.8	95.1	97.4	101.2	105.6	106.5	108.9	110.7	110.1	110.9	111.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	71.3	80.5	76.8	88.7	114.1	94.7	91.8	88.3	88.4	89.6	99.3
Fuel oil	67.2	79.2	74.2	88.7	115.2	92.3	89.2	85.1	85.1	86.4	97.0
Other household fuel commodities ²	100.0	102.6	102.3	108.3	136.4	123.3	120.4	118.0	118.5	119.4	128.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.7	100.9	104.1	107.0	108.6	112.4	115.6	118.1	117.4	118.3	118.2
Electricity	105.4	107.3	110.3	113.4	115.0	120.8	122.9	123.6	124.4	127.8	128.3
Utility (piped) gas	94.6	91.9	95.2	97.8	99.6	99.9	105.0	111.1	107.5	103.6	102.4
Other utilities and public services	118.7	120.9	125.5	128.2	132.7	140.2	143.6	148.8	150.6	153.9	156.4
Telephone services	117.2	115.7	117.2	116.9	116.4	120.5	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.6	125.4
Local charges	134.4	138.9	145.2	146.0	147.5	155.0	155.7	157.2	156.7	160.7	160.6
Interstate toll calls	84.5	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.0
Intrastate toll calls	106.8	103.6	99.2	96.6	94.5	93.1	90.9	91.1	90.2	86.8	87.5
Water and sewerage maintenance	121.7	128.0	135.8	144.7	153.7	165.7	176.7	185.2	193.0	198.6	205.7
Cable television ³	116.8	127.9	141.4	146.8	166.1	180.4	187.0	200.1	194.9	202.8	207.6
Refuse collection ³	123.5	136.1	146.9	161.1	176.9	197.3	214.0	225.2	236.4	243.3	244.3
Household furnishings and operation	106.1	107.3	110.6	111.7	113.7	116.3	118.2	120.3	120.8	123.8	124.6
Housefurnishings	102.9	103.3	105.9	105.5	106.1	107.1	108.7	110.3	110.3	111.1	111.7
Textile housefurnishings	107.8	108.0	114.3	113.9	116.7	118.9	116.7	124.4	119.9	120.5	122.1
Furniture and bedding	109.2	111.5	115.4	113.8	115.1	116.2	121.4	125.8	127.8	133.2	132.7
Bedroom furniture	115.6	115.8	121.3	118.8	117.2	122.0	129.5	136.3	133.7	136.8	136.0
Sofas	111.0	116.0	116.9	116.1	116.6	117.3	121.3	119.5	127.4	140.5	139.1
Living room chairs and tables	107.0	109.4	113.0	112.5	118.7	116.1	120.3	129.6	130.2	137.9	136.9
Other furniture	103.0	105.5	109.7	107.9	110.0	109.7	113.9	117.4	120.8	122.7	123.4
Appliances, including electronic equipment	92.0	89.5	90.1	88.5	86.4	84.9	83.5	82.8	81.8	78.6	78.9
Video and audio products	87.1	83.9	82.7	82.3	79.3	78.7	77.3	76.7	75.1	72.2	72.4
Televisions	81.5	77.9	76.8	75.8	73.1	72.3	71.4	70.2	69.2	66.4	66.0
Video products other than televisions ⁴	-	-	100.0	95.1	86.1	81.4	78.6	77.0	71.9	67.1	66.6
Audio products	91.4	92.3	91.9	94.3	93.3	95.0	93.6	94.0	93.1	90.7	91.7
Major household appliances ²	100.0	98.8	102.4	101.0	100.7	98.6	99.1	100.6	104.2	102.3	103.1
Refrigerators and home freezers	99.5	100.4	102.0	103.3	102.3	100.6	101.3	105.8	111.0	108.9	109.8
Laundry equipment	104.0	102.7	107.0	105.9	107.2	105.6	106.3	107.1	110.6	109.8	111.3
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ²	100.0	97.2	101.9	98.5	97.4	94.5	94.7	94.8	97.1	94.5	94.8
Information processing equipment ⁴	-	-	100.0	92.7	90.3	86.6	81.3	75.1	68.3	61.0	60.4
Other housefurnishings ²	100.0	101.8	104.0	105.9	108.0	111.2	113.5	113.5	114.0	114.9	116.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment	109.3	115.3	114.6	119.8	128.6	126.2	128.8	132.1	132.6	138.8	139.9
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	101.1	102.8	105.9	112.8	112.6	117.8	120.3	118.2	117.8	122.1	121.2
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware	104.8	106.2	109.0	111.0	112.4	120.2	121.9	122.9	123.5	119.3	124.2
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware	102.9	104.2	103.9	100.7	102.6	102.6	102.7	106.5	107.0	107.8	107.5
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ²	100.0	98.4	100.0	97.2	96.3	95.9	96.9	93.6	91.6	88.3	89.2
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁵	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.0	113.0	110.0	114.1	115.6	118.8
Housekeeping supplies	109.3	112.5	117.0	123.6	127.5	129.8	129.5	131.9	132.9	139.8	140.9
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap	111.7	116.8	121.7	127.3	132.4	138.0	137.4	137.2	139.3	141.4	141.9
Household paper products and stationery supplies	108.6	109.4	115.7	122.1	126.7	127.1	127.3	130.2	130.5	144.3	145.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies	107.2	110.6	113.0	120.9	122.8	123.7	123.0	127.6	128.3	133.3	135.4
Housekeeping services	109.4	111.4	115.9	117.6	122.3	129.4	134.3	137.2	139.1	145.3	146.6
Postage	110.2	110.2	125.1	125.1	125.1	145.3	145.3	145.3	145.3	160.3	160.3
Appliance and furniture repair	114.1	117.6	120.8	123.1	127.3	132.8	142.0	145.6	147.1	153.6	154.5
Gardening and other household services ²	100.0	104.9	109.2	113.2	117.7	120.2	126.1	128.4	129.2	131.6	133.8

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Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	107.5	112.7	118.0	119.2	125.3	129.6	131.4	132.6	130.5	130.6	134.8
Apparel commodities	105.8	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	131.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	106.3	111.7	116.8	117.6	123.8	128.2	129.4	130.3	127.9	127.7	132.3
Men's and boys'	107.4	110.7	117.3	118.8	122.3	125.9	127.1	127.5	125.3	126.0	129.1
Men's	107.3	111.6	118.4	120.6	124.5	128.3	130.0	130.0	128.2	128.3	131.8
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	108.0	111.7	122.0	124.7	128.2	131.3	132.8	137.4	136.0	133.7	134.4
Furnishings and special clothing	109.4	110.1	113.7	117.4	119.8	122.2	123.6	123.0	122.7	120.0	122.2
Shirts	108.4	115.3	122.6	122.9	127.9	133.1	134.6	130.8	127.3	132.0	137.6
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	103.4	109.4	114.6	116.7	121.9	126.1	129.2	127.8	125.8	127.0	133.4
Boys'	107.7	107.2	112.5	111.4	113.0	116.2	115.0	117.1	113.2	116.2	117.8
Women's and girls'	106.3	112.6	116.5	116.4	123.5	128.4	129.1	130.6	125.7	124.7	129.9
Women's	106.6	113.0	116.3	116.5	124.2	128.0	128.4	131.0	125.3	124.1	129.4
Coats and jackets	99.5	104.0	104.5	108.9	117.2	121.1	126.2	131.8	119.0	123.5	121.1
Dresses	105.8	119.9	123.5	122.5	131.1	128.0	130.7	127.2	113.1	114.7	118.5
Separates and sportswear	111.1	116.8	119.3	118.7	126.0	131.2	129.5	133.3	128.6	124.9	131.7
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	107.5	108.0	114.3	116.3	121.3	124.1	125.0	126.8	128.2	130.7	133.6
Suits	103.5	114.1	120.1	117.4	131.2	144.5	145.8	152.1	152.5	144.8	160.4
Girls'	105.2	110.2	117.3	116.1	120.2	130.8	133.5	129.1	128.2	128.7	133.1
Infants' and toddlers'	111.8	114.5	117.3	115.3	125.6	129.2	130.7	127.1	131.3	128.7	133.3
Other apparel commodities	102.7	111.3	119.1	122.8	130.8	135.4	138.9	140.5	146.5	148.6	154.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ²	100.0	102.7	109.2	111.2	118.8	121.2	122.9	121.3	121.3	132.3	134.5
Watches and jewelry ²	100.0	109.7	117.6	121.5	129.4	134.4	138.2	140.6	147.7	147.7	154.5
Watches ²	100.0	103.4	107.9	107.7	110.4	114.1	112.7	118.7	124.6	130.6	132.9
Jewelry ²	100.0	111.5	120.3	125.5	134.9	140.2	145.5	146.8	154.3	152.6	160.6
Footwear	103.3	107.2	113.5	114.7	118.4	121.8	125.1	125.8	123.6	124.1	128.1
Men's	108.6	111.4	119.2	122.0	125.6	129.4	132.9	133.2	132.2	131.6	132.7
Boys' and girls'	102.8	110.0	114.7	118.5	122.9	122.7	121.5	122.1	123.3	125.2	130.3
Women's	99.1	102.4	108.3	107.5	110.9	115.5	120.6	121.5	117.1	117.8	122.9
Apparel services	116.8	121.4	126.7	131.3	140.2	144.9	149.7	153.8	156.4	157.7	158.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated	116.5	122.5	129.1	134.1	141.3	145.5	150.2	155.0	157.8	159.1	160.5
Other apparel services	117.4	120.4	124.4	128.6	139.5	144.5	149.5	152.9	155.1	156.6	157.4
Transportation	101.4	107.6	110.8	115.2	127.2	125.3	129.0	132.1	137.1	139.1	141.2
Private	100.0	106.5	109.6	113.9	125.1	123.4	126.7	128.6	134.9	136.6	138.3
New vehicles	114.3	116.4	119.0	121.9	124.3	128.3	131.3	135.6	140.1	142.8	143.6
New cars	114.5	116.6	119.1	121.8	123.5	127.6	130.5	134.2	138.5	140.7	141.5
Subcompact new cars ²	100.0	101.9	104.1	105.1	105.5	109.8	112.8	116.7	120.6	122.9	123.2
Compact new cars ²	100.0	101.4	102.5	104.7	106.5	109.0	109.8	113.3	118.2	120.1	121.5
Intermediate new cars ²	100.0	100.5	101.9	105.6	107.3	111.2	113.5	115.9	119.8	121.5	121.7
Full-size new cars ²	100.0	103.2	105.8	109.0	110.6	114.7	116.6	120.1	122.4	123.9	123.2
Luxury new cars ²	100.0	104.1	109.5	111.7	114.5	117.6	121.8	124.0	127.5	130.2	133.1
New trucks ³	112.8	114.3	116.8	120.7	125.8	129.6	132.9	139.0	144.1	148.2	148.7
New motorcycles ²	100.0	104.1	109.6	114.2	117.4	123.7	128.7	138.0	148.9	156.5	160.6
Used cars	106.8	116.3	120.2	119.7	117.1	120.1	129.0	139.3	151.5	158.2	157.3
Motor fuel	69.1	82.0	80.3	85.8	117.1	98.4	100.2	94.8	100.4	96.4	101.4
Gasoline	69.0	81.8	80.3	85.5	117.0	98.1	100.1	94.2	100.2	96.0	101.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	68.2	80.8	78.8	83.1	115.4	96.1	97.9	91.3	97.9	93.6	99.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	105.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	73.8	85.3	84.7	89.9	118.7	101.4	103.2	98.3	103.4	98.4	102.7
Automobile maintenance and repair	112.6	116.9	121.5	126.9	132.5	138.4	143.2	147.7	151.9	155.7	156.9
Body work	114.4	120.7	126.3	133.9	138.5	141.9	145.8	150.0	155.7	161.2	163.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair	114.7	118.3	123.4	129.6	136.7	142.1	148.3	154.1	159.8	163.0	164.3
Maintenance and servicing	110.6	115.0	118.8	122.5	127.0	133.8	136.6	139.4	141.3	144.2	145.2
Power plant repair	112.7	116.8	121.4	127.3	133.1	139.5	145.7	151.2	156.2	161.2	162.2
Other private transportation	118.2	123.8	132.5	139.0	146.7	152.0	155.5	159.0	167.6	172.4	172.5
Other private transportation commodities	95.8	97.5	100.3	102.3	103.8	105.3	104.7	103.3	104.3	105.2	105.3
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	102.5	100.5	110.1	109.8	117.5	118.4	118.1	118.8	126.0	130.0	132.2
Automobile parts and equipment	94.7	96.7	98.9	101.1	102.0	103.6	103.0	101.4	101.9	102.4	102.4
Tires	91.9	93.2	96.9	99.1	99.0	101.3	100.8	99.4	101.6	101.8	101.9
Other parts and equipment	101.6	104.3	105.1	107.3	109.4	110.2	109.5	107.7	106.3	107.3	107.0
Other private transportation services	122.6	129.2	139.3	146.9	156.3	162.5	167.1	171.8	182.4	188.3	188.3
Automobile insurance	141.2	149.4	162.0	171.5	184.4	199.1	212.2	222.8	230.4	240.2	240.7
Automobile finance charges	85.3	90.3	97.8	102.0	102.0	94.8	81.6	77.0	94.7	96.6	93.2
Automobile fees	120.2	124.4	131.3	138.8	152.6	156.9	166.7	170.3	176.5	177.6	182.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees	117.9	119.9	127.2	135.4	158.7	165.4	175.6	179.8	180.6	183.7	183.3
Other automobile-related fees	123.2	129.6	136.2	143.1	147.4	149.5	158.9	162.0	173.7	172.8	182.4
Public transportation	120.0	122.1	126.5	131.7	154.4	149.8	158.2	176.5	165.6	170.7	178.9
Airline fares	122.0	123.9	128.0	134.8	165.4	155.4	165.7	193.8	175.3	178.4	187.9
Other intercity transportation	125.3	127.8	136.9	139.2	148.4	152.0	152.2	148.0	151.4	152.6	155.9
Intracity public transportation	117.0	119.8	123.3	125.9	135.6	140.8	147.8	152.0	153.5	165.2	173.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Medical care	125.8	133.1	142.3	154.4	169.2	182.6	194.7	205.2	215.3	223.8	226.6
Medical care commodities	126.0	134.9	144.2	156.0	169.1	181.7	191.1	197.0	202.9	206.6	208.9
Prescription drugs	134.9	145.7	157.1	172.0	189.0	206.7	218.5	225.7	233.2	237.8	241.1
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ²	100.0	105.4	110.7	117.1	123.5	127.9	132.9	136.5	139.6	141.5	142.3
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	119.9	127.2	134.0	141.5	150.0	153.7	160.5	164.9	166.3	167.6	168.9
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	116.5	121.1	126.7	134.4	140.4	148.4	152.7	156.6	164.3	168.2	168.8
Medical care services	125.7	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	230.7
Professional medical services	124.0	131.8	140.8	149.9	160.0	169.8	179.4	187.4	196.0	203.9	206.5
Physicians' services	125.5	133.4	143.4	153.7	165.1	174.2	185.1	194.5	203.1	212.1	215.0
Dental services	123.2	132.1	140.9	149.9	159.9	173.0	183.1	191.1	201.4	210.4	213.3
Eye care ²	100.0	105.3	110.3	114.1	119.2	123.5	128.1	130.7	135.0	138.3	139.2
Services by other medical professionals ²	100.0	104.5	110.3	116.6	122.5	129.2	133.2	137.5	143.0	144.1	145.5
Hospital and related services	127.0	135.9	150.8	167.9	186.9	203.5	221.4	238.2	251.3	262.8	266.8
Hospital rooms	126.6	135.0	149.1	165.5	183.0	198.3	216.0	232.1	244.3	255.7	258.5
Other inpatient services ²	100.0	107.2	120.8	134.7	151.0	164.2	177.7	191.0	201.9	210.8	214.9
Outpatient services ²	100.0	107.1	117.0	130.7	145.4	159.7	175.4	189.2	199.7	209.2	212.3
Entertainment	112.9	117.4	122.8	129.1	134.6	139.9	143.8	147.8	151.2	156.2	158.4
Entertainment commodities	108.5	112.6	117.5	121.6	125.2	129.6	131.9	134.4	136.8	140.7	142.7
Reading materials	117.1	121.4	126.5	132.4	138.5	147.3	152.8	158.2	163.9	173.6	175.1
Newspapers	115.5	120.8	126.6	131.6	137.8	151.1	157.2	164.0	172.2	185.3	188.2
Magazines, periodicals, and books	118.9	122.1	126.6	133.3	139.4	144.0	149.0	153.1	156.4	162.8	163.2
Sporting goods and equipment	102.6	106.3	111.0	113.3	115.3	119.6	119.7	120.0	123.8	123.1	125.0
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	103.7	106.8	111.1	113.6	115.9	117.6	120.1	120.0	124.7	124.8	127.2
Other sporting goods	99.2	103.4	108.3	110.4	112.0	118.3	116.5	117.1	120.0	118.7	120.1
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment	106.5	110.6	115.6	119.5	122.3	123.9	125.2	126.9	126.3	128.9	131.3
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	103.3	108.0	112.4	115.1	116.8	118.1	121.1	122.9	121.8	123.0	125.6
Photographic supplies and equipment	109.4	116.3	123.0	127.2	129.0	130.1	132.9	135.2	130.9	133.4	133.5
Pet supplies and expense	110.1	112.5	117.7	122.9	127.4	129.6	128.3	129.5	130.8	135.4	138.4
Entertainment services	119.2	124.3	130.0	138.8	146.3	152.7	158.3	163.9	168.3	174.6	177.0
Club memberships ²	100.0	101.7	109.1	113.5	119.1	123.2	126.0	130.1	129.3	132.3	133.4
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ²	100.0	107.0	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.9	141.5	152.8	156.7	160.4	164.1
Admissions	120.2	128.4	133.3	146.0	153.6	161.0	167.3	170.3	177.1	186.4	189.2
Fees for lessons or instructions ²	100.0	105.0	109.8	119.6	125.4	132.4	139.2	144.7	151.8	156.3	158.3
Other entertainment services ²	100.0	101.7	105.1	109.6	116.2	120.6	124.3	127.9	131.2	136.3	137.8
Other goods and services	124.5	132.1	141.3	152.9	164.5	177.6	189.1	194.2	202.4	211.1	213.0
Tobacco and smoking products	127.0	137.0	149.9	171.9	190.5	211.7	228.9	215.5	222.0	228.1	230.8
Personal care	112.8	116.5	122.4	127.1	132.4	135.7	139.6	143.1	145.8	148.9	149.4
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	111.9	115.0	121.6	124.7	129.9	133.4	137.8	140.1	142.6	144.1	144.0
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	112.3	115.5	121.6	123.9	131.2	135.1	137.0	143.4	144.8	146.9	145.9
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	111.8	114.8	121.7	125.4	129.1	132.3	138.6	137.9	141.1	142.2	142.8
Personal care services	113.6	117.9	123.1	129.7	135.0	138.0	141.3	146.1	149.2	154.3	155.3
Beauty parlor services for females	113.3	117.7	122.7	129.7	135.2	137.9	140.9	146.0	149.0	153.9	155.0
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	114.1	118.6	124.0	129.2	133.7	137.6	142.4	145.9	149.7	155.2	156.0
Personal and educational expenses	134.6	143.4	153.0	164.0	176.3	191.1	204.2	217.5	229.2	241.8	244.1
School books and supplies	132.3	142.4	152.2	164.0	174.7	184.7	193.8	200.4	207.4	219.0	225.2
Personal and educational services	135.0	143.6	153.2	164.2	176.6	191.8	205.3	219.0	231.1	243.7	245.7
Tuition and other school fees	136.1	146.5	157.6	170.0	183.5	201.4	218.5	234.0	247.8	261.6	262.6
College tuition	135.8	145.3	156.5	169.1	183.0	205.1	225.7	243.5	258.9	273.7	274.6
Elementary and high school tuition	136.9	150.3	163.0	177.4	192.8	207.3	223.7	237.0	251.6	268.2	268.3
Day care and nursery school ⁵	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	111.0	116.7	122.2	126.9	127.8
Personal expenses	130.4	136.2	143.1	151.4	162.0	172.4	179.8	190.3	199.4	210.0	213.6
Legal service fees ²	100.0	105.2	109.9	116.8	124.8	131.9	137.2	145.1	147.9	153.5	155.0
Personal financial services ²	100.0	104.1	111.3	117.9	127.0	137.5	144.4	153.9	165.9	177.6	182.1
Funeral expenses ²	100.0	103.9	108.2	113.4	120.9	128.0	133.2	140.4	148.6	156.6	159.6
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	108.6	112.7	119.4	127.4	135.4	137.2	139.6	144.5	148.1	151.5	153.7
Selected beef cuts	101.2	107.6	112.0	119.6	129.5	128.2	128.4	133.0	129.2	127.6	127.0
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	69.7	82.3	80.8	86.2	117.2	98.7	100.5	95.2	100.8	97.0	101.9
Utilities and public transportation	108.9	110.1	113.9	117.1	122.9	126.7	130.7	136.5	135.1	137.5	139.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services	109.7	111.9	116.2	118.1	123.0	129.7	134.5	136.9	139.1	145.3	146.5

¹ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Commodity and service group											
All items	1.1	4.4	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	1.4
Commodities	-2.0	4.6	3.8	4.1	6.6	1.2	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.4	1.6
Food and beverages	3.7	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	-5.5	5.2	3.1	3.3	7.5	.3	2.3	.6	2.0	1.0	1.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	-9.4	7.5	3.7	4.8	12.3	-1.0	2.3	-.7	1.3	.5	3.0
Apparel commodities	.4	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-.1	3.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	-12.1	9.1	3.0	7.2	16.2	-3.2	2.9	-1.5	3.0	.9	2.6
Durables	.1	2.1	2.5	1.2	.9	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.7	.4
Services	4.5	4.3	4.8	5.1	5.7	4.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.5	1.3
Rent of shelter	4.7	4.9	4.5	4.9	5.3	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.5	1.6
Household services less rent of shelter	.0	1.4	3.5	2.4	2.7	4.6	2.8	2.7	.7	2.0	.7
Transportation services	5.8	4.3	6.0	4.9	8.2	2.5	3.6	4.8	2.5	3.0	1.2
Medical care services	7.9	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	1.3
Other services	5.5	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.1	4.0	4.4	1.0
Special indexes											
All items less food	.5	4.6	4.2	4.5	6.3	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	1.5
All items less shelter	.2	4.2	4.3	4.6	6.5	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	1.3
All items less homeowners' costs	.5	4.2	4.3	4.5	6.6	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.3	1.7
All items less medical care	.7	4.3	4.2	4.5	5.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	1.4
Commodities less food	-5.3	5.1	3.2	3.3	7.4	.8	2.4	.6	1.9	1.1	1.9
Nondurables less food	-8.7	7.2	3.7	4.7	11.6	-.2	2.4	-.5	1.3	.7	2.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	-11.1	8.3	3.1	6.8	14.7	-1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.7	1.1	2.5
Nondurables	-2.6	5.4	4.4	5.2	8.5	.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	1.4	2.0
Services less rent of shelter	4.2	3.7	5.2	5.1	6.2	5.1	4.4	4.4	2.9	3.4	1.1
Services less medical care services	3.9	4.1	4.6	4.7	5.4	4.2	3.3	3.5	2.6	3.3	1.3
Energy	-19.7	8.2	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	2.7
All items less energy	3.8	4.1	4.7	4.6	5.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.9	1.3
All items less food and energy	3.8	4.2	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	1.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	1.4	3.5	4.0	2.7	3.4	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.4
Energy commodities	-30.5	17.8	-2.3	7.9	35.4	-16.1	1.2	-5.1	5.2	-3.3	5.7
Services less energy services	5.2	4.5	5.0	5.3	6.0	4.6	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.6	1.4
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.7	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	1.2
Food	3.8	3.5	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	1.1
Food at home	3.7	3.5	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.5	3.5	2.0	1.5
Cereals and bakery products	2.4	4.1	8.4	7.5	4.6	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.2	1.5
Cereals and cereal products	2.2	4.9	9.6	7.3	5.3	3.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.5	1.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes	.1	1.3	6.9	7.2	2.3	-.4	5.4	-.2	1.8	6.3	4.8
Cereal	5.0	6.0	9.6	9.8	7.3	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	.7
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	-1.0	4.7	11.4	1.4	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.2	5.9	2.4	.4
Bakery products	2.4	3.8	7.8	7.5	4.4	3.5	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	1.5
White bread	.7	4.4	11.0	6.1	3.8	1.5	4.1	6.9	2.7	5.5	1.7
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	2.5	3.4	9.6	6.9	4.7	3.4	5.2	3.0	4.6	4.5	1.9
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	3.7	4.1	6.3	8.0	5.9	4.8	2.3	3.5	3.7	1.4	.1
Other bakery products	2.8	3.4	5.0	8.9	3.1	4.1	4.9	2.0	3.2	3.0	2.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	6.4	1.1	5.3	6.6	7.9	-1.5	.4	3.8	-.5	4.1	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	6.7	2.3	4.6	5.0	8.8	-1.3	.8	4.1	-.6	3.0	.4
Meats	6.0	3.6	2.1	6.5	11.3	-2.1	.2	3.7	-1.6	2.6	.3
Beef and veal	.6	6.7	5.6	6.5	8.9	-1.0	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.1	-.1
Ground beef other than canned	-1.3	5.8	2.5	7.4	7.7	-1.4	-.6	3.9	-4.3	-1.7	-1.2
Chuck roast	-.7	5.1	7.0	9.8	10.3	1.2	1.1	2.5	-1.7	1.0	-2.6
Round roast	-2.8	6.0	5.1	6.4	9.7	-.6	1.9	.6	-.2	-2.0	.9
Round steak	.8	6.9	3.5	6.2	9.6	-.2	.0	2.6	-1.2	-2.0	-.2
Sirloin steak	2.3	9.5	7.0	2.2	6.6	-3.0	1.3	6.6	-1.3	-1.8	4.0
Other beef and veal	2.6	7.5	8.9	6.3	10.0	-.9	2.3	3.8	-.8	2.3	.4
Pork	15.5	-1.8	-3.1	6.9	16.7	-6.1	-.9	4.5	-2.3	7.3	.8
Bacon	13.7	-4.3	-10.4	8.4	17.0	-11.6	-3.5	11.7	-2.0	13.4	1.1
Chops	15.1	-1.8	.3	7.8	15.2	-4.5	2.5	4.5	-4.8	5.3	2.1
Ham	18.7	-2.6	-1.9	5.2	18.5	-4.9	-1.7	1.6	-1.7	7.0	.5
Other pork, including sausage	14.4	.1	-2.6	6.8	16.4	-5.3	-1.5	3.3	-.8	6.2	-.1
Other meats	7.1	4.2	.9	5.7	10.1	.8	.2	2.6	.7	3.0	.6
Poultry	9.8	-9.3	17.9	.6	1.5	.4	2.7	5.5	-.5	4.2	1.2
Fresh whole chicken	12.1	-11.0	21.6	-.5	.2	-.5	4.2	4.4	-1.3	3.9	1.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	13.3	-8.5	18.7	-1.0	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.2	-2.5	4.9	.0
Other poultry	2.0	-7.6	9.2	6.9	1.6	-.2	3.1	3.4	6.1	3.0	4.1
Fish and seafood	8.8	10.0	4.2	3.0	3.8	1.3	1.1	4.4	5.2	3.1	.5
Canned fish and seafood	1.6	10.2	13.5	-4.3	-.5	-.5	1.4	2.4	1.4	.8	-.6
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	12.1	9.9	1.6	5.3	5.0	1.8	1.0	4.9	6.2	3.7	.7
Eggs	1.0	-17.6	16.5	35.4	-4.6	-4.0	-4.7	-1.4	.3	25.0	.3

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	2.1	1.7	4.4	10.3	3.1	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.6	1.3
Fresh milk and cream	1.9	1.6	4.7	11.6	2.4	-2	2.5	2.1	.7	1.9	2.2
Fresh whole milk	2.0	1.4	5.1	11.7	2.4	-4	1.8	2.2	.4	2.0	1.9
Other fresh milk and cream	1.6	2.2	4.0	11.4	2.4	.0	3.4	2.1	1.1	1.7	2.5
Processed dairy products	2.3	1.8	4.1	9.2	3.8	1.4	.2	-5	1.5	3.3	.4
Cheese	1.4	2.4	5.2	12.7	4.6	1.8	.2	-6	1.0	2.2	.6
Ice cream and related products	3.1	1.4	3.4	7.2	4.4	1.2	.4	.7	3.5	2.6	.4
Other dairy products, including butter	3.3	.7	2.0	1.2	.0	.3	-2	-1.9	.4	8.5	-9
Fruits and vegetables	1.5	12.8	6.2	4.4	7.2	4.4	2.2	6.6	8.3	-1.3	3.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables	3.6	17.9	3.7	5.4	8.2	7.6	2.5	9.3	11.9	-3.1	3.6
Fresh fruits	5.9	10.5	13.4	8.1	10.6	10.2	-3.6	13.0	3.7	5.2	-1.2
Apples	5.1	-11.4	27.8	-5.8	21.6	12.1	-9.3	8.3	-2.2	15.0	6.7
Bananas	5.4	17.0	7.9	5.8	4.6	.0	-3.1	2.7	12.1	2.4	19.9
Oranges, including tangerines	6.1	14.4	14.3	-4.1	10.3	22.3	-16.1	13.2	.7	15.7	-4.3
Other fresh fruits	6.4	16.0	10.3	16.1	8.9	8.9	1.0	15.8	4.6	1.4	-5.8
Fresh vegetables	1.3	25.5	-5.1	2.6	5.5	4.7	10.2	5.3	21.6	-11.4	9.3
Potatoes	27.6	-1	23.8	8.9	-4.4	-3.7	6.4	20.3	-6.5	13.7	4.8
Lettuce	-19.5	-	-36.1	-22.1	11.9	11.9	7.6	-16.9	79.8	-37.0	21.3
Tomatoes	1.0	10.4	-10.8	12.9	-7.7	-3.9	55.3	2.0	18.5	3.9	-2.1
Other fresh vegetables	1.9	14.1	2.5	4.8	11.4	7.5	2.5	7.3	21.1	-15.2	12.6
Processed fruits and vegetables	-1.1	4.6	10.8	2.5	5.4	-1.4	1.3	1.4	.5	2.8	2.5
Processed fruits	-2.4	5.8	10.8	.6	7.5	-2.3	2.5	-8	-3	3.6	2.3
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	-4.3	6.7	12.6	.1	8.8	-4.1	2.7	-1.4	-6	3.5	2.4
Canned and dried fruits	1.4	3.0	3.9	3.2	2.4	4.9	1.7	1.7	.7	3.9	2.0
Processed vegetables	.2	3.0	10.8	5.0	2.6	-4	-2	4.3	1.4	1.8	2.7
Frozen vegetables	1.3	3.0	4.3	7.1	3.1	.6	.7	4.0	.8	2.9	1.6
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	-2	2.9	14.2	3.9	2.5	-9	-5	4.3	1.7	1.3	3.3
Other food at home	3.0	.9	4.8	4.2	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	6.0	1.2	1.4
Sugar and sweets	2.3	1.6	5.1	3.8	4.4	3.6	.9	.9	.9	3.0	2.7
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	-5	1.2	7.8	4.4	2.9	.0	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.2	2.9
Sweets, including candy	3.4	1.9	4.1	3.5	5.0	4.8	1.0	.8	.5	2.6	2.7
Fats and oils	-1.4	1.7	10.0	2.6	7.7	-1.3	-7	.8	3.7	2.5	1.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	4.8	-3.5	2.9	3.0	1.9	-5	-2	2.2	14.7	-1.7	.2
Carbonated drinks	-1	1.6	1.3	5.0	.9	1.0	1.6	1.7	-3	2.9	1.6
Coffee	22.8	-14.3	5.8	-1.0	1.5	-5.2	-5.3	5.4	55.4	-9.6	-2.3
Other noncarbonated drinks	1.5	2.3	2.8	4.1	5.2	2.5	2.0	-5	.9	2.3	.9
Other prepared food	2.7	4.2	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	1.6
Canned and packaged soup	2.7	6.1	3.6	7.5	5.9	6.0	5.7	4.4	4.1	3.4	1.2
Frozen prepared food	2.3	5.8	4.7	5.4	3.4	1.6	.5	-1	.2	.6	.6
Snacks	3.1	3.1	4.8	4.1	3.9	1.3	-2	2.9	1.8	3.4	3.1
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	3.1	2.8	4.5	5.6	6.2	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	3.9	2.6
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food	2.1	4.7	6.1	6.8	6.0	3.4	1.9	3.5	3.0	2.0	.5
Food away from home	4.3	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.9	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	.5
Lunch	4.0	3.9	4.6	5.0	4.5	3.0	1.5	2.0	1.8	2.3	.5
Dinner	3.8	3.5	4.4	4.2	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.2	.5
Other meals and snacks	5.6	3.3	4.4	4.8	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	.7
Alcoholic beverages	2.0	3.3	3.9	4.8	4.2	9.9	2.9	1.5	1.0	2.0	1.6
Alcoholic beverages at home	1.4	2.3	2.3	4.3	3.8	11.6	2.1	.5	-1	.9	2.2
Beer and ale	1.8	2.1	2.8	4.7	3.6	11.8	2.8	.3	-1	.6	2.5
Wine	2.2	3.8	1.6	3.5	2.6	14.0	1.5	.5	-1.4	1.6	3.2
Distilled spirits	.7	1.2	1.9	4.4	4.9	9.2	1.4	.9	.8	.9	.8
Alcoholic beverages away from home	3.8	4.6	6.0	5.3	4.7	8.2	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	1.0

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Housing	1.7	3.7	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	1.3
Shelter	4.6	4.8	4.5	4.9	5.2	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5	1.6
Renters' costs	5.0	3.9	3.9	4.5	6.7	4.2	2.8	2.6	2.3	3.0	4.2
Rent, residential	5.0	4.0	3.6	4.2	4.1	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	.6
Other renters' costs	5.0	4.1	4.8	5.5	14.4	8.1	4.1	3.7	1.6	4.3	13.1
Lodging while out of town	4.4	3.9	4.5	5.4	15.8	8.5	3.8	3.8	1.3	4.3	14.9
Lodging while at school	6.4	6.2	6.6	7.4	6.3	5.8	7.3	2.8	4.2	4.3	.0
Tenants' insurance	5.4	3.6	3.3	2.4	1.5	2.1	2.9	3.3	4.1	2.2	.6
Homeowners' costs	4.6	5.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	3.7	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	.6
Owners' equivalent rent	4.6	5.3	4.8	5.1	4.8	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	.6
Household insurance	5.7	3.8	3.5	2.6	1.9	2.6	3.1	3.3	4.3	1.9	.5
Maintenance and repairs	1.8	3.3	2.2	3.2	3.6	3.5	.9	-1.3	4.0	2.9	.7
Maintenance and repair services	1.6	4.3	1.5	3.2	5.5	1.9	2.9	-3.3	4.7	3.7	1.2
Maintenance and repair commodities	1.8	2.0	3.0	3.0	.9	5.9	-1.9	1.8	2.7	1.8	-1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs	-	2.2	2.5	4.4	2.1	4.1	1.0	1.4	1.7	-4	-2
Other maintenance and repair commodities	-3	1.6	3.6	2.0	-2	7.4	-4.3	2.2	3.5	3.7	-2
Fuel and other utilities	-5.6	1.6	2.9	3.2	4.0	2.9	2.3	2.5	.2	1.4	1.2
Fuels	-9.5	1.4	2.4	3.9	4.3	.9	2.3	1.7	-5	.7	.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	-30.0	12.9	-4.6	15.5	28.6	-17.0	-3.1	-3.8	.1	1.4	10.8
Fuel oil	-33.3	17.9	-6.3	19.5	29.9	-19.9	-3.4	-4.6	.0	1.5	12.3
Other household fuel commodities	-	2.6	-3	5.9	25.9	-9.6	-2.4	-2.0	.4	.8	7.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	-3.3	.2	3.2	2.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	2.2	-6	.8	-1
Electricity	-1.5	1.8	2.8	2.8	1.4	5.0	1.7	.6	.6	2.7	.4
Utility (piped) gas	-5.8	-2.9	3.6	2.7	1.8	.3	5.1	5.8	-3.2	-3.6	-1.2
Other utilities and public services	3.7	1.9	3.8	2.2	3.5	5.7	2.4	3.6	1.2	2.2	1.6
Telephone services	2.7	-1.3	1.3	-3	-4	3.5	-3	1.8	.7	1.2	.6
Local charges	7.1	3.3	4.5	.6	1.0	5.1	.5	1.0	-3	2.6	-1
Interstate toll calls	-9.4	-12.4	-4.2	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	2.9
Intrastate toll calls	.3	-3.0	-4.2	-2.6	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.2	-1.0	-3.8	.8
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.4	5.2	6.1	6.6	6.2	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.2	2.9	3.6
Cable television	3.8	9.5	10.6	3.8	13.1	8.6	3.7	7.0	-2.6	4.1	2.4
Refuse collection	9.4	10.2	7.9	9.7	9.8	11.5	8.5	5.2	5.0	2.9	.4
Household furnishings and operation	1.5	1.1	3.1	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.8	.4	2.5	.6
Housefurnishings	1.2	.4	2.5	-4	.6	.9	1.5	1.5	.0	.7	.5
Textile housefurnishings	2.6	.2	5.8	-3	2.5	1.9	-1.9	6.6	-3.6	.5	1.3
Furniture and bedding	2.2	2.1	3.5	-1.4	1.1	1.0	4.5	3.6	1.6	4.2	-4
Bedroom furniture	3.5	.2	4.7	-2.1	-1.3	4.1	6.1	5.3	-1.9	2.3	-6
Sofas	7.2	4.5	.8	-7	.4	.6	3.4	-1.5	6.6	10.3	-1.0
Living room chairs and tables	.5	2.2	3.3	-4	5.5	-2.2	3.6	7.7	.5	5.9	-7
Other furniture	-8	2.4	4.0	-1.6	1.9	-3	3.8	3.1	2.9	1.6	.6
Appliances, including electronic equipment	-1.0	-2.7	.7	-1.8	-2.4	-1.7	-1.6	-8	-1.2	-3.9	.4
Video and audio products	-2.2	-3.7	-1.4	-5	-3.6	-8	-1.8	-8	-2.1	-3.9	.3
Televisions	-4.3	-4.4	-1.4	-1.3	-3.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	-4.0	-6
Video products other than televisions	-	-	-	-4.9	-9.5	-5.5	-3.4	-2.0	-6.6	-6.7	-7
Audio products	-9	1.0	-4	2.6	-1.1	1.8	-1.5	.4	-1.0	-2.6	1.1
Major household appliances	-	-1.2	3.6	-1.4	-3	-2.1	.5	1.5	3.6	-1.8	.8
Refrigerators and home freezers	-1.2	.9	1.6	1.3	-1.0	-1.7	.7	4.4	4.9	-1.9	.8
Laundry equipment	-5	-1.3	4.2	-1.0	1.2	-1.5	.7	.8	3.3	-7	1.4
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners	-	-2.8	4.8	-3.3	-1.1	-3.0	.2	.1	2.4	-2.7	.3
Information processing equipment	-	-	-	-7.3	-2.6	-4.1	-6.1	-7.6	-9.1	-10.7	-1.0
Other housefurnishings	-	1.8	2.2	1.8	2.0	3.0	2.1	.0	.4	.8	1.2
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment	3.7	5.5	-6	4.5	7.3	-1.9	2.1	2.6	.4	4.7	.8
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	-1.7	1.7	3.0	6.5	-2	4.6	2.1	-1.7	-3	3.7	-7
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware	2.9	1.3	2.6	1.8	1.3	6.9	1.4	.8	.5	-3.4	4.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware	-1.6	1.3	-3	-3.1	1.9	.0	.1	3.7	.5	.7	-3
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances	-	-1.6	1.6	-2.8	-9	-4	1.0	-3.4	-2.1	-3.6	1.0
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	5.6	-2.7	3.7	1.3	2.8
Housekeeping supplies	1.7	2.9	4.0	5.6	3.2	1.8	-2	1.9	.8	5.2	.8
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap	1.9	4.6	4.2	4.6	4.0	4.2	-4	-1	1.5	1.5	.4
Household paper products and stationery supplies	1.1	.7	5.8	5.5	3.8	.3	.2	2.3	.2	10.6	.6
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies	1.8	3.2	2.2	7.0	1.6	.7	-6	3.7	.5	3.9	1.6
Housekeeping services	1.8	1.8	4.0	1.5	4.0	5.8	3.8	2.2	1.4	4.5	.9
Postage	.0	.0	13.5	.0	.0	16.1	.0	.0	.0	10.3	.0
Appliance and furniture repair	2.6	3.1	2.7	1.9	3.4	4.3	6.9	2.5	1.0	4.4	.6
Gardening and other household services	-	4.9	4.1	3.7	4.0	2.1	4.9	1.8	.6	1.9	1.7

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

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Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	0.9	4.8	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	0.9	-1.6	0.1	3.2
Apparel commodities	.4	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-.1	3.5
Apparel commodities less footwear	.3	5.1	4.6	.7	5.3	3.6	.9	.7	-1.8	-.2	3.6
Men's and boys'	.2	3.1	6.0	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.0	.3	-1.7	.6	2.5
Men's	.1	4.0	6.1	1.9	3.2	3.1	1.3	.0	-1.4	.1	2.7
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	1.6	3.4	9.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	1.1	3.5	-1.0	-1.7	.5
Furnishings and special clothing	.6	.6	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	-.5	-.2	-2.2	1.8
Shirts	-.7	6.4	6.3	.2	4.1	4.1	1.1	-2.8	-2.7	3.7	4.2
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	-1.9	5.8	4.8	1.8	4.5	3.4	2.5	-1.1	-1.6	1.0	5.0
Boys'	.4	-.5	4.9	-1.0	1.4	2.8	-1.0	1.8	-3.3	2.7	1.4
Women's and girls'	-.6	5.9	3.5	-.1	6.1	4.0	.5	1.2	-3.8	-.8	4.2
Women's	-.7	6.0	2.9	.2	6.6	3.1	.3	2.0	-4.4	-1.0	4.3
Coats and jackets	-7.3	4.5	.5	4.2	7.6	3.3	4.2	4.4	-9.7	3.8	-1.9
Dresses	-.9	13.3	3.0	-.8	7.0	-2.4	2.1	-2.7	-11.1	1.4	3.3
Separates and sportswear	1.0	5.1	2.1	-.5	6.1	4.1	-1.3	2.9	-3.5	-2.9	5.4
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	.1	.5	5.8	1.7	4.3	2.3	.7	1.4	1.1	2.0	2.2
Suits	.3	10.2	5.3	-2.2	11.8	10.1	.9	4.3	.3	-5.0	10.8
Girls'	1.2	4.8	6.4	-1.0	3.5	8.8	2.1	-3.3	-.7	.4	3.4
Infants' and toddlers'	2.9	2.4	2.4	-1.7	8.9	2.9	1.2	-2.8	3.3	-2.0	3.6
Other apparel commodities	2.6	8.4	7.0	3.1	6.5	3.5	2.6	1.2	4.3	1.4	4.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	-	2.7	6.3	1.8	6.8	2.0	1.4	-1.3	.0	9.1	1.7
Watches and jewelry	-	9.7	7.2	3.3	6.5	3.9	2.8	1.7	5.0	.0	4.6
Watches	-	3.4	4.4	-.2	2.5	3.4	-1.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	1.8
Jewelry	-	11.5	7.9	4.3	7.5	3.9	3.8	.9	5.1	-1.1	5.2
Footwear	.5	3.8	5.9	1.1	3.2	2.9	2.7	.6	-1.7	.4	3.2
Men's	2.7	2.6	7.0	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.7	.2	-.8	-.5	.8
Boys' and girls'	2.0	7.0	4.3	3.3	3.7	-.2	-1.0	.5	1.0	1.5	4.1
Women's	-2.5	3.3	5.8	-.7	3.2	4.1	4.4	.7	-3.6	.6	4.3
Apparel services	3.8	3.9	4.4	3.6	6.8	3.4	3.3	2.7	1.7	.8	.8
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated	3.7	5.2	5.4	3.9	5.4	3.0	3.2	3.2	1.8	.8	.9
Other apparel services	4.0	2.6	3.3	3.4	8.5	3.6	3.5	2.3	1.4	1.0	.5
Transportation	-5.9	6.1	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	1.5
Private	-6.9	6.5	2.9	3.9	9.8	-1.4	2.7	1.5	4.9	1.3	1.2
New vehicles	5.6	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.2	2.3	3.3	3.3	1.9	.6
New cars	5.9	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.4	3.3	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.6	.6
Subcompact new cars	-	1.9	2.2	1.0	.4	4.1	2.7	3.5	3.3	1.9	.2
Compact new cars	-	1.4	1.1	2.1	1.7	2.3	.7	3.2	4.3	1.6	1.2
Intermediate new cars	-	.5	1.4	3.6	1.6	3.6	2.1	2.1	3.4	1.4	.2
Full-size new cars	-	3.2	2.5	3.0	1.5	3.7	1.7	3.0	1.9	1.2	-.6
Luxury new cars	-	4.1	5.2	2.0	2.5	2.7	3.6	1.8	2.8	2.1	2.2
New trucks	4.3	1.3	2.2	3.3	4.2	3.0	2.5	4.6	3.7	2.8	.3
New motorcycles	-	4.1	5.3	4.2	2.8	5.4	4.0	7.2	7.9	5.1	2.6
Used cars	-5.1	8.9	3.4	-.4	-2.2	2.6	7.4	8.0	8.8	4.4	-.6
Motor fuel	-30.7	18.7	-2.1	6.8	36.5	-16.0	1.8	-5.4	5.9	-4.0	5.2
Gasoline	-30.7	18.6	-1.8	6.5	36.8	-16.2	2.0	-5.9	6.4	-4.2	5.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	-31.6	18.5	-2.5	5.5	38.9	-16.7	1.9	-6.7	7.2	-4.4	5.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	5.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium	-26.6	15.6	-.7	6.1	32.0	-14.6	1.8	-4.7	5.2	-4.8	4.4
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	.8
Body work	3.7	5.5	4.6	6.0	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.8	3.5	1.4
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair	4.3	3.1	4.3	5.0	5.5	4.0	4.4	3.9	3.7	2.0	.8
Maintenance and servicing	3.9	4.0	3.3	3.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.1	.7
Power plant repair	2.8	3.6	3.9	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.4	3.8	3.3	3.2	.6
Other private transportation	5.7	4.7	7.0	4.9	5.5	3.6	2.3	2.3	5.4	2.9	.1
Other private transportation commodities	-.8	1.8	2.9	2.0	1.5	1.4	-.6	-1.3	1.0	.9	.1
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-.8	-2.0	9.6	-.3	7.0	.8	-.3	.6	6.1	3.2	1.7
Automobile parts and equipment	-.8	2.1	2.3	2.2	.9	1.6	-.6	-1.6	.5	.5	.0
Tires	-1.6	1.4	4.0	2.3	-.1	2.3	-.5	-1.4	2.2	.2	.1
Other parts and equipment	1.1	2.7	.8	2.1	2.0	.7	-.6	-1.6	-1.3	.9	-.3
Other private transportation services	6.8	5.4	7.8	5.5	6.4	4.0	2.8	2.8	6.2	3.2	.0
Automobile insurance	11.8	5.8	8.4	5.9	7.5	8.0	6.6	5.0	3.4	4.3	.2
Automobile finance charges	-7.3	5.9	8.3	4.3	.0	-7.1	-13.9	-5.6	23.0	2.0	-3.5
Automobile fees	6.2	3.5	5.5	5.7	9.9	2.8	6.2	2.2	3.6	.6	2.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees	3.3	1.7	6.1	6.4	17.2	4.2	6.2	2.4	.4	1.7	-.2
Other automobile-related fees	10.0	5.2	5.1	5.1	3.0	1.4	6.3	2.0	7.2	-.5	5.6
Public transportation	6.0	1.8	3.6	4.1	17.2	-3.0	5.6	11.6	-6.2	3.1	4.8
Airline fares	5.3	1.6	3.3	5.3	22.7	-6.0	6.6	17.0	-9.5	1.8	5.3
Other intercity transportation	4.9	2.0	7.1	1.7	6.6	2.4	.1	-2.8	2.3	.8	2.2
Intracity public transportation	6.8	2.4	2.9	2.1	7.7	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.0	7.6	4.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Medical care	7.7	5.8	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	1.3
Medical care commodities	6.8	7.1	6.9	8.2	8.4	7.5	5.2	3.1	3.0	1.8	1.1
Prescription drugs	9.0	8.0	7.8	9.5	9.9	9.4	5.7	3.3	3.3	2.0	1.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	-	5.4	5.0	5.8	5.5	3.6	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.4	.6
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	5.0	6.1	5.3	5.6	6.0	2.5	4.4	2.7	.8	.8	.8
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	4.1	3.9	4.6	6.1	4.5	5.7	2.9	2.6	4.9	2.4	.4
Medical care services	7.9	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	1.3
Professional medical services	6.3	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.7	4.5	4.6	4.0	1.3
Physicians' services	7.7	6.3	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	1.4
Dental services	5.5	7.2	6.7	6.4	6.7	8.2	5.8	4.4	5.4	4.5	1.4
Eye care	-	5.3	4.7	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.7	2.0	3.3	2.4	.7
Services by other medical professionals	-	4.5	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.5	3.1	3.2	4.0	.8	1.0
Hospital and related services	7.2	7.0	11.0	11.3	11.3	8.9	8.8	7.6	5.5	4.6	1.5
Hospital rooms	7.7	6.6	10.4	11.0	10.6	8.4	8.9	7.5	5.3	4.7	1.1
Other inpatient services	-	7.2	12.7	11.5	12.1	8.7	8.2	7.5	5.7	4.4	1.9
Outpatient services	-	7.1	9.2	11.7	11.2	9.8	9.8	7.9	5.5	4.8	1.5
Entertainment	3.4	4.0	4.6	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	1.4
Entertainment commodities	1.8	3.8	4.4	3.5	3.0	3.5	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.9	1.4
Reading materials	4.3	3.7	4.2	4.7	4.6	6.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	5.9	.9
Newspapers	3.7	4.6	4.8	3.9	4.7	9.7	4.0	4.3	5.0	7.6	1.6
Magazines, periodicals, and books	4.9	2.7	3.7	5.3	4.6	3.3	3.5	2.8	2.2	4.1	.2
Sporting goods and equipment	-2.7	3.6	4.4	2.1	1.8	3.7	.1	.3	3.2	-6	1.5
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	-3.5	3.0	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.5	2.1	-1	3.9	.1	1.9
Other sporting goods	.2	4.2	4.7	1.9	1.4	5.6	-1.5	.5	2.5	-1.1	1.2
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment	2.9	3.8	4.5	3.4	2.3	1.3	1.0	1.4	-.5	2.1	1.9
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	2.1	4.5	4.1	2.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.5	-.9	1.0	2.1
Photographic supplies and equipment	5.9	6.3	5.8	3.4	1.4	.9	2.2	1.7	-3.2	1.9	.1
Pet supplies and expense	2.3	2.2	4.6	4.4	3.7	1.7	-1.0	.9	1.0	3.5	2.2
Entertainment services	5.4	4.3	4.6	6.8	5.4	4.4	3.7	3.5	2.7	3.7	1.4
Club memberships	-	1.7	7.3	4.0	4.9	3.4	2.3	3.3	-.6	2.3	.8
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships	-	7.0	5.8	7.7	5.5	4.9	4.9	8.0	2.6	2.4	2.3
Admissions	5.1	6.8	3.8	9.5	5.2	4.8	3.9	1.8	4.0	5.3	1.5
Fees for lessons or instructions	-	5.0	4.6	8.9	4.8	5.6	5.1	4.0	4.9	3.0	1.3
Other entertainment services	-	1.7	3.3	4.3	6.0	3.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.9	1.1
Other goods and services	5.5	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	.9
Tobacco and smoking products	5.9	7.9	9.4	14.7	10.8	11.1	8.1	-5.9	3.0	2.7	1.2
Personal care	2.5	3.3	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.5	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.1	.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.5	2.8	5.7	2.5	4.2	2.7	3.3	1.7	1.8	1.1	-.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.7	2.8	5.3	1.9	5.9	3.0	1.4	4.7	1.0	1.5	-.7
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.4	2.7	6.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	4.8	-.5	2.3	.8	.4
Personal care services	2.6	3.8	4.4	5.4	4.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.1	3.4	.6
Beauty parlor services for females	2.5	3.9	4.2	5.7	4.2	2.0	2.2	3.6	2.1	3.3	.7
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	2.8	3.9	4.6	4.2	3.5	2.9	3.5	2.5	2.6	3.7	.5
Personal and educational expenses	8.0	6.5	6.7	7.2	7.5	8.4	6.9	6.5	5.4	5.5	1.0
School books and supplies	7.6	7.6	6.9	7.8	6.5	5.7	4.9	3.4	3.5	5.6	2.8
Personal and educational services	8.1	6.4	6.7	7.2	7.6	8.6	7.0	6.7	5.5	5.5	.8
Tuition and other school fees	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.9	9.8	8.5	7.1	5.9	5.6	.4
College tuition	7.4	7.0	7.7	8.1	8.2	12.1	10.0	7.9	6.3	5.7	.3
Elementary and high school tuition	9.2	9.8	8.4	8.8	8.7	7.5	7.9	5.9	6.2	6.6	.0
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	.7
Personal expenses	8.9	4.4	5.1	5.8	7.0	6.4	4.3	5.8	4.8	5.3	1.7
Legal service fees	-	5.2	4.5	6.3	6.8	5.7	4.0	5.8	1.9	3.8	1.0
Personal financial services	-	4.1	6.9	5.9	7.7	8.3	5.0	6.6	7.8	7.1	2.5
Funeral expenses	-	3.9	4.1	4.8	6.6	5.9	4.1	5.4	5.8	5.4	1.9
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.3	3.8	5.9	6.7	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.5	2.3	1.5
Selected beef cuts	.2	6.3	4.1	6.8	8.3	-1.0	.2	3.6	-2.9	-1.2	-.5
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	-30.1	18.1	-1.8	6.7	36.0	-15.8	1.8	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	5.1
Utilities and public transportation	.4	1.1	3.5	2.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	-1.0	1.8	1.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services	1.8	2.0	3.8	1.6	4.1	5.4	3.7	1.8	1.6	4.5	.8

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. City Average, all items

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	-	-	10.0	-	-
1914	10.1	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.2	10.2	10.2	-	-	10.1	1.0	1.0
1915	10.2	10.1	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.4	-	-	10.2	2.0	1.0
1916	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.9	10.9	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.5	11.6	-	-	11.0	11.5	7.8
1917	11.8	12.0	12.1	12.6	12.9	13.0	12.9	13.1	13.3	13.6	13.6	13.8	-	-	12.9	19.0	17.3
1918	14.0	14.2	14.1	14.3	14.5	14.8	15.2	15.4	15.8	16.1	16.3	16.6	-	-	15.1	20.3	17.1
1919	16.6	16.2	16.5	16.8	17.0	17.0	17.5	17.8	17.9	18.2	18.6	19.0	-	-	17.4	14.5	15.2
1920	19.4	19.6	19.8	20.4	20.7	21.0	20.9	20.4	20.1	20.0	19.9	19.5	-	-	20.1	2.6	15.5
1921	19.1	18.5	18.4	18.2	17.8	17.7	17.8	17.8	17.6	17.6	17.5	17.4	-	-	18.0	-10.8	-10.4
1922	17.0	17.0	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.9	16.7	16.7	16.8	16.9	17.0	-	-	16.9	-2.3	-6.1
1923	16.9	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.0	17.1	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.4	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.2	2.4	1.8
1924	17.4	17.3	17.2	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.1	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.4	-	-	17.2	.0	.0
1925	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.6	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	18.1	18.0	-	-	17.6	3.4	2.3
1926	18.0	18.0	17.9	18.0	17.9	17.8	17.6	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.8	17.8	-	-	17.8	-1.1	1.1
1927	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.4	17.5	17.7	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.5	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.5	-2.2	-1.7
1928	17.4	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.3	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.4	17.3	17.3	17.2	-	-	17.2	-1.1	-1.7
1929	17.2	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.2	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.3	-	-	17.2	.6	.0
1930	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.0	16.9	16.7	16.6	16.7	16.6	16.5	16.2	-	-	16.8	-6.4	-2.3
1931	16.0	15.7	15.6	15.5	15.4	15.2	15.2	15.1	15.1	15.0	14.8	14.7	-	-	15.3	-9.3	-8.9
1932	14.4	14.2	14.1	14.0	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.5	13.5	13.4	13.3	13.2	-	-	13.7	-10.2	-10.5
1933	13.0	12.8	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.8	13.2	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.2	-	-	13.0	.0	-5.1
1934	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.5	13.7	13.6	13.5	13.5	-	-	13.5	2.3	3.8
1935	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.9	13.9	-	-	13.8	3.0	2.2
1936	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	-	-	13.9	1.4	.7
1937	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.6	14.7	14.6	14.5	14.5	-	-	14.4	2.8	3.6
1938	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.1	-	-	14.2	-2.8	-1.4
1939	14.0	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.0	-	-	14.0	-.7	-1.4
1940	14.0	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.2	-	-	14.1	1.4	.7
1941	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.4	14.5	14.7	14.8	14.9	15.2	15.4	15.5	15.5	-	-	14.8	9.2	5.0
1942	15.7	15.9	16.1	16.2	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.6	16.6	16.8	16.9	17.0	-	-	16.4	9.7	10.8
1943	17.0	17.0	17.3	17.5	17.6	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	-	-	17.4	2.9	6.1
1944	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.6	17.7	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.9	-	-	17.7	2.3	1.7
1945	17.9	17.9	17.9	17.9	18.0	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.3	-	-	18.1	2.2	2.3
1946	18.3	18.2	18.4	18.5	18.6	18.8	19.9	20.3	20.5	20.9	21.5	21.6	-	-	19.6	18.0	8.3
1947	21.6	21.6	22.1	22.1	22.0	22.2	22.4	22.6	23.1	23.1	23.3	23.6	-	-	22.5	9.3	14.8
1948	23.8	23.6	23.6	23.9	24.1	24.2	24.5	24.6	24.6	24.5	24.4	24.2	-	-	24.2	2.5	7.6
1949	24.2	23.9	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	23.8	23.9	24.0	23.9	23.9	23.8	-	-	24.0	-1.7	-8
1950	23.7	23.6	23.7	23.7	23.8	24.0	24.2	24.4	24.6	24.7	24.8	25.1	-	-	24.2	5.5	.8
1951	25.5	25.9	26.0	26.0	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.3	26.4	26.5	26.6	-	-	26.1	6.0	7.9
1952	26.6	26.5	26.5	26.6	26.6	26.7	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	-	-	26.7	1.1	2.3
1953	26.8	26.7	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	27.0	27.1	27.1	27.2	27.1	27.0	-	-	26.9	.4	.7
1954	27.1	27.1	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.1	27.1	27.1	27.0	26.9	27.0	26.9	-	-	27.0	-.4	.4
1955	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	27.0	26.9	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.0	-	-	26.9	.4	-.4
1956	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.2	27.3	27.5	27.5	27.5	27.7	27.7	27.8	-	-	27.3	3.0	1.5
1957	27.8	27.9	28.0	28.1	28.1	28.3	28.4	28.5	28.5	28.5	28.6	28.6	-	-	28.3	2.9	3.7
1958	28.8	28.8	29.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	-	-	29.1	1.7	2.8
1959	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.2	29.3	29.4	29.3	29.4	29.5	29.5	29.5	-	-	29.3	1.4	.7

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. City Average, all items—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1960	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.7	29.7	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.9	30.0	30.0	-	-	29.8	1.7	1.7
1961	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.1	30.1	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.2	-	-	30.1	.7	1.0
1962	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.6	30.6	30.6	30.6	-	-	30.4	1.3	1.0
1963	30.6	30.6	30.7	30.7	30.7	30.8	30.9	30.9	30.9	31.0	31.0	31.1	-	-	30.8	1.6	1.3
1964	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.2	31.3	31.2	31.3	31.3	31.4	31.4	-	-	31.2	1.0	1.3
1965	31.4	31.4	31.5	31.6	31.6	31.8	31.8	31.8	31.8	31.9	31.9	32.0	-	-	31.7	1.9	1.6
1966	32.0	32.2	32.3	32.5	32.5	32.6	32.7	32.9	32.9	33.1	33.1	33.1	-	-	32.6	3.4	2.8
1967	33.1	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.4	33.5	33.6	33.7	33.8	33.9	34.0	34.1	-	-	33.6	3.0	3.1
1968	34.2	34.3	34.5	34.6	34.7	34.9	35.1	35.2	35.3	35.5	35.6	35.7	-	-	35.0	4.7	4.2
1969	35.8	36.0	36.3	36.5	36.6	36.8	37.0	37.2	37.3	37.5	37.7	37.9	-	-	36.9	6.2	5.4
1970	38.0	38.2	38.4	38.7	38.8	39.0	39.2	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.8	40.0	-	-	39.0	5.5	5.7
1971	40.0	40.1	40.2	40.4	40.6	40.8	40.9	41.0	41.0	41.1	41.2	41.3	-	-	40.7	3.3	4.4
1972	41.4	41.6	41.6	41.7	41.9	42.0	42.1	42.2	42.4	42.5	42.6	42.7	-	-	42.1	3.4	3.4
1973	42.9	43.2	43.6	43.9	44.1	44.4	44.5	45.4	45.5	45.9	46.2	46.5	-	-	44.7	8.9	6.2
1974	46.9	47.5	48.0	48.3	48.8	49.3	49.7	50.3	50.9	51.4	51.8	52.2	-	-	49.6	12.3	11.0
1975	52.4	52.8	53.0	53.2	53.5	53.9	54.5	54.7	54.9	55.3	55.6	55.8	-	-	54.1	6.9	9.1
1976	56.0	56.1	56.2	56.5	56.8	57.1	57.4	57.7	57.9	58.2	58.3	58.5	-	-	57.2	4.8	5.7
1977	58.9	59.5	59.8	60.3	60.6	61.0	61.3	61.5	61.8	61.9	62.2	62.5	-	-	60.9	6.8	6.5
1978	62.8	63.2	63.7	64.3	64.9	65.6	66.0	66.4	66.8	67.4	67.7	68.1	-	-	65.6	9.0	7.7
1979	68.7	69.5	70.3	71.1	71.9	72.8	73.7	74.4	75.1	75.7	76.4	77.2	-	-	73.1	13.4	11.4
1980	78.3	79.4	80.5	81.4	82.3	83.2	83.3	83.8	84.6	85.3	86.1	86.9	-	-	82.9	12.6	13.4
1981	87.5	88.5	89.0	89.6	90.3	91.1	92.2	92.8	93.7	93.9	94.1	94.4	-	-	91.4	8.6	10.3
1982	94.7	95.0	94.8	95.2	96.2	97.4	98.0	98.2	98.3	98.6	98.4	98.0	-	-	96.9	3.8	6.0
1983	98.1	98.1	98.4	99.0	99.5	99.8	100.1	100.5	101.0	101.2	101.2	101.2	-	-	99.8	3.3	3.0
1984	101.6	101.8	101.8	102.1	102.5	102.8	103.2	104.2	104.8	104.8	104.7	104.8	102.1	104.4	103.3	3.6	3.5
1985	104.9	105.4	105.9	106.3	106.7	107.0	107.1	107.3	107.6	107.9	108.3	108.6	106.0	107.8	106.9	3.6	3.5
1986	108.9	108.5	107.9	107.6	107.9	108.4	108.4	108.6	109.1	109.1	109.2	109.3	108.2	109.0	108.6	.6	1.6
1987	110.0	110.5	111.0	111.6	111.9	112.4	112.7	113.3	113.8	114.1	114.3	114.2	111.2	113.7	112.5	4.5	3.6
1988	114.5	114.7	115.1	115.7	116.2	116.7	117.2	117.7	118.5	118.9	119.0	119.2	115.5	118.4	117.0	4.4	4.0
1989	119.7	120.2	120.8	121.8	122.5	122.8	123.2	123.2	123.6	124.2	124.4	124.6	121.3	123.9	122.6	4.5	4.8
1990	125.9	126.4	127.1	127.3	127.5	128.3	128.7	129.9	131.1	131.9	132.2	132.2	127.1	131.0	129.0	6.1	5.2
1991	132.8	132.8	133.0	133.3	133.8	134.1	134.3	134.6	135.2	135.4	135.8	135.9	133.3	135.2	134.3	2.8	4.1
1992	136.0	136.4	137.0	137.3	137.6	138.1	138.4	138.8	139.1	139.6	139.8	139.8	137.1	139.3	138.2	2.9	2.9
1993	140.3	140.7	141.1	141.6	141.9	142.0	142.1	142.4	142.6	143.3	143.4	143.3	141.3	142.9	142.1	2.5	2.8
1994	143.6	144.0	144.4	144.7	144.9	145.4	145.8	146.5	146.9	147.0	147.3	147.2	144.5	146.8	145.6	2.7	2.5
1995	147.8	148.3	148.7	149.3	149.6	149.9	149.9	150.2	150.6	151.0	150.9	150.9	148.9	150.6	149.8	2.5	2.9
1996	151.7	152.2	152.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Commodity and service group											
All items	109.3	114.2	119.2	124.6	132.2	135.9	139.8	143.3	147.2	150.9	152.9
Commodities	104.0	108.9	113.0	117.8	125.8	127.0	129.8	131.6	134.8	136.9	139.1
Food and beverages	110.7	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	151.5
Commodities less food and beverages	99.8	105.4	108.6	112.1	121.0	120.9	124.1	124.7	127.6	129.0	131.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	95.2	102.8	106.3	111.6	126.2	124.2	127.3	125.7	127.7	128.3	132.2
Apparel commodities	105.8	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	130.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	92.3	101.2	104.1	111.7	131.0	126.2	129.9	127.2	131.3	132.1	135.7
Durables	105.3	108.0	110.7	112.0	112.6	115.3	118.7	122.3	126.5	128.9	129.3
Services	116.4	121.3	127.2	133.4	140.7	147.0	152.1	157.6	162.4	167.9	169.8
Rent of shelter ¹	111.1	116.4	121.5	127.5	133.9	139.1	143.0	147.3	151.7	156.9	158.9
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	101.8	103.1	106.8	109.3	112.2	117.6	120.8	124.2	124.9	127.2	128.4
Transportation services	118.5	123.6	131.2	137.8	147.9	152.5	157.2	163.3	169.2	174.9	176.4
Medical care services	125.7	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	230.4
Other services	121.6	127.9	135.0	143.8	152.8	162.0	169.9	178.5	185.9	194.0	195.9
Special indexes											
All items less food	109.0	114.1	118.8	124.0	131.7	135.7	140.0	143.4	147.4	151.1	153.2
All items less shelter	107.8	112.5	117.4	122.6	130.6	133.7	137.6	140.8	144.6	147.8	149.8
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	103.4	107.8	112.4	117.4	124.9	128.1	131.8	134.9	138.4	141.5	143.7
All items less medical care	108.4	113.2	117.9	123.1	130.4	133.6	137.2	140.4	144.0	147.5	149.5
Commodities less food	100.2	105.6	108.9	112.6	121.2	121.8	125.0	125.7	128.5	130.0	132.4
Nondurables less food	96.1	103.3	106.9	112.2	126.0	125.3	128.4	127.1	129.0	129.8	133.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	93.6	101.8	104.9	112.2	129.7	127.0	130.7	128.6	132.4	133.4	136.9
Nondurables	103.2	108.8	113.5	119.5	130.1	130.8	133.4	134.5	137.4	139.3	142.1
Services less rent of shelter ¹	108.3	112.2	118.1	123.9	131.1	137.9	143.5	149.5	154.0	159.2	160.7
Services less medical care services	115.4	120.1	125.6	131.4	138.1	143.9	148.4	153.4	157.6	162.8	164.6
Energy	80.7	87.8	88.1	92.7	110.5	101.6	103.5	101.7	104.2	102.6	105.8
All items less energy	113.4	118.0	123.6	129.1	135.5	140.8	144.9	149.1	153.3	157.6	159.5
All items less food and energy	114.1	119.0	124.4	129.7	136.0	142.0	146.6	150.9	155.1	159.7	161.7
Commodities less food and energy commodities	108.6	112.6	117.0	120.2	124.0	128.9	132.7	134.7	137.1	139.6	141.4
Energy commodities	69.6	82.1	80.3	86.4	117.1	98.4	99.5	94.3	99.4	96.0	101.5
Services less energy services	118.2	123.7	129.8	136.4	144.3	151.0	156.3	162.1	167.5	173.4	175.5
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	110.7	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	151.5
Food	110.7	114.5	120.4	127.1	133.9	136.3	138.3	142.2	146.2	149.4	151.1
Food at home	108.9	112.5	118.8	126.2	133.5	135.0	137.0	141.7	146.3	149.5	151.6
Cereals and bakery products	112.2	116.9	126.7	136.0	142.3	147.2	153.0	158.6	163.9	169.2	171.6
Cereals and cereal products	110.4	115.8	126.8	136.1	143.1	148.2	153.5	158.7	163.6	167.8	169.9
Flour and prepared flour mixes	104.3	105.5	112.6	120.8	123.5	123.3	129.5	129.3	131.5	140.0	146.8
Cereal	119.6	126.7	138.9	152.4	163.3	171.1	177.7	186.1	190.5	193.6	194.9
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	101.6	106.6	118.7	120.4	122.9	126.4	128.9	131.7	139.6	143.1	143.7
Bakery products	112.8	117.2	126.4	135.7	141.6	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.5	172.1
White bread	108.4	113.1	125.7	133.3	138.2	140.2	145.9	155.9	160.2	169.4	172.3
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	109.5	113.4	124.3	132.7	139.1	144.1	151.6	155.8	163.2	170.7	174.2
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	116.4	121.3	128.7	138.8	146.7	153.7	157.3	162.5	168.5	170.7	170.7
Other bakery products	116.7	120.7	126.7	137.8	142.4	147.9	155.5	158.4	163.6	168.0	171.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	109.0	110.1	115.8	123.8	133.6	131.5	132.1	136.9	136.0	141.7	142.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	109.3	111.7	116.9	123.0	133.9	132.0	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.4	142.0
Meats	106.7	110.4	112.7	120.1	133.8	130.8	131.2	136.0	133.7	137.3	137.7
Beef and veal	101.8	108.6	114.6	122.3	133.2	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.4	134.2
Ground beef other than canned	96.5	102.2	104.7	112.6	121.2	119.5	118.8	123.2	117.7	115.7	114.1
Chuck roast	100.4	105.5	112.9	123.9	136.6	138.5	140.1	143.5	141.2	142.2	138.5
Round roast	96.0	101.9	108.1	116.2	128.0	125.9	129.1	130.1	132.3	128.6	131.2
Round steak	101.4	108.5	112.0	118.9	130.3	130.1	129.8	133.3	131.5	128.9	129.0
Sirloin steak	103.3	113.4	121.3	124.6	131.9	128.5	130.4	138.8	137.2	134.9	140.2
Other beef and veal	107.2	115.2	125.7	133.4	147.0	145.4	148.6	154.5	153.0	156.7	157.2
Pork	115.0	112.9	109.6	117.3	136.8	128.6	127.7	133.4	130.3	140.0	141.0
Bacon	112.7	107.9	96.7	105.0	123.0	108.5	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.0	131.5
Chops	116.3	114.5	114.7	124.1	142.6	136.4	140.0	146.5	139.3	146.9	150.1
Ham	121.1	117.5	115.7	121.6	143.7	136.8	134.9	136.9	134.9	144.6	145.1
Other pork, including sausage	111.2	111.3	108.5	115.8	135.1	127.8	126.0	130.2	128.8	137.2	136.8
Other meats	107.5	111.8	112.7	119.0	131.3	132.3	132.6	136.1	136.9	141.2	142.1
Poultry	118.6	107.4	126.9	127.4	129.2	129.8	133.4	140.7	140.2	146.0	147.4
Fresh whole chicken	121.2	107.4	131.0	130.0	130.3	129.8	135.4	141.3	139.7	145.2	146.7
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	120.8	110.2	131.1	129.7	132.7	134.3	136.5	146.4	143.0	150.0	149.5
Other poultry	111.7	103.6	112.5	120.1	121.8	122.2	125.7	129.7	138.2	141.8	147.8
Fish and seafood	121.5	133.6	139.7	144.8	148.8	151.2	153.8	158.8	167.1	172.3	173.5
Canned fish and seafood	99.8	110.2	124.8	119.4	119.1	118.4	119.8	122.8	124.5	125.7	125.0
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	133.8	147.0	150.0	159.3	165.2	168.7	172.0	177.8	189.0	195.9	197.8
Eggs	103.4	84.9	99.0	134.3	128.0	122.7	117.0	114.8	115.3	144.8	145.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	104.7	106.4	111.2	122.8	126.5	127.2	128.9	130.0	131.4	134.7	136.6
Fresh milk and cream	103.2	104.9	109.9	122.5	125.6	125.3	128.2	131.0	131.9	134.3	137.2
Fresh whole milk	103.3	104.7	110.0	122.7	125.8	125.3	127.6	130.3	130.8	133.6	136.1
Other fresh milk and cream	103.0	105.3	109.7	122.1	125.0	125.1	129.2	132.1	133.5	135.3	138.9
Processed dairy products	106.8	108.5	113.1	123.5	128.1	129.8	130.1	129.3	131.3	135.8	136.4
Cheese	104.5	106.7	112.3	126.8	132.7	134.9	135.1	134.0	135.2	138.4	139.5
Ice cream and related products	109.3	110.8	114.9	123.1	128.5	129.9	130.5	131.2	136.0	139.7	140.5
Other dairy products, including butter	108.7	109.3	111.5	113.0	112.8	113.0	112.8	111.0	111.5	120.9	119.9
Fruits and vegetables	109.3	123.0	130.8	135.8	145.7	152.1	155.3	165.4	178.8	177.0	182.7
Fresh fruits and vegetables	112.8	132.7	137.6	144.0	156.1	168.5	172.8	188.6	210.8	205.2	212.6
Fresh fruits	114.2	126.0	143.1	152.3	169.5	188.1	180.0	202.6	209.8	222.0	219.5
Apples	117.2	104.3	133.0	124.6	151.9	170.4	154.2	167.2	163.5	188.0	201.1
Bananas	91.5	107.4	115.9	122.7	128.1	127.6	124.0	127.2	142.7	146.4	175.6
Oranges, including tangerines	110.2	126.4	144.2	137.8	151.9	187.0	156.8	177.0	178.1	204.2	196.4
Other fresh fruits	120.7	139.9	154.5	176.9	194.4	213.1	214.5	247.8	259.1	263.8	247.2
Fresh vegetables	111.5	139.5	132.3	135.9	143.1	149.3	166.0	175.1	212.0	189.0	206.0
Potatoes	103.0	102.7	127.7	139.3	133.5	128.2	136.8	164.9	154.1	175.2	184.2
Lettuce	116.0	272.4	173.6	135.3	151.3	169.6	180.7	151.4	269.0	171.1	206.6
Tomatoes	125.0	137.9	123.0	139.2	128.2	123.1	190.9	194.6	229.9	239.2	233.2
Other fresh vegetables	110.4	126.1	129.2	135.0	150.8	162.4	167.4	179.6	217.6	184.1	207.5
Processed fruits and vegetables	105.2	109.9	122.0	125.0	131.7	129.6	131.0	132.9	133.6	137.2	140.6
Processed fruits	106.3	112.4	124.5	125.2	134.9	131.4	134.3	133.1	132.6	137.4	140.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	105.5	112.5	126.6	126.4	137.9	132.0	135.0	133.1	132.1	136.8	139.9
Canned and dried fruits	107.9	111.0	115.4	119.0	122.0	127.9	130.0	131.9	133.2	138.2	140.9
Processed vegetables	104.2	107.3	119.3	125.1	128.4	127.7	127.6	132.9	135.0	137.4	141.1
Frozen vegetables	108.5	111.7	116.6	124.9	128.6	129.6	130.7	135.5	136.6	140.6	142.9
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	102.7	105.8	121.1	125.8	129.0	127.4	126.8	132.3	134.9	136.5	140.9
Other food at home	108.8	109.8	115.1	120.1	125.1	127.0	128.2	130.8	138.3	140.1	142.1
Sugar and sweets	109.1	110.9	116.7	121.1	126.3	130.6	131.9	133.1	134.4	138.4	142.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	100.8	102.1	110.3	115.2	118.4	118.4	119.6	120.8	123.2	128.3	132.0
Sweets, including candy	112.7	114.6	119.2	123.5	129.6	135.8	137.2	138.3	139.1	142.6	146.6
Fats and oils	105.7	107.6	118.3	121.5	130.8	129.1	128.3	129.3	134.1	137.3	139.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	108.2	104.9	107.8	111.2	113.3	112.9	112.7	115.1	130.6	128.8	129.2
Carbonated drinks	101.9	103.6	105.2	110.4	111.3	112.3	114.0	116.0	115.7	119.1	121.0
Coffee	128.9	110.3	116.6	115.2	117.0	111.0	104.9	110.5	172.3	155.6	151.8
Other noncarbonated drinks	110.1	112.6	115.5	120.1	126.5	129.9	132.4	131.5	132.6	135.7	137.0
Other prepared food	110.3	114.8	120.5	127.4	134.0	138.1	141.0	144.7	148.0	151.9	154.4
Canned and packaged soup	112.1	119.0	123.4	132.6	140.7	149.0	157.5	164.3	171.3	177.4	179.3
Frozen prepared food	112.3	118.7	124.0	130.8	135.3	137.4	138.1	137.5	137.9	138.4	139.7
Snacks	112.1	115.6	121.4	126.1	131.1	132.6	132.1	136.0	138.5	143.3	147.7
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	110.1	113.1	118.1	124.7	132.5	137.8	143.5	147.3	150.8	156.8	160.8
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food	107.6	112.5	119.4	127.7	135.2	140.2	142.8	147.9	152.5	155.1	155.9
Food away from home	114.6	118.8	124.0	129.7	135.6	139.4	141.6	144.1	147.0	150.3	151.1
Lunch	114.0	118.3	123.7	129.9	135.7	139.7	141.9	144.6	147.4	150.8	151.5
Dinner	114.7	118.7	123.8	129.1	134.3	137.9	140.0	142.5	145.4	148.7	149.4
Other meals and snacks	115.5	119.3	124.4	130.3	137.5	141.6	143.7	146.1	149.1	152.5	153.4
Alcoholic beverages	111.7	115.1	119.5	125.2	130.5	143.5	147.7	150.0	151.4	154.3	156.8
Alcoholic beverages at home	109.4	111.8	114.4	119.4	123.9	138.2	141.3	142.0	141.7	143.0	146.2
Beer and ale	109.0	111.3	114.3	119.7	124.1	138.9	142.8	143.2	142.9	144.1	147.6
Wine	102.1	105.6	107.5	110.8	114.0	129.3	131.3	131.6	130.0	131.7	136.1
Distilled spirits	113.3	114.6	116.7	121.9	127.9	139.3	141.3	142.8	143.8	145.0	146.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home	120.3	125.4	132.6	139.5	146.3	158.0	164.0	168.8	172.5	178.0	179.6

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Housing	110.2	114.1	118.5	123.1	128.3	132.7	136.1	139.7	142.7	146.7	148.5
Shelter	115.7	121.2	126.5	132.6	139.3	144.6	148.7	153.1	157.7	163.1	165.1
Renters' costs ¹	111.6	115.9	120.0	125.4	132.6	137.7	141.4	144.9	148.5	152.5	157.0
Rent, residential	120.8	125.3	129.7	135.0	140.6	144.8	148.2	151.6	155.4	159.3	160.3
Other renters' costs	119.4	124.5	129.2	137.6	157.2	170.2	176.9	183.3	187.2	194.1	219.6
Lodging while out of town	117.0	121.8	126.2	134.4	155.2	168.6	174.5	181.2	184.4	191.1	219.5
Lodging while at school ²	129.3	136.9	144.9	155.5	165.0	175.7	189.7	193.8	202.9	211.8	211.9
Tenants' insurance	118.4	122.6	126.0	128.9	130.4	133.6	137.0	141.2	147.9	150.8	150.9
Homeowners' costs ¹	110.8	116.6	122.2	128.3	134.3	139.5	143.5	148.2	153.1	158.7	159.6
Owners' equivalent rent ¹	110.8	116.6	122.2	128.5	134.5	139.7	143.8	148.4	153.3	159.0	159.8
Household insurance ¹	111.7	116.1	119.6	122.7	124.9	128.4	132.0	136.4	142.9	145.6	145.9
Maintenance and repairs	109.2	112.5	115.2	119.0	123.6	130.6	129.8	127.7	132.4	135.8	136.3
Maintenance and repair services	111.2	115.9	117.8	122.4	129.8	135.7	139.0	134.0	140.3	144.7	145.8
Maintenance and repair commodities	105.3	107.1	110.6	113.6	115.2	123.1	118.0	119.0	121.9	124.2	124.1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ³	100.0	101.9	104.0	109.4	112.3	117.1	116.3	116.4	117.5	118.3	118.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities	103.8	105.4	109.8	110.8	111.1	121.2	112.9	114.5	118.7	122.1	121.9
Fuel and other utilities	100.1	101.7	104.8	108.0	112.1	115.7	118.4	121.5	121.6	123.3	125.0
Fuels	93.7	94.8	97.2	100.7	104.7	105.9	108.4	110.2	109.5	110.2	111.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	71.5	80.2	76.7	88.1	113.4	94.4	91.7	88.2	88.3	89.5	99.1
Fuel oil	67.4	79.5	74.4	89.0	115.6	92.5	89.5	85.4	85.4	86.8	97.4
Other household fuel commodities ³	100.0	102.4	102.2	108.3	136.6	123.2	120.3	117.8	118.2	119.2	128.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.5	100.7	103.9	106.7	108.2	111.9	115.1	117.7	116.8	117.5	117.9
Electricity	105.2	107.0	110.2	113.1	114.5	120.4	122.4	123.0	123.8	127.2	127.7
Utility (piped) gas	94.5	91.8	95.2	97.7	99.4	99.3	104.7	110.9	107.0	102.8	103.0
Other utilities and public services	118.5	120.9	125.6	128.4	133.2	140.7	144.2	149.6	151.1	154.3	157.0
Telephone services	116.8	115.6	117.1	116.7	116.4	120.4	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.4	125.2
Local charges	133.7	138.5	144.8	145.5	147.0	154.7	155.3	156.9	156.3	159.9	159.8
Interstate toll calls	84.5	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.0
Intrastate toll calls	106.7	103.5	99.2	96.7	94.6	93.2	91.0	91.1	90.3	87.1	87.8
Water and sewerage maintenance	121.6	127.9	135.1	144.1	152.6	163.8	174.3	182.9	190.5	195.9	203.6
Cable television ⁴	116.6	127.9	141.6	147.1	166.9	181.2	188.4	201.7	195.8	203.5	208.4
Refuse collection ⁴	123.8	136.1	146.7	161.0	177.1	197.6	214.6	225.7	236.8	243.3	244.5
Household furnishings and operation	105.8	106.9	110.2	111.1	113.0	115.4	117.2	119.0	119.7	122.4	123.2
Housefurnishings	102.5	102.9	105.4	104.7	105.2	106.0	107.7	109.1	109.1	109.7	110.2
Textile housefurnishings	107.6	108.6	115.5	114.7	117.6	119.2	117.6	124.8	121.0	121.1	123.0
Furniture and bedding	109.3	111.5	115.0	113.0	114.2	115.5	120.5	123.9	125.4	130.7	130.0
Bedroom furniture	115.2	115.5	121.6	118.8	117.1	122.0	128.3	134.6	132.2	134.8	133.8
Sofas	110.2	115.7	114.7	113.5	113.7	113.6	117.7	116.3	123.5	136.9	135.6
Living room chairs and tables	107.3	109.3	112.7	111.4	117.4	115.6	119.9	125.7	126.7	134.6	133.4
Other furniture	102.9	105.5	109.1	107.1	109.8	109.2	114.0	115.8	118.3	119.9	120.1
Appliances, including electronic equipment	92.6	90.1	90.8	89.2	87.1	85.9	84.8	84.4	83.6	80.5	80.7
Video and audio products	87.0	83.8	82.8	82.1	79.1	78.6	77.5	77.1	75.2	72.3	72.4
Televisions	81.3	77.3	76.4	74.8	72.2	71.4	70.9	69.4	68.2	65.2	65.0
Video products other than televisions ⁵	-	-	100.0	94.9	85.8	80.9	79.2	78.1	72.8	67.8	67.1
Audio products	91.1	91.9	91.9	94.0	93.1	94.9	93.5	94.2	93.2	90.8	91.7
Major household appliances ³	100.0	98.8	102.2	101.0	101.0	98.9	99.3	101.1	104.4	102.3	103.3
Refrigerators and home freezers	99.5	100.6	102.4	103.6	102.7	101.0	101.7	106.5	111.9	109.5	110.5
Laundry equipment	104.0	102.9	106.6	106.0	107.9	105.8	106.3	106.9	109.9	109.5	110.8
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ³	100.0	97.1	101.5	97.9	96.9	94.6	94.6	95.3	97.3	93.8	94.7
Information processing equipment ⁵	-	-	100.0	92.7	89.7	86.9	80.6	74.2	68.2	61.4	60.2
Other housefurnishings ³	100.0	101.7	103.9	105.3	107.6	110.0	112.7	112.4	113.2	113.9	115.5
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment	107.1	113.7	112.6	117.8	126.6	124.1	128.2	129.1	131.7	137.3	138.7
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	101.1	102.5	105.8	112.2	112.3	116.2	119.0	115.0	114.5	118.7	118.3
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware	104.8	106.3	109.5	111.9	113.5	120.6	122.5	123.8	124.6	120.7	125.8
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware	102.0	102.9	103.0	100.3	102.1	101.5	102.6	106.6	107.2	108.0	107.7
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ³	100.0	98.3	100.1	97.1	96.3	95.8	97.1	93.5	91.6	88.2	89.1
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁶	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.3	113.2	110.4	114.7	116.3	120.6
Housekeeping supplies	109.7	112.9	117.4	123.8	127.8	130.4	130.0	131.9	133.3	139.9	141.3
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap	111.8	116.9	121.8	127.3	132.3	137.9	137.3	136.9	139.2	141.2	141.8
Household paper products and stationery supplies	108.5	109.5	115.6	121.8	126.8	127.2	127.1	129.8	130.6	144.3	145.4
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies	108.2	111.2	113.6	121.3	123.1	124.0	123.7	127.4	128.4	133.4	136.2
Housekeeping services	109.9	111.6	116.5	117.8	122.7	131.3	135.9	139.1	141.5	148.6	149.6
Postage	110.4	110.4	125.4	125.4	125.4	145.7	145.7	145.7	145.7	160.8	160.8
Appliance and furniture repair	114.0	117.3	120.0	122.1	126.9	132.3	140.1	143.8	144.6	151.6	152.4
Gardening and other household services ³	100.0	104.7	109.0	112.1	116.4	119.0	124.9	127.0	127.7	130.2	132.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	107.4	112.6	117.6	118.5	124.5	128.4	130.4	131.3	129.3	129.5	133.9
Apparel commodities	105.8	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	130.9
Apparel commodities less footwear	106.2	111.7	116.4	116.9	122.9	126.8	128.3	128.9	126.5	126.5	131.3
Men's and boys'	107.1	110.4	116.5	118.0	121.4	124.9	126.4	127.0	124.5	125.8	128.9
Men's	106.9	111.5	117.8	120.1	123.9	127.7	129.9	130.3	128.2	128.7	132.4
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	107.6	111.3	121.5	124.6	127.8	131.0	133.6	140.4	137.3	135.5	136.6
Furnishings and special clothing	109.0	110.0	113.4	116.8	119.5	122.1	123.2	123.1	123.9	120.5	122.5
Shirts	108.9	116.1	123.3	123.7	129.0	133.8	135.8	132.1	127.8	133.4	138.6
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	103.2	109.3	113.8	116.3	120.7	124.9	128.2	127.2	125.6	127.1	133.2
Boys'	107.9	107.1	112.4	111.5	113.3	116.3	115.3	116.6	112.9	116.4	117.6
Women's and girls'	106.1	112.6	116.2	115.5	122.6	126.7	127.6	128.4	124.0	123.3	128.6
Women's	106.0	112.7	115.8	115.1	122.8	125.7	126.1	128.1	123.2	122.2	127.6
Coats and jackets	100.1	105.0	102.7	104.0	115.2	118.4	121.9	128.9	118.6	121.3	121.8
Dresses	106.2	122.5	126.2	123.0	132.7	128.4	132.4	128.8	114.2	116.7	119.7
Separates and sportswear	110.7	116.7	119.2	118.3	125.3	129.9	128.6	131.6	127.7	124.3	131.2
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	107.2	107.6	113.7	115.8	120.9	123.7	124.4	125.8	128.1	130.2	133.0
Suits	98.5	107.2	113.4	110.3	122.0	132.8	131.1	136.9	138.6	131.5	147.7
Girls'	106.5	112.0	117.9	117.4	121.6	131.7	135.1	130.0	127.6	128.6	133.4
Infants' and toddlers'	113.5	116.4	120.3	119.3	127.9	131.8	133.1	128.1	132.9	129.8	134.7
Other apparel commodities	102.5	110.6	117.8	121.5	128.8	132.6	137.3	140.1	144.1	145.3	153.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ³	100.0	102.7	109.1	110.8	118.2	120.6	122.1	120.9	120.9	130.8	132.8
Watches and jewelry ³	100.0	109.0	116.2	120.3	127.3	131.3	136.6	140.1	144.9	144.2	153.7
Watches ³	100.0	103.6	107.8	107.5	110.7	113.6	111.9	118.6	122.9	129.3	130.9
Jewelry ³	100.0	110.6	118.6	124.0	132.0	136.4	143.6	146.3	151.2	148.5	160.3
Footwear	103.6	108.0	114.0	115.4	119.3	122.5	125.6	126.6	124.2	125.0	128.8
Men's	108.7	111.9	119.8	122.2	125.6	129.6	132.6	134.1	132.1	132.3	133.9
Boys' and girls'	103.0	110.6	114.7	118.6	123.5	123.0	122.7	122.7	123.9	125.8	130.3
Women's	99.2	102.6	108.3	107.4	111.0	115.8	120.7	121.9	117.3	118.0	122.9
Apparel services	116.6	120.9	125.8	130.6	139.6	144.4	149.2	153.4	155.9	157.1	158.2
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated	116.3	122.3	128.8	133.8	140.8	145.2	149.9	154.8	157.6	158.7	160.1
Other apparel services	117.2	120.2	124.0	128.4	139.0	144.1	149.1	152.8	155.0	156.4	157.2
Transportation	100.6	107.3	110.4	114.8	126.7	124.5	128.2	130.8	136.7	138.9	140.9
Private	99.5	106.4	109.5	113.8	125.3	123.2	126.6	128.5	135.2	137.2	138.8
New vehicles	114.1	116.1	118.8	122.0	124.4	128.5	131.7	136.2	140.9	143.7	144.5
New cars	114.3	116.3	118.9	121.7	123.3	127.2	130.1	133.9	138.1	140.4	141.0
Subcompact new cars ³	100.0	101.8	104.2	105.4	105.6	109.6	112.6	116.5	120.5	122.7	122.9
Compact new cars ³	100.0	101.2	102.5	104.9	106.6	109.2	109.8	113.2	117.8	119.9	121.2
Intermediate new cars ³	100.0	100.4	101.9	105.9	107.6	111.3	113.7	116.2	120.1	121.7	121.8
Full-size new cars ³	100.0	103.1	105.6	109.1	110.5	114.3	116.0	119.7	122.0	123.4	122.6
Luxury new cars ³	100.0	103.8	109.2	111.6	114.6	117.2	121.7	124.3	128.1	130.5	133.4
New trucks ⁴	112.8	114.3	116.9	121.0	125.9	130.3	133.8	140.0	145.1	149.3	150.1
New motorcycles ³	100.0	104.0	109.4	114.1	117.4	123.7	128.9	138.3	149.4	156.5	160.7
Used cars	106.8	116.2	120.1	119.5	116.9	120.2	129.7	140.2	152.1	159.1	158.3
Motor fuel	69.2	82.0	80.4	85.9	117.1	98.5	99.9	94.6	100.2	96.4	101.4
Gasoline	69.0	81.9	80.4	85.6	117.0	98.3	99.9	94.0	100.0	95.9	101.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	68.2	80.8	78.8	83.2	115.4	96.2	97.6	91.1	97.6	93.5	99.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	105.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	73.8	85.3	84.7	90.0	118.7	101.5	103.0	98.1	103.2	98.3	102.7
Automobile maintenance and repair	112.9	117.0	121.5	126.9	132.8	138.8	143.9	148.3	152.6	156.6	157.9
Body work	115.0	121.3	126.5	134.0	139.5	142.9	147.0	150.8	155.7	161.4	163.8
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair	115.0	118.6	123.8	129.9	137.1	143.0	149.3	155.2	160.8	164.2	165.5
Maintenance and servicing	110.6	114.7	118.3	122.0	126.8	133.7	136.5	139.3	141.4	144.4	145.5
Power plant repair	112.9	116.8	121.6	127.4	133.3	139.4	145.9	151.2	156.3	161.4	162.4
Other private transportation	116.7	122.0	130.4	136.8	144.2	149.2	151.9	154.9	163.4	168.4	168.1
Other private transportation commodities	95.8	97.4	99.9	101.9	103.2	104.8	104.0	102.6	103.5	104.4	104.4
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	102.7	100.6	109.4	109.1	116.7	117.9	117.4	117.7	125.0	129.0	130.4
Automobile parts and equipment	94.7	96.5	98.4	100.6	101.5	103.0	102.2	100.7	101.0	101.6	101.5
Tires	91.9	93.3	96.8	98.8	98.6	100.8	100.4	98.9	101.1	101.2	101.3
Other parts and equipment	101.4	103.9	104.4	106.8	108.6	109.7	108.5	106.8	105.3	106.4	106.2
Other private transportation services	120.7	127.1	137.1	144.7	153.8	159.8	163.5	167.6	178.4	184.5	184.1
Automobile insurance	140.9	148.8	160.9	170.6	183.7	198.6	211.5	221.9	229.5	239.6	240.2
Automobile finance charges	85.3	90.4	98.1	102.3	102.5	95.3	81.9	76.7	94.4	96.5	92.7
Automobile fees	119.4	123.3	130.5	137.9	151.4	156.8	166.4	170.1	175.2	177.0	180.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees	117.4	119.3	126.6	134.5	156.0	163.4	173.0	177.4	178.1	181.3	180.9
Other automobile-related fees	122.6	129.3	136.5	143.2	146.2	149.1	158.6	161.4	172.3	172.2	181.4
Public transportation	119.4	121.3	125.4	130.1	150.3	147.8	155.5	171.1	162.5	169.0	177.2
Airline fares	121.4	122.7	126.5	133.1	163.4	154.0	163.6	191.8	173.5	177.2	186.6
Other intercity transportation	125.4	128.0	136.8	140.5	149.3	154.2	155.4	149.6	152.3	154.9	158.1
Intracity public transportation	117.6	120.2	123.5	125.9	135.7	140.7	147.6	152.0	153.3	164.9	172.7

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Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Medical care	125.7	133.4	142.8	154.7	168.8	182.0	194.3	204.5	214.6	223.1	226.0
Medical care commodities	125.3	134.1	143.1	154.8	168.0	180.3	189.4	195.1	200.8	204.2	206.5
Prescription drugs	134.8	145.7	156.9	171.8	189.0	206.8	218.3	225.2	233.2	237.8	240.9
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ³	100.0	105.3	110.4	116.8	123.6	127.7	133.0	136.5	138.7	140.4	141.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	119.7	126.9	133.2	140.3	148.9	152.7	159.2	163.3	164.7	165.9	167.0
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	117.5	120.9	126.6	135.7	142.4	150.5	156.1	160.4	167.0	171.2	171.8
Medical care services	125.7	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	230.4
Professional medical services	124.0	132.0	141.0	150.2	160.3	170.2	180.0	188.0	196.9	204.9	207.6
Physicians' services	125.5	133.6	143.6	154.0	165.4	174.5	185.5	194.8	203.6	212.5	215.4
Dental services	123.1	132.0	140.8	150.0	159.7	172.9	182.8	190.9	201.3	210.1	213.1
Eye care ³	100.0	105.3	109.8	113.8	119.0	123.2	127.8	130.5	135.2	138.5	139.5
Services by other medical professionals ³	100.0	105.0	110.8	117.2	122.8	129.2	133.9	138.1	144.3	146.8	148.6
Hospital and related services	126.5	135.4	150.0	166.8	184.4	201.2	218.9	235.1	248.5	260.0	264.0
Hospital rooms	125.5	133.7	147.1	162.5	178.3	193.8	210.9	226.2	238.8	250.2	253.1
Other inpatient services ³	100.0	107.4	121.0	135.0	150.1	163.7	177.2	190.6	201.7	210.7	214.9
Outpatient services ³	100.0	107.2	117.1	131.1	145.9	160.4	176.0	189.3	200.2	209.4	212.5
Entertainment	112.5	116.9	122.2	128.4	133.3	138.4	142.2	146.1	149.2	153.8	156.1
Entertainment commodities	108.7	112.6	117.6	121.7	124.8	129.0	131.5	133.9	136.1	139.4	141.7
Reading materials	117.0	121.4	126.7	132.5	138.6	147.8	153.4	159.0	164.8	174.5	176.0
Newspapers	115.6	120.9	126.8	131.8	138.2	151.4	157.9	164.8	173.2	186.5	189.1
Magazines, periodicals, and books	118.9	122.3	127.0	133.6	139.5	144.4	149.1	153.4	156.5	162.5	162.8
Sporting goods and equipment	104.2	107.8	112.5	115.9	116.5	120.5	121.6	122.6	126.1	124.5	127.0
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	105.8	108.9	113.2	117.7	117.8	120.4	123.5	124.9	128.8	127.3	130.5
Other sporting goods	99.7	103.9	109.0	110.8	112.1	118.0	116.3	116.7	119.7	118.0	119.4
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment	106.9	110.5	115.6	119.2	122.1	123.8	125.4	126.9	126.4	129.2	131.8
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	103.9	107.8	112.3	114.8	116.6	117.9	121.3	123.2	122.2	123.5	126.4
Photographic supplies and equipment	109.3	116.3	123.5	127.8	129.7	131.1	134.1	136.5	131.4	133.8	134.1
Pet supplies and expense	110.2	112.6	117.7	122.8	127.3	129.5	128.5	129.3	130.7	135.4	138.3
Entertainment services	118.9	124.0	129.7	138.7	146.1	152.5	158.1	163.8	168.3	174.6	176.9
Club memberships ³	100.0	102.0	110.5	115.3	120.7	125.3	128.0	132.6	131.8	134.8	136.5
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ³	100.0	106.9	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.2	140.6	152.1	155.6	159.3	162.6
Admissions	120.4	128.1	132.8	145.8	153.1	160.5	166.6	169.9	176.2	185.7	188.3
Fees for lessons or instructions ³	100.0	105.3	110.6	119.6	126.1	133.6	140.7	146.3	154.0	158.6	160.3
Other entertainment services ³	100.0	101.6	105.2	109.9	116.3	120.8	124.4	127.6	130.9	135.7	136.9
Other goods and services	123.6	131.3	140.6	152.7	164.4	177.7	189.0	192.0	200.0	208.1	209.9
Tobacco and smoking products	127.1	137.2	150.2	171.8	190.1	211.5	229.0	215.4	222.2	228.4	230.7
Personal care	112.8	116.4	122.3	126.9	132.2	135.7	139.9	143.2	146.1	148.9	149.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	111.9	115.1	121.5	124.7	130.0	133.7	138.6	140.7	143.5	144.7	144.6
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	112.8	116.1	122.2	124.8	132.0	136.0	138.5	144.7	146.8	148.9	147.7
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	111.5	114.6	121.3	124.9	128.9	132.5	138.9	138.3	141.7	142.3	142.8
Personal care services	113.7	117.8	123.0	129.4	134.9	137.9	141.3	146.2	149.2	154.2	155.2
Beauty parlor services for females	113.4	117.5	122.7	129.4	135.2	137.9	140.8	146.1	148.9	153.7	154.8
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	114.2	118.4	123.8	128.7	133.2	137.4	142.5	145.6	149.6	155.3	156.1
Personal and educational expenses	134.2	143.0	152.3	163.1	174.7	188.7	200.5	213.3	224.9	237.3	239.5
School books and supplies	131.9	141.9	151.1	162.9	173.9	184.4	194.9	202.3	208.5	220.3	226.3
Personal and educational services	134.6	143.3	152.7	163.4	175.0	189.3	201.2	214.5	226.5	238.9	240.9
Tuition and other school fees	136.1	146.3	157.1	169.6	182.7	199.4	214.4	228.7	242.0	255.8	256.7
College tuition	135.9	145.4	156.2	169.3	183.6	205.0	223.8	240.3	255.3	271.2	272.1
Elementary and high school tuition	136.4	149.3	161.9	176.2	191.4	206.2	222.7	235.4	250.2	266.9	267.0
Day care and nursery school ⁶	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	110.8	116.7	122.7	127.5	128.4
Personal expenses	129.9	136.0	143.0	151.0	160.1	170.5	177.6	188.9	198.8	208.9	212.3
Legal service fees ³	100.0	105.2	109.8	116.4	121.7	129.2	133.6	144.0	147.2	153.1	154.8
Personal financial services ³	100.0	104.5	111.7	117.9	127.1	136.8	143.9	153.3	166.5	177.7	181.5
Funeral expenses ³	100.0	104.6	109.6	115.1	122.6	130.1	135.1	142.1	150.6	158.1	160.8
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	108.5	112.4	119.1	127.0	135.0	136.7	139.0	143.9	147.1	150.7	152.9
Selected beef cuts	101.3	107.8	112.1	120.0	129.9	128.5	128.8	133.3	129.7	127.8	127.3
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	69.8	82.3	80.9	86.3	117.1	98.8	100.3	95.0	100.6	96.9	101.9
Utilities and public transportation	108.3	109.6	113.4	116.3	121.2	125.6	129.4	134.4	133.6	135.9	138.0
Housekeeping and home maintenance services	111.2	113.1	117.9	119.4	124.6	133.1	137.6	140.1	142.9	149.9	150.9

¹ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Commodity and service group											
All items	0.6	4.5	4.4	4.5	6.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.5	1.3
Commodities	-2.2	4.7	3.8	4.2	6.8	1.0	2.2	1.4	2.4	1.6	1.6
Food and beverages	3.7	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	-5.9	5.6	3.0	3.2	7.9	-1	2.6	.5	2.3	1.1	1.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	-9.9	8.0	3.4	5.0	13.1	-1.6	2.5	-1.3	1.6	.5	3.0
Apparel commodities	.2	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	3.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	-12.7	9.6	2.9	7.3	17.3	-3.7	2.9	-2.1	3.2	.6	2.7
Durables	-2	2.6	2.5	1.2	.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.4	1.9	.3
Services	4.3	4.2	4.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.4	1.1
Rent of shelter	4.7	4.8	4.4	4.9	5.0	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	1.3
Household services less rent of shelter	-2	1.3	3.6	2.3	2.7	4.8	2.7	2.8	.6	1.8	.9
Transportation services	5.6	4.3	6.1	5.0	7.3	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.4	.9
Medical care services	7.7	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	1.3
Other services	5.3	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.3	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.1	4.4	1.0
Special indexes											
All items less food	.0	4.7	4.1	4.4	6.2	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	1.4
All items less shelter	-4	4.4	4.4	4.4	6.5	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.2	1.4
All items less homeowners' costs	.2	4.3	4.3	4.4	6.4	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.2	1.6
All items less medical care	.3	4.4	4.2	4.4	5.9	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.4	1.4
Commodities less food	-5.6	5.4	3.1	3.4	7.6	.5	2.6	.6	2.2	1.2	1.8
Nondurables less food	-9.3	7.5	3.5	5.0	12.3	-6	2.5	-1.0	1.5	.6	2.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	-11.7	8.8	3.0	7.0	15.6	-2.1	2.9	-1.6	3.0	.8	2.6
Nondurables	-2.8	5.4	4.3	5.3	8.9	.5	2.0	.8	2.2	1.4	2.0
Services less rent of shelter	3.9	3.6	5.3	4.9	5.8	5.2	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	.9
Services less medical care services	3.9	4.1	4.6	4.6	5.1	4.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.3	1.1
Energy	-20.5	8.8	.3	5.2	19.2	-8.1	1.9	-1.7	2.5	-1.5	3.1
All items less energy	3.6	4.1	4.7	4.4	5.0	3.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	1.2
All items less food and energy	3.4	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.9	4.4	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.0	1.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	1.1	3.7	3.9	2.7	3.2	4.0	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.3
Energy commodities	-30.5	18.0	-2.2	7.6	35.5	-16.0	1.1	-5.2	5.4	-3.4	5.7
Services less energy services	5.1	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.8	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5	1.2
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.7	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	1.1
Food	3.8	3.4	5.2	5.6	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.8	2.2	1.1
Food at home	3.7	3.3	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.1	1.5	3.4	3.2	2.2	1.4
Cereals and bakery products	2.4	4.2	8.4	7.3	4.6	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.2	1.4
Cereals and cereal products	2.1	4.9	9.5	7.3	5.1	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.6	1.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes	.1	1.2	6.7	7.3	2.2	-2	5.0	-2	1.7	6.5	4.9
Cereal	5.0	5.9	9.6	9.7	7.2	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	.7
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	-9	4.9	11.4	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	2.2	6.0	2.5	.4
Bakery products	2.5	3.9	7.8	7.4	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	1.5
White bread	.8	4.3	11.1	6.0	3.7	1.4	4.1	6.9	2.8	5.7	1.7
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	2.5	3.6	9.6	6.8	4.8	3.6	5.2	2.8	4.7	4.6	2.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	3.8	4.2	6.1	7.8	5.7	4.8	2.3	3.3	3.7	1.3	.0
Other bakery products	2.8	3.4	5.0	8.8	3.3	3.9	5.1	1.9	3.3	2.7	2.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	6.4	1.0	5.2	6.9	7.9	-1.6	.5	3.6	-7	4.2	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	6.7	2.2	4.7	5.2	8.9	-1.4	.8	3.8	-7	3.0	.4
Meats	6.1	3.5	2.1	6.6	11.4	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.7	2.7	.3
Beef and veal	.5	6.7	5.5	6.7	8.9	-1.1	.8	3.7	-2.2	-2	-1
Ground beef other than canned	-1.2	5.9	2.4	7.5	7.6	-1.4	-6	3.7	-4.5	-1.7	-1.4
Chuck roast	-4	5.1	7.0	9.7	10.3	1.4	1.2	2.4	-1.6	.7	-2.6
Round roast	-3.0	6.1	6.1	7.5	10.2	-1.6	2.5	.8	1.7	-2.8	2.0
Round steak	1.4	7.0	3.2	6.2	9.6	-2	-2	2.7	-1.4	-2.0	.1
Sirloin steak	1.7	9.8	7.0	2.7	5.9	-2.6	1.5	6.4	-1.2	-1.7	3.9
Other beef and veal	2.4	7.5	9.1	6.1	10.2	-1.1	2.2	4.0	-1.0	2.4	.3
Pork	15.6	-1.8	-2.9	7.0	16.6	-6.0	-7	4.5	-2.3	7.4	.7
Bacon	13.3	-4.3	-10.4	8.6	17.1	-11.8	-3.4	11.7	-2.0	13.2	1.2
Chops	15.3	-1.5	.2	8.2	14.9	-4.3	2.6	4.6	-4.9	5.5	2.2
Ham	19.0	-3.0	-1.5	5.1	18.2	-4.8	-1.4	1.5	-1.5	7.2	.3
Other pork, including sausage	14.4	.1	-2.5	6.7	16.7	-5.4	-1.4	3.3	-1.1	6.5	-3
Other meats	7.0	4.0	.8	5.6	10.3	.8	.2	2.6	.6	3.1	.6
Poultry	9.8	-9.4	18.2	.4	1.4	.5	2.8	5.5	-4	4.1	1.0
Fresh whole chicken	12.5	-11.4	22.0	-8	.2	-4	4.3	4.4	-1.1	3.9	1.0
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	13.0	-8.8	19.0	-1.1	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.3	-2.3	4.9	-3
Other poultry	1.5	-7.3	8.6	6.8	1.4	.3	2.9	3.2	6.6	2.6	4.2
Fish and seafood	9.1	10.0	4.6	3.7	2.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	5.2	3.1	.7
Canned fish and seafood	1.5	10.4	13.2	-4.3	-3	-6	1.2	2.5	1.4	1.0	-6
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood	12.6	9.9	2.0	6.2	3.7	2.1	2.0	3.4	6.3	3.7	1.0
Eggs	.9	-17.9	16.6	35.7	-4.7	-4.1	-4.6	-1.9	.4	25.6	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	2.0	1.6	4.5	10.4	3.0	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.5	1.4
Fresh milk and cream	1.9	1.6	4.8	11.5	2.5	-2	2.3	2.2	.7	1.8	2.2
Fresh whole milk	2.0	1.4	5.1	11.5	2.5	-4	1.8	2.1	.4	2.1	1.9
Other fresh milk and cream	1.7	2.2	4.2	11.3	2.4	.1	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.3	2.7
Processed dairy products	2.3	1.6	4.2	9.2	3.7	1.3	.2	-6	1.5	3.4	.4
Cheese	1.5	2.1	5.2	12.9	4.7	1.7	.1	-8	.9	2.4	.8
Ice cream and related products	3.0	1.4	3.7	7.1	4.4	1.1	.5	.5	3.7	2.7	.6
Other dairy products, including butter	3.2	.6	2.0	1.3	-2	.2	-2	-1.6	.5	8.4	-8
Fruits and vegetables	1.3	12.5	6.3	3.8	7.3	4.4	2.1	6.5	8.1	-1.0	3.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	3.1	17.6	3.7	4.7	8.4	7.9	2.6	9.1	11.8	-2.7	3.6
Fresh fruits	5.4	10.3	13.6	6.4	11.3	11.0	-4.3	12.6	3.6	5.8	-1.1
Apples	4.7	-11.0	27.5	-6.3	21.9	12.2	-9.5	8.4	-2.2	15.0	7.0
Bananas	5.4	17.4	7.9	5.9	4.4	-4	-2.8	2.6	12.2	2.6	19.9
Oranges, including tangerines	5.2	14.7	14.1	-4.4	10.2	23.1	-16.1	12.9	.6	14.7	-3.8
Other fresh fruits	6.0	15.9	10.4	14.5	9.9	9.6	.7	15.5	4.6	1.8	-6.3
Fresh vegetables	1.1	25.1	-5.2	2.7	5.3	4.3	11.2	5.5	21.1	-10.8	9.0
Potatoes	27.8	-3	24.3	9.1	-4.2	-4.0	6.7	20.5	-6.5	13.7	5.1
Lettuce	-19.2	-	-36.3	-22.1	11.8	12.1	6.5	-16.2	77.7	-36.4	20.7
Tomatoes	.5	10.3	-10.8	13.2	-7.9	-4.0	55.1	1.9	18.1	4.0	-2.5
Other fresh vegetables	1.6	14.2	2.5	4.5	11.7	7.7	3.1	7.3	21.2	-15.4	12.7
Processed fruits and vegetables	-9	4.5	11.0	2.5	5.4	-1.6	1.1	1.5	.5	2.7	2.5
Processed fruits	-2.2	5.7	10.8	.6	7.7	-2.6	2.2	-9	-4	3.6	2.3
Fruit juices and frozen fruit	-4.0	6.6	12.5	-2	9.1	-4.3	2.3	-1.4	-8	3.6	2.3
Canned and dried fruits	1.3	2.9	4.0	3.1	2.5	4.8	1.6	1.5	1.0	3.8	2.0
Processed vegetables	.3	3.0	11.2	4.9	2.6	-5	-1	4.2	1.6	1.8	2.7
Frozen vegetables	1.3	2.9	4.4	7.1	3.0	.8	.8	3.7	.8	2.9	1.6
Processed vegetables excluding frozen	-1	3.0	14.5	3.9	2.5	-1.2	-5	4.3	2.0	1.2	3.2
Other food at home	2.9	.9	4.8	4.3	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	5.7	1.3	1.4
Sugar and sweets	2.3	1.6	5.2	3.8	4.3	3.4	1.0	.9	1.0	3.0	2.8
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	-4	1.3	8.0	4.4	2.8	.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	2.9
Sweets, including candy	3.5	1.7	4.0	3.6	4.9	4.8	1.0	.8	.6	2.5	2.8
Fats and oils	-1.4	1.8	9.9	2.7	7.7	-1.3	-6	.8	3.7	2.4	1.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	4	-3.0	2.8	3.2	1.9	-4	-2	2.1	13.5	-1.4	.3
Carbonated drinks	.0	1.7	1.5	4.9	.8	.9	1.5	1.8	-3	2.9	1.6
Coffee	23.0	-14.4	5.7	-1.2	1.6	-5.1	-5.5	5.3	55.9	-9.7	-2.4
Other noncarbonated drinks	1.6	2.3	2.6	4.0	5.3	2.7	1.9	-7	.8	2.3	1.0
Other prepared food	2.7	4.1	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.6	1.6
Canned and packaged soup	2.8	6.2	3.7	7.5	6.1	5.9	5.7	4.3	4.3	3.6	1.1
Frozen prepared food	2.5	5.7	4.5	5.5	3.4	1.6	.5	-4	.3	.4	.9
Snacks	3.0	3.1	5.0	3.9	4.0	1.1	-4	3.0	1.8	3.5	3.1
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	3.0	2.7	4.4	5.6	6.3	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	4.0	2.6
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food	2.2	4.6	6.1	7.0	5.9	3.7	1.9	3.6	3.1	1.7	.5
Food away from home	4.3	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	.5
Lunch	4.0	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.5	2.9	1.6	1.9	1.9	2.3	.5
Dinner	3.8	3.5	4.3	4.3	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	.5
Other meals and snacks	5.6	3.3	4.3	4.7	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.7	2.1	2.3	.6
Alcoholic beverages	2.0	3.0	3.8	4.8	4.2	10.0	2.9	1.6	.9	1.9	1.6
Alcoholic beverages at home	1.4	2.2	2.3	4.4	3.8	11.5	2.2	.5	-2	.9	2.2
Beer and ale	1.7	2.1	2.7	4.7	3.7	11.9	2.8	.3	-2	.8	2.4
Wine	2.0	3.4	1.8	3.1	2.9	13.4	1.5	.2	-1.2	1.3	3.3
Distilled spirits	.8	1.1	1.8	4.5	4.9	8.9	1.4	1.1	.7	.8	.8
Alcoholic beverages away from home	4.1	4.2	5.7	5.2	4.9	8.0	3.8	2.9	2.2	3.2	.9

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Housing	1.7	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.8	1.2
Shelter	4.7	4.8	4.4	4.8	5.1	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	1.2
Renters' costs	5.0	3.9	3.5	4.5	5.7	3.8	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.0
Rent, residential	5.0	3.7	3.5	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	.6
Other renters' costs	4.9	4.3	3.8	6.5	14.2	8.3	3.9	3.6	2.1	3.7	13.1
Lodging while out of town	4.2	4.1	3.6	6.5	15.5	8.6	3.5	3.8	1.8	3.6	14.9
Lodging while at school	6.8	5.9	5.8	7.3	6.1	6.5	8.0	2.2	4.7	4.4	.0
Tenants' insurance	5.5	3.5	2.8	2.3	1.2	2.5	2.5	3.1	4.7	2.0	.1
Homeowners' costs	4.6	5.2	4.8	5.0	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.7	.6
Owners' equivalent rent	4.6	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	.5
Household insurance	5.7	3.9	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	4.8	1.9	.2
Maintenance and repairs	1.7	3.0	2.4	3.3	3.9	5.7	-.6	-1.6	3.7	2.6	.4
Maintenance and repair services	1.8	4.2	1.6	3.9	6.0	4.5	2.4	-3.6	4.7	3.1	.8
Maintenance and repair commodities	1.4	1.7	3.3	2.7	1.4	6.9	-4.1	.8	2.4	1.9	-.1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs	-	1.9	2.1	5.2	2.7	4.3	-.7	.1	.9	.7	.0
Other maintenance and repair commodities	.4	1.5	4.2	.9	.3	9.1	-6.8	1.4	3.7	2.9	-.2
Fuel and other utilities	-5.8	1.6	3.0	3.1	3.8	3.2	2.3	2.6	.1	1.4	1.4
Fuels	-9.5	1.2	2.5	3.6	4.0	1.1	2.4	1.7	-.6	.6	1.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	-29.8	12.2	-4.4	14.9	28.7	-16.8	-2.9	-3.8	.1	1.4	10.7
Fuel oil	-33.2	18.0	-6.4	19.6	29.9	-20.0	-3.2	-4.6	.0	1.6	12.2
Other household fuel commodities	-	2.4	-.2	6.0	26.1	-9.8	-2.4	-2.1	.3	.8	7.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	-3.5	.2	3.2	2.7	1.4	3.4	2.9	2.3	-.8	.6	.3
Electricity	-1.5	1.7	3.0	2.6	1.2	5.2	1.7	.5	.7	2.7	.4
Utility (piped) gas	-6.1	-2.9	3.7	2.6	1.7	-.1	5.4	5.9	-3.5	-3.9	.2
Other utilities and public services	3.5	2.0	3.9	2.2	3.7	5.6	2.5	3.7	1.0	2.1	1.7
Telephone services	2.4	-1.0	1.3	-.3	-.3	3.4	-.2	1.8	.7	1.1	.6
Local charges	6.6	3.6	4.5	.5	1.0	5.2	.4	1.0	-.4	2.3	-.1
Interstate toll calls	-9.4	-12.4	-4.2	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	2.9
Intrastate toll calls	.4	-3.0	-4.2	-2.5	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.1	-.9	-3.5	.8
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.4	5.2	5.6	6.7	5.9	7.3	6.4	4.9	4.2	2.8	3.9
Cable television	3.9	9.7	10.7	3.9	13.5	8.6	4.0	7.1	-2.9	3.9	2.4
Refuse collection	9.6	9.9	7.8	9.7	10.0	11.6	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.7	.5
Household furnishings and operation	1.2	1.0	3.1	.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	2.3	.7
Housefurnishings	.9	.4	2.4	-.7	.5	.8	1.6	1.3	.0	.5	.5
Textile housefurnishings	1.9	.9	6.4	-.7	2.5	1.4	-1.3	6.1	-3.0	.1	1.6
Furniture and bedding	2.3	2.0	3.1	-1.7	1.1	1.1	4.3	2.8	1.2	4.2	-.5
Bedroom furniture	3.6	.3	5.3	-2.3	-1.4	4.2	5.2	4.9	-1.8	2.0	-.7
Sofas	7.2	5.0	-.9	-1.0	.2	-.1	3.6	-1.2	6.2	10.9	-.9
Living room chairs and tables	.4	1.9	3.1	-1.2	5.4	-1.5	3.7	4.8	.8	6.2	-.9
Other furniture	-1.2	2.5	3.4	-1.8	2.5	-.5	4.4	1.6	2.2	1.4	.2
Appliances, including electronic equipment	-1.4	-2.7	.8	-1.8	-2.4	-1.4	-1.3	-.5	-.9	-3.7	.2
Video and audio products	-2.2	-3.7	-1.2	-.8	-3.7	-.6	-1.4	-.5	-2.5	-3.9	.1
Televisions	-4.2	-4.9	-1.2	-2.1	-3.5	-1.1	-.7	-2.1	-1.7	-4.4	-.3
Video products other than televisions	-	-	-	-5.1	-9.6	-5.7	-2.1	-1.4	-6.8	-6.9	-1.0
Audio products	-.9	.9	.0	2.3	-1.0	1.9	-1.5	.7	-1.1	-2.6	1.0
Major household appliances	-	-1.2	3.4	-1.2	.0	-2.1	.4	1.8	3.3	-2.0	1.0
Refrigerators and home freezers	-1.7	1.1	1.8	1.2	-.9	-1.7	.7	4.7	5.1	-2.1	.9
Laundry equipment	-.7	-1.1	3.6	-.6	1.8	-1.9	.5	.6	2.8	-.4	1.2
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners	-	-2.9	4.5	-3.5	-1.0	-2.4	.0	.7	2.1	-3.6	1.0
Information processing equipment	-	-	-	-7.3	-3.2	-3.1	-7.2	-7.9	-8.1	-10.0	-2.0
Other housefurnishings	-	1.7	2.2	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.5	-.3	.7	.6	1.4
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment	3.5	6.2	-1.0	4.6	7.5	-2.0	3.3	.7	2.0	4.3	1.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	-2.0	1.4	3.2	6.0	.1	3.5	2.4	-3.4	-.4	3.7	-.3
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware	2.9	1.4	3.0	2.2	1.4	6.3	1.6	1.1	.6	-3.1	4.2
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware	-2.4	.9	.1	-2.6	1.8	-.6	1.1	3.9	.6	.7	-.3
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances	-	-1.7	1.8	-3.0	-.8	-.5	1.4	-3.7	-2.0	-3.7	1.0
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	-	7.3	5.5	-2.5	3.9	1.4	3.7
Housekeeping supplies	1.8	2.9	4.0	5.5	3.2	2.0	-.3	1.5	1.1	5.0	1.0
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap	2.1	4.6	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.2	-.4	-.3	1.7	1.4	.4
Household paper products and stationery supplies	1.1	.9	5.6	5.4	4.1	.3	-.1	2.1	.6	10.5	.8
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies	2.2	2.8	2.2	6.8	1.5	.7	-.2	3.0	.8	3.9	2.1
Housekeeping services	1.7	1.5	4.4	1.1	4.2	7.0	3.5	2.4	1.7	5.0	.7
Postage	.0	.0	13.6	.0	.0	16.2	.0	.0	.0	10.4	.0
Appliance and furniture repair	2.8	2.9	2.3	1.8	3.9	4.3	5.9	2.6	.6	4.8	.5
Gardening and other household services	-	4.7	4.1	2.8	3.8	2.2	5.0	1.7	.6	2.0	1.8

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	0.8	4.8	4.4	0.8	5.1	3.1	1.6	0.7	-1.5	0.2	3.4
Apparel commodities	.2	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	3.7
Apparel commodities less footwear	.1	5.2	4.2	.4	5.1	3.2	1.2	.5	-1.9	.0	3.8
Men's and boys'	-1	3.1	5.5	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.2	.5	-2.0	1.0	2.5
Men's	-2	4.3	5.7	2.0	3.2	3.1	1.7	.3	-1.6	.4	2.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	1.4	3.4	9.2	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.0	5.1	-2.2	-1.3	.8
Furnishings and special clothing	.6	.9	3.1	3.0	2.3	2.2	.9	-.1	.6	-2.7	1.7
Shirts	-.4	6.6	6.2	.3	4.3	3.7	1.5	-2.7	-3.3	4.4	3.9
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	-2.2	5.9	4.1	2.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	-.8	-1.3	1.2	4.8
Boys'	.3	-.7	4.9	-.8	1.6	2.6	-.9	1.1	-3.2	3.1	1.0
Women's and girls'	-.7	6.1	3.2	-.6	6.1	3.3	.7	.6	-3.4	-.6	4.3
Women's	-1.2	6.3	2.8	-.6	6.7	2.4	.3	1.6	-3.8	-.8	4.4
Coats and jackets	-4.5	4.9	-2.2	1.3	10.8	2.8	3.0	5.7	-8.0	2.3	.4
Dresses	-1.8	15.3	3.0	-2.5	7.9	-3.2	3.1	-2.7	-11.3	2.2	2.6
Separates and sportswear	.5	5.4	2.1	-.8	5.9	3.7	-1.0	2.3	-3.0	-2.7	5.6
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories	.0	.4	5.7	1.8	4.4	2.3	.6	1.1	1.8	1.6	2.2
Suits	-4.7	8.8	5.8	-2.7	10.6	8.9	-1.3	4.4	1.2	-5.1	12.3
Girls'	1.2	5.2	5.3	-.4	3.6	8.3	2.6	-3.8	-1.8	.8	3.7
Infants' and toddlers'	3.8	2.6	3.4	-.8	7.2	3.0	1.0	-3.8	3.7	-2.3	3.8
Other apparel commodities	2.7	7.9	6.5	3.1	6.0	3.0	3.5	2.0	2.9	.8	5.8
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	-	2.7	6.2	1.6	6.7	2.0	1.2	-1.0	.0	8.2	1.5
Watches and jewelry	-	9.0	6.6	3.5	5.8	3.1	4.0	2.6	3.4	-.5	6.6
Watches	-	3.6	4.1	-.3	3.0	2.6	-1.5	6.0	3.6	5.2	1.2
Jewelry	-	10.6	7.2	4.6	6.5	3.3	5.3	1.9	3.3	-1.8	7.9
Footwear	.6	4.2	5.6	1.2	3.4	2.7	2.5	.8	-1.9	.6	3.0
Men's	2.7	2.9	7.1	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.3	1.1	-1.5	.2	1.2
Boys' and girls'	1.8	7.4	3.7	3.4	4.1	-.4	-.2	.0	1.0	1.5	3.6
Women's	-2.5	3.4	5.6	-.8	3.4	4.3	4.2	1.0	-3.8	.6	4.2
Apparel services	3.7	3.7	4.1	3.8	6.9	3.4	3.3	2.8	1.6	.8	.7
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated	3.7	5.2	5.3	3.9	5.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	1.8	.7	.9
Other apparel services	3.8	2.6	3.2	3.5	8.3	3.7	3.5	2.5	1.4	.9	.5
Transportation	-6.5	6.7	2.9	4.0	10.4	-1.7	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.6	1.4
Private	-7.3	6.9	2.9	3.9	10.1	-1.7	2.8	1.5	5.2	1.5	1.2
New vehicles	5.6	1.8	2.3	2.7	2.0	3.3	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.0	.6
New cars	5.8	1.7	2.2	2.4	1.3	3.2	2.3	2.9	3.1	1.7	.4
Subcompact new cars	-	1.8	2.4	1.2	.2	3.8	2.7	3.5	3.4	1.8	.2
Compact new cars	-	1.2	1.3	2.3	1.6	2.4	.5	3.1	4.1	1.8	1.1
Intermediate new cars	-	.4	1.5	3.9	1.6	3.4	2.2	2.2	3.4	1.3	.1
Full-size new cars	-	3.1	2.4	3.3	1.3	3.4	1.5	3.2	1.9	1.1	-.6
Luxury new cars	-	3.8	5.2	2.2	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.1	3.1	1.9	2.2
New trucks	4.3	1.3	2.3	3.5	4.0	3.5	2.7	4.6	3.6	2.9	.5
New motorcycles	-	4.0	5.2	4.3	2.9	5.4	4.2	7.3	8.0	4.8	2.7
Used cars	-5.1	8.8	3.4	-.5	-2.2	2.8	7.9	8.1	8.5	4.6	-.5
Motor fuel	-30.7	18.5	-2.0	6.8	36.3	-15.9	1.4	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	5.2
Gasoline	-30.8	18.7	-1.8	6.5	36.7	-16.0	1.6	-5.9	6.4	-4.1	5.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	-31.7	18.5	-2.5	5.6	38.7	-16.6	1.5	-6.7	7.1	-4.2	5.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	5.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium	-26.7	15.6	-.7	6.3	31.9	-14.5	1.5	-4.8	5.2	-4.7	4.5
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.7	3.6	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	.8
Body work	4.0	5.5	4.3	5.9	4.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	1.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair	4.3	3.1	4.4	4.9	5.5	4.3	4.4	4.0	3.6	2.1	.8
Maintenance and servicing	3.9	3.7	3.1	3.1	3.9	5.4	2.1	2.1	1.5	2.1	.8
Power plant repair	2.7	3.5	4.1	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	.6
Other private transportation	5.2	4.5	6.9	4.9	5.4	3.5	1.8	2.0	5.5	3.1	-.2
Other private transportation commodities	-.7	1.7	2.6	2.0	1.3	1.6	-.8	-1.3	.9	.9	.0
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-.6	-2.0	8.7	-.3	7.0	1.0	-.4	.3	6.2	3.2	1.1
Automobile parts and equipment	-.7	1.9	2.0	2.2	.9	1.5	-.8	-1.5	.3	.6	-.1
Tires	-1.7	1.5	3.8	2.1	-.2	2.2	-.4	-1.5	2.2	.1	.1
Other parts and equipment	1.2	2.5	.5	2.3	1.7	1.0	-1.1	-1.6	-1.4	1.0	-.2
Other private transportation services	6.2	5.3	7.9	5.5	6.3	3.9	2.3	2.5	6.4	3.4	-.2
Automobile insurance	11.7	5.6	8.1	6.0	7.7	8.1	6.5	4.9	3.4	4.4	.3
Automobile finance charges	-7.2	6.0	8.5	4.3	.2	-7.0	-14.1	-6.3	23.1	2.2	-3.9
Automobile fees	5.5	3.3	5.8	5.7	9.8	3.6	6.1	2.2	3.0	1.0	2.0
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees	3.2	1.6	6.1	6.2	16.0	4.7	5.9	2.5	.4	1.8	-.2
Other automobile-related fees	9.3	5.5	5.6	4.9	2.1	2.0	6.4	1.8	6.8	-.1	5.3
Public transportation	6.4	1.6	3.4	3.7	15.5	-1.7	5.2	10.0	-5.0	4.0	4.9
Airline fares	5.4	1.1	3.1	5.2	22.8	-5.8	6.2	17.2	-9.5	2.1	5.3
Other intercity transportation	4.9	2.1	6.9	2.7	6.3	3.3	.8	-3.7	1.8	1.7	2.1
Intracity public transportation	7.3	2.2	2.7	1.9	7.8	3.7	4.9	3.0	.9	7.6	4.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Mar.
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Expenditure category											
Medical care	7.6	6.1	7.0	8.3	9.1	7.8	6.8	5.2	4.9	4.0	1.3
Medical care commodities	6.6	7.0	6.7	8.2	8.5	7.3	5.0	3.0	2.9	1.7	1.1
Prescription drugs	8.9	8.1	7.7	9.5	10.0	9.4	5.6	3.2	3.6	2.0	1.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	-	5.3	4.8	5.8	5.8	3.3	4.2	2.6	1.6	1.2	.6
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.3	6.1	2.6	4.3	2.6	.9	.7	.7
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	4.5	2.9	4.7	7.2	4.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	.4
Medical care services	7.7	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	1.3
Professional medical services	6.3	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.1	1.3
Physicians' services	7.6	6.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.0	4.5	4.4	1.4
Dental services	5.4	7.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	8.3	5.7	4.4	5.4	4.4	1.4
Eye care	-	5.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.1	3.6	2.4	.7
Services by other medical professionals	-	5.0	5.5	5.8	4.8	5.2	3.6	3.1	4.5	1.7	1.2
Hospital and related services	7.1	7.0	10.8	11.2	10.6	9.1	8.8	7.4	5.7	4.6	1.5
Hospital rooms	7.2	6.5	10.0	10.5	9.7	8.7	8.8	7.3	5.6	4.8	1.2
Other inpatient services	-	7.4	12.7	11.6	11.2	9.1	8.2	7.6	5.8	4.5	2.0
Outpatient services	-	7.2	9.2	12.0	11.3	9.9	9.7	7.6	5.8	4.6	1.5
Entertainment	3.5	3.9	4.5	5.1	3.8	3.8	2.7	2.7	2.1	3.1	1.5
Entertainment commodities	2.4	3.6	4.4	3.5	2.5	3.4	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.4	1.6
Reading materials	4.2	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.6	6.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	5.9	.9
Newspapers	3.6	4.6	4.9	3.9	4.9	9.6	4.3	4.4	5.1	7.7	1.4
Magazines, periodicals, and books	4.9	2.9	3.8	5.2	4.4	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.0	3.8	.2
Sporting goods and equipment	-9	3.5	4.4	3.0	.5	3.4	.9	.8	2.9	-1.3	2.0
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	-1.5	2.9	3.9	4.0	.1	2.2	2.6	1.1	3.1	-1.2	2.5
Other sporting goods	.6	4.2	4.9	1.7	1.2	5.3	-1.4	.3	2.6	-1.4	1.2
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment	3.2	3.4	4.6	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	-.4	2.2	2.0
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment	2.6	3.8	4.2	2.2	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.6	-.8	1.1	2.3
Photographic supplies and equipment	6.0	6.4	6.2	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.8	-3.7	1.8	.2
Pet supplies and expense	2.2	2.2	4.5	4.3	3.7	1.7	-.8	.6	1.1	3.6	2.1
Entertainment services	5.4	4.3	4.6	6.9	5.3	4.4	3.7	3.6	2.7	3.7	1.3
Club memberships	-	2.0	8.3	4.3	4.7	3.8	2.2	3.6	-.6	2.3	1.3
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships	-	6.9	5.9	7.7	5.5	4.4	4.8	8.2	2.3	2.4	2.1
Admissions	5.2	6.4	3.7	9.8	5.0	4.8	3.8	2.0	3.7	5.4	1.4
Fees for lessons or instructions	-	5.3	5.0	8.1	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.0	5.3	3.0	1.1
Other entertainment services	-	1.6	3.5	4.5	5.8	3.9	3.0	2.6	2.6	3.7	.9
Other goods and services	5.3	6.2	7.1	8.6	7.7	8.1	6.4	1.6	4.2	4.1	.9
Tobacco and smoking products	5.9	7.9	9.5	14.4	10.7	11.3	8.3	-5.9	3.2	2.8	1.0
Personal care	2.5	3.2	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.5	2.9	5.6	2.6	4.3	2.8	3.7	1.5	2.0	.8	-.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.9	2.9	5.3	2.1	5.8	3.0	1.8	4.5	1.5	1.4	-.8
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.3	2.8	5.8	3.0	3.2	2.8	4.8	-.4	2.5	.4	.4
Personal care services	2.6	3.6	4.4	5.2	4.3	2.2	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.4	.6
Beauty parlor services for females	2.5	3.6	4.4	5.5	4.5	2.0	2.1	3.8	1.9	3.2	.7
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males	2.7	3.7	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.7	2.2	2.7	3.8	.5
Personal and educational expenses	7.8	6.6	6.5	7.1	7.1	8.0	6.3	6.4	5.4	5.5	.9
School books and supplies	7.5	7.6	6.5	7.8	6.8	6.0	5.7	3.8	3.1	5.7	2.7
Personal and educational services	7.9	6.5	6.6	7.0	7.1	8.2	6.3	6.6	5.6	5.5	.8
Tuition and other school fees	7.6	7.5	7.4	8.0	7.7	9.1	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.7	.4
College tuition	7.0	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.4	11.7	9.2	7.4	6.2	6.2	.3
Elementary and high school tuition	8.7	9.5	8.4	8.8	8.6	7.7	8.0	5.7	6.3	6.7	.0
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.2	5.3	5.1	3.9	.7
Personal expenses	8.8	4.7	5.1	5.6	6.0	6.5	4.2	6.4	5.2	5.1	1.6
Legal service fees	-	5.2	4.4	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.4	7.8	2.2	4.0	1.1
Personal financial services	-	4.5	6.9	5.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	6.5	8.6	6.7	2.1
Funeral expenses	-	4.6	4.8	5.0	6.5	6.1	3.8	5.2	6.0	5.0	1.7
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.3	3.6	6.0	6.6	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.4	1.5
Selected beef cuts	.1	6.4	4.0	7.0	8.3	-1.1	.2	3.5	-2.7	-1.5	-.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	-30.1	17.9	-1.7	6.7	35.7	-15.6	1.5	-5.3	5.9	-3.7	5.2
Utilities and public transportation	.2	1.2	3.5	2.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.9	-.6	1.7	1.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services	1.7	1.7	4.2	1.3	4.4	6.8	3.4	1.8	2.0	4.9	.7

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table P1. Average residential prices for utility (piped) gas, electricity, and fuel oil, U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Utility (piped) gas				Electricity		Fuel oil #2	
	per 40 therms		per 100 therms		per 500 KWH		per gallon (3.785 liters)	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
U.S. city average	\$29.645	\$28.604	\$63.975	\$61.432	\$48.542	\$49.137	\$1.001	\$1.020
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	39.095	38.976	81.705	81.774	63.071	64.434	1.009	1.031
Size A - More than 1,200,000	39.832	39.608	82.918	82.777	65.939	67.405	1.061	1.086
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	35.940	36.380	76.854	78.351	56.309	56.526	.906	.921
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	32.674	33.709	71.414	73.535	49.991	50.255	.984	1.001
North Central urban	27.614	27.817	55.573	56.086	45.180	45.234	.925	.943
Size A - More than 1,200,000	27.760	28.026	55.365	56.094	46.724	46.849	.948	.955
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	25.927	26.477	49.696	50.683	47.501	47.699	.932	.954
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	27.572	28.047	58.331	59.462	41.903	41.906	.900	.930
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	27.732	26.693	58.983	56.441	37.085	36.347	NA	NA
South urban	30.090	30.907	62.150	64.340	41.571	42.076	1.010	1.013
Size A - More than 1,200,000	30.369	31.493	60.978	63.943	43.391	44.249	1.197	1.166
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	33.156	34.009	68.591	70.557	41.851	41.840	.951	.965
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	28.421	28.810	60.849	61.928	40.732	40.990	NA	NA
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	26.346	25.676	62.822	61.811	36.361	36.930	.932	.933
West urban	23.126	17.699	59.560	43.180	50.471	50.279	.986	.993
Size A - More than 1,250,000	22.769	17.697	60.082	43.880	51.047	51.058	.989	.995
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	21.760	16.990	50.953	39.272	36.570	36.570	.981	.988
Size classes								
A	30.132	29.111	65.107	62.576	51.689	52.554	1.058	1.078
B	29.997	27.953	63.911	59.069	47.140	46.940	.917	.933
C	27.169	26.602	59.066	57.812	41.857	42.028	.970	.989
D	27.244	26.418	58.708	56.755	39.481	39.632	.929	.953
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	31.568	32.176	59.468	61.099	57.993	57.555	1.042	1.042
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	24.864	25.812	65.585	66.540	65.172	65.172	NA	NA
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	42.834	41.763	88.236	86.948	72.024	73.805	1.108	1.125
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	32.136	32.770	70.807	71.616	62.084	62.084	.975	.991
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	21.090	.000	62.149	.000	61.080	61.080	NA	NA
Baltimore, MD	34.468	34.550	71.350	71.380	47.840	47.840	1.285	1.154
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	44.626	44.626	97.828	97.828	61.207	61.207	1.019	1.069
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	23.375	23.497	49.785	50.071	54.474	54.924	NA	NA
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	46.781	47.919	103.300	107.428	44.047	44.047	NA	NA
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	31.252	30.519	59.035	57.203	37.405	37.405	NA	NA
Washington, DC-MD-VA	36.819	39.292	73.484	80.223	40.352	40.644	1.112	1.176
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	25.872	25.735	56.776	56.541	40.110	45.371	NA	NA
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	24.911	24.813	49.879	49.756	48.303	48.303	NA	NA
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	23.330	25.440	43.780	49.050	39.925	39.925	NA	NA
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	36.167	36.167	68.239	68.239	51.589	51.589	NA	NA

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table P2. Average residential unit prices and consumption ranges for utility (piped) gas and electricity for U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Average price per therm of utility (piped) gas		Range of therm consumption for Mar. 1996		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for Mar. 1996	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Low	High	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Low	High
U.S. city average	\$0.637	\$0.616	1	2,800	\$0.091	\$0.092	5	6,250
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	.824	.820	1	2,800	.120	.123	110	5,069
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.844	.837	5	862	.125	.128	110	3,750
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	.749	.761	1	505	.108	.108	173	5,069
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	.629	.653	19	328	.091	.091	227	2,865
North Central urban	.519	.532	3	1,124	.085	.085	5	4,517
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.508	.523	3	1,124	.090	.089	5	3,785
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	.520	.533	20	380	.085	.086	220	4,517
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	.563	.574	12	623	.077	.077	39	3,404
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.566	.559	22	668	.066	.065	252	2,397
South urban	.708	.724	1	1,230	.075	.076	32	6,250
Size A - More than 1,200,000	.693	.719	3	394	.076	.078	142	6,250
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	.773	.790	1	1,230	.076	.076	112	6,229
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	.723	.733	3	278	.072	.073	94	4,249
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.643	.606	5	283	.070	.071	32	5,536
West urban	.587	.439	1	1,557	.099	.099	101	5,033
Size A - More than 1,250,000	.591	.445	1	1,557	.100	.100	103	5,033
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	.499	.388	1	606	.077	.077	101	3,146
Size classes								
A	.642	.621	1	1,557	.097	.099	5	6,250
B	.667	.625	1	1,230	.087	.086	112	6,229
C	.611	.598	1	623	.076	.077	39	4,249
D	.580	.566	5	2,800	.075	.075	32	5,536
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	.452	.481	3	1,124	.110	.109	100	3,563
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	.656	.671	17	447	.127	.127	164	3,125
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	.913	.886	5	579	.139	.143	125	3,750
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	.701	.714	19	862	.117	.117	110	2,451
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	.598	.000	1	1	.127	.127	200	1,746
Baltimore, MD	.765	.765	34	125	.076	.076	541	4,252
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.031	1.031	16	232	.115	.115	279	1,533
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	.507	.510	16	555	.107	.108	166	2,238
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.212	1.243	3	100	.087	.087	142	3,788
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	.537	.528	73	314	.071	.071	5	2,608
Washington, DC-MD-VA	.970	1.020	20	68	.070	.070	415	3,401
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	.590	.588	20	394	.062	.072	242	6,250
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	.503	.501	10	1,016	.099	.099	27	1,534
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	.533	.586	19	166	.078	.079	319	3,810
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	.647	.647	72	597	.095	.095	210	2,690

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

**Table P3. Average prices for gasoline, U.S. city average and selected areas
(Per gallon/3.785 liters)**

Area, region and population size class	Gasoline All types ¹		Gasoline Unleaded regular		Gasoline Unleaded midgrade		Gasoline Unleaded premium	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
U.S. city average	\$1.181	\$1.219	\$1.124	\$1.162	\$1.220	\$1.258	\$1.311	\$1.348
Region and area size ²								
Northeast urban	1.237	1.243	1.170	1.179	1.290	1.296	1.376	1.380
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.229	1.234	1.172	1.182	1.297	1.302	1.385	1.388
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	1.254	1.265	1.189	1.199	1.308	1.316	1.379	1.390
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	1.260	1.263	1.147	1.152	1.250	1.254	1.340	1.339
North Central urban	1.135	1.193	1.096	1.153	1.175	1.225	1.250	1.314
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.158	1.221	1.117	1.178	1.221	1.275	1.278	1.352
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	1.105	1.194	1.050	1.142	1.159	1.247	1.238	1.316
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	1.120	1.156	1.086	1.121	1.148	1.168	1.221	1.265
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.092	1.133	1.064	1.103	1.097	1.142	1.185	1.226
South urban	1.132	1.172	1.065	1.106	1.171	1.212	1.253	1.292
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.136	1.171	1.066	1.101	1.188	1.220	1.266	1.305
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	1.164	1.206	1.083	1.126	1.175	1.222	1.264	1.302
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	1.098	1.143	1.048	1.094	1.149	1.196	1.218	1.258
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.124	1.162	1.065	1.102	1.160	1.198	1.261	1.302
West urban	1.250	1.292	1.199	1.238	1.298	1.344	1.396	1.438
Size A - More than 1,250,000	1.263	1.306	1.212	1.250	1.314	1.360	1.410	1.455
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	1.205	1.231	1.162	1.181	1.210	1.263	1.355	1.375
Size classes								
A	1.202	1.238	1.147	1.184	1.255	1.290	1.342	1.380
B	1.187	1.232	1.117	1.165	1.220	1.265	1.297	1.335
C	1.145	1.178	1.089	1.122	1.174	1.209	1.261	1.291
D	1.131	1.170	1.089	1.128	1.149	1.188	1.259	1.298
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	1.257	1.333	1.198	1.275	1.324	1.394	1.396	1.474
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	1.250	1.299	1.208	1.249	1.288	1.345	1.396	1.444
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	1.289	1.293	1.204	1.214	1.339	1.345	1.425	1.429
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	1.142	1.145	1.099	1.103	1.230	1.229	1.297	1.300
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	1.288	1.334	1.224	1.268	1.353	1.402	1.435	1.488
Baltimore, MD	1.189	1.203	1.131	1.144	1.235	1.248	1.289	1.309
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.193	1.198	1.150	1.155	1.254	1.261	1.345	1.339
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1.097	1.190	1.062	1.155	1.154	1.241	1.247	1.332
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.209	1.246	1.128	1.164	1.273	1.302	1.331	1.373
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1.077	1.151	1.020	1.096	1.116	1.190	1.243	1.313
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1.165	1.199	1.095	1.127	1.205	1.237	1.288	1.330
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.105	1.151	1.038	1.085	1.177	1.221	1.234	1.282
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	1.126	1.199	1.082	1.154	1.192	1.262	1.284	1.349
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	1.139	1.190	1.072	1.122	1.198	1.248	1.256	1.309
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	1.216	1.241	1.147	1.169	1.255	1.278	1.357	1.380

¹ Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
Cereals and bakery products:										
Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	\$0.262	\$0.274	\$0.288	\$0.303	\$0.242	\$0.250	\$0.277	\$0.282	NA	NA
Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.552	.556	.653	.651	NA	NA	.509	.517	0.584	0.584
Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.854	.863	.796	.805	.774	.792	.815	.850	1.072	1.072
Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.858	.852	.921	.884	.829	.833	.803	.831	.919	.877
Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.496	1.484	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.351	1.367	1.626	1.593
Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.177	1.208	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.187	1.241	NA	NA
Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.615	2.628	NA	NA	2.554	2.595	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.460	1.476	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.380	1.345	NA	NA
Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:										
Meats:										
Beef and veal:										
Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.796	1.764	1.744	1.729	1.803	1.705	1.846	1.849	NA	NA
Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.403	1.375	NA	NA	1.306	1.274	1.480	1.454	1.289	NA
Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.030	2.042	2.154	2.148	1.806	1.830	2.003	2.054	2.111	2.088
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.113	2.095	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.148	2.240	NA	NA
Chuck roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.171	2.088	NA	NA	2.259	2.072	2.220	2.012	2.080	2.089
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.444	2.431	2.685	2.641	2.289	2.290	2.361	2.358	2.382	2.408
Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.829	2.819	2.912	2.930	2.761	2.783	2.809	2.728	2.793	2.814
Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.728	2.650	NA	NA	2.499	2.210	2.753	2.749	2.769	2.701
Rib roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.040	5.050	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, T-Bone, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.561	5.661	NA	NA	5.430	5.629	5.452	5.428	NA	NA
Steak, rib eye, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	6.225	5.641	NA	NA	5.812	5.874	6.284	6.053	NA	NA
Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.124	3.084	3.401	3.362	2.822	2.820	3.136	3.150	2.979	2.707
Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.023	2.982	NA	NA	3.038	2.949	2.884	2.820	3.048	3.057
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	3.583	3.640	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, sirloin, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.662	3.641	NA	NA	3.433	3.120	3.395	3.575	3.863	3.841
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.162	4.235	4.322	4.293	4.002	4.089	4.107	4.137	4.361	4.795
Short ribs, any primal source, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Beef for stew, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.530	2.512	NA	NA	2.541	2.594	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pork:										
Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.203	2.202	2.423	2.401	2.207	2.238	2.070	2.024	2.076	2.102
Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.268	3.317	3.202	3.280	3.102	3.121	3.285	3.291	3.558	3.681
Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.215	4.154	4.183	3.910	4.134	4.061	4.368	4.462	4.110	4.064
Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.807	1.839	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.775	NA	NA
Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.514	2.529	NA	NA	2.408	2.454	2.495	2.434	2.296	2.353
Ham, canned, 3 or 5 lbs, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shoulder picnic, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.175	1.193	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.122	1.121	NA	NA
Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.909	1.857	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.901	1.822	NA	NA
Other meats:										
Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.037	2.040	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.828	1.786	NA	NA
Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.324	2.308	NA	NA	2.163	2.129	2.408	2.272	2.335	2.489
Lamb and mutton, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

See footnotes at end of table.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹—Continued

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
Poultry:										
Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	0.940	0.933	1.034	1.024	0.901	0.912	0.859	0.857	1.021	0.996
Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.028	1.914	2.101	1.981	1.947	1.724	1.947	1.858	NA	2.232
Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.232	1.217	1.210	1.202	1.143	1.139	1.170	1.116	1.430	1.449
Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.047	1.069	1.118	1.154	1.064	1.058	1.023	1.032	.984	NA
Fish and seafood:										
Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.977	1.948	2.045	2.028	1.977	1.975	1.893	1.863	2.073	1.962
Eggs:										
Grade A, large, per doz.	1.091	1.138	1.300	1.320	.978	1.047	1.123	1.156	NA	NA
Grade AA, large, per doz.	1.215	1.275	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.359	1.447
Dairy products:										
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	1.479	1.498	1.357	1.366	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.662	1.670
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit)	2.541	2.539	2.537	2.513	2.383	2.405	2.500	2.498	2.792	2.810
Milk, fresh, low fat, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milk, fresh, low fat, per gal. (3.8 lit)	2.314	2.335	NA	NA	2.247	2.283	2.476	2.477	NA	NA
Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.680	1.697	1.773	1.811	1.810	1.812	1.611	1.652	NA	NA
American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.227	3.149	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.403	3.332	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.568	3.415	3.040	NA
Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	2.673	2.752	2.880	2.869	2.400	2.460	2.732	2.689	2.739	3.101
Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm)	.634	.652	NA	NA	NA	NA	.630	.642	NA	NA
Fruits and vegetables:										
Fresh fruits and vegetables:										
Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.877	.894	.912	.924	.808	.845	.888	.907	.906	.906
Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.501	.539	.556	.586	.461	.510	.464	.495	.540	.591
Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.559	.565	.571	.562	.556	.559	.590	.591	.520	.544
Oranges, Valencia, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cherries, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Grapefruit, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.460	.464	.428	.440	.467	.433	.434	.438	.516	.535
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.557	1.350	1.522	1.501	1.357	1.297	1.585	1.399	1.776	1.244
Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.902	.896	.988	1.045	.913	.819	.949	.971	.775	.764
Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	1.515	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	.860	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm)	1.505	1.236	1.419	1.215	1.664	1.372	1.398	1.213	1.537	1.117
Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.385	.392	.391	.384	.315	.332	.404	.412	.431	.439
Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.587	.647	.634	.662	.539	.614	.619	.654	.541	.660
Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.084	1.467	1.352	1.748	1.003	1.345	.967	1.356	1.049	1.449
Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.926	.999	.985	.975	.802	.962	1.024	1.121	.872	.933
Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.393	.358	.415	.331	.464	.365	.389	.368	NA	NA
Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.494	.508	NA	NA	.461	.450	NA	NA	.450	.494
Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.523	.497	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn on the cob, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cucumbers, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.923	1.004	NA	NA	NA	NA	.766	.898	NA	NA
Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.419	.419	.505	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.294	1.470	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Processed fruits and vegetables:										
Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.744	.756	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.742	NA	NA
Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	1.625	1.609	1.883	1.855	1.493	1.496	1.498	1.510	1.798	1.714
Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.899	.899	NA	NA	.886	.904	.884	.887	NA	NA
Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.661	.669	NA	NA	.682	.695	.535	.566	NA	NA
Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.666	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.638	NA	NA	NA
Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.896	.866	NA	NA	.868	.830	.906	.887	NA	NA
Tomatoes, canned, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tomatoes, canned, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.659	.658	.658	.651	NA	NA	.700	.688	.652	.655

See footnotes at end of table.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹—Continued

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996
Other foods at home:										
Sugar and sweets:										
Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	0.403	0.406	0.428	0.429	0.380	0.384	0.415	0.419	0.401	0.406
Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.396	.399	.415	.406	.382	.386	.406	.402	NA	NA
Fats and oils:										
Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.805	.805	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Margarine, soft, tubs, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shortening, vegetable oil blends, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.875	.867	1.043	1.044	.824	.818	.815	.797	.859	.866
Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.806	1.784	NA	NA	1.701	1.704	NA	NA	NA	NA
Nonalcoholic beverages:										
Cola, nondiet, cans, 72 oz. 6 pk., per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) ²	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cola, nondiet, per 2 liters (67.6 oz)	1.046	1.035	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.023	.985	NA	NA
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.590	3.550	4.041	3.965	3.356	3.377	NA	NA	3.549	3.460
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, 13.1-20 oz. can, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Coffee, instant, plain, regular, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	10.318	10.233	NA	NA	10.490	10.468	9.652	9.742	NA	NA
Other prepared foods:										
Potato chips, per 16 oz. (453.6 gm)	2.960	3.035	NA	NA	3.008	2.977	3.093	3.080	2.686	3.063
Alcoholic Beverages at Home:										
Malt Beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	.831	.842	.847	.907	.806	.791	.816	.785	.865	.912
Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	8.770	9.395	NA	11.751	NA	9.235	NA	NA	8.181	NA
Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	4.578	5.031	4.193	5.582	4.363	4.423	5.876	4.837	4.171	5.145

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Deposit may be included in price.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

Technical Notes

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPI's for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total population and (2), a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, medicine, and the other goods that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from about 57,000 housing units and approximately 19,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, gasoline stations and other types of stores and services establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuel, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by either personal visits or telephone calls from the Bureau's trained representatives. Some data, such as used car prices, are obtained from secondary sources.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 29 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities, they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The indexes measure price change from a designated reference date, usually 1982-84, which equals 100.0. An increase of 7 percent, for example, is shown as 107.0. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$100 in 1982-84 to \$107.

For further details see *BLS Handbook of Methods*, BLS Bulletin 2414, September 1992.

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example in the accompanying box illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

<i>Index point change</i>	
CPI	112.5
Less previous index	108.5
Equals index point change	4.0
<i>Percent change</i>	
Index point difference	4.0
Divided by the previous index	108.5
Equals	0.037
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.037×100
Equals percent change	3.7

Energy Prices

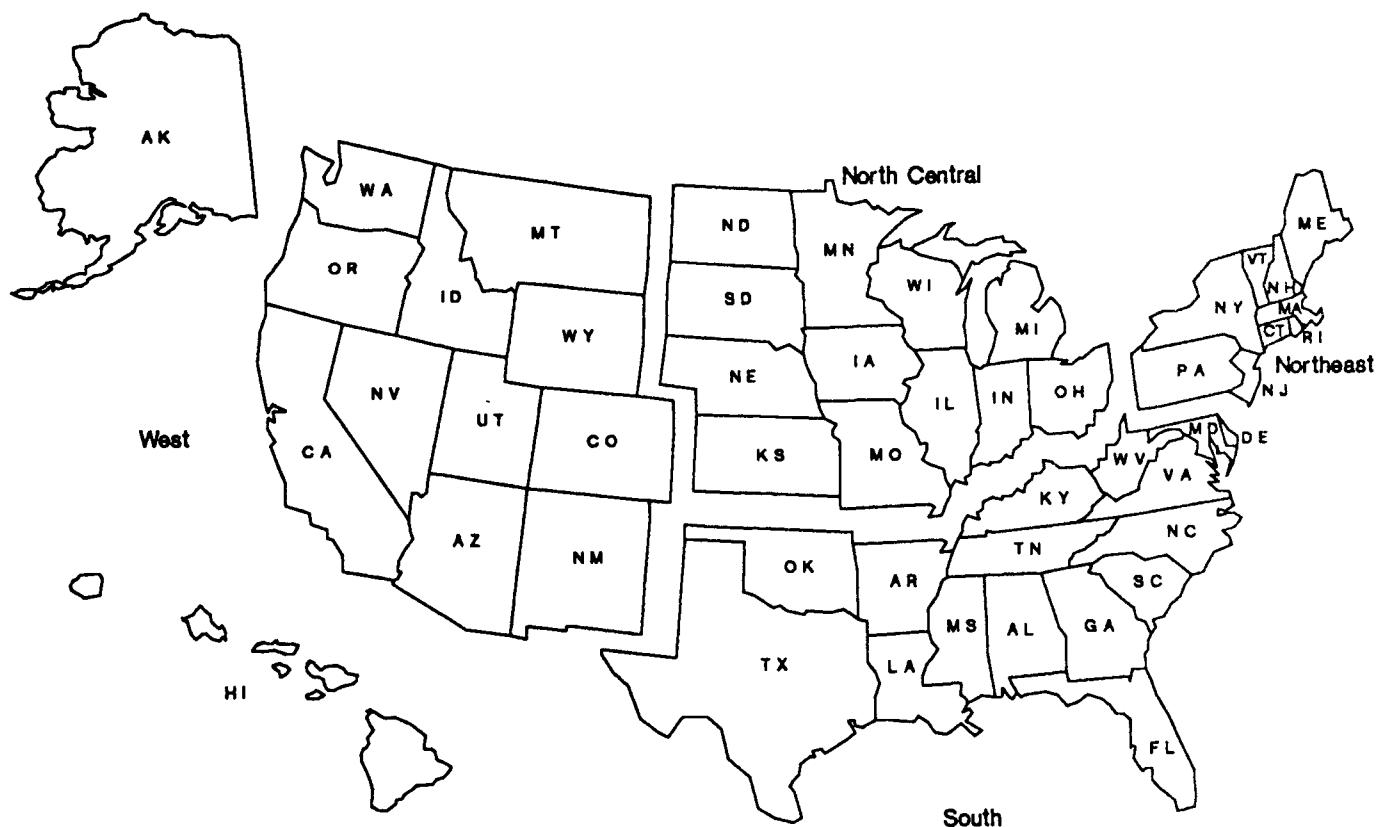
Prices are usually available for the U.S. city average, 15 large metropolitan areas, the four census regions, four size classifications, and 13 areas reflecting the four Census regions cross-classified by the four population sizes. However, not all energy commodities and services are used in every area of the country. Fuel oil, for example, is not a common heating fuel in some urban areas, particularly in the South and West. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. This designation also appears if the data sufficiency criteria have not been met in any given month. For example, if there are fewer than five usable fuel oil prices for a published city or region size class, no fuel oil prices for the area will be published.

All prices are collected monthly by BLS representatives in the urban areas priced for the CPI. Prices for natural gas and electricity include fuel and purchased gas adjustments and all applicable taxes. Fuel oil and gasoline prices include applicable Federal, State, and local taxes.

Natural gas and electricity. Natural gas prices are reported in therms, which are a measure of heating value. Electricity prices are given in kilowatt hours (kwh). For both utility services, the consumption ranges specified in table P2 are the upper and lower limits of the bill sizes priced for the Consumer Price Index. The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are calculated from bills priced within these ranges. It should be noted that bills priced for the CPI are not only for different consumption amounts, but may also be calculated from different types of residential rate schedules. *The average price per therm and per kilowatt hour are not, therefore, generally suitable for use in place-to-place price comparisons.*

The average prices for 40 and 100 therms of natural gas for 500 kilowatt hours of electricity (table P1) are calculated from a special price collection program. They are not used in the calculation of the CPI. Since heating and air-conditioning requirements vary by geographic location, climate, and weather conditions, it cannot be inferred that these consumption amounts represent those used by a typical residen-

Census Regions



tial consumer. These bills are used merely to track price changes over time for constant amounts of consumption, and to provide continuity with prices of natural gas and electricity formerly published in conjunction with the unrevised Consumer Price Index.

Fuel oil. Only #2 fuel oil (home heating oil) is priced. Prices are collected, in most cases, for quantities greater than one gallon. These prices are converted to a gallon price for this program. Fuel oil prices reflect discounts for quantity and/or quick payment.

Gasoline. Gasoline prices are collected at the pump from a sample of full service, mini-service, and self-serve gas stations.

Approximate British Thermal Unit (BTU) values for some energy items are as follows, according to the source indicated:

1 therm = 100,000 BTU's (U.S. Department of Energy).

1 kwh = 3,412 BTU'S (Edison Electric Institute).

1 gallon #2 fuel oil = 140,000 BTU'S (U.S. Department of Energy).

Food Prices

In the revised CPI, actual weighted average prices are calculated each month at the national level and for the four Census geographic regions. As a result of changes in price collection methodology and sample sizes, average prices for individual cities cannot in general be produced. It is hoped however, that regional average prices will help satisfy the need for local area data. It should be noted that the average prices for food in this report reflect variations in brand, quality, and size among geographic areas. Users of average food prices should be aware that these differences exist.

Because a number of food commodities are not available in all areas on a year-round basis, prices will not appear in some months for some regions or for the U.S. city average. In other instances, sufficient prices may not be available due to temporary disruptions in supplies. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. When a price is not available from an individual store in any month, as estimated price will be calculated for the missing item and used in computing the average price. In cases where the proportion of estimated prices used to calculate the average is considered too high, the average price is not published and NA appears for that item in the table.

Because of space limitations in the table, the description for each item is abbreviated. More detailed specifications are available from the BLS regional offices or from the Washington office upon request.

Adjustment of Shelter Indexes for Aging Effects

Beginning with January 1988 CPI, the Bureau of Labor Statistics adjusts the monthly CPI shelter indexes for the

change in quality resulting from the effect of aging on rental housing. In January 1987, the Bureau announced its intention to begin making such adjustments, assuming that further research substantiated the need to do so. The decision to implement the adjustment was based on extensive BLS research, in which alternative adjustment methods were explored and tested. Evaluation of the research indicates that an aging effect exists, and that the chosen method is operationally feasible.¹ The adjustment affect CPI shelter indexes, which would have been raised by 0.2 percent for the year 1987 had an aging adjustment been applied.

The quality of housing unit decreases as the unit ages. Existing BLS methods are used to correct for relatively easily measured quality changes such as the addition of an extra bedroom, but such methods are inadequate to correct for deterioration in the condition of housing unit.²

The aging adjustment method was specifically designed to correct for quality changes associated with this deterioration. The BLS used hedonic regression methods to estimate the aging effect.

The estimates were then used to correct the CPI rent and rental equivalence indexes. Hedonic regressions are statistical functions that relate the price of a good to its attributes or characteristics. For example, a hedonic regression relates a housing unit's rent to its size, age, location, etc. By using BLS housing survey data from 1987 and Census data from 1980, hedonic regression methods provided estimates of the relationship between a housing unit's rent and age while other housing unit characteristics were held constant. The estimated relationship was then used to construct the aging adjustment. Estimates will be recomputed annually by using the previous year's BLS housing survey data and the most recently available Census data.

Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month. For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year—such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

¹ A complete technical presentation of BLS research on this subject is available in William C. Randolph, "Housing Depreciation and Aging Bias in the Consumer Price Index," BLS Working Paper No. 166, April 1987, and *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, Vol. 6, No. 3, July 1988, pp. 359-71 and in William C. Randolph, "Estimation of Housing Depreciation: Short Term Quality Change and Long Term Vintage Effects," BLS Working Paper No. 160, April 1986, and *Journal of Urban Economics*, Vol. 23, March 1988, 162-78. These papers are available from the BLS on request.

² For detail on existing quality adjustment methods, see *BLS Handbook of Methods*, chapter 19 (BLS Bulletin 2414).

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index unadjusted for seasonal variation.

In most cases, seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates have replaced 5 years of seasonal data, for example, data from 1987 through 1991 were replaced at the end of 1991. The seasonal movement of all items and 47 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 60 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. Occasionally, a component changes its seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted. When this occurs, not seasonally adjusted data are used for the last 5 years, but before that period the seasonally adjusted indexes remain in calculations of higher-level seasonally adjusted indexes.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called intervention analysis in conjunction with X-11-ARIMA for some CPI series. Intervention analysis allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors in X-11-ARIMA.

For the fuel oil and the motor fuels indexes, this procedure was used to offset the effects that extreme price volatility would otherwise have had on the estimates of seasonally adjusted data for those series. For some women's apparel indexes and the girls' apparel index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in pricing methodology; and for new cars, new trucks, and new vehicles, this procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in marketing strategies and the introduction of new models. For the tobacco and smoking products index, this procedure was used to offset the effects of increases in excise taxes and wholesale tobacco prices. For some alcoholic beverage series, intervention was used to offset the effects of excise tax increases.

An alternative to the intervention-adjusted X-11-ARIMA procedure is the state space model-based seasonal adjustment method. This method adjusts simultaneously for interventions and seasonal effects, rather than sequentially as in the X-11-ARIMA methodology, using structural statistical models with explanatory variables. The state space structural model-based method of seasonal adjustment was introduced in 1992 for the adjustment of January 1991-December 1991 indexes for three women's apparel series: Dresses, separates and sportswear, and suits.

A description of intervention analysis, including a list of

events treated as interventions and the seasonal factors for these items may be obtained by writing the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Room 3615, Washington, DC 20212-0001 or by calling Claire McAnaw at (202) 606-6968.

Metropolitan Areas

BLS publishes five major metropolitan areas monthly:

Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA
New York-Northern NJ-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton PA-NJ-DE-MD
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA

Data for additional 10 metropolitan areas are published every other month [on an odd (January, March, etc.) or even (February, April etc.) month schedule] for the following areas:

Baltimore, MD	-odd
Boston-Lawrence—Salem, MA-NH	-odd
Cleveland-Akron—Lorain, OH	-odd
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	-even
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	-even
Houston, TX	-even
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-odd
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	-even
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	-odd
Washington, DC-MD-VA	-odd

(Note: The designation even or odd refers to the month during which the area's price change is measured. Due to the time needed for processing, data are released 2 to 3 weeks in to the following month.)

Data are published for another group of 12 metropolitan areas on a semiannual basis. These indexes, which refer to the arithmetic average for the 6-month periods from January through June and July through December, are published with release of the CPI for July and January, respectively, in August and February for:

Anchorage, AK	Kansas City, MO-KS
Atlanta, GA	Milwaukee, WI
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY	Minneapolis-St. Paul MN-WI
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN	Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA
Denver-Boulder, CO	San Diego, CA
Honolulu, HI	Seattle-Tacoma, WA

Finally, BLS recently began publication of CPI's for two metropolitan areas on an annual basis. These indexes represent the arithmetic averages for the 12-monthly period from January through December of each year. They are published with the release of the CPI for January, i.e., in February. These areas are:

New Orleans, LA
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL

CPI on Electronic Bulletin Board

A limited amount of CPI information is currently available via the Department of Labor's electronic bulletin board system (BBS). The data are accessible for downloading free of charge at virtually anytime to any person who has a personal computer with a modem and communications software. The phone number for the BBS is **(202) 219-4784**.

Included on the *Labor News* BBS are all items indexes for the CPI-U and CPI-W for both the U.S. city average and the Washington, D.C. area from 1980 to the present. Also included on the BBS are average prices for the U.S. from 1990 to the present for natural gas, electricity, fuel oil, and gasoline (all types, unleaded regular, and unleaded premium). More indexes or average prices may be added in the future.

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BAUD RATE:	300-14,400 bps
DATA BITS:	8
STOP BITS:	1

PARITY: NONE
FULL DUPLEX
TERMINAL TYPE: ANSI, VT100, or ANSI-BBS

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