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Consumer Price Index data are scheduled for initial release on the following dates:			
<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>	<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>
August	September 16	November	December 16
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Price Movements September 1997

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.2 percent before seasonal adjustment in September to a level of 161.2 (1982-84=100). For the 12-month period ended in September, the CPI-U increased 2.2 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.3 percent in September, prior to seasonal adjustment. The September 1997 CPI-W level of 158.3 was 2.1 percent higher than the index in September 1996.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent in September, the same as in each of the preceding two months. The food index increased 0.1 percent in September. Grocery store food prices, which rose 0.6 percent in August, declined 0.1 percent in September, reflecting decreases in the indexes for fruits and vegetables and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs. The energy index, which increased 1.7 percent in August, rose 1.3 percent in September. The index for petroleum-based energy rose 1.5 percent and the index for energy services, 1.1 percent. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent, following an increase of 0.1 percent in August. The larger advance in September reflects an upturn in the indexes for apparel and upkeep and for airline fares.

Consumer prices rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR) of 2.5 percent in the third quarter. This follows increases of 1.8 and 1.0 percent at annual rates in the first and second quarters, respectively, and brings the year-to-date annual rate to 1.8 percent. This compares with an increase of 3.3 percent for all of 1996. The food and energy components, which had accelerated in 1996, after acting as moderating influences throughout most of the preceding five years, were largely responsible for the deceleration thus far in 1997. The food index has risen at a 1.7-percent SAAR thus far in 1997, following a 4.3 percent increase in 1996. All major grocery store food categories have shown marked deceleration thus far in 1997, relative to 1996, except for the other food at home group. The advance in this latter group is entirely due to the sharp acceleration in coffee prices that have increased at a 33.8 percent annual rate in the first nine months of 1997, after declining 6.7 percent in all of 1996. The energy index, which increased 8.6 percent in 1996, declined at a 2.5 percent SAAR in the first nine months of 1997. The index for petroleum-based energy fell at a 5.1 percent annual rate, while energy services rose at a 0.5 percent SAAR.

Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 1.7-percent SAAR in the third quarter, following increases of 2.4 percent in each of the first two quarters of 1997. The 2.2 percent SAAR in the first nine months of 1997 compares with a 2.6 percent rise for all of 1996. Within this category,

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended September 1997	Unadjusted 12 months ended September 1997
	Changes from preceding month								
	1997								
	March	April	May	June	July	August	September		
All Items	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.5	2.2
Food and beverages	0	-2	.4	.2	.3	.4	.1	3.3	2.2
Housing	0	.2	.1	.3	.2	.1	.3	2.1	2.5
Apparel and upkeep	-3	.9	.1	-2	.2	-1.0	.3	-2.1	1.1
Transportation .....	.1	-4	-8	-3	.1	.6	.4	4.5	.8
Medical care .....	.4	.3	.3	.2	0	.2	.2	1.7	2.6
Entertainment .....	.2	.1	.2	.5	.1	.2	-2	.2	2.0
Other goods and services .....	.5	.8	.2	.2	.3	.6	.3	4.7	4.5
Special Indexes:									
Energy	-1.7	-1.5	-2.4	0	-1	1.7	1.3	11.9	2.0
Food	0	-2	.4	.2	.3	.4	.1	3.4	2.1
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.3	.2	.1	.2	.1	.2	1.7	2.2

Table Q3. Annual percent changes in the CPI for All Urban Consumers, 1989-97

Expenditure category	Percent change 12 months ended in December								SAAR 9 months ended September
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
All items	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.8
Food and beverages	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.8
Housing	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.2
Apparel and upkeep	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	.9	-1.6	.1	-2	.8
Transportation	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-8
Medical care	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	
Entertainment	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	2.9	1.6
Other goods and services	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	5.0
Special Indexes									
Energy	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	-2.5
Food	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	1.7
All items, less food and energy	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.2

both commodities and services have advanced at a somewhat slower rate thus far in 1997, than for all of 1996. The index for commodities, less food and energy has advanced at a 0.4 percent rate in 1997, compared with a 1.1-percent rise for all of 1996. The index for services less energy, which increased 3.3 percent in 1996, has risen at a 2.9 percent rate thus far in 1997.

The food and beverage index rose 0.1 percent in September. The index for grocery store food prices, which rose 0.6 percent in August, declined 0.1 percent in September. The index for fruits and vegetables fell 0.3 percent, following a 2.8-percent increase in August. The indexes for fresh vegetables and for processed fruits and vegetables declined 0.9 and 0.3 percent, respectively, more than offsetting a 0.2 percent increase in the index for fresh fruits. The index for

meats, poultry, fish, and eggs also turned down in September, declining 0.2 percent. Within this group, the index for pork fell 0.4 percent, the index for beef was unchanged, and poultry prices rose 0.8 percent. The indexes for dairy products and for cereal and bakery products each rose at the same rate in September as in August—up 0.1 and 0.2 percent, respectively. The index for other food at home increased 0.2 percent in September. An upturn in prices for sugar and sweets was partially offset by a downturn in coffee prices, which fell 0.5 percent, following increases totaling 24.2 percent in the preceding six months. The other two components of the food and beverage index—restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages—increased 0.3 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

The housing component rose 0.3 percent in September,

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 September 1997	12 months ended September 1997
	1997								
	March	April	May	June	July	August	September		
All Items	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	2.6	2.1
Food and beverages .....	.1	-2	-4	.2	.3	.4	.1	3.1	2.1
Housing .....	.1	.1	.1	.3	.2	0	.3	2.1	2.4
Apparel and upkeep	-3	1.0	.2	-3	.2	-1.0	.2	-2.4	1.1
Transportation	-1	-6	-1.0	-4	.1	.7	.4	4.9	.5
Medical care .....	.3	.3	.3	.2	.1	.2	.2	1.7	2.6
Entertainment .....	.1	.1	.1	.5	.1	.4	-2	1.0	2.0
Other goods and services .....	.5	1.0	.1	0	.3	.5	.5	5.4	4.6
Special Indexes:									
Energy	-1.8	-1.9	-2.4	0	-2	2.0	1.2	12.8	2.0
Food .....	.1	-2	.3	.3	.3	.3	.1	3.1	2.1
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.3	.2	.1	.2	0	.2	1.5	2.1

after increasing 0.1 percent in August. Shelter costs rose 0.2 percent. Within shelter, renters' costs increased 0.4 percent and homeowners' costs, 0.1 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities, which declined 0.5 percent in August, rose 0.6 percent in September. The index for household fuels increased 1.0 percent, largely as a result of a 2.2-percent rise in the index for natural gas. Charges for electricity increased 0.5 percent, while fuel oil prices fell 0.1 percent. The index for other utilities and public services, which declined 0.2 percent in August, rose 0.3 percent in September, in part reflecting a 0.6 percent rise in cable television charges. The index for household furnishings and operation advanced 0.1 percent—its first increase since May.

The transportation component advanced 0.4 percent in September, following an increase of 0.6 percent in August. The index for gasoline, which increased 5.4 percent in August after declining in each of the preceding five months, continued to advance in September, rising 1.8 percent. New vehicle purchase costs continued to show little upward movement; the index for new vehicle prices increased 0.1 percent, while automobile finance charges dropped 1.3 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, new vehicle prices declined 0.2 percent.) The index for used cars declined 0.1 percent. Public transportation costs again turned upward in September, reflecting the behavior of airline fares. The movement in airline fares continued to vary between large declines and increases, reflecting the prevalence of "super-saver" discount fares. The advance of 2.1 percent in September follows a decline of 4.7 percent in August. During the past 12 months, airline fares have increased 1.0 percent.

The index for apparel and upkeep, which declined 1.0 percent in August, rose 0.3 percent in September. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel commodity prices rose 2.6 percent, reflecting seasonal price increases for fall-winter wear.)

Medical care costs rose 0.2 percent in September to a level 2.6 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities—prescription drugs, nonprescription

drugs, and medical supplies—increased 0.1 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.2 percent. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.1 and 0.4 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs, which increased 0.2 percent in August, declined 0.2 percent in September. The index for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events declined 1.8 percent in September, following a 1.3-percent rise in August.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.3 percent in September, following an increase of 0.6 percent in August. The indexes for college tuition and for schoolbooks and supplies, which increased 0.6 and 0.7 percent, respectively in August, declined 0.9 and 0.1 percent, respectively, in September. (In September, prior to seasonal adjustment, college tuition costs rose 1.8 percent, and the index for school books and supplies increased 0.6 percent.) The index for tobacco and smoking products increased 1.4 percent in September.

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

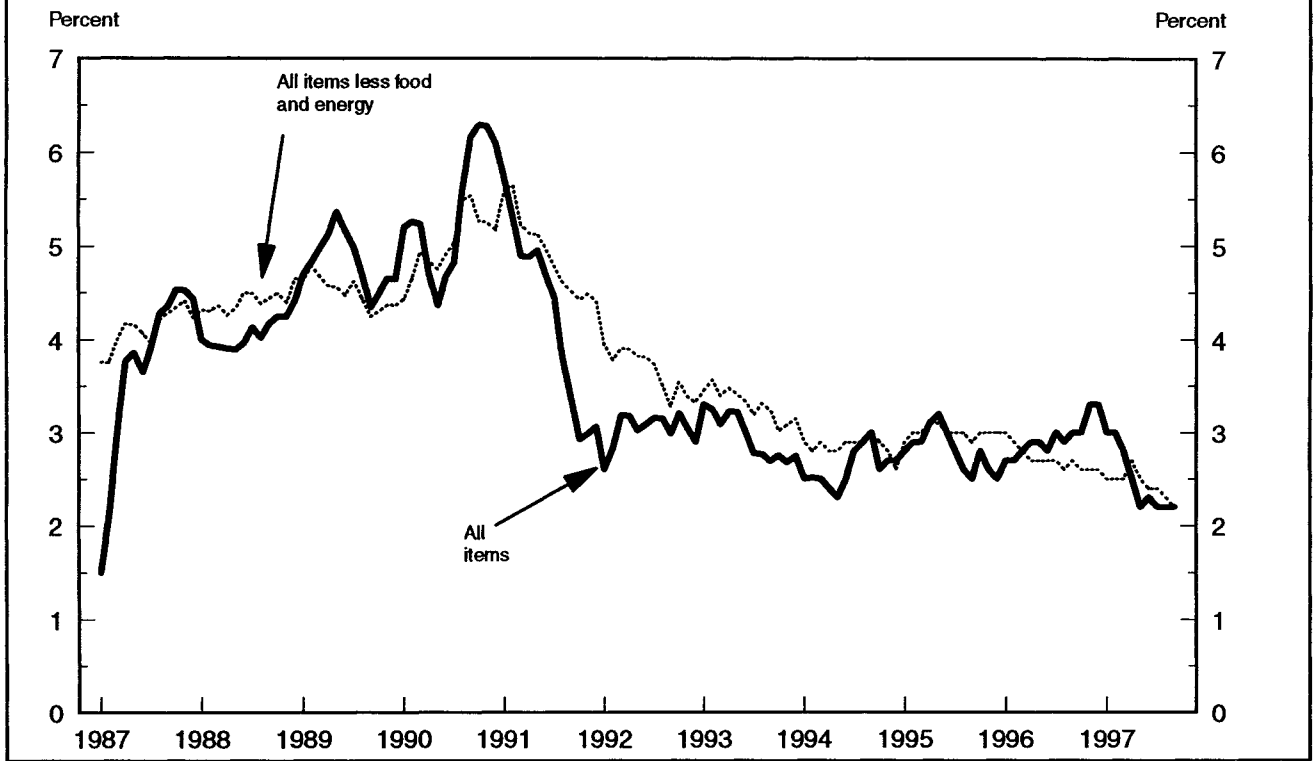
On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers rose 0.3 percent in September.

After seasonal adjustment, the level of the CPI-U for All Items was 161.3 in September; the seasonally adjusted CPI-W for All Items was 158.2.

Since January 1997 data, BLS reports the level of the seasonally adjusted U.S. City Average All Items CPI-U and CPI-W. Effective with the release of January 1998 data in February 1998, the seasonally adjusted All Items indexes will be fully integrated into the monthly reports.

Like other seasonally adjusted CPI data, the All Items index levels are subject to revision for up to five years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.

CPI-U 12-month changes, 1987 to present



Upcoming CPI Revision User Briefings

The 1998 CPI Revision will result in several improvements to the index, effective with the release of data for January 1998. A new set of expenditure weights, using 1993-95 Consumer Expenditure Survey data, will replace the 1982-84 weights now used. The CPI will also employ a new geographic sample, a new item structure, and a new variance-based publication system. The Web site at <http://stats.bls.gov/cpihome.htm> includes articles on the 1998 CPI Revision from the Decem-

ber 1996 *Monthly Labor Review*. For more information on this CPI revision, BLS is offering free user conferences around the country to brief groups or individuals. The Bureau will post dates for these meetings on the CPI Web site. Information on the 1998 CPI Revision is also available by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional office telephone numbers listed inside the back cover of this report.

Using a Hedonic Model in the Consumer Price Index to Adjust Personal Computer Prices for Changes in Quality

Effective with the release of data for January 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will introduce an improved quality adjustment technique in the new stratum of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) called personal computers and peripheral equipment.

Currently, personal computers are part of the information processing equipment stratum, which had a relative importance in December 1996 of 0.074 percent in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and 0.057 percent in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). As previously announced, beginning with the CPI for January 1998, information processing equipment will become an expenditure class called "information and information processing other than telephone services." Personal computers and peripheral equipment will be one of four strata in that expenditure class. At that time, due to the incorporation of more recent consumer expenditure weights in the CPI, the sample size and relative importance of personal computers will increase.

Analysts in the Producer Price Index (PPI) program have developed and implemented a regression procedure, called a hedonic model, that decomposes the price of personal computers into implicit prices for each important feature and compo-

ment of the computer.¹ This model provides a way to estimate the value of changes or improvements. Results from the model have been used in the PPI (since 1991) as well as in the Bureau's International Price Program (since 1993). The resulting indexes have been used in the National Income and Product Accounts produced by the Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce. The CPI has used similar hedonic methods to adjust apparel prices for many years. An important distinction is that the PPI model uses data from secondary sources, rather than from internal pricing samples.

Starting with the CPI for January 1998, when a personal computer or selected item of peripheral equipment, such as a modem, in the CPI sample improves in some way, a regression-based quality adjustment will be made. The value of the improvement, as derived from the PPI regression estimates, will be deducted from the observed price change for the product. Conversely, if a specific model deteriorates in value in some way, the difference in value will be added to the price.

For additional information on these changes, telephone Joseph Chelena at (202) 606-6982, ext. 255 or write to:

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¹The PPI analysts have not published results of their recent research in this area. The research builds on earlier work on an experimental PPI computer index; this index is described in James Sinclair and Brian Catron, "New Price Index for the Computer Industry," *Monthly Labor Review*, Vol. 113, No. 10, October 1990, pp. 16-24.

The Experimental CPI Using Geometric Means September 1997

The experimental CPI using geometric means for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U-XG) for September 1997 was 117.3 (on a December 1990=100 base). This is 2.0 percent higher than in August 1997. In comparison, the experimental "Test Laspeyres" CPI for all urban consumers (CPI-U-XL) was 119.8 in August 1997, 2.2 percent higher than one year ago.

On April 10, 1997, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) introduced an experimental Consumer Price Index (CPI) for All Urban Consumers, which uses a geometric mean formula to combine individual price quotations at the lower level of aggregation while keeping the current Laspeyres arithmetic mean formula for higher level aggregation. This experimental index, called *the experimental CPI using geometric means*, or CPI-U-XG, is a supplement to the price information available from BLS and does not replace the published CPI-U or CPI-W indexes. BLS currently is evaluating the full or partial adop-

tion of the geometric mean formula in the CPI-U and CPI-W.

These data will be published quarterly in the *CPI Detailed Report*. Table 1 shows the CPI-U-XG indexes for major CPI categories for the period for the last 13 months. Historical differences between the CPI-U and CPI-U-XG arise not only because of the different formulas used, but also because methodological changes made in the CPI-U over the years are reflected in the CPI-U-XG for the entire series. For historical comparison to the CPI-U-XG, therefore, BLS also has issued an experimental "Test Laspeyres" series called the CPI-U-XL, which differs from the CPI-U-XG only in the use of the Laspeyres formula for aggregation of price quotations. Table 2 shows the CPI-U-XL indexes over the same time period.

For a full explanation of these series, see "The Experimental CPI using Geometric Means (CPI-U-XG)" in the March 1997 *CPI Detailed Report*.

Table 1. The experimental CPI using Geometric Means, all urban consumers (CPI-U-XG), not seasonally adjusted, last 13 months

(December 1990=100)

Month and year	All items	Food and beverages	Housing	Apparel and upkeep	Transportation	Medical care	Entertainment	Other goods and services	Energy	Food	All items less food and energy
1996:											
September	115.0	112.8	115.5	96.9	110.7	132.1	114.7	131.0	100.9	112.0	117.2
October	115.3	113.4	115.4	98.4	111.1	132.5	114.7	131.2	99.8	110.5	117.6
November	115.5	113.6	115.4	98.5	111.8	132.6	115.2	131.5	100.4	112.9	117.7
December	115.5	113.8	115.6	96.2	112.1	132.6	115.1	131.3	101.4	113.1	117.6
1997:											
January	115.9	114.1	116.2	95.3	111.9	133.2	115.3	132.1	102.4	113.4	117.8
February	116.2	114.1	116.6	96.9	111.8	133.7	115.7	132.5	102.2	113.3	118.3
March	116.4	114.1	116.7	98.9	118.8	133.9	116.0	132.9	100.5	113.4	118.8
April	116.5	114.2	116.7	100.1	111.8	134.1	115.9	133.7	99.3	113.4	119.1
May	116.5	114.2	116.8	99.8	114.4	134.4	115.9	133.9	99.2	113.4	119.0
June	116.6	114.2	117.5	97.3	111.1	134.5	116.1	133.8	101.3	113.4	119.0
July	116.7	114.4	118.0	95.4	110.8	134.7	115.9	134.1	100.5	113.6	119.1
August	116.9	114.8	118.0	95.3	110.9	134.8	116.1	135.4	101.6	114.0	119.2
September	117.3	115.0	118.1	97.6	111.2	134.9	116.2	136.8	102.9	114.2	119.5

Table 2. The experimental "Test Laspeyres" CPI, all urban consumers, (CPI-U-XL), not seasonally adjusted, last 13 months

(December 1990=100)

Month and year	All items	Food and beverages	Housing	Apparel and upkeep	Transportation	Medical care	Entertainment	Other goods and services	Energy	Food	All items less food and energy
1996:											
September	117.2	115.8	116.3	104.9	112.6	135.5	118.7	132.7	101.6	115.2	119.4
October	117.6	116.4	116.3	106.5	113.1	135.9	118.8	132.9	100.5	115.8	119.8
November	117.8	116.7	116.2	106.5	113.8	136.2	119.4	133.2	101.0	116.2	120.0
December	117.8	117.0	116.4	104.0	114.1	136.3	119.5	133.0	102.0	116.5	119.8
1997:											
January	118.2	117.2	117.1	103.5	113.9	137.0	119.9	133.8	102.9	116.7	120.2
February	118.6	117.2	117.6	105.3	113.8	137.5	120.2	134.2	102.7	116.6	120.7
March	118.8	117.3	117.8	107.4	113.9	137.9	120.5	134.6	101.1	116.7	121.2
April	119.0	117.3	117.7	108.7	113.8	138.1	120.6	135.4	100.0	116.7	121.5
May	118.9	117.4	117.8	108.0	113.5	138.4	120.6	135.7	99.9	116.7	121.5
June	119.1	117.4	118.6	105.7	113.2	138.6	121.0	135.7	102.1	116.7	121.4
July	119.2	117.7	119.0	103.9	112.9	138.8	120.9	135.9	101.2	117.0	121.6
August	119.4	118.1	119.1	103.7	113.1	139.0	121.1	137.3	102.3	117.5	121.7
September	119.8	118.3	119.1	106.2	113.4	139.1	121.1	138.7	103.5	117.7	122.0

Planned CPI Publication Changes

Beginning in 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will introduce a new geographic area sample, a revised item structure and updated expenditure weights into the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Approximately every 10 years BLS undertakes this type of revision in order to keep the index up-to-date. Since World War II, revisions of the CPI have been introduced in 1953, 1964, 1978, and 1987.

Because the changes the CPI undergoes during each revision can have a major impact on our users, special steps are taken to ameliorate the effects of these changes. Beginning with the release of the January 1997 index, data series that will change or be dropped from publication are footnoted in BLS published tables. This provides an early warning to users to reconsider their use of CPI indexes and provides time for users to make changes in index use. The 1998 CPI Revision contains substantial revisions in both the items being presented and the frequency of local area index publication.

Changes to the item structure

Effective in 1998, there will be considerable changes to both the items being priced and the manner in which they are being aggregated in the CPI. The most notable modification in presentation is a reconstruction of several major groups with a resulting change from the currently available seven major groups to the new total of eight.

Currently the major groups are: Food and beverages, housing, apparel and upkeep, transportation, medical care, entertainment and other goods and services. Three of these groups—food and beverages, transportation, and medical care—will remain the same. The apparel group was modified to exclude apparel upkeep products and services. The entertainment group has been slightly redefined into a major group called *recreation*; and a new major group, *education and communication*, has been formed from past subelements of the housing, entertainment and other goods, and services groups.

Other important changes in the item structure at lower levels are an expansion of the food away from home index, a reorientation of the car and truck indexes to a vehicle index, and the expansion of the information processing equipment index.

For a complete listing of the new CPI publication structure, see table X.

Changes to the geographic structure

In each revision, the CPI geographic sample is selected to be representative of the current demographics of the

United States. The current revision uses the 1990 Census of Population. The CPI develops an updated area sample design, decides on new local area indexes, and changes the frequency of publication for local area indexes to better reflect these new demographics.

In addition to the national index, BLS currently publishes indexes for 29 metropolitan areas. In 1998, the Bureau will continue to publish indexes for all but two of these areas—Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY, and New Orleans, LA. Due to the revised metropolitan area (MA) definitions issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), two other areas, Washington, DC and Baltimore, MD, which BLS currently publishes separately, constitute a new consolidated metropolitan statistical area. A single index will be published for this consolidated area.

The new publication plan for local area indexes, to begin with the index for January 1998, is summarized below:

- Monthly indexes will be published for the three largest metropolitan areas. Because of sample design considerations, indexes for the Philadelphia and San Francisco areas, both currently published monthly, will be published every other month, following the release of the December, 1997 index.
- Bimonthly indexes will be published for the next 11 largest areas, including Atlanta and Seattle, which currently have semiannual average indexes.
- Semiannual average indexes will be published for 12 additional areas, including Pittsburgh and St. Louis, which currently have bimonthly indexes.
- BLS will continue to publish separate indexes for the four census regions of the United States. However, beginning in 1998, there will only be two area size classes for metropolitan areas, (instead of the current three): size A—areas with a population greater than 1.5 million; and size B/C—areas with less than 1.5 million population. This cutoff of 1.5 million in population reflects a rise from the current cutoff of 1.2 million and is important, because cities in size class A are those for which the Bureau publishes city level indexes. The B/C size class is a combination of the old size B and size C metropolitan areas. In addition to the two metropolitan area size indexes for each region, separate size D indexes for urban non-metropolitan areas will continue to be published for both the Midwest and the South. (Separate indexes for Northeast and West urban nonmetropolitan areas were discontinued in 1987.)

The following list shows the areas for which indexes will be published beginning in January, 1998:

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published monthly:**

New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island,
NY-NJ-CT-PA
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published bimonthly:**

In odd months (i.e., January, March, etc.)

Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV
Cleveland-Akron, OH
Atlanta, GA
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX

In even months (i.e., February, April, etc.)

Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-
DE-MD

San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published semiannually (In January and July):**

Pittsburgh, PA
Kansas City, MO-KS
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL
Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO
Portland-Salem, OR-WA
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN
Milwaukee-Racine, WI
St. Louis, MO-IL
Anchorage, AK
Honolulu, HI
San Diego, CA

New tables

Beginning with the release of the January 1997 index, a new transitional step has been taken: the publication of underlap indexes. Underlap indexes are indexes that are produced for new index areas using old weights and structures with a specially developed aggregation tree for a period before the introduction of these areas. These indexes will be developed to handle two specific situations occurring in the 1998 revision: the combination of Washington and Baltimore into a single MA and the com-

bination of two separate population size classes for MA's. These underlap indexes will be published for all of 1997; they will allow the user to prepare for the change to these new geographic indexes, which will be completed with the release of January 1998 data.

See table NS1 for the underlap Washington-Baltimore indexes and table NS2 for the underlap B/C city size class All Items indexes.

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	160.8	161.2	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
All items (1967 = 100)	-	481.6	483.0	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.484	158.1	158.4	2.2	.2	.3	.4	.1
Food	15.913	157.6	157.9	2.1	.2	.3	.4	.1
Food at home	10.040	158.5	158.6	1.7	.1	.3	.6	-.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.479	178.6	178.1	1.9	-.3	.1	.2	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.002	149.1	149.1	1.3	.0	.5	.1	-.2
Dairy products ¹	1.245	143.4	143.5	-2.2	.1	-.6	.1	.1
Fruits and vegetables ²	1.974	187.3	188.1	2.5	.4	.5	2.8	-.3
Other food at home	2.340	148.7	148.9	3.7	.1	.6	.1	.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.331	147.8	148.5	2.1	.5	.5	-.8	.5
Fats and oils .....	.246	141.4	142.0	.4	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.724	136.7	136.7	6.9	.0	1.6	.0	-.1
Other prepared food	1.039	161.8	161.9	2.8	.1	.1	.2	.4
Food away from home	5.873	157.4	157.8	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.571	163.2	163.5	2.5	.2	.3	.3	.2
Housing ²	41.203	157.6	157.7	2.5	.1	.2	.1	.3
Shelter	28.194	177.5	177.2	3.0	-.2	.2	.2	.2
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	7.994	189.1	186.8	3.3	-1.2	-.1	.2	.4
Rent, residential	5.731	167.3	167.8	3.0	.3	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	2.263	233.9	222.8	3.7	-4.7	-.7	.0	.4
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	20.000	182.2	182.8	3.0	.3	.4	.3	.1
Owners' equivalent rent ³	19.616	182.6	183.2	3.0	.3	.4	.3	.1
Household insurance ^{3 4} .....	.383	166.3	166.8	2.8	.3	.0	.4	.7
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4} .....	.200	145.5	142.6	1.9	-2.0	1.5	.1	-2.0
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4} .....	.123	154.4	150.2	1.9	-2.7	2.5	.4	-2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4} .....	.077	133.1	132.1	2.0	-.8	-.3	-.4	-.8
Fuel and other utilities ²	7.102	131.4	132.1	1.8	.5	.2	-.5	.6
Fuels	3.878	118.6	119.7	1.1	.9	.0	-.8	1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.424	93.5	93.7	-2.0	.2	-1.9	-.7	.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.453	126.7	128.1	1.5	1.1	.2	-.8	1.1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	3.224	162.1	162.3	2.5	.1	.5	-.2	.3
Household furnishings and operation ²	5.908	125.2	125.4	.2	.2	-.2	-.3	.1
Housefurnishings ⁴	3.332	110.2	110.2	-1.2	.0	-.6	-.5	-.1
Housekeeping supplies	1.093	142.9	143.2	1.4	.2	.7	-.6	.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	1.482	152.6	153.2	2.5	.4	.2	.4	.3
Apparel and upkeep	5.330	130.0	133.0	1.1	2.3	.2	-1.0	.3
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.786	125.9	129.2	1.1	2.6	.1	-1.0	.3
Men's and boys' apparel	1.280	128.9	131.4	3.1	1.9	.5	.1	.4
Women's and girls' apparel	2.102	120.3	126.0	1.9	4.7	-.5	-2.0	1.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.186	127.3	126.7	-3.6	-.5	-1.2	-3.0	-.5
Footwear .....	.718	126.3	127.4	.6	.9	1.0	.6	-.5
Other apparel commodities ⁴ .....	.500	145.8	145.3	-4.3	-.3	.4	-1.2	-1.0
Apparel services ^{1 4} .....	.545	163.6	163.7	2.1	.1	.2	.1	.1
Transportation	17.140	143.8	144.3	.8	.3	.1	.6	.4
Private transportation	15.499	140.8	141.0	.7	.1	.1	.9	.4
New vehicles	4.955	143.0	142.7	-.3	-.2	.1	-.1	.1
New cars	3.952	140.4	140.0	-.7	-.3	.1	-.1	.0
Used cars	1.278	148.5	148.2	-5.6	-.2	-1.1	-.8	-.1
Motor fuel	3.171	107.6	109.3	2.9	1.6	-.2	4.9	1.7
Gasoline	-	107.4	109.2	3.3	1.7	-.4	5.4	1.8
Maintenance and repairs	1.533	163.3	163.5	2.2	.1	.2	.1	-.1
Other private transportation ⁴	4.562	177.4	176.9	1.6	-.3	.5	-.1	.1
Other private transportation commodities ⁴ .....	.589	104.8	104.6	-.4	-.2	.7	-.6	-.2
Other private transportation services ⁴	3.973	194.5	194.0	1.9	-.3	.5	.0	.2
Public transportation	1.642	183.4	186.0	.8	1.4	.5	-1.9	1.2

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category								
Medical care	7.346	235.2	235.4	2.6	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2
Medical care commodities	1.273	215.5	215.3	1.9	-.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Medical care services	6.073	239.8	240.0	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Professional medical services	3.472	216.3	216.4	3.2	.0	.1	.3	.1
Entertainment ⁴	4.352	163.0	163.0	2.0	.0	.1	.2	-.2
Entertainment commodities ⁴	1.957	144.6	144.7	1.0	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Entertainment services ⁴	2.395	184.3	184.2	2.8	-.1	.2	.1	-.5
Other goods and services ²	7.145	225.7	228.1	4.5	1.1	.3	.6	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	1.601	243.4	246.5	5.3	1.3	.4	.7	1.4
Personal care ¹	1.145	152.5	152.7	1.3	.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹ .....	.588	143.5	143.7	-1.0	.1	-.3	-.1	.1
Personal care services ¹ .....	.557	162.7	162.8	3.6	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	4.398	261.6	264.9	5.1	1.3	.3	.7	-.1
School books and supplies .....	.264	240.0	241.5	5.0	.6	.4	.7	-.1
Personal and educational services ⁴	4.134	263.5	266.9	5.1	1.3	.4	.7	-.1
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	160.8	161.2	2.2	.2	.2	.2	.2
Commodities	42.873	141.4	142.1	1.3	.5	.1	.4	.3
Food and beverages	17.484	158.1	158.4	2.2	.2	.3	.4	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	25.389	131.3	132.2	.6	.7	-.2	.3	.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.147	133.8	135.5	1.9	1.3	.0	.6	.7
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.786	125.9	129.2	1.1	2.6	.1	-1.0	.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.362	140.8	141.9	2.3	.8	-.1	1.5	.8
Durables	10.242	127.7	127.6	-1.2	-.1	-.3	-.3	-.1
Services	57.127	180.3	180.6	2.8	.2	.3	.1	.2
Rent of shelter ³	27.577	184.7	184.4	3.0	-.2	.2	.3	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	8.698	146.9	147.7	2.1	.5	.3	-.5	.6
Transportation services	7.148	184.3	184.7	1.7	.2	.4	-.4	.3
Medical care services	6.073	239.8	240.0	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Other services	7.631	210.7	212.2	4.1	.7	.3	.4	-.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.087	161.3	161.8	2.1	.3	.2	.1	.3
All items less shelter	71.806	155.9	156.6	1.8	.4	.1	.2	.3
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	80.000	161.6	162.0	2.0	.2	.1	.2	.2
All items less medical care	92.654	156.6	157.1	2.1	.3	.2	.2	.3
Commodities less food	26.960	132.6	133.5	.8	.7	-.1	.3	.4
Nondurables less food	16.718	135.5	137.2	2.0	1.3	.0	.5	.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.932	142.1	143.0	2.3	.6	.1	1.6	.8
Nondurables	32.631	146.1	147.1	2.1	.7	.2	.5	.4
Services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	29.550	188.7	189.5	2.7	.4	.3	-.2	.3
Services less medical care services	51.054	174.8	175.1	2.9	.2	.3	.1	.2
Energy	7.049	112.5	113.9	2.0	1.2	-.1	1.7	1.3
All items less energy	92.951	167.3	167.6	2.2	.2	.2	.1	.2
All items less food and energy	77.038	169.6	170.0	2.2	.2	.2	.1	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.364	141.2	142.0	.4	.6	-.1	-.3	.2
Energy commodities	3.596	106.2	107.7	2.4	1.4	-.4	4.3	1.5
Services less energy services	53.674	185.8	186.0	2.9	.1	.3	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ¹	-	\$.622	\$.620	-2.2	-.3	-.2	-.2	-.3
1967=\$1.00 ¹	-	.208	.207	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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					
	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.8	1.0	2.5	2.5	1.8
Food and beverages	157.4	157.9	158.6	158.7	3.4	.5	1.5	3.3	1.9	2.4
Food	157.1	157.6	158.3	158.4	3.4	.3	1.5	3.4	1.8	2.4
Food at home	157.7	158.2	159.2	159.1	3.6	-1.3	1.3	3.6	1.2	2.4
Cereals and bakery products	177.6	177.7	178.0	178.3	3.9	.9	1.4	1.6	2.4	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.6	149.3	149.4	149.1	5.8	-5.8	4.1	1.4	-1	2.7
Dairy products ¹	144.1	143.3	143.4	143.5	5.3	-6.6	-5.4	-1.7	-8	-3.5
Fruits and vegetables ²	185.3	186.2	191.4	190.8	.6	4.2	-5.2	12.4	2.4	3.2
Other food at home	147.7	148.6	148.7	149.0	2.2	1.7	7.7	3.6	2.0	5.6
Sugar and sweets	148.1	148.8	147.6	148.4	1.9	.0	5.9	.8	1.0	3.3
Fats and oils	141.4	141.0	141.5	142.5	.3	.0	-1.7	3.1	.1	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	134.9	137.1	137.1	136.9	-9	4.1	19.6	6.1	1.6	12.6
Other prepared food	161.0	161.2	161.5	162.1	4.9	1.0	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.6
Food away from home	156.6	157.1	157.4	157.8	3.4	2.9	1.5	3.1	3.1	2.3
Alcoholic beverages	162.4	162.9	163.4	163.7	3.6	1.2	2.0	3.2	2.4	2.6
Housing ²	156.5	156.8	156.9	157.3	3.2	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.8	2.2
Shelter	175.8	176.2	176.6	177.0	2.8	3.3	3.5	2.8	3.7	3.1
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	185.4	185.3	185.7	186.4	2.7	4.9	3.3	2.2	3.8	2.7
Rent, residential	166.5	166.8	167.3	167.8	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	2.7	3.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	225.2	223.7	223.8	224.8	2.2	10.9	2.7	-7	6.5	1.0
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	181.2	181.9	182.4	182.6	2.7	2.7	3.2	3.1	2.7	3.1
Owners' equivalent rent ³	181.6	182.3	182.8	183.0	3.0	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.7	3.2
Household insurance ^{3 4}	165.1	165.1	165.7	166.8	.7	2.5	4.0	4.2	1.6	4.1
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4}	143.3	145.4	145.5	142.6	4.7	2.6	2.6	-1.9	3.6	.3
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4}	150.0	153.8	154.4	150.2	1.6	1.1	4.4	.5	1.4	2.4
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4}	134.1	133.7	133.1	132.1	9.9	5.2	-6	-5.8	7.6	-3.2
Fuel and other utilities ²	130.2	130.5	129.9	130.7	6.1	.6	-9	1.5	3.3	.3
Fuels	116.3	116.3	115.4	116.5	9.0	.0	-4.3	.7	4.4	-1.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	99.3	97.4	96.7	96.8	50.9	-22.9	-12.3	-9.7	7.8	-11.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.5	123.8	122.8	124.1	4.7	3.3	-3.5	2.0	4.0	-8
Other utilities and public services ⁴	161.5	162.3	162.0	162.5	3.1	1.5	3.3	2.5	2.3	2.9
Household furnishings and operation ²	125.7	125.5	125.1	125.2	1.0	-3	1.9	-1.6	.3	.2
Housefurnishings ⁴	111.3	110.6	110.1	110.0	.4	-1.8	1.5	-4.6	-7	-1.6
Housekeeping supplies	143.0	144.0	143.1	143.3	.9	2.3	1.4	.8	1.6	1.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	151.8	152.1	152.7	153.1	3.0	.5	3.5	3.5	1.8	3.5
Apparel and upkeep	133.3	133.5	132.2	132.6	2.5	1.2	3.4	-2.1	1.8	.6
Apparel commodities ⁴	129.5	129.6	128.3	128.7	2.2	.9	3.8	-2.4	1.6	.6
Men's and boys' apparel	129.7	130.4	130.5	131.0	3.8	-6	5.4	4.1	1.6	4.7
Women's and girls' apparel	127.4	126.8	124.3	125.5	5.6	2.9	5.2	-5.8	4.3	-5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	132.9	131.3	127.3	126.7	-13.0	9.1	10.2	-17.4	-2.6	-4.6
Footwear	126.0	127.3	128.1	127.4	2.2	-3.7	-6	4.5	-8	1.9
Other apparel commodities ⁴	146.3	146.9	145.2	143.7	-9.0	2.2	-3.2	-6.9	-3.6	-5.1
Apparel services ^{1 4}	163.2	163.5	163.6	163.7	2.8	2.2	2.0	1.2	2.5	1.6
Transportation	143.2	143.3	144.2	144.8	5.4	-8	-5.9	4.5	2.2	-8
Private transportation	139.9	140.0	141.2	141.7	4.6	.3	-6.8	5.2	2.4	-1.0
New vehicles	144.3	144.4	144.3	144.4	-6	-3	-8	.3	-4	-3
New cars	141.7	141.8	141.7	141.7	-1.4	-6	-8	.0	-1.0	-4
Used cars	150.9	149.2	148.0	147.8	-3.8	7.2	-16.2	-8.0	1.5	-12.2
Motor fuel	101.4	101.2	106.2	108.0	25.8	-5.6	-26.5	28.7	9.0	-2.7
Gasoline	100.9	100.5	105.9	107.8	25.5	-5.3	-26.6	30.3	9.0	-2.2
Maintenance and repairs	162.8	163.2	163.4	163.2	2.5	2.0	3.3	1.0	2.3	2.1
Other private transportation ⁴	177.2	178.1	178.0	178.2	.0	3.2	1.1	2.3	1.6	1.7
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	104.9	105.6	105.0	104.8	-8	-8	.4	-4	-8	.0
Other private transportation services ⁴	194.5	195.5	195.5	195.8	.2	3.8	1.2	2.7	2.0	2.0
Public transportation	187.2	188.1	184.5	186.7	13.1	-10.6	2.8	-1.1	.5	.9

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	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category										
Medical care	234.9	235.0	235.5	235.9	2.8	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.9	2.3
Medical care commodities	216.0	215.8	215.5	215.7	1.7	4.0	2.8	-6	2.9	1.1
Medical care services	239.0	239.2	239.8	240.3	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Professional medical services	215.5	215.7	216.3	216.6	3.5	4.0	3.4	2.1	3.8	2.7
Entertainment ⁴	162.9	163.0	163.4	163.0	3.3	1.5	3.0	.2	2.4	1.6
Entertainment commodities ⁴	144.1	143.9	144.7	144.9	2.5	-6	-3	2.2	1.0	1.0
Entertainment services ⁴	184.7	185.0	185.1	184.2	3.9	2.9	5.8	-1.1	3.4	2.3
Other goods and services ²	224.9	225.6	226.9	227.5	3.2	5.4	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.7
Tobacco and smoking products	240.6	241.5	243.2	246.5	1.9	5.6	3.6	10.2	3.7	6.8
Personal care ¹	152.8	152.6	152.5	152.7	-8	3.5	2.7	-3	1.3	1.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.2	143.7	143.5	143.7	-6.2	2.3	1.7	-1.4	-2.1	.1
Personal care services ¹	162.6	162.5	162.7	162.8	5.2	5.1	3.5	.5	5.2	2.0
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	260.0	260.9	262.8	262.5	4.6	5.8	5.9	3.9	5.2	4.9
School books and supplies	238.7	239.6	241.2	241.0	5.3	2.6	8.3	3.9	4.0	6.1
Personal and educational services ⁴	261.4	262.4	264.3	264.0	4.5	6.0	5.7	4.0	5.2	4.9
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.8	1.0	2.5	2.5	1.8
Commodities	141.3	141.4	141.9	142.3	3.8	.0	-1.4	2.9	1.9	.7
Food and beverages	157.4	157.9	158.6	158.7	3.4	.5	1.5	3.3	1.9	2.4
Commodities less food and beverages	131.6	131.4	131.8	132.3	4.0	-3	-3.3	2.1	1.8	-6
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.5	133.5	134.3	135.2	7.8	-1.8	-3.2	5.2	2.9	.9
Apparel commodities ⁴	129.5	129.6	128.3	128.7	2.2	.9	3.8	-2.4	1.6	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.4	138.2	140.3	141.4	10.8	-1.1	-8.2	9.0	4.7	.0
Durables	129.0	128.6	128.2	128.1	.0	-3	-1.8	-2.8	-2	-2.3
Services	179.3	179.8	180.0	180.4	3.2	2.7	3.0	2.5	3.0	2.7
Rent of shelter ³	183.3	183.6	184.1	184.4	2.9	3.4	3.3	2.4	3.2	2.9
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	145.5	145.9	145.2	146.1	3.4	2.5	.8	1.7	3.0	1.2
Transportation services	185.0	185.8	185.1	185.7	3.6	.0	2.0	1.5	1.8	1.7
Medical care services	239.0	239.2	239.8	240.3	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Other services	210.5	211.1	211.9	211.5	4.2	4.8	5.3	1.9	4.5	3.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	160.7	161.0	161.2	161.7	3.6	1.8	1.0	2.5	2.7	1.8
All items less shelter	155.6	155.8	156.1	156.5	3.7	1.0	.3	2.3	2.4	1.3
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	161.1	161.3	161.6	162.0	3.6	1.5	.5	2.3	2.5	1.4
All items less medical care	155.9	156.2	156.5	156.9	3.4	1.6	1.0	2.6	2.5	1.8
Commodities less food	133.0	132.9	133.3	133.8	4.0	.0	-3.2	2.4	2.0	-4
Nondurables less food	135.2	135.2	135.9	136.9	7.7	-1.5	-2.9	5.1	3.0	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	139.7	139.8	142.0	143.2	8.6	-1.9	-6.6	10.4	3.2	1.6
Nondurables	145.5	145.8	146.5	147.1	5.4	-3	-1.1	4.5	2.5	1.7
Services less rent of shelter ³	188.0	188.6	188.3	188.9	3.7	2.2	2.8	1.9	3.0	2.4
Services less medical care services	173.6	174.2	174.3	174.7	3.3	2.8	2.6	2.6	3.1	2.6
Energy	108.5	108.4	110.2	111.6	16.2	-2.8	-14.7	11.9	6.3	-2.3
All items less energy	167.2	167.5	167.7	168.0	2.5	1.9	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.2
All items less food and energy	169.7	170.0	170.1	170.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	1.7	2.4	2.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities	142.5	142.4	142.0	142.3	.9	1.1	.6	-6	1.0	.0
Energy commodities	101.3	100.9	105.2	106.8	28.7	-8.0	-24.9	23.6	8.8	-3.6
Services less energy services	185.0	185.5	185.8	186.1	3.1	2.7	3.5	2.4	2.9	3.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	158.1	158.4	2.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1
Food	157.6	157.9	2.1	.2	.3	.4	.1
Food at home	158.5	158.6	1.7	.1	.3	.6	-.1
Cereals and bakery products	178.6	178.1	1.9	-.3	.1	.2	.2
Cereals and cereal products	171.8	169.7	1.7	-1.2	.4	.7	-.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes	160.4	157.3	.7	-1.9	.3	.3	-.8
Cereal	189.5	187.0	1.5	-1.3	.2	1.1	-.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	150.1	149.7	3.2	-.3	1.2	.7	-.1
Bakery products	181.4	181.7	2.0	.2	-.2	-.1	.4
White bread ¹	183.0	183.5	1.9	.3	-.7	-.1	.3
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	182.0	183.1	1.6	.6	.7	-.2	.6
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	180.2	177.8	2.5	-1.3	-.3	.8	-1.3
Other bakery products	181.1	182.9	2.2	1.0	-.4	-.8	1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	149.1	149.1	1.3	.0	.5	.1	-.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	149.7	149.8	1.7	.1	.3	.2	-.2
Meats	145.5	145.6	1.8	.1	.2	.2	-.2
Beef and veal	137.0	137.2	1.9	.1	.7	-.1	.0
Ground beef other than canned	116.4	116.9	2.5	.4	.6	-.8	.3
Chuck roast ²	143.8	141.6	.1	-1.5	3.7	-.2	-2.4
Round roast ²	125.4	124.7	-1.3	-.6	.5	.1	-2.9
Round steak ²	130.5	129.0	-.7	-1.1	.8	2.3	-3.5
Sirloin steak ²	142.6	140.4	1.9	-1.5	.3	2.7	-.4
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	159.8	161.4	2.5	1.0	-.3	.2	1.0
Pork	158.6	158.9	1.7	.2	-.3	.0	-.4
Bacon	168.7	168.8	-.2	.1	1.8	-.2	-.8
Chops	158.0	158.5	1.8	.3	-2.2	1.1	.3
Ham	159.8	160.2	2.2	.3	-1.1	-.4	-.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	152.9	153.1	2.3	.1	.3	-.1	-.3
Other meats ¹	149.4	148.6	1.8	-.5	.1	1.2	-.5
Poultry ¹	155.6	156.8	.6	.8	.8	-1.5	.8
Fresh whole chicken ¹	155.8	157.6	.3	1.2	1.3	-1.9	1.2
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	156.7	157.4	-.1	.4	.4	-1.6	.4
Other poultry ²	156.8	158.1	3.1	.8	.4	-.8	.8
Fish and seafood	177.5	176.5	2.7	-.6	-.1	1.9	-1.3
Canned fish and seafood ¹	128.7	129.1	3.1	.3	.2	.7	.3
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	201.2	199.6	2.6	-.8	.0	2.1	-1.7
Eggs	137.7	136.9	-4.6	-.6	2.9	-1.3	.1
Dairy products ¹	143.4	143.5	-2.2	.1	-.6	.1	.1
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	141.7	141.4	-2.9	-.2	-1.1	-.2	-.2
Fresh whole milk ¹	139.2	139.0	-3.3	-.1	-1.3	-.4	-.1
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	145.0	144.4	-2.4	-.4	-1.0	.1	-.4
Processed dairy products ²	145.8	146.4	-1.4	.4	-.3	-.4	.3
Cheese ¹	146.8	147.3	-1.4	.3	-.1	-.1	.3
Ice cream and related products	149.2	150.5	1.1	.9	.5	.1	.5
Other dairy products, including butter ²	136.5	136.0	-5.2	-.4	-1.3	.8	.0
Fruits and vegetables ³	187.3	188.1	2.5	.4	.5	2.8	-.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables	214.7	216.7	3.5	.9	.9	4.0	-.4
Fresh fruits	237.0	243.9	.1	2.9	-.1	2.8	.2
Apples	210.8	205.8	-1.5	-2.4	.6	-.4	-.3
Bananas	155.9	150.0	.9	-3.8	-2.2	-.3	1.2
Oranges, including tangerines ²	284.7	298.5	-10.1	4.8	-.8	6.8	-2.9
Other fresh fruits ²	256.4	269.3	4.1	5.0	.1	3.3	.9
Fresh vegetables	192.3	189.5	8.2	-1.5	2.2	5.4	-.9
Potatoes	194.0	191.7	6.0	-1.2	1.3	6.8	7.5
Lettuce ¹	200.1	212.8	21.9	6.3	6.6	8.2	6.3
Tomatoes ¹	193.4	186.3	13.3	-3.7	-11.7	.2	-3.7
Other fresh vegetables	191.4	186.3	4.9	-2.7	4.2	3.8	-2.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	148.7	147.6	.3	-.7	-.4	.3	-.3
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	148.7	148.5	.6	-.1	.4	-.7	-.1
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.8	147.7	.1	-.1	.4	-.9	-.1
Canned and dried fruits ²	149.8	148.9	2.5	-.6	-.5	.0	-.1
Processed vegetables ²	149.1	146.8	-.1	-1.5	-.7	.9	-.7
Frozen vegetables ²	150.4	148.0	2.1	-1.6	.7	.1	-1.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	149.2	146.8	-1.3	-1.6	-1.3	1.3	-.4

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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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	148.7	148.9	3.7	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.2
Sugar and sweets	147.8	148.5	2.1	.5	.5	-.8	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	135.3	135.6	.8	.2	-.1	-.2	.0
Sweets, including candy ²	152.8	153.7	2.6	.6	.7	-.9	.7
Fats and oils	141.4	142.0	.4	.4	-.3	.4	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	136.7	136.7	6.9	.0	1.6	.0	-.1
Carbonated drinks	117.4	117.5	-1.3	.1	.9	-.2	-.3
Coffee ¹	182.1	181.1	22.8	-.5	3.1	.6	-.5
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	139.9	141.4	1.6	1.1	-.1	.3	.1
Other prepared food	161.8	161.9	2.8	.1	.1	.2	.4
Canned and packaged soup	191.6	189.8	2.4	-.9	.3	-.4	-.4
Frozen prepared food ¹	146.1	144.5	.6	-1.1	.4	-.7	-1.1
Snacks ¹	155.5	156.3	4.2	.5	.3	.5	.5
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.4	169.5	3.0	.7	-.7	1.3	.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	162.5	162.8	3.2	.2	1.1	-.2	.2
Food away from home	157.4	157.8	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Lunch ²	158.0	158.6	2.9	.4	.3	.1	.4
Dinner ²	155.2	155.5	2.7	.2	.4	.2	.2
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	160.8	161.3	3.1	.3	.1	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	163.2	163.5	2.5	.2	.3	.3	.2
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.6	149.6	1.4	.0	.1	.3	.0
Beer and ale	147.7	147.6	-.3	-.1	-.2	.3	.1
Wine	146.3	146.7	4.3	.3	.8	.1	.2
Distilled spirits	151.5	151.6	2.2	.1	.0	.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages away from home	190.3	190.8	3.8	.3	.6	.3	.3
Housing ³	157.6	157.7	2.5	.1	.2	.1	.3
Shelter	177.5	177.2	3.0	-.2	.2	.2	.2
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	189.1	186.8	3.3	-1.2	-.1	.2	.4
Rent, residential	167.3	167.8	3.0	.3	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ²	233.9	222.8	3.7	-4.7	-.7	.0	.4
Lodging while out of town	233.9	221.0	3.7	-5.5	-.7	.0	.5
Lodging while at school ⁴	225.1	229.7	4.9	2.0	.4	.3	.5
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	160.3	160.7	3.0	.2	.3	.3	.2
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	182.2	182.8	3.0	.3	.4	.3	.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	182.6	183.2	3.0	.3	.4	.3	.1
Household insurance ^{2 4}	166.3	166.8	2.8	.3	.0	.4	.7
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	145.5	142.6	1.9	-2.0	1.5	.1	-2.0
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	154.4	150.2	1.9	-2.7	2.5	.4	-2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	133.1	132.1	2.0	-.8	-.3	-.4	-.8
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 5}	125.5	124.9	2.0	-.5	.0	-1.5	-.5
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.5	127.1	1.9	-1.1	-.5	.4	-1.1
Fuel and other utilities ³	131.4	132.1	1.8	.5	.2	-.5	.6
Fuels	118.6	119.7	1.1	.9	.0	-.8	1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	93.5	93.7	-2.0	.2	-1.9	-.7	.1
Fuel oil	90.4	90.3	-3.5	-.1	-2.9	-.3	-.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 5}	124.1	125.1	1.5	.8	-1.6	-1.4	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	126.7	128.1	1.5	1.1	.2	-.8	1.1
Electricity	137.5	138.1	-.1	.4	-.2	-.8	.5
Utility (piped) gas	110.0	112.8	5.4	2.5	1.1	-.8	2.2
Other utilities and public services ²	162.1	162.3	2.5	.1	.5	-.2	.3
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.1	127.1	.3	.0	.0	-.9	.0
Local charges ^{1 2}	163.4	163.3	1.2	-.1	-.1	.0	-.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	74.8	74.8	-4.8	.0	-.1	-5.0	.0
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.1	94.5	3.8	.4	.3	.0	.4
Water and sewerage maintenance	212.5	212.9	4.1	.2	.9	.7	.4
Cable television ⁶	232.0	232.4	7.3	.2	1.1	.5	.6
Refuse collection ^{1 6}	251.6	252.0	1.7	.2	.2	.4	.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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation ³	125.2	125.4	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	0.1
Housefurnishings ²	110.2	110.2	-1.2	.0	-6	-5	-1
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	121.3	120.4	-5	-7	1.4	-5	-7
Furniture and bedding ¹	134.3	134.8	-4	.4	-1.1	-1	.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	141.6	142.0	.7	.3	-1.3	-1	.3
Sofas ^{1 2}	140.7	141.1	-2.9	.3	-8	-6	.3
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	137.0	138.6	1.2	1.2	-1.3	.1	1.2
Other furniture ²	121.8	121.9	-9	.1	-9	.4	-3
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	74.7	74.5	-3.4	-3	-8	-3	-3
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.6	68.2	-3.1	-6	-7	-3	-6
Televisions ¹	61.1	60.6	-4.3	-8	-8	-7	-8
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 7}	61.9	62.1	-4.5	.3	-8	-1.0	.3
Audio products ^{1 2}	88.9	88.4	-1.9	-6	-4	-1	-6
Major household appliances ^{1 2 5}	102.0	102.1	-1.2	.1	-7	.1	.1
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.5	109.2	-5	.6	-1.2	1.1	.6
Laundry equipment ¹	113.3	114.0	.1	.6	.4	.2	.6
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 5}	91.4	90.7	-2.9	-8	-1.1	-1.0	-8
Information processing equipment ^{1 7}	48.2	48.5	-12.3	.6	-1.6	-1.8	.6
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 5}	115.1	115.1	-6	.0	-1	-8	.0
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	142.5	143.0	1.1	.4	-1	-1.5	.4
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	119.6	118.4	-9	-1.0	.8	-1.2	-1.0
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	123.8	125.4	1.6	1.3	.2	.5	1.3
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.4	110.8	1.5	.4	.3	.0	.4
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 5}	89.4	90.1	1.8	.8	.0	-1.1	.8
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 8}	108.3	106.3	-8.4	-1.8	-1.9	-1.7	-1.8
Housekeeping supplies	142.9	143.2	1.4	.2	.7	-6	.1
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.2	147.7	2.2	1.0	.7	-6	1.0
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	145.2	144.6	.3	-.4	1.2	-1.5	-.4
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	136.7	136.6	1.5	-1	.4	-1	-1
Housekeeping services ²	152.6	153.2	2.5	.4	.2	.4	.3
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	160.9	161.6	2.3	.4	.1	.2	.4
Gardening and other household services ^{2 5}	140.5	140.1	2.0	-.3	.0	.1	-.1
Apparel and upkeep	130.0	133.0	1.1	2.3	.2	-1.0	.3
Apparel commodities ²	125.9	129.2	1.1	2.6	.1	-1.0	.3
Apparel commodities less footwear	125.9	129.6	1.2	2.9	.0	-1.3	.5
Men's and boys'	128.9	131.4	3.1	1.9	.5	.1	.4
Men's	131.7	134.2	3.1	1.9	.2	-.2	.6
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	134.2	135.2	.1	.7	-1.0	-1	-.9
Furnishings and special clothing	125.6	131.4	8.1	4.6	1.1	1.0	1.7
Shirts ²	136.6	139.6	3.3	2.2	.2	.6	1.2
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	130.2	130.6	1.8	.3	.8	-1.8	.0
Boys'	117.3	119.8	3.3	2.1	2.6	-.5	-.3
Women's and girls'	120.3	126.0	1.9	4.7	-.5	-2.0	1.0
Women's	120.2	125.9	1.8	4.7	-.3	-1.8	.7
Coats and jackets	122.8	128.8	7.6	4.9	-.7	2.7	-.5
Dresses	103.8	111.0	-3.1	6.9	2.6	-4.8	2.3
Separates and sportswear ²	118.9	125.2	1.8	5.3	-1.0	-3.0	1.2
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	135.1	135.6	1.3	.4	-.2	-.1	.4
Suits ²	145.4	156.1	4.8	7.4	.0	.2	-.2
Girls'	121.4	126.8	2.5	4.4	-1.2	-3.0	2.4
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	127.3	126.7	-3.6	-.5	-1.2	-3.0	-.5
Other apparel commodities ²	145.8	145.3	-4.3	-.3	.4	-1.2	-1.0
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 5}	127.1	125.8	-6.5	-1.0	1.4	-1.8	-1.0
Watches and jewelry ⁵	145.5	145.2	-3.9	-.2	.5	-1.2	-1.0
Watches ^{1 5}	127.1	128.2	-1.9	.9	.8	-.5	.9
Jewelry ⁵	150.8	150.0	-4.4	-.5	.7	-1.3	-1.4
Footwear	126.3	127.4	.6	.9	1.0	.6	-.5
Men's	130.9	131.7	-1.1	.6	1.2	-.8	-.6
Boys' and girls'	127.3	127.7	-.8	.3	1.2	.1	-1.0
Women's	121.8	123.2	2.2	1.1	.6	2.2	-.3
Apparel services ^{1 2}	163.6	163.7	2.1	.1	.2	.1	.1
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	166.7	166.8	2.6	.1	.2	-.1	.1
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	160.6	160.7	1.5	.1	.1	.2	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Transportation	143.8	144.3	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.4
Private	140.8	141.0	.7	.1	.1	.9	.4
New vehicles	143.0	142.7	-.3	-.2	.1	-.1	.1
New cars	140.4	140.0	-.7	-.3	.1	-.1	.0
Subcompact new cars ^{2 5}	121.6	120.9	-1.6	-6	-.3	-.2	-.6
Compact new cars ^{2 5}	121.3	121.1	-.8	-.2	.1	-.4	.2
Intermediate new cars ^{2 5}	120.9	120.6	-.4	-.2	.2	-.1	.1
Full-size new cars ^{2 5}	123.6	123.2	-.4	-.3	-.1	-.1	-.3
Luxury new cars ^{2 5}	130.3	129.8	-.8	-.4	.3	.2	.1
New trucks ⁶	150.2	150.2	.7	.0	.2	.0	.0
New motorcycles ⁵	162.9	162.9	1.1	.0	.6	-.4	-.1
Used cars	148.5	148.2	-5.6	-.2	-1.1	-.8	-.1
Motor fuel	107.6	109.3	2.9	1.6	-.2	4.9	1.7
Gasoline	107.4	109.2	3.3	1.7	-.4	5.4	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	105.6	107.5	3.9	1.8	-.3	6.0	1.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 9}	111.8	113.8	3.3	1.8	-1.6	3.6	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.0	109.8	2.7	1.7	-.7	4.5	2.0
Automobile maintenance and repair	163.3	163.5	2.2	.1	.2	.1	-.1
Body work ¹	173.8	174.2	3.8	.2	.4	.1	.2
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	171.5	170.9	2.4	-.3	.2	.1	-.3
Maintenance and servicing ¹	150.3	150.7	1.5	.3	.3	.6	.3
Power plant repair ²	167.7	168.8	2.2	.7	.0	-.1	.2
Other private transportation ²	177.4	176.9	1.6	-.3	.5	-.1	.1
Other private transportation commodities ²	104.8	104.6	-.4	-.2	.7	-.6	-.2
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	131.7	131.5	-.2	-.2	.1	-.8	-.2
Automobile parts and equipment	101.8	101.7	-.4	-.1	.5	-.4	-.3
Tires	100.0	99.5	-1.9	-5	1.1	-.7	-.6
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	108.0	108.2	1.2	.2	.3	-.3	.2
Other private transportation services ²	194.5	194.0	1.9	-.3	.5	.0	.2
Automobile insurance	251.0	251.6	3.1	.2	.2	.2	.3
Automobile finance charges ²	92.7	91.4	-3.9	-1.4	1.6	-1.0	-1.3
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	187.5	185.3	2.6	-1.2	1.3	.8	-1.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	186.6	185.6	.9	-.5	1.5	.1	-.5
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	189.5	186.2	4.3	-1.7	1.1	1.4	-1.7
Public transportation	183.4	186.0	.8	1.4	.5	-1.9	1.2
Airline fares ¹	194.0	198.0	1.0	2.1	2.3	-4.7	2.1
Other intercity transportation ¹	154.9	154.0	-.6	-.6	-.5	.5	-.6
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.9	176.1	.3	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Medical care	235.2	235.4	2.6	.1	.0	.2	.2
Medical care commodities	215.5	215.3	1.9	-.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Prescription drugs	249.4	249.3	2.2	.0	-.1	-.1	.0
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	145.8	145.5	1.5	-.2	.3	-.1	-.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	173.2	172.6	1.3	-.3	.1	-.6	-.3
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	172.5	172.6	1.7	.1	.6	.6	.1
Medical care services	239.8	240.0	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Professional medical services	216.3	216.4	3.2	.0	.1	.3	.1
Physicians' services	223.8	223.8	3.0	.0	.0	.4	.2
Dental services ¹	227.8	228.2	4.2	.2	.3	.4	.2
Eye care ^{1 5}	141.7	141.8	1.9	.1	.4	-.3	.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	152.5	152.3	3.7	-.1	.4	.4	.0
Hospital and related services	279.0	279.4	2.9	.1	.0	.2	.4
Hospital services ¹⁰	101.9	102.0	-	.1	.2	.4	.1
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	101.5	101.6	-	.1	.3	.2	.1
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	225.6	226.1	4.4	.2	.0	.2	.5
Nursing home services ¹⁰	103.0	103.1	-	.1	.7	.3	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Entertainment ²	163.0	163.0	2.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	-0.2
Entertainment commodities ²	144.6	144.7	1.0	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Reading materials ¹	179.7	180.2	1.9	.3	-.3	.9	.3
Newspapers ^{1 2}	191.2	191.6	1.2	.2	-.4	.3	.2
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	169.2	169.8	2.6	.4	-.3	1.6	.4
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	122.7	122.6	-.5	-.1	.0	.4	-.1
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	124.7	124.1	-1.7	-.5	.5	.2	-.5
Other sporting goods ¹	118.1	118.4	.6	.3	-.5	.7	.3
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	133.5	133.6	.9	.1	.0	.3	.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	127.3	126.6	.0	-.5	.2	.5	-.3
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	133.5	134.1	-.2	.4	-.7	.4	.4
Pet supplies and expense ¹	142.2	142.9	2.4	.5	.2	-.1	.5
Entertainment services ²	184.3	184.2	2.8	-.1	.2	.1	-.5
Club memberships ^{2 5}	130.5	130.2	-2.3	-.2	.3	-1.9	-.4
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 5}	166.4	170.9	5.0	2.7	-.3	-.1	.3
Admissions ¹	204.2	200.5	3.4	-1.8	.2	1.3	-1.8
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	169.3	169.6	4.0	.2	.2	.4	-.7
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 5}	143.5	144.0	3.4	.3	.2	.0	.3
Other goods and services ³	225.7	228.1	4.5	1.1	.3	.6	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	243.4	246.5	5.3	1.3	.4	.7	1.4
Personal care ¹	152.5	152.7	1.3	.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	143.5	143.7	-1.0	.1	-.3	-.1	.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	150.3	150.3	.5	.0	-.7	-.2	.0
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	138.8	139.0	-2.2	.1	.0	-.1	.1
Personal care services ¹	162.7	162.8	3.6	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.8	162.0	3.6	.1	-.1	.2	.1
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	165.8	165.3	3.2	-.3	.2	-.2	-.4
Personal and educational expenses ²	261.6	264.9	5.1	1.3	.3	.7	-.1
School books and supplies	240.0	241.5	5.0	.6	.4	.7	-.1
Personal and educational services ²	263.5	266.9	5.1	1.3	.4	.7	-.1
Tuition and other school fees	281.9	287.5	5.0	2.0	.3	.7	-.1
College tuition	295.9	301.3	4.7	1.8	.5	.6	-.9
Elementary and high school tuition	290.2	299.1	7.1	3.1	.5	1.2	1.0
Day care and nursery school ⁸	134.1	136.3	3.8	1.6	.1	.4	.6
Personal expenses	228.6	228.4	5.3	-.1	.3	.9	-.1
Legal service fees ^{1 5}	166.5	166.5	5.0	.0	-.1	1.6	.0
Personal financial services ^{1 5}	193.3	192.7	5.3	-.3	.3	.1	-.3
Funeral expenses ⁵	171.3	171.4	5.5	.1	.4	.4	.2
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	159.9	160.1	1.3	.1	.2	.5	-.1
Selected beef cuts	129.6	129.2	1.4	-.3	1.0	-.2	-.5
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	108.0	109.7	2.9	1.6	-.1	4.7	1.6
Utilities and public transportation	146.4	147.5	1.7	.8	.3	-1.0	.8
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	152.9	153.1	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.1

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.
² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.
³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.
⁴ Indexes on a December 1982 = 100 base.
⁵ Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983 = 100 base.
⁷ Indexes on a December 1988 = 100 base.
⁸ Indexes on a December 1990 = 100 base.
⁹ Indexes on a December 1993 = 100 base.
¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996 = 100 base.

- Data not available.
 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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	158.6	158.7	3.4	0.5	1.5	3.3	1.9	2.4
Food	158.3	158.4	3.4	.3	1.5	3.4	1.8	2.4
Food at home	159.2	159.1	3.6	-1.3	1.3	3.6	1.2	2.4
Cereals and bakery products	178.0	178.3	3.9	.9	1.4	1.6	2.4	1.5
Cereals and cereal products	171.1	170.4	.5	1.4	1.9	2.9	1.0	2.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes	157.0	155.8	3.1	-1.8	2.3	-.8	.6	.8
Cereal	190.1	189.0	.4	-1.3	3.9	2.8	-.4	3.4
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	149.8	149.6	.0	6.5	-.5	7.0	3.2	3.1
Bakery products	180.9	181.7	5.0	1.6	1.1	.4	3.3	.8
White bread ¹	183.0	183.5	7.5	-1.7	4.2	-2.2	2.8	1.0
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	182.0	183.1	-2.0	2.2	1.8	4.5	.1	3.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	180.2	177.8	12.8	.2	.9	-3.3	6.3	-1.2
Other bakery products	178.7	181.8	6.2	1.6	-.9	2.2	3.9	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	149.4	149.1	5.8	-5.8	4.1	1.4	-.1	2.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	150.1	149.8	4.7	-2.9	4.1	1.1	.8	2.6
Meats	145.5	145.2	4.6	-4.1	6.0	.8	.1	3.4
Beef and veal	138.1	138.1	5.4	-7.9	8.0	2.6	-1.5	5.3
Ground beef other than canned	117.7	118.0	5.7	-11.8	18.9	.0	-3.4	9.0
Chuck roast ²	146.8	143.3	1.1	-6.8	2.3	4.3	-2.9	3.3
Round roast ²	129.0	125.2	14.6	-11.6	3.2	-9.3	.6	-3.3
Round steak ²	134.2	129.5	9.2	-9.0	-.3	-1.8	-.3	-1.1
Sirloin steak ²	141.2	140.7	11.8	-14.9	2.4	10.9	-2.4	6.6
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	159.8	161.4	4.7	-.5	2.3	3.8	2.0	3.0
Pork	156.9	156.3	5.6	-3.0	7.2	-2.8	1.2	2.1
Bacon	168.0	166.6	-12.8	4.5	6.0	2.7	-4.5	4.3
Chops	156.1	156.6	9.1	-6.9	9.1	-3.3	.8	2.7
Ham	157.0	156.6	10.3	-5.5	12.4	-6.8	2.1	2.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	151.9	151.4	7.5	-3.1	5.2	-.3	2.0	2.4
Other meats ¹	149.4	148.6	.5	3.6	-.3	3.3	2.1	1.5
Poultry ¹	155.6	156.8	5.2	-3.7	1.0	.3	.6	.6
Fresh whole chicken ¹	155.8	157.6	2.6	1.8	-5.4	2.3	2.2	-1.6
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	156.7	157.4	10.6	-10.9	4.1	-2.7	-.8	.6
Other poultry ²	155.4	156.6	7.3	-1.8	5.8	1.5	2.7	3.7
Fish and seafood	179.8	177.4	6.4	3.7	-1.1	1.8	5.0	.3
Canned fish and seafood ¹	128.7	129.1	4.2	1.0	2.5	4.8	2.6	3.7
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	204.4	201.0	6.5	4.1	-1.6	1.6	5.3	.0
Eggs	138.3	138.5	22.3	-38.5	2.7	6.9	-13.3	4.8
Dairy products ¹	143.4	143.5	5.3	-6.6	-5.4	-1.7	-.8	-3.5
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	141.7	141.4	12.3	-10.5	-5.9	-6.0	.3	-5.9
Fresh whole milk ¹	139.2	139.0	13.4	-11.6	-6.0	-7.1	-.1	-6.6
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	145.0	144.4	10.7	-8.4	-5.8	-5.1	.7	-5.4
Processed dairy products ²	145.2	145.6	1.1	-2.4	-3.0	-1.6	-.7	-2.3
Cheese ¹	146.8	147.3	1.9	-5.2	-2.7	.5	-1.7	-1.1
Ice cream and related products	149.9	150.6	3.5	2.1	-5.2	4.4	2.8	-.5
Other dairy products, including butter ²	134.1	134.1	-13.9	4.2	-8.4	-1.8	-5.3	-5.2
Fruits and vegetables ³	191.4	190.8	.6	4.2	-5.2	12.4	2.4	3.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	221.5	220.7	-.2	5.6	-7.4	19.7	2.7	5.3
Fresh fruits	239.8	240.2	11.7	-10.5	-8.6	12.0	.0	1.2
Apples	197.6	197.1	9.5	-10.5	-3.8	-.2	-1.0	-2.0
Bananas	154.8	156.6	29.9	-12.4	-3.9	-5.2	6.7	-4.6
Oranges, including tangerines ²	244.4	237.3	-46.4	-7.1	17.0	11.9	-29.4	14.5
Other fresh fruits ²	277.5	279.9	31.2	-10.9	-15.6	18.6	8.1	.1
Fresh vegetables	204.8	202.9	-13.9	30.4	-5.7	29.8	6.0	10.6
Potatoes	177.0	190.3	-17.8	-16.4	.2	83.1	-17.1	35.5
Lettuce ¹	200.1	212.8	25.2	2.6	-24.0	126.3	13.4	31.2
Tomatoes ¹	193.4	186.3	91.5	249.8	-53.3	-47.2	158.8	-50.4
Other fresh vegetables	208.3	203.1	-18.4	16.6	3.0	23.4	-2.5	12.7
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.8	147.3	2.5	1.4	-.8	-1.9	1.9	-1.3
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	148.7	148.5	-.8	4.4	.5	-1.6	1.8	-.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.8	147.7	-.5	3.0	.0	-2.1	1.2	-1.1
Canned and dried fruits ²	148.5	148.4	2.8	6.5	2.7	-2.1	4.6	.3
Processed vegetables ²	147.5	146.5	2.2	.5	-1.3	-1.9	1.4	-1.6
Frozen vegetables ²	149.6	147.7	2.8	.8	7.0	-1.9	1.8	2.5
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.3	146.7	1.4	-.3	-4.5	-1.6	.5	-3.1

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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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Other food at home	148.7	149.0	2.2	1.7	7.7	3.6	2.0	5.6
Sugar and sweets	147.6	148.4	1.9	.0	5.9	.8	1.0	3.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	134.9	134.9	.6	-.9	4.6	-1.2	-.1	1.7
Sweets, including candy ²	152.8	153.9	2.4	.3	6.2	1.8	1.3	4.0
Fats and oils	141.5	142.5	.3	.0	-1.7	3.1	.1	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	137.1	136.9	-.9	4.1	19.6	6.1	1.6	12.6
Carbonated drinks	118.2	117.9	1.3	-6.2	-1.4	1.7	-2.5	.2
Coffee ¹	182.1	181.1	-5.1	19.7	76.3	13.4	6.6	41.4
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	141.0	141.1	2.0	.6	2.9	.9	1.3	1.9
Other prepared food	161.5	162.1	4.9	1.0	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.6
Canned and packaged soup	188.9	188.1	5.8	1.1	5.0	-2.3	3.4	1.3
Frozen prepared food ¹	146.1	144.5	7.4	-3.8	4.8	-5.3	1.7	-4
Snacks ¹	155.5	156.3	4.6	4.3	2.6	5.3	4.4	4.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.2	169.1	4.2	1.0	2.7	4.4	2.6	3.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	163.0	163.3	5.4	3.0	.0	4.3	4.2	2.1
Food away from home	157.4	157.8	3.4	2.9	1.5	3.1	3.1	2.3
Lunch ²	158.0	158.6	3.7	3.7	1.0	3.3	3.7	2.2
Dinner ²	155.2	155.5	3.5	2.9	1.3	3.1	3.2	2.2
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	160.8	161.3	6.0	2.5	1.5	2.5	4.3	2.0
Alcoholic beverages	163.4	163.7	3.6	1.2	2.0	3.2	2.4	2.6
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.9	149.9	2.7	-.3	1.4	1.6	1.2	1.5
Beer and ale	148.1	148.2	1.4	-3.4	.0	.8	-1.1	.4
Wine	146.6	146.9	7.0	4.0	1.7	4.8	5.5	3.2
Distilled spirits	151.3	151.3	3.0	1.3	3.0	1.6	2.2	2.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home	190.3	190.8	4.2	3.7	2.1	4.7	4.0	3.4
Housing ³	156.9	157.3	3.2	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.8	2.2
Shelter	176.6	177.0	2.8	3.3	3.5	2.8	3.1	3.1
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	185.7	186.4	2.7	4.9	3.3	2.2	3.8	2.7
Rent, residential	167.3	167.8	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.2	2.7	3.3
Other renters' costs ²	223.8	224.8	2.2	10.9	2.7	-.7	6.5	1.0
Lodging while out of town	222.7	223.9	1.9	11.1	2.4	-.4	6.4	1.0
Lodging while at school ⁴	224.9	226.1	4.0	7.0	3.8	4.7	5.5	4.3
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	160.3	160.7	-.5	4.4	4.7	3.6	1.9	4.1
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	182.4	182.6	2.7	2.7	3.2	3.1	2.7	3.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	182.8	183.0	3.0	2.5	3.4	3.1	2.7	3.2
Household insurance ^{2 4}	165.7	166.8	.7	2.5	4.0	4.2	1.6	4.1
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	145.5	142.6	4.7	2.6	2.6	-1.9	3.6	.3
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	154.4	150.2	1.6	1.1	4.4	.5	1.4	2.4
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	133.1	132.1	9.9	5.2	-.6	-5.8	7.6	-3.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 5}	125.5	124.9	14.1	1.3	1.6	-7.6	7.5	-3.1
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.5	127.1	6.6	8.8	-2.1	-4.9	7.7	-3.5
Fuel and other utilities ³	129.9	130.7	6.1	.6	-.9	1.5	3.3	.3
Fuels	115.4	116.5	9.0	.0	-4.3	.7	4.4	-1.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	96.7	96.8	50.9	-22.9	-12.3	-9.7	7.8	-11.0
Fuel oil	93.6	93.5	42.1	-20.8	-11.9	-12.6	6.1	-12.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 5}	124.1	125.1	100.9	-21.9	-26.2	-8.5	25.3	-17.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	122.8	124.1	4.7	3.3	-3.5	2.0	4.0	-.8
Electricity	131.9	132.5	-1.8	1.8	1.5	-2.1	.0	-.3
Utility (piped) gas	111.3	113.8	21.1	6.5	-13.2	10.5	13.6	-2.1
Other utilities and public services ²	162.0	162.5	3.1	1.5	3.3	2.5	2.3	2.9
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.1	127.1	1.6	2.2	1.3	-3.7	1.9	-1.2
Local charges ^{1 2}	163.4	163.3	1.7	1.2	2.2	-.5	1.5	.9
Interstate toll calls ¹	74.8	74.8	.0	1.0	.0	-18.8	.5	-9.9
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.1	94.5	4.9	8.0	-.4	3.0	6.5	1.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	211.8	212.6	3.6	2.0	2.9	7.9	2.8	5.4
Cable television ⁶	231.6	233.1	5.4	5.9	8.1	9.6	5.7	8.9
Refuse collection ^{1 5}	251.6	252.0	.2	1.6	1.8	3.4	.9	2.6

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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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation ³	125.1	125.2	1.0	-0.3	1.9	-1.6	0.3	0.2
Housefurnishings ²	110.1	110.0	.4	-1.8	1.5	-4.6	-.7	-1.6
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	121.3	120.4	-4.2	-3.0	4.8	.7	-3.6	2.7
Furniture and bedding ¹	134.3	134.8	-2.6	-1.2	5.8	-3.5	-1.9	1.0
Bedroom furniture ¹	141.6	142.0	1.4	-4.4	11.0	-4.4	-1.6	3.0
Sofas ^{1 2}	140.7	141.1	-6.2	1.7	-2.2	-4.7	-2.3	-3.5
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	137.0	138.6	-1.5	-1.2	8.2	-.3	-1.3	3.9
Other furniture ²	122.3	121.9	-3.2	-.7	3.7	-3.2	-1.9	.2
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	74.7	74.5	.0	-1.5	-6.6	-5.2	-.8	-5.9
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.6	68.2	1.1	-.6	-6.6	-6.2	.3	-6.4
Televisions ¹	61.1	60.6	-2.5	.0	-5.6	-8.7	-1.3	-7.2
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 7}	61.9	62.1	10.9	-4.7	-16.5	-5.6	2.8	-11.2
Audio products ^{1 2}	88.9	88.4	.4	.4	-3.9	-4.4	.4	-4.2
Major household appliances ^{1 2 5}	102.0	102.1	1.6	-.4	-3.8	-1.9	.6	-2.9
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.5	109.2	5.6	-.4	-9.0	2.2	2.6	-3.6
Laundry equipment ¹	113.3	114.0	-2.4	2.1	-3.8	4.7	-.2	.4
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 5}	91.4	90.7	1.7	-3.0	.9	-10.7	-.6	-5.1
Information processing equipment ^{1 7}	48.2	48.5	-9.7	-10.7	-17.8	-10.8	-10.2	-14.3
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 3}	115.1	115.1	-1.7	4.2	-1.4	-3.4	1.2	-2.4
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	142.5	143.0	2.3	8.7	-.8	-5.1	5.4	-3.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	119.6	118.4	-8.1	11.0	-.3	-5.2	1.0	-2.8
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	123.8	125.4	-9.4	4.7	4.0	8.0	-2.6	6.0
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.4	110.8	4.5	1.5	-2.5	2.6	3.0	.0
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 5}	89.4	90.1	5.5	5.5	-2.2	-1.3	5.5	-1.8
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 8}	108.3	106.3	1.4	-7.3	-6.5	-19.7	-3.1	-13.4
Housekeeping supplies	143.1	143.3	.9	2.3	1.4	.8	1.6	1.1
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.2	147.7	2.2	1.4	.8	4.5	1.8	2.6
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	145.2	144.6	3.4	1.1	.0	-3.0	2.2	-1.5
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	136.7	136.6	-4.4	10.3	-.3	.9	2.7	.3
Housekeeping services ²	152.7	153.1	3.0	.5	3.5	3.5	1.8	3.5
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	160.9	161.6	2.8	.5	3.3	2.8	1.7	3.0
Gardening and other household services ^{2 5}	139.9	139.7	6.3	-2.6	4.7	.0	1.8	2.3
Apparel and upkeep	132.2	132.6	2.5	1.2	3.4	-2.1	1.8	.6
Apparel commodities ²	128.3	128.7	2.2	.9	3.8	-2.4	1.6	.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	128.3	128.9	2.5	1.9	4.1	-3.3	2.2	.3
Men's and boys'	130.5	131.0	3.8	-.6	5.4	4.1	1.6	4.7
Men's	132.9	133.7	3.8	2.8	3.1	2.7	3.3	2.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	134.3	133.1	1.2	6.8	.3	-7.4	3.9	-3.7
Furnishings and special clothing	129.5	131.7	2.3	9.8	4.5	16.4	6.0	10.3
Shirts ²	137.7	139.3	4.8	.3	.0	8.1	2.5	4.0
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.4	131.4	3.1	-2.1	10.9	-4.2	.5	3.1
Boys'	119.1	118.7	8.6	-11.1	9.8	7.0	-1.7	8.4
Women's and girls'	124.3	125.5	5.6	2.9	5.2	-5.8	4.3	-.5
Women's	124.3	125.2	6.0	4.2	2.9	-5.5	5.1	-1.4
Coats and jackets	126.9	126.3	17.4	-2.6	11.0	5.9	6.9	8.4
Dresses	106.1	108.5	2.2	12.2	-22.6	-.7	7.1	-12.4
Separates and sportswear ²	125.3	126.8	8.3	-.3	11.8	-10.9	3.9	-.2
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	135.1	135.7	-2.7	3.3	3.9	.6	.3	2.2
Suits ²	150.6	147.0	7.0	20.1	2.2	-8.5	13.4	-3.3
Girls'	124.6	127.6	5.6	-4.7	18.5	-7.2	.3	4.9
Infants' and toddlers ¹	127.3	126.7	-13.0	9.1	10.2	-17.4	-2.6	-4.6
Other apparel commodities ²	145.2	143.7	-9.0	2.2	-3.2	-6.9	-3.6	-5.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 5}	127.1	125.8	-18.5	9.4	-9.2	-5.5	-5.6	-7.4
Watches and jewelry ⁵	145.0	143.5	-8.3	2.5	-2.7	-6.7	-3.1	-4.7
Watches ^{1 5}	127.1	128.2	-22.6	23.0	-6.9	4.5	-2.4	-1.4
Jewelry ⁵	150.3	148.2	-7.3	-.3	-2.3	-7.7	-3.8	-5.1
Footwear	128.1	127.4	2.2	-3.7	-.6	4.5	-.8	1.9
Men's	131.8	131.0	-.6	-.6	-2.4	-.9	-.6	-1.7
Boys' and girls'	129.8	128.5	3.8	-3.0	-4.8	1.3	.3	-1.8
Women's	123.9	123.5	2.0	-4.8	1.7	10.3	-1.5	5.9
Apparel services ^{1 2}	163.6	163.7	2.8	2.2	2.0	1.2	2.5	1.6
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	166.7	166.8	5.5	2.7	1.2	1.0	4.1	1.1
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	160.6	160.7	-.5	2.0	2.8	1.5	.8	2.1

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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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Transportation	144.2	144.8	5.4	-0.8	-5.9	4.5	2.2	-0.8
Private	141.2	141.7	4.6	.3	-6.8	5.2	2.4	-1.0
New vehicles	144.3	144.4	-6	-3	-8	.3	-4	-3
New cars	141.7	141.7	-1.4	-6	-8	.0	-1.0	-4
Subcompact new cars ^{2 5}	122.3	121.6	-6	-1.9	.0	-4.2	-1.3	-2.1
Compact new cars ^{2 5}	122.1	122.3	.7	-3	-2.9	-7	.2	-1.8
Intermediate new cars ^{2 5}	122.1	122.2	-3.2	.3	.7	.7	-1.5	.7
Full-size new cars ^{2 5}	124.8	124.4	1.9	6	-2.5	-1.9	1.3	-2.2
Luxury new cars ^{2 5}	132.0	132.1	.9	-2.7	-3.6	2.5	-9	-6
New trucks ⁶	151.4	151.4	1.9	2.1	-1.8	.8	2.0	-5
New motorcycles ⁵	163.4	163.3	1.7	-1.2	4.3	.2	.2	2.2
Used cars	148.0	147.8	-3.8	7.2	-16.2	-8.0	1.5	-12.2
Motor fuel	106.2	108.0	25.8	-5.6	-26.5	28.7	9.0	-2.7
Gasoline	105.9	107.8	25.5	-5.3	-26.6	30.3	9.0	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	104.2	106.0	29.4	-6.4	-28.2	33.6	10.0	-2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 9}	111.8	113.8	8.2	-6.9	-2.5	15.8	.4	6.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.5	108.6	22.1	-4.3	-24.0	25.5	8.1	-2.4
Automobile maintenance and repair	163.4	163.2	2.5	2.0	3.3	1.0	2.3	2.1
Body work ¹	173.8	174.2	1.7	4.3	6.2	2.8	3.0	4.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	171.5	170.9	1.7	5.4	3.1	-5	3.5	1.3
Maintenance and servicing ¹	150.3	150.7	-5	.5	1.4	4.9	.0	3.1
Power plant repair ²	168.4	168.7	3.2	.5	4.6	.5	1.8	2.5
Other private transportation ²	178.0	178.2	.0	3.2	1.1	2.3	1.6	1.7
Other private transportation commodities ²	105.0	104.8	-8	-8	.4	-4	-8	.0
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	131.7	131.5	.9	-2.7	4.7	-3.3	-9	.6
Automobile parts and equipment	102.1	101.8	-4	.0	-4	-8	-2	-6
Tires	100.2	99.6	.0	-2.0	-4.7	-8	-1.0	-2.8
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	108.0	108.2	.4	1.5	2.3	.7	.9	1.5
Other private transportation services ²	195.5	195.8	.2	3.8	1.2	2.7	2.0	2.0
Automobile insurance	252.8	253.6	2.6	4.1	2.3	3.2	3.4	2.7
Automobile finance charges ²	93.8	92.6	-9.6	6.1	-8.5	-2.6	-2.1	-5.6
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	187.5	185.3	-2.8	14.1	-3.4	3.5	5.3	.0
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	186.6	185.6	.0	-4	.0	4.2	-2	2.1
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	189.5	186.2	-5.5	30.5	-6.8	3.1	11.0	-2.0
Public transportation	184.5	186.7	13.1	-10.6	2.8	-1.1	.5	.9
Airline fares ¹	194.0	198.0	19.0	-5.9	-4.9	-2.2	5.8	-3.5
Other intercity transportation ¹	154.9	154.0	.5	-5	.0	-2.6	.0	-1.3
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.9	176.1	-1.8	1.6	1.1	.5	-1	.8
Medical care	235.5	235.9	2.8	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.9	2.3
Medical care commodities	215.5	215.7	1.7	4.0	2.8	-6	2.9	1.1
Prescription drugs	249.7	249.8	2.5	3.6	3.4	-6	3.1	1.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	145.8	145.5	-3	5.4	1.1	-3	2.5	.4
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	173.2	172.6	1.9	5.2	1.6	-3.4	3.6	-9
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	172.5	172.6	-3.9	4.8	.9	5.3	.4	3.1
Medical care services	239.8	240.3	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Professional medical services	216.3	216.6	3.5	4.0	3.4	2.1	3.8	2.7
Physicians' services	223.8	224.2	3.0	4.1	2.7	2.2	3.5	2.5
Dental services ¹	227.8	228.2	3.9	6.3	3.1	3.6	5.1	3.3
Eye care ^{1 5}	141.7	141.8	2.0	3.2	1.4	.9	2.6	1.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	152.8	152.8	3.9	5.8	1.9	3.2	4.8	2.5
Hospital and related services	278.7	279.7	3.6	2.8	3.1	2.2	3.2	2.6
Hospital services ¹⁰	101.9	102.0	-	4.5	.8	2.8	-	1.8
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	101.5	101.6	-	3.6	.4	2.4	-	1.4
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	225.4	226.5	4.7	6.5	3.8	2.7	5.6	3.3
Nursing home services ¹⁰	103.0	103.1	-	5.7	2.4	4.4	-	3.4

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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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Entertainment ²	163.4	163.0	3.3	1.5	3.0	0.2	2.4	1.6
Entertainment commodities ²	144.7	144.9	2.5	-6	-3	2.2	1.0	1.0
Reading materials ¹	179.7	180.2	3.0	1.1	-2	3.6	2.0	1.7
Newspapers ^{1,2}	191.2	191.6	3.2	1.1	.0	.6	2.1	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1,2}	169.2	169.8	2.9	.7	.0	6.9	1.8	3.4
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	122.7	122.6	-6	2.3	-4.8	1.3	.8	-1.8
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	124.7	124.1	-4.1	4.6	-7.4	.6	.2	-3.5
Other sporting goods ¹	118.1	118.4	2.4	.7	-2.3	1.7	1.5	-3
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1,2}	133.5	133.6	2.4	1.2	-1.5	1.5	1.8	.0
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	126.9	126.5	3.5	-4.0	-9	1.6	-3	.3
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	133.5	134.1	-4.4	4.0	-9	.6	-3	-1
Pet supplies and expense ¹	142.2	142.9	8.9	1.7	-3.3	2.6	5.2	-4
Entertainment services ²	185.1	184.2	3.9	2.9	5.8	-1.1	3.4	2.3
Club memberships ^{2,5}	130.9	130.4	-2.7	1.2	.0	-7.6	-7	-3.9
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2,5}	171.4	171.9	5.7	9.0	6.3	-7	7.3	2.7
Admissions ¹	204.2	200.5	-2	3.3	12.2	-1.2	1.6	5.3
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	170.5	169.3	6.5	2.2	7.7	-2	4.3	3.6
Other entertainment services ^{1,2,5}	143.5	144.0	6.2	2.0	3.4	2.3	4.1	2.8
Other goods and services ³	226.9	227.5	3.2	5.4	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.7
Tobacco and smoking products	243.2	246.5	1.9	5.6	3.6	10.2	3.7	6.8
Personal care ¹	152.5	152.7	-8	3.5	2.7	-3	1.3	1.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	143.5	143.7	-6.2	2.3	1.7	-1.4	-2.1	.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	150.3	150.3	3.0	2.7	.0	-3.4	2.8	-1.7
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	138.8	139.0	-13.1	2.1	2.9	.3	-5.8	1.6
Personal care services ¹	162.7	162.8	5.2	5.1	3.5	.5	5.2	2.0
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1,2}	161.8	162.0	5.0	4.9	3.8	1.0	4.9	2.4
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	166.1	165.5	5.1	5.5	3.9	-1.4	5.3	1.2
Personal and educational expenses ²	262.8	262.5	4.6	5.8	5.9	3.9	5.2	4.9
School books and supplies	241.2	241.0	5.3	2.6	8.3	3.9	4.0	6.1
Personal and educational services ²	264.3	264.0	4.5	6.0	5.7	4.0	5.2	4.9
Tuition and other school fees	283.0	282.7	5.5	5.2	5.6	3.9	5.3	4.8
College tuition	297.7	295.1	6.1	5.7	5.8	1.2	5.9	3.5
Elementary and high school tuition	290.5	293.5	6.3	4.7	6.0	11.4	5.5	8.6
Day care and nursery school ⁸	134.6	135.4	3.1	4.6	3.0	4.6	3.9	3.8
Personal expenses	229.0	228.8	3.4	7.7	5.5	4.5	5.5	5.0
Legal service fees ^{1,5}	166.5	166.5	1.8	3.6	8.5	6.2	2.7	7.3
Personal financial services ^{1,5}	193.3	192.7	1.3	18.1	2.3	.4	9.4	1.4
Funeral expenses ⁵	171.5	171.8	4.0	8.8	5.3	4.1	6.4	4.7
Special indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	160.5	160.4	4.1	-2.0	.5	2.5	1.0	1.5
Selected beef cuts	131.1	130.5	5.4	-10.9	10.8	1.5	-3.1	6.1
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	106.6	108.3	25.3	-4.9	-26.4	27.6	9.1	-3.1
Utilities and public transportation	144.7	145.9	5.4	.8	.0	.6	3.1	.3
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1,2}	152.9	153.1	1.6	1.3	3.5	3.2	1.5	3.3

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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 Sept. 1997 from—
	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996
Food and beverages									
Other breads	181.5	183.8	183.7	184.1	0.2	1.3	-0.1	0.2	0.5
Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins ²	170.0	169.5	168.5	171.2	2.8	-3	-6	1.6	3.7
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	176.7	178.3	179.0	174.9	-1.5	.9	.4	-2.3	2.2
Cookies	180.4	178.6	180.4	179.4	.7	-1.0	1.0	-6	2.5
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	216.4	213.2	213.8	209.8	2.7	-1.5	.3	-1.9	.5
Fresh sweetrolls, coffee cake, and donuts	176.7	173.2	174.3	176.9	1.0	-2.0	.6	1.5	2.1
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers	179.4	180.0	177.1	177.2	.5	.3	-1.6	.1	1.3
Ham other than canned	166.7	168.2	171.1	171.5	1.8	.9	1.7	.2	2.4
Pork sausage ²	147.8	147.5	146.9	148.3	.1	-2	-4	1.0	2.8
Other pork ²	156.0	156.8	157.2	156.6	1.4	.5	.3	-4	1.8
Frankfurters	143.8	143.9	147.6	147.3	-6	.1	2.6	-2	3.1
Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ²	147.4	151.5	150.9	147.7	-1.2	2.8	-4	-2.1	1.3
Other lunchmeats ²	138.6	138.3	137.9	137.9	.5	-2	-3	.0	.4
Lamb and organ meats	160.3	159.5	160.6	163.6	-8	-5	.7	1.9	.7
Butter	108.7	112.3	115.0	113.9	-2.7	3.3	2.4	-1.0	-10.7
Other dairy products ²	155.9	156.9	157.4	156.2	-8	.6	.3	-8	1.5
Frozen fruit and fruit juices ²	136.1	137.6	136.3	134.2	-7	1.1	-9	-1.5	-3
Other fruit juices ²	152.8	151.7	151.6	152.1	1.0	-7	-1	.3	-1
Cut corn, canned beans except lima ²	151.7	149.8	151.9	147.0	-4	-1.3	1.4	-3.2	-3.1
Other processed vegetables ²	149.9	151.3	151.4	151.4	-1	.9	.1	.0	.5
Candy and chewing gum ²	153.7	154.0	153.1	152.9	.3	.2	-6	-1	1.5
Other sweets ²	153.3	155.8	148.4	154.0	.4	1.6	-4.7	3.8	8.4
Margarine	144.5	145.4	144.6	145.1	-1	.6	-6	.3	.3
Other fats, oils, and salad dressing ²	143.0	143.4	143.9	144.7	-8	.3	.3	.6	.1
Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter ²	139.4	138.6	138.3	139.0	-4	-6	-2	.5	.7
Roasted coffee	187.8	195.0	196.4	194.5	7.4	3.8	.7	-1.0	31.8
Instant and freeze-dried coffee	155.7	157.8	157.4	157.2	1.4	1.3	-3	-1	6.6
Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish ²	175.1	171.2	174.1	174.3	1.6	-2.2	1.7	.1	1.7
Other condiments	159.8	159.8	160.8	162.0	.6	.0	.6	.7	3.9
Miscellaneous prepared foods and baby foods ²	178.7	179.7	178.1	179.8	1.8	.6	-9	1.0	4.1
Other canned and packaged prepared foods ²	142.6	143.3	143.4	143.6	1.0	.5	1.1	.1	4.1
Whiskey at home	151.6	151.5	151.4	151.6	.4	-1	-1	.1	1.9
Other alcoholic beverages at home	149.9	150.4	151.2	151.7	.2	.3	.5	.3	2.8
Housing									
Household linens ²	109.2	111.0	111.0	112.2	-1.0	1.6	.0	1.1	1.7
Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials ²	138.1	139.4	135.9	134.3	.9	.9	-2.5	-1.2	-1.7
Soaps and detergents ²	142.1	142.7	141.9	143.8	-9	.4	-6	1.3	1.3
Other laundry and cleaning products ²	148.4	149.5	148.4	149.3	.3	.7	-7	.6	2.7
Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels, and napkins ²	140.2	143.0	142.5	141.0	-5	2.0	-3	-1.1	-1.6
Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ²	156.9	157.2	153.5	153.8	.4	.2	-2.4	.2	4.7
Apparel and upkeep									
Men's suits, sport coats, and jackets ²	132.5	129.9	132.7	132.9	-2.9	-2.0	2.2	.2	-1.7
Men's coats and jackets ²	144.1	140.9	144.4	147.8	-1.1	-2.2	2.5	2.4	3.8
Boys' coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ²	114.4	114.5	116.3	119.2	-2.1	.1	1.6	2.5	2.1
Boys' trousers, sport coats, and jackets ²	118.4	120.8	117.9	117.5	-4	2.0	-2.4	-3	6.1
Girls' coats, jackets, dresses, and suits ²	125.5	120.7	118.9	126.9	.5	-3.8	-1.5	6.7	2.0
Girls' separates and sportswear ²	116.7	111.0	109.2	113.0	-2.1	-4.9	-1.6	3.5	-1.1
Transportation									
State automobile registration ²	205.7	208.5	208.5	207.9	.0	1.4	.0	-.3	1.2
Other goods and services									
Products for hair, hair pieces, and wigs ²	128.1	127.6	127.7	127.3	.0	-4	.1	-.3	-3.7

¹ These special indexes are based on substantially smaller samples.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	157.8	158.3	2.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	470.0	471.5	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.436	157.6	157.8	2.1	.1	.3	.4	.1
Food	17.749	157.1	157.4	2.1	.2	.3	.3	.1
Food at home	11.387	157.6	157.7	1.7	.1	.3	.4	.0
Cereals and bakery products	1.688	178.2	177.7	2.0	-.3	.0	.1	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.535	148.8	148.7	1.3	-.1	.5	.0	-.3
Dairy products ¹	1.387	143.0	143.2	-2.2	.1	-.6	.0	.1
Fruits and vegetables ²	2.086	186.9	187.5	2.3	.3	.5	2.6	-.4
Other food at home	2.691	148.0	148.2	3.5	.1	.6	.0	.3
Sugar and sweets .....	.373	147.8	148.4	2.1	.4	.5	-.8	.5
Fats and oils .....	.282	141.2	141.7	.4	.4	-.6	.6	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.841	135.2	135.2	6.1	.0	1.5	-.1	-.1
Other prepared food	1.194	161.6	161.8	2.9	.1	.2	.2	.4
Food away from home	6.362	157.4	157.8	2.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.687	162.5	162.6	2.3	.1	.2	.4	.0
Housing ²	38.747	154.2	154.4	2.4	.1	.2	.0	.3
Shelter	25.867	172.3	172.2	3.0	-.1	.2	.2	.2
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	8.079	164.3	163.1	3.2	-.7	-.1	.3	.3
Rent, residential	6.580	167.0	167.5	3.0	.3	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	1.499	234.2	223.1	3.8	-4.7	-1.1	.3	-.4
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	17.599	166.2	166.7	3.0	.3	.4	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ³	17.277	166.5	167.0	3.0	.3	.4	.2	.2
Household insurance ^{3 4} .....	.322	150.9	151.2	2.2	.2	.1	.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4} .....	.189	143.8	141.1	2.2	-1.9	1.3	.1	-1.9
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4} .....	.105	156.5	152.2	1.9	-2.7	2.6	.4	-2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4} .....	.084	128.0	127.2	2.9	-.6	-.2	-.2	-.6
Fuel and other utilities ²	7.344	131.2	131.9	1.9	.5	.2	-.5	.7
Fuels	3.979	118.1	119.3	1.2	1.0	.0	-.8	1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.391	93.2	93.4	-2.1	.2	-1.8	-.6	.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.588	126.2	127.6	1.5	1.1	.2	-.7	1.1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	3.365	162.9	163.1	2.7	.1	.6	-.1	.3
Household furnishings and operation ²	5.536	123.7	123.9	.2	.2	-.1	-.3	.1
Housefurnishings ⁴	3.261	109.1	109.1	-.9	.0	-.5	-.5	-.1
Housekeeping supplies	1.129	143.4	143.7	1.3	.2	.6	-.7	.3
Housekeeping services ⁴	1.145	155.2	156.1	2.6	.6	.2	.4	.3
Apparel and upkeep	5.348	129.4	132.1	1.1	2.1	.2	-1.0	.2
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.838	125.7	128.6	1.1	2.3	.2	-1.1	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.286	128.8	131.2	3.3	1.9	.8	.0	.3
Women's and girls' apparel	2.053	119.6	124.6	2.0	4.2	-.4	-2.1	.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.240	128.4	128.3	-3.1	-.1	-1.3	-2.7	-.1
Footwear .....	.799	127.3	128.3	.4	.8	.9	.7	-.5
Other apparel commodities ⁴ .....	.461	145.7	144.8	-4.4	-.6	.6	-1.7	-1.2
Apparel services ^{1 4} .....	.510	162.7	162.8	1.9	.1	.2	.1	.1
Transportation	19.190	143.3	143.6	.5	.2	.1	.7	.4
Private transportation	17.934	141.1	141.4	.5	.2	-.1	.9	.3
New vehicles	4.893	144.3	144.0	-.2	-.2	.1	-.2	.1
New cars	3.533	140.0	139.7	-.6	-.2	-.1	-.1	.0
Used cars	2.320	149.9	149.7	-5.4	-.1	-1.2	-.7	-.2
Motor fuel	3.921	107.7	109.2	2.8	1.4	-.4	5.0	1.4
Gasoline	-	107.6	109.2	3.2	1.5	-.4	5.5	1.6
Maintenance and repairs	1.616	164.2	164.5	2.3	.2	.3	.1	.0
Other private transportation ⁴	5.185	172.7	172.3	1.5	-.2	.5	.0	.1
Other private transportation commodities .....	.742	104.0	103.8	-.3	-.2	.6	-.5	-.2
Other private transportation services ⁴	4.442	190.1	189.7	1.8	-.2	.5	.1	.1
Public transportation	1.256	181.6	183.5	.9	1.0	.9	-1.6	1.2

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category								
Medical care	6.251	234.6	234.7	2.6	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2
Medical care commodities	1.047	212.5	212.5	1.9	.0	.0	-.2	.2
Medical care services	5.204	239.5	239.7	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Professional medical services	2.973	217.7	217.8	3.3	.0	.1	.3	.1
Entertainment ⁴	4.015	160.6	160.5	2.0	-.1	.1	.4	-.2
Entertainment commodities ⁴	2.036	143.5	143.4	.8	-.1	.0	.6	.1
Entertainment services ⁴	1.979	184.9	184.8	3.1	-.1	.2	.1	-.4
Other goods and services ²	7.012	222.1	224.6	4.6	1.1	.3	.5	.5
Tobacco and smoking products	2.117	243.0	246.1	5.3	1.3	.5	.6	1.4
Personal care ¹	1.107	152.4	152.6	1.2	.1	-.2	.0	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹ .....	.610	144.4	144.7	-.7	.2	-.3	-.1	.2
Personal care services ¹ .....	.497	162.8	163.0	3.7	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	3.788	256.8	260.2	5.2	1.3	.3	.6	.2
School books and supplies .....	.232	241.9	243.9	5.4	.8	.4	.4	.0
Personal and educational services ⁴	3.556	258.3	261.8	5.2	1.4	.3	.6	.2
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	157.8	158.3	2.1	.3	.2	.2	.3
Commodities	47.057	141.4	142.1	1.2	.5	.1	.4	.2
Food and beverages	19.436	157.6	157.8	2.1	.1	.3	.4	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	27.621	131.6	132.5	.6	.7	-.2	.4	.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	16.215	133.9	135.5	2.0	1.2	.1	.8	.7
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.838	125.7	128.6	1.1	2.3	.2	-1.1	.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	11.377	140.8	141.9	2.5	.8	-.2	1.8	.8
Durables	11.407	127.4	127.2	-1.5	-.2	-.3	-.3	.0
Services	52.943	177.4	177.7	2.8	.2	.3	.1	.3
Rent of shelter ³	25.329	165.8	165.8	3.0	.0	.2	.2	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	8.553	135.0	135.8	2.1	.6	.3	-.4	.6
Transportation services	7.314	182.1	182.3	1.7	.1	.5	-.2	.2
Medical care services	5.204	239.5	239.7	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Other services	6.542	207.4	209.0	4.2	.8	.2	.4	.0
Special indexes								
All items less food	82.251	157.8	158.4	2.1	.4	.1	.2	.3
All items less shelter	74.133	153.9	154.6	1.8	.5	.1	.3	.3
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	82.401	147.9	148.4	1.9	.3	.1	.2	.3
All items less medical care	93.749	154.2	154.7	2.0	.3	.1	.3	.3
Commodities less food	29.308	132.9	133.7	.7	.6	-.1	.4	.3
Nondurables less food	17.901	135.6	137.1	2.1	1.1	.1	.7	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	13.064	141.9	142.9	2.4	.7	.1	1.8	.8
Nondurables	35.651	146.0	147.0	2.2	.7	.3	.6	.3
Services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	27.613	168.2	168.8	2.6	.4	.3	.0	.3
Services less medical care services	47.738	172.0	172.4	2.9	.2	.4	-.1	.3
Energy	7.901	112.2	113.5	2.0	1.2	-.2	2.0	1.2
All items less energy	92.099	164.2	164.6	2.1	.2	.2	.1	.1
All items less food and energy	74.350	166.0	166.5	2.1	.3	.2	.0	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.996	140.8	141.5	.4	.5	.0	-.4	.2
Energy commodities	4.312	106.7	108.1	2.5	1.3	-.5	4.5	1.2
Services less energy services	49.354	183.0	183.3	3.0	.2	.3	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ¹	-	\$.634	\$.632	-2.0	-.3	.0	-.2	-.3
1967=\$1.00 ¹	-	.213	.212	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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					
	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.9	1.5	0.5	2.6	2.7	1.5
Food and beverages	157.0	157.5	158.1	158.2	3.9	.3	1.5	3.1	2.1	2.3
Food	156.6	157.1	157.6	157.8	3.9	.3	1.5	3.1	2.1	2.3
Food at home	157.0	157.5	158.2	158.2	3.7	-1.5	1.8	3.1	1.0	2.4
Cereals and bakery products	177.4	177.4	177.5	177.9	4.2	.9	1.6	1.1	2.5	1.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.3	149.1	149.1	148.7	6.4	-6.3	4.4	1.1	-.1	2.7
Dairy products ¹	143.8	143.0	143.0	143.2	5.9	-7.1	-5.4	-1.7	-.8	-3.5
Fruits and vegetables ²	185.0	186.0	190.9	190.2	-.4	4.8	-4.6	11.7	2.2	3.2
Other food at home	147.0	147.9	147.9	148.3	2.5	1.1	7.1	3.6	1.8	5.3
Sugar and sweets	147.9	148.7	147.5	148.2	1.9	.0	5.6	.8	1.0	3.2
Fats and oils	141.3	140.5	141.3	142.0	1.1	.0	-1.4	2.0	.6	.3
Nonalcoholic beverages	133.7	135.7	135.6	135.4	-.6	2.9	17.9	5.2	1.1	11.4
Other prepared food	160.7	161.0	161.4	162.1	5.4	.3	2.8	3.5	2.8	3.2
Food away from home	156.6	157.1	157.4	157.8	4.0	3.4	1.0	3.1	3.7	2.1
Alcoholic beverages	161.8	162.2	162.8	162.8	3.8	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.2
Housing ²	153.1	153.4	153.4	153.9	3.2	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.8	2.1
Shelter	170.9	171.3	171.6	172.0	2.9	3.1	3.3	2.6	3.0	3.0
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	162.0	161.9	162.4	162.9	2.8	3.8	4.1	2.2	3.3	3.1
Rent, residential	166.2	166.5	167.0	167.5	3.0	2.5	3.7	3.2	2.7	3.4
Other renters' costs ⁴	225.7	223.3	223.9	224.7	2.0	9.1	6.1	-1.8	5.5	2.1
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	165.3	165.9	166.1	166.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent ³	165.6	166.2	166.5	166.8	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9
Household insurance ^{3 4}	149.6	149.7	150.3	151.1	-1.3	3.0	3.3	4.1	.8	3.7
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4}	141.7	143.6	143.8	141.1	6.2	2.3	2.3	-1.7	4.2	.3
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4}	152.0	155.9	156.5	152.2	1.9	.5	4.6	.5	1.2	2.5
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4}	128.6	128.3	128.0	127.2	11.8	5.1	-.3	-4.3	8.4	-2.3
Fuel and other utilities ²	129.8	130.1	129.5	130.4	6.1	1.2	-1.2	1.9	3.6	.3
Fuels	115.6	115.6	114.7	115.8	8.7	.7	-.7	.7	4.6	-2.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	98.9	97.1	96.5	96.6	52.1	-23.8	-12.6	-9.0	7.6	-10.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	122.9	123.1	122.2	123.5	5.0	3.6	-4.1	2.0	4.3	-1.1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	162.1	163.0	162.8	163.3	3.1	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	3.0
Household furnishings and operation ²	124.1	124.0	123.6	123.7	1.3	-.6	1.6	-1.3	.3	.2
Housefurnishings ⁴	110.0	109.5	109.0	108.9	1.1	-1.8	1.1	-3.9	-.4	-1.5
Housekeeping supplies	143.6	144.4	143.4	143.8	1.1	2.6	1.1	.6	1.8	.8
Housekeeping services ⁴	154.6	154.9	155.5	156.0	2.7	.0	4.2	3.7	1.3	4.0
Apparel and upkeep	132.5	132.8	131.5	131.7	2.2	1.8	3.4	-2.4	2.0	.5
Apparel commodities ⁴	129.2	129.4	128.0	128.2	1.9	2.2	3.5	-3.1	2.1	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	129.4	130.4	130.4	130.8	4.5	-6	5.1	4.4	1.9	4.7
Women's and girls' apparel	126.7	126.2	123.6	124.5	5.3	5.6	4.2	-6.8	5.5	-1.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	133.8	132.0	128.4	128.3	-12.4	8.4	9.8	-15.5	-2.6	-3.6
Footwear	127.0	128.1	129.0	128.3	2.2	-4.6	.0	4.2	-1.2	2.1
Other apparel commodities ⁴	146.2	147.1	144.6	142.8	-9.3	1.7	-.3	-9.0	-4.0	-4.7
Apparel services ^{1 4}	162.2	162.6	162.7	162.8	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.5	2.3	1.6
Transportation	142.3	142.4	143.4	144.0	5.7	-.3	-7.5	4.9	2.7	-1.5
Private transportation	140.1	140.0	141.3	141.7	5.2	.6	-7.9	4.6	2.9	-1.8
New vehicles	145.6	145.7	145.4	145.6	-.3	.3	-.8	.0	.0	-.4
New cars	141.3	141.4	141.3	141.3	-1.1	-.3	-1.4	.0	-.7	-.7
Used cars	152.5	150.6	149.5	149.2	-3.5	7.4	-15.6	-8.4	1.8	-12.1
Motor fuel	101.6	101.2	106.3	107.8	27.7	-6.6	-25.9	26.7	9.2	-3.1
Gasoline	101.0	100.6	106.1	107.8	27.8	-7.0	-26.3	29.8	9.0	-2.2
Maintenance and repairs	163.8	164.3	164.4	164.4	2.3	2.5	3.2	1.5	2.4	2.4
Other private transportation ⁴	172.8	173.6	173.6	173.7	-.5	3.3	1.2	2.1	1.4	1.6
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	104.0	104.6	104.1	103.9	-.4	-.4	.0	-.4	-.4	-.2
Other private transportation services ⁴	190.2	191.1	191.2	191.4	-.4	3.9	1.3	2.5	1.7	1.9
Public transportation	183.6	185.3	182.3	184.4	15.0	-12.5	1.5	1.8	.3	1.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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					
	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category										
Medical care	234.1	234.3	234.7	235.1	2.8	2.8	3.0	1.7	2.8	2.3
Medical care commodities	213.1	213.0	212.5	212.9	1.9	3.5	2.7	-4	2.7	1.1
Medical care services	238.7	238.9	239.5	240.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Professional medical services	216.8	217.0	217.7	218.0	3.8	3.8	3.4	2.2	3.8	2.8
Entertainment ⁴	160.2	160.3	161.0	160.6	3.3	1.0	2.5	1.0	2.2	1.8
Entertainment commodities ⁴	142.7	142.7	143.6	143.7	2.6	-6	-1.1	2.8	1.0	.8
Entertainment services ⁴	185.1	185.4	185.6	184.8	3.8	2.9	6.3	-6	3.4	2.8
Other goods and services ²	221.0	221.6	222.7	223.9	3.0	5.9	4.3	5.4	4.4	4.8
Tobacco and smoking products	240.1	241.2	242.7	246.1	1.9	5.9	3.2	10.4	3.9	6.7
Personal care ¹	152.7	152.4	152.4	152.6	-1.1	3.2	2.9	-3	1.1	1.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	145.0	144.6	144.4	144.7	-5.9	2.2	2.0	-8	-1.9	.6
Personal care services ¹	162.7	162.6	162.8	163.0	5.7	4.6	3.8	.7	5.2	2.2
School and educational expenses ⁴	255.2	256.0	257.5	257.9	4.6	6.4	5.5	4.3	5.5	4.9
School books and supplies	241.1	242.1	243.1	243.1	6.0	2.4	9.7	3.4	4.2	6.5
Personal and educational services ⁴	256.6	257.3	258.8	259.2	4.6	6.7	5.3	4.1	5.7	4.7
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.9	1.5	.5	2.6	2.7	1.5
Commodities	141.2	141.3	141.9	142.2	4.3	.3	-2.2	2.9	2.3	.3
Food and beverages	157.0	157.5	158.1	158.2	3.9	.3	1.5	3.1	2.1	2.3
Commodities less food and beverages	131.6	131.4	131.9	132.4	4.6	.0	-4.4	2.5	2.3	-1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.2	133.3	134.3	135.2	8.4	-1.5	-4.4	6.1	3.3	.7
Apparel commodities ⁴	129.2	129.4	128.0	128.2	1.9	2.2	3.5	-3.1	2.1	.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.0	137.7	140.2	141.3	12.1	-1.7	-8.8	9.9	5.0	.1
Durables	128.5	128.1	127.7	127.7	-9	.0	-2.8	-2.5	-5	-2.6
Services	176.3	176.8	176.9	177.4	3.3	2.8	2.8	2.5	3.0	2.6
Rent of shelter ³	164.7	165.0	165.3	165.8	2.5	3.3	3.7	2.7	2.9	3.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	133.6	134.0	133.4	134.2	3.4	2.4	.6	1.8	2.9	1.2
Transportation services	182.4	183.4	183.0	183.4	2.7	.4	1.8	2.2	1.6	2.0
Medical care services	238.7	238.9	239.5	240.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Other services	207.2	207.6	208.4	208.3	4.3	5.0	5.2	2.1	4.7	3.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	157.0	157.2	157.5	158.0	3.9	1.8	.3	2.6	2.9	1.4
All items less shelter	153.5	153.7	154.1	154.5	4.0	1.0	-5	2.6	2.5	1.0
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	147.4	147.6	147.9	148.3	3.9	1.4	.0	2.5	2.6	1.2
All items less medical care	153.5	153.7	154.1	154.5	3.8	1.3	.5	2.6	2.5	1.6
Commodities less food	133.0	132.9	133.4	133.8	4.6	.0	-4.1	2.4	2.3	-9
Nondurables less food	134.7	134.9	135.9	137.0	7.7	-1.7	-4.1	7.0	2.9	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	139.2	139.3	141.8	142.9	9.2	-1.9	-7.4	11.1	3.5	1.4
Nondurables	145.2	145.6	146.5	147.0	6.0	-3	-1.6	5.1	2.8	1.7
Services less rent of shelter ³	167.3	167.8	167.8	168.3	3.5	2.7	1.9	2.4	3.1	2.2
Services less medical care services	171.0	171.6	171.5	172.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.9	2.7
Energy	108.0	107.8	110.0	111.3	17.5	-2.8	-16.0	12.8	6.9	-2.6
All items less energy	164.1	164.4	164.6	164.8	2.8	2.0	2.0	1.7	2.4	1.8
All items less food and energy	166.2	166.5	166.5	166.8	2.2	2.5	2.2	1.5	2.3	1.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	142.0	142.0	141.5	141.8	.9	1.7	-3	-6	1.3	-4
Energy commodities	101.6	101.1	105.7	107.0	29.6	-8.3	-24.8	23.0	9.0	-3.8
Services less energy services	182.4	182.9	183.2	183.6	2.9	2.9	3.4	2.7	2.9	3.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	157.6	157.8	2.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.1
Food	157.1	157.4	2.1	.2	.3	.3	.1
Food at home	157.6	157.7	1.7	.1	.3	.4	.0
Cereals and bakery products	178.2	177.7	2.0	-.3	.0	.1	.2
Cereals and cereal products	171.1	169.0	1.7	-1.2	.4	.8	-.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes	159.9	156.8	.6	-1.9	.5	.4	-.9
Cereal	189.1	186.6	1.6	-1.3	.2	1.0	-.4
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	150.5	150.0	3.1	-.3	1.0	.7	-.3
Bakery products	181.3	181.5	2.0	.1	-.3	-.2	.4
White bread ¹	182.8	183.5	1.9	.4	-.7	-.2	.4
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	182.3	183.3	1.7	.5	.7	-.2	.5
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	179.1	176.6	2.4	-1.4	-.5	.7	-1.4
Other bakery products	181.3	183.2	2.2	1.0	-.6	-.6	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.8	148.7	1.3	-.1	.5	.0	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	149.5	149.5	1.7	.0	.3	.1	-.3
Meats	145.6	145.5	1.7	-.1	.3	.2	-.3
Beef and veal	136.9	136.9	1.8	.0	.7	-.1	-.1
Ground beef other than canned	116.5	116.8	2.5	.3	.6	-1.0	.3
Chuck roast ²	145.0	142.3	.3	-1.9	4.3	-.9	-2.4
Round roast ²	128.1	127.4	-2.7	-.5	1.1	-1.5	-3.0
Round steak ²	130.8	129.1	-.8	-1.3	.9	2.1	-3.5
Sirloin steak ²	145.8	142.9	2.1	-2.0	.4	2.8	-.8
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	159.9	161.4	2.5	.9	-.1	.1	.9
Pork	158.7	159.1	1.8	.3	-.3	.1	-.4
Bacon	168.3	168.7	-.2	.2	2.1	-.8	-.2
Chops	159.1	159.5	2.0	.3	-2.5	1.5	.3
Ham	159.5	159.8	2.4	.2	-.9	-.1	-.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	153.1	153.3	2.2	.1	.4	-.1	-.3
Other meats ¹	149.1	148.1	1.6	-.7	.1	1.2	-.7
Poultry ¹	155.3	156.6	1.0	.8	.8	-1.4	.8
Fresh whole chicken ¹	156.3	158.1	.6	1.2	1.3	-1.8	1.2
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	156.1	157.1	.3	.6	.3	-1.5	.6
Other poultry ²	155.8	157.2	3.4	.9	.6	-.8	.8
Fish and seafood	177.5	176.2	2.4	-.7	.6	1.2	-1.4
Canned fish and seafood ¹	128.9	129.3	3.0	.3	.3	.8	.3
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	202.0	200.0	2.2	-1.0	.7	1.3	-1.8
Eggs	136.6	135.7	-5.0	-.7	3.1	-1.6	.3
Dairy products ¹	143.0	143.2	-2.2	.1	-.6	.0	.1
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	141.3	141.1	-3.0	-.1	-1.3	-.2	-.1
Fresh whole milk ¹	139.0	138.9	-3.3	-.1	-1.4	-.4	-.1
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.9	144.6	-2.4	-.2	-1.0	.1	-.2
Processed dairy products ²	145.5	146.1	-1.4	.4	-.2	-.5	.3
Cheese ¹	146.4	146.9	-1.3	.3	.0	-.2	.3
Ice cream and related products	149.1	150.7	1.1	1.1	.5	.0	.5
Other dairy products, including butter ²	135.9	135.3	-5.2	-.4	-1.0	.8	.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	186.9	187.5	2.3	.3	.5	2.6	-.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	214.2	216.0	3.3	.8	1.1	3.6	-.4
Fresh fruits	236.4	243.0	-.3	2.8	-.1	2.8	.1
Apples	212.3	207.4	-1.4	-2.3	.8	-.5	-.3
Bananas	155.8	149.9	.9	-3.8	-2.3	.1	1.0
Oranges, including tangerines ²	281.5	296.6	-9.0	5.4	-.3	6.1	-2.1
Other fresh fruits ²	254.1	266.4	3.7	4.8	.2	3.3	.8
Fresh vegetables	192.6	189.6	8.3	-1.6	2.5	4.6	-.9
Potatoes	194.7	192.3	6.2	-1.2	1.5	6.6	7.6
Lettuce ¹	198.9	210.5	21.4	5.8	6.2	8.2	5.8
Tomatoes ¹	190.3	183.0	13.5	-3.8	-11.4	.3	-3.8
Other fresh vegetables	193.0	187.8	4.9	-2.7	4.1	3.5	-2.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	148.5	147.3	.2	-.8	-.5	.3	-.3
Processed fruits	147.9	147.7	.5	-.1	.4	-.7	-.1
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.2	147.2	.0	.0	.5	-.9	.0
Canned and dried fruits ²	148.8	147.9	2.3	-.6	-.3	-.1	.1
Processed vegetables ²	149.6	147.1	-.2	-1.7	-.7	1.0	-.8
Frozen vegetables ²	150.6	148.3	2.3	-1.5	.6	.3	-1.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	149.8	147.3	-1.3	-1.7	-1.4	1.3	-.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	148.0	148.2	3.5	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.3
Sugar and sweets	147.8	148.4	2.1	.4	.5	-.8	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	135.7	136.0	.8	.2	-.1	-.2	.0
Sweets, including candy ²	152.9	153.6	2.6	.5	.8	-1.0	.5
Fats and oils	141.2	141.7	.4	.4	-.6	.6	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages	135.2	135.2	6.1	.0	1.5	-.1	-.1
Carbonated drinks	117.8	117.8	-1.4	.0	.8	-.1	-.3
Coffee ¹	181.3	180.3	22.8	-.6	3.0	.4	-.6
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	139.7	141.2	1.5	1.1	-.1	.1	.1
Other prepared food	161.6	161.8	2.9	.1	.2	.2	.4
Canned and packaged soup	192.1	190.5	2.5	-.8	.2	-.4	-.2
Frozen prepared food ¹	145.2	143.5	.7	-1.2	.6	-.8	-1.2
Snacks ¹	155.2	156.1	4.1	.6	.2	.6	.6
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.5	169.7	3.1	.7	-.7	1.3	.4
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	162.0	162.4	3.2	.2	1.1	-.3	.4
Food away from home	157.4	157.8	2.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Lunch ²	157.8	158.3	2.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Dinner ²	155.3	155.6	2.6	.2	.4	.2	.2
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	160.5	161.0	3.2	.3	.1	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	162.5	162.6	2.3	.1	.2	.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages at home	148.9	148.9	1.1	.0	.0	.4	-.1
Beer and ale	147.6	147.5	-.3	-.1	-.3	.3	.1
Wine	144.4	144.8	4.2	.3	.9	.2	.0
Distilled spirits	150.9	151.0	2.1	.1	.0	.5	-.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home	189.9	190.1	3.7	.1	.6	.3	.0
Housing ³	154.2	154.4	2.4	.1	.2	.0	.3
Shelter	172.3	172.2	3.0	-.1	.2	.2	.2
Renters' costs ⁴	164.3	163.1	3.2	-.7	-.1	.3	.3
Rent, residential	167.0	167.5	3.0	-.3	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ²	234.2	223.1	3.8	-4.7	-1.1	.3	.4
Lodging while out of town	234.2	221.4	3.6	-5.5	-1.2	.2	.4
Lodging while at school ⁵	226.8	231.6	5.7	2.1	.4	.1	.9
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	155.7	155.8	1.5	.1	.4	.4	.1
Homeowners' costs ⁴	166.2	166.7	3.0	.3	.4	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	166.5	167.0	3.0	.3	.4	.2	.2
Household insurance ^{2 5}	150.9	151.2	2.2	.2	.1	.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	143.8	141.1	2.2	-1.9	1.3	.1	-1.9
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	156.5	152.2	1.9	-2.7	2.6	.4	-2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.0	127.2	2.9	-.6	-.2	-.2	-.6
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 6}	124.8	124.0	3.9	-.6	.2	-1.0	-.6
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	123.5	122.8	2.1	-.6	-.6	.4	-.6
Fuel and other utilities ³	131.2	131.9	1.9	.5	.2	-.5	.7
Fuels	118.1	119.3	1.2	1.0	.0	-.8	1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	93.2	93.4	-2.1	.2	-1.8	-.6	.1
Fuel oil	90.6	90.5	-3.6	-.1	-3.1	-.2	-.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 6}	123.5	124.5	.9	.8	-1.4	-1.7	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	126.2	127.6	1.5	1.1	.2	-.7	1.1
Electricity	137.2	137.8	-.1	.4	-.2	-.8	.5
Utility (piped) gas	109.5	112.4	5.2	2.6	1.0	-.8	2.3
Other utilities and public services ²	162.9	163.1	2.7	.1	.6	-.1	.3
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.0	127.0	.4	.0	-.1	-.9	.0
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.6	162.6	1.2	.0	-.1	.0	.0
Interstate toll calls ¹	74.9	74.9	-4.7	.0	.0	-4.9	.0
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.6	95.0	3.9	.4	.2	.0	.4
Water and sewerage maintenance	209.3	209.7	4.0	.2	.7	.7	.4
Cable television ⁷	233.1	233.5	7.4	.2	1.2	.5	.6
Refuse collection ^{1 7}	251.5	252.0	1.7	.2	.2	.4	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation ³	123.7	123.9	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.1
Housefurnishings ²	109.1	109.1	-.9	.0	-.5	-.5	-.1
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	121.9	121.6	.2	-.2	1.7	-.7	-.2
Furniture and bedding ¹	131.8	132.1	-.3	.2	-1.4	.1	.2
Bedroom furniture ¹	140.1	140.6	1.3	.4	-1.3	-.1	.4
Sofas ^{1 2}	136.8	136.8	-2.6	.0	-1.3	-.4	.0
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	133.5	134.7	1.1	.9	-1.5	.5	.9
Other furniture ²	117.8	117.6	-1.6	-.2	-1.0	.4	-.6
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	77.0	76.9	-2.8	-.1	-.5	-.4	-.1
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.7	68.3	-3.0	-.6	-.4	-.4	-.6
Televisions ¹	60.4	59.8	-4.2	-1.0	-.7	-.5	-1.0
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 8}	62.8	62.9	-3.5	.2	-.8	-.6	.2
Audio products ^{1 2}	88.9	88.4	-1.9	-.6	-.2	-.2	-.6
Major household appliances ^{1 2 6}	102.0	102.3	-1.1	.3	-.5	-.1	.3
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.7	109.9	-.2	1.1	-1.0	.9	1.1
Laundry equipment ¹	113.2	113.8	.3	.5	.3	.1	.5
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 6}	90.7	90.1	-3.2	-.7	-1.1	-1.1	-.7
Information processing equipment ^{1 8}	49.3	49.5	-12.1	.4	-1.6	-1.6	.4
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 6}	114.6	114.6	-.4	.0	.0	-.6	.0
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	140.4	141.2	.8	.6	.1	-1.3	.6
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	116.9	115.7	-.6	-1.0	1.0	-1.1	-1.0
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	125.8	127.5	1.5	1.4	.2	.5	1.4
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.6	111.1	1.5	.5	.3	.1	.5
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 6}	89.8	90.5	2.1	.8	.1	-1.0	.8
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 9}	109.1	107.0	-8.5	-1.9	-1.8	-1.7	-1.9
Housekeeping supplies	143.4	143.7	1.3	.2	.6	-.7	.3
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.0	147.4	2.2	1.0	.6	-.5	1.0
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	145.2	144.7	.2	-.3	1.2	-1.6	-.3
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	137.9	137.7	1.3	-.1	.1	.1	-.1
Housekeeping services ²	155.2	156.1	2.6	.6	.2	.4	.3
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	158.1	158.9	2.3	.5	.1	.1	.5
Gardening and other household services ^{2 6}	138.8	138.4	2.0	-.3	-.1	.2	-.1
Apparel and upkeep	129.4	132.1	1.1	2.1	.2	-1.0	.2
Apparel commodities ²	125.7	128.6	1.1	2.3	.2	-1.1	.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	125.4	128.6	1.3	2.6	.1	-1.4	.2
Men's and boys'	128.8	131.2	3.3	1.9	.8	.0	.3
Men's	132.4	134.7	3.2	1.7	.3	-.1	.4
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	136.5	136.2	.1	-.2	-.6	.6	-1.9
Furnishings and special clothing	126.8	132.7	8.6	4.7	.9	.9	1.8
Shirts ²	137.8	140.9	2.8	2.2	.1	.2	1.1
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	129.9	130.3	1.8	.3	.6	-.2	.0
Boys'	117.2	119.9	3.6	2.3	2.4	-.6	.1
Women's and girls'	119.6	124.6	2.0	4.2	-.4	-2.1	.7
Women's	118.6	123.9	1.7	4.5	-.2	-1.9	.7
Coats and jackets	123.5	131.8	8.4	6.7	-.7	2.7	.2
Dresses	103.4	109.7	-3.5	6.1	2.9	-5.3	.9
Separates and sportswear ²	119.1	125.1	2.0	5.0	-1.0	-3.0	1.3
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	134.8	135.2	1.4	.3	-.4	.2	.1
Suits ²	135.2	143.9	5.3	6.4	-.3	1.7	-3.3
Girls'	124.3	127.9	3.1	2.9	-1.2	-2.6	.9
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	128.4	128.3	-3.1	-.1	-1.3	-2.7	-.1
Other apparel commodities ²	145.7	144.8	-4.4	-.6	.6	-1.7	-1.2
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 6}	126.7	125.5	-5.8	-.9	1.3	-1.3	-.9
Watches and jewelry ⁶	145.6	144.7	-4.1	-.6	.9	-2.0	-1.2
Watches ^{1 6}	126.2	126.9	-1.6	.6	.6	-.8	.6
Jewelry ⁶	151.1	149.9	-4.6	-.8	1.1	-1.8	-1.9
Footwear	127.3	128.3	.4	.8	.9	.7	-.5
Men's	131.7	132.4	-1.3	.5	.8	-.8	-.5
Boys' and girls'	128.3	129.0	-.2	.5	1.5	.5	-.6
Women's	122.2	123.6	2.1	1.1	.4	2.3	-.5
Apparel services ^{1 2}	162.7	162.8	1.9	.1	.2	.1	.1
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	166.3	166.4	2.6	.1	.2	-.1	.1
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	160.4	160.5	1.5	.1	.2	.2	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Transportation	143.3	143.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.4
Private	141.1	141.4	.5	.2	-.1	.9	.3
New vehicles	144.3	144.0	-.2	-.2	.1	-.2	.1
New cars	140.0	139.7	-.6	-.2	.1	-.1	.0
Subcompact new cars ^{2 6}	121.3	120.7	-1.5	-5	-.3	-.1	-.5
Compact new cars ^{2 6}	121.2	120.9	-.7	-.2	-.1	-.3	.2
Intermediate new cars ^{2 6}	121.0	120.7	-.4	-.2	.1	.0	.1
Full-size new cars ^{2 6}	123.0	122.8	-.3	-.2	-.2	.0	-.3
Luxury new cars ^{2 6}	130.7	130.2	-.8	-.4	.2	.2	.1
New trucks ⁷	151.9	152.0	.9	.1	.1	-.1	.1
New motorcycles ⁶	163.2	163.2	.9	.0	.5	-.5	-.1
Used cars	149.9	149.7	-5.4	-.1	-1.2	-.7	-.2
Motor fuel	107.7	109.2	2.8	1.4	-.4	5.0	1.4
Gasoline	107.6	109.2	3.2	1.5	-.4	5.5	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular	105.8	107.4	3.7	1.5	-.2	6.0	1.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 10}	111.8	113.8	3.3	1.8	-1.6	3.6	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.1	109.7	2.7	1.5	-.6	4.7	1.8
Automobile maintenance and repair	164.2	164.5	2.3	.2	.3	.1	.0
Body work ¹	174.2	174.7	3.9	.3	.4	.1	.3
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	172.7	172.3	2.6	-.2	.2	.1	-.2
Maintenance and servicing ¹	150.8	151.0	1.5	.1	.3	.6	.1
Power plant repair ²	167.8	168.8	2.2	.6	-.1	.1	.2
Other private transportation ²	172.7	172.3	1.5	-.2	.5	.0	.1
Other private transportation commodities ²	104.0	103.8	-.3	-.2	.6	-.5	-.2
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	130.8	130.3	.2	-.4	.0	-.2	-.4
Automobile parts and equipment	101.0	100.8	-.5	-.2	.7	-.5	-.3
Tires	99.2	98.8	-2.0	-.4	1.1	-.7	-.6
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	107.2	107.2	1.0	.0	.4	-.4	.0
Other private transportation services ²	190.1	189.7	1.8	-.2	.5	.1	.1
Automobile insurance	250.6	251.2	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.3
Automobile finance charges ²	91.9	90.5	-4.4	-1.5	1.2	-.9	-1.4
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	186.0	184.6	3.0	-.8	1.5	.6	-.8
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	184.3	183.2	.9	-.6	1.7	.0	-.6
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	189.4	187.6	5.7	-1.0	1.4	1.5	-1.0
Public transportation	181.6	183.5	.9	1.0	.9	-1.6	1.2
Airline fares ¹	193.2	196.9	1.4	1.9	2.2	-4.5	1.9
Other intercity transportation ¹	158.1	157.5	.2	-.4	-.3	1.0	-.4
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.4	175.6	.4	.1	.0	.1	.1
Medical care	234.6	234.7	2.6	.0	.1	.2	.2
Medical care commodities	212.5	212.5	1.9	.0	.0	-.2	.2
Prescription drugs	248.7	248.9	2.1	.1	-.1	-.3	.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	144.4	144.1	1.5	-.2	.3	-.5	-.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	171.1	170.6	1.5	-.3	.1	-.8	-.3
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	174.9	174.9	1.7	.0	.9	.4	.0
Medical care services	239.5	239.7	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Professional medical services	217.7	217.8	3.3	.0	.1	.3	.1
Physicians' services	224.5	224.5	3.1	.0	.0	.4	.2
Dental services ¹	227.5	227.9	4.2	.2	.3	.4	.2
Eye care ^{1 6}	142.1	142.1	1.8	.0	.6	-.3	.0
Services by other medical professionals ⁶	156.2	155.9	3.8	-.2	.4	.1	.1
Hospital and related services	275.2	275.6	2.7	.1	.0	.3	.3
Hospital services ¹¹	101.7	101.8	-	.1	.3	.3	.1
Inpatient hospital services ¹¹	101.3	101.4	-	.1	.3	.2	.1
Outpatient hospital services ⁶	225.9	226.3	4.3	.2	.2	.2	.4
Nursing home services ¹¹	103.1	103.2	-	.1	.7	.3	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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 Sept. 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	June to July	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.
Expenditure category							
Entertainment ²	160.6	160.5	2.0	-0.1	0.1	0.4	-0.2
Entertainment commodities ²	143.5	143.4	.8	-1	.0	.6	.1
Reading materials ¹	180.9	181.3	1.9	.2	-.3	.9	.2
Newspapers ^{1 2}	192.4	192.9	1.4	.3	-.4	.3	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	169.3	169.7	2.7	.2	-.3	1.6	.2
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	125.0	124.3	-1.0	-.6	.3	.5	-.6
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	128.3	127.2	-1.9	-.9	.9	.4	-.9
Other sporting goods ¹	117.8	117.6	.4	-.2	-.5	.7	-.2
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	134.1	134.1	1.0	.0	.1	.3	.0
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	128.0	127.3	-1	-.5	.3	.5	-.3
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	134.7	135.1	-.2	.3	-.5	.3	.3
Pet supplies and expense ¹	142.1	142.9	2.6	.6	.3	.0	.6
Entertainment services ²	184.9	184.8	3.1	-.1	.2	.1	-.4
Club memberships ^{2 6}	132.8	132.6	-2.3	-.2	-.1	-1.8	-.2
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 6}	165.3	169.6	4.5	2.6	-.2	-.2	.3
Admissions ¹	204.4	200.7	3.8	-1.8	.2	1.4	-1.8
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	170.9	171.0	3.8	.1	.2	.3	-.6
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 6}	142.3	142.8	3.1	.4	.1	.0	.4
Other goods and services ³	222.1	224.6	4.6	1.1	.3	.5	.5
Tobacco and smoking products	243.0	246.1	5.3	1.3	.5	.6	1.4
Personal care ¹	152.4	152.6	1.2	.1	-.2	.0	.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.4	144.7	-.7	.2	-.3	-.1	.2
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	153.0	153.1	1.1	.1	-.6	-.1	.1
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.3	139.6	-2.0	.2	-.1	-.1	.2
Personal care services ¹	162.8	163.0	3.7	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.9	162.2	3.8	.2	-.1	.2	.2
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	165.5	165.3	3.3	-.1	.1	-.2	-.1
Personal and educational expenses ²	256.8	260.2	5.2	1.3	.3	.6	.2
School books and supplies	241.9	243.9	5.4	.8	.4	.4	.0
Personal and educational services ²	258.3	261.8	5.2	1.4	.3	.6	.2
Tuition and other school fees	275.7	281.5	5.4	2.1	.4	.3	.2
College tuition	294.8	300.7	5.3	2.0	.5	.2	-.4
Elementary and high school tuition	289.1	298.1	7.2	3.1	.5	1.3	1.0
Day care and nursery school ⁹	134.5	136.9	3.9	1.8	.1	.3	.6
Personal expenses	227.2	227.3	5.0	.0	.2	.8	.0
Legal service fees ^{1 6}	165.6	165.6	4.4	.0	-.2	1.5	.0
Personal financial services ^{1 6}	192.4	192.1	5.2	-.2	.2	.1	-.2
Funeral expenses ⁶	173.0	173.5	5.6	.3	.1	.6	.3
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	159.1	159.3	1.3	.1	.1	.5	-.1
Selected beef cuts	130.1	129.4	1.3	-.5	1.0	-.2	-.6
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	108.1	109.6	2.8	1.4	-.2	4.8	1.5
Utilities and public transportation	144.9	145.9	1.9	.7	.3	-.8	.9
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	156.9	157.4	2.5	.3	.4	.3	.3

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	158.1	158.2	3.9	0.3	1.5	3.1	2.1	2.3
Food	157.6	157.8	3.9	.3	1.5	3.1	2.1	2.3
Food at home	158.2	158.2	3.7	-1.5	1.8	3.1	1.0	2.4
Cereals and bakery products	177.5	177.9	4.2	.9	1.6	1.1	2.5	1.4
Cereals and cereal products	170.4	169.7	.2	1.2	2.4	3.1	2.7	2.8
Flour and prepared flour mixes	156.6	155.2	2.9	-2.5	2.4	-3	.1	1.0
Cereal	189.4	188.7	.4	-1.1	4.2	3.0	-3	3.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	150.2	149.8	.0	6.2	.3	6.1	3.1	3.1
Bakery products	180.7	181.5	5.3	1.8	1.1	.0	3.5	.6
White bread ¹	182.8	183.5	7.8	-1.7	3.8	-1.9	2.9	.9
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	182.3	183.3	-2.2	2.9	1.8	4.3	.3	3.0
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	179.1	176.6	13.1	.2	1.8	-4.6	6.5	-1.5
Other bakery products	179.2	181.9	6.2	2.5	-1.3	1.3	4.3	.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	149.1	148.7	6.4	-6.3	4.4	1.1	-1	2.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	149.8	149.3	5.6	-3.7	4.7	.5	.8	2.6
Meats	145.6	145.2	4.9	-4.6	6.3	.8	.0	3.5
Beef and veal	138.0	137.8	6.0	-8.5	8.9	1.5	-1.5	5.1
Ground beef other than canned	117.6	117.9	5.3	-12.1	20.2	-7	-3.8	9.2
Chuck roast ²	147.6	144.0	2.2	-7.3	3.1	3.1	-2.6	3.1
Round roast ²	131.5	127.5	11.1	-10.6	3.7	-13.2	-3	-5.1
Round steak ²	134.3	129.6	10.5	-10.6	.0	-2.1	-6	-1.1
Sirloin steak ²	144.3	143.1	12.8	-15.4	3.5	9.8	-2.3	6.6
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	159.9	161.4	5.4	-5	1.5	3.8	2.4	2.7
Pork	157.2	156.6	5.8	-3.5	7.2	-2.0	1.0	2.5
Bacon	167.2	166.9	-13.4	4.3	5.8	4.2	-5.0	5.0
Chops	157.4	157.8	9.4	-6.9	9.6	-2.7	.9	3.2
Ham	156.8	156.3	10.6	-6.5	11.9	-5.4	1.7	2.9
Other pork, including sausage ²	152.2	151.8	7.2	-3.7	6.0	.0	1.6	3.0
Other meats ¹	149.1	148.1	.5	2.8	.3	2.7	1.7	1.5
Poultry ¹	155.3	156.6	6.3	-3.5	.5	.8	1.3	.6
Fresh whole chicken ¹	156.3	158.1	4.4	1.5	-5.9	2.6	2.9	-1.7
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	156.1	157.1	11.2	-10.3	3.6	-2.0	-1	.8
Other poultry ²	154.4	155.7	7.9	-3.1	6.7	2.6	2.3	4.7
Fish and seafood	179.8	177.3	8.6	1.6	-1.6	1.4	5.0	-1
Canned fish and seafood ¹	128.9	129.3	4.2	-3	2.5	5.8	1.9	4.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	205.3	201.7	9.4	1.2	-2.0	.8	5.2	-6
Eggs	137.0	137.4	21.5	-38.9	2.4	7.3	-13.9	4.8
Dairy products ¹	143.0	143.2	5.9	-7.1	-5.4	-1.7	-8	-3.5
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	141.3	141.1	12.4	-10.5	-5.9	-6.3	.3	-6.1
Fresh whole milk ¹	139.0	138.9	13.7	-11.8	-6.0	-7.1	.1	-6.6
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.9	144.6	11.0	-8.9	-5.8	-4.6	.5	-5.2
Processed dairy products ²	144.9	145.3	1.4	-2.7	-2.7	-1.6	-7	-2.2
Cheese ¹	146.4	146.9	2.7	-6.0	-2.2	.5	-1.7	-8
Ice cream and related products	149.9	150.7	2.4	3.2	-5.7	4.4	2.8	-8
Other dairy products, including butter ²	133.6	133.7	-15.5	5.7	-8.7	-9	-5.5	-4.9
Fruits and vegetables ³	190.9	190.2	-4	4.8	-4.6	11.7	2.2	3.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	222.5	221.7	-2.0	7.0	-6.5	18.7	2.4	5.3
Fresh fruits	237.2	237.5	9.8	-10.4	-8.4	11.9	-8	1.3
Apples	198.9	198.4	9.2	-11.2	-3.4	.4	-1.5	-1.5
Bananas	154.8	156.4	29.7	-13.5	-3.0	-4.7	5.9	-3.8
Oranges, including tangerines ²	242.4	237.3	-46.0	-4.9	16.3	14.7	-28.3	15.5
Other fresh fruits ²	275.3	277.5	32.1	-11.3	-16.5	18.3	8.2	-6
Fresh vegetables	204.7	202.8	-15.7	34.2	-4.1	27.1	6.4	10.4
Potatoes	177.1	190.6	-16.5	-16.6	-.2	83.8	-16.5	35.4
Lettuce ¹	198.9	210.5	24.3	2.0	-21.7	118.7	12.6	30.9
Tomatoes ¹	190.3	183.0	94.6	249.1	-54.2	-46.7	160.6	-50.6
Other fresh vegetables	209.8	204.6	-18.5	15.7	5.3	21.7	-2.8	13.2
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.5	147.0	3.3	.3	-.5	-2.1	1.8	-1.3
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	147.9	147.7	-8	4.2	.3	-1.6	1.6	-.7
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.2	147.2	-5	2.7	-.5	-1.6	1.1	-1.1
Canned and dried fruits ²	147.5	147.6	2.2	6.8	1.6	-1.3	4.5	.1
Processed vegetables ²	148.0	146.8	2.5	.3	-1.1	-2.4	1.4	-1.7
Frozen vegetables ²	149.9	148.0	3.6	-.5	8.2	-1.6	1.5	3.2
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.7	147.1	1.1	-.3	-4.2	-1.9	.4	-3.1

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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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Other food at home	147.9	148.3	2.5	1.1	7.1	3.6	1.8	5.3
Sugar and sweets	147.5	148.2	1.9	.0	5.6	.8	1.0	3.2
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	135.3	135.3	.9	-1.2	4.5	-1.2	-.1	1.6
Sweets, including candy ²	152.9	153.7	2.4	.5	6.2	1.3	1.5	3.7
Fats and oils	141.3	142.0	1.1	.0	-1.4	2.0	.6	.3
Nonalcoholic beverages	135.6	135.4	-.6	2.9	17.9	5.2	1.1	11.4
Carbonated drinks	118.5	118.1	1.7	-6.2	-2.0	1.4	-2.3	-.3
Coffee ¹	181.3	180.3	-5.1	19.8	78.4	12.2	6.6	41.4
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	140.7	140.8	2.6	.9	2.6	.0	1.7	1.3
Other prepared food	161.4	162.1	5.4	.3	2.8	3.5	2.8	3.2
Canned and packaged soup	189.4	189.0	6.2	.4	5.2	-1.7	3.3	1.7
Frozen prepared food ¹	145.2	143.5	8.1	-4.3	5.1	-5.4	1.7	-.3
Snacks ¹	155.2	156.1	4.3	4.3	2.4	5.6	4.3	4.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.4	169.1	4.0	1.2	2.7	4.1	2.6	3.4
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	162.4	163.1	5.2	3.8	-1.0	5.1	4.5	2.0
Food away from home	157.4	157.8	4.0	3.4	1.0	3.1	3.7	2.1
Lunch ²	157.8	158.3	4.0	2.9	1.5	3.1	3.4	2.3
Dinner ²	155.3	155.6	3.2	3.2	1.0	3.1	3.2	2.1
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	160.5	161.0	5.8	2.8	1.5	2.8	4.3	2.1
Alcoholic beverages	162.8	162.8	3.8	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.2
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.3	149.2	2.5	-.5	1.1	1.4	1.0	1.2
Beer and ale	148.0	148.1	.8	-2.7	.3	.5	-.9	.4
Wine	144.9	144.9	6.5	4.3	1.4	4.5	5.4	3.0
Distilled spirits	150.8	150.7	3.0	1.1	3.0	1.6	2.0	2.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home	190.1	190.1	4.4	3.9	2.6	3.7	4.2	3.1
Housing ³	153.4	153.9	3.2	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.8	2.1
Shelter	171.6	172.0	2.9	3.1	3.3	2.6	3.0	3.0
Renters' costs ⁴	162.4	162.9	2.8	3.8	4.1	2.2	3.3	3.1
Rent, residential	167.0	167.5	3.0	2.5	3.7	3.2	2.7	3.4
Other renters' costs ²	223.9	224.7	2.0	9.1	6.1	-1.8	5.5	2.1
Lodging while out of town	222.8	223.6	1.7	9.0	6.7	-2.5	5.3	2.0
Lodging while at school ⁵	226.2	228.2	3.8	9.7	3.8	5.6	6.7	4.7
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	155.7	155.8	-5.1	4.3	3.7	3.4	-.5	3.6
Homeowners' costs ⁴	166.1	166.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	166.5	166.8	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.0	2.9
Household insurance ^{2 5}	150.3	151.1	-1.3	3.0	3.3	4.1	.8	3.7
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	143.8	141.1	6.2	2.3	2.3	-1.7	4.2	.3
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	156.5	152.2	1.9	.5	4.6	.5	1.2	2.5
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.0	127.2	11.8	5.1	-.3	-4.3	8.4	-2.3
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 6}	124.8	124.0	18.2	2.9	1.6	-5.6	10.3	-2.1
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	123.5	122.8	6.8	7.0	-2.2	-2.9	6.9	-2.6
Fuel and other utilities ³	129.5	130.4	6.1	1.2	-1.2	1.9	3.6	.3
Fuels	114.7	115.8	8.7	.7	-4.7	.7	4.6	-2.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	96.5	96.6	52.1	-23.8	-12.6	-9.0	7.6	-10.8
Fuel oil	93.9	93.7	43.0	-21.4	-11.5	-13.3	6.1	-12.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 6}	123.5	124.5	106.4	-24.4	-27.2	-8.8	24.9	-18.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	122.2	123.5	5.0	3.6	-4.1	2.0	4.3	-1.1
Electricity	131.4	132.0	-1.5	2.5	.9	-2.1	.5	-.6
Utility (piped) gas	110.9	113.5	21.1	5.8	-13.5	10.5	13.2	-2.3
Other utilities and public services ²	162.8	163.3	3.1	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	3.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.0	127.0	1.6	2.2	1.6	-3.7	1.9	-1.1
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.6	162.6	1.8	1.2	2.2	-.2	1.5	1.0
Interstate toll calls ¹	74.9	74.9	.5	.5	.0	-18.4	.5	-9.7
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.6	95.0	4.9	8.5	.0	2.6	6.7	1.3
Water and sewerage maintenance	208.7	209.5	3.4	1.6	3.6	7.4	2.5	5.5
Cable television ⁷	232.7	234.2	5.2	6.5	7.9	9.8	5.9	8.8
Refuse collection ^{1 7}	251.5	252.0	.3	1.5	1.8	3.4	.9	2.6

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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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation ³	123.6	123.7	1.3	-0.6	1.6	-1.3	0.3	0.2
Housefurnishings ²	109.0	108.9	1.1	-1.8	1.1	-3.9	-.4	-1.5
Textile housefurnishings ^{1,2}	121.9	121.6	-4.9	-1.0	3.7	3.0	-2.9	3.4
Furniture and bedding ¹	131.8	132.1	-1.8	-1.2	6.5	-4.4	-1.5	.9
Bedroom furniture ¹	140.1	140.6	2.3	-4.0	11.8	-4.2	-.9	3.5
Sofas ^{1,2}	136.8	136.8	-5.0	1.5	.3	-6.7	-1.8	-3.3
Living room chairs and tables ^{1,2}	133.5	134.7	-1.5	-3.0	9.4	-.3	-2.2	4.4
Other furniture ²	118.5	117.8	-3.0	-.7	2.0	-4.6	-1.8	-1.3
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1,2}	77.0	76.9	.5	-1.5	-5.9	-4.1	-.5	-5.0
Video and audio products ^{1,2}	68.7	68.3	1.1	-.6	-6.6	-5.6	.3	-6.1
Televisions ¹	60.4	59.8	-4.4	1.3	-5.1	-8.2	-1.6	-6.7
Video products other than televisions ^{1,2,8}	62.8	62.9	13.5	-5.8	-14.8	-4.9	3.4	-10.0
Audio products ^{1,2}	88.9	88.4	.4	.0	-3.9	-4.0	.2	-4.0
Major household appliances ^{1,2,6}	102.0	102.3	1.9	-1.1	-3.8	-1.2	.4	-2.5
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1,2}	108.7	109.9	6.3	-2.1	-8.4	4.1	2.0	-2.3
Laundry equipment ¹	113.2	113.8	-1.4	1.8	-2.8	3.6	.2	.4
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1,2,6}	90.7	90.1	.9	-2.5	.0	-10.8	-.9	-5.5
Information processing equipment ^{1,8}	49.3	49.5	-9.6	-12.5	-15.6	-10.6	-11.0	-13.1
Other housefurnishings ^{1,2,6}	114.6	114.6	-1.4	3.2	-1.0	-2.4	.9	-1.7
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1,2}	140.4	141.2	-1.7	8.9	-1.1	-2.5	3.5	-1.8
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	116.9	115.7	-7.7	9.8	.7	-4.4	.7	-1.9
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1,2}	125.8	127.5	-8.3	2.0	4.6	8.6	-3.3	6.6
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1,2}	110.6	111.1	4.1	1.8	-3.2	3.3	2.9	.0
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1,2,6}	89.8	90.5	6.0	6.4	-3.0	-.4	6.2	-1.7
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1,9}	109.1	107.0	.0	-8.6	-4.8	-19.6	-4.4	-12.5
Housekeeping supplies	143.4	143.8	1.1	2.6	1.1	.6	1.8	.8
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1,2}	146.0	147.4	2.5	1.4	.8	4.2	2.0	2.5
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1,2}	145.2	144.7	2.8	1.7	-.5	-3.0	2.2	-1.8
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1,2}	137.9	137.7	-4.6	11.2	-.9	.3	3.0	-.3
Housekeeping services ²	155.5	156.0	2.7	.0	4.2	3.7	1.3	4.0
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1,2}	158.1	158.9	3.1	.3	3.4	2.6	1.7	3.0
Gardening and other household services ^{2,6}	138.4	138.2	7.0	-3.4	5.1	.0	1.6	2.5
Apparel and upkeep	131.5	131.7	2.2	1.8	3.4	-2.4	2.0	.5
Apparel commodities ²	128.0	128.2	1.9	2.2	3.5	-3.1	2.1	.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	127.7	128.0	2.2	3.2	4.1	-4.3	2.7	-.2
Men's and boys'	130.4	130.8	4.5	-.6	5.1	4.4	1.9	4.7
Men's	133.8	134.3	3.7	3.4	3.4	2.4	3.6	2.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	136.9	134.3	2.7	6.1	-.6	-7.4	4.4	-4.0
Furnishings and special clothing	130.4	132.7	3.6	15.8	.3	15.5	9.5	7.6
Shirts ²	138.7	140.2	2.7	1.2	1.2	5.9	1.9	3.5
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.1	131.1	3.8	-2.7	13.7	-6.2	.5	3.3
Boys'	118.8	118.9	9.0	-11.7	11.0	7.8	-1.9	9.4
Women's and girls'	123.6	124.5	5.3	5.6	4.2	-6.8	5.5	-1.4
Women's	122.7	123.5	4.7	7.4	1.0	-5.9	6.0	-2.5
Coats and jackets	127.7	127.9	15.4	15.6	-4.6	8.6	15.5	1.7
Dresses	105.8	106.8	-1.8	22.4	-23.2	-6.1	9.6	-15.1
Separates and sportswear ²	125.0	126.6	8.0	1.0	10.5	-10.3	4.4	-.5
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	135.1	135.3	-3.0	4.0	4.9	.0	.5	2.4
Suits ²	140.1	135.5	11.3	18.8	.6	-7.3	15.0	-3.5
Girls'	127.6	128.8	7.6	-2.2	20.3	-11.0	2.6	3.5
Infants' and toddlers'	128.4	128.3	-12.4	8.4	9.8	-15.5	-2.6	-3.6
Other apparel commodities ²	144.6	142.8	-9.3	1.7	-.3	-9.0	-4.0	-4.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1,6}	126.7	125.5	-17.6	10.8	-10.3	-3.7	-4.5	-7.1
Watches and jewelry ⁶	144.4	142.6	-9.3	2.2	.3	-9.0	-3.7	-4.5
Watches ^{1,6}	126.2	126.9	-22.6	24.1	-3.7	1.6	-2.0	-1.1
Jewelry ⁶	150.4	147.6	-8.5	-.8	1.1	-9.9	-4.7	-4.6
Footwear	129.0	128.3	2.2	-4.6	.0	4.2	-1.2	2.1
Men's	132.5	131.9	-2.4	-1.8	.9	-1.8	-2.1	-.5
Boys' and girls'	130.8	130.0	3.1	-3.0	-6.6	5.7	.0	-.6
Women's	124.3	123.7	3.0	-5.8	2.7	9.2	-1.5	5.9
Apparel services ^{1,2}	162.7	162.8	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.5	2.3	1.6
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1,2}	166.3	166.4	5.5	3.0	1.0	1.0	4.2	1.0
Other apparel services ^{1,2}	160.4	160.5	-.5	2.0	2.5	1.8	.8	2.2

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	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
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Expenditure category								
Transportation	143.4	144.0	5.7	-0.3	-7.5	4.9	2.7	-1.5
Private	141.3	141.7	5.2	.6	-7.9	4.6	2.9	-1.8
New vehicles	145.4	145.6	-3	.3	-8	.0	.0	-4
New cars	141.3	141.3	-1.1	-.3	-1.4	.0	-.7	-7
Subcompact new cars ^{2 6}	122.1	121.5	-.6	-1.9	.0	-3.5	-1.3	-1.8
Compact new cars ^{2 6}	122.0	122.2	1.0	-.3	-2.3	-1.0	.3	-1.6
Intermediate new cars ^{2 6}	122.2	122.3	-3.2	.7	.3	.7	-1.3	.5
Full-size new cars ^{2 6}	124.4	124.0	1.6	.6	-1.9	-1.9	1.1	-1.9
Luxury new cars ^{2 6}	132.4	132.5	1.5	-2.1	-3.8	1.5	-.3	-1.2
New trucks ⁷	153.0	153.2	1.9	2.4	-1.3	.8	2.1	-.3
New motorcycles ⁶	163.5	163.4	2.2	-1.5	3.8	-.5	.4	1.6
Used cars	149.5	149.2	-3.5	7.4	-15.6	-8.4	1.8	-12.1
Motor fuel	106.3	107.8	27.7	-6.6	-25.9	26.7	9.2	-3.1
Gasoline	106.1	107.8	27.8	-7.0	-26.3	29.8	9.0	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	104.3	105.9	30.8	-8.2	-27.9	33.1	9.6	-2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 10}	111.8	113.8	8.2	-6.9	-2.5	15.8	.4	6.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.7	108.6	22.5	-4.9	-24.1	26.0	7.9	-2.2
Automobile maintenance and repair	164.4	164.4	2.3	2.5	3.2	1.5	2.4	2.4
Body work ¹	174.2	174.7	1.2	4.6	7.0	3.0	2.9	5.0
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	172.7	172.3	1.7	5.6	2.8	.2	3.6	1.5
Maintenance and servicing ¹	150.8	151.0	-.5	.5	1.6	4.4	.0	3.0
Power plant repair ²	168.5	168.8	3.2	.5	4.9	.5	1.8	2.7
Other private transportation ²	173.6	173.7	-.5	3.3	1.2	2.1	1.4	1.6
Other private transportation commodities ²	104.1	103.9	-.4	-.4	.0	-.4	-.4	-.2
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	130.8	130.3	1.5	-3.3	5.0	-2.4	-.9	1.2
Automobile parts and equipment	101.2	100.9	-.8	.0	-.8	-.4	-.4	-.6
Tires	99.5	98.9	-.8	-2.0	-4.3	-.8	-1.4	-2.6
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	107.2	107.2	-.4	1.9	2.7	.0	.8	1.3
Other private transportation services ²	191.2	191.4	-.4	3.9	1.3	2.5	1.7	1.9
Automobile insurance	252.4	253.2	2.8	3.9	2.1	3.4	3.4	2.7
Automobile finance charges ²	92.9	91.6	-10.8	7.5	-9.0	-4.3	-2.1	-6.6
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	186.0	184.6	-2.2	11.5	-2.6	5.8	4.4	1.5
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	184.3	183.2	-.2	-.2	.0	4.3	-.2	2.1
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	189.4	187.6	-4.6	29.5	-6.3	7.8	11.1	.5
Public transportation	182.3	184.4	15.0	-12.5	1.5	1.8	.3	1.6
Airline fares ¹	193.2	196.9	23.0	-8.0	-4.3	-2.4	6.4	-3.4
Other intercity transportation ¹	158.1	157.5	1.8	-1.8	-.8	1.5	.0	.4
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.4	175.6	-1.8	2.3	.5	.7	.2	.6
Medical care	234.7	235.1	2.8	2.8	3.0	1.7	2.8	2.3
Medical care commodities	212.5	212.9	1.9	3.5	2.7	-.4	2.7	1.1
Prescription drugs	248.7	249.4	2.0	3.8	3.3	-.5	2.9	1.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	144.4	144.1	1.4	4.9	1.1	-1.4	3.1	-.1
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	171.1	170.6	2.2	5.6	2.1	-3.7	3.8	-.8
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	174.9	174.9	-.9	3.8	-1.1	5.2	1.4	2.0
Medical care services	239.5	240.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	2.2	2.8	2.6
Professional medical services	217.7	218.0	3.8	3.8	3.4	2.2	3.8	2.8
Physicians' services	224.5	225.0	3.5	4.1	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.5
Dental services ¹	227.5	227.9	3.9	5.9	3.3	3.6	4.9	3.4
Eye care ^{1 6}	142.1	142.1	2.3	2.6	1.1	1.1	2.5	1.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁶	156.3	156.4	3.8	7.3	2.1	2.3	5.5	2.2
Hospital and related services	275.2	275.9	3.8	1.9	3.0	2.2	2.8	2.6
Hospital services ¹¹	101.7	101.8	-	3.6	.8	2.8	-	1.8
Inpatient hospital services ¹¹	101.3	101.4	-	2.8	.4	2.4	-	1.4
Outpatient hospital services ⁶	225.7	226.7	4.9	6.0	3.5	3.2	5.4	3.3
Nursing home services ¹¹	103.1	103.2	-	6.6	2.0	4.4	-	3.2

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					
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1997	Mar. 1997	Sept. 1997
Expenditure category								
Entertainment ²	161.0	160.6	3.3	1.0	2.5	1.0	2.2	1.8
Entertainment commodities ²	143.6	143.7	2.6	-6	-1.1	2.8	1.0	.8
Reading materials ¹	180.9	181.3	3.2	1.1	.0	3.4	2.1	1.7
Newspapers ^{1 2}	192.4	192.9	3.4	1.3	.0	.8	2.3	.4
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	169.3	169.7	3.2	.7	.5	6.4	1.9	3.4
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	125.0	124.3	-2.8	2.6	-4.4	1.0	-2	-1.7
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	128.3	127.2	-6.6	3.8	-6.1	1.9	-1.5	-2.2
Other sporting goods ¹	117.8	117.6	3.1	1.0	-2.3	.0	2.1	-1.2
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	134.1	134.1	3.0	1.2	-1.8	1.5	2.1	-1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	127.7	127.3	4.1	-4.0	-1.9	1.9	.0	.0
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	134.7	135.1	-4.4	4.2	-.9	.3	-.1	-.3
Pet supplies and expense ¹	142.1	142.9	9.2	2.0	-3.9	3.4	5.5	-3
Entertainment services ²	185.6	184.8	3.8	2.9	6.3	-6	3.4	2.8
Club memberships ^{2 6}	133.3	133.0	-3.5	1.5	1.5	-8.3	-1.0	-3.5
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 6}	169.9	170.4	4.2	9.3	5.3	-.7	6.7	2.3
Admissions ¹	204.4	200.7	-2	3.8	12.9	-.8	1.8	5.8
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	171.9	170.8	6.5	2.7	6.6	-.5	4.5	3.0
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 6}	142.3	142.8	5.3	1.4	4.0	1.7	3.3	2.9
Other goods and services ³	222.7	223.9	3.0	5.9	4.3	5.4	4.4	4.8
Tobacco and smoking products	242.7	246.1	1.9	5.9	3.2	10.4	3.9	6.7
Personal care ¹	152.4	152.6	-1.1	3.2	2.9	-.3	1.1	1.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.4	144.7	-5.9	2.2	2.0	-.8	-1.9	.6
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	153.0	153.1	4.6	2.4	.5	-2.8	3.5	-1.2
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.3	139.6	-12.6	2.0	3.2	.3	-5.5	1.7
Personal care services ¹	162.8	163.0	5.7	4.6	3.8	.7	5.2	2.2
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.9	162.2	5.5	4.4	4.1	1.2	4.9	2.6
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	165.8	165.7	4.8	5.3	4.2	-.7	5.1	1.7
Personal and educational expenses ²	257.5	257.9	4.6	6.4	5.5	4.3	5.5	4.9
School books and supplies	243.1	243.1	6.0	2.4	9.7	3.4	4.2	6.5
Personal and educational services ²	258.8	259.2	4.6	6.7	5.3	4.1	5.7	4.7
Tuition and other school fees	276.3	276.8	5.8	6.1	6.0	3.5	5.9	4.8
College tuition	295.7	294.5	6.1	7.7	6.2	1.2	6.9	3.7
Elementary and high school tuition	289.7	292.5	6.3	4.7	6.1	11.6	5.5	8.8
Day care and nursery school ⁹	135.2	136.0	3.4	4.3	4.0	4.2	3.9	4.1
Personal expenses	227.4	227.5	3.9	7.7	4.4	4.1	5.8	4.3
Legal service fees ^{1 6}	165.6	165.6	2.8	3.6	6.1	5.2	3.2	5.7
Personal financial services ^{1 6}	192.4	192.1	1.3	16.9	2.8	.6	8.8	1.7
Funeral expenses ⁶	173.2	173.7	4.4	9.2	4.8	4.0	6.8	4.4
Special indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	159.6	159.5	4.4	-2.2	.8	2.3	1.0	1.5
Selected beef cuts	131.5	130.7	6.3	-11.9	11.5	.9	-3.2	6.1
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	106.7	108.3	27.1	-7.0	-25.5	27.1	8.7	-2.7
Utilities and public transportation	143.0	144.3	5.8	.3	.3	1.4	3.0	.8
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	156.9	157.4	1.8	1.0	3.1	3.9	1.4	3.5

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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 Sept. 1997 from—			Percent change to Aug. 1997 from—		
		June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Aug. 1996	June 1997	July 1997
U.S. city average	M	160.3	160.5	160.8	161.2	2.2	0.4	0.2	2.2	0.3	0.2
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	167.0	167.6	167.8	168.4	2.3	.5	.4	2.3	.5	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	167.7	168.2	168.4	169.2	2.3	.6	.5	2.2	.4	.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	165.2	165.9	166.2	166.0	2.3	.1	-.1	2.5	.6	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ³	M	165.6	166.4	166.8	167.1	3.0	.4	.2	3.1	.7	.2
North Central urban	M	156.7	156.6	157.2	157.5	2.3	.6	.2	2.5	.3	.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	157.3	157.3	158.0	158.3	2.5	.6	.2	2.6	.4	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	155.7	155.8	156.3	156.2	1.9	.3	-.1	2.3	.4	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ³	M	158.7	158.5	158.8	159.6	2.7	.7	.5	2.7	.1	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	152.6	152.6	152.6	153.4	1.6	.5	.5	1.5	.0	.0
South urban	M	157.0	157.0	157.1	157.5	1.9	.3	.3	1.9	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	155.8	155.8	155.9	156.4	1.9	.4	.3	1.8	.1	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	160.4	160.5	160.8	160.6	2.1	.1	-.1	2.5	.2	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ³	M	156.4	156.0	156.1	156.7	1.5	.4	.4	1.4	-.2	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	156.3	156.4	156.4	157.1	2.5	.4	.4	2.5	.1	.0
West urban	M	161.0	161.1	161.5	162.1	2.2	.6	.4	2.2	.3	.2
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	161.1	161.3	161.7	162.3	2.3	.6	.4	2.3	.4	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ³	M	166.0	166.1	166.8	167.4	2.7	.8	.4	2.6	.5	.4
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	144.6	144.8	145.1	145.6	2.2	.6	.3	2.3	.3	.2
B ³	M	160.7	160.9	161.2	161.2	2.1	.2	.0	2.3	.3	.2
C ³	M	160.2	160.1	160.5	161.0	2.3	.6	.3	2.2	.2	.2
D	M	156.6	156.7	156.8	157.4	1.7	.4	.4	1.8	.1	.1
Selected local areas ⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	161.7	161.7	162.5	162.1	2.4	.2	-.2	2.8	.5	.5
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	159.4	159.5	159.7	160.5	1.5	.6	.5	1.5	.2	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	170.3	170.8	170.8	171.7	2.1	.5	.5	2.2	.3	.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁶	M	166.1	166.4	166.8	168.6	2.5	1.3	1.1	2.0	.4	.2
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁶	M	160.0	160.6	161.2	161.6	3.4	.6	.2	3.6	.8	.4
Baltimore, MD ⁷	1	-	156.9	-	156.7	.8	-.1	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	167.1	-	167.8	2.6	.4	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	156.3	-	157.3	2.5	.6	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	157.9	-	158.5	2.5	.4	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	1	-	153.3	-	155.1	2.7	1.2	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁷	1	-	162.9	-	163.6	1.7	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	151.4	-	151.2	-	-	-	-	1.1	-.1	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	155.0	-	156.9	-	-	-	-	2.8	1.2	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	144.8	-	145.4	-	-	-	-	1.8	.4	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	2	157.4	-	157.5	-	-	-	-	2.5	.1	-

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 Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

⁵ 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.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

- 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—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	168.4	2.3	0.4	157.5	2.3	0.2	157.5	1.9	0.3	162.1	2.2	0.4
All items (December 1977 = 100)	265.2	-	-	256.3	-	-	255.5	-	-	262.0	-	-
Food and beverages	161.0	1.9	.1	155.2	2.0	.2	157.0	1.9	.2	160.2	3.0	.2
Food	160.4	1.8	.1	154.6	2.0	.3	156.9	1.9	.1	159.6	3.0	.3
Food at home	161.5	1.4	.1	154.3	1.6	.1	156.1	1.4	.1	163.2	2.8	.1
Cereals and bakery products ²	183.4	1.6	-.2	176.9	1.5	-.6	173.8	2.4	.7	177.9	2.4	-1.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ²	152.3	1.2	.3	146.6	1.3	-.5	145.4	.5	-.1	152.7	2.7	.5
Dairy products ²	136.1	-1.0	-.2	142.8	-2.5	.9	145.1	-1.8	.5	151.4	-3.3	-.9
Fruits and vegetables ²	188.0	.6	.1	176.5	2.9	.6	187.6	1.1	-.4	200.3	5.6	1.5
Other food at home ²	156.4	3.4	.0	144.5	3.4	.8	146.6	4.0	.3	149.3	4.1	-.4
Sugar and sweets ²	157.2	1.0	.3	146.1	2.1	.4	143.5	1.7	.3	149.6	3.9	1.0
Fats and oils ²	147.8	-1.3	-.4	135.9	-.3	.9	140.7	1.6	.8	144.8	1.4	.6
Nonalcoholic beverages ²	147.5	6.5	.5	130.4	5.2	.6	131.7	8.1	-.5	137.9	7.7	-.6
Other prepared food ²	167.3	3.1	-.5	158.3	3.3	.9	162.8	2.6	.6	160.3	2.3	-1.0
Food away from home	160.6	2.6	.3	155.5	2.8	.5	160.0	2.7	.1	154.3	3.3	.4
Alcoholic beverages	167.9	2.1	-.1	162.5	1.9	.0	157.0	2.1	.7	167.3	3.8	.1
Housing ³	169.1	2.5	-.2	152.9	2.6	.1	149.3	2.1	.1	160.3	2.4	.2
Shelter	197.8	3.3	-.5	174.0	3.3	-.1	160.8	2.7	-.2	175.8	2.9	.2
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	207.8	4.5	-1.9	178.4	2.9	-1.2	170.9	2.5	-1.7	186.6	2.8	-.2
Rent, residential	180.5	3.1	.2	164.9	3.3	.2	155.9	2.6	.3	168.0	3.1	.5
Other renters' costs ²	259.3	7.4	-5.9	196.2	2.5	-3.9	206.4	2.2	-6.1	228.4	1.6	-2.2
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	204.7	2.8	.2	178.2	3.3	.2	163.0	2.8	.4	186.2	2.9	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	205.8	2.8	.2	178.7	3.4	.3	162.7	2.8	.4	186.2	2.9	.4
Maintenance and repairs ²	137.3	.0	-5.9	145.4	2.8	-2.0	141.8	2.6	.5	143.1	2.4	-.4
Maintenance and repair services ²	145.7	-	-7.9	157.7	2.5	-3.7	145.1	3.9	.7	150.6	.4	-.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	125.5	-.4	-2.4	134.1	3.2	.1	135.8	.4	.1	133.1	6.6	-1.0
Fuel and other utilities ³	125.0	1.2	.0	127.6	2.0	1.0	139.5	1.8	.9	140.6	2.4	.1
Fuels	115.6	1.1	.2	112.9	.7	1.7	126.9	1.4	1.6	129.7	1.6	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	90.3	-3.2	.2	89.7	-3.0	-1.4	103.5	1.2	.4	105.9	1.4	1.9
Fuel oil ²	89.3	-4.2	.0	86.3	-5.8	-2.2	91.5	1.1	-.4	123.0	.2	4.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 5}	118.2	2.5	1.6	121.7	.0	-.6	135.5	1.1	.9	116.8	2.2	.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	132.6	2.2	.1	118.9	.9	1.9	130.6	1.3	1.6	132.7	1.6	.1
Electricity	141.8	-.5	-.2	135.1	.4	-.3	133.5	.0	1.3	146.8	-.6	.3
Utility (piped) gas	118.6	8.1	.7	103.2	1.7	5.1	121.6	8.1	3.3	117.1	6.6	-.3
Other utilities and public services ²	161.6	1.4	-.2	161.9	3.6	.2	164.5	2.2	.1	160.9	3.1	.2
Household furnishings and operation ³	127.0	-.1	.6	123.7	.9	-.1	126.9	-.1	.0	124.0	.2	.1
Housefurnishings ²	108.1	-1.5	1.0	109.0	.1	-.5	113.7	-1.9	-.3	109.7	-1.2	.0
Housekeeping supplies ²	152.3	.2	.4	142.5	1.2	.1	137.3	3.0	.1	141.4	1.0	.1
Housekeeping services ²	156.3	2.7	.2	148.9	2.7	.9	158.5	2.3	.4	147.9	2.5	.3
Apparel and upkeep	133.3	2.3	4.1	133.1	3.1	3.0	140.9	.8	1.3	122.3	-1.8	1.2
Apparel commodities ²	129.3	2.5	4.5	130.8	3.2	3.3	136.6	.5	1.4	117.7	-2.2	1.4
Men's and boys' apparel ²	134.3	5.3	3.0	131.6	3.6	1.5	137.3	3.3	1.5	120.4	-.7	1.8
Women's and girls' apparel ²	124.0	3.3	7.8	129.1	4.6	5.5	134.3	-.5	2.6	113.6	.4	3.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	134.2	-8.5	-.4	128.2	1.7	1.3	131.6	-1.3	-.7	114.2	-6.6	-2.5
Footwear ²	128.4	.0	1.9	132.1	1.5	.5	130.7	2.4	.4	115.0	-3.4	.5
Other apparel commodities ²	153.7	-1.2	-.5	141.9	-3.0	3.7	154.1	-2.7	-.6	128.8	-10.4	-2.4
Apparel services ²	168.0	1.2	.2	153.9	2.1	.0	173.5	2.7	.1	157.8	1.9	-.1
Transportation	147.0	1.1	.8	142.0	.6	-.4	142.2	.4	.1	146.6	.8	.8
Private transportation	142.1	1.1	.6	138.4	.4	-.4	141.2	.6	-.1	142.7	.8	.6
New vehicles	141.4	-.8	.0	139.7	-.6	-.1	146.4	.1	-.1	142.5	-.1	-.7
New cars	139.6	-1.0	-.1	135.5	-1.0	-.2	145.5	-.1	-.1	138.1	-.7	-.9
Used cars	151.6	-5.5	-.3	148.1	-5.8	-.2	148.7	-5.3	-.1	146.1	-5.7	-.2
Motor fuel	108.8	5.3	3.3	108.7	1.3	-1.6	106.2	1.5	1.1	114.5	4.8	4.7
Gasoline	108.8	5.7	3.5	109.0	1.7	-1.7	106.1	1.8	1.2	113.8	5.2	4.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	108.3	6.7	3.7	107.6	1.9	-1.8	103.5	2.1	1.5	111.4	6.1	5.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	112.3	5.5	3.4	120.4	1.4	-1.4	112.4	1.6	1.1	111.0	5.6	4.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.3	4.2	3.1	111.8	1.6	-2.0	109.0	1.3	1.0	114.1	4.7	4.7
Maintenance and repairs	172.3	2.1	.1	154.3	3.1	.1	162.3	2.7	.2	165.7	1.1	.4
Other private transportation ²	178.5	1.6	.1	170.7	2.4	-.1	184.8	1.5	-.5	174.5	1.1	-.5
Other private transportation commodities ²	105.7	-.1	.1	106.1	.7	-.2	103.7	.0	.1	102.5	-1.8	-.6
Other private transportation services ²	193.0	1.8	.2	185.1	2.7	.0	207.2	1.8	-.6	191.9	1.6	-.5
Public transportation ²	188.3	1.2	2.3	200.9	2.2	1.0	161.9	-.7	.6	191.8	.1	1.3

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—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	245.3	2.5	0.1	227.7	2.2	0.0	234.1	2.8	0.1	235.3	2.9	-0.1
Medical care commodities	218.6	1.0	.0	211.6	1.8	.3	210.8	2.5	.3	224.0	2.2	-1.1
Medical care services	251.1	2.7	.2	231.7	2.3	.0	239.9	2.8	.1	238.0	3.1	.1
Professional medical services	226.6	3.2	.2	212.0	3.3	.0	221.8	3.8	.0	203.7	2.5	.0
Entertainment ⁷	171.0	2.6	.4	164.2	3.0	-.9	159.9	1.8	.2	157.2	.6	.3
Entertainment commodities ²	148.2	1.1	.0	147.7	2.2	.0	143.6	1.1	.3	139.0	-.6	.1
Entertainment services ²	195.7	3.7	.6	183.9	3.7	-1.7	180.3	2.6	.2	177.5	1.5	.5
Other goods and services ³	237.0	4.2	1.1	222.7	4.8	1.2	219.8	4.6	1.2	234.0	4.6	.7
Tobacco and smoking products ²	239.4	6.4	1.4	257.4	5.9	1.6	230.8	3.9	1.6	268.1	5.1	.0
Personal care ²	162.6	.4	-.1	148.1	2.3	-.1	145.8	1.5	.1	155.7	.6	.4
Personal and educational expenses ²	272.4	4.3	1.3	253.4	5.1	1.4	263.0	5.7	1.4	273.0	5.3	1.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	168.4	2.3	.4	157.5	2.3	.2	157.5	1.9	.3	162.1	2.2	.4
Commodities	143.0	1.4	.9	141.3	1.4	.3	142.0	1.0	.4	142.0	1.4	.5
Food and beverages	161.0	1.9	.1	155.2	2.0	.2	157.0	1.9	.2	160.2	3.0	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	131.1	1.0	1.5	133.3	1.1	.4	133.4	.4	.5	130.8	.2	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.9	2.4	2.3	137.2	2.5	.8	136.5	1.6	.8	134.3	1.2	1.4
Apparel commodities ²	129.3	2.5	4.5	130.8	3.2	3.3	136.6	.5	1.4	117.7	-2.2	1.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	140.3	2.4	1.2	142.8	2.2	-.2	140.0	2.0	.6	145.3	2.7	1.5
Durables	126.7	-1.3	.2	127.0	-1.2	-.3	129.6	-1.2	.0	126.1	-1.5	-.5
Services	193.9	3.0	.0	174.9	3.1	.2	173.6	2.7	.1	180.5	2.7	.3
Rent of shelter ⁴	206.4	3.4	-.4	178.8	3.2	-.1	165.3	2.8	-.2	186.5	2.9	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{4 7}	148.9	2.0	-.1	140.6	2.3	1.0	149.7	1.8	.8	152.9	2.5	.2
Transportation services	187.1	1.7	.7	180.5	2.7	.2	186.6	1.5	-.3	186.1	1.1	.2
Medical care services	251.1	2.7	.2	231.7	2.3	.0	239.9	2.8	.1	238.0	3.1	.1
Other services	224.9	3.7	.9	204.0	4.6	.2	208.8	4.3	.8	210.2	3.7	.8
Special indexes												
All items less food	170.0	2.4	.4	158.0	2.3	.2	157.5	1.9	.3	162.6	2.0	.4
All items less shelter	159.0	1.9	.8	153.0	2.0	.4	156.8	1.6	.3	157.9	1.9	.4
All items less homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	166.5	2.1	.4	157.3	2.1	.3	160.8	1.7	.2	164.2	1.9	.3
All items less medical care	164.6	2.3	.4	153.7	2.3	.3	152.5	1.8	.2	158.1	2.1	.4
Commodities less food	132.6	1.1	1.4	134.4	1.1	.4	134.3	.4	.5	132.6	.4	.7
Nondurables less food	135.9	2.3	2.1	138.6	2.4	.7	137.5	1.6	.8	136.7	1.5	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	141.9	2.3	1.1	143.8	2.2	-.2	140.5	2.0	.6	146.8	2.9	1.2
Nondurables	147.8	2.1	1.1	146.3	2.3	.5	146.7	1.7	.4	147.6	2.2	.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	196.7	2.6	.4	180.3	2.9	.4	189.0	2.6	.4	192.6	2.6	.3
Services less medical care services	189.2	3.0	.0	169.5	3.2	.2	166.4	2.7	.2	175.5	2.7	.3
Energy	112.3	2.6	1.3	110.4	1.0	.2	114.6	1.4	1.3	120.2	3.3	2.6
All items less energy	176.0	2.3	.3	164.5	2.5	.2	163.4	2.0	.2	167.0	2.1	.2
All items less food and energy	180.1	2.4	.3	166.9	2.5	.2	165.0	2.0	.2	168.9	1.9	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.2	.8	1.3	142.6	1.1	.6	143.1	.4	.5	138.9	-.2	.1
Energy commodities	103.3	3.0	2.6	107.8	1.0	-1.6	106.2	1.4	1.0	115.4	4.7	4.6
Services less energy services	199.8	3.0	-.1	182.0	3.2	.1	178.4	2.8	.1	184.0	2.8	.3

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

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	145.6	2.2	0.3	161.2	2.1	0.0	161.0	2.3	0.3	157.4	1.7	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	145.6	-	-	261.7	-	-	258.9	-	-	253.9	-	-
Food and beverages	142.8	2.1	.1	158.3	2.3	.1	157.5	2.3	.5	154.8	2.2	.5
Food	142.4	2.2	.1	158.3	2.3	.1	156.8	2.1	.4	154.4	2.3	.5
Food at home	146.3	1.7	-.1	161.0	2.0	-.1	155.0	1.8	.5	152.7	2.1	.7
Cereals and bakery products ⁴	159.7	2.0	-.5	174.3	1.0	-.7	172.5	1.8	-.3	185.0	3.4	2.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ⁴	137.5	.9	-.3	151.7	1.9	-.1	144.5	2.0	.7	140.8	1.6	.8
Dairy products ⁴	138.6	-2.0	-.2	146.8	-2.2	-.3	136.3	-2.6	-.4	136.8	-2.5	-.7
Fruits and vegetables ⁴	172.3	2.6	.2	197.5	3.0	-.1	182.7	1.3	.8	176.2	2.6	1.7
Other food at home ⁴	136.4	3.6	.1	150.3	4.0	-.1	151.3	4.1	.9	143.8	4.0	-.5
Sugar and sweets ⁴	138.1	2.4	.8	146.2	.8	-.7	145.7	1.7	.3	141.0	4.1	1.5
Fats and oils ⁴	133.9	.1	.6	139.9	1.0	-.1	142.0	.4	1.4	138.8	1.1	-.9
Nonalcoholic beverages ⁴	126.9	6.4	.3	133.4	6.7	-1.1	140.6	7.2	.1	130.6	9.5	-.6
Other prepared food ⁴	144.7	2.6	-.5	170.0	3.8	.8	164.6	3.5	1.4	156.9	1.1	-.9
Food away from home	136.5	2.9	.3	155.0	2.7	.4	161.2	2.7	.1	158.3	2.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages	147.1	2.4	-.1	159.1	2.4	.1	165.9	3.5	1.5	160.6	1.1	.2
Housing ⁵	141.3	2.5	.1	159.1	2.2	-.6	155.8	2.5	.0	151.0	1.7	.3
Shelter	149.2	3.3	.0	178.6	2.8	-1.0	174.9	2.8	-.2	170.5	2.0	.2
Renters' costs ^{4,6}	150.5	3.7	-.6	196.7	2.9	-4.1	175.7	2.8	-1.5	172.9	.9	-.5
Rent, residential	139.7	3.3	.4	166.3	2.5	.4	161.2	2.3	.2	159.8	2.3	.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	189.9	4.5	-2.9	256.9	3.8	-10.8	200.1	3.9	-4.9	193.3	-1.7	-2.0
Homeowners' costs ^{4,6}	148.9	3.2	.3	182.1	2.7	.2	182.5	2.8	.2	177.5	2.4	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	149.1	3.2	.3	182.7	2.8	.3	183.2	2.8	.2	177.2	2.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ⁴	126.7	2.3	-3.7	139.8	2.3	.1	156.3	.5	.6	138.1	1.5	.0
Maintenance and repair services ⁴	129.3	1.1	-4.9	143.8	4.6	.6	174.9	2.9	1.0	149.4	1.6	.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ⁴	122.4	4.5	-1.3	136.0	-.1	-.4	134.9	-2.7	-.1	120.8	1.2	.0
Fuel and other utilities ⁵	132.2	1.5	.6	135.7	1.8	.1	135.9	2.8	.8	130.0	1.2	.5
Fuels	132.0	.8	1.1	116.3	1.0	.3	123.0	3.0	1.2	111.6	-.6	.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁴	135.0	-2.7	.1	91.3	-.4	1.2	92.5	-.9	.2	88.9	-.4	-2.0
Fuel oil ⁴	136.1	-3.7	.2	91.2	-.8	.2	84.0	-4.1	.0	84.7	-5.5	-3.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{2,4}	130.9	2.0	.1	121.2	-.1	2.5	125.0	4.1	.6	119.9	-2.4	-.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	131.7	1.2	1.2	124.6	1.2	.2	132.2	3.4	1.4	121.4	-.2	1.2
Electricity	138.6	.1	.7	133.8	.1	-.1	140.4	.5	.4	131.7	-2.7	.3
Utility (piped) gas	120.4	3.5	2.2	107.9	4.4	1.0	120.6	12.8	4.5	104.6	7.6	3.8
Other utilities and public services ⁴	132.4	2.3	.0	176.9	2.6	.1	163.1	2.5	.2	167.2	3.2	.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁵	117.7	-.3	.1	127.7	.5	.4	124.4	1.0	-.1	125.2	1.0	.2
Housefurnishings ⁴	105.8	-1.9	.0	116.8	-.3	.5	107.3	-.2	-.6	109.6	-.3	.1
Housekeeping supplies ⁴	135.5	.9	.1	134.1	.8	.0	142.3	2.4	.5	138.2	3.5	.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	136.6	2.7	.4	155.6	2.1	.3	159.8	2.4	.6	157.1	2.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep	123.2	1.1	2.4	131.0	1.0	1.8	140.7	1.4	2.9	133.4	2.2	2.3
Apparel commodities ⁴	121.6	.8	2.6	126.5	.8	2.0	138.0	1.5	3.1	130.2	2.3	2.6
Men's and boys' apparel ⁴	122.2	3.9	2.4	129.9	-.5	.4	139.9	2.6	2.0	127.1	5.8	1.6
Women's and girls' apparel ⁴	116.8	2.6	4.9	128.3	.9	3.4	135.7	.7	5.6	133.3	1.5	4.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ⁴	107.8	-6.6	-.3	130.5	8.6	1.7	145.4	-2.4	-2.5	124.9	-7.3	-1.3
Footwear ⁴	125.8	-1.0	.5	115.0	.4	1.2	134.7	4.6	2.4	125.2	3.0	-.3
Other apparel commodities ⁴	142.3	-6.9	-1.0	130.2	1.5	1.1	154.0	-.5	-.4	138.1	-.7	2.1
Apparel services ⁴	137.5	2.2	.0	169.6	2.5	.1	170.1	.7	.2	166.0	2.6	.1
Transportation	142.5	1.0	.5	142.8	.6	.1	144.0	.6	.0	141.4	-.4	.1
Private transportation	141.9	1.1	.4	139.2	.4	-.1	140.7	.5	.0	137.5	-.5	-.1
New vehicles	125.4	-.3	-.1	140.9	-.4	-.3	143.3	-.6	-.3	142.9	-.3	-.6
New cars	123.6	-.6	-.1	136.0	-.7	-.3	141.0	-1.0	-.6	139.1	-.8	-.7
Used cars	140.2	-5.6	-.1	148.3	-5.3	-.2	148.8	-5.3	-.2	143.1	-6.6	-.3
Motor fuel	160.8	4.0	2.2	107.2	2.3	.4	108.1	2.1	1.2	105.9	-.2	1.0
Gasoline	160.7	4.4	2.3	107.3	2.7	.6	108.5	2.6	1.3	105.9	.4	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	161.6	4.9	2.3	104.9	2.8	.4	106.0	2.8	1.4	102.3	.9	1.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	111.9	4.5	2.5	113.0	2.8	.7	118.4	2.4	1.4	116.6	-.6	.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	149.3	3.2	2.1	109.4	2.4	.8	111.6	2.6	1.6	108.0	.5	.1
Maintenance and repairs	145.7	2.0	.0	168.3	1.9	.3	161.2	3.1	.4	149.0	2.1	.4
Other private transportation ⁴	149.2	1.7	-.1	173.7	1.2	-.3	180.9	1.9	-.5	173.4	1.4	-.6
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	109.1	.6	-.1	98.6	-1.3	-.2	103.3	-2.1	-.9	119.1	-.5	.5
Other private transportation services ⁸	157.3	1.9	-.2	191.7	1.5	-.3	202.5	2.5	-.4	188.6	1.8	-.7
Public transportation ⁴	147.5	.1	1.4	206.3	2.5	1.4	210.3	2.5	.6	215.6	-.3	2.5

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 ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	186.1	2.2	0.1	235.4	3.3	0.1	239.7	3.1	0.2	229.5	2.6	0.0
Medical care commodities	173.0	1.3	-.5	216.8	1.9	.3	208.3	3.0	.2	215.8	3.1	.3
Medical care services	189.0	2.4	.2	239.8	3.6	.0	247.2	3.2	.2	233.3	2.5	.0
Professional medical services	171.0	2.8	.0	213.0	5.0	.0	225.8	3.0	.3	223.9	3.8	.0
Entertainment ⁵	144.7	1.9	-.1	160.5	1.9	.5	167.0	2.5	-.1	148.9	1.8	.3
Entertainment commodities ⁴	133.5	1.3	.1	140.7	-.7	-.1	148.1	1.1	.0	141.1	1.7	.4
Entertainment services ⁴	153.9	2.3	-.3	186.3	4.3	.9	191.7	3.7	-.2	160.0	2.1	.3
Other goods and services ⁵	183.9	4.7	1.0	227.5	3.6	1.0	224.2	4.7	1.5	222.9	4.9	.9
Tobacco and smoking products ⁴	192.3	5.9	.8	253.0	2.4	.5	252.5	6.6	3.1	236.6	4.9	1.5
Personal care ⁴	136.8	1.3	.1	150.9	.1	.5	151.4	1.3	-.5	137.8	2.4	.3
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	197.9	5.2	1.3	265.6	5.1	1.4	258.5	4.7	1.3	266.8	5.5	.8
Commodity and service group												
All items	145.6	2.2	.3	161.2	2.1	.0	161.0	2.3	.3	157.4	1.7	.4
Commodities	136.1	1.3	.5	140.9	1.0	.3	142.4	1.4	.6	140.0	1.2	.6
Food and beverages	142.8	2.1	.1	158.3	2.3	.1	157.5	2.3	.5	154.8	2.2	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	131.6	.8	.8	131.1	.2	.5	133.7	.8	.8	131.7	.5	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	141.0	2.0	1.4	133.5	1.2	.8	138.8	2.4	1.6	134.5	1.9	1.1
Apparel commodities ⁴	121.6	.8	2.6	126.5	.8	2.0	138.0	1.5	3.1	130.2	2.3	2.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	153.2	2.5	.7	140.0	1.4	.4	141.9	2.8	.9	138.3	1.7	.6
Durables	118.8	-.1	-.1	128.0	-.1	-.1	127.2	-.1	-.4	128.2	-.1	-.3
Services	153.2	2.9	.3	182.3	2.8	-.3	181.3	3.0	-.2	176.5	2.3	.3
Rent of shelter ⁶	149.6	3.3	.1	186.6	2.8	-.1	181.4	2.8	-.2	176.3	2.0	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{6,8}	133.1	2.0	.5	149.6	1.9	.1	150.2	2.9	.8	146.5	1.7	.5
Transportation services	152.2	1.5	.3	188.0	1.8	.2	191.8	2.7	-.1	183.2	1.4	.1
Medical care services	189.0	2.4	.2	239.8	3.6	.0	247.2	3.2	.2	233.3	2.5	.0
Other services	172.6	3.9	.6	213.6	4.4	1.1	210.1	4.1	.6	207.5	4.5	.6
Special indexes												
All items less food	146.2	2.2	.3	161.7	2.0	-.1	161.9	2.3	.4	157.9	1.7	.4
All items less shelter	144.1	1.8	.5	156.2	1.8	.3	157.4	2.1	.6	154.3	1.6	.5
All items less homeowners' costs ^{4,6}	144.8	2.0	.3	161.9	1.9	-.1	161.2	2.2	.4	158.3	1.6	.4
All items less medical care	143.4	2.3	.4	156.9	1.9	.0	156.3	2.2	.4	152.3	1.7	.5
Commodities less food	132.5	.8	.8	132.1	.3	.5	134.9	.9	.8	132.6	.5	.5
Nondurables less food	141.6	2.0	1.2	134.9	1.4	.8	140.2	2.5	1.6	135.7	1.8	1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	152.3	2.5	.7	140.7	1.5	.4	143.2	2.9	1.0	139.5	1.7	.6
Nondurables	142.0	2.1	.6	145.8	1.7	.4	148.0	2.3	1.0	144.6	2.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	157.0	2.5	.4	190.0	2.9	.4	191.3	3.2	.4	186.2	2.4	.3
Services less medical care services	150.2	2.9	.3	176.6	2.7	-.3	174.4	3.0	.1	169.5	2.2	.4
Energy	143.7	2.3	1.6	110.4	1.6	.4	114.7	2.5	1.2	107.6	-.4	1.0
All items less energy	145.8	2.2	.3	168.2	2.1	-.1	167.7	2.3	.3	164.6	2.0	.4
All items less food and energy	146.5	2.3	.3	170.6	2.0	-.1	170.4	2.3	.3	167.1	1.9	.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	129.4	.5	.6	140.9	.1	.5	144.0	.8	.8	141.8	.6	.5
Energy commodities	158.0	3.3	2.0	105.2	2.0	.6	106.4	1.7	1.1	104.1	-.6	.7
Services less energy services	154.7	3.0	.2	188.4	2.9	-.3	186.8	3.0	.0	183.0	2.5	.3

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

² indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁵ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items	169.2	2.3	0.5	166.0	2.3	-0.1	167.1	3.0	0.2
All items (December 1977=100)	261.4	-	-	267.0	-	-	277.5	-	-
Food and beverages	160.5	1.5	.2	165.4	2.9	-4	159.8	2.6	.4
Food	159.9	1.5	.2	165.0	2.7	-4	159.2	2.7	.4
Food at home	161.4	.8	.2	167.2	2.6	-1.1	156.6	2.9	.8
Cereals and bakery products ³	185.1	1.1	.5	170.6	1.8	-3.1	185.5	5.2	-1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	150.9	-3	.1	162.8	5.8	-2	153.3	4.1	2.3
Dairy products ³	137.3	-6	.1	141.3	-8	-1.7	118.5	-5.0	-1
Fruits and vegetables ³	188.7	1.1	.5	191.4	-3.5	-2.4	182.5	2.1	-1
Other food at home ³	155.1	2.7	-4	170.1	5.6	.5	149.1	4.3	.7
Food away from home	160.0	2.6	.4	163.3	3.0	.7	165.5	2.4	-2
Alcoholic beverages	167.5	2.1	-2	172.0	3.3	-2	167.2	1.1	.2
Housing ⁴	169.4	2.7	-1	167.5	2.0	-8	167.7	3.1	-5
Shelter	196.6	3.5	-3	198.7	2.9	-1.3	201.2	3.5	-8
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	207.8	4.9	-1.1	216.2	3.4	-4.6	193.0	4.4	-4.9
Rent, residential	181.2	3.2	.2	171.7	3.0	.4	176.2	2.8	.1
Other renters' costs ³	263.5	8.6	-3.9	278.4	4.0	-10.5	208.6	8.0	-14.3
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	200.6	2.9	.2	206.9	2.7	.2	216.5	3.2	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	201.5	3.0	.2	208.7	2.9	.2	217.5	3.2	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	125.0	1.4	.0	131.4	1.0	.3	118.1	1.5	.0
Fuels	119.8	1.6	.2	114.6	.4	.6	98.8	1.1	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	95.5	-3.4	.1	88.1	-2.7	2.6	79.8	-2.1	-1
Fuel oil ³	93.4	-4.3	.0	89.5	-1.1	1.0	79.6	-5.4	-1
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	137.1	3.9	.1	109.6	-8.2	8.4	99.0	12.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	133.7	2.7	.1	137.8	1.4	.0	116.9	2.6	.3
Electricity	142.8	-2	-2	147.3	-1.7	-5	120.3	.4	.4
Utility (piped) gas	120.8	8.2	.8	119.3	10.8	1.5	112.9	10.4	-1
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	127.8	-4	.7	122.5	-1.4	.7	123.7	2.9	.6
Apparel and upkeep	130.8	2.0	4.6	131.5	4.1	1.8	146.6	5.5	4.0
Apparel commodities ³	126.0	2.1	5.2	128.2	4.1	1.8	143.8	5.8	4.4
Men's and boys' apparel ³	126.0	4.4	3.7	152.6	6.7	1.9	167.1	13.3	1.5
Women's and girls' apparel ³	120.8	3.4	9.4	120.1	2.9	1.8	136.9	8.5	8.3
Footwear ³	129.0	1.1	1.4	117.4	-3	1.7	141.8	-4.4	3.7
Transportation	149.4	.9	.9	142.4	1.6	.4	143.3	1.1	.5
Private transportation	144.5	1.0	.7	139.0	.9	.4	136.2	1.3	.5
Motor fuel	107.9	5.3	3.5	109.3	5.0	2.7	108.6	6.0	3.7
Gasoline	107.7	5.6	3.7	109.8	5.7	2.9	108.9	6.6	4.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	107.3	6.9	4.0	107.7	5.8	3.1	109.0	7.1	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	110.1	5.3	3.7	116.4	5.9	2.6	116.4	6.1	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.9	3.9	3.3	109.8	5.2	2.3	111.9	5.7	4.0
Public transportation ³	179.6	.2	2.9	200.4	10.0	.4	246.8	-3	.3
Medical care	248.7	2.7	.1	240.7	1.4	.0	229.9	2.0	.4
Entertainment ⁸	172.8	1.9	.6	159.2	2.7	.5	176.9	5.9	-1.2
Other goods and services ⁴	234.0	3.9	.9	234.0	4.4	1.7	245.9	5.4	1.9
Personal care ³	166.7	.1	-1	150.8	-4	1.3	148.3	.5	-1.9
Commodity and service group									
All items	169.2	2.3	.5	166.0	2.3	-1	167.1	3.0	.2
Commodities	144.0	1.2	1.1	141.9	2.0	.4	140.9	2.2	1.0
Food and beverages	160.5	1.5	.2	165.4	2.9	-4	159.8	2.6	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	132.1	.9	1.8	128.0	1.4	1.1	129.7	2.0	1.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	134.8	2.4	2.5	128.8	2.3	1.6	135.6	3.8	2.3
Durables	128.2	-1.6	.2	125.4	-1	.4	120.9	-1.1	-3
Services	192.9	3.0	.1	194.1	2.6	-6	196.2	3.6	-3
Medical care services	255.4	3.1	.2	245.1	1.6	.0	234.3	1.9	.8
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	159.9	1.7	.8	156.8	2.1	.4	156.9	2.8	.6
All items less medical care	165.3	2.2	.5	162.1	2.4	-1	164.0	3.1	.2
All items less energy	176.0	2.3	.5	174.8	2.3	-2	176.5	3.0	.1
All items less food and energy	180.1	2.4	.4	177.6	2.3	-2	181.0	3.1	.0
Energy	114.9	2.9	1.3	112.2	2.2	1.4	101.3	2.8	1.5
Commodities less food	133.6	1.0	1.6	129.8	1.6	1.0	131.2	1.9	1.2
Nondurables less food	136.8	2.3	2.3	131.2	2.4	1.4	137.4	3.5	2.1
Nondurables	148.5	1.9	1.2	146.5	2.6	.5	147.4	3.1	1.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	196.2	2.3	.5	196.3	2.2	.3	197.0	3.8	.3
Services less medical care services	188.0	3.0	.2	189.3	2.7	-6	192.9	3.8	-4

See footnote at end of table.

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—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	158.3	2.5	0.2	156.2	1.9	-0.1	159.6	2.7	0.5	153.4	1.6	0.5
All items (December 1977=100)	261.4	-	-	252.5	-	-	254.2	-	-	245.9	-	-
Food and beverages	157.4	2.3	.1	150.8	.9	.3	155.1	2.0	.5	149.6	2.0	.5
Food	156.9	2.3	.1	151.1	.9	.3	154.1	2.0	.5	148.5	1.9	.5
Food at home	157.4	2.0	-.3	151.7	-.3	.2	153.0	1.8	.7	145.9	1.3	.9
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.1	2.1	-.6	179.8	-1.9	-2.1	171.8	1.7	-.5	177.1	2.2	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	152.3	1.1	-1.1	138.5	-1.0	-1.5	140.1	2.6	1.1	139.0	2.6	.8
Dairy products ³	146.9	-2.0	.7	141.8	-7.2	4.0	138.9	-.7	-.4	135.1	-2.6	1.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	182.3	5.2	.1	166.8	2.6	.6	178.1	-1.2	1.9	158.4	-.8	.6
Other food at home ³	143.2	2.9	.4	148.6	3.0	1.5	150.7	4.4	.7	135.6	3.1	1.3
Food away from home	156.3	2.8	.6	150.1	3.2	.5	156.6	2.2	.1	153.9	3.0	.0
Alcoholic beverages	163.0	1.6	-.1	147.8	1.7	.0	167.9	2.4	.2	165.6	3.5	-.3
Housing ⁴	153.1	2.8	.3	154.3	2.9	-.8	156.3	2.8	.3	146.8	1.9	.5
Shelter	175.4	3.6	.1	181.1	3.2	-1.3	176.2	2.9	.0	159.6	2.0	.4
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	178.9	3.7	-.3	191.3	2.4	-6.6	182.2	2.6	-.7	159.6	.8	.3
Rent, residential	168.1	3.4	.2	171.3	3.3	.4	160.8	2.9	-.2	149.9	2.7	.4
Other renters' costs ³	187.8	4.3	-1.4	215.4	1.4	-13.6	220.6	1.9	-2.3	173.2	-3.8	.1
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	179.8	3.5	.2	183.1	3.5	.3	179.8	3.1	.3	167.7	2.6	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	179.9	3.5	.3	184.4	3.6	.3	180.8	3.1	.3	167.7	2.4	.5
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	125.3	1.0	1.0	120.1	2.1	.3	132.0	4.7	1.9	137.5	1.9	1.3
Fuels	113.1	-1.7	1.5	104.8	1.1	.3	118.6	6.2	3.2	113.1	1.4	2.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	91.3	-2.8	-.1	87.2	-1.5	-1.5	90.8	-4.2	.3	87.5	-3.3	-7.4
Fuel oil ³	89.4	-4.4	.8	87.9	-4.8	-3.2	82.6	-6.8	1.2	84.5	-8.8	-14.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	116.1	-.9	-1.2	120.2	1.3	.0	126.5	-1.4	-.6	129.4	2.8	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	116.6	-1.8	1.5	111.1	1.2	.4	128.6	6.7	3.3	122.6	1.7	2.5
Electricity	136.4	.3	-.4	132.6	2.0	-.1	137.0	1.7	.1	134.2	-3.5	-.6
Utility (piped) gas	98.5	-4.3	4.1	90.9	.0	1.2	121.6	15.8	8.8	111.9	10.0	7.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	119.2	1.1	.3	125.8	1.9	-.4	133.4	-.1	-1.0	124.6	.8	-.2
Apparel and upkeep	129.2	2.5	1.4	137.9	.4	6.7	134.4	6.2	3.8	146.1	4.7	5.0
Apparel commodities ³	127.2	2.4	1.6	135.2	.1	7.6	130.6	7.0	4.1	145.5	4.8	5.4
Men's and boys' apparel ³	131.1	4.7	.0	124.1	-10.5	.4	132.5	9.5	8.3	144.2	7.6	1.8
Women's and girls' apparel ³	118.8	4.5	3.0	152.0	4.5	13.0	130.6	5.5	3.2	147.6	4.0	10.8
Footwear ³	130.1	-1.7	-.2	109.2	-.5	.2	133.9	9.8	2.7	158.2	5.1	.4
Transportation	143.4	.8	-.3	141.0	.3	-.5	142.5	1.1	-.3	136.8	-1.2	-.3
Private transportation	140.7	.6	-.4	136.9	.1	-.7	138.7	.7	-.3	130.6	-.8	-.3
Motor fuel	109.9	1.3	-2.0	110.3	2.2	-3.4	106.9	1.8	-.8	105.0	-1.1	.2
Gasoline	110.3	1.8	-2.0	110.7	2.4	-3.5	107.1	2.1	-.8	104.9	-.4	.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.3	2.0	-2.1	107.8	2.5	-3.8	105.7	2.3	-.6	101.9	.3	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	119.7	2.1	-1.6	120.7	2.7	-2.3	120.8	1.3	-1.1	122.5	-1.6	.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	111.1	1.4	-2.1	115.9	2.2	-3.1	107.4	2.7	-1.0	107.7	-.7	.1
Public transportation ³	178.9	2.9	.9	237.8	2.1	3.0	227.3	6.1	.8	283.0	-6.2	-.9
Medical care	225.0	1.6	.1	226.4	2.8	.1	242.9	3.2	.1	220.6	2.1	-.1
Entertainment ⁸	166.2	3.0	-1.8	155.2	2.7	.7	173.1	4.3	-.2	152.9	.9	.2
Other goods and services ⁴	229.1	5.6	1.2	217.2	2.1	.4	215.3	4.7	2.6	209.5	3.9	-.3
Personal care ³	143.0	3.5	-.1	166.5	2.3	.5	157.8	-1.8	-.6	138.9	4.6	.7
Commodity and service group												
All items	158.3	2.5	.2	156.2	1.9	-.1	159.6	2.7	.5	153.4	1.6	.5
Commodities	142.3	1.5	.1	137.3	.3	.5	142.6	1.9	.4	140.3	1.2	.6
Food and beverages	157.4	2.3	.1	150.8	.9	.3	155.1	2.0	.5	149.6	2.0	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	133.0	1.0	.2	130.5	.0	.7	135.5	1.9	.4	134.9	.8	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.8	2.5	.3	133.6	.5	1.5	137.6	4.3	1.5	139.9	1.9	1.2
Durables	124.7	-1.3	.1	127.8	-.7	-.3	131.8	-1.9	-1.2	128.4	-.6	-.3
Services	174.9	3.2	.2	176.2	3.0	-.5	179.1	3.4	.5	167.5	1.8	.4
Medical care services	228.4	1.8	.0	228.4	3.2	.1	251.0	3.0	.2	223.5	2.0	-.3
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	153.4	2.1	.2	149.5	1.4	.5	155.1	2.6	.6	151.9	1.3	.5
All items less medical care	154.8	2.5	.1	152.6	1.9	.0	155.3	2.6	.5	148.4	1.4	.5
All items less energy	164.8	2.7	.2	164.5	2.0	.1	167.1	2.6	.4	159.8	1.7	.4
All items less food and energy	166.9	2.8	.2	167.5	2.1	.1	170.5	2.8	.4	162.3	1.6	.4
Energy	111.9	-.3	-.2	104.9	1.5	-1.3	112.1	4.2	1.4	108.1	.3	1.2
Commodities less food	134.4	1.1	.2	131.0	.1	.7	136.7	1.9	.4	135.9	.9	.5
Nondurables less food	139.3	2.4	.2	134.2	.7	1.4	139.2	4.2	1.4	141.3	1.9	1.1
Nondurables	147.9	2.4	.1	141.8	.8	.9	145.9	3.1	1.0	145.4	2.0	.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	180.5	2.9	.2	174.7	2.8	.4	185.6	3.8	1.0	177.8	1.7	.4
Services less medical care services	170.2	3.4	.2	171.8	3.1	-.5	172.7	3.5	.6	160.2	1.7	.5

See footnote 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 ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	156.4	1.9	0.3	160.6	2.1	-0.1	156.7	1.5	0.4	157.1	2.5	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	252.5	-	-	262.2	-	-	253.6	-	-	255.1	-	-
Food and beverages	157.0	1.8	-2	157.6	1.7	.0	158.0	2.1	.6	154.6	2.8	.7
Food	157.0	1.8	-2	157.8	1.7	.0	157.5	1.7	.3	154.9	2.9	.6
Food at home	155.6	.9	-2	159.1	1.6	-1	156.0	1.2	.3	152.7	3.0	.9
Cereals and bakery products ³	170.7	2.7	-8	172.3	1.1	-1	168.7	1.0	.2	193.3	5.7	5.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	144.8	.1	-3	147.6	.7	.0	143.7	.3	-3	145.9	1.5	.9
Dairy products ³	150.2	-2.3	.6	148.3	-6	.7	143.0	-2.7	.0	133.4	-1.2	.4
Fruits and vegetables ³	188.4	-7	-4	206.4	3.0	-3	181.1	1.5	-2	167.8	2.4	-6
Other food at home ³	143.9	4.0	.1	143.4	3.2	-5	156.3	4.0	1.7	140.9	5.7	-1.1
Food away from home	160.6	3.1	-1	157.3	1.9	.1	162.2	2.7	.2	160.9	2.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages	156.1	1.4	-5	156.6	1.5	.1	162.9	5.1	3.8	147.2	-9	.1
Housing ⁴	147.3	1.9	.3	156.6	2.4	-6	144.9	1.8	-1	150.2	2.5	.3
Shelter	159.2	2.7	.1	166.9	3.3	-1.0	153.3	2.0	-1	171.0	3.1	.2
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	166.1	2.4	-5	192.0	3.2	-4.5	156.4	2.1	-8	175.4	1.8	-1.5
Rent, residential	156.7	2.4	.2	158.7	3.2	.4	148.8	1.8	.2	161.4	4.0	.6
Other renters' costs ³	188.8	2.4	-2.5	273.3	3.1	-11.9	174.8	2.6	-2.9	190.8	-1.5	-4.6
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	162.1	2.9	.4	167.0	3.3	.4	156.1	2.0	.1	174.2	3.4	.7
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	162.0	2.9	.4	166.8	3.3	.4	155.8	2.0	.1	172.7	3.5	.7
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	128.2	1.5	1.8	148.9	2.1	.2	148.3	1.7	.6	128.7	1.5	.7
Fuels	120.7	2.1	3.3	124.0	1.2	.2	143.8	1.6	.8	112.4	-7	1.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	97.1	.7	.4	104.0	1.9	.3	121.8	4.8	.4	93.2	-4.7	.0
Fuel oil ³	93.3	.3	-4	93.4	.9	-7	86.7	15.1	.0	88.6	-4.3	.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	131.9	1.4	1.9	135.5	2.5	1.1	153.5	2.4	.6	109.7	-5.2	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	125.2	2.1	3.5	125.4	1.2	.2	146.4	1.4	.8	117.8	-3	1.6
Electricity	126.6	.6	3.3	126.0	.3	.0	151.4	-3	.5	121.9	-1.2	1.1
Utility (piped) gas	117.3	7.3	4.3	125.9	5.9	1.3	135.7	11.2	2.6	105.4	8.4	5.9
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	129.8	-1.1	-6	134.5	-4	.7	117.3	1.0	.1	122.9	2.2	.3
Apparel and upkeep	146.6	1.1	1.1	134.1	1.4	.2	144.6	-2.1	2.5	128.3	4.4	1.7
Apparel commodities ³	141.5	.7	1.2	128.5	1.4	.3	142.4	-2.4	2.7	123.4	4.8	1.9
Men's and boys' apparel ³	147.5	5.4	2.2	130.0	2.0	-2	132.6	-2.4	1.4	125.2	9.6	2.5
Women's and girls' apparel ³	134.1	.5	1.7	128.9	.5	-3	142.0	-5.0	6.1	130.8	4.1	3.1
Footwear ³	137.7	1.2	.4	125.6	.4	.6	135.2	5.5	1.3	105.6	5.8	-1.9
Transportation	142.3	.9	.3	141.3	.1	.0	143.8	.3	-1	140.5	-2	-3
Private transportation	142.5	1.1	.2	139.1	.1	.1	141.8	.1	-2	139.2	-1	-4
Motor fuel	109.1	2.0	2.0	105.6	1.6	.6	106.4	1.5	.8	98.2	-1	.1
Gasoline	108.6	2.1	2.2	105.4	1.7	.6	107.4	2.0	.8	97.6	.3	.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.5	2.4	2.4	103.1	2.0	.5	103.3	2.2	.9	93.6	.8	.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	110.5	2.0	2.2	111.0	1.8	.5	115.8	1.8	.6	115.0	-5	-3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	110.0	1.2	1.7	107.7	1.5	.9	111.7	1.9	.7	104.6	.2	-3
Public transportation ³	142.8	-2.1	1.0	184.1	.5	-6	191.6	2.1	1.2	167.8	-2.8	.1
Medical care	233.8	2.2	.2	232.2	4.1	.0	236.8	2.3	.1	233.8	2.9	.1
Entertainment ⁸	167.5	2.8	-1	161.0	2.0	.4	154.0	-9	.7	153.0	3.4	-1
Other goods and services ⁴	213.3	4.4	1.2	234.7	3.6	1.1	217.7	4.9	.9	216.1	6.8	2.3
Personal care ³	151.8	2.5	.4	150.0	-1.3	-2	144.4	3.5	.1	124.7	.3	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	156.4	1.9	.3	160.6	2.1	-1	156.7	1.5	.4	157.1	2.5	.4
Commodities	142.2	.9	.2	142.6	.8	.2	142.9	.8	.7	138.9	2.0	.7
Food and beverages	157.0	1.8	-2	157.6	1.7	.0	158.0	2.1	.6	154.6	2.8	.7
Commodities less food and beverages	133.6	.4	.4	133.7	.1	.2	134.1	.0	.8	130.4	1.5	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.2	1.4	.8	136.7	1.4	.3	139.7	.9	1.3	132.4	3.5	1.2
Durables	132.2	-1.0	-1	129.4	-1.6	.2	127.7	-1.1	.0	127.9	-1.2	.0
Services	170.8	2.6	.4	179.1	3.1	-3	171.7	2.1	.1	176.5	2.9	.2
Medical care services	238.5	2.2	.2	238.8	4.6	.0	244.5	2.3	.0	237.0	2.6	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	155.8	1.6	.4	159.0	1.7	.3	158.1	1.3	.5	153.7	2.4	.5
All items less medical care	152.1	1.8	.3	156.0	1.9	-1	151.1	1.4	.4	150.9	2.5	.5
All items less energy	162.6	1.9	.2	166.8	2.1	-1	161.6	1.5	.4	164.7	2.7	.4
All items less food and energy	164.0	1.9	.2	169.0	2.2	-1	162.7	1.4	.4	167.1	2.8	.4
Energy	113.5	2.0	2.6	111.6	1.4	.4	123.8	1.6	.8	103.3	-5	.9
Commodities less food	134.6	.4	.4	134.6	.2	.3	135.2	.3	.9	130.8	1.4	.7
Nondurables less food	136.4	1.4	.7	137.6	1.4	.3	140.9	1.2	1.5	132.9	3.3	1.2
Nondurables	146.0	1.6	.3	147.3	1.5	.1	148.9	1.5	.9	143.2	3.1	.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	187.5	2.6	.6	193.5	3.0	.4	189.9	2.1	.3	185.6	2.8	.3
Services less medical care services	164.6	2.7	.4	172.7	2.9	-3	162.9	2.1	.1	167.7	2.9	.2

See footnote at end of table.

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—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	
Expenditure category						
All items	162.3	2.3	0.4	167.4	2.7	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	264.7	-	-	259.6	-	-
Food and beverages	160.8	2.9	.1	157.2	3.0	.3
Food	160.1	2.9	.1	156.5	2.9	.3
Food at home	164.2	2.8	-.1	153.3	2.1	.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	180.7	2.7	-1.7	165.6	-1.4	-2.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	154.6	2.8	.1	143.2	3.4	1.3
Dairy products ³	155.6	-3.2	-.1	139.6	-2.4	-1.8
Fruits and vegetables ³	194.8	4.5	.5	194.9	5.0	3.1
Other food at home ³	150.5	4.4	.2	140.5	2.7	-1.5
Food away from home	154.4	3.1	.3	162.5	4.4	.6
Alcoholic beverages	167.8	4.0	.0	165.1	3.8	-.5
Housing ⁴	162.4	2.7	.2	167.2	3.1	.3
Shelter	176.6	3.2	.3	189.3	3.3	.2
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	191.4	2.9	-.2	185.9	3.0	.1
Rent, residential	171.9	3.8	.6	165.8	2.0	.2
Other renters' costs ³	227.6	.0	-2.7	226.3	6.2	-.4
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	187.9	3.4	.5	206.3	3.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	187.8	3.4	.6	207.8	3.5	.2
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	145.2	2.3	.2	134.2	4.8	.5
Fuels	135.7	1.6	.4	113.7	4.3	.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ^{3 9}	106.4	1.3	2.2	255.0	-.5	5.3
Fuel oil ^{3 9}	106.9	.1	4.8	350.8	.8	-.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	136.9	2.4	-.3	113.5	-.7	6.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	138.1	1.6	.4	112.8	4.5	.0
Electricity	152.9	-.5	.4	125.2	2.2	.0
Utility (piped) gas	124.7	6.6	.2	99.7	8.7	.0
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.0	-.2	-.1	126.6	.7	.7
Apparel and upkeep	120.8	-1.6	1.7	135.4	-.7	1.1
Apparel commodities ³	115.5	-2.2	1.9	133.4	-.8	1.2
Men's and boys' apparel ³	120.5	.9	3.9	140.2	-6.8	-4.9
Women's and girls' apparel ³	109.2	1.5	3.2	128.9	1.7	6.1
Footwear ³	118.0	-6.0	.1	128.3	4.1	3.3
Transportation	145.7	1.1	.8	147.4	.7	.4
Private transportation	142.0	1.4	.9	145.5	.5	.5
Motor fuel	115.0	7.0	5.3	113.9	.1	3.8
Gasoline	114.2	7.4	5.4	113.2	.7	3.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	111.9	8.3	5.8	109.0	.0	3.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	109.3	7.6	4.9	123.2	2.0	4.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	115.7	6.6	5.5	112.5	1.0	3.4
Public transportation ³	189.7	-.6	.3	177.0	2.5	-.6
Medical care	231.0	2.1	-.2	253.5	6.6	.1
Entertainment ⁸	156.0	.5	.3	171.8	2.2	.0
Other goods and services ⁴	240.6	4.8	.8	230.7	3.4	.7
Personal care ³	161.0	.0	.2	159.2	3.4	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Commodity and service group						
All items	162.3	2.3	0.4	167.4	2.7	0.4
Commodities	142.0	1.6	.6	143.0	1.1	.7
Food and beverages	160.8	2.9	.1	157.2	3.0	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	129.9	.5	.8	135.1	.0	1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.9	1.5	1.6	143.5	1.3	1.8
Durables	125.3	-.9	-.2	125.2	-1.9	-.2
Services	180.2	2.7	.3	190.6	3.9	.1
Medical care services	232.3	2.2	.2	263.4	7.4	.1
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	157.8	1.7	.4	160.2	2.5	.4
All items less medical care	158.7	2.3	.4	162.0	2.3	.4
All items less energy	166.9	2.1	.2	173.7	2.8	.2
All items less food and energy	168.7	1.9	.2	177.3	2.7	.2
Energy	121.3	4.5	3.0	113.7	1.9	2.1
Commodities less food	132.0	.8	.8	136.3	.1	.9
Nondurables less food	135.7	1.8	1.4	144.9	1.6	1.6
Nondurables	147.4	2.3	.7	150.7	2.1	1.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	193.0	2.2	.4	197.7	4.5	.1
Services less medical care services	176.1	2.7	.3	183.1	3.4	.1

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

² Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁹ 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 ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Indexes, September 1997						
U.S. city average	158.6	178.1	149.1	143.5	188.1	148.9
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban	161.5	183.4	152.3	136.1	188.0	156.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	161.4	185.1	150.9	137.3	188.7	155.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	167.2	170.6	162.8	141.3	191.4	170.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	156.6	185.5	153.3	118.5	182.5	149.1
North Central urban	154.3	176.9	146.6	142.8	176.5	144.5
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.4	178.1	152.3	146.9	182.3	143.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	151.7	179.8	138.5	141.8	166.8	148.6
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	153.0	171.8	140.1	138.9	178.1	150.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	145.9	177.1	139.0	135.1	158.4	135.6
South urban	156.1	173.8	145.4	145.1	187.6	146.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000	155.6	170.7	144.8	150.2	188.4	143.9
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	159.1	172.3	147.6	148.3	206.4	143.4
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	156.0	168.7	143.7	143.0	181.1	156.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	152.7	193.3	145.9	133.4	167.8	140.9
West urban	163.2	177.9	152.7	151.4	200.3	149.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	164.2	180.7	154.6	155.6	194.8	150.5
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴	153.3	165.6	143.2	139.6	194.9	140.5
Size classes						
A ⁵	146.3	159.7	137.5	138.6	172.3	136.4
B ⁴	161.0	174.3	151.7	146.8	197.5	150.3
C ⁴	155.0	172.5	144.5	136.3	182.7	151.3
D	152.7	185.0	140.8	136.8	176.2	143.8
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	159.8	189.7	139.1	150.8	199.8	152.7
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	157.4	173.1	147.3	146.3	196.0	140.1
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	166.0	179.0	168.6	157.2	191.7	144.2
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	153.7	175.0	153.0	145.8	179.6	130.3
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	149.0	159.6	140.2	150.1	162.0	145.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	151.9	176.2	145.4	134.0	178.5	141.8
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	153.1	169.9	142.7	138.7	181.2	149.0
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	169.0	178.0	163.8	163.2	201.1	152.1
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	163.4	164.6	146.2	144.9	235.9	142.4
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	163.6	186.9	153.9	136.6	193.4	155.5
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	163.2	193.1	149.7	134.2	189.4	161.2
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	148.6	162.8	137.8	143.5	145.4	159.8
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	151.9	162.0	137.0	146.5	179.0	150.7
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	165.3	180.7	152.4	148.7	193.8	158.6
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	159.3	186.6	143.8	161.3	179.1	150.0

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 ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Percent change, August 1997 to September 1997						
U.S. city average	0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban .....	.1	-.2	.3	-.2	.1	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.2	.5	.1	.1	.5	-.4
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-1.1	-3.1	-.2	-1.7	-2.4	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴ .....	.8	-.1	2.3	-.1	-.1	.7
North Central urban .....	.1	-.6	-.5	.9	.6	.8
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-.3	-.6	-1.1	.7	.1	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴ .....	.2	-2.1	-1.5	4.0	.6	1.5
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴ .....	.7	-.5	1.1	-.4	1.9	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.9	.3	.8	1.1	.6	1.3
South urban .....	.1	.7	-.1	.5	-.4	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-.2	-.8	-.3	.6	-.4	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-.1	-.1	.0	.7	-.3	-.5
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴ .....	.3	.2	-.3	.0	-.2	1.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.9	5.9	.9	.4	-.6	-1.1
West urban .....	.1	-1.2	.5	-.9	1.5	-.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-.1	-1.7	.1	-.1	.5	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴ .....	.1	-2.2	1.3	-1.8	3.1	-1.5
Size classes						
A	-.1	-.5	-.3	.2	.2	.1
B ⁴	-.1	-.7	-.1	.3	-.1	-.1
C ⁴ .....	.5	-.3	.7	-.4	.8	.9
D .....	.7	2.0	.8	-.7	1.7	-.5
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	-1.4	-3.0	-1.9	-.7	-3.5	1.9
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	-1.1	-5.5	-2.1	1.1	.7	.6
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	-.5	-1.1	-.9	.4	-.8	.4
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	-1.0	-.1	.5	-.2	-6.0	-.1
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.7	-3.0	.5	5.6	2.3	-.5
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	.4	2.7	-.5	1.2	-.7	.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	-1.4	-1.5	-1.2	-.5	.3	-3.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	-.2	-1.7	.6	.1	-1.1	.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-.8	-2.3	-1.1	-.1	-1.9	1.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.3	1.3	.1	-.5	1.6	-.8
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷ .....	.2	1.2	1.4	.2	-2.0	.0
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	1.1	.2	.7	3.2	1.0	1.0
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁹ .....	.9	-.1	2.5	-3.7	3.5	.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	-.3	-2.5	-1.3	.1	3.8	-1.9
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	1.3	2.9	-.4	1.4	1.6	1.7

¹ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

⁴ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, August 1997 to September 1997

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 ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Expenditure category						
All items	0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.2
Food and beverages .....	.2	-.1	.1	.2	.3	-.1
Food .....	.2	-.2	.0	.3	.3	-.1
Food at home .....	.1	-.5	-.2	.3	.2	-.3
Cereals and bakery products ²	-.3	-1.1	-1.7	1.3	1.2	-2.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ² .....	.0	-.9	.6	.1	1.4	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	.1	-.6	.6	.2	1.6	-1.0
Dairy products ² .....	.1	.4	.1	-.5	.2	.1
Fruits and vegetables ^{2 3} .....	.4	-.8	-1.1	1.6	-2.0	3.8
Other food at home ² .....	.1	.4	.5	-.8	.0	-1.9
Food away from home .....	.3	.3	.2	.2	.4	.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	.2	.6	.4	-.1	.1	-.7
Housing ³ .....	.1	.2	.3	-.1	.7	.4
Shelter	-.2	.2	.4	-.4	.9	.5
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	-1.2	-.4	-.1	-1.3	2.5	.1
Rent, residential .....	.3	.4	.4	.1	.3	1.2
Other renters' costs ^{2 4}	-4.7	-3.1	-2.2	-5.2	5.1	-3.5
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4} .....	.3	.5	.6	.1	.3	.8
Owners' equivalent rent .....	.3	.6	.6	.1	.3	.8
Fuel and other utilities ³ .....	.5	.8	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Fuels .....	.9	1.3	.0	.2	.0	-.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ² .....	.2	.1	.5	.1	.5	-1.9
Fuel oil ²	-.1	.0	-	.1	.6	1.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 5} .....	.8	.2	.5	.0	-	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	1.1	1.3	.0	.2	-.1	.0
Electricity .....	.4	-1.4	.0	-.4	.0	.0
Utility (piped) gas	2.5	4.9	.0	1.2	-.2	.0
Household furnishings and operation ³ .....	.2	-.3	.2	1.9	-.1	-.3
Apparel and upkeep	2.3	-1.8	2.1	3.9	12.3	-1.3
Apparel commodities ^{2 4}	2.6	-2.0	2.5	4.5	13.8	-1.6
Men's and boys' apparel ²	1.9	-1.0	5.3	2.1	10.6	6.3
Women's and girls' apparel ²	4.7	-2.2	2.1	8.1	31.8	-3.4
Footwear ² .....	.9	-2.1	5.3	2.5	-.3	-5.4
Transportation .....	.3	-.1	1.4	1.2	.9	.3
Private transportation .....	.1	-.5	.9	.8	.4	1.0
Motor fuel	1.6	-1.6	6.1	3.7	3.1	5.1
Gasoline	1.7	-1.7	6.4	3.9	3.2	5.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	1.8	-1.8	6.5	4.2	3.8	5.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	1.8	-1.5	6.0	3.7	3.7	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	1.7	-1.7	6.2	3.4	3.1	4.7
Public transportation ²	1.4	2.3	5.2	2.6	7.0	-2.5
Medical care .....	.1	-.2	.0	.3	.1	-.4
Entertainment ⁷ .....	.0	-5.9	.3	.0	2.6	1.0
Other goods and services ³	1.1	1.4	.5	1.4	.1	1.3
Personal care ² .....	.1	.1	.9	.0	-1.3	2.8

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, August 1997 to September 1997 —Continued

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 ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Commodity and service group						
All items	0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.2
Commodities .....	.5	-.3	.6	1.1	1.8	.1
Food and beverages .....	.2	-.1	.1	.2	.3	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	.7	-.6	1.1	1.8	2.7	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	1.3	-.8	1.8	2.5	4.6	.9
Durables	-.1	-.2	.0	.6	.1	-.8
Services .....	.2	-.1	.4	.1	.8	.3
Medical care services .....	.1	-.3	.1	.2	.1	-.5
Special indexes						
All items less shelter .....	.4	-.5	.6	.9	1.2	.1
All items less medical care .....	.3	-.2	.6	.5	1.2	.3
All items less energy .....	.2	-.2	.4	.5	1.2	.1
All items less food and energy .....	.2	-.2	.4	.4	1.3	.2
Energy	1.2	-.1	3.2	1.3	1.0	2.4
Commodities less food .....	.7	-.5	1.0	1.7	2.6	.2
Nondurables less food	1.3	-.7	1.6	2.2	4.2	.8
Nondurables .....	.7	-.5	.8	1.3	2.2	.3
Services less rent of shelter .....	.4	-.5	.5	.6	.5	.1
Services less medical care services .....	.2	-.1	.5	.1	.8	.5

¹ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 ²			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—	
		Sept. 1996	July 1997		Sept. 1996	July 1997		Sept. 1996	July 1997		Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	161.2	2.2	0.4	156.7	0.8	-0.1	167.8	2.6	0.4	162.1	2.4	0.2
All items (1967=100)	483.0	-	-	468.7	-	-	487.6	-	-	484.2	-	-
Food and beverages	158.4	2.2	.6	159.9	.5	-.2	160.8	1.5	.3	160.3	1.8	.0
Food	157.9	2.1	.6	160.4	.4	-.2	161.1	1.9	.4	159.3	1.9	-.1
Food at home	158.6	1.7	.6	159.8	-.6	-.2	157.4	1.0	-.1	166.0	1.3	-.2
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.1	1.9	-.1	189.7	2.4	-.3	173.1	-1.0	-1.5	179.0	-.7	-.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	149.1	1.3	.6	139.1	-2.2	-1.6	147.3	-1.6	-1.1	168.6	.1	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	149.8	1.7	.5	141.3	-1.7	-1.9	147.3	-2.0	-1.5	171.9	.4	-.2
Dairy products ³	143.5	-2.2	.1	150.8	-6.9	-1.8	146.3	3.7	4.9	157.2	-2.9	-.7
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	188.1	2.5	1.9	199.8	-.4	.6	196.0	4.8	-1.1	191.7	6.7	.1
Other food at home ³	148.9	3.7	.2	152.7	2.6	3.5	140.1	.9	.4	144.2	2.3	-.3
Food away from home	157.8	2.8	.4	160.8	2.7	-1.2	168.4	3.3	1.2	147.7	2.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	163.5	2.5	.4	153.1	1.5	-1.0	159.2	-2.0	-.9	171.2	1.3	.5
Housing ⁴	157.7	2.5	.1	146.9	1.0	-.6	161.4	3.3	-.3	161.4	3.3	.8
Shelter	177.2	3.0	-.1	162.8	1.6	-1.1	189.1	3.5	-.1	189.9	5.0	.7
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	186.8	3.3	-.8	166.4	2.8	-3.8	199.8	4.6	-1.0	190.6	4.6	-.1
Rent, residential	167.8	3.0	.6	162.3	1.5	-.2	177.0	3.5	.6	184.9	4.5	.8
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	222.8	3.7	-4.2	156.7	6.9	-13.8	231.4	6.8	-4.0	180.3	5.1	-2.8
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	182.8	3.0	.6	169.0	1.3	.0	192.9	2.9	.6	196.8	5.1	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	183.2	3.0	.6	170.0	1.3	.0	193.3	2.9	.6	193.3	5.1	1.1
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	132.1	1.8	.0	127.6	.0	.6	119.1	2.4	-.8	124.6	-.9	1.2
Fuels	119.7	1.1	.1	125.0	-.1	1.5	99.1	3.6	-.8	111.8	-5.3	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	93.7	-2.0	-1.1	86.5	-5.3	-.8	88.4	-3.2	-2.5	97.3	2.3	.9
Fuel oil ³	90.3	-3.5	-1.3	88.4	-5.3	-.9	88.7	-3.8	-2.7	94.2	-2.6	.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	125.1	1.5	-.6	NA	-	-	108.0	6.9	.0	129.3	9.1	2.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	128.1	1.5	.2	147.2	.6	1.7	118.0	6.2	-.2	114.8	-5.4	2.2
Electricity	138.1	-.1	-.2	162.8	-.2	.0	140.8	1.6	-.2	133.8	1.3	.3
Utility (piped) gas	112.8	5.4	1.2	113.2	3.6	7.6	88.2	16.2	.0	96.8	-13.0	4.9
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.4	.2	-.2	125.8	-.6	.0	119.4	2.8	-2.1	114.0	.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep	133.0	1.1	2.2	130.7	-1.7	-2.5	143.7	-1.0	2.6	120.0	.7	-.3
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	129.2	1.1	2.4	124.3	-2.0	-2.9	133.5	-1.3	3.0	119.0	.3	-.3
Men's and boys' apparel ³	131.4	3.1	2.7	129.3	1.3	1.3	133.8	-.4	3.2	126.1	8.2	1.9
Women's and girls' apparel ³	126.0	1.9	4.0	111.4	-3.4	-6.4	118.2	1.8	7.3	108.2	2.4	1.4
Footwear ³	127.4	.6	1.2	146.9	3.0	1.5	142.5	.2	-2.5	140.0	-6.0	-1.0
Transportation	144.3	.8	.4	141.2	.9	.7	142.1	1.4	1.1	139.6	.0	.0
Private transportation	141.0	.7	.6	140.1	.5	.7	142.5	1.1	1.3	137.1	-.4	.3
Motor fuel	109.3	2.9	5.2	107.3	.2	5.6	112.2	5.2	7.1	108.1	.6	1.4
Gasoline	109.2	3.3	5.5	105.2	.4	6.0	111.1	5.1	7.7	108.0	.7	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	107.5	3.9	6.0	106.2	1.3	6.9	109.1	5.3	8.6	106.4	.9	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	113.8	3.3	5.5	106.3	.6	5.6	113.7	4.1	6.5	114.8	.5	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium	109.8	2.7	4.9	101.3	-2.0	4.6	111.5	2.0	6.1	108.6	.2	1.6
Public transportation ³	186.0	.8	-1.8	154.8	6.8	.7	140.3	3.8	.5	159.7	3.0	-2.0
Medical care	235.4	2.6	.3	234.9	-2.2	-.3	291.8	3.4	-.3	235.2	2.3	-.6
Entertainment ¹⁰	163.0	2.0	.2	169.2	-.2	-.8	175.7	2.6	.6	173.4	1.8	-4.7
Other goods and services ⁴	228.1	4.5	2.1	228.1	5.1	2.3	232.6	5.2	1.7	237.7	5.6	2.7
Personal care ³	152.7	1.3	.1	139.5	5.0	-.1	154.4	3.8	2.2	161.8	7.2	2.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	161.2	2.2	.4	156.7	.8	-.1	167.8	2.6	.4	162.1	2.4	.2
Commodities	142.1	1.3	.8	140.5	-.1	-.4	140.7	1.1	.6	142.4	1.1	.1
Food and beverages	158.4	2.2	.6	159.9	.5	-.2	160.8	1.5	.3	160.3	1.8	.0
Commodities less food and beverages	132.2	.6	.9	130.0	-.5	-.4	128.4	.9	.8	130.6	.5	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.5	1.9	2.0	134.1	-.3	-.3	133.9	2.1	1.9	134.8	1.9	.1
Durables	127.6	-1.2	-.5	126.5	-.9	-.5	124.7	-1.0	-.8	123.1	-1.7	.5
Services	180.6	2.8	.3	175.8	1.6	.1	193.5	3.5	.2	181.3	3.4	.3
Medical care services	240.0	2.7	.3	233.9	-2.9	.1	304.0	4.2	-.2	236.8	2.3	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	156.6	1.8	.6	155.8	.6	.2	161.5	2.2	.5	153.4	1.4	.1
All items less medical care	157.1	2.1	.5	152.9	1.1	-.1	161.9	2.6	.4	158.4	2.5	.3
All items less energy	167.6	2.2	.4	163.0	.9	-.4	177.2	2.5	.2	169.0	2.8	.1
All items less food and energy	170.0	2.2	.3	163.7	1.0	-.4	181.0	2.7	.2	171.5	3.0	.2
Energy	113.9	2.0	2.2	116.1	.0	3.2	103.1	4.1	2.1	109.4	-2.7	1.8
Commodities less food	133.5	.8	.9	130.9	-.5	-.4	129.7	.6	.6	132.6	.6	.2
Nondurables less food	137.2	2.0	1.9	135.3	-.1	-.3	135.1	1.7	1.5	137.4	1.8	.1
Nondurables	147.1	2.1	1.2	146.3	.1	-.3	147.1	1.8	1.0	147.9	1.8	.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	189.5	2.7	.4	195.6	1.6	1.0	207.0	3.6	.4	181.0	1.9	-.1
Services less medical care services	175.1	2.9	.3	171.1	2.1	.1	184.9	3.5	.3	176.7	3.5	.3

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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—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	157.3	2.5	0.6	160.5	1.5	0.6	158.5	2.5	0.4	171.7	2.1	0.5
All items (1967=100) ¹¹	503.9	-	-	474.2	-	-	255.5	-	-	496.2	-	-
Food and beverages	158.4	1.3	.4	163.4	3.0	.9	165.6	1.2	-.4	163.5	1.6	.4
Food	159.6	1.5	.6	161.6	2.9	1.0	165.9	1.3	-.4	162.8	1.4	.4
Food at home	153.7	.7	-.7	169.0	2.7	1.3	163.4	.3	-.5	163.6	.7	.5
Cereals and bakery products ³	175.0	.9	-.4	178.0	2.5	-.3	164.6	-.8	-.4	186.9	.4	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	153.0	-.5	.9	163.8	4.3	1.6	146.2	2.6	1.8	153.9	.1	1.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	155.7	.5	.8	160.8	4.6	1.6	148.1	2.8	.8	154.7	.1	1.2
Dairy products ³	145.8	-2.2	-.3	163.2	-3.8	.2	144.9	-5.4	2.1	136.6	-1.3	.2
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	179.6	5.3	-6.9	201.1	3.2	3.3	235.9	-3.0	-4.1	193.4	2.0	.1
Other food at home ³	130.3	.4	2.1	152.1	4.3	.5	142.4	6.1	1.8	155.5	2.1	.2
Food away from home	171.8	2.8	2.7	150.9	3.1	.5	171.6	2.3	-.1	165.4	2.5	.3
Alcoholic beverages	147.8	.5	-.3	180.6	3.7	.2	160.2	.1	-.8	170.7	3.6	-.1
Housing ⁴	154.5	2.9	-.1	157.1	1.1	.1	149.8	2.8	.0	172.5	2.5	.0
Shelter	171.6	3.0	-.3	167.6	1.5	.5	159.0	3.9	.8	200.5	3.7	.0
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	179.3	1.0	-1.2	176.8	1.2	.1	158.9	2.8	.0	208.0	5.1	-.8
Rent, residential	163.9	4.1	.1	160.4	1.6	.6	149.2	2.1	.3	185.7	3.5	.6
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	201.0	-5.5	-4.1	219.3	-5	-1.7	211.3	6.2	-1.0	262.6	9.9	-4.3
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	169.6	3.7	.1	177.1	1.5	.7	164.7	4.2	1.2	206.8	3.1	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	170.6	3.8	.1	176.8	1.6	.8	160.7	3.1	.6	207.8	3.1	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	131.7	-.2	-1.4	156.3	3.2	-.8	119.5	1.4	-.6	119.0	-.2	-.8
Fuels	131.1	-.9	-2.2	152.1	1.9	-1.4	111.8	2.9	.0	117.3	-.7	-.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	92.9	-3.4	-2.7	125.8	6.7	.5	169.1	8.3	-.2	98.1	-3.7	-1.1
Fuel oil ³	87.6	-3.6	-2.2	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	96.8	-4.5	-1.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	108.4	-3.3	-3.3	125.8	6.6	.5	152.7	8.4	.3	128.3	6.6	-.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	133.7	-.8	-2.2	152.5	1.9	-1.4	110.8	2.8	.0	128.6	.2	-.2
Electricity	155.5	-1.1	-1.3	168.2	.9	.0	108.7	2.5	.0	133.7	-.7	-.6
Utility (piped) gas	115.8	-.4	-3.1	140.9	4.1	-4.1	164.2	6.4	.0	120.0	1.8	.5
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	132.8	5.7	1.5	119.4	-2.7	-.9	146.1	-.1	-3.0	131.8	-1.6	.9
Apparel and upkeep	131.9	-1.0	5.8	119.4	-4.5	.2	153.3	4.4	3.1	132.0	-.3	4.1
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	129.2	-1.3	6.1	114.0	-5.4	.2	145.6	5.1	3.6	127.7	-.5	4.6
Men's and boys' apparel ³	139.1	-.1	-3.0	125.6	-1.5	4.0	138.4	4.2	1.5	121.4	1.3	5.8
Women's and girls' apparel ³	135.8	-3.3	14.4	111.7	-.7	3.4	157.9	8.6	5.5	127.4	-.5	5.7
Footwear ³	84.8	-1.1	10.7	101.7	-10.3	5.3	159.9	3.8	.9	133.7	3.2	2.8
Transportation	142.5	2.7	1.7	147.1	2.2	1.8	147.6	2.5	.6	154.6	.8	.6
Private transportation	142.1	2.7	1.8	142.0	1.9	2.2	147.2	2.5	.8	146.6	.8	1.2
Motor fuel	112.5	-1.8	2.2	113.9	13.7	12.5	119.3	2.7	3.8	106.0	5.8	7.9
Gasoline	112.1	-1.7	2.5	112.0	14.6	13.2	119.1	2.8	4.2	106.2	6.1	8.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	111.1	-2.0	2.5	110.4	15.5	14.4	117.6	3.2	4.5	106.1	7.6	9.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	114.8	-1.4	2.6	108.9	14.2	12.5	112.8	2.5	3.7	108.8	5.0	7.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	114.4	-.8	2.2	111.7	13.2	11.8	119.6	2.0	3.7	106.4	3.8	7.0
Public transportation ³	150.4	2.2	.8	214.3	3.9	-.4	149.8	2.1	-1.0	189.9	.9	-2.4
Medical care	212.2	1.2	.0	231.9	1.1	.0	219.6	1.5	-.2	245.4	3.3	.4
Entertainment ¹⁰	158.6	1.0	-.4	147.0	1.1	.5	154.0	5.9	.8	167.1	2.1	-.8
Other goods and services ⁴	207.1	6.9	.4	242.2	2.9	1.7	185.1	4.1	2.8	233.3	3.8	2.0
Personal care ³	143.1	3.2	.0	161.2	-1.8	-.1	100.7	-1.1	-.5	165.4	-1.1	-.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	157.3	2.5	.6	160.5	1.5	.6	158.5	2.5	.4	171.7	2.1	.5
Commodities	144.4	1.0	1.3	141.7	1.2	1.1	151.8	2.1	.1	146.9	.7	1.3
Food and beverages	158.4	1.3	.4	163.4	3.0	.9	165.6	1.2	-.4	163.5	1.6	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	135.3	.9	2.0	127.7	-.2	1.3	142.2	2.9	.5	133.8	-.1	2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	139.3	1.3	2.4	132.4	1.1	2.8	138.1	4.1	2.1	136.2	1.3	3.1
Durables	124.2	.1	.9	120.8	-1.9	-.8	148.7	1.3	-1.4	129.4	-2.9	-.1
Services	171.5	3.6	.1	177.2	1.6	.3	164.8	2.9	.6	193.6	3.0	.0
Medical care services	207.5	.4	-.4	233.8	1.0	.2	224.4	1.1	-.1	251.9	3.7	.3
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	152.7	2.2	.9	158.7	1.5	.8	158.4	2.1	.3	161.0	1.3	.8
All items less medical care	154.5	2.5	.7	156.7	1.6	.8	154.9	2.6	.4	168.1	2.0	.5
All items less energy	162.4	2.8	.7	164.5	1.1	.4	163.5	2.6	.2	178.3	2.1	.4
All items less food and energy	162.8	3.1	.8	165.4	.7	.2	162.9	2.9	.4	182.2	2.2	.4
Energy	123.3	-1.4	-.2	126.6	8.0	5.8	113.9	2.8	2.1	112.8	1.4	2.3
Commodities less food	135.7	.8	1.7	130.5	.2	1.2	143.3	2.7	.4	135.4	.1	1.9
Nondurables less food	139.4	1.3	2.3	136.5	1.4	2.5	139.9	3.6	1.7	138.3	1.5	2.8
Nondurables	149.3	1.4	1.4	148.7	2.1	1.7	153.0	2.4	.6	151.2	1.5	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	174.7	4.2	.4	197.4	1.8	.2	178.0	2.9	.9	193.8	2.1	.0
Services less medical care services	168.3	4.0	.1	172.5	1.7	.4	159.2	3.2	.8	189.1	2.9	.0

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											
	Phil- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	168.6	2.5	1.3	155.1	2.7	1.2	161.6	3.4	0.6	163.6	1.7	0.4
All items (1967=100)	487.2	-	-	460.6	-	-	496.8	-	-	483.1	-	-
Food and beverages	155.3	1.4	.3	156.7	3.6	.6	160.6	2.8	1.1	155.4	.9	.0
Food	154.5	1.6	.3	155.4	3.6	1.0	160.8	2.6	1.3	156.1	.9	.2
Food at home	163.2	1.3	.1	151.9	3.5	1.4	165.3	2.4	1.7	159.3	.2	.3
Cereals and bakery products ³	193.1	3.0	1.7	162.0	5.5	1.1	180.7	5.5	-4	186.6	3.8	2.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	149.7	.2	1.4	137.0	4.2	2.1	152.4	.0	-5	143.8	-3.9	-1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	150.7	.5	1.5	139.2	4.5	2.1	148.0	1.2	-5	145.8	-3.1	-1.2
Dairy products ³	134.2	-1.4	-1.6	146.5	-3.4	-2.7	148.7	-7.4	-1.0	161.3	.1	2.8
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	189.4	1.2	.3	179.0	4.4	5.7	193.8	5.7	8.6	179.1	-9	-3.2
Other food at home ³	161.2	2.8	-1.8	150.7	4.4	-3	158.6	5.7	.5	150.0	3.8	1.7
Food away from home	139.6	2.3	.6	162.0	3.7	.6	155.8	3.0	.8	154.0	2.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	166.5	.1	.1	164.8	3.6	-3.5	158.8	3.7	-3	150.3	.5	-1.4
Housing ⁴	170.2	3.4	.8	148.2	2.3	.8	167.6	5.3	1.1	158.6	.8	-4
Shelter	199.5	3.7	1.3	163.4	2.3	.7	184.8	6.5	1.6	173.3	1.2	-3
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	229.6	5.1	3.2	169.6	2.7	1.5	209.4	5.6	1.2	187.0	1.1	-8
Rent, residential	177.0	2.4	.5	148.9	2.8	.5	188.8	7.2	2.2	171.3	1.1	-1
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	326.5	8.4	6.5	203.0	2.6	3.4	208.2	.1	-2.2	193.8	1.1	-3.4
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	199.7	3.0	.5	170.9	2.2	.5	200.0	6.9	1.8	175.3	1.2	.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	200.7	3.1	.5	172.2	2.2	.4	200.3	6.8	1.8	176.1	1.4	.0
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	135.2	3.4	.1	130.9	-1.1	.7	151.6	2.5	-1	137.6	2.3	.4
Fuels	127.1	3.9	-1	125.6	-2.6	1.4	154.1	3.0	.3	128.8	3.2	1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	95.0	-3.3	-2	85.1	-7.4	-2.9	148.4	-1.6	2.2	104.5	5.4	.6
Fuel oil ³	89.2	-3.3	-1	80.6	-6.1	.0	108.8	-4.5	11.2	98.7	5.9	-5
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,6}	NA	-	-	103.6	-8.4	-4.7	169.8	-1.3	1.5	168.0	4.3	4.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	147.0	4.9	-1	131.1	-2.3	1.6	154.4	3.1	.3	139.3	3.0	1.6
Electricity	165.5	.4	.0	174.3	.2	.4	176.0	.0	.0	154.9	-1.1	-9
Utility (piped) gas	121.1	16.8	-2	90.5	-6.5	3.9	132.0	9.5	.8	115.8	12.3	7.1
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	122.0	1.8	-6	128.2	6.6	1.6	117.3	.4	-1.3	129.0	-2.3	-1.5
Apparel and upkeep	115.1	9.4	15.7	127.1	-4	8.2	117.6	-3	-3.4	145.5	4.2	3.7
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	110.5	10.5	17.7	124.7	-7	9.0	112.1	-9	-3.9	140.5	4.2	4.2
Men's and boys' apparel ³	137.7	18.6	24.2	140.4	1.6	4.9	118.1	5.5	2.7	172.8	12.8	5.2
Women's and girls' apparel ³	86.6	14.1	29.3	106.0	-9.4	12.5	90.3	2.6	-4.7	134.9	4.3	9.5
Footwear ³	113.8	-4.5	-1.7	107.8	12.4	4.1	141.7	-5.2	-4.7	133.3	8.1	-1.0
Transportation	152.2	.2	.3	143.8	2.0	-6	133.4	-5	-4	147.1	1.0	1.2
Private transportation	149.8	.3	.5	144.4	2.0	-3	127.5	.1	.7	148.0	1.4	.9
Motor fuel	110.3	4.5	5.8	112.4	3.5	3.2	114.4	1.8	7.0	112.4	.3	5.2
Gasoline	109.1	5.0	6.0	112.9	5.4	3.6	113.3	2.3	7.5	111.8	.2	5.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.7	7.2	7.9	109.2	5.7	3.5	110.8	2.5	8.0	110.7	.8	6.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	108.0	5.7	7.1	130.5	6.1	4.6	108.5	1.7	7.2	106.6	.2	5.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	104.0	4.9	6.4	112.9	4.5	3.6	113.5	2.4	6.1	109.1	-8	4.2
Public transportation ³	177.7	-1.6	-1.9	148.9	1.8	-3.6	182.4	-3.4	-5.5	147.4	-1.1	4.2
Medical care	249.0	.9	-1	227.8	4.2	.4	221.8	3.5	-2	231.7	5.1	.8
Entertainment ¹⁰	183.5	2.0	2.5	167.5	3.2	3.3	163.3	-1.8	-1.6	176.2	2.7	.0
Other goods and services ⁴	243.1	3.2	2.0	198.7	5.0	3.4	246.1	7.0	3.4	241.0	4.3	1.3
Personal care ³	194.2	1.6	-1.0	99.2	-5.5	-1	166.4	4.7	.8	171.3	1.7	.5

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											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Commodity and service group												
All items	168.6	2.5	1.3	155.1	2.7	1.2	161.6	3.4	0.6	163.6	1.7	0.4
Commodities	138.3	1.9	2.1	142.5	2.9	1.6	140.6	1.6	.3	143.2	.7	.9
Food and beverages	155.3	1.4	.3	156.7	3.6	.6	160.6	2.8	1.1	155.4	.9	.0
Commodities less food and beverages	127.5	2.2	3.4	133.7	2.5	2.3	126.9	.6	-.4	136.5	.5	1.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.8	3.8	5.9	136.5	2.7	3.5	131.6	2.2	.3	138.5	2.6	2.0
Durables	125.4	-.2	-.2	128.3	2.0	.5	119.1	-.2	-1.7	134.7	-2.5	.6
Services	200.5	2.9	.9	169.2	2.6	.8	179.2	4.4	.8	182.3	2.5	.2
Medical care services	257.0	1.1	.7	234.1	4.8	.6	219.2	1.4	-.5	235.9	6.3	.9
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	159.7	2.0	1.4	153.5	2.9	1.3	154.0	1.8	.1	160.3	2.0	.8
All items less medical care	164.7	2.6	1.4	150.9	2.6	1.2	158.8	3.4	.6	160.1	1.5	.4
All items less energy	175.4	2.4	1.3	160.4	3.0	1.1	165.7	3.4	.4	169.3	1.7	.2
All items less food and energy	181.0	2.5	1.5	161.6	2.8	1.0	167.0	3.6	.3	172.4	1.9	.3
Energy	120.1	4.1	2.0	119.3	.1	2.2	129.1	2.5	3.5	119.8	1.8	3.3
Commodities less food	129.1	2.1	3.2	135.2	2.5	1.9	128.8	.8	-.5	137.1	.5	1.3
Nondurables less food	132.1	3.4	5.3	138.4	2.8	2.7	133.8	2.5	.2	139.0	2.4	1.6
Nondurables	143.0	2.5	2.8	147.2	3.2	1.9	146.8	2.5	.8	146.8	1.8	1.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	207.1	2.2	.5	178.7	2.7	.8	181.2	2.1	-.2	198.8	3.5	.6
Services less medical care services	196.0	3.1	.9	162.8	2.3	.8	176.6	4.7	.9	177.8	2.1	.1

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

² Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁶ 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.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁸ 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.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

¹¹ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

¹² Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

¹³ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

^{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 Sept. 1997 from—			Percent change to Aug. 1997 from—		
		June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Aug. 1996	June 1997	July 1997
U.S. city average	M	157.4	157.5	157.8	158.3	2.1	0.5	0.3	2.1	0.3	0.2
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	164.3	164.7	164.9	165.6	2.2	.5	.4	2.2	.4	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	164.0	164.3	164.5	165.4	2.2	.7	.5	2.2	.3	.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	162.8	163.5	163.7	163.4	2.3	-.1	-.2	2.3	.6	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ³	M	167.1	167.5	167.8	168.6	3.0	.7	.5	2.8	.4	.2
North Central urban	M	153.1	153.1	153.6	153.9	2.2	.5	.2	2.5	.3	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	152.9	152.9	153.6	153.9	2.3	.7	.2	2.5	.5	.5
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	151.7	151.9	152.3	152.3	1.9	.3	.0	2.4	.4	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ³	M	156.0	155.7	156.1	156.9	2.8	.8	.5	2.8	.1	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	150.8	150.7	150.9	151.5	1.6	.5	.4	1.6	.1	.1
South urban	M	155.4	155.3	155.5	155.9	1.8	.4	.3	1.8	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	153.9	153.9	154.0	154.5	1.8	.4	.3	1.7	.1	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	156.1	156.2	156.5	156.6	2.0	.3	.1	2.2	.3	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ³	M	156.2	155.7	155.9	156.4	1.3	.4	.3	1.3	-.2	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	156.5	156.6	157.0	157.7	2.5	.7	.4	2.5	.3	.3
West urban	M	157.5	157.6	158.0	158.6	2.0	.6	.4	2.0	.3	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	156.0	156.2	156.5	157.2	2.1	.6	.4	2.0	.3	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ³	M	162.7	162.9	163.5	164.1	2.6	.7	.4	2.5	.5	.4
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	143.5	143.6	143.9	144.4	2.1	.6	.3	2.1	.3	.2
B ³	M	157.6	157.8	158.0	158.0	1.9	.1	.0	2.2	.3	.1
C ³	M	159.2	159.1	159.4	160.0	2.2	.6	.4	2.2	.1	.2
D	M	155.7	155.8	156.0	156.6	1.7	.5	.4	1.8	.2	.1
Selected local areas ⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	156.0	156.0	156.7	156.4	2.1	.3	-.2	2.5	.4	.4
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	153.8	153.8	154.0	154.7	1.3	.6	.5	1.4	.1	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	166.2	166.6	166.7	167.7	2.0	.7	.6	2.1	.3	.1
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁶	M	165.3	165.5	165.9	167.9	2.6	1.5	1.2	1.8	.4	.2
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁶	M	157.0	157.5	158.1	158.6	3.1	.7	.3	3.3	.7	.4
Baltimore, MD ⁷	1	-	155.6	-	155.6	.8	.0	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	165.8	-	166.2	2.5	.2	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	148.2	-	149.2	2.3	.7	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	155.5	-	156.1	2.3	.4	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	1	-	152.5	-	154.0	2.6	1.0	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁷	1	-	160.2	-	161.1	1.8	.6	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	151.4	-	151.1	-	-	-	-	1.1	-.2	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	149.8	-	151.6	-	-	-	-	2.4	1.2	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	144.1	-	144.9	-	-	-	-	1.9	.6	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	2	150.8	-	151.0	-	-	-	-	2.6	.1	-

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 Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ 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.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

- 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—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	165.6	2.2	0.4	153.9	2.2	0.2	155.9	1.8	0.3	158.6	2.0	0.4
All items (December 1977 = 100)	258.7	-	-	249.0	-	-	252.5	-	-	255.1	-	-
Food and beverages	160.5	1.8	.1	155.1	2.0	.3	156.0	2.0	.1	159.8	3.0	.1
Food	160.0	1.8	.1	154.5	2.0	.3	156.1	1.9	.1	159.1	2.9	.2
Food at home	160.7	1.3	-.1	154.1	1.6	.1	154.9	1.4	.0	162.1	2.6	.0
Cereals and bakery products ²	182.9	1.7	-.2	176.7	1.6	-.6	173.5	2.4	.6	177.3	2.4	-1.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ²	152.3	1.2	.3	146.2	1.2	-.5	144.7	.5	-.2	152.4	2.7	.4
Dairy products ²	135.4	-1.4	-.4	142.7	-2.5	.9	144.8	-1.7	.6	151.8	-3.3	-.9
Fruits and vegetables ²	186.9	.3	-.2	178.5	3.1	.7	187.5	1.2	-.5	198.8	5.3	1.4
Other food at home ²	156.2	3.3	.0	144.4	3.4	.8	145.3	3.8	.2	148.5	3.7	-.5
Sugar and sweets ²	156.2	.8	.1	146.2	2.1	.3	144.2	1.8	.3	149.6	3.7	1.0
Fats and oils ²	147.8	-1.3	-.5	136.3	-.3	.9	139.5	1.5	.6	144.7	1.5	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages ²	146.0	5.6	.5	130.4	5.0	.6	130.0	7.1	-.5	135.6	6.8	-.7
Other prepared food ²	168.9	3.2	-.4	158.2	3.3	1.0	162.1	2.7	.6	159.9	2.3	-1.1
Food away from home	160.9	2.6	.3	155.5	2.8	.4	159.5	2.8	.1	154.7	3.3	.5
Alcoholic beverages	166.3	1.8	-.1	162.7	1.9	-.1	154.2	2.1	.5	166.8	3.4	.0
Housing ³	165.9	2.4	-.1	148.3	2.6	.1	148.6	2.1	.3	156.8	2.3	.3
Shelter	193.6	3.1	-.3	166.1	3.3	-.1	159.6	2.7	.0	170.2	2.9	.3
Renters' costs ^{2,4}	178.8	3.9	-1.3	161.1	3.1	-.9	151.2	2.6	-.8	160.6	3.1	.1
Rent, residential	179.9	3.0	.2	165.2	3.3	.2	155.6	2.6	.3	168.3	3.2	.5
Other renters' costs ²	262.4	6.8	-6.1	196.7	2.6	-4.0	206.8	2.3	-6.2	227.0	2.3	-2.4
Homeowners' costs ^{2,4}	180.8	2.8	.2	166.0	3.3	.2	152.2	2.8	.3	166.5	2.8	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	181.6	2.8	.2	166.4	3.3	.2	152.1	2.8	.3	166.4	2.8	.4
Maintenance and repairs ²	135.4	.2	-.5	141.0	2.4	-1.6	144.9	2.9	.6	142.2	4.3	-.7
Maintenance and repair services ²	147.1	-	-7.0	155.9	1.8	-3.3	150.9	4.0	.9	146.9	1.0	-.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	117.8	.3	-2.1	124.0	3.0	.3	136.7	1.3	.1	134.2	7.4	-1.1
Fuel and other utilities ³	125.0	1.4	.0	128.0	2.0	1.0	140.1	1.9	.9	39.9	2.3	.1
Fuels	115.6	1.4	.2	113.0	.6	1.7	126.7	1.4	1.5	129.6	1.5	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	90.3	-3.2	.4	89.6	-3.0	-1.4	103.1	.7	.4	108.2	1.9	1.2
Fuel oil ²	89.6	-4.2	.1	86.8	-5.3	-2.0	91.6	.1	-.5	122.9	.5	3.5
Other household fuel commodities ^{2,5}	117.8	1.5	2.0	120.2	-.7	-.7	134.2	1.0	.9	121.1	2.6	.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	132.4	2.4	.2	118.9	.8	1.9	130.5	1.4	1.6	132.3	1.5	.1
Electricity	141.5	-.6	-.1	134.9	.4	-.2	133.2	.0	1.3	146.8	-.6	.3
Utility (piped) gas	118.9	8.6	.7	103.3	1.4	5.0	121.9	8.0	3.2	116.4	6.3	-.3
Other utilities and public services ²	161.6	1.4	-.2	163.1	3.8	.2	167.0	2.4	.2	159.6	3.2	.2
Household furnishings and operation ³	124.3	-.4	.6	122.4	1.1	.0	125.5	.2	.1	123.9	-.1	.2
Housefurnishings ²	105.4	-1.7	.8	107.8	.5	-.5	112.8	-1.3	.0	110.1	-1.3	.1
Housekeeping supplies ²	151.7	.0	.6	143.9	1.0	-.1	137.7	3.1	.1	142.5	1.1	.3
Housekeeping services ²	161.6	2.6	.1	150.0	2.7	1.1	162.4	2.3	.6	150.8	2.6	.5
Apparel and upkeep	131.3	3.0	3.8	131.7	2.8	2.7	140.2	.7	1.1	123.1	-2.3	.7
Apparel commodities ²	127.5	3.2	4.1	129.8	2.9	2.9	135.9	.5	1.2	118.8	-2.8	.9
Men's and boys' apparel ²	134.0	5.6	2.5	130.5	4.4	2.0	136.4	3.3	1.4	122.8	-1.0	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel ²	120.8	5.0	7.4	126.6	3.9	4.5	133.5	-1.5	2.0	113.9	.2	2.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	129.0	-9.4	-.2	132.5	3.1	2.2	131.9	-1.3	-.6	114.7	-6.8	-2.5
Footwear ²	128.3	.2	1.7	133.2	1.4	.7	129.8	2.4	.5	117.6	-4.9	.1
Other apparel commodities ²	156.9	-2.2	-1.1	143.1	-5.2	3.1	155.1	-.3	-.6	127.5	-10.6	-2.9
Apparel services ²	167.4	1.3	.2	151.1	1.8	-.1	174.0	2.7	.1	158.7	1.5	-.1
Transportation	147.2	1.1	.8	141.5	.4	-.4	142.1	.1	.1	144.9	.6	.8
Private transportation	143.4	1.1	.7	139.3	.3	-.4	141.2	.1	.0	142.5	.6	.7
New vehicles	142.7	-.7	-.1	142.5	-.5	.0	146.1	.1	-.1	144.8	.1	-.7
New cars	139.2	-.9	-.1	136.5	-1.0	-.1	144.5	-.1	-.1	138.0	-.9	-.9
Used cars	152.1	-5.0	-.2	150.1	-5.8	-.3	150.2	-5.4	-.2	146.9	-5.3	-.2
Motor fuel	108.6	5.3	3.2	108.8	1.2	-1.7	106.2	1.6	1.0	114.3	4.8	4.7
Gasoline	108.7	5.7	3.5	109.1	1.7	-1.8	106.1	1.8	1.1	113.7	5.2	4.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	108.1	6.7	3.7	107.7	1.9	-1.9	103.5	2.2	1.4	111.1	5.9	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	112.3	5.5	3.4	120.4	1.4	-1.4	112.4	1.6	1.1	111.0	5.6	4.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.0	4.3	3.2	111.7	1.6	-2.0	108.9	1.4	1.0	114.1	4.7	4.7
Maintenance and repairs	174.1	2.3	.2	155.1	3.1	.0	163.5	2.5	.2	166.8	1.2	.3
Other private transportation ²	176.3	1.3	.1	166.9	2.2	.1	179.6	1.3	-.5	168.8	.9	-.4
Other private transportation commodities	105.6	-.7	-.4	105.4	1.1	.0	102.3	.1	.1	101.1	-1.9	-.6
Other private transportation services ⁷	190.3	1.5	.1	181.1	2.4	.1	202.5	1.6	-.6	187.8	1.6	-.4
Public transportation ²	185.6	1.1	1.5	192.0	2.1	.8	164.0	.0	.4	188.6	.3	1.3

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—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	243.4	2.4	0.2	228.3	2.2	0.0	234.4	2.8	0.1	234.1	3.1	0.0
Medical care commodities	215.6	.8	.0	210.2	1.6	.3	209.7	2.5	.3	218.9	2.4	-.8
Medical care services	249.4	2.7	.2	232.4	2.3	.0	240.2	2.8	.0	237.7	3.3	.1
Professional medical services	227.6	3.3	.3	212.8	3.3	.0	222.7	3.8	.0	206.3	2.6	.0
Entertainment ⁷	169.2	2.3	.4	161.5	3.0	-.9	156.6	1.6	.1	154.2	.7	.3
Entertainment commodities ²	147.9	.9	-.3	145.7	2.0	.0	141.7	.6	.1	138.0	-.4	.0
Entertainment services ²	198.1	3.7	1.1	182.8	4.0	-1.6	181.6	2.8	.2	177.1	1.7	.5
Other goods and services ³	235.9	4.6	1.2	219.7	5.1	1.3	216.3	4.4	1.2	228.4	4.3	.7
Tobacco and smoking products ²	240.4	6.4	1.4	256.4	6.0	1.7	230.0	3.7	1.4	267.4	5.2	.0
Personal care ²	162.7	.3	.1	148.3	2.3	-.1	145.4	1.5	.1	155.5	.4	.3
Personal and educational expenses ²	273.5	4.9	1.4	245.0	5.2	1.4	257.7	5.6	1.3	267.5	5.2	1.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	165.6	2.2	.4	153.9	2.2	.2	155.9	1.8	.3	158.6	2.0	.4
Commodities	144.1	1.5	.8	140.3	1.4	.2	141.9	.9	.4	142.1	1.1	.4
Food and beverages	160.5	1.8	.1	155.1	2.0	.3	156.0	2.0	.1	159.8	3.0	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	132.6	1.2	1.5	132.0	1.0	.3	133.8	.2	.5	131.3	-.2	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.9	2.9	2.3	136.8	2.5	.7	136.4	1.6	.7	134.5	1.2	1.5
Apparel commodities ²	127.5	3.2	4.1	129.8	2.9	2.9	135.9	.5	1.2	118.8	-2.8	.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	140.7	2.8	1.4	142.8	2.4	-.2	139.7	2.1	.6	145.1	2.8	1.7
Durables	127.7	-1.7	.0	124.3	-1.3	-.2	129.3	-1.6	.0	127.4	-1.6	-.4
Services	191.3	2.9	.1	170.9	3.1	.2	173.1	2.7	.2	176.4	2.7	.3
Rent of shelter ⁴	180.8	3.2	-.3	165.0	3.3	-.1	151.9	2.8	.0	164.0	2.9	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ⁴	135.8	2.0	-.1	129.7	2.3	1.0	139.9	1.9	.9	139.1	2.4	.1
Transportation services	185.6	1.6	.5	176.3	2.5	.2	186.7	1.6	-.3	182.6	1.2	.1
Medical care services	249.4	2.7	.2	232.4	2.3	.0	240.2	2.8	.0	237.7	3.3	.1
Other services	227.0	4.0	1.1	197.0	4.7	.2	207.0	4.4	.8	203.7	3.6	.7
Special indexes												
All items less food	166.9	2.4	.5	153.7	2.3	.2	155.7	1.8	.3	158.4	1.8	.4
All items less shelter	157.5	1.9	.7	151.2	1.9	.3	155.2	1.5	.3	155.1	1.6	.3
All items less homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	152.4	2.1	.5	145.7	2.0	.2	147.3	1.6	.3	148.7	1.8	.3
All items less medical care	162.4	2.2	.4	150.6	2.2	.3	151.4	1.7	.3	155.1	1.9	.4
Commodities less food	134.1	1.3	1.4	133.2	1.1	.3	134.4	.3	.4	133.1	.2	.6
Nondurables less food	135.8	2.8	2.0	138.4	2.5	.7	137.2	1.6	.8	136.9	1.5	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	142.2	2.6	1.2	143.9	2.3	-.2	140.0	2.1	.6	146.2	3.0	1.5
Nondurables	147.8	2.3	1.0	146.1	2.2	.4	146.3	1.8	.4	147.7	2.1	.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	173.3	2.5	.4	161.7	2.9	.4	170.8	2.6	.4	170.9	2.5	.3
Services less medical care services	186.9	2.9	.1	165.7	3.2	.2	166.1	2.7	.3	171.7	2.6	.3
Energy	111.9	2.9	1.5	110.5	1.0	.0	114.2	1.5	1.3	120.3	3.4	2.7
All items less energy	173.2	2.2	.3	160.5	2.4	.2	161.9	1.8	.1	163.3	1.9	.2
All items less food and energy	177.1	2.3	.4	162.0	2.4	.2	163.4	1.8	.2	164.4	1.7	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	144.0	1.0	1.2	140.4	1.0	.6	142.5	.1	.4	139.2	-.5	-.1
Energy commodities	104.2	3.5	2.7	108.2	1.1	-1.6	106.4	1.5	1.0	115.2	4.6	4.5
Services less energy services	197.4	2.9	.1	177.8	3.3	.1	178.3	2.8	.1	179.9	2.8	.3

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

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	144.4	2.1	0.3	158.0	1.9	0.0	160.0	2.2	0.4	156.6	1.7	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	144.4	-	-	255.1	-	-	256.4	-	-	253.2	-	-
Food and beverages	142.6	2.1	.1	157.6	2.2	.1	156.8	2.2	.4	153.9	2.2	.5
Food	142.2	2.1	.1	157.6	2.1	.0	156.1	2.0	.3	153.4	2.2	.5
Food at home	145.7	1.6	-.1	159.6	1.8	-.2	154.1	1.7	.5	151.4	2.0	.7
Cereals and bakery products ⁴	159.5	2.2	-.4	174.5	.9	-.8	172.0	1.7	-.4	184.1	3.4	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ⁴	137.6	.8	-.4	150.7	1.9	-.1	143.7	1.9	.6	140.1	2.0	.9
Dairy products ⁴	138.5	-2.1	-.3	146.0	-2.2	.4	136.1	-2.6	-.3	136.7	-2.6	-.7
Fruits and vegetables ⁴	171.9	2.7	.2	195.3	2.5	-.5	183.2	1.1	.9	174.1	1.9	1.6
Other food at home ⁴	135.6	3.3	.0	150.1	3.9	.0	150.6	3.9	.9	143.3	3.3	-.5
Sugar and sweets ⁴	138.1	2.4	.7	146.0	.8	-.6	145.0	1.6	.1	141.1	4.1	1.5
Fats and oils ⁴	133.8	-.1	.5	139.4	.9	-.1	141.5	.4	1.2	138.2	1.2	-.8
Nonalcoholic beverages ⁴	125.8	5.6	.4	131.9	6.0	-1.2	139.5	6.7	.3	127.6	8.0	-.5
Other prepared food ⁴	144.1	2.7	-.4	171.7	3.9	1.1	164.7	3.6	1.4	157.3	1.0	-.9
Food away from home	136.6	2.9	.3	155.5	2.7	.5	161.1	2.7	.2	157.9	2.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages	146.3	2.2	-.1	157.9	2.3	.0	164.5	3.1	.8	160.3	1.1	.2
Housing ⁵	139.9	2.5	.2	155.4	2.3	-.4	157.4	2.5	.2	152.4	1.8	.3
Shelter	147.8	3.2	.1	172.1	2.8	-.7	178.2	2.7	.0	173.2	2.2	.3
Renters' costs ^{4 6}	146.0	3.5	-.1	171.3	2.9	-3.1	156.6	2.6	-.6	154.7	1.6	.1
Rent, residential	139.5	3.3	.4	166.4	2.5	.3	161.4	2.3	.2	160.1	2.3	.4
Other renters' costs ⁴	186.2	4.3	-2.6	256.4	3.8	-10.7	202.0	3.5	-4.0	194.5	-1.1	-1.1
Homeowners' costs ^{4 6}	149.0	3.1	.3	166.7	2.8	.2	170.4	2.8	.2	164.9	2.4	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	149.3	3.1	.3	167.2	2.9	.3	170.9	2.8	.2	164.8	2.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ⁴	125.1	2.6	-3.5	138.1	2.4	.2	156.7	1.8	.8	140.8	1.1	.0
Maintenance and repair services ⁴	129.1	.3	-5.5	150.8	4.5	.6	175.2	4.3	1.2	156.9	1.4	.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ⁴	120.4	5.7	-1.1	128.1	.7	-.2	132.3	-2.6	.0	121.1	.8	.1
Fuel and other utilities ⁵	131.8	1.5	.7	136.9	1.9	.2	136.1	2.9	.8	131.3	1.5	.5
Fuels	131.5	.8	1.2	116.5	1.0	.3	123.1	3.1	1.3	111.5	-.7	.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁴	133.7	-2.8	.1	92.4	-.8	1.3	92.4	-1.2	.2	86.9	-4.3	-2.4
Fuel oil ⁴	135.4	-4.0	.2	91.5	-.8	.2	83.9	-5.0	.1	85.2	-5.6	-4.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 4}	128.6	1.4	-.1	121.7	-.7	2.8	125.6	3.9	.3	118.8	-2.9	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	131.3	1.1	1.3	123.9	1.2	.2	132.9	3.5	1.5	121.0	-.3	1.2
Electricity	138.8	.1	.7	133.7	.1	-.1	141.0	.6	.4	131.1	-2.8	.3
Utility (piped) gas	119.6	3.1	2.3	107.6	4.5	1.0	121.2	13.0	4.8	104.5	7.8	3.8
Other utilities and public services ⁴	132.2	2.5	.1	179.9	2.8	.1	164.0	2.6	.2	171.1	3.6	.3
Household furnishings and operation ⁵	116.2	-.4	.2	126.9	.7	.4	123.0	1.2	.1	125.0	1.2	.2
Housefurnishings ⁴	104.5	-1.9	.0	115.1	.2	.4	108.1	.4	-.4	109.8	-.2	.1
Housekeeping supplies ⁴	135.6	.9	.2	135.2	.7	.1	142.6	2.4	.6	138.2	3.6	.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	137.8	2.5	.5	161.7	2.7	.5	159.7	2.7	1.1	163.1	2.9	.7
Apparel and upkeep	121.8	1.0	2.3	130.6	1.2	1.2	141.1	1.4	2.5	134.1	2.5	1.9
Apparel commodities ⁴	120.3	.8	2.5	126.5	1.0	1.4	138.7	1.6	2.7	130.9	2.6	2.1
Men's and boys' apparel ⁴	122.0	4.5	2.3	129.5	-.5	.0	140.5	2.6	1.9	127.4	5.7	1.8
Women's and girls' apparel ⁴	115.1	2.7	4.6	128.3	.9	2.3	133.7	.5	4.9	133.5	2.5	3.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ⁴	107.2	-6.7	.5	129.4	8.6	1.8	147.7	-2.3	-2.7	113.8	-7.8	-1.3
Footwear ⁴	125.0	-1.2	.4	116.4	-.3	1.0	135.9	5.2	2.3	133.6	3.2	-.3
Other apparel commodities ⁴	140.1	-7.7	-1.5	128.8	3.5	1.0	163.8	.0	-.1	139.9	-.5	2.4
Apparel services ⁴	137.0	2.0	.1	168.9	2.7	-.1	169.3	.3	.1	165.4	2.5	.0
Transportation	143.3	.8	.4	142.8	.4	.0	142.1	.6	.1	141.6	-.8	-.1
Private transportation	142.9	.8	.4	140.8	.1	-.1	140.1	.4	.0	139.3	-.9	-.1
New vehicles	126.5	-2	.0	143.2	-.2	-.2	144.5	-2	-.3	145.2	-.7	-.8
New cars	123.3	-.5	.0	136.3	-.7	-.3	140.2	-1.0	-.6	140.3	-1.3	-1.0
Used cars	141.5	-5.4	-.1	150.2	-5.1	-.2	149.3	-5.1	-.2	143.3	-6.6	-.3
Motor fuel	160.5	3.8	1.9	107.3	2.3	.4	108.0	2.1	1.0	106.2	-.2	1.0
Gasoline	160.5	4.2	2.0	107.4	2.7	.4	108.4	2.6	1.2	106.1	.3	1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	161.4	4.7	2.0	105.0	2.7	.2	105.9	2.7	1.2	102.6	.9	1.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	111.9	4.5	2.5	113.0	2.8	.7	118.4	2.4	1.4	116.6	-.6	.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	149.0	3.1	2.0	109.7	2.4	.8	111.5	2.7	1.5	107.5	.5	.1
Maintenance and repairs	146.5	2.1	.0	167.8	2.2	.4	162.3	3.3	.5	151.0	2.1	.4
Other private transportation ⁴	147.4	1.7	-.1	170.7	.5	-.3	173.6	1.7	-.5	169.2	1.3	-.6
Other private transportation commodities	107.6	.6	-.1	98.7	-1.2	-.2	103.4	-1.9	-.8	120.1	-.7	.1
Other private transportation services ⁸	156.9	1.9	.0	189.3	.8	-.3	193.9	2.4	-.5	182.3	1.7	-.8
Public transportation ⁴	147.4	.3	1.1	200.0	3.3	.9	206.7	2.8	.6	207.0	-.6	2.2

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 ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	185.5	2.1	0.1	234.5	3.3	0.1	239.8	3.2	0.2	227.8	2.6	0.0
Medical care commodities	171.5	1.4	-.3	211.6	1.7	.3	207.8	3.0	.2	214.9	3.1	.3
Medical care services	188.7	2.3	.2	239.5	3.6	.0	246.6	3.2	.2	231.0	2.5	.0
Professional medical services	172.1	2.8	.0	214.6	4.9	.0	227.3	3.1	.3	223.2	3.6	.0
Entertainment ⁸	143.0	1.9	-.3	156.4	1.6	.4	165.9	2.6	.1	146.7	2.1	.3
Entertainment commodities ⁴	132.4	1.1	-.2	138.1	-.9	-.1	147.9	1.2	.1	138.0	1.8	.4
Entertainment services ⁴	154.6	2.5	-.4	185.2	4.3	1.0	195.0	4.3	.1	160.5	2.4	.2
Other goods and services ⁵	181.8	4.9	1.1	224.0	3.3	1.0	221.8	4.9	1.6	223.1	5.0	1.0
Tobacco and smoking products ⁴	192.3	6.0	.9	249.5	2.2	.5	252.6	6.9	3.2	235.7	4.6	1.0
Personal care ⁴	136.7	1.4	.1	149.1	-.1	.5	152.1	1.3	-.5	139.3	2.4	.4
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	195.1	5.4	1.4	260.4	5.0	1.4	250.7	4.5	1.0	270.0	6.0	1.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	144.4	2.1	.3	158.0	1.9	.0	160.0	2.2	.4	156.6	1.7	.4
Commodities	136.7	1.3	.4	141.1	1.1	.3	143.3	1.4	.6	141.2	1.1	.5
Food and beverages	142.6	2.1	.1	157.6	2.2	.1	156.8	2.2	.4	153.9	2.2	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	132.7	.6	.8	131.5	.2	.3	135.3	.9	.7	133.6	.3	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	142.0	2.2	1.4	133.7	1.4	.7	138.8	2.7	1.5	135.4	1.9	1.0
Apparel commodities ⁴	120.3	.8	2.5	126.5	1.0	1.4	138.7	1.6	2.7	130.9	2.6	2.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	154.8	2.8	.8	139.7	1.5	.4	141.7	3.1	1.1	138.6	1.6	.6
Durables	120.6	-1.6	-.1	127.2	-1.2	.0	129.2	-1.4	-.3	128.8	-1.9	-.3
Services	151.6	2.8	.3	178.6	2.8	-.2	181.9	3.0	.2	177.0	2.4	.3
Rent of shelter ⁶	148.2	3.3	.2	168.4	2.8	-.8	166.7	2.7	.0	161.9	2.2	.4
Household services less rent of shelter ⁶	132.6	1.8	.5	139.7	2.0	.1	137.3	3.1	.8	135.5	2.0	.7
Transportation services	152.5	1.6	.2	184.7	1.4	.0	186.1	2.6	-.1	177.7	1.5	-.2
Medical care services	188.7	2.3	.2	239.5	3.6	.0	246.6	3.2	.2	231.0	2.5	.0
Other services	171.2	4.1	.6	210.4	4.3	1.1	207.8	4.1	.6	205.9	4.7	.8
Special indexes												
All items less food	144.9	2.1	.4	158.1	1.9	.0	160.8	2.3	.4	157.2	1.6	.4
All items less shelter	143.2	1.7	.5	154.6	1.6	.3	155.2	2.0	.5	152.8	1.6	.5
All items less homeowners' costs ^{4 6}	143.4	1.8	.3	148.7	1.7	-.1	148.3	2.1	.5	145.7	1.6	.4
All items less medical care	142.5	2.1	.4	154.3	1.8	.0	156.0	2.2	.4	152.4	1.7	.5
Commodities less food	133.5	.8	.7	132.5	.4	.4	136.4	1.0	.7	134.5	.3	.4
Nondurables less food	142.4	2.2	1.1	135.0	1.4	.7	140.1	2.6	1.4	136.7	1.9	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	153.5	2.7	.7	140.4	1.6	.4	142.8	3.0	1.0	139.8	1.6	.6
Nondurables	142.3	2.1	.6	145.8	1.8	.3	147.7	2.4	.9	144.9	2.0	.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	155.2	2.4	.4	171.0	2.7	.3	170.7	3.2	.4	166.3	2.5	.4
Services less medical care services	148.8	2.9	.3	173.0	2.7	-.2	175.7	3.0	.2	170.8	2.3	.4
Energy	144.6	2.3	1.5	110.7	1.7	.4	114.0	2.6	1.2	108.0	-.5	.9
All items less energy	144.4	2.1	.3	164.7	2.0	.0	166.9	2.1	.3	163.7	1.9	.4
All items less food and energy	145.0	2.1	.3	166.6	2.0	.0	169.7	2.2	.3	166.4	1.8	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	130.1	.3	.5	140.0	.1	.4	145.2	.9	.8	142.6	.5	.4
Energy commodities	158.3	3.3	1.8	105.9	2.1	.5	106.9	1.8	1.0	104.4	-.5	.8
Services less energy services	153.2	3.0	.2	184.9	2.9	-.2	188.0	3.0	.1	184.1	2.6	.3

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

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁵ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 ²			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items	165.4	2.2	0.5	163.4	2.3	-0.2	168.6	3.0	0.5
All items (December 1977 = 100)	252.7	-	-	260.8	-	-	280.4	-	-
Food and beverages	159.8	1.3	.1	164.3	2.8	-.4	159.0	2.5	.4
Food	159.4	1.4	.2	164.1	2.8	-.4	158.3	2.6	.4
Food at home	160.2	.6	.1	167.1	2.7	-1.1	155.4	2.7	.8
Cereals and bakery products ³	185.0	1.1	.5	170.3	2.0	-3.0	185.6	5.0	-.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	150.6	-.4	.1	162.7	5.7	-.3	152.4	4.1	2.4
Dairy products ³	136.2	-.9	.1	140.9	-.8	-1.7	118.5	-5.4	-.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	187.5	.9	.3	190.2	-3.5	-2.7	181.8	2.0	-.2
Other food at home ³	154.0	2.5	-.3	171.1	5.4	.5	148.3	4.1	.7
Food away from home	159.7	2.7	.3	162.7	2.9	.7	165.4	2.4	-.2
Alcoholic beverages	166.2	1.8	-.2	169.4	2.5	-.2	165.9	1.1	.2
Housing ⁴	163.8	2.6	.0	164.4	2.0	-.8	174.4	2.9	-.1
Shelter	188.5	3.3	-.1	191.5	2.9	-1.4	214.7	3.3	-.2
Renters' costs ^{3,5}	178.5	4.3	-.5	193.8	3.4	-4.8	164.5	3.4	-1.7
Rent, residential	181.3	3.2	.2	171.8	3.0	.4	176.2	2.8	.1
Other renters' costs ³	263.2	8.4	-3.3	279.5	3.9	-10.6	206.8	7.4	-12.4
Homeowners' costs ^{3,5}	177.1	2.9	.2	180.9	2.7	.2	195.0	3.3	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	177.8	2.9	.2	181.9	2.9	.2	195.6	3.2	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	124.0	1.5	.0	134.1	1.1	.4	118.3	1.8	.0
Fuels	119.3	1.9	.2	116.5	.6	.6	98.3	1.5	.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	95.4	-3.5	.0	88.0	-3.0	2.8	79.0	-1.9	-.1
Fuel oil ³	93.3	-4.5	.0	89.5	-1.0	1.0	79.6	-5.4	-.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,6}	136.1	3.6	.2	109.6	-8.2	8.4	99.0	12.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	133.8	2.9	.2	137.2	1.5	.0	117.5	2.9	.3
Electricity	142.9	-.2	-.1	147.3	-1.7	-.5	121.1	.4	.4
Utility (piped) gas	121.3	8.6	.8	119.3	10.8	1.5	113.0	10.2	-.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.2	-.9	.6	121.3	-1.1	.5	119.9	2.2	.6
Apparel and upkeep	127.7	2.7	4.4	129.8	3.4	1.5	149.8	5.9	3.6
Apparel commodities ³	123.1	2.8	4.9	126.9	3.4	1.5	147.4	6.3	3.9
Men's and boys' apparel ³	124.5	5.1	3.3	148.3	5.1	1.0	169.8	12.5	1.4
Women's and girls' apparel ³	116.4	5.3	9.3	120.8	2.5	1.5	135.1	8.8	7.4
Footwear ³	128.7	1.4	1.1	118.3	-1.7	2.3	140.6	-3.4	2.9
Transportation	150.4	1.0	.9	142.9	1.1	.3	140.0	1.2	.6
Private transportation	146.2	1.2	.9	140.3	.4	.3	136.6	1.3	.6
Motor fuel	107.8	5.4	3.5	109.3	5.0	2.7	108.6	6.0	3.7
Gasoline	107.7	5.7	3.7	109.8	5.7	2.9	108.9	6.6	4.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	107.2	6.9	4.0	107.6	5.7	3.1	109.0	7.1	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	110.1	5.3	3.7	116.4	5.9	2.6	116.4	6.1	3.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.8	4.0	3.3	109.9	5.2	2.3	111.9	5.7	4.0
Public transportation ³	178.6	-.4	1.7	200.5	10.2	.4	232.8	-.3	.3
Medical care	246.6	2.6	.2	238.7	1.4	.0	232.1	2.2	.4
Entertainment ⁸	170.3	1.3	.6	160.4	2.7	.5	175.6	6.4	-.5
Other goods and services ⁴	234.6	4.7	1.1	230.6	4.2	1.6	241.6	5.5	1.9
Personal care ³	167.3	.2	.2	149.1	-.5	1.2	149.6	.8	-1.7
Commodity and service group									
All items	165.4	2.2	.5	163.4	2.3	-.2	168.6	3.0	.5
Commodities	144.0	1.3	1.0	143.0	1.9	.4	145.3	2.2	1.0
Food and beverages	159.8	1.3	.1	164.3	2.8	-.4	159.0	2.5	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	132.2	1.2	1.7	129.5	1.3	1.0	136.2	2.0	1.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.3	2.9	2.5	131.0	2.3	1.6	138.8	4.2	2.4
Durables	127.6	-2.1	.0	125.2	-.4	.2	128.4	-1.4	-.2
Services	189.1	2.9	.2	191.1	2.5	-.6	199.7	3.6	.1
Medical care services	253.3	3.0	.2	243.5	1.8	.0	237.0	2.1	.7
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	158.2	1.7	.8	156.0	2.0	.3	155.4	2.9	.8
All items less medical care	162.0	2.1	.6	160.4	2.3	-.2	165.8	3.0	.5
All items less energy	172.3	2.1	.5	171.2	2.2	-.3	178.6	3.0	.4
All items less food and energy	176.0	2.3	.5	173.4	2.1	-.2	184.1	3.0	.3
Energy	114.0	3.3	1.4	112.8	2.4	1.4	101.1	3.4	1.6
Commodities less food	133.7	1.3	1.6	131.1	1.3	.9	137.7	2.0	1.3
Nondurables less food	135.4	2.8	2.3	133.2	2.4	1.4	140.4	3.8	2.2
Nondurables	147.6	2.1	1.2	148.0	2.6	.4	148.8	3.3	1.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	172.6	2.4	.5	174.1	2.1	.2	174.0	4.1	.4
Services less medical care services	184.5	2.9	.2	187.0	2.6	-.7	196.7	3.8	.0

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 ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	153.9	2.3	0.2	152.3	1.9	0.0	156.9	2.8	0.5	151.5	1.6	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	251.5	-	-	245.2	-	-	246.7	-	-	245.5	-	-
Food and beverages	157.3	2.3	.1	150.7	.9	.3	154.8	2.0	.5	149.0	2.0	.6
Food	156.8	2.3	.1	150.8	.8	.3	153.7	2.0	.5	148.0	1.9	.7
Food at home	157.4	2.1	-.3	151.1	-.5	.2	152.4	1.7	.7	145.1	1.5	1.0
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.1	2.2	-.4	179.6	-1.8	-2.0	171.5	1.7	-.5	176.7	2.1	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	152.0	1.1	-1.1	137.6	-1.5	-1.6	139.7	2.6	1.1	138.2	2.7	.9
Dairy products ³	146.7	-1.9	.7	141.6	-7.3	3.9	138.6	-.8	-.4	134.8	-2.6	1.2
Fruits and vegetables ³	185.0	5.4	.2	166.0	2.3	.7	178.8	-1.5	1.8	158.0	-.7	.8
Other food at home ³	142.9	3.1	.4	148.8	2.8	1.4	150.3	4.3	.7	135.9	3.0	1.5
Food away from home	156.2	2.8	.6	150.6	3.3	.5	157.0	2.3	.1	153.8	2.9	-.1
Alcoholic beverages	163.2	1.6	-.1	148.6	1.5	.0	168.9	2.4	.2	164.8	3.4	-.3
Housing ¹	146.8	2.6	.3	147.9	3.0	-.7	154.0	2.9	.3	147.0	2.0	.6
Shelter	164.6	3.5	.1	168.9	3.2	-1.1	172.4	2.9	.0	160.5	2.4	.4
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	160.5	3.5	-.1	169.2	2.6	-4.8	166.0	2.5	-.8	148.0	1.9	.5
Rent, residential	168.2	3.4	.2	171.3	3.3	.4	160.8	2.9	.2	149.9	2.7	.4
Other renters' costs ³	187.5	4.0	-1.1	214.7	1.4	-13.9	219.1	1.7	-2.8	178.2	-2.6	.7
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	164.7	3.5	.2	170.4	3.5	.2	172.0	3.1	.3	159.3	2.6	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	164.8	3.5	.2	171.3	3.6	.2	173.0	3.1	.3	159.6	2.4	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	125.8	.9	.9	119.5	2.2	.3	133.4	4.6	1.8	139.0	1.9	1.3
Fuels	113.1	-1.8	1.5	104.3	1.1	.4	119.5	6.0	3.0	113.7	1.3	1.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	90.3	-2.6	-.3	87.0	-1.0	-1.2	91.7	-4.1	.3	87.9	-3.9	-8.1
Fuel oil ³	89.5	-3.2	1.0	87.9	-4.8	-3.2	82.5	-6.8	1.2	84.5	-8.8	-14.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 5}	114.0	-2.0	-1.5	120.2	1.3	.0	126.5	-1.4	-.6	129.4	2.8	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	116.8	-1.8	1.6	110.5	1.2	.5	129.7	6.7	3.3	122.8	1.7	2.5
Electricity	136.2	.3	-.4	132.7	2.0	-.1	136.8	1.7	.1	134.2	-3.5	-.6
Utility (piped) gas	99.2	-4.3	4.1	90.8	-.1	1.1	121.7	15.9	8.9	111.8	9.9	7.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	116.9	.7	.3	127.3	2.9	-.4	132.3	.4	-.6	125.4	1.0	.0
Apparel and upkeep	128.6	1.7	1.7	135.3	1.6	5.0	133.7	6.2	3.7	142.8	4.5	3.8
Apparel commodities ³	127.1	1.7	1.8	132.8	1.5	5.8	130.5	7.0	4.1	142.0	4.5	4.1
Men's and boys' apparel ³	129.4	5.2	.5	121.4	-10.3	.0	131.7	10.4	8.4	144.9	8.1	2.2
Women's and girls' apparel ³	119.0	3.0	3.2	150.5	6.7	9.4	128.7	4.5	2.7	136.6	3.2	8.4
Footwear ³	129.8	-1.4	-.1	106.3	-.9	-.1	137.5	10.0	3.4	165.9	5.5	.6
Transportation	141.8	.4	-.4	141.9	.2	-.5	142.1	1.1	-.3	138.2	-1.1	-.2
Private transportation	139.8	.3	-.4	139.6	.1	-.7	139.9	.9	-.4	134.4	-1.0	-.3
Motor fuel	110.0	1.3	-2.0	110.3	2.2	-3.4	106.9	1.8	-.8	105.0	-1.1	.2
Gasoline	110.3	1.7	-2.1	110.7	2.4	-3.5	107.1	2.1	-.8	104.9	-.4	.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.4	1.9	-2.1	107.8	2.5	-3.9	105.7	2.3	-.6	101.9	.3	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	119.7	2.1	-1.6	120.7	2.7	-2.3	120.8	1.3	-1.1	122.5	-1.6	.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	110.8	1.4	-2.1	115.9	2.2	-3.1	107.4	2.7	-1.0	107.7	-.7	.1
Public transportation ³	174.2	2.3	.8	242.5	2.1	3.0	227.3	6.1	.8	276.0	-5.7	-.8
Medical care	226.8	1.7	.1	227.3	2.9	.1	242.1	3.3	.1	218.4	2.2	-.1
Entertainment ⁸	163.8	3.1	-1.6	149.3	2.0	.6	172.4	4.4	-.2	148.0	.9	.2
Other goods and services ⁴	225.6	5.9	1.3	213.3	1.3	.4	213.8	5.7	2.9	207.9	4.0	-.6
Personal care ³	142.9	3.5	-.1	166.4	2.4	.7	158.9	-1.4	-.7	139.1	4.5	.7
Commodity and service group												
All items	153.9	2.3	.2	152.3	1.9	.0	156.9	2.8	.5	151.5	1.6	.4
Commodities	140.4	1.4	.1	137.2	.6	.3	142.2	2.2	.5	140.7	1.2	.4
Food and beverages	157.3	2.3	.1	150.7	.9	.3	154.8	2.0	.5	149.0	2.0	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	130.5	.7	.2	130.1	.4	.2	135.4	2.3	.7	136.0	.7	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.3	2.3	.4	132.9	1.0	.7	137.7	4.6	1.5	139.2	1.8	.7
Durables	121.4	-1.6	.0	125.5	-.3	-.2	129.7	-1.1	-.8	127.5	-.7	-.2
Services	170.1	3.2	.2	170.2	2.9	-.4	176.6	3.4	.5	165.8	2.0	.4
Medical care services	230.7	1.9	.0	229.2	3.2	.0	249.2	3.2	.1	220.6	2.1	-.3
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	151.5	1.8	.2	148.6	1.4	.3	153.1	2.8	.7	149.8	1.4	.4
All items less medical care	150.6	2.3	.2	148.7	1.8	-.1	153.4	2.8	.6	147.9	1.6	.5
All items less energy	160.1	2.5	.2	160.0	1.9	.1	163.9	2.7	.5	157.4	1.8	.4
All items less food and energy	160.9	2.5	.2	162.3	2.1	.1	166.6	2.8	.4	159.8	1.8	.3
Energy	111.6	-.2	-.4	105.5	1.6	-1.5	111.9	3.9	1.2	109.4	.2	1.1
Commodities less food	131.9	.8	.2	130.7	.5	.2	136.5	2.2	.6	136.9	.8	.2
Nondurables less food	138.9	2.2	.3	133.6	1.0	.6	139.4	4.4	1.4	140.8	1.9	.6
Durables	147.6	2.3	.1	141.6	.9	.5	146.0	3.2	1.0	144.7	1.9	.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	162.9	2.8	.2	159.9	2.5	.4	162.5	3.8	.9	156.4	1.8	.4
Services less medical care services	165.1	3.3	.2	165.2	2.9	-.4	170.9	3.5	.5	160.0	2.0	.6

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 ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	154.5	1.8	0.3	156.6	2.0	0.1	156.4	1.3	0.3	157.7	2.5	0.4
All items (December 1977=100)	250.3	-	-	253.7	-	-	253.2	-	-	255.4	-	-
Food and beverages	155.7	1.9	-3	156.8	1.7	.0	157.0	1.8	.4	153.9	2.5	.7
Food	155.9	2.0	-3	157.0	1.7	-1	156.8	1.6	.3	154.3	2.8	.7
Food at home	154.5	.9	-3	157.3	1.6	-1	155.1	1.2	.3	151.7	2.7	.9
Cereals and bakery products ³	169.6	3.2	-8	173.2	.9	-2	168.0	1.0	.1	192.8	5.6	5.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	144.5	.0	-6	146.2	.7	.0	143.1	.2	-6	144.5	1.7	.9
Dairy products ³	149.4	-2.0	.7	148.1	-4	1.0	143.1	-2.8	.1	133.3	-1.3	.3
Fruits and vegetables ³	186.3	-3	-6	205.5	3.0	-5	181.8	1.3	-1	170.0	1.4	-8
Other food at home ³	143.2	3.8	.0	142.0	3.1	-5	154.9	3.9	1.6	139.3	4.7	-1.1
Food away from home	159.6	3.4	-1	157.7	1.9	.1	161.7	2.7	.2	160.7	2.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages	153.6	1.9	-3	153.6	1.4	.1	160.3	4.8	3.0	147.1	-6	.1
Housing ⁴	145.2	1.9	.4	151.1	2.5	-1	148.0	1.9	.2	153.5	2.7	.5
Shelter	156.6	2.7	.2	158.0	3.3	-5	158.3	2.0	.0	178.6	3.3	.4
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	147.8	2.4	-1	163.7	3.2	-2.4	142.8	2.0	-3	155.1	3.1	-2
Rent, residential	155.8	2.4	.2	158.7	3.2	.4	148.8	1.8	.2	161.4	4.0	.6
Other renters' costs ³	185.8	2.1	-3.0	271.1	3.1	-11.4	175.4	2.6	-2.7	192.3	-1.1	-3.9
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	151.0	2.8	.4	154.6	3.3	.4	147.3	2.0	.1	164.2	3.3	.7
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	151.1	2.9	.3	154.8	3.3	.5	147.0	2.0	.1	163.2	3.5	.7
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	128.2	1.7	1.9	150.3	2.2	.1	148.6	1.7	.7	130.6	2.0	.6
Fuels	121.1	2.1	3.4	123.7	1.2	.2	144.2	1.5	.8	112.2	-8	1.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	95.8	.3	.7	106.7	1.9	.4	127.6	3.2	.6	88.7	-4.8	.0
Fuel oil ³	91.5	-4	-4	93.6	1.0	-7	86.7	15.0	.0	88.6	-4.3	.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	129.8	1.2	2.0	135.5	2.5	1.1	153.5	2.4	.6	109.7	-5.2	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	125.6	2.2	3.5	124.8	1.1	.2	146.5	1.5	.8	118.1	-4	1.5
Electricity	127.7	.7	3.3	125.8	.2	-1	151.4	-3	.5	122.0	-1.2	1.1
Utility (piped) gas	116.8	7.2	4.3	125.4	5.9	1.3	135.8	11.2	2.6	105.5	8.5	6.0
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	127.6	-1.2	-5	133.0	.0	.8	117.0	1.7	.3	120.8	2.5	.4
Apparel and upkeep	145.1	1.5	1.0	134.4	1.4	.2	145.4	-2.1	1.8	127.8	3.7	1.6
Apparel commodities ³	140.1	1.2	1.2	129.1	1.2	.2	143.2	-2.4	2.1	122.3	4.1	1.7
Men's and boys' apparel ³	147.9	6.3	2.2	130.8	2.0	-2	132.1	-2.4	1.2	119.0	9.8	3.4
Women's and girls' apparel ³	133.8	-5	1.2	128.5	-8	.3	139.9	-5.5	5.4	133.8	3.4	2.1
Footwear ³	135.8	1.5	.4	125.4	.8	.6	135.4	5.1	1.1	105.9	5.4	-1.9
Transportation	143.5	.6	.3	141.4	-1	.1	141.4	-1	-1	141.0	-6	-4
Private transportation	143.3	.8	.3	140.5	-2	.1	139.9	-3	-1	140.1	-5	-4
Motor fuel	109.3	2.1	1.9	105.6	1.6	.6	106.4	1.5	.8	98.2	-1	.1
Gasoline	108.8	2.3	2.1	105.4	1.7	.6	107.4	2.0	.8	97.7	.4	.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.9	2.5	2.3	103.1	2.0	.5	103.3	2.2	1.0	93.6	.8	.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	110.5	2.0	2.2	111.0	1.8	.5	115.8	1.8	.6	115.0	-5	-3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	109.9	1.4	1.7	107.7	1.5	.9	111.7	1.9	.8	104.6	.2	-3
Public transportation ³	145.9	-1.2	.6	175.1	1.3	-6	194.6	1.9	1.1	167.0	-2.1	.1
Medical care	234.0	2.1	.1	232.7	4.1	.1	237.9	2.4	.1	232.3	2.8	.0
Entertainment ⁸	166.1	2.7	-2	154.7	1.8	.3	150.8	-9	.6	150.8	3.7	-1
Other goods and services ⁴	206.5	4.2	1.1	229.1	3.3	1.0	215.4	4.5	.8	220.9	7.5	2.3
Personal care ³	150.9	2.7	.5	148.2	-1.4	-2	143.9	3.5	.1	125.0	.1	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	154.5	1.8	.3	156.6	2.0	.1	156.4	1.3	.3	157.7	2.5	.4
Commodities	142.2	1.1	.2	141.6	.6	.2	143.2	.6	.5	139.4	1.7	.7
Food and beverages	155.7	1.9	-3	156.8	1.7	.0	157.0	1.8	.4	153.9	2.5	.7
Commodities less food and beverages	134.3	.4	.4	133.2	.0	.3	135.1	-2	.6	131.1	1.1	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages	136.8	1.8	.9	136.2	1.3	.3	138.5	.9	1.1	132.0	3.4	1.3
Durables	130.6	-1.4	-2	127.5	-1.9	.2	130.4	-1.6	.0	127.8	-1.8	.0
Services	169.3	2.5	.4	174.3	3.1	.0	173.3	2.1	.2	181.7	3.3	.3
Medical care services	238.7	2.0	.2	239.8	4.5	.0	244.8	2.3	.0	235.5	2.5	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	154.3	1.5	.3	156.9	1.6	.3	155.9	1.1	.4	152.9	2.3	.5
All items less medical care	150.5	1.8	.3	152.4	1.7	.1	151.6	1.3	.3	152.3	2.5	.5
All items less energy	160.6	1.8	.1	162.5	1.9	.1	162.0	1.3	.2	165.7	2.8	.4
All items less food and energy	161.8	1.8	.2	163.8	2.0	.0	163.4	1.2	.3	168.8	2.8	.4
Energy	114.0	2.1	2.6	111.7	1.5	.4	122.2	1.5	.7	102.8	-5	.8
Commodities less food	135.0	.5	.4	133.8	.0	.2	135.8	-1	.7	131.4	1.0	.6
Nondurables less food	137.6	1.8	.8	136.9	1.3	.3	139.5	1.2	1.2	132.3	3.0	1.1
Nondurables	146.3	1.9	.3	146.6	1.5	.1	147.8	1.4	.7	142.9	2.9	.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	167.1	2.4	.7	173.5	3.0	.3	173.1	2.1	.2	170.6	3.2	.2
Services less medical care services	163.0	2.6	.4	167.7	2.9	-1	165.2	2.0	.2	173.9	3.5	.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	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Expenditure category						
All items	157.2	2.1	0.4	164.1	2.6	0.4
All items (December 1977 = 100)	254.4	-	-	253.0	-	-
Food and beverages	160.6	2.8	.1	157.4	3.1	.2
Food	159.8	2.8	.1	156.8	3.0	.3
Food at home	163.3	2.6	-.1	153.2	2.1	.0
Cereals and bakery products ³	180.7	2.8	-1.7	165.0	-1.4	-2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	154.0	2.7	.0	142.5	3.7	1.4
Dairy products ³	156.1	-3.2	-.1	139.4	-2.4	-1.8
Fruits and vegetables ³	194.3	4.2	.5	197.5	5.2	3.0
Other food at home ³	149.7	4.0	.1	140.3	2.5	-1.7
Food away from home	154.5	3.0	.3	162.9	4.3	.6
Alcoholic beverages	167.5	3.4	.0	165.2	3.6	-.5
Housing ⁴	155.6	2.6	.3	164.4	3.1	.3
Shelter	166.4	3.3	.4	185.7	3.2	.2
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	162.5	3.4	.1	161.6	2.7	.0
Rent, residential	172.4	3.9	.6	166.2	1.9	.2
Other renters' costs ³	225.3	.7	-2.8	227.2	6.3	-1.2
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	164.3	3.2	.6	187.3	3.5	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	164.0	3.1	.6	188.3	3.5	.3
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	144.3	2.3	.2	134.5	4.9	.4
Fuels	136.3	1.4	.4	113.9	4.2	.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ^{3 9}	106.8	1.8	1.6	264.9	.0	4.3
Fuel oil ^{3 9}	106.0	.3	4.6	353.9	1.1	-2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	138.7	2.9	-.4	113.5	-.4	5.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	138.4	1.5	.4	112.8	4.3	.0
Electricity	153.5	-.5	.5	125.1	2.1	-.1
Utility (piped) gas	123.7	6.2	.2	99.6	8.7	-.1
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.3	-.6	.1	122.5	1.0	.9
Apparel and upkeep	121.5	-2.3	1.2	135.5	-1.6	.7
Apparel commodities ³	116.4	-2.8	1.4	134.2	-1.8	.8
Men's and boys' apparel ³	122.3	.8	3.6	143.2	-7.3	-5.5
Women's and girls' apparel ³	108.9	1.1	2.8	129.1	1.2	6.5
Footwear ³	119.2	-7.3	-.2	128.7	5.8	2.6
Transportation	144.2	.9	.9	143.7	.7	.3
Private transportation	141.7	1.0	1.0	142.5	.6	.4
Motor fuel	114.7	6.9	5.1	113.8	.1	3.8
Gasoline	113.9	7.3	5.3	113.1	.7	4.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular	111.5	8.1	5.6	108.9	.1	3.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	109.3	7.6	4.9	123.2	2.0	4.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	115.7	6.6	5.4	112.4	1.0	3.4
Public transportation ³	190.7	-.1	.7	172.4	2.6	-.4
Medical care	229.7	2.2	-.2	252.6	6.5	.2
Entertainment ⁸	152.0	.6	.3	173.0	2.7	.3
Other goods and services ⁴	230.6	4.7	.6	231.5	3.5	.8
Personal care ³	161.7	-.1	.2	159.1	3.4	.0

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 ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		Aug. 1997	Sept. 1996	Aug. 1997
Commodity and service group						
All items	157.2	2.1	0.4	164.1	2.6	0.4
Commodities	141.3	1.4	.5	142.7	1.1	.6
Food and beverages	160.6	2.8	.1	157.4	3.1	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	129.4	.2	.8	134.5	.0	1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.5	1.5	1.6	142.8	1.1	1.9
Durables	126.0	-1.4	-.3	124.7	-1.4	-.2
Services	173.8	2.7	.3	189.6	3.9	.1
Medical care services	232.4	2.3	.2	261.0	7.2	.2
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	154.8	1.6	.4	157.7	2.4	.4
All items less medical care	154.1	2.1	.4	159.3	2.2	.3
All items less energy	161.6	2.0	.2	170.1	2.7	.2
All items less food and energy	162.2	1.8	.2	173.1	2.6	.2
Energy	121.3	4.6	3.1	114.0	1.8	2.2
Commodities less food	131.4	.5	.8	135.8	.2	.7
Nondurables less food	135.2	1.7	1.4	143.6	1.5	1.5
Nondurables	147.2	2.2	.8	150.5	2.2	.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	169.9	2.2	.4	176.1	4.5	.0
Services less medical care services	169.8	2.7	.4	182.4	3.4	.1

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

² Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁹ 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 ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Indexes, September 1997						
U.S. city average	157.7	177.7	148.7	143.2	187.5	148.2
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban	160.7	182.9	152.3	135.4	186.9	156.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	160.2	185.0	150.6	136.2	187.5	154.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	167.1	170.3	162.7	140.9	190.2	171.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	155.4	185.6	152.4	118.5	181.8	148.3
North Central urban	154.1	176.7	146.2	142.7	178.5	144.4
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.4	178.1	152.0	146.7	185.0	142.9
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	151.1	179.6	137.6	141.6	166.0	148.8
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	152.4	171.5	139.7	138.6	178.8	150.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	145.1	176.7	138.2	134.8	158.0	135.9
South urban	154.9	173.5	144.7	144.8	187.5	145.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	154.5	169.6	144.5	149.4	186.3	143.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	157.3	173.2	146.2	148.1	205.5	142.0
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	155.1	168.0	143.1	143.1	181.8	154.9
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	151.7	192.8	144.5	133.3	170.0	139.3
West urban	162.1	177.3	152.4	151.8	198.8	148.5
Size A - More than 1,200,000	163.3	180.7	154.0	156.1	194.3	149.7
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴	153.2	165.0	142.5	139.4	197.5	140.3
Size classes						
A ⁵	145.7	159.5	137.6	138.5	171.9	135.6
B ⁴	159.6	174.5	150.7	146.0	195.3	150.1
C ⁴	154.1	172.0	143.7	136.1	183.2	150.6
D	151.4	184.1	140.1	136.7	174.1	143.3
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	160.3	189.3	138.8	149.5	197.8	153.3
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	155.1	172.1	146.4	146.0	193.4	138.3
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	165.5	178.3	167.6	157.1	194.5	143.8
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	152.8	174.0	151.9	145.8	179.4	129.7
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	148.4	160.3	140.3	150.9	162.0	143.3
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	151.9	176.4	145.1	134.4	179.4	140.3
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	153.3	170.7	143.4	138.4	180.4	148.9
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	168.0	178.6	163.4	163.7	198.6	151.0
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	161.5	161.2	146.2	144.9	235.1	142.8
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	162.7	186.6	153.6	135.5	193.4	153.9
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	162.1	193.0	150.4	133.4	188.1	159.6
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	147.8	162.8	137.6	142.4	142.1	159.9
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	151.6	161.9	137.2	147.2	174.9	153.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	164.8	180.2	151.6	149.6	195.4	158.4
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁹	158.0	186.2	141.7	160.3	179.6	148.8

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 ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Percent change, August 1997 to September 1997						
U.S. city average	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban	-1	-2	.3	-4	-2	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.1	.5	.1	.1	.3	-3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-1.1	-3.0	-3	-1.7	-2.7	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴ .....	.8	-3	2.4	-1	-2	.7
North Central urban .....	.1	-6	-5	.9	.7	.8
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-3	-4	-1.1	.7	.2	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴ .....	.2	-2.0	-1.6	3.9	.7	1.4
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴ .....	.7	-5	1.1	-4	1.8	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.0	.3	.9	1.2	.8	1.5
South urban .....	.0	.6	-2	.6	-5	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-3	-8	-6	.7	-6	.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-1	-2	.0	1.0	-5	-5
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴ .....	.3	.1	-6	.1	-1	1.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.9	5.8	.9	.3	-8	-1.1
West urban .....	.0	-1.2	.4	-9	1.4	-5
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-1	-1.7	.0	-1	.5	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴ .....	.0	-2.1	1.4	-1.8	3.0	-1.7
Size classes						
A	-1	-4	-4	.3	.2	.0
B ⁴	-2	-8	-1	.4	-5	.0
C ⁴ .....	.5	-4	.6	-3	.9	.9
D .....	.7	2.1	.9	-7	1.6	-5
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁵	-1.1	-2.9	-1.4	-8	-3.3	1.9
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	-1.2	-5.4	-2.1	.9	.3	.9
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	-5	-1.2	-1.1	.4	-7	.3
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	-1.0	-1	.4	-2	-6.0	-2
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.7	-3.2	.6	5.7	2.1	-5
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	.5	2.9	-6	1.3	-7	.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	-1.4	-1.4	-1.6	-4	.3	-2.9
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	-2	-1.7	.6	.0	-1.2	.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-9	-2.3	-9	.0	-2.3	1.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.2	1.3	.0	-5	1.4	-9
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷ .....	.4	1.5	1.3	.1	-1.9	.1
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	1.1	.1	.8	3.0	1.1	1.2
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸ .....	.7	-3	2.3	-3.6	3.4	-1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	-4	-2.4	-1.3	.1	4.2	-2.0
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	1.1	2.9	-6	1.2	1.2	1.9

¹ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

⁴ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

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, August 1997 to September 1997

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 ¹	San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹
Expenditure category						
All items	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.6	1.2	0.3
Food and beverages .....	.1	-.1	.0	.2	.3	-.2
Food .....	.2	-.3	-.1	.2	.4	-.1
Food at home .....	.1	-.5	-.2	.2	.4	-.4
Cereals and bakery products ²	-.3	-1.2	-1.7	1.3	1.5	-2.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ²	-.1	-1.1	.6	.0	1.3	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	.0	-.8	.6	.2	1.5	-1.0
Dairy products ² .....	.1	.4	.0	-.5	.1	.1
Fruits and vegetables ^{2 3} .....	.3	-.7	-1.2	1.4	-1.9	4.2
Other food at home ² .....	.1	.3	.5	-.9	.1	-2.0
Food away from home .....	.3	.3	.2	.2	.4	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	.1	.5	.3	-.2	.1	-.9
Housing ³ .....	.1	.3	.3	.1	.6	.5
Shelter	-.1	.3	.4	-.2	.7	.6
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	-.7	-.1	.1	-.6	2.2	.5
Rent, residential .....	.3	.4	.5	.1	.3	1.2
Other renters' costs ^{2 4}	-4.7	-3.1	-2.2	-5.0	4.9	-3.8
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4} .....	.3	.6	.6	.2	.3	.7
Owners' equivalent rent .....	.3	.5	.6	.2	.3	.8
Fuel and other utilities ³ .....	.5	.8	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Fuels	1.0	1.4	.0	.2	.0	-.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ² .....	.2	.1	.4	.1	.6	-1.9
Fuel oil ²	-.1	.0	-	.1	.6	.9
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 5} .....	.8	.2	.4	.0	-	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	1.1	1.3	.0	.2	-.1	.0
Electricity .....	.4	-1.4	.0	-.3	.0	.0
Utility (piped) gas	2.6	4.9	.0	1.2	-.2	.0
Household furnishings and operation ³ .....	.2	-.6	.4	2.0	.4	-.2
Apparel and upkeep	2.1	-1.2	1.5	3.4	13.9	-2.0
Apparel commodities ^{2 4}	2.3	-1.3	1.8	3.8	15.6	-2.2
Men's and boys' apparel ²	1.9	-.3	4.3	2.3	9.7	6.6
Women's and girls' apparel ²	4.2	-1.2	1.3	6.5	36.9	-3.3
Footwear ² .....	.8	-1.5	5.6	2.2	-.2	-5.8
Transportation .....	.2	-.3	1.1	1.1	.9	.7
Private transportation .....	.2	-.5	.9	1.0	.7	1.1
Motor fuel	1.4	-1.6	6.1	3.7	3.1	5.1
Gasoline	1.5	-1.7	6.4	3.9	3.2	5.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	1.5	-1.8	6.5	4.1	3.8	5.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	1.8	-1.5	6.0	3.7	3.7	4.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	1.5	-1.7	6.2	3.5	3.1	4.7
Public transportation ²	1.0	1.6	5.0	1.7	2.7	-2.1
Medical care .....	.0	-.2	-.2	.3	.1	-.4
Entertainment ⁷	-.1	-5.7	.1	.5	1.7	.8
Other goods and services ³	1.1	1.4	.2	1.8	.2	1.5
Personal care ² .....	.1	.2	.9	.4	-1.1	3.7

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, August 1997 to September 1997 —Continued

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 ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Commodity and service group						
All items	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.6	1.2	0.3
Commodities .....	.5	-.4	.5	1.0	2.0	.1
Food and beverages .....	.1	-.1	.0	.2	.3	-.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	.7	-.5	.8	1.8	3.3	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	1.2	-.6	1.7	2.4	5.0	.9
Durables	-.2	-.3	-.2	.4	.0	-.6
Services .....	.2	-.1	.4	.3	.6	.5
Medical care services .....	.1	-.2	.0	.3	.1	-.5
Special indexes						
All items less shelter .....	.5	-.4	.5	1.0	1.3	.2
All items less medical care .....	.3	-.2	.5	.6	1.2	.4
All items less energy .....	.2	-.2	.3	.5	1.2	.1
All items less food and energy .....	.3	-.2	.3	.6	1.3	.2
Energy	1.2	-.3	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.7
Commodities less food .....	.6	-.4	.8	1.7	3.1	.2
Nondurables less food	1.1	-.4	1.5	2.2	4.6	.6
Nondurables .....	.7	-.3	.7	1.1	2.4	.3
Services less rent of shelter .....	.4	-.5	.5	.7	.4	.3
Services less medical care services .....	.2	-.1	.4	.3	.6	.6

¹ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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 ²			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—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	158.3	2.1	0.5	155.6	0.8	0.0	166.2	2.5	0.2	156.4	2.1	0.3
All items (1967 = 100)	471.5	-	-	463.8	-	-	480.4	-	-	459.3	-	-
Food and beverages	157.8	2.1	.5	159.5	.7	-.2	159.0	1.3	.1	160.5	1.8	.0
Food	157.4	2.1	.5	160.1	.6	-.1	159.4	1.7	.3	159.4	1.8	-.1
Food at home	157.7	1.7	.5	160.3	-.3	.4	155.1	.8	-.3	165.5	1.3	-.3
Cereals and bakery products ³	177.7	2.0	-.1	189.3	2.7	-.2	172.1	-1.4	-2.3	178.3	-6	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	148.7	1.3	.5	138.8	-1.8	-1.1	146.4	-1.6	-.9	167.6	.1	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	149.5	1.7	.3	141.1	-1.3	-1.5	146.5	-1.9	-1.2	171.0	.4	-.2
Dairy products ³	143.2	-2.2	.1	149.5	-6.6	-1.9	146.0	4.6	4.1	157.1	-2.8	-.8
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	187.5	2.3	1.9	197.8	-1.0	.8	193.4	4.7	-1.3	194.5	6.9	.2
Other food at home ³	148.2	3.5	.2	153.3	2.6	3.3	138.3	.7	.4	143.8	2.2	-.6
Food away from home	157.8	2.9	.4	160.1	2.7	-1.1	168.9	3.3	1.3	147.8	2.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	162.6	2.3	.2	151.7	1.3	-1.0	157.6	-2.4	-.8	173.9	1.2	.5
Housing ⁴	154.4	2.4	.2	146.1	1.0	-.3	159.1	3.0	-.4	151.5	3.2	.9
Shelter	172.2	3.0	.3	162.2	1.5	-.8	186.9	3.4	.3	174.3	4.9	.8
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	163.1	3.2	-.4	147.6	2.1	-2.3	170.7	4.2	-.4	170.2	4.5	.3
Rent, residential	167.5	3.0	.6	162.3	1.5	.2	177.0	3.5	.6	184.9	4.5	.8
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	223.1	3.8	-4.2	140.1	6.9	-17.7	231.2	7.4	-4.7	181.2	5.0	-2.7
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	166.7	3.0	.6	153.1	1.3	.0	169.9	2.8	.6	175.8	5.1	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	167.0	3.0	.6	154.2	1.2	.0	169.9	2.9	.6	174.7	5.0	1.1
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	131.9	1.9	.0	127.1	.2	.7	120.5	2.8	-.7	124.3	-.9	1.3
Fuels	119.3	1.2	.2	123.6	.2	1.5	98.4	4.1	-.6	110.9	-5.5	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	93.4	-2.1	-1.2	85.4	-5.3	-.9	87.8	-2.9	-2.4	96.7	1.3	.8
Fuel oil ³	90.5	-3.6	-1.3	88.4	-5.3	-.9	88.7	-3.8	-2.7	94.2	-2.6	.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	124.5	.9	-.9	NA	-	-	108.0	6.9	.0	129.3	9.1	2.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.6	1.5	.2	147.0	.7	1.7	118.1	6.0	-.2	114.4	-5.6	2.2
Electricity	137.8	-.1	-.2	162.8	-.2	.0	140.8	1.6	-.2	133.8	1.3	.3
Utility (piped) gas	112.4	5.2	1.3	113.2	3.6	7.6	88.2	16.2	.0	96.8	-13.0	4.9
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	123.9	.2	-.2	124.5	-.6	.1	115.1	1.1	-3.8	110.2	-.3	.4
Apparel and upkeep	132.1	1.1	1.8	126.6	-1.7	-2.8	150.4	-.9	1.1	117.3	-.9	-.8
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	128.6	1.1	2.0	120.4	-2.1	-3.2	140.5	-1.1	1.4	116.6	-1.3	-.8
Men's and boys' apparel ³	131.2	3.3	2.5	127.1	1.1	.6	135.8	-.3	2.3	122.7	8.8	2.0
Women's and girls' apparel ³	124.6	2.0	3.3	106.1	-2.6	-5.7	122.3	6.0	6.8	101.7	-1.5	.5
Footwear ³	128.3	.4	1.2	153.2	3.1	1.4	142.7	-.4	-4.2	140.3	-4.3	-.8
Transportation	143.6	.5	.5	141.9	.4	.9	145.4	1.3	1.3	136.9	-.6	.1
Private transportation	141.4	.5	.7	141.1	.1	.9	145.6	1.3	1.5	134.4	-1.0	.1
Motor fuel	109.2	2.8	5.0	107.3	.2	5.6	112.2	5.2	7.1	108.1	-.6	1.4
Gasoline	109.2	3.2	5.4	105.2	.4	6.0	111.1	5.1	7.7	108.0	.7	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	107.4	3.7	5.8	106.1	1.2	6.8	109.1	5.3	8.6	106.4	.9	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	113.8	3.3	5.5	106.3	.6	5.6	113.7	4.1	6.5	114.8	.5	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium	109.7	2.7	4.9	101.4	-1.9	4.8	111.5	2.0	6.1	108.6	.2	1.6
Public transportation ³	183.5	.9	-1.5	158.7	7.0	.4	142.3	2.5	.3	160.3	2.0	-1.4
Medical care	234.7	2.6	.2	229.0	-2.7	-.3	284.3	3.3	-.3	239.9	2.2	-.7
Entertainment ¹⁰	160.5	2.0	.2	173.8	-.2	-1.3	175.3	1.6	.0	172.2	2.1	-4.4
Other goods and services ⁴	224.6	4.6	2.0	228.9	5.3	2.1	233.5	7.0	1.7	236.5	5.9	2.4
Personal care ⁹	152.6	1.2	.1	140.3	5.5	-.1	149.1	3.6	3.8	161.0	7.1	2.4
Commodity and service group												
All items	158.3	2.1	.5	155.6	.8	.0	166.2	2.5	.2	156.4	2.1	.3
Commodities	142.1	1.2	.8	140.8	-.1	-.1	143.4	1.4	.3	139.9	.8	.1
Food and beverages	157.8	2.1	.5	159.5	.7	-.2	159.0	1.3	.1	160.5	1.8	.0
Commodities less food and beverages	132.5	.6	.9	130.7	-.7	-.2	133.7	1.4	.4	127.1	.0	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.5	2.0	2.0	134.6	.1	.1	138.3	3.1	1.3	135.0	1.6	.1
Durables	127.2	-1.5	-.6	123.8	-1.7	-.6	126.2	-1.5	-1.3	117.7	-2.2	.2
Services	177.7	2.8	.3	176.1	1.6	.2	192.0	3.3	.3	174.9	3.2	.3
Medical care services	239.7	2.7	.3	227.6	-3.5	.1	298.1	4.1	-.2	242.8	2.3	-.1
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	154.6	1.8	.7	154.5	.5	.3	160.9	2.2	.2	151.4	1.1	.0
All items less medical care	154.7	2.0	.6	152.3	1.1	.1	160.9	2.4	.3	152.3	2.1	.3
All items less energy	164.6	2.1	.4	162.1	.8	-.3	175.9	2.3	.1	163.1	2.4	.1
All items less food and energy	166.5	2.1	.4	162.6	.9	-.3	180.3	2.4	.1	164.0	2.6	.1
Energy	113.5	2.0	2.4	115.1	.2	3.4	103.5	4.7	2.5	108.7	-2.6	1.8
Commodities less food	133.7	.7	.9	131.5	-.5	-.2	134.5	1.1	.3	129.2	.1	.2
Nondurables less food	137.1	2.1	1.8	135.5	.1	.0	138.6	2.5	1.1	137.8	1.5	.1
Nondurables	147.0	2.2	1.2	146.4	.4	.0	148.0	2.1	.7	148.2	1.6	.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	168.8	2.6	.4	172.9	1.5	1.0	185.4	3.3	.3	164.2	1.6	-.1
Services less medical care services	172.4	2.9	.3	171.9	2.1	.2	183.7	3.2	.3	168.9	3.4	.4

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—	
	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	149.2	2.3	0.7	154.7	1.3	0.6	156.1	2.3	0.4	167.7	2.0	0.7
All items (1967=100) ¹¹	466.2	-	-	457.2	-	-	253.7	-	-	477.4	-	-
Food and beverages	157.9	1.3	.5	163.3	2.7	.8	164.6	.9	-.2	162.6	1.4	.4
Food	158.8	1.4	.6	161.2	2.7	.9	165.5	.9	-.2	162.2	1.3	.4
Food at home	152.8	.6	-.7	168.0	2.4	1.1	161.5	.0	-.4	162.7	.6	.5
Cereals and bakery products ³	174.0	.7	-.5	178.6	2.6	-.3	161.2	-.6	-.2	186.6	.4	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	151.9	-.5	.9	163.4	4.2	1.6	146.2	2.6	1.6	153.6	-.1	1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	154.4	.5	.8	160.2	4.6	1.6	148.0	2.8	.4	154.5	.1	1.1
Dairy products ³	145.8	-2.1	-.4	163.7	-4.1	.1	144.9	-5.8	1.8	135.5	-1.6	.1
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	179.4	5.3	-6.9	198.6	2.8	3.1	235.1	-3.9	-3.8	193.4	2.2	.2
Other food at home ³	129.7	.2	2.1	151.0	3.9	.4	142.8	5.7	2.1	153.9	1.7	.1
Food away from home	171.1	2.8	2.8	151.0	3.0	.5	173.9	2.4	-.1	164.9	2.6	.4
Alcoholic beverages	149.0	.3	-.3	180.7	2.8	.1	150.9	.9	.6	167.0	3.0	-.1
Housing ⁴	142.7	2.9	-.1	151.1	1.1	.1	149.0	2.8	.0	166.8	2.3	.2
Shelter	152.6	3.2	-.1	158.2	1.5	.5	159.0	3.8	.8	193.4	3.4	.2
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	161.2	1.8	-.7	152.3	1.3	.2	150.8	2.5	.1	178.1	4.4	.1
Rent, residential	163.9	4.1	.1	160.5	1.7	.6	149.2	2.1	.3	185.4	3.5	.5
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	190.3	-3.3	-2.5	218.1	-.6	-1.7	207.1	6.1	-1.3	261.1	10.6	-3.0
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	157.7	3.8	.1	157.8	1.5	.7	158.8	4.3	1.3	183.9	3.1	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁸	158.6	3.9	.1	157.3	1.5	.8	154.5	3.1	.6	184.7	3.0	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	132.4	-.2	-1.4	155.5	3.0	-.9	119.7	1.4	-.6	116.9	-.2	-.7
Fuels	130.3	-.9	-2.3	152.5	1.9	-1.4	112.0	2.9	.0	116.5	-.6	-.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	91.1	-3.4	-2.9	125.8	6.4	.4	175.5	8.3	.2	97.7	-3.8	-1.1
Fuel oil ³	87.6	-3.6	-2.2	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	96.6	-4.7	-1.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	108.4	-3.3	-3.3	125.9	6.4	.4	152.7	8.4	.3	125.9	6.2	-.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	133.0	-.8	-2.2	153.1	1.9	-1.4	110.9	2.8	.0	128.6	.3	-.1
Electricity	155.5	-1.1	-1.3	168.3	.9	.0	108.7	2.5	.0	133.7	-.7	-.5
Utility (piped) gas	115.8	-.4	-3.1	140.8	4.1	-4.2	164.2	6.4	.0	120.2	2.0	.5
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	129.0	4.9	1.2	121.4	-2.9	-1.2	145.8	-.4	-3.3	128.5	-2.0	1.1
Apparel and upkeep	129.0	-.8	6.0	118.9	-5.0	-.4	156.4	5.1	3.3	127.7	-.2	3.3
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	126.8	-1.0	6.4	113.3	-6.0	-.6	148.5	6.1	3.8	123.8	-.2	3.6
Men's and boys' apparel ³	132.9	1.2	-1.8	125.8	-2.1	3.3	135.8	-.1	.7	117.7	1.8	5.7
Women's and girls' apparel ³	138.7	-3.1	12.6	110.6	-.7	2.8	154.4	10.0	5.1	122.2	.1	3.6
Footwear ³	84.7	-.9	10.1	100.4	-11.8	5.1	167.9	3.7	.8	132.9	3.3	2.9
Transportation	138.0	2.4	1.8	142.6	1.8	1.9	144.9	1.3	.4	155.3	.8	1.0
Private transportation	137.4	2.5	1.8	139.2	1.7	2.1	144.8	1.3	.6	148.4	.8	1.6
Motor fuel	112.5	-1.8	2.2	113.8	13.7	12.6	119.3	2.7	3.8	105.9	5.8	8.0
Gasoline	112.1	-1.7	2.5	111.9	14.7	13.3	119.1	2.8	4.1	106.1	6.1	8.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	111.1	-2.0	2.5	110.3	15.5	14.3	117.6	3.2	4.5	106.0	7.5	9.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	114.8	-1.4	2.6	108.9	14.2	12.5	112.8	2.5	3.7	108.8	5.0	7.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	114.4	-.8	2.2	111.7	13.2	11.8	119.6	2.0	3.7	106.3	3.8	7.0
Public transportation ³	148.4	2.1	.7	215.0	3.6	-.4	146.6	1.9	-.9	188.1	.6	-1.5
Medical care	209.7	1.4	-.1	228.9	.8	-.3	216.5	1.4	-.2	245.8	3.2	.4
Entertainment ¹⁰	153.6	.3	-.6	147.1	1.3	.1	156.9	6.2	.6	165.0	1.7	-.5
Other goods and services ⁴	208.3	7.5	.2	228.2	3.0	1.6	177.5	4.3	2.7	235.5	5.0	2.3
Personal care ³	144.1	3.0	-.1	164.3	-1.4	-.2	99.8	-1.2	-.5	167.8	-.9	.2
Commodity and service group												
All items	149.2	2.3	.7	154.7	1.3	.6	156.1	2.3	.4	167.7	2.0	.7
Commodities	138.7	.8	1.2	140.1	1.1	.9	150.6	1.8	.2	146.1	.8	1.2
Food and beverages	157.9	1.3	.5	163.3	2.7	.8	164.6	.9	-.2	162.6	1.4	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	127.9	.5	1.7	126.1	-.1	1.0	141.7	2.2	.4	133.1	.1	2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.9	1.0	2.4	131.0	1.2	2.8	138.0	4.8	2.4	134.1	1.7	3.0
Durables	116.3	-.2	.7	121.8	-1.5	-.9	147.2	-.1	-1.4	127.8	-3.6	-.2
Services	161.9	3.9	.2	170.1	1.6	.4	162.8	2.8	.6	190.7	2.9	.3
Medical care services	204.7	.6	-.4	232.6	.9	.0	218.1	1.2	-.1	252.6	3.6	.3
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	150.1	2.0	.9	154.5	1.2	.7	155.3	1.8	.3	159.0	1.3	.8
All items less medical care	146.6	2.4	.8	151.7	1.4	.7	153.0	2.3	.4	164.5	1.9	.7
All items less energy	153.4	2.7	.8	158.5	.9	.3	161.8	2.3	.2	174.6	2.0	.5
All items less food and energy	152.4	3.1	.9	158.1	.5	.1	161.1	2.5	.3	178.1	2.1	.5
Energy	122.7	-1.4	.0	125.4	8.6	6.4	112.2	2.7	2.1	112.1	1.8	2.7
Commodities less food	128.7	.5	1.6	129.0	.2	1.0	142.0	2.2	.4	134.6	.3	1.9
Nondurables less food	138.4	.9	2.2	135.4	1.4	2.3	138.6	4.4	2.4	136.1	1.9	2.8
Nondurables	148.4	1.1	1.4	148.0	2.0	1.6	152.4	2.6	1.0	149.7	1.6	1.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	160.5	4.6	.5	172.3	1.7	.1	156.9	2.8	.8	170.9	2.2	.2
Services less medical care services	158.2	4.2	.3	165.9	1.6	.4	157.8	3.1	.6	186.4	2.8	.3

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											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		July 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	July 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997	Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	167.9	2.6	1.5	154.0	2.6	1.0	158.6	3.1	0.7	161.1	1.8	0.6
All items (1967=100)	487.6	-	-	453.1	-	-	482.9	-	-	482.4	-	-
Food and beverages	156.1	1.2	.0	156.7	3.6	.4	160.8	2.6	1.1	155.4	.9	-.1
Food	155.2	1.2	.1	155.5	3.7	.9	161.3	2.5	1.3	156.1	1.0	.1
Food at home	162.1	.9	-.1	151.6	3.6	1.2	164.8	2.3	1.5	158.0	.2	.0
Cereals and bakery products ³	193.0	3.0	1.6	161.9	5.7	1.1	180.2	5.6	-.5	186.2	3.8	2.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	150.4	-.1	.7	137.2	4.4	2.0	151.6	-.1	-.5	141.7	-3.5	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	151.3	.1	.7	139.3	4.7	2.0	147.4	1.0	-.5	143.7	-2.8	-1.4
Dairy products ³	133.4	-1.9	-1.8	147.2	-3.3	-2.5	149.6	-7.0	-1.1	160.3	.6	2.6
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	188.1	.8	.0	174.9	4.2	5.6	195.4	5.6	8.9	179.6	-1.0	-3.8
Other food at home ³	159.6	2.2	-1.8	153.1	4.6	-.5	158.4	5.3	.4	148.8	3.8	1.7
Food away from home	140.0	2.1	.5	162.0	3.7	.6	155.7	3.1	.8	155.1	2.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	170.1	.0	.1	161.4	3.9	-3.7	157.1	3.4	-.5	150.4	.5	-1.4
Housing ⁴	171.6	3.3	.8	150.8	2.3	.8	163.9	5.5	1.2	155.6	.7	-.1
Shelter	202.2	3.5	1.0	163.8	2.2	.7	178.5	6.6	1.7	169.7	1.1	-.2
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	197.8	4.7	2.8	153.3	2.7	1.4	172.3	6.3	1.7	158.4	1.0	-.4
Rent, residential	177.0	2.4	.5	148.9	2.8	.5	188.8	7.2	2.2	171.3	1.1	-.1
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	325.4	8.2	6.3	206.5	2.3	3.1	212.8	.0	-2.5	195.4	.7	-3.8
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	177.6	3.1	.5	157.0	2.2	.4	168.3	6.9	1.8	159.8	1.3	.0
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	178.5	3.1	.5	157.8	2.3	.4	168.3	6.9	1.8	160.5	1.4	.0
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	135.5	3.7	.1	131.3	-1.0	.6	149.0	2.6	-.2	139.1	2.7	.5
Fuels	126.6	4.2	.0	125.2	-2.6	1.2	155.3	2.8	.3	129.1	3.5	1.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	95.1	-3.2	-.1	84.6	-7.5	-3.1	156.8	-1.5	2.0	106.1	5.4	1.0
Fuel oil ³	89.2	-3.3	-.1	80.6	-6.1	.0	108.8	-4.5	11.2	98.7	5.9	-.5
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	NA	-	-	103.6	-8.4	-4.7	169.8	-1.3	1.5	168.0	4.3	4.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	146.6	5.2	.0	131.3	-2.2	1.5	155.3	3.0	.3	137.9	3.4	1.8
Electricity	165.5	.4	.0	174.3	.2	.4	176.0	.0	.0	154.9	-1.1	-.9
Utility (piped) gas	121.1	16.8	-.2	90.5	-6.5	3.9	132.0	9.5	.8	115.8	12.3	7.1
Household furnishings and operation ⁸	122.5	1.7	-.1	132.9	6.8	1.6	118.5	1.3	-1.3	125.0	-3.5	-1.0
Apparel and upkeep	113.1	11.3	17.3	127.3	-.3	8.1	122.6	-1.4	-4.3	149.7	6.7	3.9
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	108.1	12.6	19.6	125.4	-.6	8.8	118.1	-1.9	-4.8	145.2	6.9	4.5
Men's and boys' apparel ³	145.1	21.4	24.0	144.9	1.3	4.8	124.4	5.7	2.9	166.3	14.1	4.0
Women's and girls' apparel ³	83.1	17.7	35.1	108.1	-9.6	10.8	92.9	1.9	-5.1	133.4	3.7	9.1
Footwear ³	118.6	-2.4	-1.4	109.8	11.5	3.5	151.5	-5.7	-5.4	136.5	9.3	-.2
Transportation	153.1	.4	.7	143.9	1.3	-.6	135.9	-.6	.4	152.0	1.3	1.2
Private transportation	151.4	.5	.8	143.6	1.2	-.5	131.9	-.4	1.1	151.1	1.4	1.1
Motor fuel	110.3	4.5	5.8	112.4	3.5	3.2	114.4	1.8	7.0	112.4	.3	5.2
Gasoline	109.1	5.0	6.0	112.9	5.4	3.6	113.3	2.3	7.5	111.8	.2	5.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	109.7	7.2	7.9	109.2	5.7	3.5	110.8	2.5	8.0	110.7	.8	6.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	108.0	5.7	7.1	130.5	6.1	4.6	108.5	1.7	7.2	106.6	.2	5.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	104.0	4.9	6.4	112.9	4.5	3.5	113.5	2.4	6.1	109.1	-.8	4.2
Public transportation ³	178.1	-.7	-.7	150.2	1.9	-3.0	190.7	-2.4	-4.7	164.9	-.2	3.2
Medical care	244.7	.9	.0	226.3	4.3	.4	219.6	3.6	-.2	232.3	5.3	.8
Entertainment ¹⁰	177.5	1.2	1.6	160.7	3.3	2.7	153.7	-1.5	-.6	169.0	2.2	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	236.7	3.0	2.0	193.7	6.4	3.5	236.0	6.1	2.8	228.0	4.4	1.1
Personal care ³	193.4	1.4	-.7	99.1	-6.2	-.1	162.8	4.4	.7	171.0	1.7	.5

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											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996		July 1997	Sept. 1997		Sept. 1996	July 1997		Sept. 1997	Sept. 1996	July 1997
Commodity and service group												
All items	167.9	2.6	1.5	154.0	2.6	1.0	158.6	3.1	0.7	161.1	1.8	0.6
Commodities	140.8	2.0	2.3	143.7	2.9	1.4	142.0	1.2	.3	144.0	.9	1.0
Food and beverages	156.1	1.2	.0	156.7	3.6	.4	160.8	2.6	1.1	155.4	.9	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	129.6	2.8	4.3	135.9	2.3	2.0	129.4	-.2	-.5	137.7	1.0	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	128.0	4.4	6.6	134.4	3.2	3.5	131.1	1.6	.0	142.1	3.6	2.4
Durables	128.9	-.5	-.2	135.7	1.0	.1	124.7	-.9	-.2	129.2	-.3	.4
Services	200.1	2.9	.8	167.6	2.4	.7	175.5	4.7	1.0	179.3	2.5	.2
Medical care services	253.8	1.2	.7	232.8	5.0	.6	219.9	1.5	-.5	238.5	6.4	1.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	158.7	2.1	1.5	151.8	2.8	1.1	151.9	1.5	.2	158.6	2.1	.8
All items less medical care	164.6	2.6	1.5	150.5	2.5	1.1	156.3	3.2	.7	157.8	1.6	.5
All items less energy	175.1	2.3	1.3	159.8	2.9	.9	162.8	3.2	.4	166.5	1.8	.3
All items less food and energy	181.3	2.6	1.7	160.7	2.7	.9	163.3	3.4	.3	169.1	2.0	.4
Energy	118.2	4.2	2.1	117.5	.3	2.2	129.1	2.3	3.9	119.6	1.9	3.5
Commodities less food	131.2	2.6	4.0	137.3	2.4	1.6	130.8	.2	-.5	138.2	.9	1.5
Nondurables less food	130.6	4.1	6.0	136.4	3.3	2.6	132.5	1.8	-.1	142.3	3.4	2.1
Nondurables	143.0	2.7	2.9	145.9	3.4	1.8	146.7	2.3	.7	148.7	2.3	1.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	180.1	2.3	.5	163.9	2.6	.7	159.3	2.2	.0	171.5	3.6	.5
Services less medical care services	196.1	3.0	.8	161.6	2.2	.7	173.0	4.8	1.1	174.6	2.1	.1

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

² Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁶ 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.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁸ 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.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

¹¹ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

¹² Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

¹³ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

^{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	156.3	156.6	156.7	157.0	157.3	157.8	158.3	158.6	158.6	155.8	157.9	156.9	3.3	3.0
1997	159.1	159.6	160.0	160.2	160.1	160.3	160.5	160.8	161.2	-	-	-	159.9	-	-	-	-

- 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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	115.4	120.5	126.1	133.8	137.9	141.9	145.8	149.7	153.5	158.6	161.2
Commodities	109.3	113.5	118.2	126.0	127.5	130.1	132.0	135.1	137.0	141.4	142.1
Food and beverages	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	156.6	158.4
Commodities less food and beverages	105.7	109.0	112.6	121.1	121.5	124.3	125.1	127.6	128.9	132.1	132.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	103.1	106.9	112.0	125.8	124.5	127.4	126.5	128.1	128.8	133.7	135.5
Apparel commodities ¹	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	126.5	129.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	101.5	104.5	112.0	130.1	126.0	129.6	127.7	131.5	132.7	140.5	141.9
Durables	109.5	112.2	113.5	114.5	117.2	120.1	123.3	126.9	129.0	129.9	127.6
Services	122.2	128.1	134.6	142.3	148.8	154.2	160.0	164.7	170.4	176.1	180.6
Rent of shelter ²	128.5	134.3	140.9	148.4	154.2	158.7	163.5	168.3	174.2	179.3	184.4
Household services less rent of shelter ^{1 2}	112.3	116.2	119.0	122.2	127.8	131.4	134.9	138.6	143.4	147.7	
Transportation services	124.6	132.1	138.6	150.0	153.7	159.2	166.9	171.1	176.3	184.1	184.7
Medical care services	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	240.0
Other services	129.0	136.2	145.1	154.5	164.1	172.8	181.6	188.9	197.3	205.0	212.2
Special Indexes											
All items less food	115.5	120.4	125.8	133.7	138.1	142.5	146.4	150.2	154.2	159.0	161.8
All items less shelter	113.2	118.1	123.5	131.5	135.0	139.1	142.7	146.3	149.6	154.7	156.6
All items less homeowners' costs ^{1 2}	116.6	121.6	127.1	135.5	139.3	143.4	147.2	150.8	154.3	159.6	162.0
All items less medical care	114.3	119.1	124.4	131.8	135.3	138.9	142.5	146.0	149.6	154.5	157.1
Commodities less food	106.0	109.4	113.0	121.4	122.4	125.3	126.1	128.5	129.9	133.3	133.5
Nondurables less food	103.7	107.5	112.6	125.7	125.5	128.5	127.8	129.5	130.4	135.3	137.2
Nondurables less food and apparel	102.1	105.3	112.5	129.0	126.9	130.5	129.1	132.6	134.0	141.5	143.0
Nondurables	109.1	113.9	119.8	130.0	131.1	133.6	135.1	137.8	139.7	145.3	147.1
Services less rent of shelter ²	124.6	131.1	137.8	146.4	153.9	160.7	167.8	172.7	178.5	185.2	189.5
Services less medical care services	121.0	126.6	132.6	139.7	145.5	150.3	155.6	159.7	165.0	170.6	175.1
Energy	88.3	88.7	93.2	110.1	101.9	103.9	102.4	104.7	103.3	112.2	113.9
All items less energy	119.2	124.8	130.6	137.4	142.8	147.1	151.7	155.7	160.2	164.8	167.6
All items less food and energy	120.4	126.0	131.5	138.9	144.4	149.2	153.9	157.9	162.7	167.0	170.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities	113.5	118.0	121.2	125.3	130.3	133.6	135.7	137.6	140.0	141.5	142.0
Energy commodities	82.0	80.1	86.4	117.0	98.2	99.4	94.3	99.2	95.9	109.1	107.7
Services less energy services	124.4	130.6	137.5	145.8	152.5	158.2	164.3	169.6	175.7	181.5	186.0
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	156.6	158.4
Food	114.7	120.7	127.4	134.2	136.7	138.7	142.7	146.8	149.9	156.3	157.9
Food at home	112.8	119.1	126.5	133.8	135.5	137.5	142.3	147.3	150.3	157.7	158.6
Cereals and bakery products	116.8	126.6	136.1	142.4	147.4	153.3	158.9	164.2	169.5	175.7	178.1
Cereals and cereal products	116.1	127.2	136.5	143.7	148.8	154.4	159.6	164.5	168.6	166.6	169.7
Flour and prepared flour mixes	105.8	113.1	121.2	124.0	123.5	130.2	129.9	132.3	140.6	151.2	157.3
Cereal	126.7	138.8	152.4	163.5	171.4	178.1	186.5	191.0	194.1	186.0	187.0
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	106.3	118.4	120.1	122.7	126.3	128.9	131.7	139.5	142.8	144.0	149.7
Bakery products	117.0	126.1	135.6	141.5	146.4	152.5	156.8	163.8	169.6	179.8	181.7
White bread	113.1	125.5	133.2	138.3	140.4	146.1	156.2	160.4	169.3	183.4	183.5
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	113.2	124.1	132.7	139.0	143.7	151.2	155.8	163.0	170.3	179.3	183.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	121.1	128.7	139.0	147.2	154.2	157.7	163.2	169.2	171.6	178.8	177.8
Other bakery products	120.3	126.3	137.5	141.8	147.6	154.9	158.0	163.1	168.0	178.1	182.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	110.3	116.1	123.8	133.6	131.6	132.1	137.1	136.4	142.0	150.0	149.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	111.9	117.1	123.0	133.8	132.0	133.0	138.4	137.6	141.7	149.0	149.8
Meats	110.4	112.7	120.0	133.6	130.8	131.1	135.9	133.7	137.2	144.4	145.6
Beef and veal	108.5	114.6	122.1	133.0	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.6	137.8	137.2
Ground beef other than canned	102.0	104.5	112.2	120.8	119.1	118.4	123.0	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.9
Chuck roast ¹	105.0	112.4	123.4	136.1	137.7	139.2	142.7	140.3	141.7	146.3	141.6
Round roast ¹	101.8	107.0	113.9	124.9	124.1	126.5	127.2	126.9	124.4	131.6	124.7
Round steak ¹	108.1	111.9	118.8	130.2	129.9	129.9	133.3	131.7	129.1	133.9	129.0
Sirloin steak ¹	112.9	120.8	123.4	131.5	127.5	129.1	137.6	135.8	133.4	139.1	140.4
Other beef and veal ¹	115.1	125.4	133.3	146.6	145.3	148.6	154.3	153.0	156.5	159.2	161.4
Pork	113.1	109.6	117.2	136.8	128.5	127.4	133.1	130.1	139.6	155.4	158.9
Bacon	108.2	96.9	105.0	122.9	108.6	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.2	161.5	168.8
Chops	114.3	114.7	123.7	142.5	136.1	139.5	145.8	138.8	146.2	156.0	158.5
Ham	118.1	115.9	121.9	144.4	137.3	134.9	137.1	134.8	144.2	157.4	160.2
Other pork, including sausage ¹	111.4	108.5	115.9	134.9	127.7	125.8	129.9	128.8	136.8	150.3	153.1
Other meats	112.1	113.1	119.5	131.6	132.7	133.0	136.4	137.3	141.4	146.2	148.6
Poultry	107.8	127.1	127.8	129.7	130.2	133.7	141.1	140.4	146.3	157.8	156.8
Fresh whole chicken	107.7	131.0	130.4	130.6	129.9	135.4	141.3	139.4	144.8	158.2	157.6
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	110.8	131.5	130.2	133.2	134.8	136.9	146.8	143.2	150.2	161.5	157.4
Other poultry ¹	103.8	113.3	121.1	123.0	122.8	126.6	130.9	138.9	143.1	152.3	158.1
Fish and seafood	133.3	138.9	143.0	148.5	150.4	152.0	158.7	166.9	172.1	175.1	176.5
Canned fish and seafood	110.0	124.8	119.4	118.8	118.2	119.9	122.8	124.5	125.5	126.5	129.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	146.2	148.5	156.3	164.1	167.0	168.7	177.0	187.9	194.8	198.6	199.6
Eggs	85.5	99.6	134.9	128.7	123.5	117.7	116.0	116.4	145.5	162.9	136.9

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	106.7	111.4	122.9	126.7	127.4	129.1	130.2	131.6	135.0	148.6	143.5
Fresh milk and cream ¹	105.0	109.9	122.6	125.6	125.3	128.4	131.1	132.0	134.5	149.9	141.4
Fresh whole milk	104.8	110.1	123.0	126.0	125.5	127.8	130.6	131.1	133.7	148.3	139.0
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	105.3	109.5	122.0	124.9	124.9	129.1	131.8	133.2	135.4	151.8	144.4
Processed dairy products ¹	108.8	113.3	123.7	128.4	130.2	130.4	129.8	131.8	136.2	147.9	146.4
Cheese	107.0	112.6	126.9	132.7	135.1	135.4	134.6	136.0	139.0	150.1	147.3
Ice cream and related products	111.0	114.8	123.1	128.5	130.1	130.6	131.5	136.1	139.7	150.5	150.5
Other dairy products, including butter ¹	109.9	112.1	113.4	113.4	113.7	113.5	111.4	111.9	121.4	136.2	136.0
Fruits and vegetables ³	123.4	131.0	136.7	146.5	152.9	156.2	166.5	180.3	177.9	187.2	188.1
Fresh fruits and vegetables	133.2	138.1	145.6	157.6	169.6	173.9	190.1	212.8	206.3	216.2	216.7
Fresh fruits	126.3	143.2	154.8	171.2	188.6	181.8	205.4	213.1	224.2	251.1	243.9
Apples	103.6	132.4	124.7	151.6	169.9	154.1	166.9	163.2	187.6	194.1	205.8
Bananas	107.4	115.9	122.6	128.3	128.3	124.3	127.6	143.1	146.5	157.5	150.0
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	126.3	144.4	138.5	152.7	186.8	156.7	177.4	178.7	206.7	199.6	298.5
Other fresh fruits ¹	140.4	154.8	179.7	195.7	213.1	215.3	249.3	260.8	264.5	312.9	269.3
Fresh vegetables	140.2	133.0	136.5	144.0	150.7	166.1	174.9	212.7	188.4	181.2	189.5
Potatoes	103.8	128.5	140.0	133.9	129.0	137.2	165.0	154.2	175.3	160.2	191.7
Lettuce	272.7	174.3	135.8	152.0	170.1	183.0	152.1	273.4	172.2	184.6	212.8
Tomatoes	139.3	124.3	140.3	129.5	124.5	193.4	197.2	233.6	242.6	193.4	186.3
Other fresh vegetables	126.3	129.4	135.6	151.0	162.3	166.4	178.5	216.1	183.2	185.9	186.3
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	110.0	121.9	124.9	131.6	129.7	131.4	133.2	133.8	137.5	146.2	147.6
Processed fruits ¹	112.3	124.4	125.2	134.6	131.5	134.8	133.7	133.3	138.1	147.3	148.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	112.1	126.2	126.3	137.4	131.8	135.3	133.4	132.6	137.2	147.4	147.7
Canned and dried fruits ¹	111.5	115.9	119.6	122.5	128.5	130.7	132.9	133.8	139.0	144.8	148.9
Processed vegetables ¹	107.3	118.9	124.8	128.1	127.6	127.3	132.8	134.7	137.1	145.1	146.8
Frozen vegetables ¹	111.5	116.3	124.6	128.5	129.3	130.2	135.4	136.5	140.4	143.7	148.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	105.7	120.7	125.4	128.5	127.3	126.6	132.1	134.4	136.2	146.5	146.8
Other food at home	110.0	115.3	120.1	125.2	127.1	128.3	130.9	138.8	140.5	143.6	148.9
Sugar and sweets	111.0	116.7	121.1	126.4	130.9	132.1	133.3	134.5	138.5	144.7	148.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	102.0	110.0	114.8	118.1	118.1	119.3	120.6	122.8	127.9	132.2	135.6
Sweets, including candy ¹	114.7	119.4	123.6	129.8	136.0	137.3	138.4	139.1	142.7	149.7	153.7
Fats and oils	107.7	118.5	121.6	131.0	129.3	128.4	129.4	134.2	137.5	140.7	142.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	104.8	107.8	111.0	113.1	112.5	112.3	114.8	131.7	129.5	126.9	136.7
Carbonated drinks	103.3	104.6	109.8	110.8	111.9	113.7	115.6	115.2	118.5	118.0	117.5
Coffee	110.5	116.9	115.7	117.4	111.3	105.4	111.1	172.7	156.1	145.6	181.1
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	112.4	115.5	120.2	126.5	129.7	132.3	131.6	132.8	135.9	139.6	141.4
Other prepared food	115.0	120.7	127.6	134.2	138.2	141.2	144.9	148.1	152.1	158.9	161.9
Canned and packaged soup	118.9	123.2	132.4	140.2	148.6	157.0	163.9	170.7	176.5	184.9	189.8
Frozen prepared food	119.0	124.6	131.3	135.8	138.0	138.7	138.6	138.9	139.8	146.2	144.5
Snacks	115.7	121.2	126.2	131.1	132.8	132.5	136.3	138.7	143.4	151.7	156.3
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	113.2	118.3	124.9	132.6	137.9	143.6	147.4	150.9	156.8	163.9	169.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	112.9	119.8	127.9	135.6	140.2	142.9	147.9	152.4	155.4	160.9	162.8
Food away from home	118.9	124.1	129.8	135.7	139.6	141.6	144.3	147.1	150.4	155.0	157.8
Lunch ¹	118.6	124.0	130.2	136.1	140.2	142.3	145.1	147.7	151.1	155.6	158.6
Dinner ¹	118.7	123.9	129.1	134.3	137.9	139.9	142.4	145.3	148.5	152.7	155.5
Other meals and snacks ¹	119.4	124.6	130.6	137.8	142.0	144.1	146.7	149.6	153.0	158.7	161.3
Alcoholic beverages	115.4	119.9	125.6	130.9	143.9	148.1	150.3	151.8	154.9	160.5	163.5
Alcoholic beverages at home	112.0	114.6	119.5	124.0	138.4	141.3	142.0	141.8	143.1	148.0	149.6
Beer and ale	111.5	114.6	120.0	124.3	139.0	142.9	143.3	143.2	144.1	148.3	147.6
Wine	106.1	107.8	111.6	114.5	130.5	132.4	133.1	131.3	133.4	141.7	146.7
Distilled spirits	114.8	117.0	122.1	128.1	139.9	141.8	143.1	144.2	145.5	148.5	151.6
Alcoholic beverages away from home	125.8	133.3	140.3	146.9	158.9	165.0	169.3	173.3	178.8	185.6	190.8

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ³	115.6	120.2	124.9	130.5	135.0	138.5	142.3	145.4	149.7	154.0	157.7
Shelter	123.7	129.3	135.6	142.7	148.2	152.5	157.1	161.8	167.4	172.3	177.2
Renters' costs ^{1 2}	129.1	134.1	140.1	149.5	155.8	160.2	164.4	168.2	173.2	179.1	186.8
Rent, residential	125.6	130.1	135.5	141.1	145.2	148.6	151.9	155.7	159.6	164.0	167.8
Other renters' costs ¹	124.1	130.0	137.2	157.0	169.7	176.7	183.3	186.2	194.2	203.8	222.8
Lodging while out of town	121.5	127.0	133.8	154.9	168.0	174.3	181.0	183.3	191.2	201.0	221.0
Lodging while at school ²	136.5	145.5	156.3	166.1	175.8	188.6	193.8	201.9	210.6	219.0	229.7
Tenants' insurance ¹	122.5	126.6	129.7	131.6	134.4	138.3	142.8	148.7	152.0	155.8	160.7
Homeowners' costs ^{1 2}	128.0	134.0	140.9	147.5	153.0	157.5	162.5	167.8	174.0	178.8	182.8
Owners' equivalent rent ²	128.0	134.1	141.0	147.7	153.2	157.8	162.8	168.1	174.3	179.1	183.2
Household insurance ^{1 2}	126.2	130.6	134.0	136.5	140.0	144.3	149.0	155.4	158.3	162.4	166.8
Maintenance and repairs ¹	113.3	115.8	119.5	123.8	128.1	129.3	127.6	132.7	136.6	141.5	142.6
Maintenance and repair services ¹	116.6	118.4	122.2	128.9	131.4	135.2	130.8	137.0	142.1	148.0	150.2
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	109.1	112.4	115.8	116.8	123.7	121.3	123.5	126.8	129.1	132.6	132.1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 4}	102.2	104.8	109.4	111.7	116.3	117.5	119.1	121.1	120.6	126.5	124.9
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	105.7	109.5	111.7	111.5	119.7	114.5	117.0	121.1	125.6	126.7	127.1
Fuel and other utilities ³	102.0	105.0	108.4	112.7	116.0	118.7	121.7	122.0	123.7	129.4	132.1
Fuels	95.1	97.4	101.2	105.6	106.5	108.9	110.7	110.1	110.9	117.1	119.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	80.5	76.8	88.7	114.1	94.7	91.8	88.3	88.4	89.6	110.3	93.7
Fuel oil	79.2	74.2	88.7	115.2	92.3	89.2	85.1	85.1	86.4	106.5	90.3
Other household fuel commodities ⁴	102.6	102.3	108.3	136.4	123.3	120.4	118.0	118.5	119.4	146.8	125.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.9	104.1	107.0	108.6	112.4	115.6	118.1	117.4	118.3	122.8	128.1
Electricity	107.3	110.3	113.4	115.0	120.8	122.9	123.6	124.4	127.8	128.7	138.1
Utility (piped) gas	91.9	95.2	97.8	99.6	99.9	105.0	111.1	107.5	103.6	115.0	112.8
Other utilities and public services ¹	120.9	125.5	128.2	132.7	140.2	143.6	148.8	150.6	153.9	159.1	162.3
Telephone services ¹	115.7	117.2	116.9	116.4	120.5	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.6	127.2	127.1
Local charges ¹	138.9	145.2	146.0	147.5	155.0	155.7	157.2	156.7	160.7	162.1	163.3
Interstate toll calls	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.6	74.8
Intrastate toll calls	103.6	99.2	96.6	94.5	93.1	90.9	91.1	90.2	86.8	92.1	94.5
Water and sewerage maintenance	128.0	135.8	144.7	153.7	165.7	176.7	185.2	193.0	198.6	205.5	212.9
Cable television ⁵	127.9	141.4	146.8	166.1	180.4	187.0	200.1	194.9	202.8	218.6	232.4
Refuse collection ⁵	136.1	146.9	161.1	176.9	197.3	214.0	225.2	236.4	243.3	247.8	252.0
Household furnishings and operation ³	107.3	110.6	111.7	113.7	116.3	118.2	120.3	120.8	123.8	125.0	125.4
Housefurnishings ¹	103.3	105.9	105.5	106.1	107.1	108.7	110.3	110.3	111.1	111.0	110.2
Textile housefurnishings ¹	108.0	114.3	113.9	116.7	118.9	116.7	124.4	119.9	120.5	119.7	120.4
Furniture and bedding	111.5	115.4	113.8	115.1	116.2	121.4	125.8	127.8	133.2	134.5	134.8
Bedroom furniture	115.8	121.3	118.8	117.2	122.0	129.5	136.3	133.7	136.8	141.5	142.0
Sofas ¹	116.0	116.9	116.1	116.6	117.3	121.3	119.5	127.4	140.5	143.0	141.1
Living room chairs and tables ¹	109.4	113.0	112.5	118.7	116.1	120.3	129.6	130.2	137.9	136.4	138.6
Other furniture ¹	105.5	109.7	107.9	110.0	109.7	113.9	117.4	120.8	122.7	121.6	121.9
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	89.5	90.1	88.5	86.4	84.9	83.5	82.8	81.8	78.6	77.1	74.5
Video and audio products ¹	83.9	82.7	82.3	79.3	78.7	77.3	76.7	75.1	72.2	70.6	68.2
Televisions	77.9	76.8	75.8	73.1	72.3	71.4	70.2	69.2	66.4	62.9	60.6
Video products other than televisions ^{1 6}	-	100.0	95.1	86.1	81.4	78.6	77.0	71.9	67.1	66.7	62.1
Audio products ¹	92.3	91.9	94.3	93.3	95.0	93.6	94.0	93.1	90.7	90.2	88.4
Major household appliances ^{1 4}	98.8	102.4	101.0	100.7	98.6	99.1	100.6	104.2	102.3	103.7	102.1
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	100.4	102.0	103.3	102.3	100.6	101.3	105.8	111.0	108.9	111.3	109.2
Laundry equipment	102.7	107.0	105.9	107.2	105.6	106.3	107.1	110.6	109.8	113.2	114.0
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 4}	97.2	101.9	98.5	97.4	94.5	94.7	94.8	97.1	94.5	93.8	90.7
Information processing equipment ⁶	-	100.0	92.7	90.3	86.6	81.3	75.1	68.3	61.0	53.9	48.5
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2}	116.6	121.6	127.1	135.5	139.3	143.4	147.2	150.8	154.3	159.6	162.0
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	115.3	114.6	119.8	128.6	126.2	128.8	132.1	132.6	138.8	142.2	143.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	102.8	105.9	112.8	112.6	117.8	120.3	118.2	117.8	122.1	117.0	118.4
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	106.2	109.0	111.0	112.4	120.2	121.9	122.9	123.5	119.3	120.4	125.4
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	104.2	103.9	100.7	102.6	102.6	102.7	106.5	107.0	107.8	110.4	110.8
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 4}	98.4	100.0	97.2	96.3	95.9	96.9	93.6	91.6	88.3	89.7	90.1
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁷	-	-	-	100.0	107.0	113.0	110.0	114.1	115.6	116.4	106.3
Housekeeping supplies	112.5	117.0	123.6	127.5	129.8	129.5	131.9	132.9	139.8	141.4	143.2
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	116.8	121.7	127.3	132.4	138.0	137.4	137.2	139.3	141.4	145.3	147.7
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	109.4	115.7	122.1	126.7	127.1	127.3	130.2	130.5	144.3	145.3	144.6
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	110.6	113.0	120.9	122.8	123.7	123.0	127.6	128.3	133.3	133.1	136.6
Housekeeping services ¹	111.4	115.9	117.6	122.3	129.4	134.3	137.2	139.1	145.3	150.1	153.2
Postage	110.2	125.1	125.1	125.1	145.3	145.3	145.3	145.3	160.3	160.3	160.3
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	117.6	120.8	123.1	127.3	132.8	142.0	145.6	147.1	153.6	159.0	161.6
Gardening and other household services ^{1 4}	104.9	109.2	113.2	117.7	120.2	126.1	128.4	129.2	131.6	138.4	140.1

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	112.7	118.0	119.2	125.3	129.6	131.4	132.6	130.5	130.6	130.3	133.0
Apparel commodities ¹	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	126.5	129.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	111.7	116.8	117.6	123.8	128.2	129.4	130.3	127.9	127.7	126.6	129.6
Men's and boys'	110.7	117.3	118.8	122.3	125.9	127.1	127.5	125.3	126.0	127.8	131.4
Men's	111.6	118.4	120.6	124.5	128.3	130.0	130.0	128.2	128.3	130.4	134.2
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	111.7	122.0	124.7	128.2	131.3	132.8	137.4	136.0	133.7	133.3	135.2
Furnishings and special clothing	110.1	113.7	117.4	119.8	122.2	123.6	123.0	122.7	120.0	124.6	131.4
Shirts ¹	115.3	122.6	122.9	127.9	133.1	134.6	130.8	127.3	132.0	134.5	139.6
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	109.4	114.6	116.7	121.9	126.1	129.2	127.8	125.8	127.0	129.2	130.6
Boys'	107.2	112.5	111.4	113.0	116.2	115.0	117.1	113.2	116.2	116.8	119.8
Women's and girls'	112.6	116.5	116.4	123.5	128.4	129.1	130.6	125.7	124.7	123.3	126.0
Women's	113.0	116.3	116.5	124.2	128.0	128.4	131.0	125.3	124.1	123.0	125.9
Coats and jackets	104.0	104.5	108.9	117.2	121.1	126.2	131.8	119.0	123.5	126.1	128.8
Dresses	119.9	123.5	122.5	131.1	128.0	130.7	127.2	113.1	114.7	108.1	111.0
Separates and sportswear ¹	116.8	119.3	118.7	126.0	131.2	129.5	133.3	128.6	124.9	124.7	125.2
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	108.0	114.3	116.3	121.3	124.1	125.0	126.8	128.2	130.7	132.6	135.6
Suits ¹	114.1	120.1	117.4	131.2	144.5	145.8	152.1	152.5	144.8	139.1	156.1
Girls'	110.2	117.3	116.1	120.2	130.8	133.5	129.1	128.2	128.7	125.0	126.8
Infants' and toddlers'	114.5	117.3	115.3	125.6	129.2	130.7	127.1	131.3	128.7	126.9	126.7
Other apparel commodities ¹	111.3	119.1	122.8	130.8	135.4	138.9	140.5	146.5	148.6	141.6	145.3
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ⁴	102.7	109.2	111.2	118.8	121.2	122.9	121.3	121.3	132.3	127.8	125.8
Watches and jewelry ⁴	109.7	117.6	121.5	129.4	134.4	138.2	140.6	147.7	147.7	140.3	145.2
Watches ⁴	103.4	107.9	107.7	110.4	114.1	112.7	118.7	124.6	130.6	122.6	128.2
Jewelry ⁴	111.5	120.3	125.5	134.9	140.2	145.5	146.8	154.3	152.6	145.4	150.0
Footwear	107.2	113.5	114.7	118.4	121.8	125.1	125.8	123.6	124.1	125.9	127.4
Men's	111.4	119.2	122.0	125.6	129.4	132.9	133.2	132.2	131.6	131.1	131.7
Boys' and girls'	110.0	114.7	118.5	122.9	122.7	121.5	122.1	123.3	125.2	130.4	127.7
Women's	102.4	108.3	107.5	110.9	115.5	120.6	121.5	117.1	117.8	119.6	123.2
Apparel services ¹	121.4	126.7	131.3	140.2	144.9	149.7	153.8	156.4	157.7	161.5	163.7
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	122.5	129.1	134.1	141.3	145.5	150.2	155.0	157.8	159.1	164.8	166.8
Other apparel services ¹	120.4	124.4	128.6	139.5	144.5	149.5	152.9	155.1	156.6	158.2	160.7
Transportation	107.6	110.8	115.2	127.2	125.3	129.0	132.1	137.1	139.1	145.2	144.3
Private	106.5	109.6	113.9	125.1	123.4	126.7	128.6	134.9	136.6	141.7	141.0
New vehicles	116.4	119.0	121.9	124.3	128.3	131.3	135.6	140.1	142.8	145.4	142.7
New cars	116.6	119.1	121.8	123.5	127.6	130.5	134.2	138.5	140.7	143.0	140.0
Subcompact new cars ^{1,4}	101.9	104.1	105.1	105.5	109.8	112.8	116.7	120.6	122.9	124.0	120.9
Compact new cars ^{1,4}	101.4	102.5	104.7	106.5	109.0	109.8	113.3	118.2	120.1	124.0	121.1
Intermediate new cars ^{1,4}	100.5	101.9	105.6	107.3	111.2	113.5	115.9	119.8	121.5	122.5	120.6
Full-size new cars ^{1,4}	103.2	105.8	109.0	110.6	114.7	116.6	120.1	122.4	123.9	126.4	123.2
Luxury new cars ^{1,4}	104.1	109.5	111.7	114.5	117.6	121.8	124.0	127.5	130.2	133.6	129.8
New trucks ⁵	114.3	116.8	120.7	125.8	129.6	132.9	139.0	144.1	148.2	151.5	150.2
New motorcycles ⁴	104.1	109.6	114.2	117.4	123.7	128.7	138.0	148.9	156.5	162.4	162.9
Used cars	116.3	120.2	119.7	117.1	120.1	129.0	139.3	151.5	158.2	155.6	148.2
Motor fuel	82.0	80.3	85.8	117.1	98.4	100.2	94.8	100.4	96.4	108.6	109.3
Gasoline	81.8	80.3	85.5	117.0	98.1	100.1	94.2	100.2	96.0	107.9	109.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	80.8	78.8	83.1	115.4	96.1	97.9	91.3	97.9	93.6	106.1	107.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	113.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	85.3	84.7	89.9	118.7	101.4	103.2	98.3	103.4	98.4	109.1	109.8
Automobile maintenance and repair	116.9	121.5	126.9	132.5	138.4	143.2	147.7	151.9	155.7	160.6	163.5
Body work	120.7	126.3	133.9	138.5	141.9	145.8	150.0	155.7	161.2	168.6	174.2
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	118.3	123.4	129.6	136.7	142.1	148.3	154.1	159.8	163.0	167.6	170.9
Maintenance and servicing	115.0	118.8	122.5	127.0	133.8	136.6	139.4	141.3	144.2	148.2	150.7
Power plant repair ¹	116.8	121.4	127.3	133.1	139.5	145.7	151.2	156.2	161.2	166.6	168.8
Other private transportation ¹	123.8	132.5	139.0	146.7	152.0	155.5	159.0	167.6	172.4	176.0	176.9
Other private transportation commodities ¹	97.5	100.3	102.3	103.8	105.3	104.7	103.3	104.3	105.2	105.2	104.6
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	100.5	110.1	109.8	117.5	118.4	118.1	118.8	126.0	130.0	132.0	131.5
Automobile parts and equipment	96.7	98.9	101.1	102.0	103.6	103.0	101.4	101.9	102.4	102.3	101.7
Tires	93.2	96.9	99.1	99.0	101.3	100.8	99.4	101.6	101.8	101.8	99.5
Other parts and equipment ¹	104.3	105.1	107.3	109.4	110.2	109.5	107.7	106.3	107.3	107.0	108.2
Other private transportation services ¹	129.2	139.3	146.9	156.3	162.5	167.1	171.8	182.4	188.3	192.7	194.0
Automobile insurance	149.4	162.0	171.5	184.4	199.1	212.2	222.8	230.4	240.2	249.3	251.6
Automobile finance charges ¹	90.3	97.8	102.0	102.0	94.8	81.6	77.0	94.7	96.6	94.7	91.4
Automobile fees ¹	124.4	131.3	138.8	152.6	156.9	166.7	170.3	176.5	177.6	179.3	185.3
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	119.9	127.2	135.4	158.7	165.4	175.6	179.8	180.6	183.7	183.9	185.6
Other automobile-related fees ¹	129.6	136.2	143.1	147.4	149.5	158.9	162.0	173.7	172.8	176.0	186.2
Public transportation	122.1	126.5	131.7	154.4	149.8	158.2	176.5	165.6	170.7	189.9	186.0
Airline fares	123.9	128.0	134.8	165.4	155.4	165.7	193.8	175.3	178.4	204.7	198.0
Other intercity transportation	127.8	136.9	139.2	148.4	152.0	152.2	148.0	151.4	152.6	155.2	154.0
Intracity public transportation	119.8	123.3	125.9	135.6	140.8	147.8	152.0	153.5	165.2	174.7	176.1

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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	133.1	142.3	154.4	169.2	182.6	194.7	205.2	215.3	223.8	230.6	235.4
Medical care commodities	134.9	144.2	156.0	169.1	181.7	191.1	197.0	202.9	206.6	212.0	215.3
Prescription drugs	145.7	157.1	172.0	189.0	206.7	218.5	225.7	233.2	237.8	245.4	249.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁴	105.4	110.7	117.1	123.5	127.9	132.9	136.5	139.6	141.5	143.3	145.5
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	127.2	134.0	141.5	150.0	153.7	160.5	164.9	166.3	167.6	171.2	172.6
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	121.1	126.7	134.4	140.4	148.4	152.7	156.6	164.3	168.2	168.0	172.6
Medical care services	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	240.0
Professional medical services	131.8	140.8	149.9	160.0	169.8	179.4	187.4	196.0	203.9	211.0	216.4
Physicians' services	133.4	143.4	153.7	165.1	174.2	185.1	194.5	203.1	212.1	218.5	223.8
Dental services	132.1	140.9	149.9	159.9	173.0	183.1	191.1	201.4	210.4	221.5	228.2
Eye care ⁴	105.3	110.3	114.1	119.2	123.5	128.1	130.7	135.0	138.3	139.9	141.8
Services by other medical professionals ⁴	104.5	110.3	116.6	122.5	129.2	133.2	137.5	143.0	144.1	148.4	152.3
Hospital and related services	135.9	150.8	167.9	186.9	203.5	221.4	238.2	251.3	262.8	273.7	279.4
Hospital services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.0
Inpatient hospital services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6
Outpatient hospital services ⁴	107.1	117.0	130.7	145.4	159.7	175.4	189.2	199.7	209.2	219.2	226.1
Nursing home services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.1
Entertainment ¹	117.4	122.8	129.1	134.6	139.9	143.8	147.8	151.2	156.2	160.8	163.0
Entertainment commodities ¹	112.6	117.5	121.6	125.2	129.6	131.9	134.4	136.8	140.7	144.1	144.7
Reading materials	121.4	126.5	132.4	138.5	147.3	152.8	158.2	163.9	173.6	178.2	180.2
Newspapers ¹	120.8	126.6	131.6	137.8	151.1	157.2	164.0	172.2	185.3	190.8	191.6
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	122.1	126.6	133.3	139.4	144.0	149.0	153.1	156.4	162.8	166.7	169.8
Sporting goods and equipment	106.3	111.0	113.3	115.3	119.6	119.7	120.0	123.8	123.1	123.0	122.6
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	106.8	111.1	113.6	115.9	117.6	120.1	120.0	124.7	124.8	124.9	124.1
Other sporting goods	103.4	108.3	110.4	112.0	118.3	116.5	117.1	120.0	118.7	118.4	118.4
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	110.6	115.6	119.5	122.3	123.9	125.2	126.9	126.3	128.9	133.2	133.6
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	108.0	112.4	115.1	116.8	118.1	121.1	122.9	121.8	123.0	126.4	126.6
Photographic supplies and equipment	116.3	123.0	127.2	129.0	130.1	132.9	135.2	130.9	133.4	132.9	134.1
Pet supplies and expense	112.5	117.7	122.9	127.4	129.6	128.3	129.5	130.8	135.4	142.6	142.9
Entertainment services ¹	124.3	130.0	138.8	146.3	152.7	158.3	163.9	168.3	174.6	180.5	184.2
Club memberships ^{1 4}	101.7	109.1	113.5	119.1	123.2	126.0	130.1	129.3	132.3	131.4	130.2
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{1 4}	107.0	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.9	141.5	152.8	156.7	160.4	167.1	170.9
Admissions	128.4	133.3	146.0	153.6	161.0	167.3	170.3	177.1	186.4	193.8	200.5
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁴	105.0	109.8	119.6	125.4	132.4	139.2	144.7	151.8	156.3	165.5	169.6
Other entertainment services ^{1 4}	101.7	105.1	109.6	116.2	120.6	124.3	127.9	131.2	136.3	141.3	144.0
Other goods and services ⁹	132.1	141.3	152.9	164.5	177.6	189.1	194.2	202.4	211.1	218.7	228.1
Tobacco and smoking products	137.0	149.9	171.9	190.5	211.7	228.9	215.5	222.0	228.1	234.3	246.5
Personal care	116.5	122.4	127.1	132.4	135.7	139.6	143.1	145.8	148.9	150.5	152.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	115.0	121.6	124.7	129.9	133.4	137.8	140.1	142.6	144.1	142.8	143.7
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	115.5	121.6	123.9	131.2	135.1	137.0	143.4	144.8	146.9	150.6	150.3
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	114.8	121.7	125.4	129.1	132.3	138.6	137.9	141.1	142.2	137.2	139.0
Personal care services	117.9	123.1	129.7	135.0	138.0	141.3	146.1	149.2	154.3	159.2	162.8
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	117.7	122.7	129.7	135.2	137.9	140.9	146.0	149.0	153.9	158.2	162.0
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	118.6	124.0	129.2	133.7	137.6	142.4	145.9	149.7	155.2	162.4	165.3
Personal and educational expenses ¹	143.4	153.0	164.0	176.3	191.1	204.2	217.5	229.2	241.8	252.9	264.9
School books and supplies	142.4	152.2	164.0	174.7	184.7	193.8	200.4	207.4	219.0	231.1	241.5
Personal and educational services ¹	143.6	153.2	164.2	176.6	191.8	205.3	219.0	231.1	243.7	254.8	266.9
Tuition and other school fees	146.5	157.6	170.0	183.5	201.4	218.5	234.0	247.8	261.6	274.3	287.5
College tuition	145.3	156.5	169.1	183.0	205.1	225.7	243.5	258.9	273.7	288.3	301.3
Elementary and high school tuition	150.3	163.0	177.4	192.8	207.3	223.7	237.0	251.6	268.2	280.5	299.1
Day care and nursery school ⁷	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	111.0	116.7	122.2	126.9	131.6	136.3
Personal expenses	136.2	143.1	151.4	162.0	172.4	179.8	190.3	199.4	210.0	218.3	228.4
Legal service fees ⁴	105.2	109.9	116.8	124.8	131.9	137.2	145.1	147.9	153.5	159.3	166.5
Personal financial services ⁴	104.1	111.3	117.9	127.0	137.5	144.4	153.9	165.9	177.6	183.6	192.7
Funeral expenses ⁴	103.9	108.2	113.4	120.9	128.0	133.2	140.4	148.6	156.6	164.0	171.4
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	112.7	119.4	127.4	135.4	137.2	139.6	144.5	148.1	151.5	160.1	160.1
Selected beef cuts	107.6	112.0	119.6	129.5	128.2	128.4	133.0	129.2	127.6	131.1	129.2
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	82.3	80.8	86.2	117.2	98.7	100.5	95.2	100.8	97.0	109.0	109.7
Utilities and public transportation	110.1	113.9	117.1	122.9	126.7	130.7	136.5	135.1	137.5	144.4	147.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	111.9	116.2	118.1	123.0	129.7	134.5	136.9	139.1	145.3	150.1	153.1

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

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.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1996=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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	4.4	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.6
Commodities	4.6	3.8	4.1	6.6	1.2	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.4	3.2	.5
Food and beverages	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	5.2	3.1	3.3	7.5	.3	2.3	.6	2.0	1.0	2.5	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	7.5	3.7	4.8	12.3	-1.0	2.3	-.7	1.3	.5	3.8	1.3
Apparel commodities ¹	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-.1	-5	2.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.1	3.0	7.2	16.2	-3.2	2.9	-1.5	3.0	.9	5.9	1.0
Durables	2.1	2.5	1.2	.9	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.7	.7	-1.8
Services	4.3	4.8	5.1	5.7	4.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.5	3.3	2.6
Rent of shelter	4.9	4.5	4.9	5.3	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.5	2.9	2.8
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	1.4	3.5	2.4	2.7	4.6	2.8	2.7	.7	2.0	3.5	3.0
Transportation services	4.3	6.0	4.9	8.2	2.5	3.6	4.8	2.5	3.0	4.4	.3
Medical care services	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	2.1
Other services	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.1	4.0	4.4	3.9	3.5
Special indexes											
All items less food	4.6	4.2	4.5	6.3	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.1	1.8
All items less shelter	4.2	4.3	4.6	6.5	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	3.4	1.2
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	4.2	4.3	4.5	6.6	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.3	3.4	1.5
All items less medical care	4.3	4.2	4.5	5.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	3.3	1.7
Commodities less food	5.1	3.2	3.3	7.4	.8	2.4	.6	1.9	1.1	2.6	.2
Nondurables less food	7.2	3.7	4.7	11.6	-.2	2.4	-.5	1.3	.7	3.8	1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	8.3	3.1	6.8	14.7	-1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.7	1.1	5.6	1.1
Nondurables	5.4	4.4	5.2	8.5	.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	1.4	4.0	1.2
Services less rent of shelter	3.7	5.2	5.1	6.2	5.1	4.4	4.4	2.9	3.4	3.8	2.3
Services less medical care services	4.1	4.6	4.7	5.4	4.2	3.3	3.5	2.6	3.3	3.4	2.6
Energy	8.2	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	1.5
All items less energy	4.1	4.7	4.6	5.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.9	2.9	1.7
All items less food and energy	4.2	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	1.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	3.5	4.0	2.7	3.4	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.1	.4
Energy commodities	17.8	-2.3	7.9	35.4	-16.1	1.2	-5.1	5.2	-3.3	13.8	-1.3
Services less energy services	4.5	5.0	5.3	6.0	4.6	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.6	3.3	2.5
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.1
Food	3.5	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	1.0
Food at home	3.5	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.5	3.5	2.0	4.9	.6
Cereals and bakery products	4.1	8.4	7.5	4.6	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.4
Cereals and cereal products	4.9	9.6	7.3	5.3	3.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.5	-1.2	1.9
Flour and prepared flour mixes	1.3	6.9	7.2	2.3	-.4	5.4	-.2	1.8	6.3	7.5	4.0
Cereal	6.0	9.6	9.8	7.3	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	.5
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	4.7	11.4	1.4	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.2	5.9	2.4	.8	4.0
Bakery products	3.8	7.8	7.5	4.4	3.5	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.1
White bread	4.4	11.0	6.1	3.8	1.5	4.1	6.9	2.7	5.5	8.3	.1
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	3.4	9.6	6.9	4.7	3.4	5.2	3.0	4.6	4.5	5.3	2.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	4.1	6.3	8.0	5.9	4.8	2.3	3.5	3.7	1.4	4.2	-.6
Other bakery products	3.4	5.0	8.9	3.1	4.1	4.9	2.0	3.2	3.0	6.0	2.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.1	5.3	6.6	7.9	-1.5	.4	3.8	-.5	4.1	5.6	-.6
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.3	4.6	5.0	8.8	-1.3	.8	4.1	-.6	3.0	5.2	.5
Meats	3.6	2.1	6.5	11.3	-2.1	.2	3.7	-1.6	2.6	5.2	.8
Beef and veal	6.7	5.6	6.5	8.9	-1.0	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.1	2.4	-.4
Ground beef other than canned	5.8	2.5	7.4	7.7	-1.4	-.6	3.9	-4.3	-1.7	1.6	-.6
Chuck roast ¹	5.1	7.0	9.8	10.3	1.2	1.1	2.5	-1.7	1.0	3.2	-3.2
Round roast ¹	6.0	5.1	6.4	9.7	-.6	1.9	.6	-.2	-2.0	5.8	-5.2
Round steak ¹	6.9	3.5	6.2	9.6	-.2	.0	2.6	-1.2	-2.0	3.7	-3.7
Sirloin steak ¹	9.5	7.0	2.2	6.6	-3.0	1.3	6.6	-1.3	-1.8	4.3	.9
Other beef and veal ¹	7.5	8.9	6.3	10.0	-.9	2.3	3.8	-.8	2.3	1.7	1.4
Pork	-1.8	-3.1	6.9	16.7	-6.1	-.9	4.5	-2.3	7.3	11.3	2.3
Bacon	-4.3	-10.4	8.4	17.0	-11.6	-3.5	11.7	-2.0	13.4	24.0	4.5
Chops	-1.8	.3	7.8	15.2	-4.5	2.5	4.5	-4.8	5.3	6.7	1.6
Ham	-2.6	-1.9	5.2	18.5	-4.9	-1.7	1.6	-1.7	7.0	9.2	1.8
Other pork, including sausage ¹ .....	.1	-2.6	6.8	16.4	-5.3	-1.5	3.3	-.8	6.2	9.9	1.9
Other meats	4.2	.9	5.7	10.1	.8	.2	2.6	.7	3.0	3.4	1.6
Poultry	-9.3	17.9	.6	1.5	.4	2.7	5.5	-.5	4.2	7.9	-.6
Fresh whole chicken	-11.0	21.6	-.5	.2	-.5	4.2	4.4	-1.3	3.9	9.3	-.4
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	-8.5	18.7	-1.0	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.2	-2.5	4.9	7.5	-2.5
Other poultry ¹	-7.6	9.2	6.9	1.6	-.2	3.1	3.4	6.1	3.0	6.4	3.8
Fish and seafood	10.0	4.2	3.0	3.8	1.3	1.1	4.4	5.2	3.1	1.7	.8
Canned fish and seafood	10.2	13.5	-4.3	-.5	-.5	1.4	2.4	1.4	.8	.8	2.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	9.9	1.6	5.3	5.0	1.8	1.0	4.9	6.2	3.7	2.0	.5
Eggs	-17.6	16.5	35.4	-4.6	-4.0	-4.7	-1.4	.3	25.0	12.0	-16.0

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	1.7	4.4	10.3	3.1	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.6	10.1	-3.4
Fresh milk and cream ¹	1.6	4.7	11.6	2.4	-2	2.5	2.1	.7	1.9	11.4	-5.7
Fresh whole milk	1.4	5.1	11.7	2.4	-4	1.8	2.2	.4	2.0	10.9	-6.3
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	2.2	4.0	11.4	2.4	.0	3.4	2.1	1.1	1.7	12.1	-4.9
Processed dairy products ¹	1.8	4.1	9.2	3.8	1.4	.2	-5	1.5	3.3	8.6	-1.0
Cheese	2.4	5.2	12.7	4.6	1.8	.2	-6	1.0	2.2	8.0	-1.9
Ice cream and related products	1.4	3.4	7.2	4.4	1.2	.4	.7	3.5	2.6	7.7	.0
Other dairy products, including butter ¹ .....	.7	2.0	1.2	.0	.3	-2	-1.9	.4	8.5	12.2	-1
Fruits and vegetables ²	12.8	6.2	4.4	7.2	4.4	2.2	6.6	8.3	-1.3	5.2	.5
Fresh fruits and vegetables	17.9	3.7	5.4	8.2	7.6	2.5	9.3	11.9	-3.1	4.8	.2
Fresh fruits	10.5	13.4	8.1	10.6	10.2	-3.6	13.0	3.7	5.2	12.0	-2.9
Apples	-11.4	27.8	-5.8	21.6	12.1	-9.3	8.3	-2.2	15.0	3.5	6.0
Bananas	17.0	7.9	5.8	4.6	.0	-3.1	2.7	12.1	2.4	7.5	-4.8
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	14.4	14.3	-4.1	10.3	22.3	-16.1	13.2	.7	15.7	-3.4	49.5
Other fresh fruits ¹	16.0	10.3	16.1	8.9	8.9	1.0	15.8	4.6	1.4	18.3	-13.9
Fresh vegetables	25.5	-5.1	2.6	5.5	4.7	10.2	5.3	21.6	-11.4	-3.8	4.6
Potatoes	-1	23.8	8.9	-4.4	-3.7	6.4	20.3	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	19.7
Lettuce	-	-36.1	-22.1	11.9	11.9	7.6	-16.9	79.8	-37.0	7.2	15.3
Tomatoes	10.4	-10.8	12.9	-7.7	-3.9	55.3	2.0	18.5	3.9	-20.3	-3.7
Other fresh vegetables	14.1	2.5	4.8	11.4	7.5	2.5	7.3	21.1	-15.2	1.5	.2
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	4.6	10.8	2.5	5.4	-1.4	1.3	1.4	.5	2.8	6.3	1.0
Processed fruits ¹	5.8	10.8	.6	7.5	-2.3	2.5	-8	-3	3.6	6.7	.8
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	6.7	12.6	.1	8.8	-4.1	2.7	-1.4	-6	3.5	7.4	.2
Canned and dried fruits ¹	3.0	3.9	3.2	2.4	4.9	1.7	1.7	.7	3.9	4.2	2.8
Processed vegetables ¹	3.0	10.8	5.0	2.6	-4	-2	4.3	1.4	1.8	5.8	1.2
Frozen vegetables ¹	3.0	4.3	7.1	3.1	.6	.7	4.0	.8	2.9	2.4	3.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	2.9	14.2	3.9	2.5	-9	-5	4.3	1.7	1.3	7.6	.2
Other food at home .....	.9	4.8	4.2	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	6.0	1.2	2.2	3.7
Sugar and sweets	1.6	5.1	3.8	4.4	3.6	.9	.9	.9	3.0	4.5	2.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	1.2	7.8	4.4	2.9	.0	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.2	3.4	2.6
Sweets, including candy ¹	1.9	4.1	3.5	5.0	4.8	1.0	.8	.5	2.6	4.9	2.7
Fats and oils	1.7	10.0	2.6	7.7	-1.3	-7	.8	3.7	2.5	2.3	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	-3.5	2.9	3.0	1.9	-5	-2	2.2	14.7	-1.7	-2.0	7.7
Carbonated drinks	1.6	1.3	5.0	.9	1.0	1.6	1.7	-3	2.9	-4	-4
Coffee	-14.3	5.8	-1.0	1.5	-5.2	-5.3	5.4	55.4	-9.6	-6.7	24.4
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	2.3	2.8	4.1	5.2	2.5	2.0	-5	.9	2.3	2.7	1.3
Other prepared food	4.2	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	4.5	1.9
Canned and packaged soup	6.1	3.6	7.5	5.9	6.0	5.7	4.4	4.1	3.4	4.8	2.7
Frozen prepared food	5.8	4.7	5.4	3.4	1.6	.5	-1	.2	.6	4.6	-1.2
Snacks	3.1	4.8	4.1	3.9	1.3	-2	2.9	1.8	3.4	5.8	3.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	2.8	4.5	5.6	6.2	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	3.9	4.5	3.4
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	4.7	6.1	6.8	6.0	3.4	1.9	3.5	3.0	2.0	3.5	1.2
Food away from home	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.9	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	3.1	1.8
Lunch ¹	3.9	4.6	5.0	4.5	3.0	1.5	2.0	1.8	2.3	3.0	1.9
Dinner ¹	3.5	4.4	4.2	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.8	1.8
Other meals and snacks ¹	3.3	4.4	4.8	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	3.7	1.6
Alcoholic beverages	3.3	3.9	4.8	4.2	9.9	2.9	1.5	1.0	2.0	3.6	1.9
Alcoholic beverages at home	2.3	2.3	4.3	3.8	11.6	2.1	.5	-1	.9	3.4	1.1
Beer and ale	2.1	2.8	4.7	3.6	11.8	2.8	.3	-1	.6	2.9	-5
Wine	3.8	1.6	3.5	2.6	14.0	1.5	.5	-1.4	1.6	6.2	3.5
Distilled spirits	1.2	1.9	4.4	4.9	9.2	1.4	.9	.8	.9	2.1	2.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home	4.6	6.0	5.3	4.7	8.2	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	3.8	2.8

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ²	3.7	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.4
Shelter	4.8	4.5	4.9	5.2	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5	2.9	2.8
Renters' costs ¹	3.9	3.9	4.5	6.7	4.2	2.8	2.6	2.3	3.0	3.4	4.3
Rent, residential	4.0	3.6	4.2	4.1	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.3
Other renters' costs ¹	4.1	4.8	5.5	14.4	8.1	4.1	3.7	1.6	4.3	4.9	9.3
Lodging while out of town	3.9	4.5	5.4	15.8	8.5	3.8	3.8	1.3	4.3	5.1	10.0
Lodging while at school	6.2	6.6	7.4	6.3	5.8	7.3	2.8	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.9
Tenants' insurance ¹	3.6	3.3	2.4	1.5	2.1	2.9	3.3	4.1	2.2	2.5	3.1
Homeowners' costs ¹	5.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	3.7	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent	5.3	4.8	5.1	4.8	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	2.3
Household insurance ¹	3.8	3.5	2.6	1.9	2.6	3.1	3.3	4.3	1.9	2.6	2.7
Maintenance and repairs ¹	3.3	2.2	3.2	3.6	3.5	.9	-1.3	4.0	2.9	3.6	.8
Maintenance and repair services ¹	4.3	1.5	3.2	5.5	1.9	2.9	-3.3	4.7	3.7	4.2	1.5
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	2.0	3.0	3.0	.9	5.9	-1.9	1.8	2.7	1.8	2.7	-4
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ¹	2.2	2.5	4.4	2.1	4.1	1.0	1.4	1.7	-4	4.9	-1.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.6	3.6	2.0	-2	7.4	-4.3	2.2	3.5	3.7	.9	.3
Fuel and other utilities ²	1.6	2.9	3.2	4.0	2.9	2.3	2.5	.2	1.4	4.6	2.1
Fuels	1.4	2.4	3.9	4.3	.9	2.3	1.7	-5	.7	5.6	2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	12.9	-4.6	15.5	28.6	-17.0	-3.1	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.1	-15.0
Fuel oil	17.9	-6.3	19.5	29.9	-19.9	-3.4	-4.6	.0	1.5	23.3	-15.2
Other household fuel commodities	2.6	-.3	5.9	25.9	-9.6	-2.4	-2.0	.4	.8	22.9	-14.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	.2	3.2	2.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	2.2	-.6	.8	3.8	4.3
Electricity	1.8	2.8	2.8	1.4	5.0	1.7	.6	.6	2.7	.7	7.3
Utility (piped) gas	-2.9	3.6	2.7	1.8	.3	5.1	5.8	-3.2	-3.6	11.0	-1.9
Other utilities and public services ¹	1.9	3.8	2.2	3.5	5.7	2.4	3.6	1.2	2.2	3.4	2.0
Telephone services ¹	-1.3	1.3	-.3	-.4	3.5	-.3	1.8	.7	1.2	2.1	-.1
Local charges ¹	3.3	4.5	.6	1.0	5.1	.5	1.0	-.3	2.6	.9	.7
Interstate toll calls	-12.4	-4.2	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	3.7	-4.8
Intrastate toll calls	-3.0	-4.2	-2.6	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.2	-1.0	-3.8	6.1	2.6
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.2	6.1	6.6	6.2	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.2	2.9	3.5	3.6
Cable television	9.5	10.6	3.8	13.1	8.6	3.7	7.0	-2.6	4.1	7.8	6.3
Refuse collection	10.2	7.9	9.7	9.8	11.5	8.5	5.2	5.0	2.9	1.8	1.7
Household furnishings and operation ²	1.1	3.1	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.8	.4	2.5	1.0	.3
Housefurnishings ¹ .....	.4	2.5	-.4	.6	.9	1.5	1.5	.0	.7	-.1	-.7
Textile housefurnishings ¹ .....	.2	5.8	-.3	2.5	1.9	-1.9	6.6	-3.6	.5	-.7	.6
Furniture and bedding	2.1	3.5	-1.4	1.1	1.0	4.5	3.6	1.6	4.2	1.0	.2
Bedroom furniture .....	.2	4.7	-2.1	-1.3	4.1	6.1	5.3	-1.9	2.3	3.4	.4
Sofas ¹	4.5	.8	-.7	.4	.6	3.4	-1.5	6.6	10.3	1.8	-1.3
Living room chairs and tables ¹	2.2	3.3	-.4	5.5	-2.2	3.6	7.7	.5	5.9	-1.1	1.6
Other furniture ¹	2.4	4.0	-1.6	1.9	-.3	3.8	3.1	2.9	1.6	-.9	.2
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	-2.7	.7	-1.8	-2.4	-1.7	-1.6	-.8	-1.2	-3.9	-1.9	-3.4
Video and audio products ¹	-3.7	-1.4	-.5	-3.6	-.8	-1.8	-.8	-2.1	-3.9	-2.2	-3.4
Televisions	-4.4	-1.4	-1.3	-3.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	-4.0	-5.3	-3.7
Video products other than televisions ¹	-	-	-4.9	-9.5	-5.5	-3.4	-2.0	-6.6	-6.7	-.6	-6.9
Audio products ¹	1.0	-.4	2.6	-1.1	1.8	-1.5	.4	-1.0	-2.6	-.6	-2.0
Major household appliances ¹	-1.2	3.6	-1.4	-.3	-2.1	.5	1.5	3.6	-1.8	1.4	-1.5
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹ .....	.9	1.6	1.3	-1.0	-1.7	.7	4.4	4.9	-1.9	2.2	-1.9
Laundry equipment	-1.3	4.2	-1.0	1.2	-1.5	.7	.8	3.3	-.7	3.1	.7
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ¹	-2.8	4.8	-3.3	-1.1	-3.0	.2	.1	2.4	-2.7	-.7	-3.3
Information processing equipment	-	-	-7.3	-2.6	-4.1	-6.1	-7.6	-9.1	-10.7	-11.6	-10.0
Other housefurnishings ¹	1.8	2.2	1.8	2.0	3.0	2.1	.0	.4	.8	.3	-.2
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	5.5	-.6	4.5	7.3	-1.9	2.1	2.6	.4	4.7	2.4	.6
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	1.7	3.0	6.5	-.2	4.6	2.1	-1.7	-.3	3.7	-4.2	1.2
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	1.3	2.6	1.8	1.3	6.9	1.4	.8	.5	-3.4	.9	4.2
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	1.3	-.3	-3.1	1.9	.0	.1	3.7	.5	.7	2.4	.4
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ¹	-1.6	1.6	-2.8	-.9	-.4	1.0	-3.4	-2.1	-3.6	1.6	.4
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	7.0	5.6	-2.7	3.7	1.3	.7	-8.7
Housekeeping supplies	2.9	4.0	5.6	3.2	1.8	-.2	1.9	.8	5.2	1.1	1.3
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	4.6	4.2	4.6	4.0	4.2	-.4	-.1	1.5	1.5	2.8	1.7
Household paper products and stationery supplies .....	.7	5.8	5.5	3.8	.3	.2	2.3	.2	10.6	.7	-.5
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	3.2	2.2	7.0	1.6	.7	-.6	3.7	.5	3.9	-.2	2.6
Housekeeping services ¹	1.8	4.0	1.5	4.0	5.8	3.8	2.2	1.4	4.5	3.3	2.1
Postage .....	.0	13.5	.0	.0	16.1	.0	.0	.0	10.3	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	3.1	2.7	1.9	3.4	4.3	6.9	2.5	1.0	4.4	3.5	1.6
Gardening and other household services ¹	4.9	4.1	3.7	4.0	2.1	4.9	1.8	.6	1.9	5.2	1.2

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	4.8	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	0.9	-1.6	0.1	-0.2	2.1
Apparel commodities ¹	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-.1	-.5	2.1
Apparel commodities less footwear	5.1	4.6	.7	5.3	3.6	.9	.7	-1.8	-.2	-.9	2.4
Men's and boys'	3.1	6.0	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.0	.3	-1.7	.6	1.4	2.8
Men's	4.0	6.1	1.9	3.2	3.1	1.3	.0	-1.4	.1	1.6	2.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	3.4	9.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	1.1	3.5	-1.0	-1.7	-.3	1.4
Furnishings and special clothing	.6	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	-.5	-.2	-2.2	3.8	5.5
Shirts ¹	6.4	6.3	.2	4.1	4.1	1.1	-2.8	-2.7	3.7	1.9	3.8
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	5.8	4.8	1.8	4.5	3.4	2.5	-1.1	-1.6	1.0	1.7	1.1
Boys'	-.5	4.9	-1.0	1.4	2.8	-1.0	1.8	-3.3	2.7	.5	2.6
Women's and girls'	5.9	3.5	-.1	6.1	4.0	.5	1.2	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	2.2
Women's	6.0	2.9	.2	6.6	3.1	.3	2.0	-4.4	-1.0	-.9	2.4
Coats and jackets	4.5	.5	4.2	7.6	3.3	4.2	4.4	-9.7	3.8	2.1	2.1
Dresses	13.3	3.0	-.8	7.0	-2.4	2.1	-2.7	-11.1	1.4	-5.8	2.7
Separates and sportswear ¹	5.1	2.1	-.5	6.1	4.1	-1.3	2.9	-3.5	-2.9	-.2	.4
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	.5	5.8	1.7	4.3	2.3	.7	1.4	1.1	2.0	1.5	2.3
Suits ¹	10.2	5.3	-2.2	11.8	10.1	.9	4.3	.3	-5.0	-3.9	12.2
Girls'	4.8	6.4	-1.0	3.5	8.8	2.1	-3.3	-.7	.4	-2.9	1.4
Infants' and toddlers'	2.4	2.4	-1.7	8.9	2.9	1.2	-2.8	3.3	-2.0	-1.4	-.2
Other apparel commodities ¹	8.4	7.0	3.1	6.5	3.5	2.6	1.2	4.3	1.4	-4.7	2.6
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	2.7	6.3	1.8	6.8	2.0	1.4	-1.3	.0	9.1	-3.4	-1.6
Watches and jewelry	9.7	7.2	3.3	6.5	3.9	2.8	1.7	5.0	.0	-5.0	3.5
Watches	3.4	4.4	-.2	2.5	3.4	-1.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	-6.1	4.6
Jewelry	11.5	7.9	4.3	7.5	3.9	3.8	.9	5.1	-1.1	-4.7	3.2
Footwear	3.8	5.9	1.1	3.2	2.9	2.7	.6	-1.7	.4	1.5	1.2
Men's	2.6	7.0	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.7	.2	-.8	-.5	-.4	.5
Boys' and girls'	7.0	4.3	3.3	3.7	-.2	-1.0	.5	1.0	1.5	4.2	-2.1
Women's	3.3	5.8	-.7	3.2	4.1	4.4	.7	-3.6	.6	1.5	3.0
Apparel services ¹	3.9	4.4	3.6	6.8	3.4	3.3	2.7	1.7	.8	2.4	1.4
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	5.2	5.4	3.9	5.4	3.0	3.2	3.2	1.8	.8	3.6	1.2
Other apparel services ¹	2.6	3.3	3.4	8.5	3.6	3.5	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.6
Transportation	6.1	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-.6
Private	6.5	2.9	3.9	9.8	-1.4	2.7	1.5	4.9	1.3	3.7	-.5
New vehicles	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.2	2.3	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.8	-1.9
New cars	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.4	3.3	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.6	1.6	-2.1
Subcompact new cars ¹	1.9	2.2	1.0	.4	4.1	2.7	3.5	3.3	1.9	.9	-2.5
Compact new cars ¹	1.4	1.1	2.1	1.7	2.3	.7	3.2	4.3	1.6	3.2	-2.3
Intermediate new cars ¹	.5	1.4	3.6	1.6	3.6	2.1	2.1	3.4	1.4	.8	-1.6
Full-size new cars ¹	3.2	2.5	3.0	1.5	3.7	1.7	3.0	1.9	1.2	2.0	-2.5
Luxury new cars ¹	4.1	5.2	2.0	2.5	2.7	3.6	1.8	2.8	2.1	2.6	-2.8
New trucks	1.3	2.2	3.3	4.2	3.0	2.5	4.6	3.7	2.8	2.2	-.9
New motorcycles	4.1	5.3	4.2	2.8	5.4	4.0	7.2	7.9	5.1	3.8	.3
Used cars	8.9	3.4	-.4	-2.2	2.6	7.4	8.0	8.8	4.4	-1.6	-4.8
Motor fuel	18.7	-2.1	6.8	36.5	-16.0	1.8	-5.4	5.9	-4.0	12.7	.6
Gasoline	18.6	-1.8	6.5	36.8	-16.2	2.0	-5.9	6.4	-4.2	12.4	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	18.5	-2.5	5.5	38.9	-16.7	1.9	-6.7	7.2	-4.4	13.4	1.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	15.6	-.7	6.1	32.0	-14.6	1.8	-4.7	5.2	-4.8	10.9	.6
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.8	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.8
Body work	5.5	4.6	6.0	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.8	3.5	4.6	3.3
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	3.1	4.3	5.0	5.5	4.0	4.4	3.9	3.7	2.0	2.8	2.0
Maintenance and servicing	4.0	3.3	3.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.1	2.8	1.7
Power plant repair ¹	3.6	3.9	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.4	3.8	3.3	3.2	3.3	1.3
Other private transportation ¹	4.7	7.0	4.9	5.5	3.6	2.3	2.3	5.4	2.9	2.1	.5
Other private transportation commodities ¹	1.8	2.9	2.0	1.5	1.4	-.6	-1.3	1.0	.9	.0	-.6
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-2.0	9.6	-.3	7.0	.8	-.3	.6	6.1	3.2	1.5	-.4
Automobile parts and equipment	2.1	2.3	2.2	.9	1.6	-.6	-1.6	.5	.5	-.1	-.6
Tires	1.4	4.0	2.3	-.1	2.3	-.5	-1.4	2.2	.2	.0	-2.3
Other parts and equipment ¹	2.7	.8	2.1	2.0	.7	-.6	-1.6	-1.3	.9	-.3	1.1
Other private transportation services ¹	5.4	7.8	5.5	6.4	4.0	2.8	2.8	6.2	3.2	2.3	.7
Automobile insurance	5.8	8.4	5.9	7.5	8.0	6.6	5.0	3.4	4.3	3.8	.9
Automobile finance charges ¹	5.9	8.3	4.3	.0	-7.1	-13.9	-5.6	23.0	2.0	-2.0	-3.5
Automobile fees ¹	3.5	5.5	5.7	9.9	2.8	6.2	2.2	3.6	.6	1.0	3.3
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	1.7	6.1	6.4	17.2	4.2	6.2	2.4	.4	1.7	.1	.9
Other automobile-related fees ¹	5.2	5.1	5.1	3.0	1.4	6.3	2.0	7.2	-.5	1.9	5.8
Public transportation	1.8	3.6	4.1	17.2	-3.0	5.6	11.6	-6.2	3.1	11.2	-2.1
Airline fares	1.6	3.3	5.3	22.7	-6.0	6.6	17.0	-9.5	1.8	14.7	-3.3
Other intercity transportation	2.0	7.1	1.7	6.6	2.4	.1	-2.8	2.3	.8	1.7	-.8
Intracity public transportation	2.4	2.9	2.1	7.7	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.0	7.6	5.8	.8

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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	5.8	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	2.1
Medical care commodities	7.1	6.9	8.2	8.4	7.5	5.2	3.1	3.0	1.8	2.6	1.6
Prescription drugs	8.0	7.8	9.5	9.9	9.4	5.7	3.3	3.3	2.0	3.2	1.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	5.4	5.0	5.8	5.5	3.6	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.4	1.3	1.5
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	6.1	5.3	5.6	6.0	2.5	4.4	2.7	.8	.8	2.1	.8
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	3.9	4.6	6.1	4.5	5.7	2.9	2.6	4.9	2.4	-.1	2.7
Medical care services	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	2.1
Professional medical services	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.7	4.5	4.6	4.0	3.5	2.6
Physicians' services	6.3	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	3.0	2.4
Dental services	7.2	6.7	6.4	6.7	8.2	5.8	4.4	5.4	4.5	5.1	3.2
Eye care	5.3	4.7	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.7	2.0	3.3	2.4	1.2	1.4
Services by other medical professionals	4.5	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.5	3.1	3.2	4.0	.8	3.0	2.6
Hospital and related services	7.0	11.0	11.3	11.3	8.9	8.8	7.6	5.5	4.6	4.1	2.1
Hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
Inpatient hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Outpatient hospital services	7.1	9.2	11.7	11.2	9.8	9.8	7.9	5.5	4.8	4.8	3.1
Nursing home services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1
Entertainment ¹	4.0	4.6	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	2.9	1.4
Entertainment commodities ¹	3.8	4.4	3.5	3.0	3.5	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.9	2.4	.4
Reading materials	3.7	4.2	4.7	4.6	6.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	5.9	2.6	1.1
Newspapers ¹	4.6	4.8	3.9	4.7	9.7	4.0	4.3	5.0	7.6	3.0	.4
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	2.7	3.7	5.3	4.6	3.3	3.5	2.8	2.2	4.1	2.4	1.9
Sporting goods and equipment	3.6	4.4	2.1	1.8	3.7	.1	.3	3.2	-.6	-.1	-.3
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	3.0	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.5	2.1	-.1	3.9	.1	.1	-.6
Other sporting goods	4.2	4.7	1.9	1.4	5.6	-1.5	.5	2.5	-1.1	-.3	.0
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	3.8	4.5	3.4	2.3	1.3	1.0	1.4	-.5	2.1	3.3	.3
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	4.5	4.1	2.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.5	-.9	1.0	2.8	.2
Photographic supplies and equipment	6.3	5.8	3.4	1.4	.9	2.2	1.7	-3.2	1.9	-.4	.9
Pet supplies and expense	2.2	4.6	4.4	3.7	1.7	-1.0	.9	1.0	3.5	5.3	.2
Entertainment services ¹	4.3	4.6	6.8	5.4	4.4	3.7	3.5	2.7	3.7	3.4	2.0
Club memberships ¹	1.7	7.3	4.0	4.9	3.4	2.3	3.3	-.6	2.3	-.7	-.9
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ¹	7.0	5.8	7.7	5.5	4.9	4.9	8.0	2.6	2.4	4.2	2.3
Admissions	6.8	3.8	9.5	5.2	4.8	3.9	1.8	4.0	5.3	4.0	3.5
Fees for lessons or instructions	5.0	4.6	8.9	4.8	5.6	5.1	4.0	4.9	3.0	5.9	2.5
Other entertainment services ¹	1.7	3.3	4.3	6.0	3.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.9	3.7	1.9
Other goods and services ²	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	4.3
Tobacco and smoking products	7.9	9.4	14.7	10.8	11.1	8.1	-5.9	3.0	2.7	2.7	5.2
Personal care	3.3	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.5	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	1.5
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.8	5.7	2.5	4.2	2.7	3.3	1.7	1.8	1.1	-.9	.6
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.8	5.3	1.9	5.9	3.0	1.4	4.7	1.0	1.5	2.5	-.2
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.7	6.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	4.8	-.5	2.3	.8	-.35	1.3
Personal care services	3.8	4.4	5.4	4.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.1	3.4	3.2	2.3
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	3.9	4.2	5.7	4.2	2.0	2.2	3.6	2.1	3.3	2.8	2.4
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	3.9	4.6	4.2	3.5	2.9	3.5	2.5	2.6	3.7	4.6	1.8
Personal and educational expenses ¹	6.5	6.7	7.2	7.5	8.4	6.9	6.5	5.4	5.5	4.6	4.7
School books and supplies	7.6	6.9	7.8	6.5	5.7	4.9	3.4	3.5	5.6	5.5	4.5
Personal and educational services ¹	6.4	6.7	7.2	7.6	8.6	7.0	6.7	5.5	5.5	4.6	4.7
Tuition and other school fees	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.9	9.8	8.5	7.1	5.9	5.6	4.9	4.8
College tuition	7.0	7.7	8.1	8.2	12.1	10.0	7.9	6.3	5.7	5.3	4.5
Elementary and high school tuition	9.8	8.4	8.8	8.7	7.5	7.9	5.9	6.2	6.6	4.6	6.6
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	3.7	3.6
Personal expenses	4.4	5.1	5.8	7.0	6.4	4.3	5.8	4.8	5.3	4.0	4.6
Legal service fees	5.2	4.5	6.3	6.8	5.7	4.0	5.8	1.9	3.8	3.8	4.5
Personal financial services	4.1	6.9	5.9	7.7	8.3	5.0	6.6	7.8	7.1	3.4	5.0
Funeral expenses	3.9	4.1	4.8	6.6	5.9	4.1	5.4	5.8	5.4	4.7	4.5
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.8	5.9	6.7	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.5	2.3	5.7	.0
Selected beef cuts	6.3	4.1	6.8	8.3	-1.0	.2	3.6	-2.9	-1.2	2.7	-1.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	18.1	-1.8	6.7	36.0	-15.8	1.8	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	12.4	.6
Utilities and public transportation	1.1	3.5	2.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	-1.0	1.8	5.0	2.1
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	2.0	3.8	1.6	4.1	5.4	3.7	1.8	1.6	4.5	3.3	2.0

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

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- Data not available.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

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	18.9	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	153.6	154.0	154.1	154.3	154.5	155.1	155.5	155.9	155.9	153.1	155.2	154.1	3.3	2.9
1997	156.3	156.8	157.0	157.2	157.2	157.4	157.5	157.8	158.3	-	-	-	157.0	-	-	-	-

- 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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996		1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	114.2	119.2	124.6	132.2	135.9	139.8	143.3	147.2	150.9	155.9	158.3
Commodities	108.9	113.0	117.8	125.8	127.0	129.8	131.6	134.8	136.9	141.4	142.1
Food and beverages	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	157.8
Commodities less food and beverages	105.4	108.6	112.1	121.0	120.9	124.1	124.7	127.6	129.0	132.4	132.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	102.8	106.3	111.6	126.2	124.2	127.3	125.7	127.7	128.3	133.6	135.5
Apparel commodities ¹	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	125.7	128.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	101.2	104.1	111.7	131.0	126.2	129.9	127.2	131.3	132.1	140.4	141.9
Durables	108.0	110.7	112.0	112.6	115.3	118.7	122.3	126.5	128.9	129.6	127.2
Services	121.3	127.2	133.4	140.7	147.0	152.1	157.6	162.4	167.9	173.4	177.7
Rent of shelter ²	116.4	121.5	127.5	133.9	139.1	143.0	147.3	151.7	156.9	161.4	165.8
Household services less rent of shelter ^{1 2}	103.1	106.8	109.3	112.2	117.6	120.8	124.2	124.9	127.2	131.7	135.8
Transportation services	123.6	131.2	137.8	147.9	152.5	157.2	163.3	169.2	174.9	181.5	182.3
Medical care services	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	239.7
Other services	127.9	135.0	143.8	152.8	162.0	169.9	178.5	185.9	194.0	201.7	209.0
Special indexes											
All items less food	114.1	118.8	124.0	131.7	135.7	140.0	143.4	147.4	151.1	155.8	158.4
All items less shelter	112.5	117.4	122.6	130.6	133.7	137.6	140.8	144.6	147.8	152.8	154.6
All items less homeowners' costs ^{1 2}	107.8	112.4	117.4	124.9	128.1	131.8	134.9	138.4	141.5	146.4	148.4
All items less medical care	113.2	117.9	123.1	130.4	133.6	137.2	140.4	144.0	147.5	152.4	154.7
Commodities less food	105.6	108.9	112.6	121.2	121.8	125.0	125.7	128.5	130.0	133.5	133.7
Nondurables less food	103.3	106.9	112.2	126.0	125.3	128.4	127.1	129.0	129.8	135.2	137.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	101.8	104.9	112.2	129.7	127.0	130.7	128.6	132.4	133.4	141.3	142.9
Nondurables	108.8	113.5	119.5	130.1	130.8	133.4	134.5	137.4	139.3	145.2	147.0
Services less rent of shelter ²	112.2	118.1	123.9	131.1	137.9	143.5	149.5	154.0	159.2	165.0	168.8
Services less medical care services	120.1	125.6	131.4	138.1	143.9	148.4	153.4	157.6	162.8	168.1	172.4
Energy	87.8	88.1	92.7	110.5	101.6	103.5	101.7	104.2	102.6	112.0	113.5
All items less energy	118.0	123.6	129.1	135.5	140.8	144.9	149.1	153.3	157.6	162.1	164.6
All items less food and energy	119.0	124.4	129.7	136.0	142.0	146.6	150.9	155.1	159.7	163.7	166.5
Commodities less food and energy commodities	112.6	117.0	120.2	124.0	128.9	132.7	134.7	137.1	139.6	141.0	141.5
Energy commodities	82.1	80.3	86.4	117.1	98.4	99.5	94.3	99.4	96.0	109.4	108.1
Services less energy services	123.7	129.8	136.4	144.3	151.0	156.3	162.1	167.5	173.4	179.0	183.3
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	157.8
Food	114.5	120.4	127.1	133.9	136.3	138.3	142.2	146.2	149.4	155.8	157.4
Food at home	112.5	118.8	126.2	133.5	135.0	137.0	141.7	146.3	149.5	156.9	157.7
Cereals and bakery products	116.9	126.7	136.0	142.3	147.2	153.0	158.6	163.9	169.2	175.4	177.7
Cereals and cereal products	115.8	126.8	136.1	143.1	148.2	153.5	158.7	163.6	167.8	165.7	169.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes	105.5	112.6	120.8	123.5	123.3	129.5	129.3	131.5	140.0	150.6	156.8
Cereal	126.7	138.9	152.4	163.3	171.1	177.7	186.1	190.5	193.6	185.4	186.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	106.6	118.7	120.4	122.9	126.4	128.9	131.7	139.6	143.1	144.2	150.0
Bakery products	117.2	126.4	135.7	141.6	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.5	179.7	181.5
White bread	113.1	125.7	133.3	138.2	140.2	145.9	155.9	160.2	169.4	183.5	183.5
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	113.4	124.3	132.7	139.1	144.1	151.6	155.8	163.2	170.7	179.3	183.3
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	121.3	128.7	138.8	146.7	153.7	157.3	162.5	168.5	170.7	177.8	176.6
Other bakery products	120.7	126.7	137.8	142.4	147.9	155.5	158.4	163.6	168.0	178.4	183.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	110.1	115.8	123.8	133.6	131.5	132.1	136.9	136.0	141.7	149.8	148.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	111.7	116.9	123.0	133.9	132.0	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.4	148.9	149.5
Meats	110.4	112.7	120.1	133.8	130.8	131.2	136.0	133.7	137.3	144.5	145.5
Beef and veal	108.6	114.6	122.3	133.2	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.4	137.8	136.9
Ground beef other than canned	102.2	104.7	112.6	121.2	119.5	118.8	123.2	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.8
Chuck roast ¹	105.5	112.9	123.9	136.6	138.5	140.1	143.5	141.2	142.2	147.2	142.3
Round roast ¹	101.9	108.1	116.2	128.0	125.9	129.1	130.1	132.3	128.6	135.9	127.4
Round steak ¹	108.5	112.0	118.9	130.3	130.1	129.8	133.3	131.5	128.9	134.1	129.1
Sirloin steak ¹	113.4	121.3	124.6	131.9	128.5	130.4	138.8	137.2	134.9	141.8	142.9
Other beef and veal ¹	115.2	125.7	133.4	147.0	145.4	148.6	154.5	153.0	156.7	159.5	161.4
Pork	112.9	109.6	117.3	136.8	128.6	127.7	133.4	130.3	140.0	155.5	159.1
Bacon	107.9	96.7	105.0	123.0	108.5	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.0	161.4	168.7
Chops	114.5	114.7	124.1	142.6	136.4	140.0	146.5	139.3	146.9	156.9	159.5
Ham	117.5	115.7	121.6	143.7	136.8	134.9	136.9	134.9	144.6	156.9	159.8
Other pork, including sausage ¹	111.3	108.5	115.8	135.1	127.8	126.0	130.2	128.8	137.2	150.5	153.3
Other meats	111.8	112.7	119.0	131.3	132.3	132.6	136.1	136.9	141.2	146.0	148.1
Poultry	107.4	126.9	127.4	129.2	129.8	133.4	140.7	140.2	146.0	157.5	156.6
Fresh whole chicken	107.4	131.0	130.0	130.3	129.8	135.4	141.3	139.7	145.2	158.9	158.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	110.2	131.1	129.7	132.7	134.3	136.5	146.4	143.0	150.0	160.8	157.1
Other poultry ¹	103.6	112.5	120.1	121.8	122.2	125.7	129.7	138.2	141.8	151.2	152.7
Fish and seafood	133.6	139.7	144.8	148.8	151.2	153.8	158.8	167.1	172.3	176.5	176.2
Canned fish and seafood	110.2	124.8	119.4	119.1	118.4	119.8	122.8	124.5	125.2	126.8	129.3
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	147.0	150.0	159.3	165.2	168.7	172.0	177.8	189.0	195.9	201.4	200.0
Eggs	84.9	99.0	134.3	128.0	122.7	117.0	114.8	115.3	144.8	162.3	135.7

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	106.4	111.2	122.8	126.5	127.2	128.9	130.0	131.4	134.7	148.5	143.2
Fresh milk and cream ¹	104.9	109.9	122.5	125.6	125.3	128.2	131.0	131.9	134.3	149.7	141.1
Fresh whole milk	104.7	110.0	122.7	125.8	125.3	127.6	130.3	130.8	133.6	148.3	138.9
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	105.3	109.7	122.1	125.0	125.1	129.2	132.1	133.5	135.3	152.0	144.6
Processed dairy products ¹	108.5	113.1	123.5	128.1	129.8	130.1	129.3	131.3	135.8	147.6	146.1
Cheese	106.7	112.3	126.8	132.7	134.9	135.1	134.0	135.2	138.4	149.8	146.9
Ice cream and related products	110.8	114.9	123.1	128.5	129.9	130.5	131.2	136.0	139.7	150.4	150.7
Other dairy products, including butter ¹	109.3	111.5	113.0	112.8	113.0	112.8	111.0	111.5	120.9	135.5	135.3
Fruits and vegetables ³	123.0	130.8	135.8	145.7	152.1	155.3	165.4	178.8	177.0	186.0	187.5
Fresh fruits and vegetables	132.7	137.6	144.0	156.1	168.5	172.8	188.6	210.8	205.2	214.3	216.0
Fresh fruits	126.0	143.1	152.3	169.5	188.1	180.0	202.6	209.8	222.0	248.1	243.0
Apples	104.3	133.0	124.6	151.9	170.4	154.2	167.2	163.5	188.0	195.2	207.4
Bananas	107.4	115.9	122.7	128.1	127.6	124.0	127.2	142.7	146.4	157.2	149.9
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	126.4	144.2	137.8	151.9	187.0	156.8	177.0	178.1	204.2	198.1	296.6
Other fresh fruits ¹	139.9	154.5	176.9	194.4	213.1	214.5	247.8	259.1	263.8	313.2	266.4
Fresh vegetables	139.5	132.3	135.9	143.1	149.3	166.0	175.1	212.0	189.0	181.2	189.6
Potatoes	102.7	127.7	139.3	133.5	128.2	136.8	164.9	154.1	175.2	160.2	192.3
Lettuce	272.4	173.6	135.3	151.3	169.6	180.7	151.4	269.0	171.1	183.1	210.5
Tomatoes	137.9	123.0	139.2	128.2	123.1	190.9	194.6	229.9	239.2	190.5	183.0
Other fresh vegetables	126.1	129.2	135.0	150.8	162.4	167.4	179.6	217.6	184.1	187.5	187.8
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	109.9	122.0	125.0	131.7	129.6	131.0	132.9	133.6	137.2	146.0	147.3
Processed fruits ¹	112.4	124.5	125.2	134.9	131.4	134.3	133.1	132.6	137.4	146.7	147.7
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	112.5	126.6	126.4	137.9	132.0	135.0	133.1	132.1	136.8	147.0	147.2
Canned and dried fruits ¹	111.0	115.4	119.0	122.0	127.9	130.0	131.9	133.2	138.2	144.0	147.9
Processed vegetables ¹	107.3	119.3	125.1	128.4	127.7	127.6	132.9	135.0	137.4	145.6	147.1
Frozen vegetables ¹	111.7	116.6	124.9	128.6	129.6	130.7	135.5	136.6	140.6	144.0	148.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	105.8	121.1	125.8	129.0	127.4	126.8	132.3	134.9	136.5	147.0	147.3
Other food at home	109.8	115.1	120.1	125.1	127.0	128.2	130.8	138.3	140.1	143.2	148.2
Sugar and sweets	110.9	116.7	121.1	126.3	130.6	131.9	133.1	134.4	138.4	144.5	148.4
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	102.1	110.3	115.2	118.4	118.4	119.6	120.8	123.2	128.3	132.7	136.0
Sweets, including candy ¹	114.6	119.2	123.5	129.6	135.8	137.2	138.3	139.1	142.6	149.5	153.6
Fats and oils	107.6	118.3	121.5	130.8	129.1	128.3	129.3	134.1	137.3	140.4	141.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	104.9	107.8	111.2	113.3	112.9	112.7	115.1	130.6	128.8	126.5	135.2
Carbonated drinks	103.6	105.2	110.4	111.3	112.3	114.0	116.0	115.7	119.1	118.5	117.8
Coffee	110.3	116.6	115.2	117.0	111.0	104.9	110.5	172.3	155.6	144.9	180.3
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	112.6	115.5	120.1	126.5	129.9	132.4	131.5	132.6	135.7	139.5	141.2
Other prepared food	114.8	120.5	127.4	134.0	138.1	141.0	144.7	148.0	151.9	158.8	161.8
Canned and packaged soup	119.0	123.4	132.6	140.7	149.0	157.5	164.3	171.3	177.4	185.6	190.5
Frozen prepared food	118.7	124.0	130.8	135.3	137.4	138.1	137.5	137.9	138.4	145.3	143.5
Snacks	115.6	121.4	126.1	131.1	132.6	132.1	136.0	138.5	143.3	151.5	156.1
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	113.1	118.1	124.7	132.5	137.8	143.5	147.3	150.8	156.8	163.9	169.7
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	112.5	119.4	127.7	135.2	140.2	142.8	147.9	152.5	155.1	160.6	162.4
Food away from home	118.8	124.0	129.7	135.6	139.4	141.6	144.1	147.0	150.3	155.0	157.8
Lunch ¹	118.3	123.7	129.9	135.7	139.7	141.9	144.6	147.4	150.8	155.4	158.3
Dinner ¹	118.7	123.8	129.1	134.3	137.9	140.0	142.5	145.4	148.7	152.9	155.6
Other meals and snacks ¹	119.3	124.4	130.3	137.5	141.6	143.7	146.1	149.1	152.5	158.2	161.0
Alcoholic beverages	115.1	119.5	125.2	130.5	143.5	147.7	150.0	151.4	154.3	159.9	162.6
Alcoholic beverages at home	111.8	114.4	119.4	123.9	138.2	141.3	142.0	141.7	143.0	147.7	148.9
Beer and ale	111.3	114.3	119.7	124.1	138.9	142.8	143.2	142.9	144.1	148.1	147.5
Wine	105.6	107.5	110.8	114.0	129.3	131.3	131.6	130.0	131.7	139.9	144.8
Distilled spirits	114.6	116.7	121.9	127.9	139.3	141.3	142.8	143.8	145.0	147.9	151.0
Alcoholic beverages away from home	125.4	132.6	139.5	146.3	158.0	164.0	168.8	172.5	178.0	185.2	190.1

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ³	114.1	118.5	123.1	128.3	132.7	136.1	139.7	142.7	146.7	151.0	154.4
Shelter	121.2	126.5	132.6	139.3	144.6	148.7	153.1	157.7	163.1	167.7	172.2
Renters' costs ^{1,2}	115.9	120.0	125.4	132.6	137.7	141.4	144.9	148.5	152.5	157.3	163.1
Rent, residential	125.3	129.7	135.0	140.6	144.8	148.2	151.6	155.4	159.3	163.7	167.5
Other renters' costs ¹	124.5	129.2	137.6	157.2	170.2	176.9	183.3	187.2	194.1	203.7	223.1
Lodging while out of town	121.8	126.2	134.4	155.2	168.6	174.5	181.2	184.4	191.1	201.1	221.4
Lodging while at school ⁴	136.9	144.9	155.5	165.0	175.7	189.7	193.8	202.9	211.8	219.2	231.6
Tenants' insurance ¹	122.6	126.0	128.9	130.4	133.6	137.0	141.2	147.9	150.8	151.5	155.8
Homeowners' costs ^{1,2}	116.6	122.2	128.3	134.3	139.5	143.5	148.2	153.1	158.7	163.0	166.7
Owners' equivalent rent ²	116.6	122.2	128.5	134.5	139.7	143.8	148.4	153.3	159.0	163.4	167.0
Household insurance ^{1,2}	116.1	119.6	122.7	124.9	128.4	132.0	136.4	142.9	145.6	147.2	151.2
Maintenance and repairs ¹	112.5	115.2	119.0	123.6	130.6	129.8	127.7	132.4	135.8	140.1	141.1
Maintenance and repair services ¹	115.9	117.8	122.4	129.8	135.7	139.0	134.0	140.3	144.7	150.1	152.2
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	107.1	110.6	113.6	115.2	123.1	118.0	119.0	121.9	124.2	127.1	127.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1,5}	101.9	104.0	109.4	112.3	117.1	116.3	116.4	117.5	118.3	124.4	124.0
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	105.4	109.8	110.8	111.1	121.2	112.9	114.5	118.7	122.1	122.3	122.8
Fuel and other utilities ³	101.7	104.8	108.0	112.1	115.7	118.4	121.5	121.6	123.3	129.0	131.9
Fuels	94.8	97.2	100.7	104.7	105.9	108.4	110.2	109.5	110.2	116.5	119.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	80.2	76.7	88.1	113.4	94.4	91.7	88.2	88.3	89.5	110.6	93.4
Fuel oil	79.5	74.4	89.0	115.6	92.5	89.5	85.4	85.4	86.8	106.9	90.5
Other household fuel commodities ⁵	102.4	102.2	108.3	136.6	123.2	120.3	117.8	118.2	119.2	147.9	124.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.7	103.9	106.7	108.2	111.9	115.1	117.7	116.8	117.5	122.3	127.6
Electricity	107.0	110.2	113.1	114.5	120.4	122.4	123.0	123.8	127.2	128.1	137.8
Utility (piped) gas	91.8	95.2	97.7	99.4	99.3	104.7	110.9	107.0	102.8	114.9	112.4
Other utilities and public services ¹	120.9	125.6	128.4	133.2	140.7	144.2	149.6	151.1	154.3	159.6	163.1
Telephone services ¹	115.6	117.1	116.7	116.4	120.4	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.4	127.0	127.0
Local charges ¹	138.5	144.8	145.5	147.0	154.7	155.3	156.9	156.3	159.9	161.3	162.6
Interstate toll calls	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.7	74.9
Intrastate toll calls	103.5	99.2	96.7	94.6	93.2	91.0	91.1	90.3	87.1	92.5	95.0
Water and sewerage maintenance	127.9	135.1	144.1	152.6	163.8	174.3	182.9	190.5	195.9	202.6	209.7
Cable television ⁶	127.9	141.6	147.1	166.9	181.2	188.4	201.7	195.8	203.5	219.5	233.5
Refuse collection ⁶	136.1	146.7	161.0	177.1	197.6	214.6	225.7	236.8	243.3	247.9	252.0
Household furnishings and operation ³	106.9	110.2	111.1	113.0	115.4	117.2	119.0	119.7	122.4	123.5	123.9
Housefurnishings ¹	102.9	105.4	104.7	105.2	106.0	107.7	109.1	109.1	109.7	109.8	109.1
Textile housefurnishings ¹	108.6	115.5	114.7	117.6	119.2	117.6	124.8	121.0	121.1	119.9	121.6
Furniture and bedding	111.5	115.0	113.0	114.2	115.5	120.5	123.9	125.4	130.7	131.9	132.1
Bedroom furniture	115.5	121.6	118.8	117.1	122.0	128.3	134.6	132.2	134.8	139.6	140.6
Sofas ¹	115.7	114.7	113.5	113.7	113.6	117.7	116.3	123.5	136.9	138.6	136.8
Living room chairs and tables ¹	109.3	112.7	111.4	117.4	115.6	119.9	125.7	126.7	134.6	132.8	134.7
Other furniture ¹	105.5	109.1	107.1	109.8	109.2	114.0	115.8	118.3	119.9	118.2	117.6
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	90.1	90.8	89.2	87.1	85.9	84.8	84.4	83.6	80.5	79.2	76.9
Video and audio products ¹	83.8	82.8	82.1	79.1	78.6	77.5	77.1	75.2	72.3	70.6	68.3
Televisions	77.3	76.4	74.8	72.2	71.4	70.9	69.4	68.2	65.2	61.7	59.8
Video products other than televisions ^{1,7}	-	100.0	94.9	85.8	80.9	79.2	78.1	72.8	67.8	67.3	62.9
Audio products ¹	91.9	91.9	94.0	93.1	94.9	93.5	94.2	93.2	90.8	90.2	88.4
Major household appliances ^{1,5}	98.8	102.2	101.0	101.0	98.9	99.3	101.1	104.4	102.3	103.9	102.3
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	100.6	102.4	103.6	102.7	101.0	101.7	106.5	111.9	109.5	111.8	109.9
Laundry equipment	102.9	106.6	106.0	107.9	105.8	106.3	106.9	109.9	109.5	113.1	113.8
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1,5}	97.1	101.5	97.9	96.9	94.6	94.6	95.3	97.3	93.8	93.3	90.1
Information processing equipment ⁷	-	100.0	92.7	89.7	86.9	80.6	74.2	68.2	61.4	54.9	49.5
Other housefurnishings ^{1,2}	107.8	112.4	117.4	124.9	128.1	131.8	134.9	138.4	141.5	146.4	148.4
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	113.7	112.6	117.8	126.6	124.1	128.2	129.1	131.7	137.3	139.5	141.2
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	102.5	105.8	112.2	112.3	116.2	119.0	115.0	114.5	118.7	114.1	115.7
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	106.3	109.5	111.9	113.5	120.6	122.5	123.8	124.6	120.7	122.9	127.5
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	102.9	103.0	100.3	102.1	101.5	102.6	106.6	107.2	108.0	110.6	111.1
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1,5}	98.3	100.1	97.1	96.3	95.8	97.1	93.5	91.6	88.2	89.9	90.5
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁸	-	-	-	100.0	107.3	113.2	110.4	114.7	116.3	117.0	107.0
Housekeeping supplies	112.9	117.4	123.8	127.8	130.4	130.0	131.9	133.3	139.9	142.0	143.7
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	116.9	121.8	127.3	132.3	137.9	137.3	136.9	139.2	141.2	145.1	147.4
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	109.5	115.6	121.8	126.8	127.2	127.1	129.8	130.6	144.3	145.4	144.7
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	111.2	113.6	121.3	123.1	124.0	123.7	127.4	128.4	133.4	134.3	137.7
Housekeeping services ¹	111.6	116.5	117.8	122.7	131.3	135.9	139.1	141.5	148.6	152.9	156.1
Postage	110.4	125.4	125.4	125.4	145.7	145.7	145.7	145.7	160.8	160.8	160.8
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	117.3	120.0	122.1	126.9	132.3	140.1	143.8	144.6	151.6	156.5	158.9
Gardening and other household services ^{1,5}	104.7	109.0	112.1	116.4	119.0	124.9	127.0	127.7	130.2	137.1	138.4

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	112.6	117.6	118.5	124.5	128.4	130.4	131.3	129.3	129.5	129.3	132.1
Apparel commodities ¹	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	125.7	128.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	111.7	116.4	116.9	122.9	126.8	128.3	128.9	126.5	126.5	125.5	128.6
Men's and boys'	110.4	116.5	118.0	121.4	124.9	126.4	127.0	124.5	125.8	127.5	131.2
Men's	111.5	117.8	120.1	123.9	127.7	129.9	130.3	128.2	128.7	130.9	134.7
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	111.3	121.5	124.6	127.8	131.0	133.6	140.4	137.3	135.5	134.7	136.2
Furnishings and special clothing	110.0	113.4	116.8	119.5	122.1	123.2	123.1	123.9	120.5	125.7	132.7
Shirts ¹	116.1	123.3	123.7	129.0	133.8	135.8	132.1	127.8	133.4	135.7	140.9
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	109.3	113.8	116.3	120.7	124.9	128.2	127.2	125.6	127.1	129.0	130.3
Boys'	107.1	112.4	111.5	113.3	116.3	115.3	116.6	112.9	116.4	116.7	119.9
Women's and girls'	112.6	116.2	115.5	122.6	126.7	127.6	128.4	124.0	123.3	121.7	124.6
Women's	112.7	115.8	115.1	122.8	125.7	126.1	128.1	123.2	122.2	120.8	123.9
Coats and jackets	105.0	102.7	104.0	115.2	118.4	121.9	128.9	118.6	121.3	126.1	131.8
Dresses	122.5	126.2	123.0	132.7	128.4	132.4	128.8	114.2	116.7	105.9	109.7
Separates and sportswear ¹	116.7	119.2	118.3	125.3	129.9	128.6	131.6	127.7	124.3	124.1	125.1
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	107.6	113.7	115.8	120.9	123.7	124.4	125.8	128.1	130.2	131.9	135.2
Suits ¹	107.2	113.4	110.3	122.0	132.8	131.1	136.9	138.6	131.5	128.7	143.9
Girls'	112.0	117.9	117.4	121.6	131.7	135.1	130.0	127.6	128.6	126.2	127.9
Infants' and toddlers'	116.4	120.3	119.3	127.9	131.8	133.1	128.1	132.9	129.8	128.1	128.3
Other apparel commodities ¹	110.6	117.8	121.5	128.8	132.6	137.3	140.1	144.1	145.3	139.7	144.8
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ⁵	102.7	109.1	110.8	118.2	120.6	122.1	120.9	120.9	130.8	126.9	125.5
Watches and jewelry ⁵	109.0	116.2	120.3	127.3	131.3	136.6	140.1	144.9	144.2	138.4	144.7
Watches ⁵	103.6	107.8	107.5	110.7	113.6	111.9	118.6	122.9	129.3	120.9	126.9
Jewelry ⁵	110.6	118.6	124.0	132.0	136.4	143.6	146.3	151.2	148.5	143.4	149.9
Footwear	108.0	114.0	115.4	119.3	122.5	125.6	126.6	124.2	125.0	127.0	128.3
Men's	111.9	119.8	122.2	125.6	129.6	132.6	134.1	132.1	132.3	131.4	132.4
Boys' and girls'	110.6	114.7	118.6	123.5	123.0	122.7	122.7	123.9	125.8	131.2	129.0
Women's	102.6	108.3	107.4	111.0	115.8	120.7	121.9	117.3	118.0	120.2	123.6
Apparel services ¹	120.9	125.8	130.6	139.6	144.4	149.2	153.4	155.9	157.1	160.5	162.8
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	122.3	128.8	133.8	140.8	145.2	149.9	154.8	157.6	158.7	164.4	166.4
Other apparel services ¹	120.2	124.0	128.4	139.0	144.1	149.1	152.8	155.0	156.4	158.0	160.5
Transportation	107.3	110.4	114.8	126.7	124.5	128.2	130.8	136.7	138.9	144.8	143.6
Private	106.4	109.5	113.8	125.3	123.2	126.6	128.5	135.2	137.2	142.4	141.4
New vehicles	116.1	118.8	122.0	124.4	128.5	131.7	136.2	140.9	143.7	146.5	144.0
New cars	116.3	118.9	121.7	123.3	127.2	130.1	133.9	138.1	140.4	142.7	139.7
Subcompact new cars ^{1 5}	101.8	104.2	105.4	105.6	109.6	112.6	116.5	120.5	122.7	123.7	120.7
Compact new cars ^{1 5}	101.2	102.5	104.9	106.6	109.2	109.8	113.2	117.8	119.9	123.8	120.9
Intermediate new cars ^{1 5}	100.4	101.9	105.9	107.6	111.3	113.7	116.2	120.1	121.7	122.6	120.7
Full-size new cars ^{1 5}	103.1	105.6	109.1	110.5	114.3	116.0	119.7	122.0	123.4	125.9	122.8
Luxury new cars ^{1 5}	103.8	109.2	111.6	114.6	117.2	121.7	124.3	128.1	130.5	134.2	130.2
New trucks ⁵	114.3	116.9	121.0	125.9	130.3	133.8	140.0	145.1	149.3	153.0	152.0
New motorcycles ⁵	104.0	109.4	114.1	117.4	123.7	128.9	138.3	149.4	156.5	163.1	163.2
Used cars	116.2	120.1	119.5	116.9	120.2	129.7	140.2	152.1	159.1	156.8	149.7
Motor fuel	82.0	80.4	85.9	117.1	98.5	99.9	94.6	100.2	96.4	108.9	109.2
Gasoline	81.9	80.4	85.6	117.0	98.3	99.9	94.0	100.0	95.9	108.3	109.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	80.8	78.8	83.2	115.4	96.2	97.6	91.1	97.6	93.5	106.5	107.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	113.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium	85.3	84.7	90.0	118.7	101.5	103.0	98.1	103.2	98.3	109.2	109.7
Automobile maintenance and repair	117.0	121.5	126.9	132.8	138.8	143.9	148.3	152.6	156.6	161.4	164.5
Body work	121.3	126.5	134.0	139.5	142.9	147.0	150.8	155.7	161.4	168.6	174.7
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	118.6	123.8	129.9	137.1	143.0	149.3	155.2	160.8	164.2	168.7	172.3
Maintenance and servicing	114.7	118.3	122.0	126.8	133.7	136.5	139.3	141.4	144.4	148.6	151.0
Power plant repair ¹	116.8	121.6	127.4	133.3	139.4	145.9	151.2	156.3	161.4	166.5	168.8
Other private transportation ¹	122.0	130.4	136.8	144.2	149.2	151.9	154.9	163.4	168.4	171.6	172.3
Other private transportation commodities ¹	97.4	99.9	101.9	103.2	104.8	104.0	102.6	103.5	104.4	104.3	103.8
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	100.6	109.4	109.1	116.7	117.9	117.4	117.7	125.0	129.0	130.6	130.3
Automobile parts and equipment	96.5	98.4	100.6	101.5	103.0	102.2	100.7	101.0	101.6	101.4	100.8
Tires	93.3	96.8	98.8	98.6	100.8	100.4	98.9	101.1	101.2	101.2	98.8
Other parts and equipment ¹	103.9	104.4	106.8	108.6	109.7	108.5	106.8	105.3	106.4	106.0	107.2
Other private transportation services ¹	127.1	137.1	144.7	153.8	159.8	163.5	167.6	178.4	184.5	188.6	189.7
Automobile insurance	148.8	160.9	170.6	183.7	198.6	211.5	221.9	229.5	239.6	249.0	251.2
Automobile finance charges ¹	90.4	98.1	102.3	102.5	95.3	81.9	76.7	94.4	96.5	93.9	90.5
Automobile fees ¹	123.3	130.5	137.9	151.4	156.8	166.4	170.1	175.2	177.0	178.3	184.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	119.3	126.6	134.5	156.0	163.4	173.0	177.4	178.1	181.3	181.4	183.2
Other automobile-related fees ¹	129.3	136.5	143.2	146.2	149.1	158.6	161.4	172.3	172.2	175.4	187.6
Public transportation	121.3	125.4	130.1	150.3	147.8	155.5	171.1	162.5	169.0	186.9	183.5
Airline fares	122.7	126.5	133.1	163.4	154.0	163.6	191.8	173.5	177.2	204.5	196.9
Other intercity transportation	128.0	136.8	140.5	149.3	154.2	155.4	149.6	152.3	154.9	157.9	157.5
Intracity public transportation	120.2	123.5	125.9	135.7	140.7	147.6	152.0	153.3	164.9	174.1	175.6

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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	133.4	142.8	154.7	168.8	182.0	194.3	204.5	214.6	223.1	230.1	234.7
Medical care commodities	134.1	143.1	154.8	168.0	180.3	189.4	195.1	200.8	204.2	209.4	212.5
Prescription drugs	145.7	156.9	171.8	189.0	206.8	218.3	225.2	233.2	237.8	244.9	248.9
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁵	105.3	110.4	116.8	123.6	127.7	133.0	136.5	138.7	140.4	142.5	144.1
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	126.9	133.2	140.3	148.9	152.7	159.2	163.3	164.7	165.9	169.0	170.6
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	120.9	126.6	135.7	142.4	150.5	156.1	160.4	167.0	171.2	171.6	174.9
Medical care services	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	239.7
Professional medical services	132.0	141.0	150.2	160.3	170.2	180.0	188.0	196.9	204.9	212.3	217.8
Physicians' services	133.6	143.6	154.0	165.4	174.5	185.5	194.8	203.6	212.5	219.1	224.5
Dental services	132.0	140.8	150.0	159.7	172.9	182.8	190.9	201.3	210.1	220.9	227.9
Eye care ⁵	105.3	109.8	113.8	119.0	123.2	127.8	130.5	135.2	138.5	140.4	142.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	105.0	110.8	117.2	122.8	129.2	133.9	138.1	144.3	146.8	151.5	155.9
Hospital and related services	135.4	150.0	166.8	184.4	201.2	218.9	235.1	248.5	260.0	270.4	275.6
Hospital services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.4
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	107.2	117.1	131.1	145.9	160.4	176.0	189.3	200.2	209.4	219.5	226.3
Nursing home services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.2
Entertainment ¹	116.9	122.2	128.4	133.3	138.4	142.2	146.1	149.2	153.8	158.4	160.5
Entertainment commodities ¹	112.6	117.6	121.7	124.8	129.0	131.5	133.9	136.1	139.4	142.9	143.4
Reading materials	121.4	126.7	132.5	138.6	147.8	153.4	159.0	164.8	174.5	179.3	181.3
Newspapers ¹	120.9	126.8	131.8	138.2	151.4	157.9	164.8	173.2	186.5	191.9	192.9
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	122.3	127.0	133.6	139.5	144.4	149.1	153.4	156.5	162.5	166.6	169.7
Sporting goods and equipment	107.8	112.5	115.9	116.5	120.5	121.6	122.6	126.1	124.5	124.6	124.3
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	108.9	113.2	117.7	117.8	120.4	123.5	124.9	128.8	127.3	127.4	127.2
Other sporting goods	103.9	109.0	110.8	112.1	118.0	116.3	116.7	119.7	118.0	118.0	117.6
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	110.5	115.6	119.2	122.1	123.8	125.4	126.9	126.4	129.2	133.8	134.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	107.8	112.3	114.8	116.6	117.9	121.3	123.2	122.2	123.5	127.4	127.3
Photographic supplies and equipment	116.3	123.5	127.8	129.7	131.1	134.1	136.5	131.4	133.8	133.9	135.1
Pet supplies and expense	112.6	117.7	122.8	127.3	129.5	128.5	129.3	130.7	135.4	142.4	142.9
Entertainment services ¹	124.0	129.7	138.7	146.1	152.5	158.1	163.8	168.3	174.6	180.7	184.8
Club memberships ^{1,5}	102.0	110.5	115.3	120.7	125.3	128.0	132.6	131.8	134.8	133.5	132.6
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{1,5}	106.9	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.2	140.6	152.1	155.6	159.3	165.9	169.6
Admissions	128.1	132.8	145.8	153.1	160.5	166.6	169.9	176.2	185.7	193.3	200.7
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	105.3	110.6	119.6	126.1	133.6	140.7	146.3	154.0	158.6	167.3	171.0
Other entertainment services ^{1,5}	101.6	105.2	109.9	116.3	120.8	124.4	127.6	130.9	135.7	140.3	142.8
Other goods and services ³	131.3	140.6	152.7	164.4	177.7	189.0	192.0	200.0	208.1	215.2	224.6
Tobacco and smoking products	137.2	150.2	171.8	190.1	211.5	229.0	215.4	222.2	228.4	233.9	246.1
Personal care	116.4	122.3	126.9	132.2	135.7	139.9	143.2	146.1	148.9	150.4	152.6
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	115.1	121.5	124.7	130.0	133.7	138.6	140.7	143.5	144.7	143.5	144.7
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	116.1	122.2	124.8	132.0	136.0	138.5	144.7	146.8	148.9	153.1	153.1
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	114.6	121.3	124.9	128.9	132.5	138.9	138.3	141.7	142.3	137.7	139.6
Personal care services	117.8	123.0	129.4	134.9	137.9	141.3	146.2	149.2	154.2	159.4	163.0
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	117.5	122.7	129.4	135.2	137.9	140.8	146.1	148.9	153.7	158.4	162.2
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	118.4	123.8	128.7	133.2	137.4	142.5	145.6	149.6	155.3	162.3	165.3
Personal and educational expenses ¹	143.0	152.3	163.1	174.7	188.7	200.5	213.3	224.9	237.3	248.3	260.2
School books and supplies	141.9	151.1	162.9	173.9	184.4	194.9	202.3	208.5	220.3	232.9	243.9
Personal and educational services ¹	143.3	152.7	163.4	175.0	189.3	201.2	214.5	226.5	238.9	249.8	261.8
Tuition and other school fees	146.3	157.1	169.6	182.7	199.4	214.4	228.7	242.0	255.8	267.9	281.5
College tuition	145.4	156.2	169.3	183.6	205.0	223.8	240.3	255.3	271.2	286.1	300.7
Elementary and high school tuition	149.3	161.9	176.2	191.4	206.2	222.7	235.4	250.2	266.9	279.3	298.1
Day care and nursery school ⁸	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	110.8	116.7	122.7	127.5	132.1	136.9
Personal expenses	136.0	143.0	151.0	160.1	170.5	177.6	188.9	198.8	208.9	217.8	227.3
Legal service fees ⁵	105.2	109.8	116.4	121.7	129.2	133.6	144.0	147.2	153.1	159.7	165.6
Personal financial services ⁵	104.5	111.7	117.9	127.1	136.8	143.9	153.3	166.5	177.7	183.2	192.1
Funeral expenses ⁵	104.6	109.6	115.1	122.6	130.1	135.1	142.1	150.6	158.1	165.9	173.5
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	112.4	119.1	127.0	135.0	136.7	139.0	143.9	147.1	150.7	159.3	159.3
Selected beef cuts	107.8	112.1	120.0	129.9	128.5	128.8	133.3	129.7	127.8	131.6	129.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	82.3	80.9	86.3	117.1	98.8	100.3	95.0	100.6	96.9	109.3	109.6
Utilities and public transportation	109.6	113.4	116.3	121.2	125.6	129.4	134.4	133.6	135.9	142.4	145.9
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	113.1	117.9	119.4	124.6	133.1	137.6	140.1	143.9	149.9	154.3	157.4

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	4.5	4.4	4.5	6.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.5
Commodities	4.7	3.8	4.2	6.8	1.0	2.2	1.4	2.4	1.6	3.3	.5
Food and beverages	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	5.6	3.0	3.2	7.9	-.1	2.6	.5	2.3	1.1	2.6	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	8.0	3.4	5.0	13.1	-1.6	2.5	-1.3	1.6	.5	4.1	1.4
Apparel commodities ¹	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	-.4	2.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.6	2.9	7.3	17.3	-3.7	2.9	-2.1	3.2	.6	6.3	1.1
Durables	2.6	2.5	1.2	.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.4	1.9	.5	-1.9
Services	4.2	4.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.4	3.3	2.5
Rent of shelter	4.8	4.4	4.9	5.0	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.9	2.7
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	1.3	3.6	2.3	2.7	4.8	2.7	2.8	.6	1.8	3.5	3.1
Transportation services	4.3	6.1	5.0	7.3	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.8	.4
Medical care services	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	2.1
Other services	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.3	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.1	4.4	4.0	3.6
Special indexes											
All items less food	4.7	4.1	4.4	6.2	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.7
All items less shelter	4.4	4.4	4.4	6.5	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.2	3.4	1.2
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	4.3	4.3	4.4	6.4	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.2	3.5	1.4
All items less medical care	4.4	4.2	4.4	5.9	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.4	3.3	1.5
Commodities less food	5.4	3.1	3.4	7.6	.5	2.6	.6	2.2	1.2	2.7	.1
Nondurables less food	7.5	3.5	5.0	12.3	-.6	2.5	-1.0	1.5	.6	4.2	1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	8.8	3.0	7.0	15.6	-2.1	2.9	-1.6	3.0	.8	5.9	1.1
Nondurables	5.4	4.3	5.3	8.9	.5	2.0	.8	2.2	1.4	4.2	1.2
Services less rent of shelter	3.6	5.3	4.9	5.8	5.2	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	3.6	2.3
Services less medical care services	4.1	4.6	4.6	5.1	4.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.3	2.6
Energy	8.8	.3	5.2	19.2	-8.1	1.9	-1.7	2.5	-1.5	9.2	1.3
All items less energy	4.1	4.7	4.4	5.0	3.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.9	1.5
All items less food and energy	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.9	4.4	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.0	2.5	1.7
Commodities less food and energy commodities	3.7	3.9	2.7	3.2	4.0	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.0	.4
Energy commodities	18.0	-2.2	7.6	35.5	-16.0	1.1	-5.2	5.4	-3.4	14.0	-1.2
Services less energy services	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.8	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.2	2.4
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	1.1
Food	3.4	5.2	5.6	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.8	2.2	4.3	1.0
Food at home	3.3	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.1	1.5	3.4	3.2	2.2	4.9	.5
Cereals and bakery products	4.2	8.4	7.3	4.6	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.3
Cereals and cereal products	4.9	9.5	7.3	5.1	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.6	-1.3	2.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes	1.2	6.7	7.3	2.2	-2	5.0	-2	1.7	6.5	7.6	4.1
Cereal	5.9	9.6	9.7	7.2	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	.6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	4.9	11.4	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	2.2	6.0	2.5	.8	4.0
Bakery products	3.9	7.8	7.4	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.0
White bread	4.3	11.1	6.0	3.7	1.4	4.1	6.9	2.8	5.7	8.3	.0
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	3.6	9.6	6.8	4.8	3.6	5.2	2.8	4.7	4.6	5.0	2.2
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	4.2	6.1	7.8	5.7	4.8	2.3	3.3	3.7	1.3	4.2	-7
Other bakery products	3.4	5.0	8.8	3.3	3.9	5.1	1.9	3.3	2.7	6.2	2.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.0	5.2	6.9	7.9	-1.6	.5	3.6	-.7	4.2	5.7	-.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.2	4.7	5.2	8.9	-1.4	.8	3.8	-.7	3.0	5.3	.4
Meats	3.5	2.1	6.6	11.4	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.7	2.7	5.2	.7
Beef and veal	6.7	5.5	6.7	8.9	-1.1	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.2	2.5	-.7
Ground beef other than canned	5.9	2.4	7.5	7.6	-1.4	-.6	3.7	-4.5	-1.7	1.6	-.7
Chuck roast ¹	5.1	7.0	9.7	10.3	1.4	1.2	2.4	-1.6	.7	3.5	-3.3
Round roast ¹	6.1	6.1	7.5	10.2	-1.6	2.5	.8	1.7	-2.8	5.7	-6.3
Round steak ¹	7.0	3.2	6.2	9.6	-.2	-.2	2.7	-1.4	-2.0	4.0	-3.7
Sirloin steak ¹	9.8	7.0	2.7	5.9	-2.6	1.5	6.4	-1.2	-1.7	5.1	.8
Other beef and veal ¹	7.5	9.1	6.1	10.2	-1.1	2.2	4.0	-1.0	2.4	1.8	1.2
Pork	-1.8	-2.9	7.0	16.6	-6.0	-.7	4.5	-2.3	7.4	11.1	2.3
Bacon	-4.3	-10.4	8.6	17.1	-11.8	-3.4	11.7	-2.0	13.2	24.2	4.5
Chops	-1.5	.2	8.2	14.9	-4.3	2.6	4.6	-4.9	5.5	6.8	1.7
Ham	-3.0	-1.5	5.1	18.2	-4.8	-1.4	1.5	-1.5	7.2	8.5	1.8
Other pork, including sausage ¹ .....	.1	-2.5	6.7	16.7	-5.4	-1.4	3.3	-1.1	6.5	9.7	1.9
Other meats	4.0	.8	5.6	10.3	.8	.2	2.6	.6	3.1	3.4	1.4
Poultry	-9.4	18.2	.4	1.4	.5	2.8	5.5	-.4	4.1	7.9	-6
Fresh whole chicken	-11.4	22.0	-.8	.2	-.4	4.3	4.4	-1.1	3.9	9.4	-5
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	-8.8	19.0	-1.1	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.3	-2.3	4.9	7.2	-2.3
Other poultry ¹	-7.3	8.6	6.8	1.4	.3	2.9	3.2	6.6	2.6	6.6	4.0
Fish and seafood	10.0	4.6	3.7	2.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	5.2	3.1	2.4	-.2
Canned fish and seafood	10.4	13.2	-4.3	-.3	-.6	1.2	2.5	1.4	1.0	.9	2.0
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	9.9	2.0	6.2	3.7	2.1	2.0	3.4	6.3	3.7	2.8	-.7
Eggs	-17.9	16.6	35.7	-4.7	-4.1	-4.6	-1.9	.4	25.6	12.1	-16.4

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	1.6	4.5	10.4	3.0	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.5	10.2	-3.6
Fresh milk and cream ¹	1.6	4.8	11.5	2.5	-2	2.3	2.2	.7	1.8	11.5	-5.7
Fresh whole milk	1.4	5.1	11.5	2.5	-4	1.8	2.1	.4	2.1	11.0	-6.3
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	2.2	4.2	11.3	2.4	.1	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.3	12.3	-4.9
Processed dairy products ¹	1.6	4.2	9.2	3.7	1.3	.2	-.6	1.5	3.4	8.7	-1.0
Cheese	2.1	5.2	12.9	4.7	1.7	.1	-.8	.9	2.4	8.2	-1.9
Ice cream and related products	1.4	3.7	7.1	4.4	1.1	.5	.5	3.7	2.7	7.7	.2
Other dairy products, including butter ¹ .....	.6	2.0	1.3	-.2	.2	-.2	-1.6	.5	8.4	12.1	-.1
Fruits and vegetables ²	12.5	6.3	3.8	7.3	4.4	2.1	6.5	8.1	-1.0	5.1	.8
Fresh fruits and vegetables	17.6	3.7	4.7	8.4	7.9	2.6	9.1	11.8	-2.7	4.4	.8
Fresh fruits	10.3	13.6	6.4	11.3	11.0	-4.3	12.6	3.6	5.8	11.8	-2.1
Apples	-11.0	27.5	-6.3	21.9	12.2	-9.5	8.4	-2.2	15.0	3.8	6.3
Bananas	17.4	7.9	5.9	4.4	-.4	-2.8	2.6	12.2	2.6	7.4	-4.6
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	14.7	14.1	-4.4	10.2	23.1	-16.1	12.9	.6	14.7	-3.0	49.7
Other fresh fruits ¹	15.9	10.4	14.5	9.9	9.6	.7	15.5	4.6	1.8	18.7	-14.9
Fresh vegetables	25.1	-5.2	2.7	5.3	4.3	11.2	5.5	21.1	-10.8	-4.1	4.6
Potatoes	-.3	24.3	9.1	-4.2	-4.0	6.7	20.5	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	20.0
Lettuce	-	-36.3	-22.1	11.8	12.1	6.5	-16.2	77.7	-36.4	7.0	15.0
Tomatoes	10.3	-10.8	13.2	-7.9	-4.0	55.1	1.9	18.1	4.0	-20.4	-3.9
Other fresh vegetables	14.2	2.5	4.5	11.7	7.7	3.1	7.3	21.2	-15.4	1.8	.2
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	4.5	11.0	2.5	5.4	-1.6	1.1	1.5	.5	2.7	6.4	.9
Processed fruits ¹	5.7	10.8	.6	7.7	-2.6	2.2	-.9	-.4	3.6	6.8	.7
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	6.6	12.5	-.2	9.1	-4.3	2.3	-1.4	-.8	3.6	7.5	.1
Canned and dried fruits ¹	2.9	4.0	3.1	2.5	4.8	1.6	1.5	1.0	3.8	4.2	2.7
Processed vegetables ¹	3.0	11.2	4.9	2.6	-.5	-.1	4.2	1.6	1.8	6.0	1.0
Frozen vegetables ¹	2.9	4.4	7.1	3.0	.8	.8	3.7	.8	2.9	2.4	3.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	3.0	14.5	3.9	2.5	-1.2	-.5	4.3	2.0	1.2	7.7	.2
Other food at home .....	.9	4.8	4.3	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	5.7	1.3	2.2	3.5
Sugar and sweets	1.6	5.2	3.8	4.3	3.4	1.0	.9	1.0	3.0	4.4	2.7
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	1.3	8.0	4.4	2.8	.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	3.4	2.5
Sweets, including candy ¹	1.7	4.0	3.6	4.9	4.8	1.0	.8	.6	2.5	4.8	2.7
Fats and oils	1.8	9.9	2.7	7.7	-1.3	-.6	.8	3.7	2.4	2.3	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	-3.0	2.8	3.2	1.9	-.4	-.2	2.1	13.5	-1.4	-1.8	6.9
Carbonated drinks	1.7	1.5	4.9	.8	.9	1.5	1.8	-.3	2.9	-.5	-.6
Coffee	-14.4	5.7	-1.2	1.6	-5.1	-5.5	5.3	55.9	-9.7	-6.9	24.4
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	2.3	2.6	4.0	5.3	2.7	1.9	-.7	.8	2.3	2.8	1.2
Other prepared food	4.1	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.6	4.5	1.9
Canned and packaged soup	6.2	3.7	7.5	6.1	5.9	5.7	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	2.6
Frozen prepared food	5.7	4.5	5.5	3.4	1.6	.5	-.4	.3	.4	5.0	-1.2
Snacks	3.1	5.0	3.9	4.0	1.1	-.4	3.0	1.8	3.5	5.7	3.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	2.7	4.4	5.6	6.3	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	4.0	4.5	3.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	4.6	6.1	7.0	5.9	3.7	1.9	3.6	3.1	1.7	3.5	1.1
Food away from home	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	3.1	1.8
Lunch ¹	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.5	2.9	1.6	1.9	1.9	2.3	3.1	1.9
Dinner ¹	3.5	4.3	4.3	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.8	1.8
Other meals and snacks ¹	3.3	4.3	4.7	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.7	2.1	2.3	3.7	1.8
Alcoholic beverages	3.0	3.8	4.8	4.2	10.0	2.9	1.6	.9	1.9	3.6	1.7
Alcoholic beverages at home	2.2	2.3	4.4	3.8	11.5	2.2	.5	-.2	.9	3.3	.8
Beer and ale	2.1	2.7	4.7	3.7	11.9	2.8	.3	-.2	.8	2.8	-.4
Wine	3.4	1.8	3.1	2.9	13.4	1.5	.2	-1.2	1.3	6.2	3.5
Distilled spirits	1.1	1.8	4.5	4.9	8.9	1.4	1.1	.7	.8	2.0	2.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home	4.2	5.7	5.2	4.9	8.0	3.8	2.9	2.2	3.2	4.0	2.6

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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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ²	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.8	2.9	2.3
Shelter	4.8	4.4	4.8	5.1	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.8	2.7
Renters' costs ¹	3.9	3.5	4.5	5.7	3.8	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.7
Rent, residential	3.7	3.5	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.3
Other renters' costs ¹	4.3	3.8	6.5	14.2	8.3	3.9	3.6	2.1	3.7	4.9	9.5
Lodging while out of town	4.1	3.6	6.5	15.5	8.6	3.5	3.8	1.8	3.6	5.2	10.1
Lodging while at school	5.9	5.8	7.3	6.1	6.5	8.0	2.2	4.7	4.4	3.5	5.7
Tenants' insurance ¹	3.5	2.8	2.3	1.2	2.5	2.5	3.1	4.7	2.0	.5	2.8
Homeowners' costs ¹	5.2	4.8	5.0	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.7	2.7	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	2.2
Household insurance ¹	3.9	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	4.8	1.9	1.1	2.7
Maintenance and repairs ¹	3.0	2.4	3.3	3.9	5.7	-.6	-1.6	3.7	2.6	3.2	.7
Maintenance and repair services ¹	4.2	1.6	3.9	6.0	4.5	2.4	-3.6	4.7	3.1	3.7	1.4
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.7	3.3	2.7	1.4	6.9	-.1	.8	2.4	1.9	2.3	.1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ¹	1.9	2.1	5.2	2.7	4.3	-.7	1.1	.9	.7	5.2	-.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.5	4.2	.9	.3	9.1	-6.8	1.4	3.7	2.9	.2	.4
Fuel and other utilities ²	1.6	3.0	3.1	3.8	3.2	2.3	2.6	.1	1.4	4.6	2.2
Fuels	1.2	2.5	3.6	4.0	1.1	2.4	1.7	-.6	.6	5.7	2.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	12.2	-.4	14.9	28.7	-16.8	-2.9	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.6	-15.6
Fuel oil	18.0	-.6	19.6	29.9	-20.0	-3.2	-4.6	.0	1.6	23.2	-15.3
Other household fuel commodities	2.4	-.2	6.0	26.1	-9.8	-2.4	-2.1	.3	.8	24.1	-15.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	.2	3.2	2.7	1.4	3.4	2.9	2.3	-.8	.6	4.1	4.3
Electricity	1.7	3.0	2.6	1.2	5.2	1.7	.5	.7	2.7	.7	7.6
Utility (piped) gas	-2.9	3.7	2.6	1.7	-.1	5.4	5.9	-3.5	-3.9	11.8	-2.2
Other utilities and public services ¹	2.0	3.9	2.2	3.7	5.6	2.5	3.7	1.0	2.1	3.4	2.2
Telephone services ¹	-1.0	1.3	-.3	-.3	3.4	-.2	1.8	.7	1.1	2.1	.0
Local charges ¹	3.6	4.5	.5	1.0	5.2	.4	1.0	-.4	2.3	.9	.8
Interstate toll calls	-12.4	-.4	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	3.8	-.4
Intrastate toll calls	-3.0	-.4	-2.5	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.1	-.9	-3.5	6.2	2.7
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.2	5.6	6.7	5.9	7.3	6.4	4.9	4.2	2.8	3.4	3.5
Cable television	9.7	10.7	3.9	13.5	8.6	4.0	7.1	-2.9	3.9	7.9	6.4
Refuse collection	9.9	7.8	9.7	10.0	11.6	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.7	1.9	1.7
Household furnishings and operation ²	1.0	3.1	.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	2.3	.9	.3
Housefurnishings ¹ .....	.4	2.4	-.7	.5	.8	1.6	1.3	.0	.5	.1	-.6
Textile housefurnishings ¹ .....	.9	6.4	-.7	2.5	1.4	-1.3	6.1	-3.0	.1	-1.0	1.4
Furniture and bedding	2.0	3.1	-1.7	1.1	1.1	4.3	2.8	1.2	4.2	.9	.2
Bedroom furniture .....	.3	5.3	-2.3	-1.4	4.2	5.2	4.9	-1.8	2.0	3.6	.7
Sofas ¹	5.0	-.9	-1.0	.2	-.1	3.6	-1.2	6.2	10.9	1.2	-1.3
Living room chairs and tables ¹	1.9	3.1	-1.2	5.4	-1.5	3.7	4.8	.8	6.2	-1.3	1.4
Other furniture ¹	2.5	3.4	-1.8	2.5	-.5	4.4	1.6	2.2	1.4	-1.4	-.5
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	-2.7	.8	-1.8	-2.4	-1.4	-1.3	-.5	-.9	-3.7	-1.6	-2.9
Video and audio products ¹	-3.7	-1.2	-.8	-3.7	-.6	-1.4	-.5	-2.5	-3.9	-2.4	-3.3
Televisions	-4.9	-1.2	-2.1	-3.5	-1.1	-.7	-2.1	-1.7	-4.4	-5.4	-3.1
Video products other than televisions ¹	-	-	-5.1	-9.6	-5.7	-2.1	-1.4	-6.8	-6.9	-.7	-6.5
Audio products ¹ .....	.9	.0	2.3	-1.0	1.9	-1.5	.7	-1.1	-2.6	-.7	-2.0
Major household appliances ¹	-1.2	3.4	-1.2	.0	-2.1	.4	1.8	3.3	-2.0	1.6	-1.5
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	1.1	1.8	1.2	-.9	-1.7	.7	4.7	5.1	-2.1	2.1	-1.7
Laundry equipment	-1.1	3.6	-.6	1.8	-1.9	.5	.6	2.8	-.4	3.3	.6
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ¹	-2.9	4.5	-3.5	-1.0	-2.4	.0	.7	2.1	-3.6	-.5	-3.4
Information processing equipment	-	-	-7.3	-3.2	-3.1	-7.2	-7.9	-8.1	-10.0	-10.6	-9.8
Other housefurnishings ¹	1.7	2.2	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.5	-.3	.7	.6	.7	-.1
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	6.2	-1.0	4.6	7.5	-2.0	3.3	.7	2.0	4.3	1.6	1.2
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	1.4	3.2	6.0	.1	3.5	2.4	-3.4	-.4	3.7	-3.9	1.4
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	1.4	3.0	2.2	1.4	6.3	1.6	1.1	.6	-3.1	1.8	3.7
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹ .....	.9	.1	-2.6	1.8	-.6	1.1	3.9	.6	.7	2.4	.5
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ¹	-1.7	1.8	-3.0	-.8	-.5	1.4	-3.7	-2.0	-3.7	1.9	.7
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	7.3	5.5	-2.5	3.9	1.4	.6	-8.5
Housekeeping supplies	2.9	4.0	5.5	3.2	2.0	-.3	1.5	1.1	5.0	1.5	1.2
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	4.6	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.2	-.4	-.3	1.7	1.4	2.8	1.6
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹ .....	.9	5.6	5.4	4.1	.3	-.1	2.1	.6	10.5	.8	-.5
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	2.8	2.2	6.8	1.5	.7	-.2	3.0	.8	3.9	.7	2.5
Housekeeping services ¹	1.5	4.4	1.1	4.2	7.0	3.5	2.4	1.7	5.0	2.9	2.1
Postage .....	.0	13.6	.0	.0	16.2	.0	.0	.0	10.4	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	2.9	2.3	1.8	3.9	4.3	5.9	2.6	.6	4.8	3.2	1.5
Gardening and other household services ¹	4.7	4.1	2.8	3.8	2.2	5.0	1.7	.6	2.0	5.3	.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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	4.8	4.4	0.8	5.1	3.1	1.6	0.7	-1.5	0.2	-0.2	2.2
Apparel commodities ¹	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	-.4	2.3
Apparel commodities less footwear	5.2	4.2	.4	5.1	3.2	1.2	.5	-1.9	.0	-.8	2.5
Men's and boys'	3.1	5.5	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.2	.5	-2.0	1.0	1.4	2.9
Men's	4.3	5.7	2.0	3.2	3.1	1.7	.3	-1.6	.4	1.7	2.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	3.4	9.2	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.0	5.1	-2.2	-1.3	-.6	1.1
Furnishings and special clothing	.9	3.1	3.0	2.3	2.2	.9	-.1	.6	-2.7	4.3	5.6
Shirts ¹	6.6	6.2	.3	4.3	3.7	1.5	-2.7	-3.3	4.4	1.7	3.8
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	5.9	4.1	2.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	-.8	-1.3	1.2	1.5	1.0
Boys'	-7	4.9	-.8	1.6	2.6	-.9	1.1	-3.2	3.1	.3	2.7
Women's and girls'	6.1	3.2	-.6	6.1	3.3	.7	.6	-3.4	-.6	-1.3	2.4
Women's	6.3	2.8	-.6	6.7	2.4	.3	1.6	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	2.6
Coats and jackets	4.9	-2.2	1.3	10.8	2.8	3.0	5.7	-8.0	2.3	4.0	4.5
Dresses	15.3	3.0	-2.5	7.9	-3.2	3.1	-2.7	-11.3	2.2	-9.3	3.6
Separates and sportswear ¹	5.4	2.1	-.8	5.9	3.7	-1.0	2.3	-3.0	-2.7	-.2	.8
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	.4	5.7	1.8	4.4	2.3	.6	1.1	1.8	1.6	1.3	2.5
Suits ¹	8.8	5.8	-2.7	10.6	8.9	-1.3	4.4	1.2	-5.1	-2.1	11.8
Girls'	5.2	5.3	-.4	3.6	8.3	2.6	-3.8	-1.8	.8	-1.9	1.3
Infants' and toddlers'	2.6	3.4	-.8	7.2	3.0	1.0	-3.8	3.7	-2.3	-1.3	.2
Other apparel commodities ¹	7.9	6.5	3.1	6.0	3.0	3.5	2.0	2.9	.8	-3.9	3.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	2.7	6.2	1.6	6.7	2.0	1.2	-1.0	.0	8.2	-3.0	-1.1
Watches and jewelry	9.0	6.6	3.5	5.8	3.1	4.0	2.6	3.4	-.5	-4.0	4.6
Watches	3.6	4.1	-.3	3.0	2.6	-1.5	6.0	3.6	5.2	-6.5	5.0
Jewelry	10.6	7.2	4.6	6.5	3.3	5.3	1.9	3.3	-1.8	-3.4	4.5
Footwear	4.2	5.6	1.2	3.4	2.7	2.5	.8	-1.9	.6	1.6	1.0
Men's	2.9	7.1	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.3	1.1	-1.5	.2	-.7	.8
Boys' and girls'	7.4	3.7	3.4	4.1	-.4	-.2	.0	1.0	1.5	4.3	-1.7
Women's	3.4	5.6	-.8	3.4	4.3	4.2	1.0	-3.8	.6	1.9	2.8
Apparel services ¹	3.7	4.1	3.8	6.9	3.4	3.3	2.8	1.6	.8	2.2	1.4
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	5.2	5.3	3.9	5.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	1.8	.7	3.6	1.2
Other apparel services ¹	2.6	3.2	3.5	8.3	3.7	3.5	2.5	1.4	.9	1.0	1.6
Transportation	6.7	2.9	4.0	10.4	-1.7	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.6	4.2	-.8
Private	6.9	2.9	3.9	10.1	-1.7	2.8	1.5	5.2	1.5	3.8	-.7
New vehicles	1.8	2.3	2.7	2.0	3.3	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.0	1.9	-1.7
New cars	1.7	2.2	2.4	1.3	3.2	2.3	2.9	3.1	1.7	1.6	-2.1
Subcompact new cars ¹	1.8	2.4	1.2	.2	3.8	2.7	3.5	3.4	1.8	.8	-2.4
Compact new cars ¹	1.2	1.3	2.3	1.6	2.4	.5	3.1	4.1	1.8	3.3	-2.3
Intermediate new cars ¹	.4	1.5	3.9	1.6	3.4	2.2	2.2	3.4	1.3	.7	-1.5
Full-size new cars ¹	3.1	2.4	3.3	1.3	3.4	1.5	3.2	1.9	1.1	2.0	-2.5
Luxury new cars ¹	3.8	5.2	2.2	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.1	3.1	1.9	2.8	-3.0
New trucks	1.3	2.3	3.5	4.0	3.5	2.7	4.6	3.6	2.9	2.5	-.7
New motorcycles	4.0	5.2	4.3	2.9	5.4	4.2	7.3	8.0	4.8	4.2	.1
Used cars	8.8	3.4	-.5	-2.2	2.8	7.9	8.1	8.5	4.6	-1.4	-4.5
Motor fuel	18.5	-2.0	6.8	36.3	-15.9	1.4	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	13.0	.3
Gasoline	18.7	-1.8	6.5	36.7	-16.0	1.6	-5.9	6.4	-4.1	12.9	.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	18.5	-2.5	5.6	38.7	-16.6	1.5	-6.7	7.1	-4.2	13.9	.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	15.6	-.7	6.3	31.9	-14.5	1.5	-4.8	5.2	-4.7	11.1	.5
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.6	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1	1.9
Body work	5.5	4.3	5.9	4.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	4.5	3.6
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	3.1	4.4	4.9	5.5	4.3	4.4	4.0	3.6	2.1	2.7	2.1
Maintenance and servicing	3.7	3.1	3.1	3.9	5.4	2.1	2.1	1.5	2.1	2.9	1.6
Power plant repair ¹	3.5	4.1	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2	1.4
Other private transportation ¹	4.5	6.9	4.9	5.4	3.5	1.8	2.0	5.5	3.1	1.9	.4
Other private transportation commodities ¹	1.7	2.6	2.0	1.3	1.6	-.8	-1.3	.9	.9	-.1	-.5
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-2.0	8.7	-.3	7.0	1.0	-.4	.3	6.2	3.2	1.2	-.2
Automobile parts and equipment	1.9	2.0	2.2	.9	1.5	-.8	-1.5	.3	.6	-.2	-.6
Tires	1.5	3.8	2.1	-.2	2.2	-.4	-1.5	2.2	.1	.0	-2.4
Other parts and equipment ¹	2.5	.5	2.3	1.7	1.0	-1.1	-1.6	-1.4	1.0	-.4	1.1
Other private transportation services ¹	5.3	7.9	5.5	6.3	3.9	2.3	2.5	6.4	3.4	2.2	.6
Automobile insurance	5.6	8.1	6.0	7.7	8.1	6.5	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.9	.9
Automobile finance charges ¹	6.0	8.5	4.3	.2	-7.0	-14.1	-6.3	23.1	2.2	-2.7	-3.6
Automobile fees ¹	3.3	5.8	5.7	9.8	3.6	6.1	2.2	3.0	1.0	.7	3.5
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	1.6	6.1	6.2	16.0	4.7	5.9	2.5	.4	1.8	.1	1.0
Other automobile-related fees ¹	5.5	5.6	4.9	2.1	2.0	6.4	1.8	6.8	-.1	1.9	7.0
Public transportation	1.6	3.4	3.7	15.5	-1.7	5.2	10.0	-5.0	4.0	10.6	-1.8
Airline fares	1.1	3.1	5.2	22.8	-5.8	6.2	17.2	-9.5	2.1	15.4	-3.7
Other intercity transportation	2.1	6.9	2.7	6.3	3.3	.8	-3.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	-.3
Intracity public transportation	2.2	2.7	1.9	7.8	3.7	4.9	3.0	.9	7.6	5.6	.9

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										Sept.
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	6.1	7.0	8.3	9.1	7.8	6.8	5.2	4.9	4.0	3.1	2.0
Medical care commodities	7.0	6.7	8.2	8.5	7.3	5.0	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.5	1.5
Prescription drugs	8.1	7.7	9.5	10.0	9.4	5.6	3.2	3.6	2.0	3.0	1.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	5.3	4.8	5.8	5.8	3.3	4.2	2.6	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.1
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	6.0	5.0	5.3	6.1	2.6	4.3	2.6	.9	.7	1.9	.9
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	2.9	4.7	7.2	4.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	.2	1.9
Medical care services	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	2.1
Professional medical services	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.1	3.6	2.6
Physicians' services	6.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.0	4.5	4.4	3.1	2.5
Dental services	7.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	8.3	5.7	4.4	5.4	4.4	5.1	3.2
Eye care	5.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.1	3.6	2.4	1.4	1.2
Services by other medical professionals	5.0	5.5	5.8	4.8	5.2	3.6	3.1	4.5	1.7	3.2	2.9
Hospital and related services	7.0	10.8	11.2	10.6	9.1	8.8	7.4	5.7	4.6	4.0	1.9
Hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8
Inpatient hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
Outpatient hospital services	7.2	9.2	12.0	11.3	9.9	9.7	7.6	5.8	4.6	4.8	3.1
Nursing home services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2
Entertainment ¹	3.9	4.5	5.1	3.8	3.8	2.7	2.7	2.1	3.1	3.0	1.3
Entertainment commodities ¹	3.6	4.4	3.5	2.5	3.4	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.4	2.5	.3
Reading materials	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.6	6.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	5.9	2.8	1.1
Newspapers ¹	4.6	4.9	3.9	4.9	9.6	4.3	4.4	5.1	7.7	2.9	.5
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	2.9	3.8	5.2	4.4	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.0	3.8	2.5	1.9
Sporting goods and equipment	3.5	4.4	3.0	.5	3.4	.9	.8	2.9	-1.3	.1	-2
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	2.9	3.9	4.0	.1	2.2	2.6	1.1	3.1	-1.2	.1	-2
Other sporting goods	4.2	4.9	1.7	1.2	5.3	-1.4	.3	2.6	-1.4	.0	-3
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	3.4	4.6	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	-.4	2.2	3.6	.2
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	3.8	4.2	2.2	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.6	-.8	1.1	3.2	-.1
Photographic supplies and equipment	6.4	6.2	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.8	-3.7	1.8	.1	.9
Pet supplies and expense	2.2	4.5	4.3	3.7	1.7	-.8	.6	1.1	3.6	5.2	.4
Entertainment services ¹	4.3	4.6	6.9	5.3	4.4	3.7	3.6	2.7	3.7	3.5	2.3
Club memberships ¹	2.0	8.3	4.3	4.7	3.8	2.2	3.6	-.6	2.3	-1.0	-.7
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ¹	6.9	5.9	7.7	5.5	4.4	4.8	8.2	2.3	2.4	4.1	2.2
Admissions	6.4	3.7	9.8	5.0	4.8	3.8	2.0	3.7	5.4	4.1	3.8
Fees for lessons or instructions	5.3	5.0	8.1	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.0	5.3	3.0	5.5	2.2
Other entertainment services ¹	1.6	3.5	4.5	5.8	3.9	3.0	2.6	2.6	3.7	3.4	1.8
Other goods and services ²	6.2	7.1	8.6	7.7	8.1	6.4	1.6	4.2	4.1	3.4	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products	7.9	9.5	14.4	10.7	11.3	8.3	-5.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	5.2
Personal care	3.2	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.0	1.5
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.9	5.6	2.6	4.3	2.8	3.7	1.5	2.0	.8	-.8	.8
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.9	5.3	2.1	5.8	3.0	1.8	4.5	1.5	1.4	2.8	.0
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.8	5.8	3.0	3.2	2.8	4.8	-.4	2.5	.4	-3.2	1.4
Personal care services	3.6	4.4	5.2	4.3	2.2	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.4	3.4	2.3
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	3.6	4.4	5.5	4.5	2.0	2.1	3.8	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.4
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	3.7	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.7	2.2	2.7	3.8	4.5	1.8
Personal and educational expenses ¹	6.6	6.5	7.1	7.1	8.0	6.3	6.4	5.4	5.5	4.6	4.8
School books and supplies	7.6	6.5	7.8	6.8	6.0	5.7	3.8	3.1	5.7	5.7	4.7
Personal and educational services ¹	6.5	6.6	7.0	7.1	8.2	6.3	6.6	5.6	5.5	4.6	4.8
Tuition and other school fees	7.5	7.4	8.0	7.7	9.1	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.7	4.7	5.1
College tuition	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.4	11.7	9.2	7.4	6.2	6.2	5.5	5.1
Elementary and high school tuition	9.5	8.4	8.8	8.6	7.7	8.0	5.7	6.3	6.7	4.6	6.7
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.2	5.3	5.1	3.9	3.6	3.6
Personal expenses	4.7	5.1	5.6	6.0	6.5	4.2	6.4	5.2	5.1	4.3	4.4
Legal service fees	5.2	4.4	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.4	7.8	2.2	4.0	4.3	3.7
Personal financial services	4.5	6.9	5.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	6.5	8.6	6.7	3.1	4.9
Funeral expenses	4.6	4.8	5.0	6.5	6.1	3.8	5.2	6.0	5.0	4.9	4.6
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.6	6.0	6.6	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.4	5.7	.0
Selected beef cuts	6.4	4.0	7.0	8.3	-1.1	.2	3.5	-2.7	-1.5	3.0	-1.7
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	17.9	-1.7	6.7	35.7	-15.6	1.5	-5.3	5.9	-3.7	12.8	.3
Utilities and public transportation	1.2	3.5	2.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.9	-.6	1.7	4.8	2.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	1.7	4.2	1.3	4.4	6.8	3.4	1.8	2.0	4.9	2.9	2.0

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

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- Data not available.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

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)	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997
U.S. city average	\$30.809	\$31.472	\$65.783	\$67.309	\$50.543	\$50.695	\$0.945	\$0.945
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	38.914	39.180	81.357	82.102	65.277	65.146	.937	.938
Size A - More than 1,200,000	39.253	39.532	81.823	82.609	68.539	68.385	.987	.986
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	36.880	37.321	78.839	79.837	56.398	56.225	.875	.884
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	38.611	38.579	83.121	83.106	50.385	50.534	.875	.873
North Central urban	26.584	27.591	53.763	56.076	49.007	48.880	.895	.892
Size A - More than 1,200,000	26.317	27.258	52.849	55.054	51.487	51.311	.895	.909
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	28.019	28.537	54.210	53.541	48.838	48.798	.939	.909
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	28.101	30.083	59.617	64.800	42.916	42.968	.855	.866
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	26.141	26.997	54.796	57.118	42.881	42.631	NA	NA
South urban	32.202	33.320	67.231	69.535	43.094	43.671	1.018	1.013
Size A - More than 1,200,000	32.605	33.914	66.354	68.962	44.971	46.017	1.131	1.126
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	34.655	35.314	71.940	73.583	42.782	42.772	.950	.942
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	30.954	31.733	67.690	69.542	43.054	43.295	NA	NA
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	25.500	27.170	60.223	62.950	37.200	37.738	.970	.971
West urban	28.833	28.970	69.252	69.416	50.515	50.518	1.110	1.127
Size A - More than 1,250,000	29.194	29.289	71.414	71.589	50.750	50.750	1.101	1.132
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	23.492	23.447	52.854	52.802	37.890	37.868	1.125	1.119
Size classes								
A	31.160	31.779	66.466	67.942	53.981	54.162	.991	.992
B	32.126	32.870	68.185	69.094	48.288	48.256	.896	.898
C	29.036	29.990	63.244	65.716	43.491	43.650	.895	.895
D	26.821	27.406	56.726	57.996	41.185	41.417	.908	.894
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	26.965	27.845	50.854	53.206	62.137	61.350	NA	NA
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	32.016	32.016	77.651	77.651	63.963	63.963	NA	NA
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	41.779	42.251	85.286	86.635	74.982	74.716	1.032	1.033
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	37.890	37.807	84.145	83.985	63.027	63.027	.874	.879
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	27.271	27.271	76.040	76.040	61.380	61.380	NA	NA
Baltimore, MD	32.860	33.740	67.160	69.340	53.190	53.190	1.070	1.060
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	30.462	30.462	64.221	64.221	62.950	62.953	.970	.961
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	28.288	27.924	62.322	61.564	66.439	65.743	NA	NA
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	48.441	48.441	107.420	107.420	45.446	45.446	NA	NA
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	29.427	29.859	53.188	54.214	49.225	49.225	NA	NA
Washington, DC-MD-VA	40.302	43.363	84.530	88.142	47.211	46.685	1.190	1.190
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	25.042	25.935	53.304	55.620	39.560	47.345	NA	NA
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	25.766	25.419	51.499	50.750	47.323	47.323	NA	NA
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	27.257	28.607	53.177	56.503	40.577	40.577	NA	NA
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	40.311	40.311	82.888	82.888	NA	52.869	.780	.769

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 Sept. 1997		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for Sept. 1997	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Low	High	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Low	High
U.S. city average	\$0.661	\$0.677	1	2,800	\$0.098	\$0.099	5	6,301
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban .....	.822	.829	1	2,800	.129	.128	110	5,069
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.834	.840	5	862	.136	.136	110	3,750
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.763	.775	1	505	.108	.107	173	5,069
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 .....	.775	.774	19	328	.092	.092	227	2,865
North Central urban .....	.520	.545	6	1,124	.096	.095	5	4,517
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.509	.531	6	1,124	.102	.102	5	3,785
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.570	.577	20	380	.091	.091	220	4,517
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 .....	.576	.626	12	623	.079	.079	39	3,404
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.509	.545	22	668	.083	.083	252	2,397
South urban .....	.753	.780	1	1,230	.084	.085	32	6,301
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.744	.776	7	394	.088	.091	148	6,301
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.819	.830	1	1,230	.083	.083	112	6,229
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 .....	.782	.803	3	278	.081	.082	94	4,249
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.611	.648	5	283	.073	.073	32	5,536
West urban .....	.680	.683	5	1,557	.099	.100	101	5,033
Size A - More than 1,250,000 .....	.699	.700	15	1,557	.099	.100	103	5,033
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 .....	.520	.520	24	606	.080	.080	101	3,146
Size classes								
A .....	.665	.680	5	1,557	.106	.107	5	6,301
B .....	.714	.728	1	1,230	.092	.092	112	6,229
C .....	.646	.671	3	623	.082	.082	39	4,249
D .....	.549	.572	5	2,800	.081	.081	32	5,536
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	.439	.461	24	1,124	.129	.128	100	2,700
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	.771	.771	17	447	.127	.127	164	2,454
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.882	.893	5	579	.150	.149	125	3,750
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	.856	.854	19	862	.133	.133	110	2,451
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	.732	.732	15	293	.128	.128	200	1,746
Baltimore, MD .....	.723	.745	34	125	.100	.100	541	4,252
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	.676	.676	16	232	.121	.121	279	1,533
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	.616	.608	41	561	.127	.125	298	2,259
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.857	1.857	7	13	.088	.088	380	2,607
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL .....	.496	.509	73	314	.100	.100	5	2,608
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1.050	1.123	20	68	.093	.093	415	3,401
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.556	.580	20	394	.072	.087	242	6,250
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	.523	.513	10	1,016	.098	.098	27	1,534
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.644	.678	18	209	.091	.091	312	6,301
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA .....	.776	.776	72	632	NA	.092	245	2,808

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

^{NA} Data not adequate for publication.

**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	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997
U.S. city average	\$1.310	\$1.334	\$1.253	\$1.277	\$1.347	\$1.370	\$1.433	\$1.458
Region and area size ²								
Northeast urban	1.340	1.387	1.276	1.325	1.379	1.426	1.457	1.503
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.340	1.390	1.272	1.324	1.374	1.425	1.454	1.501
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	1.368	1.408	1.313	1.353	1.426	1.464	1.490	1.525
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	1.308	1.360	1.246	1.299	1.347	1.391	1.432	1.489
North Central urban	1.292	1.271	1.251	1.230	1.326	1.307	1.410	1.387
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.323	1.298	1.279	1.255	1.375	1.350	1.445	1.420
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	1.291	1.243	1.241	1.189	1.336	1.302	1.416	1.369
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	1.245	1.237	1.209	1.203	1.270	1.257	1.348	1.337
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.229	1.233	1.195	1.200	1.239	1.242	1.338	1.338
South urban	1.248	1.262	1.185	1.200	1.282	1.296	1.369	1.383
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.243	1.270	1.178	1.206	1.290	1.319	1.370	1.393
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	1.285	1.293	1.210	1.217	1.296	1.304	1.377	1.389
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	1.217	1.227	1.168	1.179	1.260	1.268	1.349	1.359
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.245	1.248	1.189	1.196	1.275	1.272	1.384	1.380
West urban	1.400	1.468	1.339	1.407	1.456	1.521	1.536	1.609
Size A - More than 1,250,000	1.423	1.499	1.361	1.436	1.466	1.539	1.561	1.641
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	1.354	1.407	1.299	1.349	1.402	1.472	1.489	1.538
Size classes								
A	1.337	1.368	1.278	1.309	1.380	1.412	1.462	1.496
B	1.317	1.328	1.255	1.265	1.352	1.361	1.416	1.429
C	1.258	1.277	1.208	1.227	1.297	1.315	1.385	1.406
D	1.256	1.272	1.214	1.234	1.274	1.283	1.387	1.394
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	1.404	1.376	1.344	1.317	1.455	1.429	1.535	1.503
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	1.444	1.534	1.391	1.478	1.463	1.553	1.559	1.653
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	1.373	1.427	1.306	1.361	1.419	1.472	1.489	1.541
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	1.318	1.362	1.200	1.246	1.305	1.354	1.387	1.430
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	1.427	1.501	1.357	1.435	1.501	1.564	1.588	1.660
Baltimore, MD	1.263	1.312	1.206	1.259	1.311	1.353	1.362	1.405
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.297	1.348	1.252	1.306	1.343	1.391	1.410	1.454
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1.298	1.216	1.246	1.166	1.333	1.252	1.444	1.359
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.346	1.380	1.273	1.310	1.394	1.427	1.463	1.492
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1.266	1.257	1.219	1.206	1.296	1.295	1.406	1.405
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1.277	1.312	1.209	1.250	1.312	1.351	1.402	1.418
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.217	1.240	1.159	1.181	1.268	1.294	1.343	1.366
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	1.332	1.301	1.289	1.258	1.388	1.357	1.476	1.449
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	1.237	1.253	1.179	1.193	1.283	1.304	1.344	1.359
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	1.298	1.340	1.246	1.286	1.340	1.386	1.428	1.470

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	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997
Cereals and bakery products:										
Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	\$0.307	\$0.305	\$0.336	\$0.335	\$0.291	\$0.282	\$0.310	\$0.310	NA	NA
Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.569	.564	.553	.555	NA	NA	.555	.553	0.629	0.612
Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.878	.880	.822	.827	.871	.877	.794	.824	1.057	1.024
Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.872	.885	.905	.900	.874	.908	.828	.827	.917	.951
Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.545	1.552	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.657	1.651
Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.258	1.295	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.128	1.201	NA	NA
Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.612	2.536	NA	NA	2.490	2.416	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.599	1.568	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.541	1.517	NA	NA
Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:										
Meats:										
Beef and veal:										
Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.841	1.844	1.764	1.850	1.804	1.814	1.938	1.862	NA	NA
Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.394	1.420	NA	NA	1.355	1.426	1.439	1.428	NA	NA
Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.071	2.061	2.191	2.209	1.884	1.905	2.100	2.057	2.044	2.026
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Chuck roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.139	2.091	NA	NA	2.278	1.894	2.035	2.088	2.200	2.199
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.468	2.477	2.631	2.545	2.398	2.472	2.387	2.427	2.422	2.411
Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.776	2.759	2.733	2.699	2.779	2.660	2.772	2.921	2.930	2.791
Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.648	2.690	NA	NA	2.713	2.611	2.505	2.684	2.758	2.756
Rib roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.163	5.313	NA	NA	NA	NA	5.198	5.256	NA	NA
Steak, T-Bone, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.780	6.035	NA	NA	5.498	5.711	6.088	6.171	NA	NA
Steak, rib eye, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.748	5.985	NA	NA	6.089	6.429	6.158	6.400	NA	NA
Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.069	3.082	3.353	3.291	2.814	2.733	3.138	3.126	2.716	3.256
Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.004	2.977	NA	NA	3.034	2.906	2.841	2.923	3.124	3.066
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	3.354	3.316	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, sirloin, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.602	3.580	NA	NA	3.610	3.310	3.507	3.585	3.554	3.586
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.374	4.304	4.317	4.229	4.296	4.164	4.242	4.278	5.193	5.036
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)	2.528	2.481	NA	NA	2.625	2.489	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pork:										
Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.755	2.750	2.933	2.963	2.700	2.690	2.674	2.691	2.700	2.635
Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.558	3.525	3.356	3.399	3.335	3.251	3.672	3.540	3.912	4.044
Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.078	4.200	4.072	4.200	4.042	4.381	4.316	4.355	3.858	3.871
Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.983	1.948	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.781	1.796	NA	NA
Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.820	2.852	NA	NA	2.675	2.769	2.872	2.936	2.665	2.726
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)	1.277	1.272	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.202	1.207	NA	NA
Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.180	2.201	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.180	2.210	NA	NA
Other meats:										
Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.315	2.292	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.251	2.233	NA	NA
Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.417	2.389	NA	NA	2.332	2.214	2.438	2.416	2.247	2.331
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	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997
Poultry:										
Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	0.988	0.992	1.034	1.053	0.978	0.961	0.910	0.935	1.078	1.060
Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.027	2.094	2.029	2.213	1.988	2.055	1.929	1.923	2.209	2.237
Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.216	1.227	1.200	1.279	1.145	1.123	1.233	1.192	1.279	1.313
Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.092	1.089	NA	NA	1.100	1.088	1.066	1.069	1.130	1.152
Fish and seafood:										
Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.997	2.015	1.991	2.057	2.112	2.059	1.881	1.916	2.090	2.121
Eggs:										
Grade A, large, per doz.	1.061	1.009	1.251	1.217	.961	.902	1.038	.983	NA	NA
Grade AA, large, per doz.	1.270	1.258	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.385	1.364
Dairy products:										
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	1.530	1.555	1.397	1.395	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.670	1.653
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit)	2.551	2.533	2.575	2.540	2.415	2.387	2.522	2.558	2.724	2.633
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)	2.329	2.307	NA	NA	2.222	2.286	2.518	2.558	NA	NA
Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.154	2.144	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.078	2.087	NA	NA
American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.352	3.359	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.068	3.126	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.391	3.493	2.824	2.883
Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	2.927	2.895	3.081	3.086	2.541	2.583	2.791	2.702	3.379	3.285
Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm) .....	.665	.642	.636	.643	NA	NA	.665	.660	NA	NA
Fruits and vegetables:										
Fresh fruits and vegetables:										
Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.935	.933	.999	.974	.910	.913	.964	1.000	.875	.848
Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.475	.458	.554	.494	.440	.427	.434	.445	.500	.475
Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Oranges, Valencia, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.669	.670	.739	.735	.640	.689	.714	.651	.627	.636
Cherries, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Grapefruit, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.646	.681	.663	.697	.688	.661	.615	.664	.634	.702
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.240	1.275	1.355	1.471	1.330	1.245	1.139	1.214	1.147	1.222
Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.623	1.631	1.563	1.620	1.489	1.359	1.560	1.617	1.836	1.846
Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.973	1.143	1.070	1.090	.915	1.122	.953	1.086	.983	1.228
Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm)	1.375	1.488	1.326	1.357	1.375	1.541	1.412	NA	1.377	1.489
Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.388	.388	.424	.418	.344	.336	.410	.405	.375	.394
Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.694	.737	.787	.791	.667	.715	.691	.768	.632	.662
Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.130	1.091	1.244	1.239	1.127	1.057	1.124	1.023	1.001	1.069
Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.905	.903	.918	.893	.903	.905	1.025	.998	NA	NA
Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.372	.375	.430	.409	.314	.309	.373	.369	NA	NA
Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.508	.500	NA	NA	.416	.436	NA	NA	.422	.437
Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.662	.615	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) .....	.628	.619	NA	NA	NA	NA	.718	.675	NA	NA
Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.531	.495	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.227	1.126	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.240	1.031	NA	NA
Processed fruits and vegetables:										
Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.854	.830	NA	NA	NA	NA	.824	NA	NA	NA
Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	1.755	1.695	1.939	1.989	1.556	1.515	1.745	1.684	1.863	1.654
Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.962	.964	NA	NA	.919	.906	.934	.963	NA	NA
Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.729	.731	NA	NA	.694	.695	.686	.676	NA	NA
Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.752	.741	.811	.766	NA	NA	.706	.718	NA	NA
Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.961	.942	NA	NA	.895	.834	.929	.940	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) .....	.682	.674	.622	.633	NA	NA	.693	.678	.783	.762

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	
	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997
Other foods at home:										
Sugar and sweets:										
Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	0.436	0.436	0.458	0.448	0.437	0.442	0.431	0.431	0.424	0.427
Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.423	.425	.441	.431	.420	.426	.413	.416	NA	NA
Fats and oils:										
Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.838	.828	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) .....	.880	.878	1.032	1.028	.810	.807	.851	.850	.874	.875
Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.749	1.797	1.838	1.811	1.650	1.700	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)	1.003	1.005	NA	NA	NA	NA	.995	1.001	NA	NA
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.669	4.617	4.895	4.869	4.593	4.496	NA	NA	4.662	4.584
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)	10.619	10.511	NA	NA	10.579	10.579	9.892	9.770	NA	NA
Other prepared foods:										
Potato chips, per 16 oz. (453.6 gm)	3.128	3.176	2.881	2.856	3.287	3.321	3.170	3.256	3.120	3.201
Alcoholic Beverages at Home:										
Malt Beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) .....	.837	.845	.830	.885	.777	.788	.861	.833	.873	.887
Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	9.528	9.581	NA	12.191	NA	9.418	NA	NA	8.455	NA
Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	5.022	5.414	4.709	5.893	5.292	5.042	5.861	5.034	4.586	5.547

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.

Table NS1. New Series Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), Washington-Baltimore CMSA

(Nov. 1996=100)

Washington-Baltimore	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent Change to Current Month		
		June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997
CPI-U								
All items	1	-	101.1	-	101.4	-	0.3	-
Food and beverages	1	-	100.1	-	100.0	-	-.1	-
Housing	1	-	102.4	-	101.9	-	-.5	-
Residential rent	M	100.5	100.7	100.6	100.7	0.2	.0	0.1
Apparel	1	-	97.3	-	99.2	-	2.0	-
Transportation	1	-	99.7	-	100.7	-	1.0	-
Medical care	1	-	101.3	-	101.8	-	.5	-
Entertainment	1	-	102.1	-	101.9	-	-.2	-
Other goods and services	1	-	102.6	-	104.2	-	1.6	-
All items less food and energy	1	-	101.1	-	101.1	-	.0	-
All items less medical care	1	-	101.1	-	101.4	-	.3	-
Food	1	-	99.8	-	99.9	-	.1	-
Energy	M	106.4	105.4	106.7	108.8	2.3	3.2	2.0
CPI-W								
All items	1	-	101.1	-	101.4	-	.3	-
Food and beverages	1	-	99.9	-	99.8	-	-.1	-
Housing	1	-	102.4	-	102.2	-	-.2	-
Residential rent	M	100.5	100.7	100.6	100.7	.2	.0	.1
Apparel	1	-	98.0	-	99.4	-	1.4	-
Transportation	1	-	99.6	-	100.7	-	1.1	-
Medical care	1	-	100.6	-	100.9	-	.3	-
Entertainment	1	-	101.8	-	101.4	-	-.4	-
Other goods and services	1	-	102.9	-	104.6	-	1.7	-
All items less food and energy	1	-	101.0	-	101.0	-	.0	-
All items less medical care	1	-	101.1	-	101.4	-	.3	-
Food	1	-	99.7	-	99.7	-	.0	-
Energy	M	106.4	105.3	106.7	108.9	2.3	3.4	2.1

¹ Residential rent and Energy are priced monthly in Washington-Baltimore as indicated:
M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
Data not available.

Table NS2. New Series Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), Selected Areas, All Items Index

(Dec. 1996=100)

Region and Population Size Class	Indexes				Percent Change to Current Month		
	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997	Sept. 1997	June 1997	July 1997	Aug. 1997
CPI-U All Items							
Population Size Class							
B/C	101.0	101.1	101.3	101.4	0.4	0.3	0.1
Region/Population Size Cross - Classifications							
Northeast B/C	100.6	101.0	101.2	101.3	.7	.3	.1
North Central B/C	100.7	100.6	100.9	101.2	.5	.6	.3
South B/C	101.3	101.3	101.4	101.5	.2	.2	.1
West B/C	101.3	101.3	101.5	101.8	.5	.5	.3
CPI-W All Items							
Population Size Class							
B/C	100.9	100.9	101.1	101.3	.4	.4	.2
Region/Population Size Cross - Classifications							
Northeast B/C	100.5	100.8	101.0	101.1	.6	.3	.1
North Central B/C	100.6	100.5	100.8	101.1	.5	.6	.3
South B/C	101.1	101.0	101.1	101.3	.2	.3	.2
West B/C	101.3	101.3	101.5	101.8	.5	.5	.3

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure of Expenditure Categories

All items	Citrus fruits
All items - old base	<i>Oranges, including tangerines</i>
Food and beverages	Other fresh fruits
Food	Fresh vegetables
Food at home	Potatoes
Cereals and bakery products	Lettuce
Cereals and cereal products	Tomatoes
Flour and prepared flour mixes	Other fresh vegetables
Breakfast cereal	Processed fruits and vegetables
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	Canned fruits and vegetables
<i>Rice</i>	<i>Canned fruits</i>
Bakery products	<i>Canned vegetables</i>
Bread	Frozen fruits and vegetables
<i>White bread</i>	<i>Frozen vegetables</i>
<i>Bread other than white</i>	Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins	<i>Dried beans, peas, and lentils</i>
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials
<i>Fresh cakes and cupcakes</i>	Juices and nonalcoholic drinks
<i>Cookies</i>	Carbonated drinks
Other bakery products	Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks
<i>Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, and doughnuts</i>	Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks
<i>Crackers, bread, and cracker products</i>	Beverage materials including coffee and tea
<i>Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers</i>	Coffee
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	<i>Roasted coffee</i>
Meats, poultry, and fish	<i>Instant and freeze dried coffee</i>
Meats	Other beverage materials including tea
Beef and veal	Other food at home
Uncooked Ground beef	Sugar and sweets
Uncooked Beef roasts	Sugar and artificial sweeteners
Uncooked Beef steaks	Candy and chewing gum
Other uncooked beef and veal	Other sweets
Pork	Fats and oils
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products	Butter and margarine
<i>Bacon and related products</i>	<i>Butter</i>
<i>Breakfast sausage and related products</i>	<i>Margarine</i>
Ham	Salad dressings
<i>Ham, excluding canned</i>	Other fats and oils including peanut butter
Pork chops	<i>Peanut butter</i>
Other pork including roasts and picnics	Other foods
Other meats	Soups
<i>Frankfurters</i>	Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods
<i>Lunchmeats</i>	Snacks
<i>Lamb and organ meats</i>	Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces
<i>Lamb and mutton</i>	<i>Salt and other seasonings and spices</i>
Poultry	<i>Olives, pickles, relishes</i>
Chicken	<i>Sauces and gravies</i>
<i>Fresh whole chicken</i>	<i>Other condiments</i>
<i>Fresh and frozen chicken parts</i>	Baby food
Other poultry including turkey	Other miscellaneous foods
Fish and seafood	<i>Prepared salads</i>
Fresh fish and seafood	Food away from home
Processed fish and seafood	Full service meals and snacks
<i>Canned fish and seafood</i>	Limited service meals and snacks
<i>Frozen fish and seafood</i>	Food at employee sites and schools
Eggs	Food from vending machines and snack bars
Dairy and related products	Other food away from home
Milk	Alcoholic beverages
<i>Fresh whole milk</i>	Alcoholic beverages at home
<i>Fresh milk other than whole</i>	Beer, ale, and malt beverages at home
Cheese and related products	Distilled spirits at home
Ice cream and related products	<i>Whiskey at home</i>
Other dairy and related products	<i>Distilled spirits excluding whiskey at home</i>
Fruits and vegetables	Wine at home
Fresh fruits and vegetables	Alcoholic beverages away from home
Fresh fruits	<i>Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home</i>
Apples	<i>Wine away from home</i>
Bananas	<i>Distilled spirits away from home</i>

Italic denotes substratum indexes.

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure of Expenditure Categories (cont.)

Housing	Women's footwear
Shelter	Infants' and toddlers' apparel
Rent of primary residence	Jewelry and watches
Lodging away from home	Watches
Housing at school, excluding board	Jewelry
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	Transportation
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence	Private transportation
Tenants' and household insurance	New and used motor vehicles
Fuels and utilities	New vehicles
Fuels	<i>New cars and trucks</i>
Fuel oil and other fuels	<i>New cars</i>
Fuel oil	<i>New trucks</i>
Other household fuels	<i>New motorcycles</i>
Gas (piped) and electricity	Used cars and trucks
Electricity	Leased cars and trucks
Utility natural gas service	Car and truck rental
Water and sewer and trash collection services	Motor fuel
Water and sewerage maintenance	Gasoline
Garbage and trash collection	<i>Gasoline, unleaded regular</i>
Household furnishings and operations	<i>Gasoline, unleaded midgrade</i>
Window and floor coverings and other linens	<i>Gasoline, unleaded premium</i>
Floor coverings	Other motor fuels
Window coverings	Motor vehicle parts and equipment
Other linens	Tires
Furniture and bedding	Vehicle accessories other than tires
Bedroom furniture	<i>Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires</i>
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture	<i>Motor oil, coolant, and fluids</i>
Other furniture	Motor vehicle maintenance and repair
Appliances	Motor vehicle body work
Major appliances	Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing
<i>Laundry equipment</i>	Motor vehicle repair
Other appliances	Motor vehicle insurance
Other household equipment and furnishings	Motor vehicle fees
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	State and local registration, license, and motor
Indoor plants and flowers	vehicle property tax
Dishes and flatware	Parking and other fees
Nonelectric cookware and tableware	<i>Parking fees and tolls</i>
Tools/hardware and outdoor equipment and supplies	<i>Automobile service clubs</i>
Tools, hardware and supplies	Public transportation
Outdoor equipment and supplies	Airline fare
Housekeeping supplies	Other intercity transportation
Household cleaning products	<i>Intercity bus fare</i>
Household paper products	<i>Intercity train fare</i>
Miscellaneous household products	<i>Ship fare</i>
Household operations	Intracity transportation
Housekeeping services	<i>Taxi fare</i>
Gardening and lawn care services	<i>Car and van pools</i>
Moving, storage, freight expense	Medical care
Repair of household items	Medical care commodities
Apparel	Prescription drugs and medical supplies
Men's and boy's apparel	Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies
Men's apparel	Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies
Men's furnishings	Medical care services
Men's shirts and sweaters	Professional services
Men's pants and shorts	Physicians' services
Boy's apparel	Dental services
Women's and girls' apparel	Eyeglasses and eye care
Women's apparel	Services by other medical professionals
Women's outerwear	Hospital and related services
Women's dresses	Hospital services
Women's suits and separates	<i>Inpatient hospital services</i>
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories	<i>Outpatient hospital services</i>
Girls' apparel	Nursing homes and adult daycare
Footwear	Recreation
Men's footwear	Video and audio
Boys' and girls' footwear	Television sets

Italic denotes substratum indexes.

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure of Expenditure Categories (cont.)

Cable television	Computer information processing services
Other video equipment	Other information processing equipment
Video cassettes and discs, and other media including rentals	Other goods and services
<i>Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded</i>	Tobacco and smoking products
<i>Rental of video tapes and discs</i>	Cigarettes
Audio equipment	Tobacco products other than cigarettes
Audio discs and tapes and other media	Personal care
Pets, pet products and services	Personal care products
Pets and pet products	Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products
<i>Pet food</i>	Cosmetics/perfume/bath/nail preparations and implements
<i>Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories</i>	Personal care services
Pet services including veterinary services	Haircuts and other personal care services
<i>Pet services</i>	Miscellaneous personal services
<i>Veterinarian services</i>	Legal services
Sporting goods	Funeral expenses
Sports vehicles including bicycles	Laundry and dry cleaning services
Sports equipment	Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning
Photography	Financial services
Photographic supplies and equipment	<i>Checking account and other bank services</i>
<i>Film and photographic supplies</i>	<i>Tax return preparation and other accounting fees</i>
<i>Photographic equipment</i>	Care of invalids and elderly at home
Photographers and film processing	Miscellaneous personal goods
<i>Photographer fees</i>	<i>Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap</i>
<i>Film processing</i>	<i>Luggage</i>
Other recreational goods	
Toys and games	
<i>Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment</i>	
<i>Video game hardware, software and accessories</i>	
Sewing machines, fabric, and supplies	
Music instruments and accessories	
Recreation services	SPECIAL AGGREGATE INDEXES
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports	Commodities
Admissions	Commodities less food and beverages
<i>Admission to movies, theaters, concerts</i>	Nondurables less food and beverages
<i>Admission to sporting events</i>	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel
Fees for lessons or instructions	Durables
Recreational reading materials	Services
Newspapers and magazines	Rent of Shelter
Recreational books	Transportation services
Education and communication	Other services
Education	All items less food
Educational books and supplies	All items less shelter
Tuition, other school fees, and child care	All items less medical care
College tuition and fees	Commodities less food
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	Nondurables less food
Child care and nursery school	Nondurables less food and apparel
Technical and business school tuition and fees	Nondurables
Communication	Apparel less footwear
Postage and delivery services	Services less rent of shelter
Postage	Services less medical care services
Delivery services	Energy
Information and information processing	All items less energy
Telephone services	All items less food and energy
Telephone services, local charges	Commodities less food and energy commodities
Telephone services, long distance charges	Energy commodities
<i>Interstate toll calls</i>	Services less energy services
<i>Intrastate toll calls</i>	Domestically produced farm food
Cellular telephone services	Utilities and public transportation
Information and information processing other than telephone services	Purchasing power of the consumer dollar
Personal computers, peripheral equipment	Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base
Computer software and accessories	

Italic denotes substratum indexes.

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

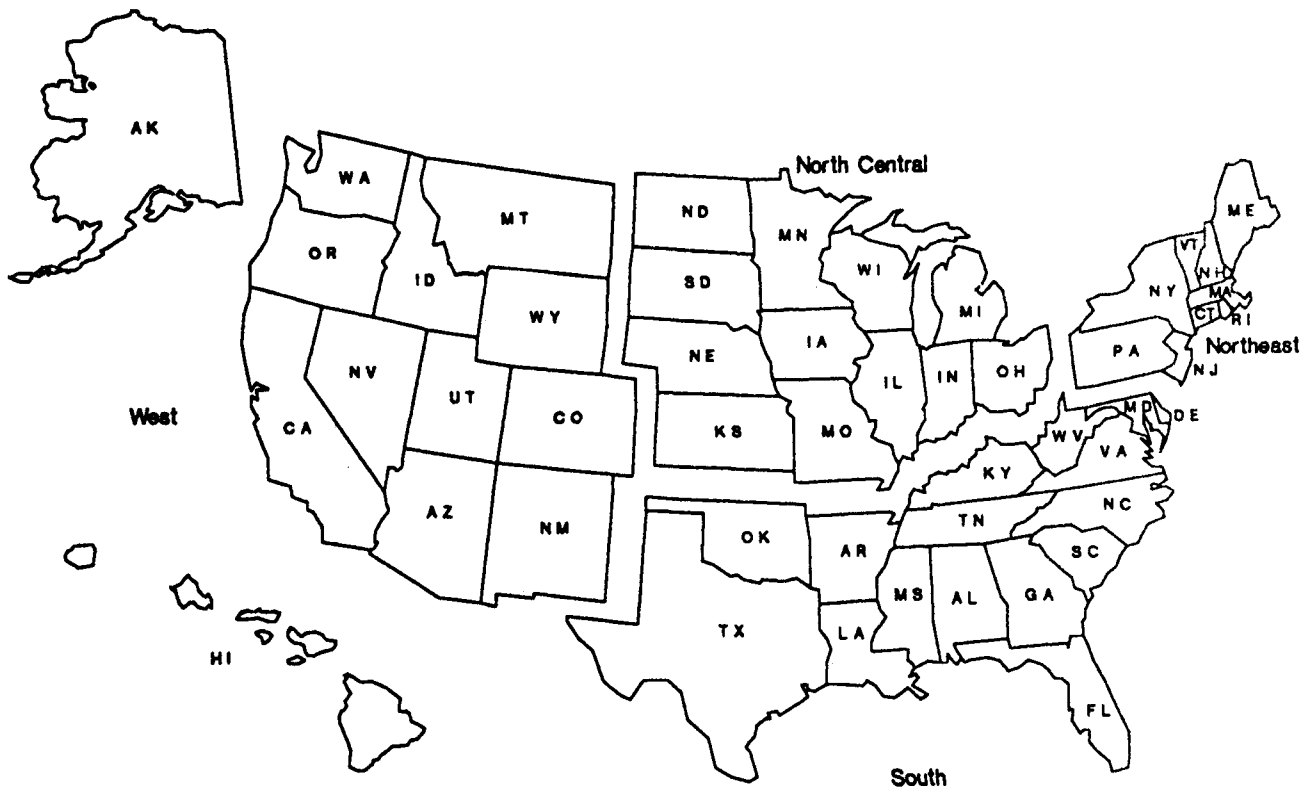
Prices are usually available for the U.S. city average, 15 large metropolitan areas, the four census regions, four size classifications, and 13 areas reflecting the four Census regions cross-classified by the four population sizes. However, not all energy commodities and services are used in every area 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-

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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

How to Obtain Consumer Price Index Information

Consumer Price Index (CPI) information can be obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) electronically, through subscriptions to publications, and via telephone and fax through automated recordings. Information specialists are also available to provide help and to respond to questions.

Electronic access to CPI data

BLS on the internet. Through the internet, the BLS provides free, easy, and continuous access to all published CPI data and press releases. The most recent month's CPI is made available immediately at the time of release. A database, called LABSTAT, containing current and historical data for the CPI is accessible. Data and press releases from other BLS surveys are also available. The site is accessible via World Wide Web (WWW), Gopher, and File Transfer Protocol (FTP), as described below. For help using any of these systems, send e-mail to LABSTAT.HELPDESK@BLS.GOV

World Wide Web. BLS maintains a website at <http://stats.bls.gov> The BLS home page provides easy access to LABSTAT, as well as links to program specific home pages. The CPI home page provides other CPI information, including a brief explanation of methodology, frequently asked questions and answers, contacts for further information, and explanations of how the CPI handles special items, like medical care and housing.

FTP and Gopher. These tools provide access to CPI LABSTAT data, as well as documentation and press release files organized in hierarchical directories. Using FTP or Gopher, connect to stats.bls.gov Logon as ANONYMOUS and use your complete internet e-mail address as the password.

Subscriptions to CPI publications

Summary Data. Free, monthly, two-page publication containing 1-month and 12-month percent changes for selected U.S. city average Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) index series. The all items index data for each local area are also included. To be added to the mailing list, write to: Office of Publications and Special Studies, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Ave., NE., Room 2860, Washington, DC, 20212-0001 or call (202) 606-7828 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

CPI Detailed Report. Most comprehensive report of the Consumer Price Index. See inside front cover for details.

Monthly Labor Review (MLR). The MLR provides selected CPI data included in a monthly summary of BLS data and occasional articles and methodological descriptions too ex-

tensive for inclusion in the *CPI Detailed Report*. The MLR costs \$29.00 per year or \$7.50 per issue. This publication may be ordered by writing to: New Orders, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954, or by calling (202) 512-1800.

Recorded CPI data

Summary CPI data are provided 24-hours a day on recorded messages. Detailed CPI information is available by calling (202) 606-7828. A touch-tone telephone is recommended as this system allows the user to select specific indexes from lists of available data.

Information about the *U.S. city average and the Washington, DC-MD-VA area all items index* and the next release date is available by calling (202) 606-6994. This recording is approximately 2.5 minutes in length, and a touch-tone telephone is not needed.

Other sources of CPI data

Technical information is available between 8:15 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday, by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

FAXSTAT. A wide variety of BLS information and data, including the CPI, are available on this fax-on-demand service. It provides the monthly CPI press release, selected regional and metropolitan historical data, and some technical information. It is available 24-hours a day. The latest CPI information is posted during the morning of release day. Call (202) 606-6325. Then, follow the instructions to have the latest catalog sent to you. This catalog will show you the BLS information that is available on FAXSTAT. Each regional office also has the system in place and includes additional regional CPI information.

Historical tables. These tables include all of the published indexes for each of the detailed CPI components. They are available via the internet, or by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

Descriptive and special publications. These publications describe the CPI and ways to use it. They include simple fact sheets discussing specific topics about the CPI, a broader, nontechnical overview of the CPI in a question and answer format, and a quite technical and thorough description of the CPI and its methodology. The publications are available upon request by calling (202) 606-7000.

Special publications. Various special publications such as the *Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Index* and materials describing the annual revisions of seasonally adjusted CPI data are available. For more information call (202) 606-7000.

Further information may be obtained from the Office of Prices and Living Conditions, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Room 3615, Washington, DC, 20212-0001, or by calling (202) 606-7000.