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Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a report on retail prices and indexes of retail prices of food for the years 1951 and 1952.

The original plan of publication involved separate bulletins covering retail price data for 1951 and 1952. In order to make more data available to the public as soon as possible, all the 1952 statistical material was added to the tables and charts of this bulletin. The discussion, however, covers activities in the food price field for 1951 only, except for a brief summary of 1952.

The year 1952 marks the end of the adjusted series of the Retail Food Price Index, based on 1935-39 as 100. The year 1953 marks the beginning of the revised series based on the years 1947-49 as 100.

A monthly mimeographed report on retail prices of food, giving index numbers for groups and subgroups of commodities, and average prices for individual foods in each of the 56 cities in the adjusted index, is available for all periods through December 1952.

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Hon. Martin P. Durkin,
Secretary of Labor.

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RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD, 1951 and 1952¹

Summary

Business was generally good during 1951 and 1952. The National Defense program continued to expand during both years, although the rate of expansion was not as great in 1952. Production continued to rise as expenditures were increased for plants and equipment. Employment and incomes were high and personal savings increased. Inventory buildup was heavy during the first half of 1951 and the last half of 1952. Total expenditures for consumer purchases increased during both years. In 1951 the increase was due entirely to higher prices. In 1952 the higher expenditures represented increased quantities of goods purchased. Quantities of foods purchased by consumers, however, were maintained during 1951 and increased during 1952. The increase in domestic demand in 1952 was accompanied by a decrease in foreign demand.

In 1951, retail food prices continued the upward trend started in March 1950. Price-wage controls were imposed in January 1951. The Office of Price Stabilization issued its "Price Freeze Order" (the GPCR) on January 26, 1951, which was designed to hold prices at levels no higher than the highest prices charged between December 19, 1950 and January 25, 1951, and which affected approximately 85 percent of the foods included in the Retail Food Price Index. This emergency action was followed during 1951 and 1952 by price regulations adapted to the specific requirements of individual commodities and industries.

After sharp rises in January and February 1951, prices fluctuated upward gradually, establishing new highs in all the 56 cities surveyed. In 1952, retail food prices dropped sharply in February, then rose to another

alltime peak in August, after which they declined during the remainder of the year. By December 1952, retail food prices were 1.0 percent below December 1951, but 6.3 percent above December 1950. Table 1 and chart 1 present the trend in retail prices of foods in large cities combined, from 1913 forward.

All 56 cities included in the retail food price index reported higher food prices over the period between December 1950 and December 1951. Price increases ranged from 3.8 percent in Richmond to 10.4 percent in Los Angeles. All 56 cities reported also higher averages for the year 1951 as a whole than for 1950. Between December 1951 and December 1952, retail food prices declined in 46 of the 56 cities priced, with decreases ranging from 0.1 percent in New Haven and Winston-Salem to 4.2 percent in Portland, Oregon.

The price decline in the Retail Food Price Index during 1952 was associated with high agricultural production, especially of livestock products. Livestock marketings were large in 1952, exceeding the wartime peak. Retail prices of beef and veal decreased almost continuously throughout the year, and were the largest factor in the decline in the index. Following heavy marketings and low prices early in the year, hog production, which had been expanding, dropped 10 percent below the previous year, and was the smallest since 1948.

In contrast to 1952, 1951 beef and veal prices rose sharply as OPS tried to regulate prices by imposing controls. In 1951, the rise in beef and veal prices was the main reason for the rise in the meats, poultry, and fish index, and was one of the most important factors in the rise of the "all foods" index.

Other important group rises during 1951

¹ The changes in prices that occurred during 1951 are discussed in detail in the following pages. The year 1952, however, has been treated only in brief summary form in order to expedite the printing of the available data. The tables and charts are complete for both 1951 and 1952.

were for fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products, and cereals and bakery products.

Fats and oils, however, were in large supply, and the price decrease begun in May 1951 continued through May 1952. A reverse trend then occurred through August with increased domestic demand, smaller hog slaughter and lard production, and the realization that supports for cottonseed and soybeans would provide a floor for prices. Beginning in September 1952, fats and oils prices again declined, finishing the year at approximately the May 1952 level, as lard prices decreased in sympathy with pork, and lard exports fell below the previous year.

Indexes of average retail food prices by city are presented in table 4 and retail food price index percent changes by cities in table 5.

Classification of retail food items by percentage change in price are to be found in table 6.

Average retail indexes and prices of individual foods for large cities combined are presented in tables 7, 7a, 8, and 8a, respectively. Average retail prices of principal foods in each of 56 cities are shown in tables 9 and 10.

Food Prices During 1951

At the beginning of 1951, retail food prices rose to a new high, 2.4 percent above the former peak of mid-July 1948.

The movement in the retail food price index during 1951 was as follows:

<u>1951</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
December (1950)-January -	+ 2.6
January-February - - - - -	+ 1.8
February-March - - - - -	+ .1
March-April - - - - -	- .2
April-May - - - - -	+ .8
May-June - - - - -	- .2
June-July - - - - -	+ .4
July-August - - - - -	- .3
August-September - - - - -	+ .1
September-October - - - - -	+ .8
October-November - - - - -	+ 1.0
November-December - - - - -	+ .3

On January 26, 1951, the Office of Price Stabilization issued its "Price Freeze Order" (the general ceiling price regulation, or GCPR) generally holding prices at levels no higher than the highest prices charged

between December 19, 1950, and January 25, 1951.

This was an emergency action taken to check price rises until specific price regulations could be worked out. It affected approximately 85 percent of the foods included in the Bureau of Labor Statistics retail food price index. In effect, it divided foods into three groups: those subject to flexible controls, those subject to firm controls, and those free from controls. (For a distribution of commodities by type of control during 1951 and 1952, see table 3 on page 11.)

Approximately 49 percent of the retail food price index was made subject to flexible controls. These foods were those processed in substantial part from agricultural products having prices below parity or the legal minimum as established by the Defense Production Act of 1950.² Processors were allowed to add to their ceiling prices the dollars-and-cents increases in their costs for any agricultural products, which were selling below their legal minimum prices.

The foods in the index subject to firm controls made up approximately 36 percent of the retail food price index. These were the foods not subject to parity and also those processed in substantial part from agricultural products for which prices had already reached or surpassed the legal minimum.

In the original GCPR, prices of fresh fruits and vegetables and fresh fish and seafood were not placed under control. Because of their highly seasonal nature and perishability, it was thought best to issue separate regulations especially adapted to these foods. However, potatoes was the only one of these items subsequently controlled and then only for slightly more than 4 months during 1952.

On February 12, the OPS freed sugar from price control, because it was thought that the Secretary of Agriculture would be able to stabilize sugar prices by controlling imports as required in the Sugar Act of 1948.

Most of the rise of 1.8 percent in the food index between January 15, and February 15,

² The general ceiling-price regulation provided that no ceiling should be established for any agricultural commodity below the highest of the following prices: (1) The parity price for such commodity as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture in accordance with the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, or (2) the highest price received by producers during the period from May 24, 1950, to June 24, 1950.

1951, occurred in the 2 weeks after the GCPR was issued. In addition to a 4.6-percent increase for uncontrolled foods, higher prices were reported for many controlled foods. These increases were probably due to the fact that some of the controlled foods had not reached the highest levels charged during the December 19, 1950-January 25, 1951, base period.

To eliminate the possibility of sellers basing their "highest" prices on a few isolated sales during the base period, the OPS on February 23 issued an amendment to the GCPR. This amendment required that manufacturers and wholesalers must have at least 10 percent of deliveries during the base period (December 19, 1950--January 25, 1951) to one class of purchaser at a specific price before using that price as a basis for the new ceilings.

Ceiling price regulations 14, 15, and 16, issued by the OPS on March 28, provided specific maximum markups over cost of many foods for 4 classes of wholesalers and 4 groups of retailers defined in the regulations. These regulations were similar to those followed by the Office of Price Administration from 1943 to 1946 to stabilize dry grocery prices during World War II.³

The application of percentage margins was allowed any time after April 5, but was not compulsory until May 14.

It is not known how general the use of these markups was by April 15, when the Bureau's April survey was taken. However, most foods in the index subject to these regulations advanced during the period from mid-March to mid-April, although the food index as a whole declined 0.2 percent during this time as uncontrolled foods declined further, along with eggs, pork, and dairy products.

Ceiling-price regulation 25 also was made effective May 14. This order established dollar-and-cent ceiling prices for retail sales of standardized retail beef cuts by grade, by dealer classification, and by geographic location. This regulation also called for the posting on August 1 of dollar-and-cent ceiling prices for the beef items affected by CPR 25.

By May 15, immediately after the effective date of these controls, retail prices for 2 of the 4 beef items in the retail food price index declined more than 1 percent below

April 15 prices. The other 2 items had increased fractionally. Although many retail food prices declined during the month ending May 15, the index increased 0.8 percent, largely because of the higher prices of fresh fruits and vegetables and eggs.

Retail food prices fell 0.2 percent from mid-May to mid-June as chicken prices dropped 4.1 percent, fresh produce dropped 1.3 percent, and some other subgroups declined fractionally, whereas reported increases were small.

In the third quarter of 1951, prices were fairly steady, rising slightly in July and September, and falling slightly in August. During this time, the most important declines were for fruits and vegetables, whereas increases were reported for eggs, dairy products, and meats.

In this quarter, 2 price orders affected the food index. Effective July 28, supplementary regulation 43 to the GCPR allowed increases in prices of cola drinks, following permission to wholesalers and distributors to increase their prices to retailers. Effective August 6, retail prices of pork loin cuts were computed under new "seven-day differential" price ceilings, thus allowing for change in prices in accordance with changes in pork loins during the previous week as compared with the base week of January 19-25, 1951 (supplementary regulation 47).

During the last quarter of 1951, retail food prices rose, with fresh fruits and vegetables the controlling factor. Rises in dairy products also contributed. Prices of fats and oils continued the decline started in May, and meat prices declined during November and December.

During this quarter, additional meat items were placed under "seven-day differential" ceilings. On October 1, 1951, bacon, ham, and salt pork were added to the list in supplementary regulation 65 which superseded supplementary regulation 47. On November 13, 1951, veal cutlets and leg of lamb were placed under "seven-day differential" ceilings in supplementary regulation 79.

Trend of Prices for Major Food Groups, 1951

From December 1950 to December 1951, prices moved higher for all major food groups except eggs and fats and oils. Price increases, in order of magnitude, were: fruits and vegetables, 16.0 percent; dairy

³ Maximum price regulations 421, 422, and 423.

products, 9.9 percent; cereals and bakery products, 7.1 percent; meats, poultry, and fish, 6.6 percent; beverages, 5.9 percent; and sugar and sweets, 0.8 percent. Price decreases were reported for eggs (13.1 percent), and fats and oils (0.4 percent).

By December 1951, the foods which had risen the most above their 1935-39 price levels were: beverages, 246.8 percent; meats, poultry, and fish, 170.1 percent; fruits and vegetables, 136.5 percent; eggs, 116.7 percent; and dairy products, 113.2 percent.

All food groups averaged higher for 1951 than for 1950. Eggs were 21.7 percent higher; fats and oils, 17.0 percent; meats, poultry, and fish, 11.7 percent; dairy products, 11.5 percent; beverages, 10.2 percent; fruits and vegetables, 9.4 percent; cereals and bakery products, 9.1 percent; and sugar and sweets were 3.7 percent higher.

Table 2 presents indexes of retail food prices by commodity group from 1923 forward. Chart 2, page 8, shows the trend of retail food prices by group.

Cereals and bakery products.--Prices of cereals and bakery products rose 4.3 percent in January 1951 from an already record high in December 1950, and then increased gradually until in December 1951 they were 7.1 percent above December 1950. Prices for all items in the group averaged higher over 1951 than over the previous year. By December 1951, bread prices were higher than in December 1950 in 55 of the 56 cities in the Retail Food Price Index, and in one city they were unchanged.

Food grain production was somewhat lower in 1951 than in 1950, because a combination of drought and rainy weather during harvesting forced acreage abandonment and cut down yields.

Meats, poultry, and fish.--All items except bacon, salt pork, and salmon were higher at the end of 1951 than at the close of 1950.

On February 9, 1951, 2 weeks after the general price freeze, the OPS issued distribution regulation 1 in an effort to keep livestock moving in normal channels. This regulation established licensing and quota controls for livestock slaughterers of cattle, calves, sheep, lambs, and hogs. Distribution regulation 2, effective May 7, 1951, required the grading of beef, veal, and lamb by the standard Department of Agriculture grades, and established a system of records of production and delivery by grades.

Cattle prices increased sharply between January and April 1951, catching packers in a price squeeze. In April and May 1951, the OPS issued four regulations establishing dollar-and-cent ceilings on cattle and wholesale and retail sales of beef. CPR 25, effective May 14, 1951, established dollar-and-cent ceiling prices for retail sales of standardized retail beef cuts, and applied to four beef items in the retail food price index--round steak, rib roast, chuck roast, and hamburger. The wholesale regulation incorporated a system of zone differentials to encourage movement of meat to deficit areas by allowing packers to recover costs of transporting livestock and meat.

These wholesale and retail ceiling prices for beef were to be effective until August 1, 1951, at which time reduction in ceiling prices of $4\frac{1}{2}$ percent was contemplated. Another reduction was planned for October 1, 1951. In extending the Defense Production Act of 1950, however, Congress prohibited these price rollbacks, and banned slaughter quotas (see distribution regulation 1, amendment 7, effective August 7, 1951).

Over the month from mid-September to mid-October, beef and veal averaged 2.0 percent higher, after new dollar-and-cent ceilings went into effect on October 1 for the 4 beef items. Rib roast, which was allowed the largest ceiling increase, averaged 5.4 percent higher.

Under supplementary regulation 79, effective November 13, ceiling prices of veal and lamb cuts were established by each retailer every Monday in accordance with changes in the cost of these items during the previous week as compared with the base week January 19-25, 1951.

At the end of 1950, beef and veal prices had reached a level slightly above the former high of August 1948. By November 1951, the beef and veal subgroup index was 10.9 percent above August 1948. The lamb index in 1951 was above all previous levels except for January. By December 1951, lamb averaged 7.8 percent above June 1949, the high of previous years.

Effective August 6, retail prices of pork loin cuts were computed under new "seven-day-differential" price ceilings (sup. reg. 47). Prices were adjusted each Monday in accordance with changes in the cost of pork loins during the previous week as compared with the base week January 19-25, 1951. Reflecting the new ceilings, the price of pork chops rose 7.2 percent over the month

from July 15 to August 15. Effective October 1, 1951, bacon, ham, and salt pork were added to the list under the seven-day-differential in supplementary regulation 65 superseding supplementary regulation 47 to the GCPR.

Unlike beef, prices of most pork items during 1951 remained below their 1950 peaks.

Poultry prices in 1951 averaged somewhat above 1950, but were well below the higher levels reached in 1946 and 1948.

Supplies of canned salmon were small during early 1951, keeping prices well above 1950 levels until late in the year. Prices for 1951 were 30 percent higher on the average than in 1950. In 1951, fresh and frozen fish averaged more than 6 percent higher than in 1950.

Dairy products.--The rise of dairy products prices which started in July 1950, continued throughout 1951 except for minor decreases in April and May 1951, and reached a record high by December 1951.

Fluid milk prices, at new high levels, rose during the year in nearly all cities included in the Retail Food Price Index. Prices averaged approximately 11 percent higher for 1951 than for 1950.

Effective September 24, 1951, supplementary regulation 63 to the GCPR permitted such groups as processors and distributors in individual milk marketing areas to apply to OPS for adjustments of ceiling prices in their areas.

Butter prices declined generally through September (except for May and June) after a sharp 8.7-percent rise in January 1951.

Eggs.--At the end of 1950, egg prices had reached a 30-year high and storage holdings were the lowest on record. By December 1951, egg prices had dropped 13.1 percent below December 1950, although they averaged 21.7 percent higher over the year.

There was no price-support program for eggs in 1951. Egg prices were kept up by high meat prices, reduction in the number of layers on farms, hatchery requirements, and increased military demand.

Fruits and vegetables.--By December 1951, retail prices of fruits and vegetables were 16 percent higher than in December 1950. Increases of 23.2 percent for the fresh group and 5.2 percent for the canned group more than offset decreases of 5.0 percent for frozen items and 4.0 percent for dried items.

Prices of fresh fruits and vegetables were not controlled by OPS during 1951, although at the end of the year, plans were being made to control prices of potatoes. (Potatoes were subsequently controlled by percentage markups under CPR's 15 and 16 from January 28, 1952, to June 6, 1952.)

Supplies of fruits were fairly large in 1951, with large stocks at the beginning of the year and good sized crops during the year. Oranges, in plentiful supply, showed a price decrease for the year. Although apples averaged lower in 1951 than in 1950, they sold for higher prices at the end of 1951 than at the end of 1950. Banana prices averaged slightly higher for 1951, but showed a decline by December of that year.

Although bad weather at the beginning of the year reduced supplies of fresh vegetables, marketings for 1951 as a whole were nearly as large as for 1950. However, consumer demand was strong, and retail prices of fresh vegetables averaged from 15 percent to 69 percent higher in December 1951 than in December 1950, although they fluctuated during the year.

There was no price support program on the 1951 crop of potatoes. Prices had dropped quite low in late 1950, and large stocks were carried over. Farmers reduced their acreage in 1951, and the resulting short crop, 25 percent lower than in 1950 and the smallest in more than a decade, caused prices to rise rapidly during the latter part of the year to a level above parity in December. Price controls were applied in 1952 (see page 11).

Beverages.--After a 4.0 percent rise in January, beverage prices continued upward during the remainder of the year at a comparatively slow rate, and in December 1951 were 5.9 percent above December 1950.

After a substantial rise in the first 2 months of 1951, coffee prices leveled off during the rest of the year.

Prices of cola drinks moved upward from August through December. Supplementary regulation 43 to the GCPR allowed increases in retail prices of cola drinks after July 28, following permission to wholesalers and distributors to increase their prices to retailers.

Fats and oils.--Production of fats and oils in 1951 was at a high level, because of large crops of oilseeds and the large numbers of hogs slaughtered.

Except for November and December 1950, prices moved upward from March 1950

through April 1951. Prices rose 8.2 percent in January 1951 and an additional 2.9 percent in February.

In early April, retail prices of fats and oils in the index were placed under the percentage markup regulations, CPR's 15 and 16. (Prices at the processor's level were rolled back somewhat by CPR 6, effective February 12, 1951.)

After April, retail prices of fats and oils turned downward and by December 1951 were 0.4 percent below the level of December 1950, although prices for the year 1951 averaged 17.0 percent higher than for the year 1950.

At the end of 1950, the sale of colored margarine was prohibited by State law in 19 of the 56 cities included in the Bureau's Retail Food Price Index. As these laws were repealed in some States during 1951, prices of colored margarine were substituted for

uncolored margarine in 10 additional cities.

Date	Number of cities priced	
	Uncolored margarine	Colored margarine
January-July 1950.....	56	--
August-December 1950.....	19	37
January-March 1951.....	18	38
April-July 1951....	16	40
August 1951.....	13	43
September 1951....	12	44
October-December 1951.....	9	47

Sugar and sweets.--The sugar and sweets index stayed above 1950 levels during most of 1951.

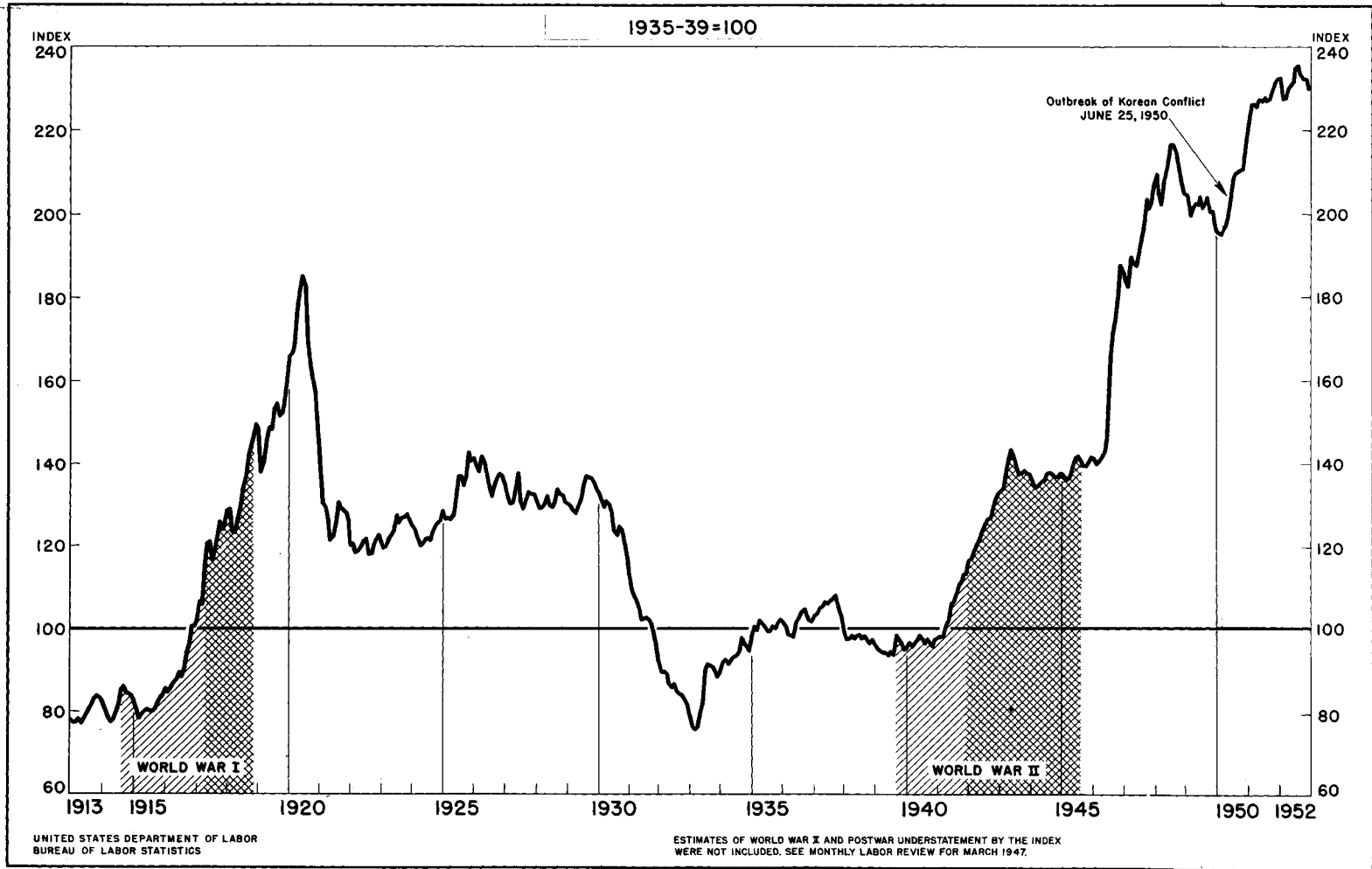


Chart 1. --Retail Prices of Food in Large Cities Combined, 1913-1952

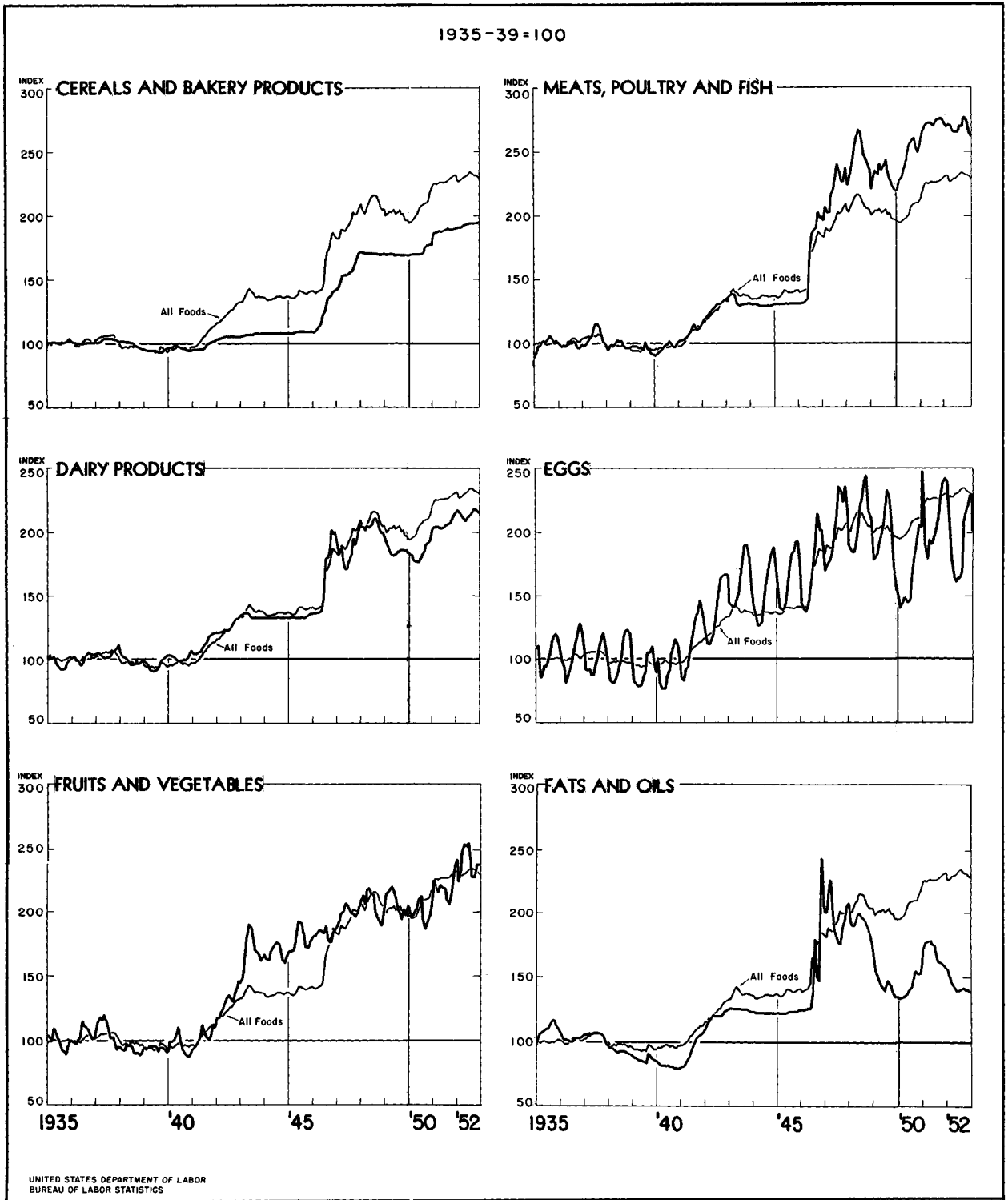


Chart 2. --Retail Prices for Groups of Food in Large Cities Combined, 1935 to 1952

TABLE 1.--INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY YEAR, 1913-52, AND BY MONTH, JANUARY 1951 TO DECEMBER 1952

[1935-39 = 100]

Year	All- foods index	Year	All- foods index	Year	All- foods index	Year and month	All- foods index	All- foods index	Year and month	All- foods index	All- foods index
BY YEAR						BY MONTH					
1913-----	79.9	1928-----	130.8	1943-----	138.0	<i>1951</i>		<i>1952</i>			
1914-----	81.8	1929-----	132.5	1944-----	136.1	January-----	<i>Adjusted</i> 221.9	<i>Old series</i> 221.6	January-----	<i>Adjusted</i> 232.4	<i>Old series</i> 234.6
1915-----	80.9	1930-----	126.0	1945-----	139.1	February-----	226.0	226.0	February-----	227.5	229.1
1916-----	90.8	1931-----	103.9	1946-----	159.6	March-----	226.2	225.4	March-----	227.6	229.2
1917-----	116.9	1932-----	86.5	1947-----	193.8	April-----	225.7	224.6	April-----	230.0	232.3
1918-----	134.4	1933-----	84.1	1948-----	210.2	May-----	227.4	226.7	May-----	230.8	234.6
1919-----	149.8	1934-----	93.7	1949-----	201.9	June-----	226.9	227.0	June-----	231.5	236.0
1920-----	168.8	1935-----	100.4			July-----	227.7	227.5	July-----	234.9	239.1
1921-----	128.3	1936-----	101.3	1950 Adjusted--	204.5	August-----	227.0	226.4	August-----	235.5	238.4
1922-----	119.9	1937-----	105.3	1950 <i>Old series</i>	204.1	September-----	227.3	226.3	September-----	233.2	234.7
1923-----	124.0	1938-----	97.8	1951 Adjusted--	227.4	October-----	229.2	229.2	October-----	232.4	234.1
1924-----	122.8	1939-----	95.2	1951 <i>Old series</i>	227.2	November-----	231.4	232.1	November-----	232.3	233.7
1925-----	132.9	1940-----	96.6			December-----	232.2	233.9	December-----	229.9	230.9
1926-----	137.4	1941-----	105.5	1952 Adjusted--	231.5						
1927-----	132.3	1942-----	123.9	1952 <i>Old series</i>	233.9						

TABLE 2. --INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD, IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY COMMODITY GROUP, BY YEAR, 1923-52
AND BY MONTH, 1951-52¹

[1935-39 = 100]

Year and month	All foods	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Meats				Chickens	Fish	Dairy products	Eggs	Fruits and vegetables					Beverages	Fats and oils	Sugar and sweets
				Total	Beef and veal	Pork	Lamb					Total	Frozen ²	Fresh	Canned	Dried			
BY YEAR, 1923 TO 1952³																			
1923-----	124.0	105.5	101.2	---	---	---	---	---	---	129.4	136.1	169.5	---	173.6	124.8	175.4	131.5	126.2	175.4
1924-----	122.8	107.2	102.4	---	---	---	---	---	---	124.1	139.0	159.5	---	162.7	128.2	159.6	147.6	134.1	159.1
1925-----	132.9	116.0	111.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	128.2	151.2	185.1	---	193.5	132.3	159.0	170.3	149.1	124.6
1926-----	137.4	115.7	117.8	---	---	---	---	---	---	127.4	141.7	210.8	---	226.2	122.9	152.4	170.4	145.0	120.0
1927-----	132.3	113.3	116.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	130.7	133.2	183.8	---	194.4	120.8	145.9	163.3	132.8	127.2
1928-----	130.8	110.1	123.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	131.4	137.3	161.4	---	166.5	120.6	153.9	165.2	128.3	123.1
1929-----	132.5	107.6	127.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	131.0	143.8	169.0	---	173.5	124.3	171.0	164.8	127.2	114.3
1930-----	126.0	104.3	119.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	121.0	121.4	177.5	---	185.7	118.6	158.7	143.4	119.2	107.4
1931-----	103.9	91.4	101.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	102.8	95.6	125.7	---	128.7	103.3	118.7	124.6	96.0	99.1
1932-----	86.5	82.6	79.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	84.9	82.3	103.5	---	105.9	91.1	91.2	112.6	71.1	89.6
1933-----	84.1	84.7	68.9	---	---	---	---	---	---	82.8	77.9	113.8	---	118.9	87.9	88.4	102.4	66.4	94.3
1934-----	93.7	98.3	78.9	---	---	---	---	---	---	90.9	88.6	119.1	---	122.3	103.9	101.1	107.6	76.4	97.9
1935-----	100.4	101.8	99.9	100.7	98.9	104.7	96.3	95.5	98.2	97.5	104.2	99.7	---	98.8	106.2	100.8	104.0	110.3	100.7
1936-----	101.3	100.7	98.9	98.6	94.7	103.4	101.1	101.1	98.5	101.6	103.3	104.8	---	106.2	100.9	96.6	99.4	102.8	99.6
1937-----	105.3	103.3	105.8	106.4	106.5	106.6	105.2	104.9	101.0	105.4	101.2	107.9	---	108.6	103.2	116.0	103.6	105.8	101.2
1938-----	97.8	99.8	98.9	97.8	98.7	96.3	97.9	104.6	101.3	99.6	100.3	93.2	---	92.1	97.4	93.3	97.7	93.5	97.9
1939-----	95.2	94.5	96.6	96.6	101.1	88.9	99.5	93.8	101.0	95.9	91.0	94.5	---	122.3	103.9	101.2	107.6	76.4	97.9
1940-----	96.6	96.8	95.8	94.4	102.8	81.1	99.7	94.8	110.6	101.4	93.8	96.5	---	97.3	92.4	100.6	92.5	82.2	96.8
1941-----	105.5	97.9	107.5	106.5	110.8	100.1	106.6	102.1	124.5	112.0	112.2	103.2	---	104.2	97.9	106.7	101.5	94.0	106.4
1942-----	123.9	105.1	126.0	122.5	123.6	120.4	124.1	122.6	163.0	125.4	136.5	130.8	---	132.8	121.6	136.3	122.1	119.6	126.5
1943-----	138.0	107.6	133.8	124.2	124.7	119.9	136.9	146.1	206.5	134.6	161.9	168.8	---	178.0	130.6	158.9	124.8	126.1	127.1
1944-----	136.1	108.4	129.9	117.9	118.7	112.2	134.5	151.0	207.6	133.6	153.9	168.2	---	177.2	129.5	164.5	124.3	123.3	126.5
1945-----	139.1	109.0	131.2	118.0	118.4	112.6	136.0	154.4	217.1	133.9	164.4	177.1	---	188.2	130.2	168.2	124.7	124.0	126.5
1946-----	159.6	125.0	161.3	150.8	150.5	148.2	163.9	174.0	236.2	165.1	168.8	182.4	---	190.7	140.8	190.4	139.6	152.1	143.9
1947-----	193.8	155.4	217.1	214.7	213.6	215.9	220.1	183.2	271.4	186.2	200.8	199.4	---	201.5	166.2	263.5	186.8	197.5	180.0
1948-----	210.2	170.9	246.5	243.9	258.5	222.5	246.8	203.2	312.8	204.8	208.7	205.2	---	212.4	158.0	246.8	205.0	195.5	174.0
1949-----	201.9	169.7	233.4	229.3	241.3	205.9	251.7	191.5	314.1	186.7	201.2	208.1	---	218.8	152.9	227.4	220.7	148.4	176.4
1950-----	204.5	172.7	243.6	242.0	265.7	203.2	257.8	183.3	308.5	184.7	173.6	199.2	---	206.1	165.0	228.5	312.5	144.3	179.9
1951-----	227.4	188.5	272.2	274.1	310.4	215.7	288.8	192.1	352.0	206.0	211.3	217.9	98.6	223.3	145.9	249.9	344.5	168.8	186.6
1952-----	231.5	193.1	269.9	271.5	307.9	213.4	283.8	192.8	343.0	214.8	193.1	239.3	90.8	259.9	163.8	240.8	346.7	143.2	188.1
BY PRICE-REPORTING PERIOD, 1951 AND 1952																			
1951																			
Jan. 15-----	221.9	185.4	263.6	265.5	300.9	210.2	273.6	184.3	345.3	202.6	191.5	214.1	100.2	220.0	160.6	253.4	340.6	171.5	185.6
Feb. 15-----	226.0	187.1	270.1	271.2	307.0	215.2	279.7	193.2	347.8	204.4	179.8	224.3	100.8	233.4	165.1	256.7	342.7	176.5	186.0
Mar. 15-----	226.2	187.5	272.2	271.9	308.0	215.4	280.5	198.9	351.2	204.6	195.2	217.1	101.2	220.7	167.0	257.4	342.6	177.3	186.0
Apr. 15-----	225.7	188.3	272.6	272.5	309.5	213.7	284.2	198.5	351.7	204.1	191.2	214.8	100.2	215.9	168.9	256.4	343.5	178.3	185.9
May 15-----	227.4	188.2	272.8	272.4	308.7	213.4	289.1	199.4	353.1	203.5	198.4	221.6	99.6	226.5	169.6	256.7	345.3	176.7	185.4
June 15-----	226.9	188.4	271.6	273.1	308.8	214.4	292.5	191.3	356.3	203.9	201.2	219.9	98.8	223.5	170.4	254.4	345.2	175.2	186.1
July 15-----	227.7	189.0	273.2	274.2	310.3	215.3	292.2	195.3	353.3	205.1	211.5	218.5	98.8	221.8	170.0	250.7	344.8	168.8	188.0
Aug. 15-----	227.0	188.7	275.0	276.6	310.1	222.6	292.0	194.4	356.4	205.9	225.8	208.9	98.0	209.1	165.8	248.5	345.2	162.7	188.3
Sept. 15-----	227.3	189.4	275.6	277.6	310.7	224.3	292.2	195.1	353.2	206.4	239.3	205.1	97.5	204.3	164.2	245.6	345.0	161.5	188.2
Oct. 15-----	229.2	189.4	276.6	281.0	317.0	223.8	293.7	188.7	353.2	207.9	243.4	210.8	97.5	214.4	162.8	240.8	345.8	160.6	187.0
Nov. 15-----	231.4	190.2	273.5	278.6	317.3	215.8	295.6	184.0	351.1	210.4	241.8	223.5	95.9	235.0	162.7	238.1	346.6	158.5	186.7
Dec. 15-----	232.2	190.4	270.1	274.6	316.9	203.8	300.0	181.9	351.2	213.2	216.7	236.5	95.0	255.4	163.3	238.9	346.8	157.8	186.4
1952																			
Jan. 15-----	232.4	190.6	272.1	273.8	316.0	203.8	297.1	192.6	351.5	215.8	184.3	241.4	95.0	263.2	163.3	238.6	346.7	155.3	185.9
Feb. 15-----	227.5	190.9	271.1	270.8	314.2	201.0	285.6	197.5	351.5	217.0	166.5	223.5	94.2	234.6	163.6	238.4	347.1	150.9	185.1
Mar. 15-----	227.6	191.2	267.7	268.8	312.6	200.3	276.5	190.7	348.0	215.7	161.3	232.1	92.5	248.4	163.9	236.3	347.1	145.6	184.3
Apr. 15-----	230.0	191.1	266.7	268.1	311.2	198.7	283.1	188.8	346.3	212.6	165.9	247.2	91.5	272.8	163.5	236.9	347.3	143.1	186.2
May 15-----	230.8	193.8	266.0	271.7	310.8	208.6	287.1	175.4	345.3	210.6	164.0	253.8	88.7	283.4	163.7	236.8	346.6	139.9	187.3
June 15-----	231.5	193.3	270.6	275.9	310.9	219.4	291.5	181.9	343.9	209.8	169.1	250.0	90.0	278.1	162.3	237.1	346.5	140.1	187.7
July 15-----	234.9	194.4	270.4	274.1	308.0	219.3	290.3	187.4	342.1	212.3	208.7	253.2	90.1	283.0	162.4	238.9	346.4	140.6	188.9
Aug. 15-----	235.5	194.2	277.3	280.3	307.8	237.0	290.8	197.8	339.8	213.8	217.2	242.3	90.8	265.3	162.6	241.4	346.6	141.4	189.9
Sept. 15-----	233.2	194.1	277.0	278.5	308.7	231.2	288.5	202.1	339.3	216.7	221.4	227.6	90.3	241.0	164.2	243.5	346.6	141.1	190.4
Oct. 15-----	232.4	194.3	271.5	274.1	303.9	228.1	281.6	193.1	338.1	218.1	230.6	227.3	89.0	240.3	164.8	244.7	346.3	140.7	190.7
Nov. 15-----	232.3	194.3	265.5	263.8	298.1	210.3	272.2	200.0	335.9	218.2	226.0	236.7	89.0	254.3	166.0	248.1	346.1	140.3	190.6
Dec. 15-----	229.9	194.5	262.4	257.6	292.8	203.4	261.6	206.7	333.9	217.1	201.8	236.4	88.3	254.0	165.9	248.8	347		

TABLE 4. --INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD, BY CITY AND BY MONTH, 1951 AND 1952¹

[1935-39 = 100]

Region and city	Average for the year	1951											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
UNITED STATES	227.4	221.9	226.0	226.2	225.7	227.4	226.9	227.7	227.0	227.3	229.2	231.4	232.2
NEW ENGLAND													
Boston	215.0	209.1	213.8	213.3	212.8	214.4	214.9	216.6	215.5	213.9	217.8	218.4	219.3
Bridgeport	225.7	220.9	224.1	226.9	226.0	225.3	225.9	226.0	225.0	224.3	227.4	227.9	228.9
Fall River	220.9	216.0	220.8	219.2	219.8	219.2	221.3	222.2	221.0	219.7	223.2	224.2	223.8
Manchester	219.9	215.1	218.9	217.6	217.8	218.4	221.0	221.6	221.9	219.8	222.8	222.5	220.9
New Haven	220.0	214.0	220.0	219.3	218.1	220.3	220.5	221.6	219.2	219.9	222.4	222.1	222.2
Portland, Maine	213.1	207.9	211.0	210.5	209.6	210.0	213.9	217.0	215.9	213.2	215.8	216.4	216.1
Providence	230.2	225.1	230.8	228.6	229.5	229.1	229.6	231.8	228.9	228.3	232.8	233.3	234.1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC													
Buffalo	221.5	215.5	217.9	219.6	218.0	221.9	224.3	222.1	219.2	221.5	224.2	227.2	226.7
Newark	225.3	220.2	225.5	223.2	224.2	227.1	225.5	225.7	225.0	225.3	226.4	228.3	227.2
New York	226.3	221.0	227.0	224.7	224.9	226.4	224.4	226.5	225.5	226.1	227.8	230.9	230.6
Philadelphia	223.8	217.7	222.2	221.4	222.3	223.8	222.2	223.6	223.2	224.1	227.1	228.6	228.8
Pittsburgh	230.4	222.4	227.4	227.2	227.8	230.5	230.3	232.9	232.0	231.0	233.5	235.2	234.6
Rochester	220.4	212.2	216.2	218.2	217.8	220.9	222.9	221.5	218.9	220.2	222.3	226.3	227.4
Saranton	225.0	217.7	223.7	222.7	221.4	225.2	225.7	225.5	225.9	225.6	227.2	229.8	229.9
EAST NORTH CENTRAL													
Chicago	233.4	225.1	232.9	231.6	231.1	233.0	233.4	235.3	233.4	232.3	236.2	237.8	238.1
Cincinnati	227.9	223.7	226.9	225.8	226.0	227.1	226.9	229.2	228.3	229.0	229.7	232.0	230.4
Cleveland	235.0	227.4	232.7	233.3	231.8	235.6	236.3	236.7	235.7	235.3	237.2	239.0	238.5
Columbus, Ohio	207.6	200.7	206.7	207.1	206.1	207.3	208.5	207.6	207.3	207.8	209.6	211.4	211.3
Detroit	229.3	223.7	228.3	228.8	227.3	229.1	229.4	229.1	228.9	228.4	230.5	233.5	234.5
Indianapolis	223.6	218.6	220.6	222.1	221.6	223.3	222.4	223.3	224.3	225.4	226.3	227.9	227.0
Milwaukee	228.2	219.6	227.4	226.9	224.8	227.5	229.9	231.9	229.2	227.9	228.9	231.7	232.6
Peoria	238.0	233.4	236.5	238.1	237.9	240.6	241.2	239.8	236.9	235.6	235.6	239.5	242.5
Springfield, Ill.	238.4	233.7	238.2	237.8	237.6	237.6	238.5	238.6	237.9	238.1	238.6	241.4	242.6
WEST NORTH CENTRAL													
Cedar Rapids ²	235.9	229.2	230.6	234.9	234.8	236.5	237.2	238.5	236.0	235.1	237.8	240.5	239.8
Kansas City	213.0	208.5	210.5	211.6	212.4	213.6	212.8	213.7	211.8	212.2	213.9	216.4	218.0
Minneapolis	218.4	213.8	217.9	217.6	217.6	218.2	219.4	219.0	217.5	215.6	218.9	221.2	224.0
Omaha	219.7	213.7	216.4	216.8	217.0	219.3	219.6	219.1	220.0	219.6	223.3	225.1	227.0
St. Louis	238.9	234.0	240.0	239.4	237.6	238.4	238.2	237.9	237.2	238.8	239.3	242.2	243.9
St. Paul	216.4	210.5	212.9	214.1	214.4	215.1	216.2	216.5	216.2	215.1	220.7	221.6	223.7
Wichita ²	238.4	231.1	235.9	237.5	234.1	234.0	234.9	238.2	237.8	241.4	242.9	244.1	248.8
SOUTH ATLANTIC													
Atlanta	228.5	223.4	224.0	224.1	228.5	228.7	228.1	229.4	231.4	232.1	230.0	232.1	230.7
Baltimore	238.3	231.8	237.1	236.8	236.2	239.0	238.9	237.0	238.0	238.3	241.1	242.4	242.5
Charleston, S. C.	215.8	208.9	213.2	214.3	212.2	211.5	211.6	218.9	221.0	220.6	217.9	218.0	221.5
Jacksonville	233.0	229.0	231.5	234.8	234.3	230.5	231.9	233.8	233.6	234.7	232.5	234.8	235.0
Norfolk	230.0	225.2	231.1	233.8	227.9	229.4	229.2	229.1	229.1	229.1	230.0	231.9	233.6
Richmond	217.2	215.6	218.3	217.4	215.4	216.7	216.4	216.5	215.9	217.7	218.4	219.1	218.3
Savannah	237.9	229.8	231.5	232.3	237.6	237.6	239.6	241.2	240.0	241.4	240.7	241.7	241.7
Washington, D. C.	234.3	221.2	223.4	222.2	224.2	224.3	224.2	221.9	222.6	224.0	228.0	228.1	228.9
Winston-Salem ²	220.7	217.6	221.3	223.7	220.4	220.6	220.6	220.3	220.7	219.3	220.1	220.5	222.8
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL													
Birmingham	219.7	219.8	220.8	220.5	218.3	218.1	216.4	214.5	217.3	220.1	224.0	224.3	222.7
Jackson ²	225.3	223.1	226.4	226.3	222.1	223.2	221.9	222.6	224.8	227.2	229.4	227.4	229.2
Knoxville ²	252.7	248.6	253.1	253.4	250.9	250.3	249.8	251.7	253.1	254.9	253.7	256.2	256.6
Louisville	215.1	210.0	214.5	214.6	212.5	213.7	215.5	216.0	214.8	215.6	216.7	218.6	219.1
Memphis	234.3	227.6	230.8	233.8	232.9	234.6	233.0	232.3	234.7	237.4	238.0	237.7	238.9
Mobile	226.8	220.4	222.5	223.8	225.7	224.2	225.7	229.5	227.0	229.1	231.7	230.0	231.4
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL													
Dallas	230.6	225.9	228.7	229.9	228.7	228.9	227.9	227.0	230.9	233.5	233.8	236.0	235.4
Houston	237.4	236.0	235.6	238.5	238.3	237.1	235.2	235.2	237.2	239.4	237.6	237.8	241.2
Little Rock	224.9	222.7	225.2	226.8	224.9	225.1	225.2	223.6	222.9	223.0	224.4	225.4	229.9
New Orleans	240.3	237.8	239.8	242.1	240.2	239.5	238.2	238.8	240.8	240.6	239.9	241.3	244.3
MOUNTAIN													
Butte	226.7	220.7	222.5	223.9	222.9	226.6	225.5	227.4	229.0	228.5	229.2	230.2	233.7
Denver	232.3	227.8	229.0	230.5	229.9	232.3	232.6	230.6	231.6	232.4	234.9	236.9	239.2
Salt Lake City	228.2	222.2	225.6	227.9	226.9	228.3	230.0	228.3	227.4	228.0	228.5	232.5	233.4
PACIFIC													
Los Angeles	232.0	226.3	226.9	229.8	228.9	230.9	230.9	232.7	232.3	233.3	234.5	237.1	240.7
Portland, Oreg.	249.3	243.4	247.4	250.3	248.6	252.1	251.5	251.2	247.4	247.9	246.9	251.8	253.3
San Francisco	238.6	238.0	235.3	241.7	238.4	241.2	237.4	237.8	234.4	234.8	235.6	240.7	248.4
Seattle	234.5	230.2	231.7	234.3	234.4	236.6	233.0	233.8	232.7	234.4	234.8	238.1	239.9

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TABLE 4.--INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD, BY CITY AND BY MONTH, 1951 AND 1952¹--Continued

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Region and city	Average for the year	1952											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
UNITED STATES	231.5	232.4	227.5	227.6	230.0	230.8	231.5	234.9	235.5	233.2	232.4	232.3	229.9
NEW ENGLAND													
Boston	219.2	218.2	214.5	214.6	215.2	218.8	219.9	225.9	225.5	221.3	221.9	219.2	215.7
Bridgeport	231.1	229.4	227.0	227.3	228.3	230.5	230.2	238.0	235.2	233.4	233.4	231.7	230.0
Fall River	223.7	224.0	220.7	221.4	220.4	224.4	225.2	228.6	227.6	225.6	224.2	222.5	219.5
Manchester	222.6	221.2	216.8	216.6	217.5	221.2	223.9	228.6	230.6	225.9	226.0	222.7	220.3
New Haven	224.8	222.6	219.7	220.2	221.0	226.1	225.3	232.0	229.4	227.7	226.6	224.6	222.0
Portland, Maine	216.9	217.0	214.1	213.8	213.6	215.4	219.0	222.3	222.9	219.0	218.1	214.8	213.3
Providence	235.2	234.4	229.5	231.4	233.4	237.8	238.5	241.8	241.3	235.6	235.2	233.3	229.9
MIDDLE ATLANTIC													
Buffalo	225.9	225.2	221.0	221.8	224.7	227.0	227.0	228.3	229.7	227.8	227.4	226.9	224.0
Newark	228.6	227.7	225.0	224.1	228.2	228.6	226.4	230.2	230.0	229.9	230.5	232.7	230.2
New York	229.7	230.2	226.2	225.3	229.3	227.4	226.9	233.2	232.5	231.7	231.3	234.0	228.6
Philadelphia	229.8	229.4	224.4	224.3	226.9	228.1	228.8	235.1	235.4	232.3	231.4	231.2	230.7
Pittsburgh	234.7	235.7	229.8	229.3	231.4	233.0	232.9	237.3	240.9	237.1	237.0	237.4	235.0
Rochester	226.5	227.4	223.5	221.6	222.2	226.4	226.7	232.0	231.0	227.7	226.4	227.7	225.6
Seranton	231.1	232.0	225.6	224.3	227.8	231.1	230.9	237.7	237.7	234.8	232.0	230.9	228.9
EAST NORTH CENTRAL													
Chicago	237.0	237.5	231.4	233.3	234.8	239.3	239.2	239.9	241.8	238.6	238.5	238.1	232.1
Cincinnati	234.5	233.2	228.1	228.6	231.9	234.3	236.9	239.1	237.4	237.6	234.1	234.1	232.6
Cleveland	240.4	240.9	237.2	235.8	238.2	240.3	242.5	245.5	243.9	241.5	238.9	238.9	234.3
Columbus, Ohio	214.4	214.3	209.8	209.2	211.4	213.8	214.3	217.2	220.3	218.3	216.4	214.2	214.1
Detroit	232.6	235.0	229.1	228.8	231.2	231.6	234.2	237.2	235.3	233.0	233.2	231.9	230.7
Indianapolis	227.8	227.6	223.8	224.1	222.2	225.0	228.9	232.0	235.6	231.6	230.3	227.7	225.0
Milwaukee	233.8	232.8	227.3	228.0	231.5	237.1	237.9	237.6	240.1	234.3	235.9	232.7	230.1
Peoria	240.3	243.8	238.5	235.6	239.8	240.0	243.3	243.7	245.9	244.0	237.6	238.7	232.6
Springfield, Ill.	243.0	244.1	240.2	238.6	240.1	242.2	245.9	246.9	246.9	244.7	242.9	243.2	240.6
WEST NORTH CENTRAL													
Cedar Rapids ²	237.4	238.3	235.1	235.1	236.4	238.0	240.6	240.9	238.7	237.0	236.3	236.6	235.3
Kansas City	216.6	217.8	213.0	213.1	214.4	215.5	216.8	220.2	220.6	217.3	218.9	217.1	214.7
Minneapolis	223.4	223.1	220.1	220.2	222.3	224.2	226.6	226.4	225.0	223.7	224.8	223.1	221.6
Omaha	224.4	226.8	222.6	222.4	223.2	224.8	226.6	225.5	227.3	224.6	223.5	223.7	221.5
St. Louis	243.5	244.0	238.6	238.3	240.5	243.6	247.6	248.6	249.0	244.3	244.4	243.2	240.4
St. Paul	222.5	224.0	221.2	220.0	221.6	223.2	225.1	224.1	223.3	222.4	222.8	221.5	220.4
Wichita	245.9	248.3	242.7	240.8	240.4	241.5	245.9	246.0	250.9	249.9	248.6	248.2	247.5
SOUTH ATLANTIC													
Atlanta	229.6	230.7	227.4	223.9	225.0	223.2	226.5	236.1	238.0	243.3	230.1	231.1	228.4
Baltimore	243.7	243.8	238.6	239.5	242.6	243.2	242.4	248.6	249.9	246.9	243.7	243.5	241.3
Charleston, S. C.	223.5	222.3	219.4	219.3	220.2	221.4	222.8	231.4	232.2	226.5	222.8	221.6	222.1
Jacksonville	236.1	237.2	231.5	231.2	232.6	231.3	236.2	240.1	244.6	240.1	235.5	237.3	236.1
Norfolk	236.7	237.2	232.7	231.0	234.7	235.0	235.0	242.0	244.0	238.9	235.1	239.1	234.6
Richmond	217.8	219.3	214.3	212.9	216.8	215.6	214.6	220.7	224.1	222.7	218.2	218.5	216.1
Savannah	242.9	242.6	238.9	238.7	239.3	241.3	242.9	247.3	252.0	245.0	242.1	241.6	242.9
Washington, D. C.	228.1	228.7	223.1	224.0	227.8	226.8	227.2	232.2	233.1	232.2	229.2	227.8	225.2
Winston-Salem ²	221.6	223.2	218.6	217.6	218.0	217.1	219.0	224.9	228.6	224.7	222.7	222.4	222.5
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL													
Birmingham	220.7	220.2	217.3	215.3	215.8	216.4	217.4	225.5	230.8	224.2	223.8	221.2	221.0
Jackson	227.4	230.3	225.8	223.9	223.7	222.7	225.2	229.7	232.8	231.6	228.4	227.6	227.6
Knoxville ²	254.5	256.9	253.2	250.5	250.9	249.6	251.5	256.6	263.4	258.5	253.6	254.0	255.4
Louisville	217.4	218.4	213.6	213.2	214.5	216.4	218.1	221.2	224.4	221.1	218.1	215.6	214.6
Memphis	236.0	237.8	234.9	231.0	231.4	231.7	235.6	236.8	243.7	240.8	239.4	235.4	233.1
Mobile	229.6	231.6	228.0	228.0	229.1	224.4	230.4	235.2	236.0	233.1	226.3	226.3	227.1
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL													
Dallas	233.0	236.3	228.8	229.8	231.3	231.8	232.0	233.7	237.4	237.1	233.9	232.3	231.2
Houston	239.1	241.4	236.0	236.1	237.9	236.1	237.2	239.7	242.8	240.9	240.3	239.7	241.2
Little Rock	228.4	229.7	224.6	224.3	226.1	226.5	228.7	230.4	233.6	231.6	228.8	229.0	228.0
New Orleans	242.4	244.8	240.5	239.8	240.1	239.2	241.4	246.6	248.7	245.4	241.4	240.4	240.2
MOUNTAIN													
Butte	230.6	230.2	227.5	228.1	228.9	229.4	231.7	231.8	232.8	233.6	232.4	231.0	229.6
Denver	234.2	236.2	230.0	230.4	232.0	232.6	235.1	237.7	237.7	235.6	236.6	234.2	232.5
Salt Lake City	234.5	232.9	231.2	231.5	233.7	234.2	234.8	236.8	237.3	237.5	235.3	235.6	233.6
PACIFIC													
Los Angeles	235.5	239.3	234.2	234.6	237.1	235.7	235.4	235.7	235.3	234.5	233.7	234.9	235.4
Portland, Oreg.	249.3	254.8	246.9	248.3	250.6	251.3	250.0	250.5	251.6	249.6	247.6	247.7	242.6
San Francisco	244.3	248.9	240.5	245.4	249.5	247.0	247.4	243.0	241.7	240.9	240.0	242.1	245.0
Seattle	239.4	243.4	238.2	239.7	241.5	239.7	237.8	239.2	239.0	240.7	238.5	238.3	236.5

¹ Aggregate costs of foods in each city weighted to represent total purchases by families of wage earners and lower-salaried workers, have been combined for the United States with the use of population weights.

² June 1940 = 100.

³ Revised.

TABLE 5.--RETAIL FOOD PRICE INDEX PERCENT CHANGES, BY CITIES, 1951 AND 1952

City and regional area	Dec. 15, 1950 to Jan. 15, 1951	Jan. 15, 1951 to Feb. 15, 1951	Feb. 15, 1951 to Mar. 15, 1951	Mar. 15, 1951 to Apr. 15, 1951	Apr. 15, 1951 to May 15, 1951	May 15, 1951 to June 15, 1951	June 15, 1951 to July 15, 1951	July 15, 1951 to Aug. 15, 1951	Aug. 15, 1951 to Sept. 15, 1951	Sept. 15, 1951 to Oct. 15, 1951	Oct. 15, 1951 to Nov. 15, 1951	Nov. 15, 1951 to Dec. 15, 1951	Dec. 15, 1950 to Dec. 15, 1951	Annual average 1950 to annual average 1951
UNITED STATES-----	+2.6	+1.8	+0.1	-0.2	+0.8	-0.2	+0.4	-0.3	+0.1	+0.8	+1.0	+0.3	+7.4	+11.2
NEW ENGLAND:														
Boston-----	+2.4	+2.2	-0.2	-0.2	+0.8	+0.2	+0.8	-0.5	-0.7	+1.8	+0.3	+0.4	+7.4	+9.9
Bridgeport-----	+2.9	+1.4	+1.2	-0.4	-0.3	+0.3	0	-0.4	-0.3	+1.4	+0.2	+0.4	+6.7	+10.7
Fall River-----	+2.2	+2.2	-0.7	+0.3	-0.3	+1.0	+0.4	-0.5	-0.6	+1.6	+0.4	-0.2	+5.9	+10.0
Manchester-----	+2.4	+1.8	-0.6	+0.1	+0.3	+1.2	+0.3	+0.1	-0.9	+1.4	-0.1	-0.7	+5.1	+9.5
New Haven-----	+2.5	+2.8	-0.3	-0.5	+1.0	+0.1	+0.5	-1.1	+0.3	+1.1	-0.1	0	+6.5	+10.5
Portland, Maine-----	+2.5	+1.5	-0.2	-0.4	+0.2	+1.9	+1.4	-0.5	-1.3	+1.2	+0.3	-0.1	+6.5	+9.8
Providence-----	+2.6	+2.5	-1.0	+0.4	-0.2	+0.2	+1.0	-1.3	-0.3	+2.0	+0.2	+0.3	+6.7	+10.8
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:														
Buffalo-----	+3.9	+1.1	+0.8	-0.7	+1.8	+1.1	-1.0	-1.3	+1.0	+1.2	+1.3	-0.2	+9.3	+11.5
Newark-----	+2.3	+2.4	-1.0	+0.4	+1.3	-0.7	+0.1	-0.3	+0.1	+0.5	+0.8	-0.5	+5.5	+11.4
New York-----	+2.3	+2.7	-1.0	+0.1	+0.7	-0.9	+0.9	-0.4	+0.3	+0.8	+1.4	-0.1	+6.7	+10.6
Philadelphia-----	+2.3	+2.1	-0.4	+0.4	+0.7	-0.7	+0.6	-0.2	+0.4	+1.3	+0.7	+0.1	+7.5	+11.1
Pittsburgh-----	+2.0	+2.2	-0.1	+0.3	+1.2	-0.1	+1.1	-0.4	-0.4	+1.1	+0.7	-0.3	+7.6	+10.7
Rochester-----	+3.0	+1.9	+0.9	+0.2	+1.4	+0.9	-0.6	-1.2	+0.6	+1.0	+1.8	+0.5	+10.3	+11.5
Scranton-----	+2.6	+2.8	-0.4	-0.6	+1.7	+0.2	-0.1	+0.2	-0.1	+0.7	+1.1	0	+8.4	+11.1
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:														
Chicago-----	+1.6	+3.5	-0.6	-0.2	+0.8	+0.2	+0.8	-0.8	-0.5	+1.7	+0.9	+0.1	+7.4	+11.5
Cincinnati-----	+3.6	+1.4	-0.5	+0.1	+0.5	-0.1	+1.0	-0.4	+0.3	+0.3	+1.0	-0.7	+6.7	+10.5
Cleveland-----	+2.9	+2.3	+0.3	-0.6	+1.6	+0.3	+0.2	-0.4	-0.2	+0.8	+0.8	-0.2	+8.0	+11.2
Columbus, Ohio-----	+1.7	+3.0	+0.2	-0.5	+0.6	+0.6	-0.4	-0.1	+0.2	+0.9	+0.9	0	+7.0	+11.3
Detroit-----	+3.0	+2.1	-0.2	-0.7	+0.8	+0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	+0.9	+1.3	+0.4	+8.0	+12.7
Indianapolis-----	+1.7	+0.9	+0.7	-0.2	+0.8	-0.4	+0.4	+0.4	+0.5	+0.4	+0.7	-0.4	+5.6	+11.0
Milwaukee-----	+1.5	+3.6	-0.2	-0.9	+1.2	+1.1	+0.9	-1.2	-0.6	+0.4	+1.2	+0.4	+7.5	+10.3
Peoria-----	+2.9	+1.3	+0.7	-0.1	+1.1	+0.2	-0.6	-1.2	-0.5	0	+1.7	+1.3	+6.9	+9.8
Springfield, Ill.-----	+0.9	+1.9	-0.2	-0.1	0	+0.4	0	-0.3	+0.1	+0.2	+1.2	-0.3	+4.7	+11.8
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:														
Cedar Rapids-----	+1.5	+0.6	+1.9	0	+0.7	+0.3	+0.5	-1.0	-0.4	+1.1	+1.1	-0.3	+6.2	+11.7
Kansas City-----	+2.6	+1.0	+0.5	+0.4	+0.6	-0.4	+0.4	-0.9	+0.2	+0.8	+1.2	+0.7	+7.3	+11.4
Minneapolis-----	+3.4	+1.9	-0.1	0	+1.2	+0.5	-0.2	-0.7	-0.9	+1.5	+1.1	+1.3	+8.3	+11.9
Omaha-----	+1.9	+1.3	+0.2	+0.1	+1.1	+0.1	-0.2	+0.4	-0.2	+1.7	+0.8	+0.8	+8.2	+11.1
St. Louis-----	+1.9	+2.6	-0.2	-0.8	+0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	+0.7	+0.2	+1.2	+0.7	+6.2	+11.8
St. Paul-----	+3.8	+1.1	+0.6	+0.1	+0.3	+0.5	+0.1	-0.1	-0.5	+2.6	+0.4	+0.9	+10.3	+12.3
Wichita-----	+0.5	+2.1	+0.7	-1.4	0	+0.4	+1.4	-0.2	+1.5	+0.6	+0.5	+1.9	+8.2	+11.8
SOUTH ATLANTIC:														
Atlanta-----	+2.9	+0.3	0	+2.0	+0.1	-0.3	+0.6	+0.9	+0.3	-0.9	+0.9	-0.6	+6.3	+13.4
Baltimore-----	+2.4	+2.3	-0.1	-0.3	+1.2	0	-0.8	+0.4	+0.1	+1.2	+0.5	0	+7.1	+10.7
Charleston, S. C.-----	+2.8	+2.1	+0.5	-1.0	-0.3	0	+3.4	+1.0	-0.2	-1.2	0	+1.6	+9.0	+12.5
Jacksonville-----	+2.6	+1.1	+1.4	-0.2	-1.6	+0.6	+0.8	-0.1	+0.5	-0.9	+1.0	+0.1	+5.3	+11.1
Norfolk-----	+4.8	+2.6	+1.2	-2.5	+0.7	-0.1	0	0	0	+0.4	+0.8	+0.7	+8.8	+11.4
Richmond-----	+2.5	+1.3	-0.4	-0.7	+0.4	-0.1	0	-0.3	+0.8	+0.3	+0.3	-0.4	+3.8	+10.4
Savannah-----	+3.0	+0.7	+0.3	+2.3	0	+0.8	+0.7	-0.5	+0.6	-0.3	+0.4	0	+8.4	+13.9
Washington, D. C.-----	+2.1	+0.9	-0.4	-0.1	+0.9	0	-1.0	+0.3	+0.6	+1.8	0	+0.4	+5.6	+10.7
Winston-Salem-----	+1.6	+1.7	+1.1	-1.5	+0.1	0	-0.1	+0.2	-0.6	+0.4	+0.2	+1.0	+4.1	+10.4
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:														
Birmingham-----	+3.5	+0.5	-0.1	-1.0	-0.1	-0.8	-0.9	+1.3	+1.3	+1.8	+0.1	-0.7	+4.9	+11.8
Jackson-----	+3.3	+1.5	0	-1.9	+0.5	-0.6	+0.3	+1.0	+1.1	+1.0	-0.9	+0.8	+6.1	+9.4
Knoxville-----	+2.1	+1.8	+0.1	-1.0	-0.2	-0.2	+0.8	+0.6	+0.7	-0.5	+1.0	+0.2	+5.3	+10.9
Louisville-----	+3.3	+2.1	0	-1.0	+0.6	+0.8	+0.2	-0.6	+0.4	+0.5	+0.9	+0.2	+7.8	+11.9
Memphis-----	+1.6	+1.4	+1.3	-0.4	+0.7	-0.7	-0.3	+1.0	+1.2	+0.3	-0.1	+0.5	+6.7	+10.5
Mobile-----	+3.4	+1.0	+0.6	+0.8	-0.7	+0.7	+1.7	-1.1	+0.9	+1.1	-0.7	+0.6	+8.5	+11.2
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:														
Dallas-----	+2.2	+1.2	+0.5	-0.5	+0.1	-0.4	-0.4	+1.7	+1.1	+0.1	+0.9	-0.3	+6.5	+11.7
Houston-----	+3.7	-0.2	+1.2	-0.1	-1.3	-0.8	0	+0.9	+0.9	-0.8	+0.1	+1.4	+6.0	+10.7
Little Rock-----	+2.6	+1.1	+0.7	-0.8	+0.1	0	-0.7	-0.3	0	+0.6	+0.4	+2.0	+5.9	+10.4
New Orleans-----	+4.2	+0.8	+1.0	-0.8	-0.3	-0.5	+0.3	+0.8	-0.1	-0.3	+0.6	+1.2	+7.1	+10.8
MOUNTAIN:														
Butte-----	+2.3	+0.8	+0.6	-0.4	+1.7	-0.5	+0.8	+0.7	-0.2	+0.3	+0.4	+1.5	+8.3	+11.3
Denver-----	+1.9	+0.5	+0.7	-0.3	+1.0	+0.1	-0.9	+0.4	+0.3	+1.1	+0.9	+1.0	+7.0	+11.9
Salt Lake City-----	+2.3	+1.5	+1.0	-0.4	+0.6	+0.7	+0.7	-0.4	+0.3	+0.2	+1.8	+0.4	+7.5	+11.5
PACIFIC:														
Los Angeles-----	+3.8	+0.3	+1.3	-0.4	+0.9	0	+0.8	-0.2	+0.4	+0.5	+1.1	+1.5	+10.4	+12.9
Portland, Oreg.-----	+3.6	+1.6	+1.2	-0.7	+1.4	-0.2	-0.1	-1.5	+0.2	-0.4	+2.0	+0.6	+7.8	+12.6
San Francisco-----	+3.9	-1.1	+2.7	-1.4	+1.2	-1.6	+0.2	-1.4	+0.2	+0.3	+2.2	+3.2	+8.5	+10.9
Seattle-----	+2.0	+0.7	+1.1	0	+0.9	-1.5	+0.3	-0.5	+0.7	+0.2	+1.4	+0.8	+6.3	+10.7

TABLE 5.--RETAIL FOOD PRICE INDEX PERCENT CHANGES, BY CITIES, 1951 and 1952--Continued

City and regional area	Dec. 15, 1951 to Jan. 15, 1952	Jan. 15, 1952 to Feb. 15, 1952	Feb. 15, 1952 to Mar. 15, 1952	Mar. 15, 1952 to Apr. 15, 1952	Apr. 15, 1952 to May 15, 1952	May 15, 1952 to June 15, 1952	June 15, 1952 to July 15, 1952	July 15, 1952 to Aug. 15, 1952	Aug. 15, 1952 to Sept. 15, 1952	Sept. 15, 1952 to Oct. 15, 1952	Oct. 15, 1952 to Nov. 15, 1952	Nov. 15, 1952 to Dec. 15, 1952	Dec. 15, 1951 to Dec. 15, 1952	Annual average 1951 to annual average 1952
UNITED STATES-----	+0.1	-2.1	0	+1.1	+0.3	+0.3	+1.5	+0.3	-1.0	-0.3	0	-1.0	-1.0	+1.8
NEW ENGLAND:														
Boston-----	-0.5	-1.7	0	+0.3	+1.7	+0.5	+2.7	-0.2	-1.9	+0.3	-1.2	-1.6	-1.6	+2.0
Bridgeport-----	+0.2	-1.0	+0.1	+0.4	+1.0	-0.1	+3.4	-1.2	-1.1	+0.4	-0.7	-0.7	+0.5	+2.4
Fall River-----	+0.1	-1.5	+0.3	-0.5	+1.8	+0.4	+1.5	-0.4	-0.9	-0.6	-0.8	-1.3	-1.9	+1.3
Manchester-----	+0.1	-2.0	-0.1	+0.4	+1.7	+1.2	+2.1	+0.9	-2.0	0	-1.5	-1.1	-0.3	+1.2
New Haven-----	+0.2	-1.3	+0.2	+0.4	+2.3	-0.4	+3.0	-1.1	-0.7	-0.5	-0.9	-1.2	-0.1	+2.2
Portland, Maine-----	+0.4	-1.3	-0.1	-0.1	+0.8	+1.7	+1.5	+0.3	-1.7	-0.4	-1.5	-0.7	-1.3	+1.8
Providence-----	+0.1	-2.1	+0.8	+0.9	+1.9	+0.3	+1.4	-0.2	-2.4	-0.2	-0.8	-1.5	-1.8	+2.2
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:														
Buffalo-----	-0.7	-1.9	+0.4	+1.3	+1.0	0	+0.6	+0.6	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-1.3	-1.2	+2.0
Newark-----	+0.2	-1.2	-0.4	+1.8	+0.2	-1.0	+1.7	-0.1	0	+0.3	+1.0	-1.1	+1.3	+1.5
New York-----	-0.2	-1.7	-0.4	+1.8	-0.8	-0.2	+2.8	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	+1.2	-2.3	-0.9	+1.5
Philadelphia-----	+0.3	-2.2	0	+1.2	+0.5	+0.3	+2.8	+0.1	-1.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2	+0.8	+2.7
Pittsburgh-----	+0.5	-2.5	-0.2	+0.9	+0.7	0	+1.9	+1.5	-1.6	0	+0.2	-1.0	+0.2	+1.9
Rochester-----	0	-1.7	-0.9	+0.3	+1.9	+0.1	+2.3	-0.4	-1.4	-0.6	+0.6	-0.9	-0.8	+2.8
Soranton-----	+0.9	-2.8	-0.6	+1.6	+1.4	-0.1	+2.9	0	-1.2	-1.2	-0.5	-0.9	-0.4	+2.7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:														
Chicago-----	-0.3	-2.6	+0.8	+0.6	+1.9	0	+0.3	+0.8	-1.3	0	-0.2	-2.5	-2.5	+1.5
Cincinnati-----	+1.2	-2.2	+0.2	+1.4	+1.0	+1.1	+0.9	+0.3	-1.0	+0.1	-1.5	-0.6	+1.0	+2.9
Cleveland-----	+1.0	-1.5	-0.6	+1.0	+0.9	+0.9	+1.2	0	-0.7	-1.0	-1.1	-1.9	-1.8	+2.3
Columbus, Ohio-----	+1.4	-2.1	-0.3	+1.1	+1.1	+0.2	+1.4	+1.4	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0	0	+1.3	+3.3
Detroit-----	+0.2	-2.5	-0.1	+1.0	+0.2	+1.1	+1.3	-0.8	-1.0	+0.1	-0.6	-0.5	-1.6	+1.4
Indianapolis-----	+0.3	-1.7	+0.1	-0.8	+1.3	+1.7	+1.4	+1.6	-1.7	+0.6	-1.1	-1.2	-0.9	+1.9
Milwaukee-----	+0.1	-2.4	+0.3	+1.5	+2.4	+0.3	-0.1	+1.1	-2.4	+0.7	-1.4	-1.1	-1.1	+2.5
Peoria-----	+0.5	-2.2	-1.2	+1.8	+0.1	+1.4	+0.2	+0.9	-0.8	-2.6	+0.5	-2.6	-4.1	+0.9
Springfield, Ill-----	+0.6	-1.6	-0.7	+0.6	+0.9	+1.5	+0.4	0	-0.9	-0.7	+0.1	-1.1	-0.8	+1.9
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:														
Cedar Rapids-----	-0.6	-1.3	0	+0.6	+0.7	+1.1	+0.1	-0.9	-0.7	-0.3	+0.1	-0.5	-1.9	+0.6
Kansas City-----	-0.1	-2.2	0	+0.6	+0.5	+0.6	+1.6	+0.2	-1.5	+0.7	-0.8	-1.1	-1.5	+1.7
Minneapolis-----	-0.4	-1.3	0	+1.0	+0.9	+1.1	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	+0.5	-0.8	-0.7	-1.1	+2.3
Omaha-----	-0.1	-1.9	-0.1	+0.4	+0.7	+0.8	-0.5	+0.8	-1.2	-0.5	+0.1	-1.0	-2.4	+2.1
St. Louis-----	0	-2.2	-0.1	+0.9	+1.3	+1.6	+0.4	+0.2	-1.9	0	-0.5	-1.2	-1.4	+1.9
St. Paul-----	+0.1	-1.2	-0.5	+0.7	+0.7	+0.9	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	+0.2	-0.6	-0.5	-1.5	+2.8
Wichita-----	-0.2	-2.3	-0.8	-0.2	+0.5	+1.8	0	+2.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	+3.1
SOUTH ATLANTIC:														
Atlanta-----	0	-1.4	-1.5	+0.5	-0.8	+1.5	+4.2	+0.8	-1.6	-1.8	+0.4	-1.2	-1.0	+0.5
Baltimore-----	+0.5	-2.1	+0.4	+1.3	+0.2	-0.3	+2.6	+0.5	-1.2	-1.3	-0.1	-0.9	-0.5	+2.3
Charleston, S. C.-----	+0.4	-1.3	0	+0.4	+0.5	+0.6	+3.9	+0.3	-2.5	-1.6	-0.5	+0.2	+0.3	+3.6
Jacksonville-----	+0.9	-2.4	-0.1	+0.6	-0.6	+2.1	+1.7	+1.9	-1.8	-1.9	+0.8	-0.5	+0.5	+1.3
Norfolk-----	+1.5	-1.9	-0.7	+1.6	+0.1	+0.4	+2.5	+0.8	-2.1	-1.6	+1.7	-1.9	+0.4	+2.9
Richmond-----	+0.5	-2.3	-0.7	+1.8	-0.6	-0.5	+2.8	+1.5	-0.6	-2.0	+0.1	-1.1	-1.0	+0.3
Savannah-----	+0.4	-1.5	-0.1	+0.3	+0.8	+0.7	+1.8	+1.9	-2.8	-1.2	-0.2	+0.5	+0.5	+2.1
Washington, D. C.-----	-0.1	-2.4	+0.4	+1.7	-0.4	+0.2	+2.2	+0.4	-0.4	-1.3	-0.6	-1.1	-1.6	+1.7
Winston-Salem-----	+0.2	-2.1	-0.5	+0.2	-0.4	+0.9	+2.7	+1.6	-1.7	-0.9	-0.1	0	-0.1	+0.4
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:														
Birmingham-----	-1.1	-1.3	-0.9	+0.2	+0.3	+0.5	+3.7	+2.4	-2.9	-0.2	-1.2	-0.1	-0.8	+0.5
Jackson-----	+0.5	-2.0	-0.8	-0.1	-0.4	+1.1	+2.0	+1.3	-0.5	-1.4	-0.4	0	-0.7	+0.9
Knoxville-----	+0.1	-1.4	-1.1	+0.2	-0.5	+0.8	+2.0	+2.7	-1.9	-1.9	+0.2	+0.6	-0.5	+0.7
Louisville-----	-0.3	-2.2	-0.2	+0.6	+0.9	+0.8	+1.4	+1.4	-1.5	-1.4	-1.1	-0.5	-2.1	+1.1
Memphis-----	-0.5	-1.2	-1.7	+0.2	+0.1	+1.7	+0.5	+2.9	-1.2	-0.6	-1.7	-1.0	-2.4	+0.7
Mobile-----	+0.1	-1.6	0	+0.5	-2.1	+2.7	+2.1	+0.3	-1.2	-2.9	0	+0.4	-1.9	+1.2
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:														
Dallas-----	+0.4	-3.2	+0.4	+0.7	+0.2	+0.1	+0.7	+1.6	-0.1	-1.3	-0.7	-0.5	-1.8	+1.0
Houston-----	+0.1	-2.2	0	+0.8	-0.8	+0.5	+1.1	+1.3	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	+0.6	0	+0.7
Little Rock-----	-0.1	-2.2	-0.1	+0.8	+0.2	+1.0	+0.7	+1.4	-0.9	-1.2	+0.1	-0.4	-0.8	+1.6
New Orleans-----	+0.2	-1.8	-0.3	+0.1	-0.4	+0.9	+2.2	+0.9	-1.3	-1.6	-0.4	-0.1	-1.7	+0.9
MOUNTAIN:														
Butte-----	-1.5	-1.2	+0.3	+0.4	+0.2	+1.0	0	+0.4	+0.3	-0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-1.8	+1.7
Denver-----	-1.3	-2.6	+0.2	+0.7	+0.3	+1.1	+1.1	0	-0.9	+0.4	-1.0	-0.7	-2.8	+0.8
Salt Lake City-----	-0.2	-0.7	+0.1	+1.0	+0.2	+0.3	+0.9	+0.2	+0.1	-0.9	+0.1	-0.8	+0.1	+2.8
PACIFIC:														
Los Angeles-----	-0.6	-2.1	+0.2	+1.1	-0.6	-0.1	+0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	+0.5	+0.2	-2.2	+1.5
Portland, Oreg.-----	+0.6	-3.1	+0.6	+0.9	+0.3	-0.5	+0.2	+0.4	-0.8	-0.8	0	-2.1	-4.2	0
San Francisco-----	+0.2	-3.4	+2.0	+1.7	-1.0	+0.2	-1.8	-0.5	-0.3	-0.4	+0.9	+1.2	-1.4	+2.4
Seattle-----	+1.5	-2.1	+0.6	+0.8	-0.7	-0.8	+0.6	-0.1	+0.7	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-1.4	+2.1

TABLE 6.--CLASSIFICATION OF RETAIL FOOD ITEMS BY PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN PRICE FROM DECEMBER 1950 TO DECEMBER 1951,
AND FROM DECEMBER 1951 TO DECEMBER 1952

PERCENT CHANGE FROM DECEMBER 1950 TO DECEMBER 1951					
+10.0% and over	+5.0% to +9.9%	+0.1% to +4.9%	-0.1% to -4.9%	-5.0% to -9.9%	-10.0% and over
Cabbage, fresh-----+69.1	Layer cake-----+9.1	Apples-----+4.6	Grape jelly----- -1.4	Salt pork----- -5.3	Eggs, fresh----- -13.1
Lettuce-----+62.8	Corn, canned-----+9.1	Ice cream-----+4.4	Prunes, dried----- -1.1	Navy beans----- -5.6	Beans, green, fresh-- -33.0
Potatoes-----+62.5	Milk, fresh, grocery--+9.1	Pork chops-----+4.3	Oranges----- -1.1	Margarine----- -5.8	
Onions-----+57.0	Milk, fresh, delivered-- +8.9	Lard-----+4.0	Bananas----- -1.2	Rice----- -6.0	
Sweetpotatoes-----+49.4	Hamburger-----+8.4	Ham, whole-----+2.1	Salmon, pink, canned-- -1.9	Strawberries, frozen-- -6.8	
Carrots-----+38.3	Corn flakes-----+8.3	Baby foods, strained-- +1.9	Peas, canned----- -3.0	Orange juice concentrate- -7.5	
Coffee-----+26.0	Frankfurters-----+8.1	Frying chickens-----+1.5	Peas, frozen----- -3.1		
Butter-----+15.0	Bread, white-----+7.1	Sugar-----+1.2	Bacon, sliced----- -3.9		
Tomatoes, fresh-----+14.9	Fish, fresh, frozen-- +6.2	Shortening, hydrogenated-- +.9			
Chuck roast-----+13.5	Rolled oats-----+6.2	Pineapple, canned-- +.7			
Cheese-----+13.3	Peaches, canned-----+6.0	Salad dressing----- +.3			
Veal cutlets-----+12.6	Corn meal-----+5.7				
Rib roast-----+12.4	Flour, wheat-----+5.5				
Round steak-----+12.1					
Lamb, leg-----+11.5					
Cola drink-----+11.2					
Vanilla cookies-----+10.9					
Tomatoes, canned-----+10.8					
Milk, evaporated-----+10.4					

PERCENT CHANGE FROM DECEMBER 1951 TO DECEMBER 1952					
Apples-----+37.6	Beans, green, fresh +9.9	Corn, canned-----+4.4	Coffee----- -.3	Veal cutlets----- -6.0	Shortening, hydrogenated-- -10.7
Onions-----+26.7	Corn meal-----+7.1	Milk, evaporated-----+4.2	Layer cake----- -.4	Rib roast----- -6.1	Lamb, leg----- -12.7
Sweetpotatoes-----+16.8	Prunes, dried-----+5.7	Salt pork-----+3.8	Vanilla cookies----- -.4	Frankfurters----- -6.4	Carrots, fresh----- -13.1
Frying chickens, N.Y. dressed-- +15.3	Navy beans, dried-- +5.7	Milk, fresh, delivered-- +3.8	Flour, wheat----- -.6	Eggs, fresh----- -6.9	Hamburger----- -13.8
Potatoes-----+12.8		Peas, canned-----+3.8	Grape jelly----- -.8	Butter----- -7.1	Orange juice concentrate- -15.7
Frying chickens, dressed and drawn +10.1		Cheese, American process-- +3.7	Pineapple, canned-- -1.0	Salad dressing----- -7.8	Tomatoes, fresh----- -16.9
Rice-----+10.0		Milk, fresh, grocery-- +3.6	Peaches, canned----- -1.5	Chuck roast----- -7.9	Cabbage, fresh----- -23.0
		Sugar-----+3.6	Pork chops----- -3.1	Salmon, pink----- -9.2	Lettuce----- -29.2
		Bread, white-----+3.2	Margarine, colored-- -4.1		Lard----- -30.3
		Bacon-----+2.5	Peas, frozen----- -4.1		
		Tomatoes, canned-----+2.3	Round steak----- -4.1		
		Ham, whole-----+1.9			
		Ice cream-----+1.3			
		Rolled oats-----+1.1			
		Baby foods, strained +1.0			
		Oranges-----+.9			
		Cola drinks-----+.7			

TABLE 7.--INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY MONTH, 1951

[1935-1939 = 100]

Article	Average for the year	1951											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
Cereals and bakery products:													
Cereals:													
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	201.2	196.3	199.0	200.9	201.8	202.4	202.3	201.7	201.1	201.3	201.8	202.3	203.1
Corn flakes-----13 ounces--	200.3	192.5	193.9	194.3	196.6	197.4	197.8	199.5	203.9	205.8	206.4	207.9	207.7
Corn meal-----pound--	203.2	200.5	202.8	203.7	203.7	201.3	200.4	200.8	201.8	203.6	204.3	206.4	209.0
Rice ¹ -----do--	99.5	100.7	101.5	101.9	102.2	101.6	101.3	101.5	101.3	99.7	94.2	93.1	94.9
Rolled oats ² -----20 ounces--	160.1	154.5	155.2	156.6	159.1	160.2	161.3	161.5	162.0	162.2	162.9	162.7	162.9
Bakery products:													
Bread, white-----pound--	183.3	182.2	183.0	182.8	182.7	182.8	183.4	183.4	183.5	183.7	183.9	183.9	184.2
Vanilla cookies-----do--	216.3	209.8	211.6	213.7	214.9	213.2	213.5	214.9	215.8	220.0	221.5	223.1	223.8
Layer cake (and jelly-roll, each) ³ -----do--	107.2	103.1	105.8	106.0	107.9	107.3	106.9	108.6	107.1	107.9	107.5	109.8	109.1
Meats, poultry, and fish:													
Meats:													
Beef:													
Round steak-----pound--	323.5	312.3	317.6	318.0	320.3	320.9	322.2	323.1	323.2	323.3	332.7	334.6	333.6
Rib roast-----do--	295.0	288.0	294.2	292.8	294.6	289.0	289.5	290.0	289.5	290.6	306.4	308.2	307.2
Chuck roast-----do--	328.2	315.0	323.2	324.1	326.2	327.1	327.2	327.0	327.1	327.7	337.4	338.5	338.3
Frankfurters ⁴ -----do--	107.2	104.4	105.7	106.4	106.2	106.5	106.5	108.4	108.6	108.6	108.9	108.6	108.1
Hamburger ² -----do--	216.8	212.1	217.5	218.8	219.7	216.9	215.8	215.9	215.1	216.1	218.7	217.6	217.9
Veal:													
Cutlets-----do--	315.2	300.2	308.0	308.6	311.9	315.4	317.2	319.1	319.8	320.1	319.6	319.5	322.9
Pork:													
Chops-----do--	240.4	228.1	235.6	235.7	233.4	234.2	235.3	236.9	254.4	258.1	258.7	248.8	226.0
Bacon, sliced-----do--	176.2	175.9	178.0	178.2	177.6	177.6	177.8	177.8	177.8	178.0	178.4	172.7	165.2
Ham, whole-----do--	226.4	224.9	229.7	230.1	228.0	226.3	228.1	229.0	229.4	229.4	226.5	218.7	217.2
Salt pork-----do--	184.5	186.9	187.5	188.0	187.9	184.9	184.9	183.6	184.9	186.2	185.6	179.2	174.8
Lamb:													
Leg-----do--	293.4	277.9	284.1	285.0	288.7	293.8	297.2	296.9	296.7	296.9	298.4	300.3	304.8
Poultry: Frying chickens-----do--	192.1	184.3	193.2	198.9	198.5	199.4	191.3	195.3	194.4	195.1	188.7	184.0	181.9
Fish:													
Fish (fresh, frozen) ⁴ -----do--	289.8	283.0	283.7	287.6	286.4	287.1	291.4	288.1	292.5	290.1	294.7	295.8	296.7
Salmon, pink ⁵ -----16-ounce can--	499.2	493.7	501.1	502.4	508.1	511.7	511.0	509.2	508.2	503.1	489.1	477.4	475.1
Dairy products:													
Butter-----pound--	224.9	228.0	226.1	224.0	219.7	223.3	223.8	221.8	220.5	219.7	224.2	226.9	241.2
Cheese-----do--	261.1	254.9	264.3	265.7	265.7	260.3	261.3	260.0	259.3	259.4	258.3	261.2	263.3
Milk:													
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	187.9	183.5	184.8	185.4	185.6	184.9	185.1	187.2	188.3	189.7	191.2	194.0	195.0
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	189.6	185.7	186.7	187.3	186.9	185.9	186.4	188.5	190.5	191.2	192.7	195.8	197.1
Ice cream ⁶ -----pint--	104.8	104.2	105.4	104.9	105.2	104.7	104.9	105.1	105.2	104.8	104.9	104.5	104.4
Milk, evaporated--14 1/2-ounce can--	202.1	194.1	201.0	202.4	203.2	202.8	203.3	203.3	203.3	203.0	203.1	202.8	202.8
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	211.3	191.5	179.8	195.2	191.2	198.4	201.2	211.5	225.8	239.3	243.4	241.8	216.7
Fruits and vegetables:													
Frozen fruits:³													
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	97.6	100.8	101.3	101.3	100.5	98.7	97.0	97.4	95.8	95.6	95.1	94.9	93.2
Orange juice concentrate ³ -----6 ounces--	101.4	102.0	102.4	104.2	105.1	105.0	104.8	103.2	101.5	100.2	99.2	96.6	92.5
Frozen vegetables:													
Peas ⁷ -----12 ounces--	98.1	99.1	99.9	100.1	98.3	98.3	98.0	98.2	98.3	97.8	98.5	96.3	96.9
Fresh fruits:													
Apples-----pound--	208.3	204.4	206.4	206.0	205.1	213.6	232.9	240.2	214.3	203.0	178.4	191.2	204.3
Bananas-----do--	270.3	266.5	274.0	276.2	273.9	274.2	271.7	268.9	264.5	265.6	269.9	270.5	267.7
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	171.3	153.3	173.4	166.1	158.0	163.7	167.5	161.5	188.0	194.4	189.3	175.8	164.7
Fresh vegetables:													
Beans, green-----pound--	207.6	303.5	244.8	193.3	205.7	212.7	187.3	149.1	166.8	185.4	188.4	246.2	208.0
Cabbage-----do--	228.6	239.6	425.2	386.5	225.6	191.0	172.9	151.0	151.6	153.7	160.5	217.2	268.0
Carrots-----bunch--	232.5	206.0	258.7	220.4	192.9	196.5	202.6	229.2	235.0	241.1	235.9	289.4	281.8
Lettuce-----head--	195.0	164.3	189.3	149.2	212.1	229.8	162.8	192.6	180.6	168.1	186.4	232.1	272.8
Onions-----pound--	191.2	144.0	173.2	176.8	186.7	235.1	246.1	205.7	176.0	168.6	177.0	196.6	209.0
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	209.1	172.3	177.6	179.1	185.0	202.5	230.2	236.1	203.7	193.3	215.2	247.5	266.2
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	228.4	182.5	189.7	190.3	192.4	201.5	231.4	251.8	308.2	265.8	227.5	234.4	265.2
Tomatoes ⁸ -----do--	179.4	254.7	218.7	216.1	193.1	196.6	179.4	170.2	112.6	101.5	142.8	144.3	222.4
Canned fruits:													
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	175.3	172.1	172.8	173.8	174.3	174.6	174.9	174.8	175.3	177.0	177.9	177.6	178.3
Pineapple-----do--	178.0	177.5	178.5	178.3	179.7	178.8	178.1	177.6	177.5	177.4	177.8	177.6	177.3
Canned vegetables:													
Corn ⁷ -----No. 2 can--	164.4	159.5	161.8	162.8	163.6	164.4	164.2	164.9	165.4	165.7	165.3	166.7	168.3
Tomatoes-----do--	209.9	191.2	209.1	215.9	223.6	226.4	230.4	228.0	209.0	200.7	194.8	194.2	195.4
Peas-----No. 303 can--	117.8	119.5	119.7	119.6	119.3	118.8	118.8	119.2	117.8	116.9	115.5	114.6	114.3
Baby foods, strained⁹													
4 1/2-4 3/4 ounces--	101.5	100.2	100.8	101.4	101.5	101.9	102.1	101.7	101.7	101.7	101.7	101.7	101.9
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	270.7	268.0	271.4	272.1	273.3	273.1	272.8	274.5	275.1	274.9	268.7	263.1	261.6
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do--	225.3	231.8	234.9	235.4	235.5	233.8	230.7	224.4	220.9	216.8	213.1	211.9	213.9
Beverages:													
Coffee-----pound--	344.8	340.7	343.5	342.9	344.1	346.5	346.7	346.2	346.3	345.3	345.1	345.5	345.4
Cola drink ³ -----6-bottle carton--	108.9	107.8	107.9	108.3	108.4	108.2	108.0	108.0	108.4	109.1	110.2	110.8	111.2
Fats and oils:													
Lard-----pound--	165.7	166.3	173.3	174.4	173.7	167.8	166.2	159.9	161.7	163.1	167.7	158.3	155.5
Hydrogenated shortening-----do--	189.2	191.2	197.4	198.4	201.1	201.1	198.4	190.4	181.4	179.4	178.4	177.2	176.6
Salad dressing-----pint--	160.5	161.4	164.2	165.5	165.8	164.8	166.1	163.5	158.3	156.9	153.0	152.8	153.4
Margarine-----pound--	185.6	193.9	199.5	199.1	199.9	197.8	194.3	184.2	174.6	172.8	171.2	170.5	169.4
Sugar and sweets:													
Sugar-----5 pounds--	188.7	187.3	187.6	187.4	186.7	186.4	187.4	190.8	191.7	191.6	189.8	189.1	188.8
Grape jelly ³ -----12 ounces--	100.2	100.3	100.5	100.8	101.5	101.0	101.0	100.0	99.4	99.3	99.4	100.0	99.6

1 July 1947 = 100.
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 4 1938 - 39 = 100.
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 6 Revised.
 7 Specifications changed from No. 2 can to No. 303 can, May 15, 1951.

TABLE 7a. --INDEXES OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY MONTH, 1952
[1935-1939 = 100]

Article	Average for the year	1952											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
Cereals and bakery products:													
Cereals:													
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds-----	202.8	204.3	204.4	203.7	203.6	203.4	203.5	202.8	202.0	201.2	201.4	201.3	201.9
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces-----	210.0	208.2	209.4	209.6	210.1	¹ 209.9	209.8	210.3	210.5	210.3	210.4	210.4	210.6
Corn meal-----do-----	220.7	212.7	216.1	218.0	217.4	217.1	217.7	218.5	220.6	231.0	229.0	226.0	223.9
Rice ² -----do-----	100.3	96.1	96.7	96.7	98.2	99.0	99.9	100.9	102.2	102.8	103.0	103.8	104.3
Rolled oats ³ -----20 ounces-----	164.3	163.3	163.8	163.5	163.7	163.8	164.2	164.6	164.9	164.9	165.3	165.0	164.9
Bakery products:													
Bread, white-----do-----	188.3	184.5	184.8	185.1	185.2	189.7	188.9	190.1	190.2	190.3	190.3	190.2	190.4
Vanilla cookies-----7 ounces-----	223.7	224.2	224.5	224.6	222.5	223.3	224.6	225.4	224.9	222.4	223.5	222.8	221.9
Layer cake (and jellyroll) ⁴ -----do-----	108.8	108.3	107.9	108.5	108.2	108.9	107.9	109.7	108.7	108.8	109.1	109.6	110.0
Meats, poultry, and fish:													
Meats:													
Beef:													
Round steak-----do-----	329.3	333.3	331.9	330.4	330.0	330.3	330.1	330.2	331.1	331.2	328.2	324.7	320.0
Rib roast-----do-----	297.4	305.3	303.2	298.0	299.0	299.0	297.0	297.7	296.6	296.8	295.1	292.2	288.7
Chuck roast-----do-----	325.4	336.7	334.0	333.7	332.3	332.6	327.1	318.4	318.0	323.4	321.0	316.0	311.8
Frankfurters ⁴ -----do-----	105.6	107.6	106.3	106.2	105.8	105.7	106.5	106.5	106.7	106.2	105.0	103.5	101.2
Hamburger ³ -----do-----	207.0	217.0	215.9	214.3	211.7	210.6	211.9	207.6	207.1	207.3	200.0	192.3	187.9
Veal:													
Outlets-----do-----	320.1	325.0	326.8	326.4	325.5	325.3	326.7	318.2	316.5	321.5	316.2	309.2	303.6
Pork:													
Chops-----do-----	243.1	227.6	223.9	225.1	223.2	245.8	257.5	254.4	278.7	266.0	263.7	232.5	219.0
Bacon, sliced-----do-----	170.1	163.5	161.9	160.6	159.2	158.8	167.3	170.7	185.2	185.7	183.6	175.2	169.4
Ham, whole-----do-----	222.2	216.8	214.4	211.9	210.8	213.4	226.1	227.1	239.2	236.1	229.6	219.4	221.2
Salt pork-----do-----	172.4	171.4	168.1	164.0	160.9	159.4	166.8	167.0	178.6	181.2	184.6	185.3	181.5
Lamb:													
Leg-----do-----	288.3	301.8	290.2	280.9	287.7	291.7	296.1	294.9	295.4	293.1	286.1	276.5	265.7
Poultry:													
Frying chickens-----do-----	192.8	192.6	197.5	190.7	188.8	175.4	181.9	187.4	197.8	202.1	193.1	200.0	206.7
Fish:													
Fish (fresh, frozen) ⁵ -----do-----	293.7	298.3	⁶ 299.6	296.7	295.5	295.1	293.3	291.8	290.7	291.5	292.2	290.8	288.7
Salmon, pink ⁷ -----16-ounce can-----	451.8	471.2	467.1	460.9	459.3	456.7	456.9	454.2	448.8	444.2	437.4	433.1	431.6
Dairy products:													
Butter-----do-----	234.9	252.4	258.5	245.8	231.1	225.3	223.5	229.0	230.6	235.9	233.8	229.1	224.3
Cheese-----do-----	268.2	266.8	265.4	265.6	266.1	266.2	265.3	266.4	267.4	269.6	272.6	274.5	273.0
Milk:													
Fresh (delivered)-----quart-----	197.5	196.0	196.5	196.7	195.0	193.7	193.3	195.7	197.0	199.6	201.8	202.8	202.4
Fresh (grocery)-----do-----	198.9	198.1	198.5	198.7	196.6	194.2	193.3	196.0	198.3	201.8	203.6	204.0	203.3
Ice cream ⁸ -----pint-----	105.5	105.3	105.7	106.0	106.0	105.5	105.1	105.1	105.4	105.5	105.6	105.6	105.6
Milk, evaporated-----14 1/2-ounce can-----	209.3	205.1	206.6	208.2	209.6	209.8	210.0	209.7	210.1	210.3	210.4	210.8	210.5
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen-----	193.1	184.3	166.5	161.3	165.9	164.0	169.1	208.7	217.2	221.4	230.6	226.0	201.8
Fruits and vegetables:													
Frozen fruits:⁴													
Strawberries ⁴ ⁷ -----12 ounces-----	89.3	⁷ 92.7	92.0	91.9	88.5	89.8	89.2	88.6	88.8	88.6	87.8	87.0	86.7
Orange juice concentrate ⁴ -----6 ounces-----	79.6	88.8	85.3	84.2	83.0	73.3	73.9	74.6	78.5	78.3	78.5	78.9	78.1
Frozen vegetables:													
Peas ⁴ -----12 ounces-----	95.6	98.5	98.7	95.8	96.3	93.3	95.9	96.4	96.3	95.4	93.3	93.9	92.9
Fresh fruits:													
Apples-----do-----	282.0	218.8	229.2	239.4	279.7	310.0	395.9	366.9	288.7	258.1	250.4	266.7	279.9
Bananas-----do-----	270.7	269.9	273.4	281.5	282.1	278.7	277.9	265.5	269.4	267.7	255.5	261.4	265.9
Oranges, size 200-----dozen-----	177.8	161.7	156.2	160.8	159.9	164.3	170.0	188.6	193.2	203.0	216.6	193.7	165.9
Fresh vegetables:													
Beans, green-----do-----	220.9	191.3	238.1	250.4	258.8	236.8	161.2	235.3	214.8	167.4	192.3	275.9	228.3
Cabbage-----do-----	252.2	419.8	260.0	198.1	235.5	327.6	229.7	287.6	286.2	199.4	185.1	192.2	204.6
Carrots-----bunch-----	224.7	291.7	220.0	196.3	193.4	234.7	220.9	216.8	216.2	218.7	214.8	228.1	245.1
Lettuce-----head-----	185.1	256.5	145.4	166.0	184.5	199.3	166.9	171.3	177.8	186.7	179.4	194.1	194.1
Onions-----do-----	274.0	242.6	250.9	313.3	382.2	370.1	276.7	250.7	234.3	219.1	232.0	251.6	263.9
Potatoes-----15 pounds-----	313.0	289.5	270.5	282.0	307.0	333.7	351.9	360.1	354.4	312.7	289.3	304.0	300.3
Sweetpotatoes-----do-----	346.8	299.7	309.9	331.2	387.7	433.4	470.7	444.8	407.2	263.6	243.0	260.3	309.7
Tomatoes ⁸ -----do-----	178.2	189.0	160.7	192.9	231.8	201.4	217.0	204.9	151.8	114.0	130.4	160.2	184.6
Canned fruits:													
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can-----	176.1	179.1	180.0	179.7	178.8	180.0	173.6	172.4	172.8	173.1	172.8	175.1	175.7
Pineapple-----do-----	176.2	176.7	176.8	176.4	176.5	176.6	176.6	176.2	176.1	175.9	175.6	175.6	175.5
Canned vegetables:													
Corn-----No. 303 can-----	173.5	169.5	171.3	171.2	172.0	172.2	172.6	173.0	174.4	176.5	176.1	177.1	176.5
Tomatoes-----No. 2 can-----	195.8	195.1	194.2	195.9	194.8	195.2	193.1	193.8	192.7	196.3	198.8	200.7	199.6
Peas-----No. 303 can-----	114.0	113.0	113.0	113.0	112.3	111.8	111.7	112.4	112.8	115.3	116.2	117.7	118.3
Baby foods, strained ⁹ ⁴ ^{3/4} -----dozen-----	101.9	101.9	102.0	102.0	102.1	⁹ 102.0	102.0	101.8	102.0	101.9	101.8	101.9	101.9
Dried fruits: Prunes ¹⁰ -----pound-----	258.6	260.6	259.0	256.2	¹⁰ 256.3	256.2	256.0	256.0	256.0	257.7	259.4	263.7	265.7
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do-----	218.2	214.0	214.5	212.9	213.7	213.6	214.2	216.7	220.4	222.6	223.6	226.2	226.2
Beverages:													
Coffee-----do-----	345.0	345.2	345.9	345.9	345.8	345.2	345.0	344.8	344.7	344.5	344.4	344.0	344.1
Cola drink ¹¹ -----6-bottle carton-----	111.5	111.3	111.2	111.2	111.4	111.2	111.3	111.3	111.6	¹¹ 111.8	111.6	111.7	112.7
Fats and oils:													
Lard-----do-----	123.8	149.8	143.7	130.3	124.8	118.3	122.4	120.7	122.2	118.2	114.8	111.0	108.8
Hydrogenated shortening-----do-----	161.5	174.0	170.7	165.6	162.8	159.1	158.1	157.8	157.7	158.0	157.9	158.3	158.1
Salad dressing-----pint-----	144.7	153.6	151.1	147.9	146.7	142.9	141.1	142.0	142.6	143.1	142.0	141.9	141.6
Margarine-----do-----	157.8	165.4	157.2	153.8	151.6	151.8	153.9	156.7	158.5	159.2	161.4	161.9	161.7
Sugar and sweets:													
Sugar-----5 pounds-----	192.3	188.7	187.9	187.0	189.1	191.2	192.2	193.3	195.1	195.6	195.9	195.8	195.5
Grape jelly ⁴ -----12 ounces-----	98.3	98.8	98.3	98.2	98.9	98.2	97.5	98.4	98.0	98.1	98.4	98.3	98.6

¹ Specification changed from 13 ounces to 12 ounces, effective May 15, 1952.

² July 1947 = 100.

³ February 1943 = 100.

⁴ December 1950 = 100.

⁵ 1938 - 1939 = 100.

⁶ Revised.

⁷ Specification changed from 16 ounces to 12 ounces, effective January 15, 1952.

⁸ October 1949 = 100.

⁹ Size range changed from 4 1/2 - 4 3/4 ounces, beginning May 15, 1952.

¹⁰ Specification changed from medium to large prunes, effective April 15, 1952.

¹¹ Specification changed from 6-bottle carton in 56 cities, to carton of 6, 6 ounce bottles in 54 cities; carton of 6, 10 ounce bottles in 1 city; and carton of 6, 12 ounce bottles in 1 city, effective September 15, 1952.

TABLE 8.--AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY MONTH, 1951

Article	Average for the year	1951											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
Cereals and bakery products:													
Cereals:													
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	51.9	50.7	51.4	51.9	52.1	52.2	52.2	52.1	51.9	52.0	52.1	52.2	52.4
Corn flakes-----13 ounces--	21.4	20.6	20.7	20.8	21.0	21.1	21.1	21.3	21.8	22.0	22.0	22.2	22.2
Corn meal-----pound-----	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8
Rice-----do-----	17.8	18.0	18.2	18.3	18.3	18.2	18.1	18.2	18.1	17.8	16.9	16.7	17.0
Rollod oats-----20 ounces--	17.7	17.0	17.1	17.3	17.5	17.7	17.8	17.8	17.9	17.9	18.0	17.9	18.0
Bakery products:													
Bread, white-----pound-----	15.7	15.6	15.7	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7
Vanilla cookies ¹ -----do-----	(²)	49.1	49.5	50.0	50.3	49.9	50.0	50.3	50.5	22.9	23.0	23.2	23.2
Layer cake-----do-----	49.4	47.3	48.7	48.9	49.8	49.4	49.2	50.1	49.2	49.7	49.6	50.7	50.4
Meats, poultry, and fish:													
Meats:													
Beef:													
Round steak-----do-----	109.3	105.6	107.4	107.5	108.2	108.4	108.9	109.2	109.2	109.2	112.4	113.0	112.7
Rib roast-----do-----	85.2	83.2	85.0	84.6	85.1	83.5	83.6	83.8	83.6	83.9	88.5	89.0	88.8
Chuck roast-----do-----	74.1	71.2	73.0	73.2	73.7	73.9	73.9	73.9	73.9	74.0	76.2	76.4	76.4
Frankfurters-----do-----	65.1	63.4	64.2	64.6	64.5	64.7	64.6	65.8	65.9	65.9	66.1	65.9	65.6
Hamburger-----do-----	66.4	64.9	66.6	67.0	67.2	66.4	66.0	66.1	65.8	66.1	66.9	66.6	66.7
Veal:													
Cutlets-----do-----	126.3	120.4	123.5	123.7	125.0	126.4	127.1	127.9	128.1	128.3	128.0	128.0	129.4
Pork:													
Chops-----do-----	79.4	75.4	77.9	77.9	77.1	77.3	77.7	78.2	84.0	85.2	85.4	82.1	74.6
Bacon, sliced-----do-----	67.2	67.1	67.9	68.0	67.8	67.8	67.8	67.8	67.8	67.8	68.0	65.9	63.0
Ham, whole-----do-----	66.5	66.1	67.5	67.6	67.0	66.5	67.0	67.3	67.4	67.4	66.5	64.2	63.8
Salt pork-----do-----	38.9	39.4	39.6	39.7	39.6	38.9	39.0	38.7	38.9	39.2	39.0	37.7	36.8
Lamb:													
Leg-----do-----	83.1	78.7	80.5	80.7	81.8	83.2	84.2	84.1	84.0	84.1	84.5	85.1	86.3
Poultry:													
Frying chickens:													
New York dressed ³ -----do-----	48.5	46.3	48.8	50.2	50.1	50.7	48.2	49.3	48.8	49.2	47.8	46.4	45.8
Dressed and drawn ³ -----do-----	61.8	60.2	62.0	64.1	63.9	62.5	61.9	62.7	63.2	62.9	60.0	59.1	58.7
Fish: ⁴													
Salmon, pink-----16 ounce can--	61.8	61.1	62.0	62.2	62.9	63.3	63.2	63.0	62.9	62.2	60.5	59.1	58.8
Dairy products:													
Butter-----pound-----	81.9	83.1	82.4	81.6	80.0	81.3	81.5	80.8	80.3	80.0	81.6	82.6	87.9
Cheese-----do-----	59.1	57.7	59.8	60.2	60.1	58.9	59.2	58.8	58.7	58.7	58.5	59.1	59.6
Milk:													
Fresh, (delivered)-----quart-----	23.1	22.5	22.7	22.8	22.8	22.7	22.7	23.0	23.1	23.3	23.5	23.8	23.9
Fresh (grocery)-----do-----	21.7	21.3	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.3	21.3	21.6	21.8	21.9	22.0	22.4	22.5
Ice cream-----pint-----	31.2	31.0	31.4	31.3	31.3	31.2	31.3	31.3	31.3	31.2	31.2	31.1	31.1
Milk, evaporated--14 1/2 ounce can--	14.4	13.8	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4
Eggs: fresh-----dozen-----	73.7	66.8	62.8	68.1	66.7	69.2	70.2	73.8	78.8	83.5	84.9	84.3	75.6
Fruits and vegetables:													
Frozen fruits:													
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	57.2	59.2	59.4	59.4	58.9	57.9	56.9	57.1	56.2	56.0	55.8	55.6	54.7
Orange juice concentrate--6 ounces--	23.7	23.9	24.0	24.4	24.6	24.6	24.5	24.2	23.8	23.5	23.2	22.6	21.7
Frozen vegetables:													
Peas-----12 ounces--	24.6	24.8	25.0	25.1	24.6	24.6	24.5	24.6	24.6	24.5	24.7	24.1	24.3
Fresh fruits:													
Apples-----pound-----	11.1	10.9	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.4	12.5	12.8	11.5	10.9	9.5	10.2	10.9
Bananas-----do-----	16.3	16.1	16.5	16.6	16.5	16.5	16.4	16.2	15.9	16.0	16.2	16.3	16.1
Oranges, size 200-----dozen-----	48.7	43.7	49.4	47.3	45.0	46.6	47.7	46.0	53.5	55.3	53.9	50.0	46.8
Fresh vegetables:													
Beans, green-----pound-----	22.3	32.6	26.3	20.8	22.1	22.8	20.1	16.0	17.9	19.9	20.2	26.4	22.3
Cabbage-----do-----	8.6	9.0	15.9	14.5	8.4	7.1	6.5	5.7	5.7	5.8	6.0	8.1	10.0
Carrots-----bunch-----	12.6	11.2	14.1	12.0	10.5	10.7	11.0	12.5	12.8	13.1	12.8	15.7	15.3
Lettuce-----head-----	16.1	13.6	15.7	12.3	17.6	19.0	13.5	15.9	14.9	13.9	15.4	19.2	22.6
Onions-----pound-----	7.9	5.9	7.2	7.3	7.7	9.7	10.2	8.5	7.3	7.0	7.3	8.1	8.6
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	76.2	62.8	64.8	65.3	67.4	73.8	83.9	86.1	74.3	70.4	78.4	90.2	97.0
Sweetpotatoes-----pound-----	11.8	9.5	9.8	9.9	10.0	10.4	12.0	13.1	16.0	13.8	11.8	12.1	13.7
Tomatoes-----do-----	27.3	38.7	33.3	32.9	29.4	29.9	27.3	25.9	17.1	15.4	21.7	21.9	33.8
Canned fruits:													
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	33.7	33.1	33.2	33.4	33.5	33.6	33.6	33.6	33.7	34.0	34.2	34.1	34.3
Pineapple-----do-----	38.6	38.5	38.8	38.7	39.0	38.8	38.7	38.6	38.5	38.5	38.6	38.5	38.5
Canned vegetables:													
Corn ⁵ -----No. 2 1/2 can--	(²)	19.8	20.1	20.2	20.3	17.8	17.8	17.9	17.9	18.0	17.9	18.1	18.3
Tomatoes-----do-----	18.8	17.1	18.7	19.4	20.0	20.3	20.6	20.4	18.7	18.0	17.4	17.4	17.5
Peas-----No. 303 can--	21.6	21.9	21.9	21.9	21.8	21.7	21.8	21.8	21.6	21.4	21.1	21.0	20.9
Baby foods, strained--4 1/2-4 3/4 ounces--	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.9	10.0	9.9	9.9
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound-----	27.4	27.2	27.5	27.6	27.7	27.7	27.6	27.8	27.9	27.8	27.2	26.6	26.5
Dried vegetables: Navy beans--do-----	16.7	17.2	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.3	17.1	16.6	16.4	16.0	15.8	15.7	15.8
Beverages:													
Coffee-----do-----	86.8	85.7	86.4	86.3	86.6	87.2	87.2	87.1	87.1	86.9	86.8	86.9	86.9
Cola drink-----6-bottle carton--	28.5	28.2	28.3	28.4	28.4	28.3	28.3	28.3	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.0	29.1
Fats and oils:													
Lard-----pound-----	24.6	24.7	25.8	25.9	25.8	24.9	24.7	23.8	24.0	24.2	24.9	23.5	23.1
Hydrogenated shortening-----do-----	39.1	39.5	40.8	41.0	41.5	41.5	41.0	39.3	37.5	37.0	36.8	36.6	36.5
Salad dressing-----pint-----	38.7	39.0	39.6	39.9	40.0	39.7	40.1	39.4	38.2	37.8	36.9	36.8	37.0
Margarine:													
Uncolored ⁶ -----pound-----	37.3	37.5	39.0	39.1	39.6	39.5	38.6	36.8	35.5	35.5	35.5	35.4	35.3
Colored ⁶ -----do-----	34.7	36.6	37.5	37.4	37.4	36.9	36.3	34.4	32.6	32.2	32.0	31.8	31.6
Sugar and sweets:													
Sugar-----5 pounds--	50.6	50.2	50.3	50.3	50.1	50.0	50.2	51.2	51.4	51.4	50.9	50.7	50.6
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	23.9	23.9	24.0	24.0	24.2	24.1	24.1	23.8	23.7	23.7	23.7	23.8	23.7

¹ Specification changed from 16 ounces to 7 ounces effective September 15, 1951.

² Not available.

³ 28 cities.

⁴ Costs of fish, fresh and/or frozen, are included in the index but average prices are not computed.

⁵ Specification changed from No. 2 can to No. 303 can, effective May 15, 1951.

⁶ United States average computed from varying numbers of city averages during 1951, as reports for colored margarine became available: January-March: colored, 38 cities, uncolored, 18 cities; April-July: colored, 40 cities; uncolored, 16 cities; August: colored, 43 cities; uncolored, 13 cities; September: colored, 44 cities, uncolored, 12 cities; October-December: colored, 47 cities, uncolored, 9 cities.

TABLE 8a.--AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY MONTH, 1952

Article	Average for the year	1952											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
Cereals and bakery products:													
Cereals:													
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	52.3	52.7	52.7	52.6	52.5	52.5	52.5	52.3	52.1	51.9	52.0	51.9	52.1
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	(²) 22.2	22.2	22.3	22.4	22.4	² 22.2	22.2	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.3
Corn meal-----pound--	10.4	10.0	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.9	10.8	10.6	10.5
Rice-----do--	18.0	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.6	17.7	17.9	18.1	18.3	18.4	18.4	18.6	18.7
Rolled oats-----20 ounces--	18.1	18.0	18.1	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.1	18.1	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2
Bakery products:													
Bread, white-----pound--	³ 16.0	³ 15.7	³ 15.8	³ 15.8	³ 15.8	³ 16.2	³ 16.1	³ 16.2	³ 16.2	³ 16.2	³ 16.2	³ 16.2	³ 16.2
Vanilla cookies ⁴ -----7 ounces--	23.2	23.3	23.3	23.3	23.1	23.2	23.3	23.4	23.4	23.1	23.2	23.1	23.1
Layer cake-----pound--	⁵ 49.8	49.9	49.7	49.8	49.5	49.8	49.2	50.1	49.6	49.6	49.8	50.1	50.2
Meats, poultry, and fish:													
Meats:													
Beef:													
Round steak-----pound--	111.2	112.6	112.1	111.6	111.5	111.6	111.5	111.6	111.8	111.9	110.9	109.7	108.1
Rib roast-----do--	85.9	88.2	87.6	86.1	86.4	86.4	85.8	86.0	85.7	85.7	85.3	84.4	83.4
Chuck roast-----do--	73.5	76.0	75.4	75.3	75.0	75.1	73.9	71.9	71.8	73.0	72.5	71.4	70.4
Frankfurters-----do--	64.1	65.3	64.5	64.5	64.2	64.1	64.6	64.6	64.7	64.4	63.7	62.8	61.4
Hamburger-----do--	63.3	66.4	66.0	65.6	64.8	64.4	64.8	63.5	63.4	63.4	61.2	58.8	57.5
Veal:													
Outlets-----do--	128.2	130.2	130.9	130.8	130.4	130.4	130.9	127.5	126.8	128.8	126.7	123.9	121.7
Pork:													
Chops-----do--	80.3	75.2	73.9	74.3	73.7	81.2	85.0	84.0	92.0	87.8	87.1	76.8	72.3
Bacon, sliced-----do--	64.9	62.3	61.8	61.3	60.7	60.6	63.8	65.1	70.7	70.8	70.0	66.8	64.6
Ham, whole-----do--	65.2	63.7	63.0	62.2	61.9	62.7	66.4	66.7	70.3	69.3	67.4	64.4	65.0
Salt pork-----do--	36.3	36.1	35.4	34.5	33.9	33.5	35.1	35.1	37.6	38.1	38.8	39.0	38.2
Lamb:													
Leg-----do--	81.7	85.5	82.2	79.6	81.5	82.6	83.9	83.5	83.7	83.0	81.0	78.3	75.3
Poultry:													
Frying chickens:													
New York dressed ⁶ -----do--	⁷ 49.0	48.6	50.2	48.3	48.3	44.9	46.3	47.4	50.3	51.2	49.0	51.0	52.8
Dressed and drawn ⁸ -----do--	⁹ 60.7	61.6	61.9	60.7	58.1	53.9	56.7	59.7	62.1	64.5	61.3	62.8	64.6
Fish:													
Ocean perch fillet, frozen-----do--	⁵ 10 45.9	(¹¹) 46.5	45.9	46.4	46.1	46.1	46.1	45.9	45.7	45.6	45.7	45.6	45.1
Haddock fillet, frozen-----do--	¹⁰ 50.7	(¹¹) 52.0	51.8	50.7	50.6	50.5	50.5	50.1	50.3	50.4	50.7	50.5	50.4
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	55.9	58.3	57.8	57.0	56.8	56.5	56.5	56.2	55.5	54.9	54.1	53.6	53.4
Dairy products:													
Butter-----pound--	85.5	91.9	94.1	89.5	84.1	82.0	81.4	83.4	84.0	85.9	85.1	83.4	81.7
Cheese-----do--	60.7	60.4	60.1	60.1	60.2	60.2	60.0	60.3	60.5	61.0	61.7	62.1	61.8
Milk:													
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	24.2	24.1	24.1	24.1	23.9	23.8	23.7	24.0	24.2	24.5	24.8	24.9	24.8
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	22.8	22.7	22.7	22.7	22.5	22.2	22.1	22.4	22.7	23.1	23.3	23.3	23.3
Ice cream-----pint--	31.4	31.4	31.5	31.6	31.6	31.4	31.3	31.3	31.4	31.4	31.5	31.5	31.5
Milk, evaporated-----14 1/2-ounce can--	14.9	14.6	14.7	14.8	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	15.0	15.0	15.0
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	67.3	64.3	58.1	56.2	57.8	57.2	59.0	72.8	75.7	77.2	80.4	78.8	70.4
Fruits and vegetables:													
Frozen fruits:													
Strawberries ¹³ -----12 ounces--	39.7	41.2	40.9	40.9	39.3	39.9	39.7	39.4	39.5	39.4	39.0	38.7	38.5
Orange juice concentrate-----6 ounces--	18.6	20.8	20.0	19.7	19.4	17.2	17.3	17.5	18.4	18.3	18.4	18.5	18.3
Frozen vegetables:													
Peas-----12 ounces--	23.9	24.7	24.7	24.0	24.1	23.4	24.0	24.1	24.1	23.9	23.4	23.5	23.3
Fresh fruits:													
Apples-----pound--	¹⁰ 14.7	11.7	12.2	12.8	15.0	16.6	21.4	(¹¹) 15.4	13.8	13.4	14.3	15.0	
Bananas-----do--	16.4	16.3	16.5	17.0	17.1	16.9	16.8	16.1	16.3	16.2	15.5	15.8	16.1
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	50.6	46.0	44.4	45.7	45.5	46.8	48.4	53.7	55.0	57.8	61.6	55.1	47.2
Fresh vegetables:													
Beans, green-----pound--	23.7	20.5	25.6	26.9	27.8	25.4	17.3	25.3	23.1	18.0	20.7	29.6	24.5
Cabbage-----do--	9.4	15.7	9.7	7.4	8.8	12.3	8.6	10.8	10.7	7.5	6.9	7.2	7.7
Carrots-----bunch--	12.2	15.8	11.9	10.7	10.5	12.8	12.0	11.8	11.7	11.9	11.7	12.4	13.3
Lettuce-----head--	15.3	21.2	12.0	13.7	15.3	16.5	13.8	14.2	14.7	15.4	14.8	16.1	16.0
Onions-----pound--	11.3	10.0	10.4	12.9	15.8	15.3	11.4	10.3	9.7	9.0	9.6	10.4	10.9
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	114.0	105.5	98.6	102.8	111.9	121.6	128.2	131.2	129.2	114.0	105.4	110.8	109.4
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	¹⁰ 17.5	15.5	16.1	17.2	20.1	22.4	24.4	(¹¹) 21.1	21.1	13.7	12.6	13.5	16.0
Tomatoes-----do--	27.1	28.7	24.4	29.3	35.2	30.6	33.0	31.2	23.1	17.3	19.8	24.4	28.1
Canned fruits:													
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	33.8	34.4	34.6	34.5	34.4	34.6	33.4	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.2	33.6	33.8
Pineapple-----do--	38.2	38.3	38.4	38.3	38.3	38.3	38.3	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.1	38.1	38.1
Canned vegetables:													
Corn-----No. 303 can--	18.8	18.4	18.6	18.6	18.6	18.7	18.7	18.8	18.9	19.1	19.1	19.2	19.1
Tomatoes-----No. 2 can--	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.3	17.4	17.3	17.6	17.8	18.0	17.9
Peas-----No. 303 can--	20.9	20.7	20.7	20.7	20.5	20.5	20.4	20.6	20.6	21.1	21.3	21.5	21.7
Baby foods, strained ¹⁴ -----4 3/4-5 ounces--	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.9	10.0	10.0	9.9	10.0	10.0
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	(¹⁵) 16.1	26.4	26.2	25.9	¹⁵ 26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	27.1	27.3	27.7	28.0
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do--	16.1	15.8	15.9	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.9	16.0	16.3	16.5	16.5	16.7	16.7
Beverages:													
Coffee-----do--	86.8	86.8	87.0	87.0	87.0	86.8	86.8	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.6	86.5	86.6
Cola drink ¹⁶ -----6-bottle carton--	¹⁷ 29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.2	¹⁷ 29.1	29.1	29.1	29.3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 8a. --AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS IN LARGE CITIES COMBINED, BY MONTH, 1952--Continued

Article	Average for the year	1952											
		Jan. 15	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	Apr. 15	May 15	June 15	July 15	Aug. 15	Sept. 15	Oct. 15	Nov. 15	Dec. 15
Fats and oils:													
Lard-----pound--	18.4	22.2	21.3	19.3	18.5	17.6	18.2	17.9	18.1	17.5	17.0	16.5	16.1
Hydrogenated shortening-----do--	33.3	35.9	35.3	34.2	33.6	32.8	32.6	32.6	32.6	32.6	32.6	32.7	32.6
Salad dressing-----pint--	34.9	37.0	36.4	35.6	35.3	34.4	34.0	34.2	34.4	34.5	34.2	34.2	34.1
Margarine:													
Uncolored-----pound--	(¹⁸)	34.7	33.3	32.4	32.1	32.3	32.4	(¹⁸)	(¹⁸)	(¹⁸)	(¹⁸)	(¹⁸)	(¹⁸)
Colored-----do--	¹⁹ 29.4	30.8	29.3	28.6	28.2	28.2	28.7	29.1	29.7	29.8	30.2	30.3	30.3
Sugar and sweets:													
Sugar-----5 pounds--	51.5	50.6	50.4	50.1	50.7	51.2	51.5	51.8	52.3	52.4	52.5	52.5	52.4
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	23.4	23.5	23.4	23.4	23.6	23.4	23.2	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.5

¹ 13 ounces priced in 39 cities, 8 ounces priced in 17 cities, January through April; 12 ounces priced in 39 cities, 8 ounces priced in 17 cities, May through December.

² Specification changed from 13 ounces to 12 ounces, effective May 15, 1952.

³ Priced in 52 cities.

⁴ 7 ounces in 47 cities, 12 ounces in 9 cities.

⁵ Priced in 46 cities.

⁶ Published as dressed, beginning September 15, 1952.

⁷ Priced in 28 cities January through August; priced in 23 cities September through December.

⁸ Published as ready-to-cook, beginning September 15, 1952.

⁹ Priced in 28 cities January through August; priced in 33 cities September through December.

¹⁰ Average for 11 months.

¹¹ Not available.

¹² Priced in 47 cities.

¹³ Specification changed from 16 ounces to 12 ounces, effective January 15, 1952.

¹⁴ Size range changed from 4½-4¾ ounces to 4¾-5 ounces, beginning May 15, 1952.

¹⁵ Specification changed from medium to large prunes, effective April 15, 1952.

¹⁶ Specification changed from 6-bottle carton in 56 cities, to carton of 6, 6 ounce bottles in 54 cities; carton of 6, 10 ounce bottles in 1 city; and carton of 6, 12 ounce bottles in 1 city, effective September 15,

1952.

¹⁷ Average price for 56 cities January through August and for 54 cities September through December.

¹⁸ Priced in 9 cities January through July; and in 6 cities August through December. United States average price not computed after July.

¹⁹ Priced in 47 cities January through July; and in 50 cities August through December.

TABLE 9.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1951

Article	United States	NEW ENGLAND							MIDDLE ATLANTIC						
		Boston	Bridgeport	Fall River	Manchester	New Haven	Portland, Maine	Providence	Buffalo	Newark	New York	Philadelphia	Pittsburgh	Rochester	Scranton
Cereals and bakery products:															
Cereals:															
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	51.9	51.0	53.9	52.4	52.8	53.3	51.9	52.1	52.3	51.3	51.4	52.6	51.5	53.5	48.6
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	21.4	¹ 15.8	19.9	22.1	21.4	21.4	22.1	21.2	21.6	21.8	¹ 15.6	21.4	21.9	¹ 16.0	21.7
Corn meal-----pound-----	9.6	10.8	11.2	11.2	10.9	11.0	11.0	11.0	10.9	11.0	11.1	10.5	11.0	10.9	10.9
Rice-----do-----	17.8	17.5	17.9	17.4	17.3	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.2	18.5	18.6	17.3	17.4	17.1	18.0
Rolled oats-----20 ounces--	17.7	17.5	17.5	18.0	17.7	17.6	17.4	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.4	16.9	17.7	17.7	17.5
Bakery products:															
Bread, white-----pound-----	15.7	15.6	15.5	16.1	15.0	15.5	15.8	15.8	15.9	16.6	16.8	16.6	16.0	15.6	15.6
Vanilla cookies-----do-----	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Layer cake ² -----do-----	³ 49.4	51.4	48.9	46.3	45.0	³ 43.6	(⁶)	-----	³ 54.6	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Jelly roll ⁷ -----each-----	(⁷)	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	⁷ 38.0	⁷ 32.1	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	(⁶)
Meats, poultry, and fish:															
Meats:															
Beef:															
Round steak-----pound-----	109.3	119.0	117.0	118.6	116.7	119.4	113.0	117.0	105.1	115.1	115.5	117.0	106.9	² 109.7	112.3
Rib roast-----do-----	85.2	82.1	84.1	82.2	82.4	84.2	81.6	83.0	84.3	82.9	87.0	86.2	85.7	83.3	84.5
Chuck roast-----do-----	74.1	73.9	79.2	74.9	75.1	79.5	(⁶)	75.8	³ 73.8	73.9	75.7	74.2	75.7	74.5	75.4
Frankfurters-----do-----	65.1	66.8	68.0	66.9	64.4	69.0	64.5	67.2	64.6	70.0	68.3	65.2	68.7	67.2	64.6
Hamburger-----do-----	66.4	70.9	72.5	(⁶)	70.8	² 71.3	69.1	69.8	66.2	69.7	65.7	68.0	69.0	67.0	67.7
Veal:															
Cutlets-----do-----	126.3	119.3	131.6	(⁶)	133.0	138.5	(⁶)	129.3	118.3	138.3	139.3	148.1	120.1	125.8	³ 134.8
Pork:															
Chops-----do-----	79.4	79.2	80.1	79.5	79.3	79.9	77.0	81.3	82.2	80.5	79.2	83.1	82.5	85.0	78.9
Bacon, sliced-----do-----	67.2	67.0	65.6	67.3	67.6	68.0	63.8	68.2	66.8	68.3	72.1	70.5	66.5	63.9	65.7
Ham, whole-----do-----	66.5	67.5	68.2	66.4	65.4	67.0	66.4	67.0	(⁶)	66.6	67.9	68.2	64.3	66.3	65.6
Salt pork-----do-----	38.9	29.3	28.9	29.7	28.9	31.0	³ 29.1	29.5	(⁶)	(⁶)	44.8	42.6	38.7	47.8	³ 29.6
Lamb:															
Leg-----do-----	83.1	82.8	84.9	84.8	85.3	84.4	² 84.3	86.1	84.8	81.0	81.4	84.5	83.7	³ 83.6	³ 84.5
Poultry:															
Frying chickens:															
New York dressed ⁸ -----do-----	⁸ 48.5	46.7	48.2	47.0	48.7	48.5	³ 46.8	48.2	(⁶)	46.5	46.5	45.6	-----	49.6	45.7
Dressed and drawn ⁸ -----do-----	⁸ 61.8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	64.4	-----	-----
Fish:															
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	61.8	59.0	61.8	59.6	60.0	61.0	60.2	59.3	62.3	60.2	62.6	60.9	63.2	61.1	57.8
Dairy products:															
Butter-----pound-----	81.9	82.2	83.3	82.1	79.2	82.8	80.1	83.6	79.8	82.7	82.6	82.0	84.0	80.7	79.7
Cheese-----do-----	59.1	55.2	59.2	57.2	59.1	60.7	55.1	58.1	63.4	64.4	61.3	57.9	59.5	54.4	56.5
Milk:															
Fresh (delivered)-----quart-----	23.1	25.6	24.0	23.5	23.3	23.9	23.4	24.7	23.8	25.5	25.0	23.0	23.0	23.3	22.8
Fresh (grocery)-----do-----	21.7	22.8	24.2	23.3	22.9	24.8	23.0	23.1	21.8	23.8	21.9	22.8	21.7	22.8	23.1
Ice cream-----pint-----	31.2	33.4	31.1	(⁶)	31.7	32.1	30.9	³ 31.9	30.4	31.7	36.4	28.7	32.5	33.6	² 30.4
Milk, evaporated-----14-1/2-ounce can--	14.4	14.4	14.9	14.6	14.6	14.5	14.7	14.2	14.2	14.7	14.5	14.4	14.4	14.6	14.0
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen-----	73.7	77.2	76.8	75.1	74.1	77.0	75.0	74.8	73.4	79.2	79.4	78.5	76.6	74.6	73.6
Fruits and vegetables:															
Frozen fruits:															
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	57.2	53.2	51.9	57.4	56.0	53.2	57.6	58.0	56.4	57.9	59.4	55.2	59.4	52.8	57.8
Orange juice concentrate-----6 ounces--	23.7	22.2	23.8	26.2	23.4	23.5	22.6	23.5	23.9	23.7	23.2	22.6	24.9	23.8	23.3
Frozen vegetables:															
Peas-----12 ounces--	24.6	23.3	24.6	23.9	23.8	24.4	23.8	23.9	24.0	24.2	24.2	24.3	26.1	24.2	24.3
Fresh fruits:															
Apples-----pound-----	11.1	³ 9.3	³ 9.7	10.1	8.4	³ 8.3	³ 9.2	² 9.5	³ 9.7	³ 10.0	² 10.9	³ 11.5	9.8	(⁶)	8.8
Bananas-----do-----	16.3	16.3	16.4	16.3	16.3	15.8	16.0	15.9	16.9	15.2	15.3	15.0	16.2	16.5	15.0
Oranges, size 200-----dozen-----	48.7	47.8	51.6	52.4	51.5	49.2	49.9	46.4	52.0	51.8	51.6	45.5	49.8	48.5	47.7
Fresh vegetables:															
Beans, green-----pound-----	22.3	22.8	23.6	(⁶)	(⁶)	24.7	(⁶)	³ 22.9	³ 22.7	21.1	21.7	22.2	23.0	² 23.4	21.3
Cabbage-----do-----	8.6	8.9	8.4	9.2	8.7	8.6	7.3	8.9	7.5	8.0	8.3	8.9	9.0	7.3	7.7
Carrots-----bunch-----	12.6	14.4	14.6	14.5	13.5	14.2	12.5	14.6	12.5	14.4	14.2	14.0	13.5	11.4	13.5
Lettuce-----head-----	16.1	18.5	18.6	18.2	³ 18.0	18.0	² 17.9	18.3	15.4	18.5	18.1	17.9	17.1	(⁶)	³ 16.9
Onions-----pound-----	7.9	8.1	8.2	8.0	7.9	8.0	7.6	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.2	7.2	7.4
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	76.2	64.0	69.9	59.4	58.5	66.8	56.2	63.1	60.8	73.5	71.2	73.6	78.1	56.0	57.0
Sweetpotatoes-----pound-----	11.8	(⁶)	(⁶)	³ 10.4	(⁶)	(⁶)	11.2	³ 10.5	² 11.8	² 10.2	² 10.9	10.5	12.1	(⁶)	² 9.3
Tomatoes-----do-----	27.3	24.6	25.2	24.8	24.4	23.2	23.6	23.7	28.8	26.4	28.0	27.2	29.4	³ 31.5	26.5
Canned fruits:															
Peaches-----No. 2-1/2 can--	33.7	32.7	34.8	33.3	34.7	33.8	35.0	34.6	34.7	34.6	33.1	32.4	35.7	35.1	34.4
Pineapple-----do-----	38.6	37.7	39.2	38.7	37.6	38.6	40.1	37.5	37.9	38.6	39.3	36.9	39.9	39.8	³ 39.3
Canned vegetables:															
Corn-----No. 2 can--	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)
Tomatoes-----do-----	18.8	19.0	20.4	19.5	19.1	18.9	19.6	19.4	19.6	19.2	19.4	18.1	20.0	19.6	17.7
Peas-----No. 303 can--	21.6	21.9	21.1	22.0	21.6	21.7	19.9	21.9	20.2	20.8	21.7	22.6	21.3	21.2	22.7
Baby Foods, strained-----4 1/2-ounce can--	9.9	10.2	10.4	10.4	10.3	10.3	10.2	10.0	10.4	10.5	10.2	10.0	9.8	10.4	10.3
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound-----	27.4	27.7	27.4	25.8	27.3	27.6	27.7	26.0	27.0	27.2	27.4	27.6	28.9	(⁶)	27.9
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do-----	16.7	19.0	17.2	18.8	18.1	17.3	17.8	17.9	15.9	17.1	17.0	16.2	15.7	15.9	19.1
Beverages:															
Coffee-----do-----	86.8	87.3	89.0	87.3	85.8	88.3	85.7	85.4	86.0	87.8	86.7	83.9	87.5	83.7	83.1
Cola drink-----6 bottle carton--	28.5	25.0	² 30.5	25.1	25.4	25.2	27.7	25.2	29.8	29.5	29.6	30.5	33.7	29.8	29.4
Fats and oils:															
Lard-----pound-----	24.6	25.5	25.2	25.2	24.3	25.5	25.1	25.1	25.6	25.3	25.0	24.6	24.4	25.2	24.2
Hydrogenated shortening-----do-----	39.1	39.1	39.5	40.2	39.2	39.8	38.7	39.6	38.2	39.5	39.5	38.4	39.1	39.0	38.2
Salad dressing-----pint-----	38.7	40.3	40.5	39.3	40.8	40.3	39.1	39.0	34.5	40.8	38.5	37.7	39.3	37.0	37.4
Margarine:															
Uncolored ¹¹ -----pound-----	¹¹ 37.3	-----	(¹¹) (⁶)	-----	(¹¹) (⁶)	-----	-----	-----	35.8	-----	36.4	(¹¹) (⁶)	(¹¹) (⁶)	-----	(¹¹) (⁶)
Colored ¹¹ -----do-----	¹¹ 34.7	34.1	(¹¹) (⁶)	34.9	34.3	(¹¹) (⁶)	35.2	35.0	-----	36.1	-----	(¹¹) (⁶)	(¹¹) (⁶)	-----	(¹¹) (⁶)
Sugar and sweets:															
Sugar-----5 pounds--	50.6	49.9	51.3	50.9	50.2	50.1	50.8	49.8	51.6	48.9	48.7	48.7	52.0	52.0	50.3
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	23.9	24.9	23.7	23.8	23.5	24.1	24.9	24.8	24.3	22.2	22.5	22.2	24.1	22.6	23.1

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TABLE 9.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1951--Continued

Article	EAST NORTH CENTRAL									WEST NORTH CENTRAL				
	Chicago	Cincinnati	Cleveland	Columbus	Detroit	Indianapolis	Milwaukee	Peoria	Springfield	Cedar Rapids	Kansas City	Minneapolis	Omaha	St. Louis
Cereals and bakery products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	50.2	53.7	51.3	51.4	50.7	53.0	50.4	50.7	48.6	51.8	49.2	53.1	50.0	50.9
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	21.5	22.2	22.0	21.8	22.4	22.3	21.9	21.0	21.3	15.9	15.8	22.6	22.5	21.3
Corn meal-----pound--	11.1	11.3	11.2	11.6	11.3	11.3	11.2	11.1	11.3	11.8	11.0	11.0	10.8	11.0
Rice-----do--	16.7	17.7	17.6	17.9	17.4	18.6	18.2	18.4	(6)	17.9	16.4	17.4	16.3	16.8
Rollod oats-----20 ounces--	17.3	17.7	17.5	17.4	17.4	17.7	17.4	17.8	17.7	18.0	17.5	17.1	17.8	17.0
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	14.5	14.4	14.8	13.9	15.5	14.5	13.5	15.2	15.6	14.8	15.3	14.9	14.7	15.6
Vanilla cookies-----do--	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4)
Layer cake ² -----do--	45.9			47.6	47.7	(6)	45.4	(6)	(6)	(6)	43.4		36.0	52.4
Jelly roll ⁷ -----each--		42.6	40.7									36.7		
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	104.2	106.7	105.4	106.7	106.9	106.3	105.9	106.4	106.5	104.1	102.2	102.5	99.9	106.9
Rib roast-----do--	82.9	81.6	86.3	85.0	86.1	85.3	83.4	83.0	78.5	78.0	82.8	83.1	80.2	82.9
Chuck roast-----do--	73.5	74.4	75.0	75.5	75.4	72.9	75.2	73.4	72.0	72.1	70.8	72.1	69.1	72.9
Frankfurters-----do--	63.0	62.8	66.1	62.2	63.9	61.7	62.7	63.4	62.4	61.5	62.9	69.4	59.3	65.0
Hamburger-----do--	65.2	66.5	63.0	66.6	66.8	66.6	68.4	65.7	65.7	64.3	62.1	64.6	62.3	67.3
Veal:														
Cutlets-----do--	114.1	122.7	115.4	116.6	120.1	124.4	110.5	(6)	105.7	(6)	114.6	113.8	(6)	121.2
Pork:														
Chops-----do--	80.1	77.7	83.6	79.8	83.3	78.5	77.5	76.3	75.4	76.0	76.9	75.7	68.3	78.5
Bacon, sliced-----do--	65.5	69.0	63.2	65.4	66.6	67.9	68.0	65.1	63.5	64.7	64.8	67.4	60.3	68.5
Ham, whole-----do--	64.0	66.2	66.2	65.1	68.4	66.8	64.5	64.0	64.7	67.6	64.1	63.5	62.0	65.1
Salt pork-----do--	43.5	36.8	43.5	36.5	40.1	39.5	41.2	41.9	(6)	(6)	38.9	40.1	37.0	40.7
Lamb:														
Leg-----do--	80.9	93.2	83.4	92.7	83.2	90.4	87.1	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	83.1	79.5	83.5
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ⁸ -----do--	49.9				52.4		52.5			50.5		53.1	52.2	
Dressed and drawn ⁸ -----do--		62.2	64.6	62.0		63.7		70.0	64.2		64.5			64.8
Fish:														
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	61.6	63.7	62.3	64.0	60.7	62.0	64.8	62.1	65.0	62.4	62.1	61.4	63.0	64.6
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--	80.2	80.2	81.2	79.5	80.1	81.3	80.0	76.7	78.7	77.0	80.0	80.0	78.8	83.5
Cheese-----do--	59.1	55.3	56.1	57.8	57.5	66.0	60.7	59.3	60.5	62.2	55.0	54.1	50.5	58.3
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	23.6	22.2	21.8	20.4	22.6	21.4	19.2	22.7	22.2	19.8	21.2	18.2	20.5	22.8
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	21.7	20.7	20.8	20.4	21.0	21.0	18.9	19.9	21.2	18.9	20.5	17.6	19.7	21.7
Ice cream-----pint--	30.5	30.5	29.8	29.4	33.6	28.1	(6)	32.3	30.4	(6)	28.5	26.0	28.7	30.0
Milk, evaporated--14 1/2-ounce can--	14.3	14.6	14.6	14.7	14.2	14.4	14.5	14.6	14.8	14.9	14.2	15.0	14.6	14.1
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	70.8	67.5	75.6	67.8	71.5	66.9	65.3	56.6	57.8	56.8	64.1	62.7	57.7	67.0
Fruits and vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	55.6	54.8	57.9	55.3	60.4	58.4	52.3	55.2	58.6	61.2	55.3	57.5	52.7	57.4
Orange juice concentrate 6 ounces--	23.6	24.3	25.4	24.0	25.4	24.9	22.9	23.0	25.0	25.0	23.8	24.9	23.2	23.1
Frozen vegetables:														
Peas-----12 ounces--	23.7	24.9	25.5	25.3	25.9	25.1	24.4	25.3	25.6	25.0	24.5	24.4	23.8	23.7
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	12.0	10.2	10.2	9.6	9.9	10.6	12.2	11.9	10.6	11.3	11.0	13.2	12.0	11.0
Bananas-----do--	18.0	16.7	16.2	16.5	17.2	16.2	16.2	17.6	17.4	17.2	16.4	18.4	17.7	17.7
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	52.8	43.1	48.7	46.9	53.3	47.8	54.2	51.6	50.8	51.7	51.5	54.6	54.1	55.1
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	24.7	19.7	23.4	20.1	25.5	19.7	25.3	21.6	21.4	(6)	22.0	25.3	23.5	23.2
Cabbage-----do--	9.0	9.5	90.2	9.3	9.1	9.7	8.9	10.7	9.9	8.7	9.1	9.4	9.1	9.8
Carrots-----bunch--	12.0	13.1	12.7	13.7	12.6	13.0	11.8	13.4	13.6	12.5	12.8	11.9	12.7	13.8
Lettuce-----head--	16.1	17.6	16.9	16.8	16.4	17.1	16.5	16.0	16.0	15.3	16.7	15.9	17.1	17.5
Onions-----pound--	7.8	8.4	8.3	83.3	8.4	9.3	7.3	8.6	8.8	8.1	7.9	7.6	8.2	8.5
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	92.0	79.8	74.5	68.4	77.9	85.2	77.3	81.7	86.0	71.6	82.3	72.3	73.3	83.8
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	12.4	12.5	12.5	12.3	13.6	13.1	13.2	(6)	12.6	12.6	13.0	(6)	12.0	12.0
Tomatoes-----do--	31.1	28.1	33.2	28.9	30.4	29.0	29.8	27.8	27.3	23.3	27.9	27.1	26.9	24.6
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	34.1	34.9	35.0	35.7	35.0	35.2	35.5	35.2	35.5	36.8	30.9	34.3	33.8	33.9
Pineapple-----do--	39.1	40.9	40.2	40.0	41.2	41.3	(6)	41.5	40.3	41.6	39.9	41.5	40.2	40.1
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 2 can--	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)
Tomatoes-----do--	20.4	18.0	19.1	18.5	19.7	19.5	19.7	17.9	18.3	20.2	19.2	20.1	18.7	19.8
Peas-----No. 303 can--	20.9	19.2	21.2	21.1	21.6	23.6	20.3	24.0	20.1	21.9	20.4	23.7	19.4	20.7
Baby foods, strained														
4 1/2 - 4 3/4 ounces--	10.3	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.4	10.1	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.3	9.4	9.1	9.2
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	28.4	28.3	28.8	29.2	28.4	29.0	27.8	29.4	28.2	28.1	28.6	26.6	26.6	28.6
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do--	15.7	14.8	16.4	13.6	14.4	14.6	16.3	14.9	14.5	15.5	14.6	16.3	13.5	15.0
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do--	84.0	86.6	85.9	86.8	85.7	86.7	86.2	87.0	87.9	87.6	88.6	88.6	86.9	86.9
Cola drink-----6-bottle carton--	26.2	30.0	30.1	25.4	29.7	25.6	25.5	26.0	43.3	(6)	25.0	25.6	25.3	29.8
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	23.8	25.4	26.3	23.8	24.3	24.6	23.8	24.8	24.2	24.0	23.1	24.3	22.9	23.2
Hydrogenated shortening-----do--	39.0	39.2	39.0	39.0	39.6	39.5	38.6	39.2	39.8	39.3	38.7	40.2	38.3	38.9
Salad dressing-----pint--	35.5	40.5	36.2	39.5	37.1	40.6	37.7	38.8	39.9	36.8	39.4	38.8	37.7	38.7
Margarine:														
Uncolored ¹¹ -----pound--	(11)(6)						49.1	(11)(6)	(11)(6)	42.0		48.5		
Colored ¹¹ -----do--	(11)(6)	34.3	33.9	32.7	33.6	36.8		(11)(6)	(11)(6)		33.4		33.2	34.8
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5-pounds--	51.1	52.0	52.8	51.9	52.6	53.7	52.5	52.8	52.1	53.3	52.4	53.1	50.3	50.5
Grape jelly-----12-ounces--	22.4	25.1	25.6	23.6	25.6	25.3	25.3	26.3	26.0	(6)	25.1	25.5	26.3	24.3

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TABLE 9.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1951--Continued

Article	WEST NORTH CENTRAL--Cont.		SOUTH ATLANTIC									EAST SOUTH CENTRAL		
	St. Paul	Wichita	Atlanta	Balti- more	Charles- ton, S.C.	Jackson- ville	Norfolk	Rich- mond	Savan- nah	Washing- ton, D.C.	Winston- Salem	Birming- ham	Jackson	Knox- ville
Cereals and bakery products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	54.4	50.6	55.3	51.4	56.5	52.7	53.0	51.9	53.7	54.2	55.6	52.2	56.2	57.8
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	22.6	22.5	¹ 15.5	21.6	¹ 16.6	¹ 16.1	20.7	20.7	21.8	¹ 15.9	22.6	¹ 15.4	¹ 16.3	¹ 16.2
Corn meal-----pound--	10.9	11.5	7.1	11.2	11.3	11.3	8.2	8.5	6.8	9.5	9.0	7.7	7.0	7.2
Rice-----do--	17.3	16.9	16.8	18.0	² 15.7	17.8	16.0	16.1	(⁶)	18.2	19.0	18.2	17.9	19.3
Rollod oats-----20 ounces--	18.0	17.7	17.4	17.2	³ 18.2	17.5	17.4	17.0	17.7	17.6	18.5	17.4	17.7	17.8
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	14.9	² 15.0	15.9	15.7	16.6	15.2	15.3	15.0	15.9	14.9	15.7	15.4	16.2	16.2
Vanilla cookies-----do--	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Layer cake ⁷ -----do--	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	41.2	44.0	(⁶)	53.1	40.1	49.9	45.3	44.9	(⁶)	38.0
Jelly roll ⁷ -----each--			7	36.7										
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	98.5	100.9	² 111.3	113.5	² 108.8	(⁶)	109.9	110.2	107.9	112.5	110.2	107.7	106.2	² 109.3
Rib roast-----do--	80.1	(⁶)	² 84.1	84.1	³ 88.5	(⁶)	83.9	84.2	86.3	84.5	85.9	82.4	² 85.5	² 85.3
Chuck roast-----do--	70.9	69.3	³ 73.3	74.4	³ 73.7	(⁶)	72.3	72.5	73.1	74.0	75.4	71.6	³ 73.7	² 73.4
Frankfurters-----do--	69.3	³ 61.9	62.9	63.6	58.9	59.1	59.7	60.9	58.6	62.5	60.6	59.0	64.8	60.6
Hamburger-----do--	64.6	60.9	65.3	70.9	64.3	² 64.4	66.2	63.6	65.5	66.4	66.5	65.1	63.4	64.6
Veal:														
Cutlets-----do--	107.0	(⁶)	118.6	138.4	(⁶)	(⁶)	124.4	129.6	112.2	130.9	120.9	108.6	³ 110.9	(⁶)
Pork:														
Chops-----do--	75.2	73.6	70.9	79.0	71.0	73.6	73.6	76.7	70.2	78.0	72.7	67.8	72.7	70.7
Bacon, sliced-----do--	67.4	66.0	66.6	67.2	66.5	67.4	67.3	68.9	63.7	70.8	68.6	63.0	67.6	66.4
Ham, whole-----do--	62.3	62.2	64.5	67.2	65.8	65.7	67.5	67.3	61.7	68.4	67.2	62.2	68.0	64.5
Salt pork-----do--	41.9	39.3	38.5	38.2	37.5	39.4	38.0	36.4	37.6	37.6	35.2	34.7	39.9	38.7
Lamb:														
Leg-----do--	³ 83.7	(⁶)	² 86.8	82.4	(⁶)	(⁶)	78.7	83.8	(⁶)	82.7	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ⁶ -----do--	54.2			48.8						45.4				
Dressed and drawn ⁸ -----do--		62.1	56.9		57.5	58.8	59.5	61.0	56.6		57.7	59.2	59.6	56.7
Fish:														
Salmon, pink-16 ounce can--	60.5	65.5	61.5	63.2	61.7	³ 61.4	59.9	61.7	(⁶)	63.5	62.5	60.7	64.9	65.4
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--														
Butter-----pound--	79.8	79.6	86.4	83.3	82.9	83.1	84.5	84.1	83.7	85.0	86.3	84.4	84.4	82.6
Cheese-----do--	55.5	55.2	61.2	62.1	59.1	63.1	³ 61.0	59.5	58.4	59.4	62.1	58.3	65.4	62.8
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	18.8	22.5	25.0	22.7	24.4	26.8	24.8	23.0	27.0	22.7	24.0	25.6	23.0	22.7
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	16.2	21.4	25.8	22.8	24.6	26.4	24.7	23.3	27.6	20.8	24.9	25.0	23.1	23.1
Ice cream-----pint--	26.8	30.8	29.4	34.3	31.7	33.7	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	38.9	33.5	³ 31.2	28.5	27.3
Milk, evaporated														
14 1/2 ounce can--	15.1	14.7	14.2	14.3	14.6	14.0	14.2	14.4	14.1	14.8	15.2	14.1	14.8	14.9
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	62.1	61.8	71.1	74.7	67.8	71.2	71.8	72.3	70.7	76.3	70.3	68.5	68.1	67.7
Fruits and vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	51.5	57.7	54.4	60.9	57.3	53.4	61.7	61.6	58.0	59.6	58.6	54.6	59.9	³ 55.9
Orange juice concentrate														
6 ounces-----	24.7	23.9	25.2	24.3	25.2	23.4	24.9	24.5	25.0	22.3	25.9	24.1	23.1	26.2
Frozen vegetables:														
Peas-----12 ounces--	24.5	26.1	26.8	25.5	27.1	25.1	26.5	25.8	27.7	24.8	27.0	26.8	27.4	27.4
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	³ 13.5	³ 12.8	³ 12.5	(⁶)	² 12.2	11.4	³ 10.4	(⁶)	12.2	11.2	10.2	² 12.0	(⁶)	² 11.0
Bananas-----do--	19.1	17.5	14.5	16.0	13.9	12.4	14.6	15.5	14.0	16.8	14.8	14.6	14.2	14.6
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	55.3	57.7	38.0	45.1	39.6	² 33.9	42.0	42.1	37.1	45.5	41.8	39.4	44.1	40.9
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	³ 25.3	(⁶)	20.0	20.1	20.3	20.9	³ 18.8	20.7	19.5	21.5	18.0	22.5	³ 25.7	² 21.8
Cabbage-----do--	9.1	10.2	8.6	8.9	8.1	7.6	7.8	8.1	7.8	8.4	7.9	7.8	9.0	8.0
Carrots-----bunch--	12.0	(⁶)	13.2	14.5	14.4	13.3	13.5	13.5	13.9	14.1	14.4	12.7	12.3	³ 13.9
Lettuce-----head--	17.2	19.6	16.0	17.7	15.4	16.9	16.3	18.1	14.3	18.9	17.1	14.6	14.3	16.1
Onions-----pound--	7.7	9.1	7.9	8.6	8.4	7.5	8.4	8.2	7.8	7.8	9.7	8.3	8.7	8.8
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	84.5	92.8	76.4	75.2	71.6	71.7	66.4	68.2	71.2	71.3	78.1	80.1	95.8	78.4
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	(⁶)	³ 13.4	³ 11.6	10.6	² 10.2	³ 11.3	11.0	12.2	² 11.1	12.8	³ 10.5	³ 10.6	³ 10.0	³ 11.0
Tomatoes-----do--	25.6	28.7	26.4	24.3	23.6	23.1	26.3	26.1	23.4	26.6	25.6	23.6	26.5	21.4
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	36.0	34.7	34.6	33.8	34.1	35.5	34.7	34.7	35.3	34.8	35.2	34.0	35.6	33.3
Pineapple-----do--	41.4	41.3	37.5	37.6	39.2	38.9	37.1	37.1	40.5	38.2	(⁶)	37.9	40.1	41.3
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 2 can--	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)
Tomatoes-----do--	³ 21.4	20.4	18.2	19.2	18.7	18.8	18.0	17.2	18.5	17.9	19.4	19.0	² 17.8	² 20.6
Peas-----No. 303 can--	25.1	24.5	24.2	20.9	26.9	27.3	22.4	25.3	25.8	20.2	26.3	21.9	22.5	22.5
Baby foods, strained														
4 1/2 - 4 3/4 ounces--	9.2	9.5	10.3	10.5	10.3	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.2	³ 11.0	10.0	9.2	10.6	10.6
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	27.1	28.3	(⁶)	27.9	³ 27.0	28.3	³ 28.9	26.9	(⁶)	27.2	29.2	26.7	28.2	29.0
Dried vegetables:														
Navy beans-----do--	16.1	14.9	15.3	16.5	17.8	(⁶)	14.4	15.1	16.8	16.6	15.2	16.0	16.8	15.5
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do--	90.0	85.9	83.5	87.1	85.9	89.0	83.4	85.5	85.6	88.2	89.8	83.6	92.2	83.6
Cola drink-----6 bottle carton--	25.4	25.0	25.0	25.1	³ 30.6	24.8	² 25.0	25.4	25.0	25.1	24.7	29.5	³ 25.0	25.0
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	24.1	23.4	24.3	24.2	25.4	24.8	24.8	23.9	25.3	24.7	26.5	24.0	25.1	25.7
Hydrogenated shortening														
do-----do--	40.8	40.9	38.3	39.4	39.4	38.7	38.4	38.5	38.8	39.5	40.2	38.3	³ 37.9	39.9
Salad dressing-----pint--	39.1	41.9	39.3	39.4	40.2	38.9	36.6	38.4	38.5	41.0	39.6	39.7	41.4	38.8
Margarine:														
Uncolored ¹¹ -----pound--	49.4													
Colored ¹¹ -----do--		38.0	31.4	36.1	34.0	33.8	35.4	35.3	34.4	37.1	36.9	34.7	36.6	37.3
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5 pounds--	54.9	53.8	49.2	49.7	50.3	48.7	51.0	51.2	48.4	51.2	52.2	49.2	49.9	52.2
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	26.1	25.5	25.0	22.6	23.7	24.4	24.2	21.1	26.3	23.0	25.3	22.2	³ 24.3	26.6

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 9. --ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1951--Continued

Article	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL-- Continued			WEST SOUTH CENTRAL				MOUNTAIN			PACIFIC			
	Louis- ville	Memphis	Mobile	Dallas	Houston	Little Rock	New Orleans	Butte	Denver	Salt Lake City	Los Angeles	Portland, Oregon	San Francisco	Seattle
Cereals and Bakery Products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	50.7	57.1	53.1	49.7	52.9	54.0	54.2	51.4	49.3	48.0	51.9	52.6	55.2	51.9
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	(⁶)	16.1	20.8	22.0	15.8	16.2	16.1	23.1	22.8	22.8	15.5	22.4	22.9	22.1
Corn meal-----pound--	8.7	7.4	10.7	10.4	10.9	7.7	10.7	11.6	10.8	12.8	11.2	11.5	11.5	11.6
Rice-----do--	19.2	15.7	17.1	19.1	16.6	16.2	15.7	18.6	17.4	18.1	18.0	21.6	21.0	21.3
Rolled oats-----20 ounces--	17.3	17.3	17.2	17.6	17.5	18.0	17.5	18.9	17.6	18.3	18.4	19.1	19.5	18.9
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	14.4	15.8	2 18.8	15.5	13.3	16.0	15.7	16.0	2 15.3	15.3	15.9	15.6	2 17.5	15.8
Vanilla cookies-----do--	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Layer cake ² -----do--	(⁶)	(⁶)	47.8	41.8	(⁶)	44.8	(⁷)(⁶)	37.2	(⁶)	(⁶)	38.7	45.9	3 26.0	42.2
Jelly roll ³ -----each--		7 31.8												
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	106.4	105.0	(⁶)	108.7	109.8	105.1	110.8	104.5	101.0	103.4	106.5	2 108.1	112.7	110.4
Rib roast-----do--	81.2	84.1	3 81.7	86.0	89.3	84.9	86.1	82.9	82.0	86.1	88.3	(⁶)	87.8	87.7
Chuck roast-----do--	73.1	72.1	3 70.9	72.6	76.2	72.9	73.4	3 71.4	69.9	71.7	73.8	3 76.7	74.5	74.3
Frankfurters-----do--	65.4	62.1	61.4	59.2	61.0	58.6	64.0	61.8	61.3	66.0	63.9	65.4	69.8	66.5
Hamburger-----do--	65.5	64.4	63.5	64.9	67.3	64.6	67.7	64.3	63.7	65.2	65.3	66.0	63.1	67.0
Veal:														
Outlets-----do--	132.3	3 109.9	108.2	117.8	108.4	(⁶)	118.0	(⁶)	112.5	114.5	127.0	118.9	2 133.5	2 121.6
Pork:														
Chops-----do--	75.6	72.3	68.9	71.3	74.5	69.5	71.0	77.6	72.6	79.3	86.9	77.1	88.4	76.5
Bacon, sliced-----do--	66.2	64.8	63.8	64.2	65.6	66.5	65.8	68.4	66.2	69.5	71.2	67.9	70.4	66.2
Ham, whole-----do--	64.5	63.3	65.4	66.5	66.6	62.5	68.3	67.6	61.6	64.5	67.1	66.6	68.4	66.7
Salt pork-----do--	33.3	41.0	37.5	36.3	41.2	39.1	39.5	38.4	37.5	39.6	44.0	39.6	44.0	43.2
Lamb:														
Leg-----do--	3 90.3	83.9	(⁶)	87.5	(⁶)	(⁶)	89.1	3 80.2	79.8	83.6	84.1	92.3	85.5	2 81.3
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ⁴ -----do--								57.8		56.8	58.9	55.2	3 58.4	3 59.6
Dressed and drawn ⁵ -----do--	59.1	61.5	57.9	61.8	58.8	60.8	59.0		67.7					
Fish:														
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	63.3	(⁶)	60.7	60.9	61.1	3 66.6	64.4	60.4	63.5	62.6	62.3	3 63.1	63.7	3 59.8
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--	80.3	83.0	82.0	86.3	84.3	82.3	81.8	83.2	81.3	81.1	81.3	80.2	84.3	82.6
Cheese-----do--	57.5	62.2	58.9	59.9	66.8	60.3	59.3	58.0	55.5	54.7	57.4	55.5	61.4	56.2
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	23.3	20.7	24.9	22.9	25.0	21.5	24.1	20.1	22.6	20.2	20.7	21.9	20.7	20.3
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	23.0	20.7	24.9	24.1	23.1	22.1	23.1	21.0	20.9	19.2	19.7	21.9	19.7	19.3
Ice cream-----pint--	3 32.5	27.9	29.7	26.7	25.9	28.7	(⁶)	28.2	32.5	(⁶)	26.7	26.9	29.5	34.5
Milk, evaporated--14 1/2-ounce can--	14.5	14.6	14.1	14.1	14.3	14.3	14.1	14.9	14.6	14.3	14.0	14.7	14.9	14.4
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	67.8	71.0	67.2	73.5	71.4	68.4	69.4	78.8	74.1	68.3	74.4	71.4	75.0	73.0
Fruits and vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries-----16 ounces--	57.2	57.8	52.8	56.3	61.1	57.6	57.6	67.8	56.7	61.0	57.1	60.8	59.6	61.4
Orange juice concentrate-----6 ounces--	23.9	23.9	(⁶)	23.9	24.5	25.2	23.7	29.3	23.4	24.1	23.2	24.0	24.9	25.2
Frozen vegetables:														
Peas-----12 ounces--	25.1	26.3	25.1	25.4	25.8	27.3	25.4	27.3	24.9	25.2	23.6	26.0	25.6	23.7
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	11.3	(⁶)	(⁶)	2 12.9	15.9	(⁶)	(⁶)	2 13.5	2 12.1	3 11.4	2 11.8	3 10.2	3 11.4	12.0
Bananas-----do--	16.3	16.3	12.4	13.9	14.9	16.4	12.1	19.8	17.7	17.0	17.7	18.7	18.6	19.4
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	42.7	41.1	40.0	52.4	51.7	56.5	40.6	52.3	53.8	47.1	36.8	50.1	43.8	53.4
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	20.8	25.7	22.4	23.7	26.0	24.3	21.6	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	3 25.8	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Cabbage-----do--	9.8	8.4	8.3	8.9	9.3	9.4	7.8	9.6	8.6	8.3	7.5	8.3	7.5	9.6
Carrots-----bunch--	14.2	12.0	11.2	11.2	11.6	12.4	11.6	12.1	10.3	9.7	9.3	10.0	9.7	10.7
Lettuce-----head--	16.8	16.3	15.5	15.8	15.6	17.7	14.3	17.1	15.4	14.4	11.4	14.8	11.0	15.8
Onions-----pound--	9.2	9.1	7.5	7.2	9.5	8.4	7.1	8.5	6.4	6.9	6.6	6.9	7.1	6.9
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	71.3	93.3	88.8	95.9	111.0	87.4	87.1	68.5	73.9	75.0	83.9	77.4	81.0	79.9
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	12.9	11.8	11.3	11.7	12.1	(⁶)	9.9	(⁶)	2 12.7	3 13.7	15.3	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)
Tomatoes-----do--	25.5	27.8	24.8	26.4	27.2	29.1	26.2	31.2	30.4	27.0	26.2	30.3	27.1	31.8
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	35.0	32.1	32.0	34.1	33.5	35.4	33.9	34.3	34.5	32.0	30.5	31.8	31.8	(⁶)
Pineapple-----do--	38.8	37.5	(⁶)	39.1	37.7	(⁶)	37.6	40.5	39.8	38.5	36.6	35.3	37.9	35.9
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 2 can--	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)	(⁹)
Tomatoes-----do--	18.3	17.5	18.0	19.1	17.4	(⁶)	18.2	20.6	3 19.4	10 21.8	10 23.1	(¹⁰) (6)	10 24.2	(¹⁰) (6)
Peas-----No. 303 can--	22.2	24.7	22.9	25.2	25.0	26.0	23.9	20.5	20.5	17.8	20.2	19.1	20.2	19.5
Baby foods, strained														
-----4 1/2 - 4 3/4 ounces--	10.7	8.8	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.2	9.0	9.6	9.1	9.1	8.7	9.1	9.1	9.1
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	28.6	27.7	26.2	27.6	28.1	29.2	27.0	27.7	28.3	(⁶)	24.6	26.5	25.1	25.3
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do--	14.2	(⁶)	15.7	20.3	20.2	16.1	15.4	15.9	19.1	(⁶)	17.9	19.1	19.7	20.6
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do--	88.8	88.2	90.6	87.6	88.9	86.1	85.7	91.7	92.5	91.5	90.3	88.7	90.6	90.8
Cola drink-----6-bottle carton--	25.4	25.0	24.9	25.2	25.0	24.9	24.9	39.0	25.0	3 25.0	37.0	3 25.0	3 26.7	(⁶)
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	23.5	24.4	23.9	3 26.5	26.1	25.7	24.7	27.5	24.2	26.0	25.5	27.3	28.0	27.0
Hydrogenated shortening-----do--	38.9	38.1	37.5	38.1	38.0	40.2	38.8	41.1	39.4	40.1	38.2	39.7	40.6	38.9
Salad dressing-----pint--	37.7	41.0	38.6	38.8	38.5	41.1	38.0	43.1	40.4	39.8	39.8	40.7	40.6	39.7
Margarine:														
Uncolored ¹¹ -----pound--								36.3						36.3
Colored ¹¹ -----do--	35.7	36.1	35.3	32.9	35.7	34.2	34.1		36.3	46.7	34.5	(¹¹) (6)	37.1	
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5 pounds--	53.5	50.6	48.2	48.3	48.6	51.1	46.5	58.4	53.5	54.4	50.3	54.7	50.2	53.0
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	22.2	3 25.2	24.3	25.5	24.4	27.8	24.2	26.1	26.2	28.3	23.4	2 26.0	25.6	25.5

¹ 8 ounces in 17 cities.
² Average for 10 months.
³ Average for 11 months.
⁴ Specification changed from pound to 7-ounce and 12-ounce packages, September 15, 1951. (12-ounce packages in Atlanta, Birmingham, Charleston, Cincinnati, Norfolk, Omaha, Richmond, Washington, D. C., and Winston-Salem.)
⁵ 46 cities.
⁶ Not available; insufficient number of reports during the year.
⁷ Priced in 10 cities; U. S. average not computed. (8 ounces: New Orleans (June-December), Salt Lake City, San Francisco; 10 ounces: Buffalo, Memphis, Minneapolis, New Orleans (January-May); 12 ounces: Atlanta, Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Providence.)
⁸ 28 cities.
⁹ Not available; specification changed from No. 2 can to No. 303 can, May 15, 1951.
¹⁰ No. 2 1/2 can.
¹¹ U. S. average computed from varying numbers of city averages during 1951, as reports for colored margarine became available, January-March: colored, 38 cities; uncolored, 18 cities. April-July: colored, 40 cities; uncolored, 16 cities. August: colored 43 cities; uncolored, 13 cities. September: colored, 44 cities; uncolored, 12 cities. October-December: colored, 47 cities; uncolored, 9 cities.

TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952

Article	United States	NEW ENGLAND						MIDDLE ATLANTIC							
		Boston	Bridgeport	Fall River	Manchester	New Haven	Portland, Maine	Providence	Buffalo	Newark	New York	Philadelphia	Pittsburgh	Rochester	Saratoga
Cereals and bakery products:															
Cereals:															
Flour, wheat—5 pounds—	52.3	51.4	54.1	52.4	52.7	53.1	51.3	51.7	52.6	51.5	51.3	53.1	52.2	53.8	48.8
Corn flakes ¹ —13 ounces—	(²)	16.0	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Corn meal—pound—	10.4	11.8	11.9	12.3	11.7	12.0	11.9	12.4	11.7	12.0	11.8	11.9	11.9	11.9	12.1
Rice—do—	18.0	17.6	17.9	17.7	18.1	17.5	18.0	17.4	17.8	(⁴)	18.7	17.8	17.5	17.7	18.3
Rollod oats—20 ounces—	18.1	18.0	18.3	18.4	18.0	18.0	17.6	17.5	17.6	18.2	17.8	17.6	18.1	18.1	18.0
Bakery products:															
Bread, white—pound—	6 16.0	16.0	16.1	16.7	15.5	16.2	16.0	16.4	16.3	17.3	17.3	17.1	7 16.8	16.1	16.1
Vanilla cookies ⁹ —7 ounces—	23.2	22.7	21.4	(⁴)	23.7	22.4	22.4	23.4	25.7	22.0	21.7	22.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	23.3
Layer cake—pound—	11 49.8	52.4	51.5	49.1	50.6	51.0	52.6	39.8	32.7	(⁴)	57.2	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	46.6
Jelly roll ¹² —12 ounces—	(¹³)														
Meats, poultry, and fish:															
Meats:															
Beef:															
Round steak—pound—	111.2	118.8	118.0	119.7	116.9	119.1	116.8	116.5	107.5	118.4	117.9	120.3	108.6	111.9	113.1
Rib roast—do—	85.9	80.0	83.3	83.4	78.6	82.2	79.3	82.9	86.3	84.7	87.0	88.2	86.6	86.2	87.4
Chuck roast—do—	73.5	(⁴)	78.4	72.4	72.1	74.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	74.4	74.0	74.1	74.4	73.1	73.7	74.8
Frankfurters—do—	64.1	67.1	69.6	67.9	64.6	70.1	64.4	67.7	63.7	70.1	68.2	63.7	66.8	65.6	61.7
Hamburger—do—	63.3	65.2	69.2	(⁴)	66.4	65.6	64.6	65.1	63.6	64.0	63.3	64.9	65.9	65.8	63.5
Veal:															
Outlets—do—	128.2	124.9	137.8	(⁴)	139.7	140.2	(⁴)	136.8	120.6	139.7	141.8	151.0	124.4	127.6	143.0
Pork:															
Chops—do—	80.3	80.0	81.1	79.5	80.0	80.2	78.3	79.8	82.7	79.6	79.1	84.8	84.8	86.1	78.5
Bacon, sliced—do—	64.9	64.6	64.5	63.7	64.7	65.6	58.0	64.9	64.7	65.8	68.4	67.5	64.2	61.8	63.4
Ham, whole—do—	65.2	66.2	67.2	65.5	65.6	66.1	64.3	64.8	(⁴)	65.2	65.8	66.5	61.9	64.4	64.6
Salt pork—do—	36.3	28.4	27.3	28.2	28.2	28.2	28.2	27.7	(⁴)	42.1	43.6	40.4	35.4	45.2	25.3
Lamb:															
Leg—do—	81.7	81.8	83.9	82.8	83.5	82.0	82.8	84.1	83.1	79.5	80.0	82.2	83.7	82.5	83.4
Poultry:															
Frying chickens:															
New York dressed ¹⁵ —do—	16 49.0	48.0	48.1	46.8	48.0	48.4	47.5	50.1	(⁴)	47.6	47.1	47.3		51.1	47.8
Dressed and drawn ¹⁸ —do—	19 60.7												61.6		
Fish:															
Ocean perch fillet, frozen—do—	11 5 45.9	5 2 48.8	5 44.6	(⁴)	20 44.1	5 20 44.4	(⁴)(²¹)	(⁴)(²¹)	(⁴)	5 48.5	5 46.8	5 44.2	5 43.7	5 42.2	5 45.0
Haddock fillet, frozen—do—	5 23 50.7	5 20 44.3	5 49.3	5 48.2	(⁴)	5 50.0	(⁴)	5 20 43.6	(⁴)	5 53.9	5 51.2	5 51.3	5 46.8	5 45.0	5 50.4
Salmon, pink-16-ounce can—do—	55.9	54.6	57.3	54.1	55.2	54.3	55.7	53.4	54.4	56.5	57.0	55.0	57.0	55.6	56.0
Dairy products:															
Butter—pound—	85.5	86.0	88.4	85.7	83.0	86.5	83.9	87.2	83.7	86.2	85.3	85.4	86.4	84.4	82.9
Cheese—do—	60.7	57.0	60.7	57.5	57.4	62.3	57.2	60.8	64.4	65.2	62.2	60.4	62.2	57.8	59.3
Milk:															
Fresh (delivered)—quart—	24.2	26.4	24.9	24.4	24.3	25.3	23.8	25.7	24.6	26.0	25.4	24.5	24.3	24.0	23.6
Fresh (grocery)—do—	22.8	23.8	25.0	24.2	23.9	25.3	23.4	24.2	22.6	24.2	22.2	23.7	23.1	23.2	24.0
Ice cream—pint—	31.4	35.1	31.8	32.6	31.0	31.3	31.6	31.0	31.1	31.6	34.6	29.9	33.4	33.9	30.8
Milk, evaporated—14 1/2-ounce can—	14.9	14.8	15.3	14.9	14.7	14.7	14.9	14.6	14.6	15.3	15.0	14.8	14.7	15.2	14.6
Eggs: Fresh—dozen—	67.3	70.9	70.8	66.8	67.2	70.6	69.1	68.8	68.1	73.0	71.8	70.2	70.2	69.3	67.6
Fruits and vegetables:															
Frozen fruits:															
Strawberries ²⁶ —12 ounces—	39.7	38.1	5 39.5	41.2	38.3	39.1	41.1	39.6	39.0	42.2	40.6	39.3	40.8	37.8	40.6
Orange juice concentrate—6 ounces—	18.6	17.3	19.2	19.9	18.8	18.1	19.0	18.5	19.1	19.1	18.1	18.0	19.2	18.7	18.1
Frozen vegetables:															
Peas—12 ounces—	23.9	22.6	24.3	23.2	23.1	23.5	23.4	23.2	23.7	23.9	23.7	23.8	25.2	23.6	24.0
Fresh fruits:															
Apples—pound—	5 14.7	5 13.9	7 13.2	(⁴)	5 12.9	7 12.3	5 12.9	7 13.9	7 12.3	7 13.4	(⁴)	5 14.7	5 13.0	7 10.9	5 11.8
Bananas—do—	16.4	16.3	16.4	16.2	16.1	15.8	16.1	15.7	16.7	15.0	15.2	15.2	15.9	16.5	14.6
Oranges, size 200—dozen—	50.6	46.7	57.3	51.3	50.9	47.4	46.9	47.6	58.9	52.8	51.4	43.9	52.1	49.2	47.4
Fresh vegetables:															
Beans, green—pound—	23.7	24.0	26.0	(⁴)	(⁴)	25.8	(⁴)	25.3	25.3	22.2	22.7	24.2	25.0	5 25.5	22.7
Cabbage—do—	9.4	9.8	10.1	9.5	9.5	9.6	8.8	9.6	8.5	9.4	9.7	10.4	10.5	8.7	9.2
Carrots—bunch—	12.2	13.4	14.5	13.5	11.9	14.0	12.6	14.1	12.0	13.4	13.2	13.5	12.9	11.3	12.1
Lettuce—head—	15.3	17.3	19.3	17.2	16.8	5 17.0	16.3	7 17.3	14.4	7 17.2	7 17.3	16.8	15.8	15.0	15.9
Onions—pound—	11.3	11.3	11.6	11.4	11.4	11.2	11.3	11.4	11.6	11.2	11.1	11.4	11.5	10.9	10.7
Potatoes—15 pounds—	114.0	108.1	5 111.6	100.4	102.1	110.4	101.4	105.5	108.9	104.7	105.6	119.4	114.7	106.0	104.1
Sweetpotatoes—pound—	5 17.5	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	7 17.0	7 17.0	(⁴)	7 15.8
Tomatoes—do—	27.1	25.4	26.1	25.4	24.9	24.1	24.3	24.1	26.4	26.4	28.1	27.0	28.8	31.9	26.6
Canned fruits:															
Peaches—No. 2 1/2-can—	33.8	33.6	35.2	33.9	35.2	34.7	35.5	34.5	34.7	34.2	34.7	33.3	35.4	35.0	35.1
Pineapple—do—	38.2	37.7	38.7	38.6	37.0	38.2	39.7	36.0	37.7	38.6	39.0	36.8	38.6	39.6	38.8
Canned vegetables:															
Corn—No. 303 can—	18.8	18.6	18.7	18.7	18.6	18.7	18.0	18.4	18.7	18.6	19.3	18.7	18.8	18.4	19.0
Tomatoes—No. 2 can—	17.6	18.4	18.4	17.7	17.8	17.7	18.4	18.1	18.3	17.4	17.8	17.6	17.8	5 19.2	16.8
Peas—No. 303 can—	20.9	21.4	20.4	21.1	20.3	21.2	20.4	21.0	19.6	20.4	20.4	20.6	20.6	21.5	21.9
Baby foods, strained ²⁸ —4 3/4-5 ounces—	10.0	10.2	10.5	10.4	10.0	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.5	10.4	10.2	9.9	10.3	10.4	10.2
Dried fruits: Prunes—pound—	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)
Dried vegetables:															
Navy Beans—pound—	16.1	18.1	16.4	17.5	17.3	16.3	17.3	17.1	16.2	17.1	16.9	15.6	15.5	16.0	19.5
Beverages:															
Coffee—do—	86.8	87.9	88.8	87.6	82.8	87.6	85.1	85.4	86.4	88.2	86.9	83.5	87.0	82.7	82.6
Cola drink ³⁰ —6-bottle carton—	31 29.1	25.0	30.5	27.2	25.5	25.1	29.0	27.0	30.1	29.9	30.2	30.9	32.0	29.8	31.0

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TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952--Continued

Article	United States	NEW ENGLAND							MIDDLE ATLANTIC						
		Boston	Bridge-port	Fall River	Man-chester	New Haven	Port-land, Maine	Provi-dence	Buffalo	Newark	New York	Phila-delphia	Pitts-burgh	Rochester	Scranton
Fats and oils:															
Lard-----pound	18.4	19.8	20.0	18.8	18.3	19.6	18.7	18.9	20.0	20.4	19.2	17.6	17.6	19.2	18.0
Hydrogenated short- ening-----do	33.3	33.2	34.3	33.9	33.0	33.7	32.5	33.3	33.2	33.4	33.8	32.4	33.6	33.3	32.3
Salad dressing-----pint	34.9	35.9	36.6	36.2	36.0	36.6	35.5	35.1	31.2	35.0	36.1	34.5	35.4	33.9	33.6
Margarine:															
Uncolored-----pound	(³⁴)								(³⁵)		(³⁵)			(³⁵)	
Colored-----do	36 29.4	28.3	29.9	29.9	28.5	30.9	30.5	30.0		31.1		29.8	30.2		29.6
Sugar and sweets:															
Sugar-----5 pounds	51.5	50.8	52.0	51.8	51.1	50.4	51.4	50.1	52.5	49.5	49.0	49.8	52.6	53.4	51.3
Grape jelly-----12 ounces	23.4	24.8	23.2	23.7	21.9	22.9	24.6	24.2	23.9	22.2	21.7	21.1	23.8	22.6	21.8

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TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952--Continued

Article	EAST NORTH CENTRAL									WEST NORTH CENTRAL				
	Chicago	Cincinnati	Cleveland	Columbus	Detroit	Indianapolis	Milwaukee	Peoria	Springfield	Cedar Rapids	Kansas City	Minneapolis	Omaha	St. Louis
Cereals and bakery products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	50.0	54.3	52.1	51.8	50.8	53.2	50.1	50.2	49.2	52.2	49.1	53.6	50.3	52.1
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	³ 16.6	³ 16.2	(²)	(²)	(²)
Corn meal-----pound--	12.1	12.2	12.3	12.4	12.4	11.5	12.0	12.3	12.4	12.5	12.3	12.0	11.8	11.9
Rice-----do-----	17.1	17.6	17.7	18.1	17.3	18.7	18.0	17.7	17.6	18.0	17.2	17.9	16.5	17.0
Rollod oats-----20 ounces--	17.7	18.0	17.9	18.0	17.9	17.8	17.7	18.2	18.0	18.3	17.5	18.1	18.3	17.4
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	15.2	15.0	15.3	14.6	15.5	15.1	14.2	15.6	15.6	15.0	15.5	15.0	15.1	15.5
Vanilla cookies ² -----7 ounces--	25.7	¹⁰ 27.7	24.6	26.9	24.7	25.6	25.1	23.3	24.7	24.7	24.6	22.5	¹⁰ 25.2	23.3
Layer cake-----pound--	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	51.9	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	42.2	44.6	(⁴)	36.5	49.8
Jelly roll ¹² -----12 ounces--	(⁴)	43.8	41.8	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	38.8	(⁴)	(⁴)
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	104.9	108.3	109.3	107.8	109.4	107.0	107.3	106.0	109.0	103.8	104.3	102.5	102.5	107.3
Rib roast-----do-----	83.1	85.3	86.7	87.8	85.8	87.7	84.0	84.4	83.3	(⁴)	84.3	82.8	83.0	84.6
Chuck roast-----do-----	71.1	75.3	74.9	75.2	76.1	72.8	73.5	73.0	70.8	74.1	71.0	72.6	69.5	72.0
Frankfurters-----do-----	61.0	62.8	66.2	62.3	61.4	61.1	60.3	61.8	60.1	61.2	63.1	68.9	58.3	62.6
Hamburger-----do-----	61.2	63.9	60.9	64.2	63.7	64.5	66.0	64.0	64.4	62.2	59.1	⁵ 61.3	60.3	63.0
Veal:														
Outlets-----do-----	115.8	124.2	119.2	120.4	122.4	128.0	114.1	(⁴)	103.8	(⁴)	117.7	116.7	⁷ 113.1	123.3
Pork:														
Chops-----do-----	81.1	80.8	82.8	81.3	84.9	80.8	76.0	74.0	77.7	77.2	79.0	77.5	68.3	78.9
Bacon, sliced-----do-----	63.5	66.9	60.6	63.0	64.0	63.8	64.8	61.5	63.0	63.3	64.3	64.7	58.1	65.0
Ham, whole-----do-----	62.6	65.6	65.4	63.6	67.4	65.6	62.1	63.2	61.8	66.9	63.0	61.1	62.1	64.0
Salt pork-----do-----	40.3	34.1	40.6	34.5	37.7	⁷ 37.9	37.5	⁵ 39.6	(⁴)	(⁴)	36.1	37.3	35.0	39.3
Lamb:														
Leg-----do-----	79.2	92.6	84.3	⁵ 92.3	82.2	91.0	84.5	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	92.7	83.5	82.9	85.4
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ¹⁵ -----do-----	48.7	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	51.8	(⁴)	52.6	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(¹⁷)	50.4	(⁴)
Dressed and drawn ¹⁸ -----do-----	(⁴)	62.4	63.2	62.5	(⁴)	62.4	67.9	61.5	(⁴)	63.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	63.3	(⁴)
Fish:														
Ocean perch fillet, frozen-----do-----	⁵ 44.1	⁵ 45.0	⁵ 45.2	⁵ 41.0	⁵ 45.2	⁵ 44.9	⁵ 39.2	⁵ 48.9	⁵ 48.3	⁵ 43.7	⁵ 44.2	⁵ 42.7	⁵ 42.7	⁵ 45.8
Haddock fillet, frozen-----do-----	⁵ 50.6	⁵ 50.5	⁵ 50.5	⁵ 46.1	⁵ 50.3	⁵ 50.8	⁵ 50.5	⁵ 52.1	⁵ 50.8	⁵ 51.1	⁵ 52.7	⁵ 55.4	⁵ 50.9	⁵ 51.4
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	54.8	58.4	55.6	56.6	56.0	56.8	59.1	54.4	57.7	54.9	55.9	57.0	56.6	57.0
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--	83.0	84.0	85.6	84.1	84.2	85.5	83.0	79.3	82.2	80.6	84.4	84.0	82.0	88.2
Cheese-----do-----	60.5	58.9	58.4	62.1	59.7	67.6	61.0	59.0	60.6	63.9	56.8	55.9	46.4	60.0
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	25.3	23.9	23.0	22.0	23.6	23.6	21.2	24.4	23.7	20.3	22.7	19.8	21.8	25.3
Fresh (grocery)-----do-----	23.3	22.5	22.0	22.2	22.2	22.5	20.4	20.9	22.8	19.4	21.7	19.0	20.4	24.0
Ice cream-----pint--	31.3	30.7	30.4	30.7	34.0	29.1	(⁴)	32.2	31.0	27.2	29.1	26.0	30.4	30.4
Milk, evaporated--14 1/2-ounce can--	15.0	15.3	15.0	15.3	14.8	14.9	14.9	15.0	15.2	15.7	14.7	15.4	15.1	14.5
Eggs: fresh-----dozen--	64.1	63.3	70.2	64.6	65.1	60.8	59.0	55.7	⁵ 56.5	49.7	58.0	56.6	49.8	60.9
Fruits and vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries ²⁶ -----12 ounces--	38.7	38.7	40.9	38.6	43.3	40.5	36.1	39.4	38.6	⁵ 38.9	37.7	39.8	38.4	39.9
Orange juice concentrate--6 ounces--	17.9	19.2	19.8	19.3	19.5	18.9	17.8	17.7	20.0	18.4	18.2	19.9	17.8	19.1
Peas-----12 ounces--	22.9	23.1	24.8	24.2	25.6	24.6	22.5	24.1	24.3	23.7	23.5	24.1	24.2	24.4
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	16.4	⁵ 13.1	14.8	⁵ 14.1	13.8	⁷ 14.0	16.5	15.0	⁵ 13.8	(⁴)	⁵ 17.0	⁵ 17.4	⁵ 16.9	16.4
Bananas-----do-----	18.4	17.4	16.1	16.8	17.6	16.2	18.7	17.2	17.5	18.2	17.3	19.2	18.4	18.3
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	52.7	41.5	50.4	45.3	60.0	46.1	37.4	52.4	53.1	50.7	58.7	61.3	64.4	56.8
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	25.4	21.5	26.1	21.4	27.3	20.8	⁵ 26.9	22.8	(⁴)	(⁴)	24.2	⁵ 27.7	⁷ 24.9	25.9
Cabbage-----do-----	9.6	10.6	9.8	10.3	10.7	10.7	9.6	10.5	10.0	10.0	8.8	9.7	9.2	10.2
Carrots-----bunch--	11.3	12.4	12.6	13.5	12.3	12.7	11.5	15.2	13.4	⁷ 11.9	⁵ 12.5	11.7	⁵ 14.5	13.2
Lettuce-----head--	14.5	16.4	16.1	16.3	16.2	16.6	15.9	15.4	14.8	15.1	15.8	15.6	16.8	16.6
Onions-----pound--	11.4	11.4	11.6	11.8	12.1	12.5	11.5	12.1	12.8	12.1	12.0	11.6	11.6	12.0
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	123.3	120.7	116.3	116.2	113.1	119.7	111.7	115.6	116.2	107.6	117.3	103.8	108.9	116.0
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	19.1	⁵ 17.3	⁷ 17.6	⁵ 17.9	⁷ 18.5	⁵ 18.0	(⁴)	⁷ 17.3	⁷ 17.1	(⁴)	⁷ 18.5	(⁴)	(⁴)	⁵ 17.9
Tomatoes-----do-----	31.9	28.3	32.4	30.6	30.0	29.3	29.3	28.4	29.1	26.8	28.2	26.7	25.2	27.3
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	34.0	34.5	35.4	35.0	35.0	35.3	35.0	34.4	34.7	36.0	33.3	34.1	34.4	33.9
Pineapple-----do-----	38.8	40.1	39.8	39.4	40.3	40.5	40.6	39.5	38.9	40.1	40.0	40.5	39.4	39.1
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 303 can--	18.2	18.8	19.0	18.7	18.9	17.9	19.1	18.6	18.3	16.9	18.7	18.4	18.6	18.4
Tomatoes-----No. 2 can--	18.2	18.3	18.5	18.4	18.2	18.7	18.7	18.3	18.2	20.8	17.8	⁷ 19.3	19.0	⁵ 19.0
Peas-----No. 303 can--	20.0	20.9	21.2	21.2	20.8	22.1	20.1	23.0	20.6	21.0	19.7	22.0	18.7	20.1
Baby foods, strained ²⁸ -----4 3/4-5 ounces--	10.3	10.6	10.3	10.4	10.6	10.4	10.0	9.6	9.8	9.7	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.3
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)
Dried vegetables: Navy beans--do-----	15.7	14.7	16.0	14.2	14.8	15.2	16.2	15.2	15.0	15.4	15.2	16.2	14.1	14.8
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do-----	83.7	87.0	85.8	86.8	85.2	86.5	86.3	86.6	87.7	87.7	88.6	88.9	87.0	86.7
Cola drink ³⁰ -----6-bottle carton--	28.9	30.2	30.1	25.0	31.2	25.1	29.1	26.3	43.2	25.1	25.0	29.8	25.0	29.5
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	17.6	19.4	20.8	17.2	17.5	18.3	17.5	18.3	18.6	19.2	16.4	17.6	16.4	16.7
Hydrogenated shortening-----do-----	33.3	33.2	33.3	32.9	33.9	32.8	33.4	33.8	34.5	34.3	33.2	33.9	33.1	33.0
Salad dressing-----pint--	32.3	36.8	32.7	35.5	34.9	37.0	35.1	35.0	36.8	33.6	36.0	34.6	34.2	35.0
Margarine:														
Uncolored-----pound--	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Colored-----do-----	29.2	28.8	28.9	27.6	28.5	31.6	(⁴)	28.5	30.5	36.7	28.1	42.9	27.1	28.3
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5 pounds--	51.9	52.1	54.9	53.1	53.6	54.5	53.3	53.9	53.0	53.8	53.4	55.0	52.4	52.3
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	21.2	26.8	24.8	25.0	24.8	25.8	24.1	25.8	25.8	26.3	24.5	24.8	26.3	25.1

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952--Continued

Article	WEST NORTH CENTRAL--Cont.		SOUTH ATLANTIC								EAST SOUTH CENTRAL			
	St. Paul	Wichita	At-lanta	Balti-more	Charles-ton,S.C.	Jackson-ville	Nor-folk	Rich-mond	Savan-nah	Washing-ton,D.C.	Winston-Salem	Birming-ham	Jack-son	Knox-ville
Cereals and bakery products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	54.6	52.2	55.0	51.5	56.8	53.1	53.0	52.3	53.4	54.5	55.4	52.5	55.3	58.5
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	(²)	(²)	³ 16.0	(²)	³ 17.1	³ 16.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	³ 16.4	(²)	³ 15.8	³ 16.8	³ 16.8
Corn meal-----pound--	11.8	12.9	7.8	11.8	12.7	12.2	8.2	8.8	7.0	9.6	9.1	8.2	7.9	8.1
Rice-----do--	17.6	17.2	17.4	18.4	(⁴)	17.4	17.7	17.1	(⁴)	18.6	19.3	⁵ 18.4	18.0	20.3
Rollod oats-----20 ounces--	18.2	18.2	18.0	18.0	18.8	17.8	17.7	17.3	18.2	18.3	19.0	17.7	18.0	18.5
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	15.4	⁸ 15.9	15.9	15.7	16.7	15.0	15.4	⁵ 14.8	16.0	14.8	15.7	15.4	17.0	16.2
Vanilla cookies ⁹ -----7 ounces--	24.3	24.6	¹⁰ 36.7	23.3	¹⁰ 35.4	24.1	¹⁰ 30.7	¹⁰ 32.6	24.0	¹⁰ 35.9	¹⁰ 36.5	¹⁰ 36.1	18.8	24.4
Layer cake-----pound--	54.3	⁷ 41.8	(⁴)	(⁴)	42.7	43.9	(⁴)	(⁴)	40.5	50.6	46.2	(⁴)	(⁴)	44.0
Jelly roll ¹² -----12 ounces--			(⁴)											
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	(⁴)	105.4	⁷ 112.4	117.4	(⁴)	(⁴)	111.4	112.4	110.3	115.7	113.4	108.8	⁵ 108.8	(⁴)
Rib roast-----do--	⁵ 81.2	(⁴)	(⁴)	86.7	(⁴)	(⁴)	86.9	86.1	87.7	85.5	88.6	82.4	⁵ 88.0	(⁴)
Chuck roast-----do--	(⁴)	70.8	⁷ 74.8	75.1	(⁴)	(⁴)	71.4	71.0	75.6	73.9	75.7	71.6	⁵ 73.6	(⁴)
Frankfurters-----do--	68.5	62.3	60.6	63.4	58.7	60.5	59.4	60.8	58.5	61.4	59.9	57.8	63.0	58.2
Hamburger-----do--	62.3	59.5	62.0	69.0	62.2	(⁴)	62.2	60.6	63.8	63.5	63.2	63.0	60.1	63.9
Veal:														
Cutlets-----do--	111.2	(⁴)	117.5	140.6	⁷ 121.0	(⁴)	130.1	134.5	113.9	135.8	120.5	109.2	113.1	(⁴)
Pork:														
Chops-----do--	76.8	76.2	71.8	79.5	70.2	76.3	76.0	78.2	72.2	78.5	72.6	67.3	74.3	72.1
Bacon, sliced-----do--	65.0	65.3	64.3	65.6	65.1	(⁴)	65.8	66.6	62.6	68.3	66.8	60.9	64.2	64.3
Ham, whole-----do--	61.9	61.3	64.4	66.9	65.7	67.9	67.5	68.9	67.5	62.3	67.4	61.4	68.2	64.4
Salt pork-----do--	40.7	39.1	34.5	34.8	35.0	39.8	35.2	34.2	35.8	35.1	32.8	31.7	38.1	36.4
Lamb:														
Leg-----do--	83.3	98.8	84.8	83.5	⁷ 91.4	(⁴)	80.7	84.0	87.5	81.8	⁷ 89.5	84.5	(⁴)	(⁴)
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ¹⁵ -----do--	(¹⁷)			49.8		58.4		60.3	60.7		(¹⁷)	57.0	56.8	57.3
Dressed and drawn ¹⁶ -----do--		62.4	56.2		56.4	58.4		60.3	60.7	55.5		57.0	56.8	57.3
Fish:														
Ocean perch fillet, frozen-----do--	⁵ 44.2	⁵ 47.7	⁵ 38.2	⁵ 44.9	⁵ 40.8	⁵ 44.1	⁵ 46.7	⁵ 43.3	⁵ 47.0	⁵ 43.5	⁵ 42.5	⁵ 37.1	⁵ 47.7	⁵ 46.8
Haddock fillet, frozen-----do--	⁵ 54.6	⁵ 57.2	(⁴)	⁵ 48.8	(⁴)	(⁴)	⁵ 50.8	⁵ 49.0	⁵ 53.3	⁵ 47.2	⁵ 49.0	(⁴)	(⁴)	⁵ 52.5
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	57.3	60.8	53.1	56.5	54.9	55.9	56.5	55.0	53.5	58.3	55.7	52.6	60.5	59.0
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--	83.6	85.2	90.3	87.1	87.5	87.2	87.9	87.1	87.9	88.6	91.1	87.9	89.1	87.4
Cheese-----do--	56.8	59.0	(⁴)	64.3	59.9	63.5	⁵ 62.4	60.5	59.1	60.8	60.6	58.6	65.3	63.8
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	20.2	24.4	25.2	23.5	24.5	27.0	25.2	23.5	27.2	23.7	24.3	25.9	24.0	24.7
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	17.7	23.4	26.0	23.6	24.9	26.4	24.8	23.4	27.8	21.8	25.2	25.7	24.2	25.1
Ice cream-----pint--	26.7	30.6	(⁴)	⁵ 34.9	31.0	33.0	(⁴)	⁵ 33.4	(⁴)	38.3	32.9	32.5	28.7	27.2
Milk evaporated-----14 1/2-ounce can--	15.8	15.3	14.9	14.8	15.2	14.7	14.8	15.2	14.4	15.5	15.5	14.4	15.4	15.3
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	55.7	55.9	63.4	68.2	63.2	65.1	66.4	65.8	63.7	72.1	64.2	61.9	66.2	62.9
Fruits and Vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries ²⁶ -----12 ounces--	37.5	⁵ 39.5	37.6	44.2	38.9	(⁴)	42.1	39.9	36.5	41.8	42.0	38.5	41.2	40.6
Orange juice concentrate-----6 ounces--	20.4	19.4	19.8	19.2	20.5	17.8	19.5	19.0	20.0	17.9	21.0	19.6	16.8	21.1
Frozen vegetables:														
Peas-----12 ounces--	23.4	26.0	24.9	24.8	26.4	24.2	24.8	24.3	26.5	24.9	26.3	25.0	26.8	27.2
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	⁵ 17.0	18.2	(⁴)	⁵ 13.1	⁷ 14.0	14.9	⁵ 13.4	(⁴)	(⁴)	14.4	⁷ 11.6	(⁴)	⁷ 18.0	(⁴)
Bananas-----do--	19.7	18.2	14.4	15.6	13.8	13.0	14.8	15.2	13.9	16.5	14.8	14.6	14.2	14.6
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	57.2	68.1	35.6	41.7	36.0	⁵ 33.0	41.0	40.3	34.2	43.8	40.7	35.2	41.6	38.1
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	⁷ 24.9	⁵ 25.0	21.3	22.3	22.8	23.0	⁷ 19.9	20.8	21.3	23.8	19.4	25.0	⁷ 27.5	⁵ 23.5
Cabbage-----do--	9.6	10.2	9.3	9.8	9.2	8.5	9.0	9.4	8.5	9.8	9.2	7.9	8.6	8.7
Carrots-----bunch--	11.7	13.4	13.5	13.3	⁵ 14.0	12.3	13.5	12.8	⁷ 13.0	13.3	⁵ 14.4	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Lettuce-----head--	17.0	19.1	15.0	16.1	15.5	16.4	16.0	17.7	14.8	18.4	17.1	13.7	14.1	15.1
Onions-----pound--	11.4	13.1	10.7	⁵ 11.4	11.1	11.0	11.3	11.7	10.6	11.6	12.4	10.4	11.2	11.4
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	116.0	⁵ 128.2	120.0	117.6	114.7	114.4	111.4	114.1	110.0	120.5	118.1	123.0	128.6	121.2
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	(⁴)	20.3	⁷ 17.4	⁷ 15.0	(⁴)	17.3	(⁴)	⁷ 15.9	16.4	18.7	⁷ 14.2	(⁴)	(⁴)	⁷ 15.0
Tomatoes-----do--	24.8	27.5	25.3	24.3	22.9	22.7	25.2	25.1	22.8	26.5	25.1	23.1	25.7	21.8
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	35.1	34.9	34.0	33.6	34.9	34.0	⁵ 34.3	34.1	35.1	34.1	35.4	33.9	35.3	33.1
Pineapple-----do--	40.1	40.0	38.0	37.4	39.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	37.5	39.2	38.2	(⁴)	38.1	40.1	41.8
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 303 can--	18.0	19.5	19.5	18.7	20.4	18.9	19.0	18.7	20.4	19.2	20.0	19.2	20.6	19.4
Tomatoes-----No. 2 can--	21.1	20.3	16.2	18.1	16.5	16.8	16.2	15.6	16.5	16.8	17.6	16.7	17.8	(⁴)
Peas-----No. 303 can--	24.1	23.6	22.1	20.6	25.4	26.0	20.3	24.5	25.0	20.1	24.6	21.4	21.8	22.2
Baby foods, strained ²⁸														
4 3/4-5 ounces-----pound--	9.3	9.3	10.4	10.5	10.7	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.3	10.4	11.2	10.2	9.2	10.6
Dried fruits: Prunes-----do--	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)
Dried vegetables: Navy beans-----do--	15.6	15.5	15.6	16.2	17.3	(⁴)	14.6	15.2	16.1	16.4	15.4	15.7	16.7	15.7
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do--	91.2	86.1	83.1	86.8	87.4	89.7	89.0	85.6	85.9	88.8	89.6	83.4	92.3	83.8
Cola drink ³⁰ -----6-bottle carton--	29.8	25.0	25.0	25.0	30.4	24.7	25.0	25.2	25.0	25.0	24.7	29.5	25.0	25.0
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	17.2	16.3	18.2	17.5	20.2	18.5	18.4	17.3	19.0	18.1	19.9	17.8	18.2	18.9
Hydrogenated shortening-----do--	34.4	34.3	33.0	33.6	33.4	32.7	33.0	32.8	34.1	33.3	34.2	33.4	33.4	34.1
Salad dressing-----pint--	35.8	37.3	32.5	35.4	36.6	35.0	34.8	34.1	32.5	35.9	35.2	35.2	36.5	35.2
Margarine:														
Uncolored-----pound--	43.4													
Colored-----do--		31.6	25.6	31.1	28.2	29.0	30.5	29.7	29.5	31.3	31.4	29.8	30.4	31.8
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5 pounds--	56.6	55.2	49.7	50.4	51.5	48.7	51.7	51.5	48.6	51.0	52.7	49.3	50.0	53.1
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	25.5	26.1	23.4	21.7	24.1	23.7	⁵ 25.1	20.5	24.4	21.7	23.8	21.0	23.5	26.0

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TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952--Continued

Article	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL--Continued			WEST SOUTH CENTRAL				MOUNTAIN			PACIFIC			
	Louisville	Memphis	Mobile	Dallas	Houston	Little Rock	New Orleans	Butte	Denver	Salt Lake City	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.	San Francisco	Seattle
Cereals and bakery products:														
Cereals:														
Flour, wheat-----5 pounds--	50.4	57.9	51.7	50.1	52.6	53.4	53.4	51.3	50.3	49.5	53.7	53.4	57.3	53.8
Corn flakes ¹ -----13 ounces--	(²)	16.3	(²)	(²)	16.4	16.3	16.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	15.9	(²)	(²)	(²)
Corn meal-----pound--	9.1	8.1	11.9	10.7	12.4	8.5	12.2	12.5	12.2	13.6	12.6	12.3	12.6	12.4
Rice-----do--	19.2	15.8	16.9	19.5	16.8	16.5	16.4	18.6	17.5	18.0	18.2	21.0	21.0	21.4
Rolled oats-----20 ounces--	17.6	17.8	18.0	18.1	18.0	18.3	18.2	19.0	18.2	18.9	19.1	19.5	19.6	19.4
Bakery products:														
Bread, white-----pound--	14.9	15.9	17.3	15.6	14.0	15.9	15.7	16.4	15.3	16.8	16.4	16.0	18.3	16.2
Vanilla cookies ⁹ -----7 ounces--	21.8	19.2	20.3	23.3	24.5	19.5	22.6	24.1	25.0	(⁴)	23.6	24.5	25.3	24.9
Layer cake-----pound--	37.6		42.2	43.1	(⁴)	43.2		37.6	(⁴)		39.5	43.7		(⁴)
Jelly roll ¹² -----12 ounces--		33.4					26.5			(³) (⁴)			28.2	
Meats, poultry, and fish:														
Meats:														
Beef:														
Round steak-----pound--	103.0	102.8	(⁴)	106.6	111.1	105.2	108.3	(⁴)	100.1	105.4	111.4	108.5	116.1	112.8
Rib roast-----do--	80.6	82.6	(⁴)	84.2	90.4	88.1	84.8	(⁴)	81.1	87.4	89.6	(⁴)	90.0	87.5
Chuck roast-----do--	68.7	69.6	(⁴)	67.6	76.1	73.4	71.6	(⁴)	67.4	71.0	73.5	(⁴)	73.8	73.8
Frankfurters-----do--	64.7	61.0	59.0	57.6	59.8	57.9	62.1	63.0	62.2	63.8	61.8	63.3	69.9	67.0
Hamburger-----do--	61.5	62.1	59.8	61.3	66.1	63.9	63.1	65.5	62.1	61.4	64.5	62.9	63.3	65.7
Veal:														
Cutlets-----do--	133.0	115.0	110.6	113.4	105.4	(⁴)	116.0	117.2	106.9	115.0	128.1	117.9	133.8	(⁴)
Pork:														
Chops-----do--	76.5	71.7	70.0	71.2	77.5	70.2	72.3	77.1	74.8	81.9	88.6	78.0	90.5	77.0
Bacon, sliced-----do--	62.3	62.4	60.4	62.8	63.9	64.3	64.3	67.6	65.2	69.5	67.4	65.5	68.5	64.3
Ham, whole-----do--	63.3	61.0	63.6	65.6	66.0	63.3	68.6	66.1	61.0	64.1	65.5	65.0	67.5	64.6
Salt pork-----do--	29.6	37.7	36.0	34.3	38.9	36.8	36.3	36.2	36.4	38.7	41.1	37.2	42.6	41.8
Lamb:														
Leg-----do--	90.2	83.3	94.4	90.7	94.3	91.0	88.2	81.6	81.0	81.4	81.8	86.9	83.4	78.5
Poultry:														
Frying chickens:														
New York dressed ¹⁵ -----do--								(¹⁷)						(¹⁷)
Dressed and drawn ¹⁸ -----do--	57.4	59.4	57.0	59.5	57.8	60.0	58.0		68.3	58.9	60.2	54.2	56.0	
Fish:														
Ocean perch fillet, frozen-----do--	41.1	48.6	44.5	45.4	49.1	49.4	49.8	(⁴) (²²)	45.0	73.3	77.8	75.1	55.4	72.4
Haddock fillet, frozen-----do--	47.1	51.0	(⁴)	51.6	63.7	57.8	54.8	(⁴) (²⁵)	52.7	65.6	63.0	61.1	75.1	60.9
Salmon, pink-----16-ounce can--	55.2	(⁴)	55.3	52.8	56.1	58.8	55.9	58.2	56.6	55.0	55.8	54.7	58.3	53.7
Dairy products:														
Butter-----pound--	83.8	86.3	86.4	90.3	89.5	86.5	86.7	88.7	86.9	85.7	86.3	84.0	89.1	86.2
Cheese-----do--	60.1	62.4	60.3	59.9	66.3	61.1	60.7	57.8	58.9	56.1	61.1	58.5	61.1	58.5
Milk:														
Fresh (delivered)-----quart--	24.6	22.5	25.2	25.4	26.2	24.1	25.1	20.2	23.6	21.7	22.6	22.0	22.6	22.1
Fresh (grocery)-----do--	24.4	22.4	25.8	25.3	24.2	23.9	24.2	21.0	21.9	20.7	21.4	22.0	21.6	21.1
Ice cream-----pint--	31.7	28.0	29.3	26.6	26.6	29.2	29.2	28.3	32.5	(⁴)	26.6	27.8	29.8	34.4
Milk, evaporated 14 1/2-ounce can--	15.0	15.1	14.6	14.7	14.8	14.8	14.5	15.2	15.2	15.0	14.7	14.7	15.4	14.8
Eggs: Fresh-----dozen--	61.4	65.3	60.2	68.0	65.0	62.1	62.4	76.1	68.5	63.2	67.0	66.7	69.8	70.0
Fruits and vegetables:														
Frozen fruits:														
Strawberries ²⁶ -----12 ounces--	41.0	39.0	37.4	37.0	37.1	39.6	39.1	37.1	37.4	40.2	38.6	39.0	39.7	39.3
Orange juice concentrate 6 ounces--	21.3	21.7	18.3	18.7	18.3	20.3	18.8	19.3	18.8	18.3	18.6	19.2	19.4	19.9
Frozen vegetables:														
Peas-----12 ounces--	24.7	25.0	23.8	22.8	23.6	23.6	24.2	23.9	24.3	24.0	23.3	25.2	24.2	23.8
Fresh fruits:														
Apples-----pound--	14.9	(⁴)	(⁴)	17.9	20.1	17.7	16.0	(⁴)	16.6	15.8	15.8	14.1	13.4	15.9
Bananas-----do--	16.3	16.3	12.2	14.4	14.5	17.0	11.8	20.4	17.6	18.3	17.7	19.6	19.6	19.5
Oranges, size 200-----dozen--	41.4	41.2	36.8	62.4	51.7	64.8	36.9	56.4	64.1	55.0	39.9	57.7	54.0	61.6
Fresh vegetables:														
Beans, green-----pound--	22.6	27.2	22.3	25.0	25.8	26.8	23.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)	25.0	(⁴)	26.4	(⁴)
Cabbage-----do--	10.5	8.8	8.8	8.0	8.5	9.1	7.5	10.1	9.0	9.0	6.4	8.6	7.6	9.7
Carrots-----bunch--	14.1	10.9	11.0	(⁴)	11.3	(⁴)	10.7	(⁴)	10.0	9.7	9.2	10.7	9.7	11.4
Lettuce-----head--	16.3	15.5	14.1	15.4	15.0	17.8	13.5	16.8	15.2	15.1	11.7	14.7	10.9	14.6
Onions-----pound--	13.2	12.5	10.6	10.2	11.8	11.8	9.9	11.3	9.8	11.1	10.9	11.2	10.6	11.0
Potatoes-----15 pounds--	109.2	130.6	120.3	126.1	139.1	120.4	123.9	107.3	104.6	111.5	115.3	110.8	112.7	113.5
Sweetpotatoes-----pound--	18.4	18.3	(⁴)	(⁴)	17.8	(⁴)	13.6	(⁴)	17.0	(⁴)	20.9	(⁴)	(⁴)	(⁴)
Tomatoes-----do--	28.1	29.8	23.7	25.8	26.2	29.9	25.2	29.6	31.4	27.3	24.5	27.6	27.0	32.3
Canned fruits:														
Peaches-----No. 2 1/2 can--	35.0	31.9	32.1	33.3	33.7	34.9	33.9	34.5	33.9	31.4	30.7	31.0	31.5	33.8
Pineapple-----do--	39.2	37.6	35.5	(⁴)	36.7	39.8	36.4	40.3	39.4	38.2	35.9	35.7	37.2	35.9
Canned vegetables:														
Corn-----No. 303 can--	18.6	18.1	18.6	19.7	19.8	20.4	19.4	19.0	18.7	17.7	19.0	18.6	20.2	18.3
Tomatoes-----No. 2 can--	18.3	17.0	16.1	17.4	17.5	19.0	17.7	20.2	20.1	22.9	21.1	23.3	22.0	23.9
Peas-----No. 303 can--	21.6	24.2	22.5	23.5	22.8	26.5	23.6	20.8	20.6	17.9	20.4	19.1	21.2	19.8
Baby foods, strained ²⁸ 4 3/4-5 ounces--	10.6	9.0	9.4	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.1	9.5	9.2	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.2
Dried fruits: Prunes-----pound--	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)	(²⁹)
Dried vegetables: Navy beans do--	14.7	15.4	15.3	17.3	16.7	16.5	15.5	16.6	16.7	15.7	16.6	16.9	17.6	17.4
Beverages:														
Coffee-----do--	89.4	89.1	90.7	86.5	88.6	85.1	86.4	91.7	92.2	92.0	90.3	87.1	92.0	91.6
Cola drink ³⁰ -----6-bottle carton--	25.2	25.0	24.9	24.8	25.0	25.0	24.9	38.2	25.0	25.0	37.2	26.9	29.4	(⁴)

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 10.--ANNUAL AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL FOODS, BY CITY, 1952--Continued

Article	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL--Continued			WEST SOUTH CENTRAL				MOUNTAIN			PACIFIC			
	Louisville	Memphis	Mobile	Dallas	Houston	Little Rock	New Orleans	Butte	Denver	Salt Lake City	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.	San Francisco	Seattle
Fats and oils:														
Lard-----pound--	16.6	17.8	17.6	20.1	20.2	20.6	18.3	23.5	18.1	18.8	20.7	20.0	23.7	22.1
Hydrogenated shortening-----do----	33.0	33.5	32.4	32.6	32.8	34.3	34.0	34.4	33.3	33.4	33.1	33.1	33.7	33.4
Salad dressing-----pint--	33.6	36.7	33.7	34.3	34.8	36.6	34.8	37.0	36.6	35.1	34.8	35.7	36.1	35.5
Margarine:														
Uncolored-----pound--								30.0						⁵ 30.6
Colored-----do----	30.9	28.3	29.2	28.1	29.7	27.9	29.8		31.0	40.7	29.0	30.8	30.8	
Sugar and sweets:														
Sugar-----5 pounds--	53.3	51.8	48.7	49.7	49.3	52.4	47.9	59.0	54.7	55.5	52.3	55.7	51.6	54.6
Grape jelly-----12 ounces--	22.0	⁹ 25.4	23.6	24.8	25.3	27.1	25.3	26.2	26.7	28.5	22.8	26.0	25.8	⁵ 25.2

¹ 13 ounces in 39 cities, 8 ounces in 17 cities, January through April; 12 ounces in 39 cities, 8 ounces in 17 cities, May through December.

² Specification changed from 13 ounces to 12 ounces, effective May 15, 1952.

³ 8 ounces.

⁴ Not available; insufficient number of reports during year.

⁵ Average for 11 months.

⁶ Priced in 52 cities.

⁷ Average for 10 months.

⁸ Per loaf.

⁹ 7 ounces in 47 cities, 12 ounces in 9 cities.

¹⁰ 12 ounces.

¹¹ Priced in 46 cities.

¹² 12 ounces in 4 cities, 10 ounces in 3 cities, 8 ounces in 3 cities.

¹³ Average price not computed for United States.

¹⁴ 10 ounces.

¹⁵ Published as dressed, beginning September 15, 1952.

¹⁶ Priced in 28 cities January through August, priced in 23 cities September through December.

¹⁷ Specification changed from dressed to ready-to-cook, effective September 15, 1952.

¹⁸ Published as ready-to-cook, beginning September 15, 1952.

¹⁹ Priced in 28 cities January through August, priced in 33 cities September through December.

²⁰ Cod, fillet, frozen.

²¹ Haddock, fillet, fresh.

²² Salmon, fresh or frozen.

²³ Priced in 47 cities.

²⁴ Sea trout, fresh, dressed.

²⁵ Halibut, fresh or frozen.

²⁶ Specification changed from 16 ounces to 12 ounces, effective January 15, 1952.

²⁷ No. 2½ can.

²⁸ Size range changed from 4½-4¾ ounces to 4¾-5 ounces, beginning May 15, 1952.

²⁹ Specification changed from medium to large prunes, effective April 15, 1952.

³⁰ Specification changed from 6-bottle carton in 56 cities, to carton of 6, 6-ounce bottles in 54 cities, carton of 6, 10-ounce bottles in 1 city, and carton of 6, 12-ounce bottles in 1 city, effective September 15, 1952.

³¹ Average price for 56 cities January through August, and for 54 cities September through December.

³² 12 ounces.

³³ 10 ounces.

³⁴ Priced in 9 cities January through July, and in 6 cities August through December. United States average price not computed after July.

³⁵ Uncolored margarine priced from January through July, colored margarine priced from August through December.

³⁶ Priced in 47 cities January through July, and in 50 cities August through December.

APPENDIX

Brief Description of Retail Food Price Index

The Retail Food Price Index, a component of the Consumers' Price Index, measures average changes in retail prices of a fixed list of foods of constant quantity and quality, bought by moderate-income families in large cities. This is in line with the general purpose of the Consumers' Price Index of measuring how much more or less it costs at one time than at another to purchase a fixed list of goods.¹ The index is not designed to measure how much more it costs to live in one city than in another.²

Retail food prices were first collected in 1903, when the Bureau's representatives obtained prices for the years 1890 through 1903 from grocers' records. At that time, 30 foods were priced in 171 representative cities in 33 States. Since then changes in the lists of foods and in the number of cities have been made, with the number of foods varying between 16 and 87 and the number of cities between 39 and 171. The base period, collection and computation methods, and techniques have also changed from time to time.

In 1951 and 1952, the Bureau published retail prices of 59 foods in 56 cities. Each month about 80,000 quotations were collected from 1,650 independent stores and 150 chain organizations representing 6,500 chain stores, or a total of about 8,150 stores.

Store Sample Selection

In selecting the sample of stores for food price reports, the Bureau has taken into

¹ A detailed discussion of the Consumers' Price Index is presented in the bulletin, *Consumers' Prices in the United States, 1942-48* (Bull. 966). The index as it was computed through 1941 is described in *Changes in Cost of Living in Large Cities in the United States 1913-41* (Bull. 699).

² A special study of differences in costs between cities is presented in *The City Worker's Family Budget* in the *Monthly Labor Review*, February 1948 (also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1909).

account type of store in terms of foods handled, size of store as measured by sales volume, and geographic location within the city.

Revisions in store samples are made from time to time, to maintain the accuracy of the Bureau's food price index. The latest complete sample revision took place between September 1945 and June 1946.³ At that time the size of the sample of independent stores in each city was changed so as to be equal to the square root of the total number of independent food stores operating in the city. This relationship was employed since the ratio necessary to obtain stable average prices in a small city is higher than is necessary for a large metropolitan area.

A complete listing of all independent stores in each of the 56 cities was classified according to type of commodities handled-- combination stores (groceries and meats), groceries only, meats only, produce markets, etc. The listing for each store type was further classified by sales volume class-- under \$50,000, \$50,000 and under \$250,000, and \$250,000 and over annual sales volume. Stores were further distributed within city areas and a random selection then made within each area to fulfill the sample requirements. The result was a self-weighting sample of independent stores based on current distribution of total independent store sales in each city. The Bureau continued to include all important chain stores in each city.

Collection of Prices

The Bureau collects retail prices of 59 foods in each of the 56 large cities included in its Retail Food Price Index, during the first 3 days of the week containing the fifteenth of the month. Local Bureau repre-

³ See *Store Samples for Retail Food Prices* in *Monthly Labor Review* for January 1947; also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1878.

representatives collect retail food prices from grocers who report voluntarily. The representatives are provided with a description (specification) of the quality for which price quotations are desired. Within the range of each specification, they are instructed to secure a price for the type, brand, etc., sold in greatest volume in each store. Specifications are defined precisely enough to insure a meaningful average price and avoid movement in the index because of shifts in the quality priced from one period to the next. They are also broad enough, within limitations, to provide an adequate number of quotations and to allow for city and regional differences in grades, types, package sizes, etc.

Prices were obtained for items found to be most important in wage earners' family budgets as shown by a comprehensive study in 1934-36, until the interim adjustment of 1950, when more recent 1947-49 data were available. The selection of the index items also takes into account similarity of price changes, since it is impossible for the Bureau to collect prices for all of the many foods purchased by families. Price movements of foods not included in the monthly surveys are imputed to those of other foods or food groups showing similar price trends, by means of allocation of weights.

Processing

Each month, the Bureau's field representatives return their pricing schedules to the Washington office, where they are edited carefully for conformance to the required specifications; conversions to uniform quantity unit are made as necessary, and weighting factors are entered in preparation for machine tabulation. The data are then processed by machine tabulation.

The Retail Food Price Index is a fixed-base-weighted-aggregate index. Weighting factors are used to maintain appropriate relationships, (1) among chain stores (outlet weights), (2) between chain and independent stores (chain-independent ratio), (3) among foods in each city (consumption weights), and (4) among cities (population weights).

Average prices for each food in each city are computed separately for chain and independent stores. Weighting factors (called outlet weights) based on annual volume sales of retail reporters are used in calculating average prices for chain stores within each city. A simple average of inde-

pendent store prices is obtained, since the sample was selected to be a self-weighting sample. Chain and independent average prices for a city are combined by use of chain-independent ratios to obtain average prices for the city. This chain-independent ratio is based on the percentage of total food sales in a city made by chains and by independent stores.

Consumption weights (called quantity weighting factors) for each city are applied to the individual food prices to give them their correct proportions in the city's group and all-foods indexes. These weights were based on consumer expenditure data obtained in 1934-36 until the interim adjustment of the index in 1950, when more recent 1947-49 data were available. The resulting weighted aggregates are combined to obtain indexes for the major food groups and for all foods combined.

City population weights are employed in obtaining average prices and indexes for 56 cities combined. These weights are based on the population of the metropolitan area containing the city in which prices are collected and that of cities in the same region and size class. Adjustments in these population weights were made in February 1943 in accordance with Census Bureau estimates of changes in population from April 1940 to May 1942, based on the registrations for the sugar-ration book; and again in 1950, using the 1950 Decennial Census data. Table A shows the population weights now in use.

Relative Importance

The relative importance of the individual foods in the overall index is computed and released by the Bureau once each year.⁴

These relative importance figures are percentage distributions of the values of the individual foods in the index as of a certain date. The values are obtained by multiplying the quantity consumption weights by the average prices for the specified date. Thus, the relative importance figures are not weights in themselves. They change from time to time as prices for the various foods change at different rates, since the consumption weights used in their computation remain constant. Table B presents a list of the foods included in the index, and relative

⁴ See Consumers' Price Index: Relative Importance of Components, in the Monthly Labor Review for August 1948; also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1933.

importance (percentage) of each in the all-foods index for 56 large cities combined, for the base period (1935-39), December 1951, and December 1952.

Revisions

To maintain the accuracy of the index, special tests and surveys from which revisions may develop, are made from time to time. As procedures change and revisions are made, indexes are linked (made equal in a given month) so that changes arising from the mechanics of revisions do not alter the level of the index and it continues to reflect price movements only. Some of the more important recent revisions are described below.

Adjustments to wartime and then to post-war conditions were made in March 1943 and February 1946. In March 1943, quantity weights of 27 foods were reduced in line with anticipated 1943 supplies available to consumers under rationing regulations, and weights of 26 less scarce commodities were increased.⁵ At the same time 7 foods were added to the index. The chain-independent store ratio was revised on the basis of latest available estimates of changes in volume of food sold through chains and independent stores. Five cities were added to the index, increasing the total number from 51 to 56. The population weights were changed to take into account the marked shifts in population during wartime.

In February 1946, the Retail Food Price Index was again revised to eliminate the special wartime adjustments.⁶ Pre-war consumption weights were restored, with minor adjustments to retain the 7 items added to the index in 1943, and outlet weights within cities were changed, using the latest sales volume data available.

The computation of average prices for chain and independent stores, separately, was initiated at this time. Formerly the ratio between the two types of stores was used in computing city averages but the computation procedure did not maintain the fixed ratio when the number of quotations varied from period to period. The revised procedure was an improvement in that the

⁵ See Bureau of Labor Statistics Cost-of-Living Index in Wartime, in the Monthly Labor Review for July 1943; also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1545.

⁶ See Store Samples for Retail Food Prices, in the Monthly Labor Review for January 1947; also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1878.

stability of the averages would be affected less by short supplies, since the chain-independent ratio would remain fixed, even though some reporters were unable to furnish price quotations every collection date because of food shortages.

During this revision some changes in editing were also introduced. The sample of stores was considered large enough that minor changes in the sample of stores or shifts from one brand to another within specification did not require adjustment for comparability in computing indexes. Index numbers for individual items which were begun at this time are used in obtaining percentage changes, rather than prices, since major differences in the sample and in specifications are still taken care of in the index by linking.

After February 1946, sales taxes were no longer included in the published average prices, but were incorporated in the index for each city. Average prices in cities having sales taxes were reduced by the amount of tax formerly included.

In August 1947, the list of foods included in the index was reduced from 62 to 50, a new subgroup for meats (excluding poultry and fish) was added, and the number of quotations from independent stores for dry groceries and staples was reduced.⁷ This reduction did not materially affect the accuracy of the average prices because of the small amount of price variation from store to store for these foods.

In 1949, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began a 3-year revision of its Consumers' Price Index, calling for a review of the entire structure of the Consumers' Price Index. It is expected that this comprehensive revision will be released by the Bureau beginning in 1953.

Interim Adjustment of the Retail Food Price Index.--During the summer of 1950, world conditions made necessary certain immediate revisions in the Consumers' Price Index, including the Retail Food Price Index.

With the publication of the September 15, 1950, index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics announced its intention to publish an interim adjustment of the index. In this temporary adjustment, the following revisions were introduced in the Retail Food Price Index as

⁷ See Revision of Retail Food Price Index in August 1947, in the Monthly Labor Review, October 1948; also reprinted as Serial No. R. 1941.

of January 1950, and published with the January 1951 index:

1. City population weights were revised, using the 1950 Decennial Census Data.

2. Ten new food items were added to the list priced in the index. Food items added because of their increased importance in family spending were frozen strawberries, frozen orange juice concentrate, frozen peas, and canned baby food. Food items added because they were necessary to improve measurement of price movements were frankfurters, ice cream, cola drinks, and grape jelly, and layer cake in 46 cities and jelly roll in 10 cities.

3. Commodity weights were revised to reflect current family spending habits, based on recent expenditure surveys. In arriving at these weights the Bureau made use of its most recent expenditure surveys in 7 cities since 1947, similar surveys by the United States Department of Agriculture in 4 cities, and trade and official sources on production, marketing, sales, and other facts pertinent to consumption and expenditures.

The new Adjusted Indexes were computed back to January 1950. These will now replace the "old index series" and until the final index revision in January 1953, all figures published will refer to the adjusted series, unless otherwise indicated. See table 1 for "old index series" for large cities combined.

The new Adjusted Retail Food Price Index was linked to the "old index series" in January 1950 to form a continuous series

since 1913. The retail food price indexes originally published for January 1950 and earlier dates have not been changed.

In this adjustment of the index, no changes were made in the basic index formula, calculation procedures, or price collection methods.

Beginning with prices for January 1953, the Bureau will publish a revised Retail Food Price Index. Some cities priced currently will be dropped, and some medium-sized and small cities, ranging down to 2,500 population, will be included. Thus, the index for the first time will measure the effect of price change on the living costs of all urban wage earners and clerical workers.

The new index will include direct pricing for more foods and will incorporate many other improvements made possible by the development of statistical techniques over the last decade.

Publications

Retail food price data were issued regularly through 1952 as follows:

1. Consumers' Price Index and Retail Food Prices (monthly--mimeographed).
2. Retail Food Prices by Cities (monthly--mimeographed).
3. Retail Food Prices by Cities--Annual Averages (annually--mimeographed) through 1951 only.
4. Monthly Labor Review (monthly).
5. Retail Prices of Food (annually).

TABLE A.--POPULATION WEIGHTS USED IN COMPUTING RETAIL FOOD PRICES AND INDEXES FOR 56 CITIES COMBINED

City	Weight	City	Weight	City	Weight
	Percent		Percent		Percent
56 cities combined-----	100.0	Indianapolis, Ind-----	1.0	Peoria, Ill-----	.6
Atlanta, Ga-----	1.6	Jackson, Miss-----	.2	Philadelphia, Pa-----	7.1
Baltimore, Md-----	1.6	Jacksonville, Fla-----	1.5	Pittsburgh, Pa-----	4.1
Birmingham, Ala-----	1.6	Kansas City, Mo-----	1.2	Portland, Maine-----	.2
Boston, Mass-----	3.8	Knoxville, Tenn-----	.4	Portland, Oreg-----	.9
Bridgeport, Conn-----	.5	Little Rock, Ark-----	.2	Providence, R.I-----	.9
Buffalo, N. Y-----	1.6	Los Angeles, Calif-----	6.0	Richmond, Va-----	.9
Butte, Mont-----	.1	Louisville, Ky-----	.9	Rochester, N. Y-----	2.2
Cedar Rapids, Iowa-----	.1	Manchester, N. H-----	.1	St. Louis, Mo-----	2.2
Charleston, S. C-----	.4	Memphis, Tenn-----	.6	St. Paul, Minn-----	.6
Chicago, Ill-----	7.2	Milwaukee, Wis-----	1.5	Salt Lake City, Utah-----	.3
Cincinnati, Ohio-----	1.6	Minneapolis, Minn-----	1.1	San Francisco, Calif-----	3.8
Cleveland, Ohio-----	3.3	Mobile, Ala-----	.3	Savannah, Ga-----	.2
Columbus, Ohio-----	1.3	Newark, N. J-----	4.2	Scranton, Pa-----	.8
Dallas, Tex-----	2.1	New Haven, Conn-----	1.4	Seattle, Wash-----	1.5
Denver, Colo-----	.8	New Orleans, La-----	1.1	Springfield, Ill-----	.3
Detroit, Mich-----	5.6	New York, N. Y-----	12.0	Washington, D. C-----	1.8
Fall River, Mass-----	.2	Norfolk, Va-----	.7	Wichita, Kans-----	.3
Houston, Tex-----	2.3	Omaha, Nebr-----	1.0	Winston-Salem, N. C-----	.2

TABLE B. --LIST OF FOODS AND RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF INDIVIDUAL FOODS AND GROUPS OF FOODS INCLUDED IN THE RETAIL FOOD PRICE INDEX, IN THE BASE PERIOD (1935-39=100), DECEMBER 1951, AND DECEMBER 1952

Food	1935-39	December	December	Food	1935-39	December	December
	average	1951	1952		average	1951	1952
	Percent	Percent	Percent		Percent	Percent	Percent
All foods	100.0	100.0	100.0				
Cereals and bakery products	15.6	11.10	11.45	Fruits and vegetables	21.6	20.64	20.84
Cereals:				Frozen fruits and vegetables	(1)	.66	.62
Flour, wheat	1.8	1.65	1.66	Frozen fruits:			
Macaroni	1.0	(1)	(1)	Strawberries	(1)	.21	.20
Corn flakes	1.4	.43	.44	Orange juice concentrate	(1)	.11	.09
Corn meal	.3	.11	.12	Frozen vegetables: Peas	(1)	.34	.33
Rice	(2)	.20	.22	Fresh fruits and vegetables	16.5	14.03	14.10
Rolled oats	(1)	.23	.23	Fresh fruits:			
Bakery products:				Apples	2.1	.80	1.10
Bread, white	6.7	6.08	6.36	Bananas	1.4	1.33	1.34
Bread, whole wheat	.8	(1)	(1)	Oranges	3.4	1.90	1.93
Bread, rye	1.2	(1)	(1)	Fresh vegetables:			
Vanilla cookies	1.8	.79	.79	Beans, green	.8	.66	.73
Soda crackers	.6	(1)	(1)	Cabbage	.7	.64	.50
Layer cake and jellyroll	(1)	1.61	1.63	Carrots	.9	.95	.83
Meats, poultry, and fish	28.2	32.84	32.21	Lettuce	1.7	1.67	1.19
Meats:	22.4	24.58	23.28	Onions	1.1	.81	1.04
Beef:				Potatoes	3.2	2.88	3.29
Round steak	3.8	4.60	4.44	Spinach	.8	(1)	(1)
Rib roast	4.6	1.45	1.37	Sweetpotatoes	.4	.43	.51
Chuck roast	1.7	1.99	1.85	Tomatoes	(1)	1.96	1.64
Frankfurters	(1)	2.87	2.72	Canned fruits and vegetables	4.1	5.34	5.48
Hamburger	(1)	3.78	3.30	Canned fruits:			
Veal: Cutlets	1.9	1.07	1.02	Peaches	.6	.94	.94
Pork:				Pineapple	.4	.64	.64
Chops	3.5	2.89	2.83	Canned vegetables:			
Bacon, sliced	1.9	1.40	1.45	Corn	.7	1.02	1.08
Ham, whole	2.2	1.81	1.86	Tomatoes	1.5	1.35	1.38
Salt pork	.3	.24	.26	Peas	.9	.75	.79
Lamb:				Baby foods	(1)	.64	.65
Leg	1.2	2.48	2.18	Dried fruits and vegetables	1.0	.61	.64
Rib chops	1.3	(1)	(1)	Dried fruits: Prunes	.6	.24	.24
Poultry:				Dried vegetables: Navy beans	.4	.37	.40
Roasting chickens	3.3	(1)	(1)	Beverages	3.4	6.93	7.00
Frying chickens	(1)	5.36	6.14	Coffee	2.6	5.17	5.20
Fish:				Tea	.8	(1)	(1)
Fish (fresh, frozen)	1.7	1.90	1.87	Cola drinks	(1)	1.76	1.80
Salmon, pink	.8	1.00	.92	Fats and oils	3.2	2.72	2.43
Dairy products	19.1	17.85	18.36	Lard	1.1	.41	.29
Butter	5.4	2.59	2.43	Other shortening	.7	(1)	(1)
Cheese	1.6	1.66	1.74	Hydrogenated shortening	(1)	1.01	.91
Milk, fresh (delivered)	3 11.1	6.36	6.67	Mayonnaise	.9	(1)	(1)
Milk, fresh (grocery)	(3)	4.80	5.00	Salad dressing	(1)	.69	.65
Ice cream	(1)	1.55	1.58	Margarine	.3	.61	.58
Milk, evaporated	1.0	.89	.94	Peanut butter	.2	(1)	(1)
Eggs, fresh	5.5	5.17	4.87	Sugar and sweets	3.4	2.75	2.84
				Sugar	3.4	1.96	2.05
				Grape jelly	(1)	.79	.79

¹ Not priced.

² Not included in index.

³ Not given separately for delivered and grocery milk.