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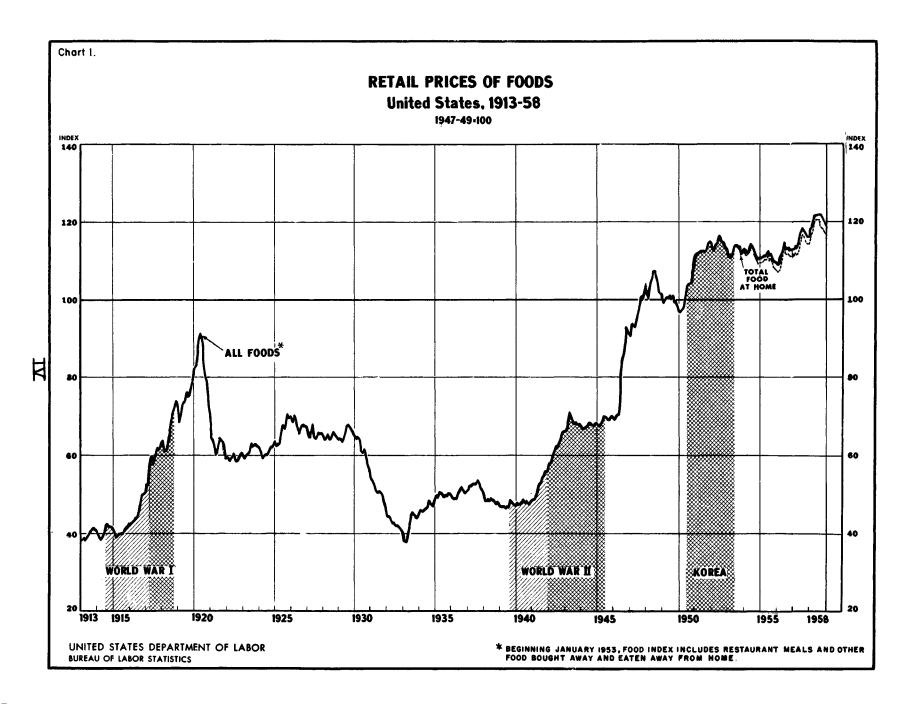


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Summary

Retail prices of foods in the U.S. Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index increased 5.1 percent from December 1956 to December 1958, more than double the increase of 2.3 percent in the previous 2-year period. Annual average prices for foods for 1957 and 1958 were the highest since 1952, approximately 15 percent and 20 percent, respectively, above the 1947-49 average. With the exception of the other foods group, which includes eggs, coffee, partially prepared and miscellaneous food items, all major groups contributed to the overall increase.

Starting at the December 1956 level, the total food index followed its usual seasonal pattern during 1957, fluctuating within narrow limits the early part of the year, rising to a high in midyear, and declining in the fall. After October, the index remained virtually unchanged but at a level well above the previous year. In 1958, however, substantial price increases in the first half of the year for most groups caused the index to rise sharply and contraseasonally to an all-time high in July 1958 of 121.7 percent of the 1947-49 average. Following the sharp increase, the index declined slightly in August and continued downward moderately through December 1958, ending the year only 2.5 percent below the July peak.

The total food index reflected an increase from December 1956 through December 1958 of 5.0 percent for food at home and 6.2 percent for food away from home (restaurant meals). It moved very closely in the pattern of the index for food at home, which represents over 80 percent of the index weight. The index for food away from home rose almost continually over the 2-year period. The most important factor in the rise in food at home index was the

Table 1.	Percent	Changes	in Retail	Food Prices	in the	United States	for	Selected Periods
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Group and subgroup	Previous peak August 1952 to July 1958 peak	March 1956 low to July 1958 peak	December 1954 to December 1956	December 1956 to December 1958
Total food Food away from home Total food at home	+ 4.4 (1/) + 3.3	+11.7 + 8.0 +12.3	+ 2.3 + 4.1 + 1.8	+ 5.1 + 6.2 + 5.0
Cereals and bakery products————————————————————————————————————	+13.1 2 - 5.5 + 9.h -20.6 + 3.6 + 1.3 +11.1 +17.7 +10.9 + 9.0 +21.8 - 1.1 + 6.0 + 9.6 +11.h -22.7	+ 6.8 +28.4 +36.0 +42.5 - 2.2 + 7.7 +5.1 +14.9 +16.5 +19.9 + 4.5 + 1.0 - 4.3 + 6.7 + 9.8 - 3.1	+ 3.3 - 4.1 6 - 5.9 - 7.4 8 + 4.2 + 8.3 + 11.8 + 11.3 + 4.3 + 4.3 + 2.0 + 2.9 - 2.0 + 9.0	+ 5.2 +15.3 +22.7 +1h.h - 7.6 +10.1 + 2.7 + 2.3 +21.9 - 1.6 + 6.2 + 9.3 - 3.1 -15.0 + .1 + 8.2 + .7

^{1/} Data not available.

^{1/} Prepared in the Bureau's Prices and Cost of Living Division by Helen O. Molnar.

increase in prices of meats, the result of reduced production of beef and pork throughout 1957 and 1958 with resultant high prices. Other major factors were increased prices for dairy products, bread, frozen fruit (primarily orange concentrate), and sugar. Partly offsetting these increases were decreases for coffee, poultry, and fresh fruits and vegetables.

Percent changes in retail food prices by group and subgroup for significant periods are shown in table 1. Indexes of retail food prices from 1913 to date and for commodity groups and subgroups from 1923 through 1958 are shown in tables 3 and 4. The movement of retail food prices for important groups of commodities from 1947 through 1958 is shown in chart 2.

Changes in Retail Food Prices by Cities

Marked increases in retail food prices were recorded in all 20 large cities where prices are obtained by the Bureau, over the 2-year period, December 1956 to December 1958. Increases in prices for all foods ranged from 3.3 percent in Detroit to 6.8 percent in Los Angeles. Major factors which caused these increases were higher prices for meats, poultry, and fish, with increases ranging from 11.1 percent in Los Angeles to 19.2 percent in Portland, Oreg. Higher prices for cereals and bakery products in all 20 cities also contributed to the overall increase. Prices for dairy products, too, were up in 15 of the 20 cities and fruits and vegetables prices rose in 17 cities. Other foods, however, decreased in all of the 20 large cities, reflecting the sharp reduction in coffee prices.

Table 2. Retail Food Prices -- Percent Changes by City, and by Subgroup, December 1956-December 1958

City	Total food	Food at home	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other foods at home
United States	+ 5.1	+ 5.0.	+ 5.2	+15.3	+ 2.7	+ 2.3	- 3.1
Atlanta	+ 364443436455455545 + 364443436455455545 + 554545 + 5545 + 5545 + 5545 + 5545 + 5545	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	- 4.9 + 1.7 + 5.1 + 1.6 + 5.6 + 6.2 + 4.2 + 5.3 + 3.1 + 11.0 + 4.0 + 6.8 + 5.8 + 7.8 + 1.7 + 6.6 + 8.6 + 7.4 + 3.6	+15.9 +13.6 +18.0 +15.6 +12.9 +13.0 +15.4 +16.6 +15.6 +11.1 +15.8 +12.8 +13.1 +16.4 +17.4 +17.4 +17.4	+ 1.0 + 4.4 + 1.5 + 1.4 + 1.8 + 1.8 - 1.0 - 0.5 2 + 4.7 - 3.4 + 7.5 + 2.7 + 3.0 + 3.0 + 3.2 + 4.2 8 + 1.6	+ 0.8 + 3.8 + 4.7 + 2.0 + 4.7 + 1.4 - 1.2 + 3.1 7 + 9.6 + 2.4 + 4.1 - 1.9 + 1.5 + 5.4 + 2.9 + 3.0	- 3.3 - 3.8 - 1.6 - 3.1 - 4.8 - 4.7 - 5.2 - 3.9 - 2.9 - 1.8 - 4.3 - 4.0 - 4.1 - 3.7 - 2.6 - 4.4 - 1.3 - 3.9 - 2.7 - 2.7 - 2.6 - 4.8 - 1.3 - 3.5 - 1.7

Meats, Poultry, and Fish. Prices of meats, poultry, and fish rose 15.3 percent from December 1956 to December 1958. Beginning in January 1957, both meats and poultry increased steadily, bringing the index for the group to a 1957 peak in August. The upward movement was principally due to the reduced production of beef, veal, and pork after the record production of both cattle and hogs, which had resulted in abundant meat supplies and resultant low prices in 1956. Following a seasonal decline from August through November 1957, the index registered sharp advances, reaching a high in July 1958 of 119.2 (1947-49=100), only 2.0 percent below the previous peak of August 1952. Thereafter, with prices again decreasing seasonally in most subgroups, the index for the group declined by December 1958 to 113.0 percent of the 1947-49 average.

In the first 3 months of 1957, beef and veal prices continued downward from their 1956 fall peak. However, after March 1957, prices moved upward through September and showed only slight fluctuations in the last few months of the year. Beginning in January 1958, as beef production continued below a year earlier, prices advanced sharply to a peak for the year in June only 8 percent below the high of November 1951. Thereafter, prices did not experience their usual fall decline but showed little change for the balance of 1958 and ended the year considerably above the December 1956 level. The increase in prices over the 2 years was 22.7 percent.

Prices of pork increased more sharply than prices of beef during the early part of 1957, with only a slight interruption in March as ample pork supplies from the 1956 crop reached markets. By August, prices reached a peak only 2.1 percent below the postwar peak of May 1954, as a result of the smallest midsummer storage stocks in 12 years. Seasonally increased marketings of hogs at heavy weights in the early fall caused a drop in pork prices through November. However, with lower than anticipated pork production from the late fall crop of 1957, prices advanced sharply through July 1958, reaching a high 1.3 percent above the 1957 peak and 1.2 percent below the May 1954 postwar peak. The usual leveling off or decrease in prices, which normally occurs in the early spring as a result of heavier marketings from previous fall crops, did not occur in 1958. As fall marketings increased, pork prices declined after August, ending the year at 14.4 percent above the December 1956 level.

Lamb prices generally followed the upward movement of prices of the meats, poultry, and fish group, rising in the first part of each year and leveling off for the balance of the year. Prices over the 2-year period, December 1956 to December 1958, increased 13.6 percent.

Chicken prices fluctuated seasonally over the 2 years, but reached new lows towards the end of each year as production continued to reach new highs. Prices increased from the previous low of December 1956 to a seasonal peak in July and August 1957, dropping back in September through December to levels below 1956. In 1958, prices of chickens again increased through March to levels almost equal to those of June 1957. Prices remained at a high level through July, but thereafter decreased rapidly as new record supplies depressed prices. In December 1958, prices of chickens averaged only 69.0 percent of their 1947-49 average, 7.6 percent below December 1956.

Fruits and Vegetables. Average prices of the total fruit and vegetable index increased 2.3 percent between December 1956 and December 1958. All subgroups advanced over the 2-year period with the exception of fresh fruits and vegetables. As of December 1958, frozen fruits and vegetables had increased 21.9 percent; dried, 9.3 percent; and canned, 6.2 percent, above their December 1956 levels. On the other hand, fresh fruits and vegetables decreased 1.6 percent over the 2-year period.

During 1957, normal seasonal patterns were followed by most fruits and vegetables but with all subgroups showing decreases at the end of the year. In the first half of 1958, however, as a result of below freezing temperatures in mid-December 1957 and again in January 1958 in major producing areas of winter crops of vegetables and citrus fruits, all subgroups registered sharp contraseasonal price advances. Stepped up production of some fruits and vegetables in mid-1958 then brought a substantial decrease in the fresh fruit and vegetable subgroup. However, the upward trend begun in January 1958 for the frozen, canned, and dried fruit and vegetable subgroups continued throughout 1958.

Major factors in the overall decrease in the index for fresh fruits and vegetables were marked declines in prices for fresh vegetables, particularly tomatoes, potatoes, green beans, lettuce, and celery. As a result of increased acreage for 1958 spring and summer crops to make up for lost winter crops, supplies of these vegetables exceeded those of previous years and caused prices to decline by December to levels 2.4 and 5.4 percent below those of December 1957 and December 1956, respectively.

Potato prices, partly influenced by a Government diversion payment program, fluctuated moderately during the first half of 1957, reaching a high in July 13 percent above the December 1956 price. With the conclusion of the 1956-57 program, prices declined seasonally through October 1957 under pressure of a heavy late spring and summer crop, which was about 22 percent in excess of the 1956 crop. In view of an expected large fall crop, a Government diversion program was again initiated in September 1957 to continue to May 1958. From the low in October, potato prices increased 47.2 percent by April 1958. Approximately one-third of the 1957-58 Florida crop (principal source of new potatoes for early spring consumption) was badly damaged by the December and January frosts. The California winter crop was also about one-third less than in 1957 and storage stocks as of January 1, 1958, were 11 percent less than in January 1957. The sharp increase in potato prices brought to an end the Government diversion program in March 1958 2/. As the supply situation eased with late spring and early summer crops coming to market, potato prices started downward abruptly, reaching a low in October 11.9 percent below that of October 1957 and ending the year 3.7 percent below the December 1956 level.

Prices for tomatoes declined during the first 2 months of 1957 as a result of a large winter crop as well as substantial imports from Mexico. Thereafter, prices fluctuated sharply with availability of supplies. Highest prices during 1957 occurred in May and lowest prices in September. By December 1957, prices for tomatoes had moved up to within 6 percent of the December 1956 level. As a result of the virtual failure of the 1957-58 Florida crop (principal source of the winter crop of tomatoes), prices rose sharply during the first 4 months of 1958. With the influx of a larger supply of late spring and summer crops, tomato prices dropped 35.6 percent in 1 month -- May to June. The downward movement continued through September, with prices rising again seasonally to a December 1958 level 11.2 percent below December 1956 prices.

Cabbage prices increased over the first few months of 1957 due to low carryover stocks and substantially lower production of winter cabbage in all producing areas. For the next 7 months, prices declined somewhat, but moved up in December to end the year 12.4 percent above the December 1956 level. Drastically reduced carryover stocks as of January 1, 1958, and increased demand, largely because of curtailed supplies of many other fresh vegetables, caused cabbage prices to jump 26 percent in January 1958. Prices continued upward for the next 2 months. However, ample late spring and summer crops resulted in sharp decreases until November when prices began rising. Prices at the end of the year were only

^{2/} Total diversions under the program amounted to 10.8 million hundredweight compared with 11.3 million hundredweight to the same date under the 1956-57 program.

slightly higher than in December 1956.

Prices of green beans fluctuated in a seasonal pattern over the year 1957, with highest prices occurring in March and lowest in September, ending the year 15 percent below December 1956. As a result of severe damage to the winter crop, prices jumped approximately 55 percent from December 1957 to January 1958. With little or no supplies on the markets, prices were not available in February and March. As shipments of late spring crops picked up in April, sharp price decreases followed with lowest prices occurring in August, considerably below 1957 levels. Although prices moved upward in the remaining months, the December 1958 prices averaged 19 percent lower than the December 1956 price.

Lettuce prices followed the same pattern as green beans although changes were not as exaggerated. In 1957, the seasonally low and high prices occurred in March and August, respectively. Prices in the winter of 1957-58 were well below those of a year earlier but increased contraseasonally in the spring of 1958, partly due to shortage of other fresh vegetables. After a sharp decline in midsummer, prices increased irregularly until the end of the year. Average prices at the end of the 2-year period were 12.9 percent lower than at the end of 1956, as a result of ample supplies.

Onion prices during the first half of 1957 exhibited sharp increases, reflecting smaller carryover stocks. After midyear, with ample supplies of late spring onions and the prospect of a large summer production, prices rapidly declined through October. By April 1958, prices were up sharply as a result of greatly reduced winter crops because of adverse growing conditions, and even smaller remaining supplies of carryover stock than a year earlier. Prices dropped in May and continued downward gradually. Due to lower yields in spring and summer crops, prices in October 1958 were approximately 10 percent above the low a year earlier and ended the year 23.6 percent above the December 1956 level.

In contrast to fresh vegetables, fresh fruits increased in price over the 2-year period. A relatively small decline in 1957 was followed by a rise of about 5.5 percent in 1958, due to substantial price increases for oranges and grapefruit, occasioned by severely curtailed supplies the early part of 1958. These increases were partly offset by substantially lower prices in the latter part of 1958 for apples as a result of a large 1958 fall crop. Other fruits, which maintained relatively low levels from December 1956 to December 1958, also reduced the average rise for fresh fruits over this period.

Orange prices fluctuated within narrow limits at relatively low prices the first half of 1957 under pressure of large remaining supplies of the 1956-57 crops. Sluggish demands, especially from processors of canned and frozen orange products, were also an influencing factor. After midyear, prices increased steadily, reaching a peak in October as supplies of California Valencias dwindled. Thereafter, as marketings of the Florida crop increased, prices began a downward trend. It was estimated that the total 1957-58 Florida crop would be the first to reach and pass the 100 million box mark. However, as a result of the mid-December 1957 and January 1958 freezing temperatures, which seriously damaged fruit and trees, a revised estimate indicated that the crop would be the smallest since 1950. With extremely limited supplies, prices increased sharply to an alltime high of 87.3 cents per dozen in October 1958, an increase of 52.1 percent above the December 1957 price. As light shipments of early and midseason oranges started in October, prices turned downward, but with continuing increased demands for fresh market as well as processing, prices ended the year 21.7 percent higher than December 1957 and 23.7 percent higher than December 1956.

Prices of lemons, after a slight increase in January 1957, fluctuated seasonally throughout most of the 2-year period, averaging 7.7 percent lower in December 1958 as compared with the December 1956 prices. Large holdover stocks at the beginning of each year accounted for the drop.

Apple prices, which normally increase seasonally the first half of each year, experienced unusually sharp advances in both early 1957 and early 1958. A 58-percent price increase by June 1957 was caused by light storage stocks at the beginning of the year as well as by strong demands for fresh and processing uses. Although stocks in storage as of January 1958 were much larger than a year earlier, by midyear prices rose to within 1 percent of the June 1957 high, as consumer demands increased because of reduced supplies of citrus stocks. The appearance of new crop apples in the fall of each year was followed by seasonally low prices through November. December 1958 prices averaged 11.5 percent below December 1956, as a result of a large 1958 crop of apples remaining for processing and storage.

Prices of bananas rose 3.1 percent during the 2-year period. In the early part of 1957, prices declined under pressure of ample supplies. Severe storms in Honduras in late May reduced supplies for imports and prices increased sharply. However, as supplies increased, prices took a downward turn, and, at the end of the year, averaged 7.6 percent below those of December 1956. With increased demands for other fruits as a result of the shortage of citrus fruits, prices for bananas rose during January and February 1958 and fluctuated slightly through July. In August, banana prices jumped to an all time high of 19.1 cents per pound. Considerable damage by storms to plantations in Central and South America greatly curtailed supplies for fall and winter consumption. Prices at the end of 1958 averaged 17 cents per pound.

Prices of frozen fruits and vegetables declined during 1957, and at the end of the year averaged 2.7 percent below the December 1956 level. Price movements throughout the year were influenced by lower prices for frozen orange concentrates, peas, and strawberries as a result of heavy packs. Although frozen green beans rose steadily during the year, the increase was offset by decreases for the other items in the frozen fruits and vegetables subgroup. In January 1958, the index rose sharply and continued upward throughout the year, averaging 21.9 percent above the December 1956 level by the year's end. This reflected sharp increases for frozen orange concentrate as prices soared to 28.9 cents per 6-ounce can, compared with a December 1956 price of 19.2 cents and a low of 17.5 cents in mid-1957.

The price movement of canned fruits and vegetables was primarily influenced by canned orange juice. During 1957, prices for other canned fruits and vegetables fluctuated only slightly; whereas, prices for orange juice dropped 13.5 percent because of large supplies on hand. Starting in January 1958, the index began an abrupt upward movement, reflecting increases for orange juice as well as canned tomatoes. Other canned items remained fairly stable throughout 1958. Canned tomatoes rose sharply in the first half of the year and then declined as increased supplies of fresh tomatoes appeared on the markets. On the other hand, orange juice prices continued to rise steadily throughout the year and ended the 2-year period 18 percent higher than the December 1956 price. Although canned tomatoes declined after midyear, the index for canned fruits and vegetables continued to rise for the balance of 1958, reflecting the continued increases for orange juice which reached a high of \(\frac{1}{2} \) cents per \(\frac{1}{2} \) cents in December 1958, compared with the December 1956 price of 39.1 cents and a low of 33.8 cents in late 1957.

Dried fruit and vegetable prices averaged higher in 1958 than in 1957, and showed an increase of 9.3 percent above December 1956 levels. Decreased production of dried prunes, 33.0 percent smaller than the 1957 crop, a result of unfavorable weather conditions, brought higher prices and influenced the upward price movement of the dried fruits and vegetables group in 1958.

Cereals and Bakery Products. During 1957 and 1958, cereals and bakery products continued the steady upward trend begun in 1950, increasing 5.2 percent over the 2-year period. All items within this group showed marked increases, reflecting higher processing and distribution costs.

Prices for bread, the major item within this group, rose 7 percent, with advances in 23 of the 24 months during the 2 years. Increases in prices during the period ranged from 0.2 cents to 2.9 cents per pound among the 20 large cities where prices are obtained by the Bureau. Rolled cats rose sharply during the first half of 1957 (12.9 percent), due to higher prices for oats following the smallest crop in 12 years. Thereafter, prices for rolled cats continued to rise steadily, averaging 15.1 percent higher at the end of 1958 than 2 years earlier. Increased processing costs accounted for a rise of 13.9 percent in prices for corn flakes from December 1956 to December 1958. Rice prices also rose steadily during most of the 2-year period as per capita consumption averaged 5.9 pounds, the highest since 1940-41. Among the other cereal and bakery products, crackers increased 4.7 percent; corn meal, 3.4 percent; and flour 2.4 percent during the 24 months; cookies and biscuit mix were up fractionally.

Dairy Products. Prices of dairy products rose 2.7 percent between December 1956 and December 1958, continuing the upward trend begun in 1954. Prices in December 1957 averaged 3 percent higher than a year earlier. The increase occurred mostly during the last 6 months of 1957 and was principally the result of higher prices of fluid milk. December 1958 dairy product prices averaged 0.3 percent lower than those in December 1957.

A moderate seasonal decrease in milk prices through June 1957 was followed by a greater-than-usual seasonal advance to the end of the year. Increased handling costs and drought conditions in some areas contributed to the increases. Prices of milk bought in grocery stores advanced 4.0 percent and those of delivered milk rose 3.9 percent from December 1956 to December 1957. A small decline in milk prices in 1958 brought the average rise over the 2-year period to 3.5 percent.

Butter prices at the end of 1958 averaged 0.5 percent lower than in December 1956, as consumer demand and production continued to decrease each year. In order to support prices, Commodity Credit Corporation purchases were increased slightly. 3/

Prices of cheese increased fractionally (0.5 percent) between December 1956 and December 1958. Purchases were made by the Commodity Credit Corporation in both years in order to stabilize prices. μ /

Ice cream prices increased 2.0 percent during the 2-year period, reflecting increasing production and handling costs.

Other Foods at Home. The other foods at home group, which averaged 3.1 percent lower in price in December 1958 than in December 1956, includes nonalcoholic beverages, fats and oils, sugar and sweets, eggs, and other miscellaneous foods. Increases of 8.2 percent for sugar and sweets, 0.7 percent for eggs, and 0.1 percent for fats and oils were more than offset by a decrease of 15 percent for beverages.

^{3/} Purchases of butter by CCC under the Agricultural Act of 1949 amounted to 173,500,000 lbs. In 1957, and 183,800,000 lbs. in 1958.

^{4/} CCC purchases of cheese amounted to 241,000,000 lbs. in 1957, and 80,300,000 lbs. in 1958. Stocks held by CCC were practically zero at the end of 1958.

A substantial drop of 23.7 percent in coffee prices accounted for the decline in beverages and was practically the sole factor in the decrease over the 2 years in the other foods subgroup. Prices of coffee beans fell almost steadily during this period in response to surplus production in Brazil and other Latin American growing areas, despite efforts of the exporting countries to support prices through legal minimum export prices, purchase programs, quota allotments, etc. Increased use of lower priced African coffee in blends accentuated the effects of large surpluses in Latin America. Price declines for coffee beans were reflected in lower retail prices, as coffee in cans dropped from \$1.09 in December 1956 to 85 cents a pound, and coffee in bags fell from 91 cents to 66 cents a pound. Decreases for the two items amounted to 21.7 percent and 27 percent, respectively, over the 2-year period.

Because of lower coffee prices, consumption of tea decreased. However, tea prices rose slightly during 1957 and 1958, reflecting reduced imports as a result of a series of strikes which curtailed shipments from Ceylon. December 1958 tea prices were 2.5 percent higher than in December 1956.

Prices for cola drinks rose steadily over the 2 years, mainly because of higher processing and distributing costs.

Egg prices increased 0.7 percent from December 1956 to December 1958 with usual fluctuations during this period. Heavy production in the first half of 1957 depressed prices to a new low of 47.9 cents per dozen in June, 68.8 percent of the 1947-49 average, the lowest level since January 1955. As production decreased, prices increased more than seasonally (44.8 percent) to a high of 69.5 cents per dozen in October. Prices then declined seasonally through June 1958, except for a sharp rise in March due to adverse weather conditions, but remained at a higher level than the previous year. Seasonally higher prices in late 1957 and early 1958 induced some increase in the production of laying chickens. Heavy culling of old hens and an unusually high proportion of new layers resulted in sharp declines in prices from September to the end of the year. Prices in 1958 ranged from a low of 55.1 cents per dozen in June to a high of 68.7 cents in September.

Fats and oils as a group averaged only fractionally higher in price (0.1 percent) in December 1958 than it did 2 years earlier. Prices of lard, salad dressing, and peanut butter increased, but shortening and margarine prices were lower.

With the reduction in hog slaughter after the 1956 peak, lard prices followed the seasonal pattern of pork production and rose to their highest level in September 1958. Increasing production thereafter resulted in seasonally lower prices through December, but the average for the month was 5.3 percent higher than in December 1956.

Shortening prices decreased over the 2 years with the larger decline occurring in 1958. Prices for margarine increased 0.9 percent in 1957, but decreased sufficiently during 1958 to bring the December 1958 price to 1.4 percent below the December 1956 average. Production of margarine rose to a new high and exceeded that of butter for the first time. Peanut butter prices advanced 5.0 percent during the 24-month period, with the greater part of the increase occurring in 1958. In the last 3 months of 1958, prices declined slightly as the new crop of peanuts came to market.

Sugar and sweets averaged 8.2 percent higher in price in December 1958 than in December 1956. One of the principal causes for this rise was an increase of 14.3 percent for chocolate bars. Prices for this item were relatively stable through March 1958 but a general reduction in the size of bars resulted in a sharp increase in prices from April through June. Thereafter, prices remained at the high level for the balance of the year.

Sugar prices increased 6.2 percent during the 2 years. Reduced world supplies caused prices to climb fairly rapidly during the first half of 1957. After midyear, although sugar marketing quotas and domestic beet acreage were increased, prices continued to move upward, influenced by factors contributing to a greater demand and possible reduction in world supplies. Among these factors were the crop shortage in Puerto Rico caused by drought, reduced production in Hawaii following a 6 months strike of sugar workers during 1958, as well as an estimated decrease in production in Cuba because of internal strife.

Among the other items in this subgroup, corn syrup prices increased 8.1 percent; gelatin dessert, 4.3 percent; and grape jelly, 2.8 percent, during the 2 years.

Table 3. Indexes of Retail Prices of Food in the United States 1/2, by Commodity Group, by Year, 1923-58. 2/2 /1947-49=100 unless otherwise indicated

	Total	Foods away	Total	Cereals	Meats.			Meats						Fruits a	nd Vegeta	bles			Other	Foods a	t Home	
Tear	foods	from home	foods at home	and bakery products	poultry, and fish <u>5</u> /	Total 5/	Beef and veal	Pork	Leg of lamb	Chick- ens	Fish	Dairy products	Total	Frozen 6/	Fresh	Canned	Dried	Total	Bever- ages	and	Sugar and Sweets	Egge
1923 1924 1925 1926 1927	61.4 60.8 65.8 68.0 65.5	****		63.8 64.9 70.2 70.0 68.5	և3.6 ևև.1 և7.9 50.7 և9.9							67.2 64.4 66.5 66.1 67.9	83.0 78.1 90.6 103.2 90.0		82.3 77.1 91.7 107.3 92.2	78.5 76.9 83.2 77.3 76.0	71.3 64.9 64.7 62.0 59.3		64.4 72.3 83.4 83.4 80.0	69.9 74.3 82.6 80.3 73.6	99.2 90.0 70.5 67.9 71.9	68. 74.
1928 1929 1930 1931	64.8 65.6 62.1 51.1 12.8			66.6 65.1 63.1 55.3 50.0	53.0 54.7 51.3 43.5 34.1							68.2 68.0 62.8 53.4 44.1	79.0 82.8 86.9 61.6 50.7		78.9 82.3 88.1 61.0 50.2	75.8 78.2 74.6 65.0 57.3	62.6 69.5 64.5 48.3 37.1		80.9 80.7 70.2 61.0 55.1	71.1 70.5 66.0 53.2 39.4	69.6 64.6 60.7 56.1 50.7	70. 59. 47.
1933 1934 1935 1936 1937	41.6 46.4 49.7 50.1 52.1			51.2 59.5 61.6 60.9 62.5	29.7 34.0 43.0 42.6 45.5	43.9 43.0 46.4	41.5 39.8 44.8	1,8.7 1,8.1 1,9.6	39.5 11.4 43.1	49.6 52.5 54.5	32.8 32.9 33.7	43.0 47.2 50.6 52.8 54.7	55.7 58.3 48.8 51.3 52.8		56.4 58.0 46.8 50.4 51.5	55.3 65.3 66.8 63.5 64.9	35.9 41.1 41.0 39.3 47.2		50.1 52.7 50.9 48.7 50.7	36.8 42.3 61.1 57.0 58.6	53.3 55.4 57.0 56.3 57.2	13. 51. 50.
1938 1939 1940 1941 1942	48.4 47.1 47.8 52.2 61.3			60.4 57.2 58.6 59.2 63.6	42.6 41.6 41.2 46.3 54.2	42.7 42.1 41.2 46.4 53.4	42.5 43.2 46.6 52.0	44.8 41.4 37.8 46.6 56.1	40.1 40.8 40.8 43.7 50.8	54.3 48.7 49.2 53.0 63.7	33.8 33.7 36.9 41.6 54.h	51.7 49.8 52.6 58.2 65.1	45.6 46.3 47.3 50.5 64.1		43.7 45.1 46.1 49.4 63.0	61.3 58.1 58.1 61.6 76.5	37.9 37.9 40.9 43.4 55.4		47.8 46.8 45.3 49.7 59.8	51.8 48.6 45.5 52.1 66.3	55.4 56.9 54.8 60.2 71.5	44。 46。 55。
1943 1944 1945 1946 1947	68.3 67.4 68.9 79.0 95.9			65.1 65.6 65.9 75.6 94.0	57.6 55.9 56.5 69.4 93.5	54.2 51.4 51.5 65.8 93.6	52.h 49.9 49.8 63.3 89.8	55.8 52.2 52.4 69.0 100.5	56.1 55.1 55.7 67.1 90.2	75.9 78.li 80.2 90.3 95.1	69.0 69.3 72.5 78.9 90.6	69.9 69.4 69.5 85.7 96.7	82.7 82.1 86.7 89.3 97.6		84.4 84.0 89.2 90.4 95.5	82.1 81.4 81.9 88.6 104.5	64.6 66.9 68.4 77.4 107.2	100.1	68.4	69.9 68.3 68.7 84.3	71.9 71.5 71.5 81.4 101.8	75. 80. 82.
1 948 1949 1950 1951	104.1 100.0 101.2 112.6 114.6			103.4 102.7 104.5 114.0 116.8	106.1 100.5 104.9 117.2 116.2	106.4 100.0 105.5 119.5 118.h	108.7 101.5 111.7 130.5 129.5	103.6 95.9 94.6 100.4 99.3	101.1 103.1 107.3 120.2 118.1	105.5 99.4 95.2 99.7 100.1	104.5 104.9 103.0 117.6 114.6	96.9 95.9 107.0	100.5 101.9 97.6 106.7 117.2	111.7	100.7 103.7 97.7 105.9 123.2	99.h 96.2 91.8 104.3 103.0	100.4 92.5 92.9 101.6 97.9	97.5 101.2 114.6	100.h 108.1 153.0 168.7 169.8	108.3 82.2 79.9 93.5 79.3	98.4 99.8 101.8 105.5 106.4	85. 103.
1953 1954 1955 1956	112.8 112.6 110.9 111.7	102.3 103.4	112.5 111.9 109.7 110.2	119.1 121.9 123.9 125.6	109.9 108.0 101.6 97.1	110.6 110.0 101.2 97.9		110.5 113.9 98.1 93.1	104.3 102.5 98.2 99.8	97.6 88.1 91.7 80.4	110.3 110.8 108.6 108.5	106.1 105.9	113.5 111.9 113.5 119.0	101.2 99.1 99.5 103.1	116.1 113.9 116.0 122.8	105.0 104.0 104.0 107.9	108.1 116.3		207.3 185.6	83.9 81.3	107.6 109.8 112.2 109.6	84. 86.
1957 1958	115.h 120.3	109.3 112.6	113.8 118.8	130.5 133.1	105.2 115.1	108.7 121.0	102.8 119.6	107.3	103.5 112.3	78.h 77.5	109.9 117.6	111.8	118.6	97.8 117.9	123.7 132.6	106.3 110.8	111.5	112.9 112.4	192.7 179.1	86.8 85.8	112.8 117.9	

⁵¹⁻city average January 1923 - February 1943, 56-cities March 1943 - December 1952, 16-cities beginning January 1953.

2 Total food indexes, 1913-22: 1913 - 39.6; 1914 - 40.5; 1915 - 40.0; 1916 - 45.0; 1917 - 57.9; 1918 - 66.5; 1919 - 74.2; 1920 - 83.6; 1921 - 63.5; 1922 - 59.4.

3 Indexes for the years 1923-52 have been computed by converting indexes from 1935-39 base, previously published, to the 1947-49 base. See Retail Prices of Food 1955-56, BLS Bulletin 1217, (table c, p. 37) for conversion factors.

4 January 1953-100. Restaurant meals included in total foods beginning January 1953.

5 Only total meats, poultry, and fish available through 1934. Other meats included in meats, and in meats, poultry, and fish, beginning January 1935.

5 December 1952-100.

⁷ Partially prepared foods and other miscellaneous foods included in total foods bought to be prepared at home beginning January 1953.

Table 4. Indexes of Retail Prices of Food in the United States, by Commodity Group, by Month, December 1955 - December 1958 y 1947-49-100 unless otherwise indicated

Year		Foods away	Total	Cereals	Meats,	Í	Me	ats	,		ĺ			Fruits a	nd Veget	ables			Other 1	Foods a	et Home	
and month	Total Foods	from home	foods at home	and bakery products	poultry, and fish	Total	Beef and veal	Pork	Leg of Lamb	Chick- ens	Fish	Dairy products	Total	Frozen <u>3</u> /	Fresh	Canned	Dried	Total	Bever- ages	and	Sugar and Sweets	Eggs
1955 December	109.5	104.3	107.9	123.9	94.6	94.3	94.3	86.1	95.4	81.4	109.2	107.7	110.7	102.1	110.3	105.9	115.6	113.7	183.8	80.3	108.8	98.
1956 January February April April June July August October November December	114.8 113.1 113.1 113.1	104.1 104.8 105.0 104.9 105.3 105.7 106.0 106.5	107.9 109.5 112.1 113.8 111.8 111.7 111.7	123.9 124.3 124.5 124.5 124.5 125.2 125.8 126.3 126.6 126.8 127.0	93.3 93.6 92.8 94.0 95.5 98.0 99.3 100.8 98.8 98.8	92.5 92.7 91.6 93.6 95.5 99.1 99.8 101.3 103.8 103.5 101.3	93.1 91.5 89.9 90.5 91.8 93.1 94.4 98.0 102.7 103.5 101.2 98.6	83.5 85.7 84.7 88.5 90.9 97.4 98.2 98.6 99.8 98.5 95.6	93.1 93.5 92.6 94.9 103.5 108.5 103.5 102.2 103.0 101.4 102.3 98.9	81.9 83.7 83.3 81.6 82.1 80.7 84.7 76.7 75.1 74.7	109.6 108.8 109.2 108.5 108.4 108.0 107.6 108.0 108.1 108.3 108.3	107.3 107.3 106.9 106.4 107.5 107.7 108.7 109.2 109.8 110.7 111.1	116.7 121.5 131.4 135.2 120.7	102.9 103.9 103.6 103.5 104.1 104.7 104.5 104.1 102.5 101.1	113.3 114.1 116.3 119.3 120.5 142.5 148.4 124.9 115.5 114.1 117.4 120.4	106.1 106.5 106.9 107.3 107.6 108.6 108.6 108.8 108.7 108.9 108.8	114.5 114.6 114.9 115.4 115.4 115.3	109.6 110.7 110.8 110.9 111.1 112.8 113.9 115.4 115.8 115.2	188.9 189.3 191.7 196.9 197.8 201.5 202.8	79.6 80.4 82.2 83.9 84.6 84.4 81.2 81.2	108.8 108.8 108.9 109.0 109.0 109.3 109.6 109.7 109.9 110.3 110.6	96. 814. 85. 82. 80. 86. 87. 87.
1957 January January February March May June July September December	113.6 113.2 113.8 114.6 116.2 117.4 117.9 117.0 116.4 116.0	107.3 107.6 108.1 108.1 108.5 109.3 109.5 110.0 110.5 110.6 110.9	112.0 111.4 112.1 113.0 114.7	128.0 129.1 129.8 130.1 130.6 130.8 131.0 131.2 131.6 131.6	99.0 101.1 100.6 102.0 103.7 106.9 109.5 111.9 106.3 106.3 101.6	113.2 116.3 115.2 111.1 108.9	99.4 101.3 103.0 105.5 106.9 107.3 105.9	103.0 101.1 102.3 105.2 110.9 114.3 119.2 116.0 108.2 103.7	98.2 99.0 97.5 104.1 105.6 107.2 105.5 105.5 104.3 104.3	75.9 79.9 80.4 79.1 78.9 80.9 83.3 78.5 73.8 73.1 74.2	109.5 109.3 108.6 108.8 109.7 109.0 109.6 110.0 110.5 111.4 112.2	111.2 111.1 110.7 110.5 110.0 110.5 111.5 113.1 114.2 114.5 114.6	116.9 116.5 116.1 118.7 122.5 126.8 126.9 121.3 114.5 114.6 113.9	100.3 99.8 99.6 98.7 97.2 95.9 95.8 96.3 97.6 97.6 97.8	120.0 119.5 119.5 119.0 123.5 129.8 137.1 137.4 128.5 118.0 117.4 117.6 116.5	107.7 107.3 107.1 106.7 106.6 106.3 106.0 105.6 105.7 105.5 105.3	110.9	113.0 111.6 111.0 109.9 109.5 111.7 113.8 115.0 116.2 115.6	200.8 199.5 196.5 194.6 194.7 192.6 192.5 188.0 184.7 183.9	87.8 88.0 87.4 87.1 86.7 86.5 86.6 86.5 86.1	111.5 112.1 112.4 112.5 112.7 112.7 113.0 113.3 113.4 113.3 113.4	77.6 76.5 72.1 72.3 69.5 68.8 77.5 85.1 93.6 99.6
1058 January February April May June July August Ceptember November December	118.7 120.8 121.6 121.6 121.6 121.7 120.7 120.3 119.7 119.4	112.0 112.2 112.7 112.8 113.3 113.4 113.3	119.6 120.5 120.5 120.4 120.5 119.2 118.7 118.0 117.6	132.5 132.6 132.7 132.7 132.8 132.9 132.9 132.9 133.5 133.5 133.9 134.0	110.2 112.0 114.4 115.9 116.6 118.3 119.2 117.7 115.8 114.6 113.5 113.0	116.7 118.8 121.5 122.0 124.2 125.4 124.3	117.9 121.5 121.7 122.6 122.3 119.8 119.5 120.2 120.5	111.3 112.6 114.7 115.0	110.5 113.2 112.4 113.4 111.8 112.6 113.1 111.6 111.9 112.4 112.6 112.3	77.0 79.7 83.5 80.1 81.7 81.9 81.5 77.6 74.1 71.6 71.7	113.8 115.4 117.1 117.6 117.6 117.8 118.2 119.0 119.6 119.9	114.6 114.5 114.1 112.5 111.8 111.7 112.4 113.0 114.1 114.5 114.5	124.h 130.7 136.6 137.h 13h.3 131.9 12h.9 12h.9	122.4 122.2 122.6	128.0 131.4 140.9 149.3 150.0 144.0 139.5 120.5 120.5 120.3 118.5	106.0 106.5 107.h 108.6 109.5 110.6 111.5 112.h 113.2 11h.1 11h.6 115.0	116.4 117.3 118.5 119.6 120.4 121.4 121.5	111.3 113.8 112.b 111.5 110.9 111.8 112.8 115.2 113.2 113.2	184.7 183.4 182.5 181.2 180.9 179.9 178.2 174.7 174.1	85.8 86.1 86.2 85.9 85.8 85.8 85.6 85.5	118.4 119.2 119.6 119.8 119.9 120.0 120.0	87.6 81.4 90.6 84.5 81.1 78.9 82.5 87.2 98.5 91.4 89.9 84.4

I/ Indexes by month 1947-54 may be found in Retail Prices of Food, 1953-54, BLS Bulletin 1183, (Table 4, pp. 12-14). Indexes by month for 1955 may be found in Retail Prices of Food, 1955-56, BLS Bulletin 1217 (Table 4, p. 13).

2/ January 1953 = 100.

3/ December 1952 = 100.

Table 5. Indexes of Retail Prices of Food by Commodity Group, by City for 20 Large Cities, by Year and Month, 1957-58

Year and month	United States 1/	At- lanta, Ga.	Balti- more, Md.	Boston, Mass.	Chi- cago, Ill.	Cin- cin- nati, Ohio	Cleve- land, Ohio	De- troit, Mich.	Houston, Texas	Kansas City, Mo.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Minne- apolis, Minn.	New York, N.Y. 2/	Phila- delphia, Pa.	Pitts- burgh, Pa.	Port- land, Oreg.	St. Louis, Mo.	San Fran- cisco, Calif.	Seran- son, Pa,	Seattle,	Wash- ington, D. C.
										, A11 1	Foods								#		
1957: Average- January February March April Jube July August September- October November December	115.4 112.8 113.6 113.2 113.8 114.6 116.2 117.4 117.9 117.9 116.4 116.0 116.1	113.3 111.2 112.1 111.8 112.1 112.4 113.7 114.8 115.8 115.6 114.0 113.2 113.2	116.8 114.9 115.3 114.9 115.1 116.0 117.5 118.4 118.1 117.8 117.1	115.0 112.1 112.5 112.3 113.4 113.8 115.3 118.2 117.5 117.6 115.8 115.8	112.9 109.5 110.9 110.2 111.6 113.6 115.6 115.0 114.0 114.1 113.9	120.2	111.2 111.2 112.7 114.6 115.3 115.9 115.0	117.3 114.7 115.9 114.9 115.9 116.8 118.9 119.8 119.3 118.7 116.3 117.1	113.1 111.9 112.1 111.9 112.1 112.2 113.3 114.3 115.3 114.7 113.6 112.6 113.5	111.5 109.0 109.6 109.h 109.7 110.1 112.9 11h.1 11k.3 111.9 112.2 112.3 112.5	117.9 116.1 116.9 116.7 116.9 116.9 117.7 117.7 118.9 119.0 118.8 119.5	114.2 112.6 112.6 112.3 112.6 113.1 114.5 115.4 115.5 115.5 115.5 115.5	115.0 112.3 112.9 112.3 113.8 115.6 117.3 117.7 116.6 116.5 116.0 115.8	118.5 115.5 116.5 116.2 116.4 117.6 118.6 121.1 121.5 120.7 120.4 119.0 118.8	117.3 117.9 119.2 118.9 118.3 117.5 116.8	116.0 117.0 117.5 118.5 119.0 117.7 116.9 116.8	116.3 115.0 115.6 114.9 114.2 115.5 116.7 118.3 117.8 116.3 116.2 117.5	117.2 118.2 118.2 118.2 119.h 119.h	112,7 109,8 110,6 110,6 111,1 112,2 115,7 116,1 113,4 113,5 112,2 113,0	117.1 115.4 115.9 115.9 116.3 117.7 118.6 119.1 118.1 117.0 116.4 117.3	116.9 113.7 115.9 114.8 115.2 117.5 119.4 120.0 118.3 117.9 116.8
1958: Average- January February March April June Juny September- October December	120.3 118.2 118.7 120.8 121.6 121.6 121.7 120.7 120.3 119.7 119.4 118.7	118.0 116.2 116.7 119.3 119.5 119.2 119.1 118.5 118.5 116.5 116.5	120.9 118.8 119.4 121.5 122.7 122.4 122.8 122.1 120.2 119.5 118.8	119.7 117.1 117.8 120.0 120.1 120.3 121.9 121.2 120.0 119.9 119.2 118.9	117.3 115.5 116.2 117.9 118.4 118.5 119.5 117.0 117.7 116.7 116.3 115.1	122.8	116.0 118.1 113.5 118.6 118.4 118.9 118.2 117.0 116.1	121.1 119.7 120.2 122.2 123.1 124.0 123.1 122.8 120.5 120.3 119.6 118.5	117.0 116.3 116.3 117.0 118.2 117.2 117.1 117.9 117.1 117.3 116.5 116.5	11 h. h 113.8 11 h. 5 116.1 115.5 115.7 114.9 113.3 113.6 113.6 113.8 113.2	123.3 121.0 121.1 125.2 124.0 123.8 123.8 123.3 122.7 123.3 123.9	118.6 116.9 117.7 119.1 120.0 119.6 119.5 119.6 119.4 118.1 117.8 117.7 117.8	120.9 118.6 119.1 122.0 122.1 121.9 121.6 121.7 121.0 121.3 121.1 121.0 119.1	123.1 121.2 121.7 123.4 123.4 123.6 124.0 123.9 124.7 124.3 123.3 122.9 122.3 121.8	121.8 119.8 120.h 122.h 122.7 123.2 123.8 123.7 121.9 121.6 120.6 119.6	119.2 121.2 121.7 122.1 121.4 121.5 121.6 120.5 120.8	121.2 118.9 119.4 121.8 122.1 122.3 122.2 123.2 121.3 122.4 120.5 120.2 119.9	123.1 121.2 121.3 122.9 124.5 124.5 124.5 124.1 122.5 123.9 122.9 123.8 122.8	118.h 116.0 116.6 119.0 119.7 120.5 120.8 118.6 118.2 117.5 117.1 116.1	121.3 118.6 118.9 120.3 122.5 122.8 121.9 122.2 122.7 122.5 120.8 120.8	121.6 119.7 120.0 122.9 123.2 123.4 122.4 122.4 121.7 121.1 119.8
		L	1		L	1	L			Foods	at Home	·			L,	L	1	1		.l	·
1957: Average- January February March April June July August September October November December	113.8 111.1 112.0 111.4 112.1 113.0 114.7 116.1 115.5 114.7 114.1	112.1 109.9 110.8 110.5 111.0 112.4 113.5 114.8 114.5 112.9 111.7	113.5 111.1 111.6 111.8 112.8 114.4 115.8 114.5 114.5 114.5 113.7 113.9	112.8 109.6 110.0 109.7 111.1 111.3 113.0 116.5 115.7 115.6 114.7 113.6 112.9	108.8	115.7 112.0 112.7 112.9 113.7 114.8 117.5 119.1 118.3 117.1 115.6 115.7	109.6 109.0 109.0 110.6 112.7 113.6 114.2 113.1 112.4 111.6	115.5 112.8 114.2 113.1 114.1 115.0 117.3 118.5 117.8 117.0 116.4 115.0	111.1 110.1 110.3 109.6 109.8 110.0 111.2 112.6 113.8 112.8 111.5 110.2	109.h 106.7 107.h 107.2 107.3 107.8 111.1 112.h 112.7 109.8 109.9 110.0	114.5 113.1 113.3 113.0 113.7 113.5 114.6 114.7 115.6 116.1 115.5 115.2 115.8	112.8 111.3 111.2 110.8 110.9 111.6 113.3 114.2 114.4 114.4 114.2 113.6 113.7	113.0 110.4 111.2 110.3 111.0 112.1 113.6 115.4 115.4 115.2 114.3 113.7 113.6	116.5 113.7 114.8 114.2 114.1 115.5 116.6 119.3 119.7 118.5 118.1 116.6 116.3	112.7 112.8 115.6 116.3 118.0 117.6 116.9 115.9	113.4 113.5 113.3 113.8 115.1 115.7 117.3 117.9 116.3	112.7 111.0 111.7 110.9 110.1 111.7 113.6 115.3 114.5 112.6 112.5	11h.7 11h.5 115.9 115.7 116.8 116.9 116.9 117.7 116.5 116.6	112.3 109.0 110.0 110.5 111.7 114.0 115.7 116.2 113.1 113.2 111.5	116.1 114.1 114.7 114.3 115.3 116.6 117.1 118.2 118.4 117.2 115.9 115.3 116.3	114.6 111.8 113.6 112.2 112.7 113.4 115.3 116.3 116.3 114.2 114.2
1958: Average- January February March April June July August September- October November December	118.8 116.7 117.2 119.6 120.5 120.5 120.5 119.2 118.7 118.0 117.6	117.5 115.3 116.0 119.1 119.2 119.2 118.8 118.7 118.1 118.0 116.9 115.7	118.2 115.6 116.3 118.8 120.0 120.2 120.1 120.6 119.7 117.5 117.6 116.6 115.9	117.9 115.2 116.0 118.5 119.0 118.3 118.6 120.3 119.4 118.1 117.9 116.7	115.1 113.3 113.9 115.9 116.5 116.5 116.7 117.6 114.7 115.6 114.3 113.9	121.0	113.8 114.2 116.5 117.0 116.9 116.6 117.2 116.4 115.1 113.8 113.9	119.3 117.7 118.2 120.6 121.6 122.5 121.8 121.3 118.7 118.6 117.3 117.5 116.2	115.5 114.8 114.7 115.5 116.8 115.8 115.6 115.6 115.8 115.6 115.8	112.6 111.3 112.7 114.6 114.1 113.7 114.2 112.8 111.1 111.5 111.6 111.6	119.8 117.7 118.2 120.1 120.4 120.4 120.4 119.0 119.7 119.3 120.4	117.3 115.7 116.6 118.4 119.1 118.5 118.7 118.1 116.6 116.1 116.0 115.0	119.1 116.8 117.5 120.5 120.5 120.5 119.8 120.1 119.0 119.5 119.4 119.0	120.9 118.9 119.4 121.3 121.4 122.2 122.0 122.7 120.9 120.7 120.0 119.h	120.7 118.6 119.3 121.6 121.7 122.2 122.9 123.1 120.7 120.8 120.4 119.4 118.2	117.5 117.0 118.2 120.4 121.0 121.0 120.6 120.3 120.3 119.2 119.4	117.4 115.1 115.6 118.5 118.9 119.1 118.4 119.7 117.4 118.5 116.2 115.4	123.1 122.4 123.4 122.9 121.0 122.5 121.3 122.4	118.4 115.8 116.6 119.3 120.1 120.6 121.0 120.9 118.5 118.0 117.2 116.8	120.6 118.0 118.3 119.9 122.6 122.6 121.5 121.6 121.7 119.6 119.7 119.7	120.0 117.7 118.1 121.6 122.0 121.5 122.2 120.9 120.0 119.4 117.7

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1957: Average January February March April June July August September- October November December	128.0 129.1 129.8 130.1 130.6 130.6 130.8 131.0 131.2	123.2 119.0 120.0 119.9 124.7 124.3 123.8 124.0 124.2 124.2 124.2	127.2 126.9 127.1 127.2 127.2 127.2 127.3 127.3 127.3 127.3 127.3	129.3 126.8 127.7 128.3 128.1 128.4 131.1 131.1 131.2 129.8 130.6 130.6	123.0 120.4 122.1 122.3 122.6 122.9 123.0 123.1 122.6 123.2 125.1 124.5	131.1 131.0 131.5 131.9 131.8 131.8 131.7 131.8	123.7 124.0 129.1 129.0 129.1	124.5 122.6 123.3 124.3 124.5 125.0 124.9 124.9 124.9 124.9 125.2 125.0	121.2 120.9 121.2 121.1 121.2 121.5 121.1 121.4 121.4 121.3 121.0 121.0	126.1 124.0 124.7 125.2 126.5 126.5 126.6 126.6 126.6 126.6 126.6 126.7	136.9 132.9 133.4 133.6 133.8 134.1 137.1 138.7 139.0 139.7 140.1 139.9	129.8 129.0 129.9 130.0 130.2 129.3 129.5 129.6 130.1 130.0 130.1	134.8 131.4 132.9 134.6 134.8 135.1 135.2 135.1 135.2 135.6 135.9	132.5 130.8 131.3 132.1 132.h 132.5 132.6 132.7 133.2 133.0 133.0 132.9 133.5	128.7 127.5 127.5 128.2 128.5 129.0 129.1 129.3 129.3 129.5 129.6	133.0 130.0 131.2 131.5 131.7 132.1 132.0 134.7 135.0 135.4 135.4	124.8 123.6 124.9 125.3 125.4 125.3 125.1 124.9 125.1 124.6 124.3 124.1	110.0 138.9 139.6 110.0 110.1 110.1 110.1 110.1 110.5 110.5 110.7 110.8	127.3 125.5 125.5 126.0 126.2 126.4 127.0 126.9 127.1 127.1 131.3 131.4	138.9 137.1 137.6 137.6 137.7 138.0 137.9 137.9 110.h 110.6 110.5 110.5	129.4 128.5 129.3 129.1 129.1 129.7 129.6 129.8 128.9 128.9
1958: Average- Jamary February April April July August September- October November December	132.5 132.6 132.7 132.7 132.9 132.9 132.9 133.5 133.9 134.0	126.3 125.9 126.5 126.8 127.1 126.9 126.9 126.5 125.9 125.5	128.3 127.6 128.3 128.4 128.6 128.6 128.3 128.1 128.1 128.2 128.4 128.4	131.9 131.1 130.9 131.3 131.0 131.5 131.5 131.5 132.5 132.h 132.5 132.h	124.1 125.5 124.9 124.4 124.5 124.1 123.9 123.5 123.6 123.4 123.2	132.0 132.3 132.2 132.0 132.5 132.0 132.0 132.0 131.8 131.9 131.9	129.7 129.6 129.6 130.1 130.0 129.5 129.8 129.6 129.9 129.5 129.0 129.2	125.6 125.8 125.7 125.6 125.7 125.6 125.6 125.8 125.6 125.3 125.2 125.3	126.3 126.5 126.7 126.3 126.6 126.6 126.3 126.2 125.8 125.8 126.2 126.2	127.6 127.h 127.3 127.7 127.6 127.6 127.6 127.5 127.5 127.6	142.1 140.0 139.8 140.4 141.3 141.6 141.1 141.1 141.1 141.1 145.8 145.9 145.8	13h.7 13h.2 13h.5 13h.6 13h.5 13h.4 13h.4 13h.1 137.7 13h.5 13h.5 13h.5	139.2 137.4 137.2 137.7 137.7 137.8 137.7 141.8 142.5 142.4 142.4	135.4 134.0 133.7 134.1 133.8 134.5 134.5 134.5 134.5 134.5 134.5 134.5 134.6 138.5 139.0	131.5 130.4 130.9 131.0 130.7 131.3 131.1 131.0 130.6 132.7 132.7 133.1 132.2	137.1 135.7 135.1 135.2 135.3 135.7 135.4 135.6 135.7 140.2 140.2 140.2	125.2 125.5 125.6 125.5 125.8 125.7 125.4 124.7 124.7 124.8 124.8	144.4 140.9 141.0 141.0 141.0 145.4 146.9 147.0 147.2 147.1	135.1 134.6 135.0 134.6 135.2 134.6 135.2 135.2 135.5 135.5	143.9 141.2 141.6 141.8 142.0 141.9 142.1 142.0 146.4 147.3 146.9 147.0 146.8	131.8 130.5 131.6 132.5 132.1 132.3 131.3 131.3 131.3 132.3
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1957: Average January February March April July September- October November December	99.0 101.4 100.6 102.0 103.7 106.9 109.5 111.9 110.3 106.3	107.8 101.9 104.7 104.3 106.1 109.2 113.0 115.5 112.2 106.8 106.3 108.7	105.8 100.8 102.8 102.0 103.1 103.5 107.5 109.h 112.3 110.4 107.0 105.h	103.6 98.2 99.9 99.4 101.8 101.8 104.9 107.2 108.6 106.3 104.9 103.6	96.3 92.2 94.0 92.5 94.9 96.6 100.6 105.1 102.8 99.0 96.7 99.4	107.1 100.9 102.9 102.6 103.9 105.5 110.2 112.2 114.8 112.8 107.7 105.2 106.8	101.5 95.8 97.9 97.7 98.6 100.5 103.3 105.9 108.2 106.1 102.2 100.5	102.h 96.1 98.5 97.7 99.h 101.3 104.8 106.1 108.6 108.1 104.h 101.2	100.6 95.6 96.7 96.5 97.8 99.2 101.6 104.9 107.4 105.8 101.6 98.9 101.2	101.5 95.3 97.4 96.9 96.5 98.1 102.8 106.7 108.3 102.6 101.5	106.9 101.5 102.7 103.1 105.1 106.8 109.7 112.9 113.5 108.7 106.9 107.8	99.6 94.6 96.1 96.4 97.0 98.h 101.0 102.6 104.5 103.5 100.9 99.6 100.2	106.0 100.5 103.4 101.8 103.1 105.2 107.4 109.8 111.7 109.8 106.7 105.6 107.1	107.6 101.8 104.4 103.4 103.6 105.5 108.9 112.1 114.0 112.4 108.9 107.4 108.5	103.8 98.4 98.5 98.0 99.4 102.8 106.2 108.5 110.4 109.0 105.2 104.0	106.6 100.4 101.1 100.3 103.9 105.8 108.1 111.5 115.2 112.1 108.0 106.4 106.8	101.9 97.1 98.9 97.5 98.3 100.9 104.3 106.6 109.1 106.4 101.2 99.8 103.0	108.6 104.3 104.7 105.3 108.0 107.9 109.8 111.8 114.0 112.6 108.8 107.3 108.9	105.1 99.0 100.h 100.3 102.3 103.6 108.2 109.7 112.7 109.8 105.h 102.9 106.7	105.9 99.1 101.5 101.0 103.6 105.h 106.3 109.6 112.3 111.6 107.h 10h.h 10h.h	104.6 98.8 102.3 100.2 100.6 106.3 109.7 111.2 108.6 105.3 103.5 105.3
1958: Average January February March April July July September- October November December	110.2 112.0 114.h 115.9 116.6 118.3 119.2 117.7	117.9 112.9 114.2 117.4 119.3 119.5 120.3 122.3 120.9 118.2 117.2 116.4 115.6	114.2 108.9 111.3 112.7 115.2 115.7 117.8 116.6 114.5 114.6 112.9 112.8	114.6 108.9 111.3 113.2 114.2 114.1 116.6 118.5 116.6 115.5 114.7 114.5	107.9 102.7 105.0 107.7 108.3 109.5 111.6 112.4 110.8 109.0 106.9 105.9	113.1 115.6 117.2 118.3 120.9 122.3 120.4	113.3	111.9 107.1 108.7 110.9 113.1 114.3 115.6 115.5 113.9 112.5 110.9 110.5 109.7	110.9 107.3 109.2 110.2 110.7 111.9 114.0 112.8 112.3 110.9 110.9	111.4 108.0 109.8 111.1 112.3 112.7 114.7 115.6 114.3 111.2 109.7 109.1	114.7 111.3 112.8 115.3 116.1 115.5 118.2 118.1 111.8 112.5 112.1	109.2 10k.9 107.3 107.8 109.3 110.6 111.h 112.3 112.1 110.1 109.0 107.9	115.6 110.7 112.6 115.5 116.6 117.0 118.8 116.7 116.7 116.7 116.9 111.9	115.9 112.2 113.7 115.7 116.5 117.1 118.9 120.2 116.6 115.7 113.8	114.3 109.8 111.2 113.4 114.6 117.0 118.8 116.8 115.0 114.1 113.1	117.6 112.2 113.5 115.6 117.0 118.2 120.9 120.8 120.5 118.3 117.7 117.2	112.2 107.2 108.2 111.4 113.2 113.6 115.1 117.6 115.2 110.6 110.4 110.3	118.5 114.7 116.1 119.0 120.4 119.6 120.7 122.1 120.6 118.8 116.6 117.0 116.5	116.3 110.3 113.0 114.9 116.8 117.8 120.2 121.2 118.6 116.9 115.6 115.6 115.2	115.9 109.6 111.4 113.8 116.7 117.2 119.3 119.5 119.8 118.8 115.9 114.4 114.7	114.6 110.4 115.0 115.5 116.4 117.8 113.6 113.6

Table 5. Indexes of Retail Prices of Food by Commedity Group, by City for 20 Large Cities, by Year and Month, 1957-58 _1947-49-100]

Year and month	United States	At- lanta, Ga.	Balti- more, Md.	Boston, Mass.	Chi- cago, Ill.	Cin- cin- nati, Ohio	Cleve- land, Ohio	De- troit, Mich.	Houston, Texas	Kansas City, Mo.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Minne- apolis, Minn.	New York, N.Y. 2	Phila- delphia, Pa.	Pitts- burgh, Pa.	Port- land, Oreg.	St. Louis, Mo.	San Fran- cisco, Calif.	Scran- ton, Pa.	Seattle, Wash.	Wash- ington, D. C.
		<u> </u>	l	 	L					Pair	y Products					<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
J957: Average- January February Harch April June July August September- October November December	111.8 111.2 111.1 110.7 110.5 110.0 110.5 111.5 113.1 114.2 114.5 114.6	112.4 112.8 113.1 113.1 113.5 113.5 113.5 110.3 113.6 113.5 111.3	113.2 112.5 112.4 112.5 112.6 112.6 112.6 112.5 111.9 114.4 114.8 117.2	115.7 115.2 113.8 113.4 112.2 110.9 112.1 114.7 116.1 117.8 120.7 120.6 120.6	110.9 110.7 111.0 109.4 110.3 110.8 107.8 109.6 111.1 111.7 112.5 112.7	115.3 114.2 114.2 114.1 114.6 114.7 114.7 114.7 114.7 114.7 117.6	105.9 105.3 104.2 104.4 104.4 104.3 107.6	110.9 112.5 112.7 110.5 109.8 107.6 107.7 109.3 111.7 112.2 112.2 111.9 113.1	111.1 112.7 112.7 109.2 109.2 109.0 109.3 109.2 112.3 112.3 112.4	108.3 108.0 107.9 107.8 107.9 107.7 107.7 107.9 107.9 111.6 111.5	106.9 105.3 105.3 105.4 105.5 105.8 105.5 105.5 109.6 109.9 110.1	106.1 107.8 104.0 104.9 104.6 104.8 105.1 104.7 104.6 107.4 109.2 107.8 107.9	111.7 109.6 109.h 109.1 108.9 108.1 106.3 109.1 112.h 114.5 115.7 117.h	116.7 116.0 116.1 116.0 113.9 114.1 113.6 116.7 117.0 117.0 119.9 119.9	113.2 113.6 114.1 114.1 111.9 111.9 111.7 111.9 111.9 114.1 114.2 114.2	116.5 113.9 113.7 116.5 116.5 117.0 117.2 117.2 117.2 117.3 117.3	100.3 100.3 100.0 102.7 102.7 105.5 105.6	113.2 113.3 113.3 113.5 109.8 109.8 109.8 116.5 116.6 116.6	111.0 108.6 108.7 109.3 110.3 110.1 110.5 113.4 113.6 113.4 113.3	117.7 116.6 116.5 116.5 116.5 117.3 118.3 118.4 118.4 118.5 118.5	116.9 115.6 115.6 115.6 116.6 116.6 119.4 119.3
1958: Average- January February March Agril May June Juny Esptember November December	113.5 114.6 114.5 114.1 112.5 111.8 111.7 112.4 113.0 114.1 114.5 114.5	114.4 114.4 114.3 114.2 113.9 113.9 113.8 114.1 116.5 116.5 116.2 113.6	117.5 117.4 117.3 117.3 117.3 117.3 117.5 117.5 117.5 117.5 117.5 117.5	114.0 117.9 117.9 116.6 113.9 108.1 100.5 113.0 113.3 115.3 115.2 118.2	112.1 113.0 112.5 111.4 111.1 111.1 111.8 112.2 112.6 112.7 112.8	117.5 117.6 116.0 115.9 116.0 116.1 116.2 116.2 116.2	110.8 110.7 110.7 107.7 107.8 107.9 107.8 110.6	111.3 113.5 113.3 111.7 110.2 109.4 109.1 111.4 112.1 112.1 111.7	112.5 113.0 112.7 112.4 112.6 112.2 112.4 112.7 112.6 112.8 112.7 111.7	103.9 111.6 111.7 111.6 98.7 101.8 101.6 92.6 91.8 101.1 108.0 108.0	110.0 110.2 110.1 110.1 108.9 109.0 110.1 109.6 109.3 110.8 110.7 110.4	105.1 107.7 107.7 105.7 104.5 104.0 104.1 104.2 103.8 105.0 104.9	115.8 116.5 116.6 115.2 114.0 112.1 112.0 114.8 116.0 117.8 117.8 119.2	118.9 119.8 119.9 119.8 115.6 115.5 118.3 118.7 118.8 121.7 121.4 121.3	115.9 117.1 117.2 117.4 114.5 114.1 114.0 116.8 117.2 117.1	117.2 117.2 117.1 117.2 117.0 117.0 117.0 117.0 117.3 117.3 117.3	103.1 103.0 101.6	116.5 116.9 113.9 113.8 114.0 113.9 113.7 116.4 116.4	112.3 113.7 113.7 113.7 110.5 110.6 110.6 110.5 113.3 113.3 113.3	116.5 118.5 118.7 118.5 115.4 115.4 115.5 115.5 115.5 115.5	118.6 119.5 119.5 118.6 117.8 118.6 118.3 118.0 119.0 117.9
										Frui	ts and Veg	etables									
1957: Average- Jamary February March April Hay July Angust September Uctober December	126.9 121.3 114.8 114.5	118.9 116.9 117.7 117.8 117.4 119.0 123.1 124.7 120.8 118.2 114.5 114.6	115.4 111.3 110.5 112.7 113.2 120.0 122.3 124.9 115.2 115.1 114.6 112.5 112.0	116.2 112.9 111.8 112.2 115.1 118.3 123.4 129.9 119.4 115.9 115.3 112.1	117.6 113.7 113.2 114.3 119.3 119.2 125.2 128.8 118.5 113.6 116.1 115.1	118.9 112.8 112.2 112.9 115.4 120.7 128.0 122.1 119.9 119.3 115.8 115.1	113.1 112.2 112.4 113.2 119.2 126.1 124.2 121.3 111.1 112.7 110.7	131.2 127.0 128.6 128.0 132.8 137.1 144.3 146.0 130.3 124.2 125.5 125.9 124.5	119.6 120.1 119.7 119.9 121.3 120.8 123.3 124.3 121.7 117.3 117.9 113.8 115.4	113.6 110.6 111.0 111.6 113.0 114.4 125.3 124.4 119.1 106.5 107.0 110.1 108.2	119.0 123.7 122.8 120.7 125.4 121.7 123.2 117.7 114.1 113.0 114.5 114.8	123.1 123.0 122.7 120.8 121.0 123.7 130.2 130.9 124.7 119.1 118.7 121.2 121.3	112.h 112.3 110.8 109.9 111.h 116.5 120.9 120.6 116.9 107.h 108.6 107.6	121.8 118.8 119.4 119.1 121.2 126.3 127.6 129.7 127.2 121.2 120.1 116.9 113.4	118.6 116.6 115.8 117.8 127.4 127.7 129.4 120.8 114.9 113.7 112.2 111.6	114.4 118.0 114.9 113.9 115.4 120.0 119.5 119.6 1107.3 108.5 111.0 114.3	125.1 131.0 134.3 124.1 120.3	121.2 120.5 120.3 118.8 122.9 127.0 130.8 124.5 117.5 117.5 117.2 117.2 118.6 118.7	114.0 110.2 112.7 114.3 112.7 119.5 125.3 127.7 123.5 105.3 108.6 104.0	120.9 123.0 122.0 121.3 124.6 128.5 126.1 126.2 117.9 112.6 113.8 116.9 117.8	116.5 113.0 115.1 113.3 114.1 118.0 122.8 125.1 125.0 117.1 115.0
January January February March April June July August September November December	127.1 121.9 124.4 130.7 136.6 137.4 134.3 131.9 124.9 120.7 121.0 121.1	129.3 123.6 128.4 136.1 137.7 138.6 135.0 129.9 128.0 126.0 124.0 123.0	124.5 119.4 120.7 127.3 132.0 134.5 131.7 131.9 128.7 116.9 116.2 116.4	126.2 118.b 118.7 127.1 133.5 136.9 135.2 136.0 130.1 120.5 122.1 118.3 117.0	124.1 121.4 123.2 127.0 131.0 131.0 129.7 131.9 117.6 119.5 119.9 119.1	136.7	115.3 118.4 122.9 127.3 127.2 123.9 124.4 119.0 113.1 111.1 112.6	136.9 133.5 135.5 1h2.8 1h3.6 153.h 1h7.3 1h5.2 129.h 125.7 125.8 128.7 126.6	124.2 121.7 121.4 124.7 131.7 127.5 124.3 125.1 123.4 122.6 121.7 122.0 124.7	117.9 113.0 116.1 121.5 129.6 124.6 124.6 115.5 115.5 111.2 110.7 112.0	129.7 122.3 125.4 132.0 142.2 134.5 131.1 130.1 120.2 125.6 126.4 132.9	130.5 126.6 129.4 136.3 141.9 138.7 137.2 135.8 126.0 121.0 123.1 124.5	123.5 120.0 121.2 129.9 132.0 134.7 129.0 126.8 121.7 115.9 118.3 118.1	129.9 124.6 125.3 129.3 135.4 114.5 136.9 135.1 120.5 126.5 126.1 121.3 123.1	127.5 121.4 124.8 129.4 136.2 138.5 135.3 125.2 122.4 122.6 118.8	127.9 125.6 121.0 115.8 114.3 114.1 118.2	140.3 141.2 135.6	130.3 123.3 126.1 130.2 139.9 138.1 139.8 121.2 126.0 127.3 133.2 127.9	123.0 117.4 117.9 126.2 133.4 137.7 135.9 131.8 120.2 113.5 115.7 114.1	3/127.6 122.8 126.0 129.4 140.1 14/ 133.2 131.7 124.1 121.4 121.3 126.0 127.1	126.8 121.5 123.9 130.9 136.2 138.5 132.4 133.7 127.6 124.2 122.8 114.9

Year and month	United States 1/	At- lanta, Qa.	Balti- more, Md.	Boston, Mass.	Chi- cago, Ill.	Cin- cin- nati, Ohio	Cleve- land, Ohio	De- troit, Mich.	Houston, Texas	Esnas City, Mo.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Minne- apolis, Minn.	New York, N.Y. 2/	Phila- delphia, . Pa.	Pitts- burgh, Pa.	Port- land, Oreg.	St. Louis, Mo.	San Fran- cisco, Calif.	Seran- ton, Pa.	Seattle, Wash.	Wash- ington, D.C.
										Oth	er Foods s	t Home									
1957: Average January February March April Hay June July August September Cetober Hovember December	111.0 109.9 109.5 111.7 113.8 115.0 116.2 115.6	105.6 106.7 106.7 104.5 102.2 101.8 103.2 105.8 107.4 109.1 108.3 107.4	112.9 113.0 113.1 112.1 110.4 110.0 111.8 113.6 114.1 115.5 115.5 115.5	107.7 105.3 106.1 105.0 106.6 105.8 104.9 108.7 110.0 111.3 110.8 109.9 108.3	117.4 120.1 118.5 117.0 116.3 115.6 116.1 118.1 119.5 121.5	116.2 114.9 114.3 116.2 119.3 120.1 120.6 119.7	116.6 115.2 114.6 114.2 114.0 115.6 117.2 118.3 119.6 118.3	115.2 115.0 115.8 114.1 113.1 112.7 112.4 113.5 116.1 117.5 119.0 117.2 115.9	111.7 112.6 112.3 111.7 110.2 109.7 109.3 110.5 112.0 112.7 112.6 113.4 113.7	106.4 106.4 106.1 105.3 104.7 103.5 104.7 107.0 107.2 109.4 109.1 108.9	113.0 112.7 112.9 112.5 111.5 111.6 113.6 113.6 113.6 113.9 114.6 115.1	120.2 119.6 120.0 118.4 118.0 117.3 116.0 117.7 120.6 123.4 125.4 123.6 122.9	112,3 112,2 112,2 110,5 110,5 108,8 108,7 112,4 113,2 114,1 117,0 115,0 113,0	112.5 112.0 112.6 111.2 110.5 109.8 109.3 112.7 113.2 114.1 116.4 114.4	122.3 122.2 121.8 121.1 119.4 119.9 118.5 121.3 123.0 124.6 126.2 125.2	115.4 115.8 117.0 115.8 112.7 112.3 112.0 114.5 118.2 117.0 116.5 116.0	121.1 120.8 119.6 117.8 117.5 117.3 115.2 120.8 122.2 121.7 122.4	112.9	110.5 109.8 110.7 108.9 108.6 107.1 106.7 110.2 111.1 112.0 115.6 113.0 111.9	111.6 112.0 112.1 111.3 110.0 109.6 109.2 111.7 113.8 113.3 112.3 111.3 112.8	113.9 113.3 114.2 112.7 111.7 111.0 110.3 113.5 114.6 116.0 117.8 117.0 115.2
1958: Average January February- Harch April May Jun July August September October Hovember December	113.1 111.3 113.8	105.9 106.9 104.9 108.3 105.7 105.1 104.7 105.4 105.4 106.2 106.2 105.5 103.9	112.3 112.0 111.0 114.5 113.2 111.4 111.3 111.9 112.6 114.1 112.8 113.0 109.9	107.4 106.6 106.9 109.6 107.9 106.6 105.7 108.2 108.6 109.8 107.9 106.7	116.3 119.8 117.6 116.3 115.3 116.0 116.5	116.4 114.4 116.3 114.3 114.8 115.5 116.8 119.2 117.1 115.7	116.2 113.8 116.8 115.9 113.4 114.9 115.4 117.5 115.1	113.7 113.8 112.5 115.8 114.3 113.8 112.9 113.1 113.5 116.8 113.9 113.5 110.3	110.1 112.9 110.4 110.8 110.5 109.5 108.7 110.5 110.3 110.8	106.0 105.8 104.7 107.3 106.4 105.7 105.3 105.6 106.2 106.2	112.7 114.5 112.4 111.8 112.8 112.1 110.8 111.1 113.1 113.1 113.1 113.9	119.4 119.4 117.6 121.7 119.5 118.1 117.9 118.8 119.8 123.4 120.2 120.2 116.3	111.6 111.5 110.6 114.2 111.8 110.3 110.0 110.3 111.7 115.0 113.3 112.0 109.0	111.4 111.4 111.0 113.6 111.9 109.9 100.1 111.7 111.6 112.4 111.5 108.2	122.0 122.9 121.3 124.9 121.8 121.1 121.3 121.9 121.6 122.7 122.7 122.2 118.4	114.3 115.5 111.9 112.0 113.5 114.6 114.9 117.3 114.1 112.9 114.3	120.6 118.6 121.8 119.5 119.1	111.7 112.5 109.7 111.4 110.8 110.1 109.7 111.7 113.0 115.8 112.8 111.9 111.2	110.2 110.2 109.2 113.0 110.7 108.8 108.7 109.7 110.9 113.8 110.5 110.1 106.8	110.8 111.5 108.3 109.4 110.4 110.6 110.5 113.9 115.6 111.0 110.5	113.9 113.4 111.7 115.4 116.3 112.4 112.8 114.1 117.5 115.1 114.7 112.3

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^{1/ &}amp;6-city average, including 26 cities not shown separately.
2/ Includes Hew York, H. Y. -- Horthern Hew Jersey.
3/ 11 months average.
L/ Hot available. Fresh fruits and vegetables in short supply because of work stoppage in warehouses.

Table 6. Indexes of Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States, by Month, 1957 and 1958 1947-49-100 unless otherwise indicated

							1957						
Article or group	Aver-	Jan.	Feb.	Mar,	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
11 foods	115.4	112.8	113.6	113.2	113.8	114.6	116.2	117.4	117.9	117.0	116.4	116.0	116.1
ood away from home 1/	109.3	107.3	107.6	108.1	108.4	108.5	109.3	109.5	110.0	110.5	110.6	110.9	111.0
oods at home	113.8	111.1	112.0	111.4	112.1	113.0	114.7	116.1	116.6	115.5	114.7	1111-1	114.3
Cereals and bakery products	130.5	128.0	129.1	129.8	130.1	130.4	130.6	130.8	131.0	131.2	131-4	131.6	131.8
Coreals: Flour, wheat	113.4	111.9	112.5	113.0	113.3	113.6	113.7	113.7	113.9	114.0	114.1	113.8	113.8
Risemit mix 2/	95.8	95.7	95.9	95.7	95.9	95.8	95.7	95.7	95.8	95.6	95.9	95.9	96.0
CAPA MEAT	113.3	111.2	112.1	112.4	113.6	113.6	113.7	113.4	113.4	111.1	111.6	114.1	124.1
Rice	93.5	92.2	92.2	92.2	92.7	92.9	93.1	93.3	93.7	94.4	94.6	95.2	95.3
Rolled oats	134.9	128.5	131.7	133.6	134.7	135-4	135.7	136.0	136.4	136.3	136.5	136.7	137.2
Corn flakes	136.1	133.4	134.5	135.0	135.1	135.1	135.0	135.4	136.0	136.2	136.4	138.5	143.0
Bakery products:	313.0			3100		-10.	212.0					ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ ـ	
Soda crackers 2/	141.0	138.2	139.1	170.0	170.3	140.6	11,1.0	141.5	141.8	142.0	142.2	142.5	142.7
Vanilla cookies	112.4	107.3	111.5	112.5	112.4	112.9 127.5	113.1	113.2	113.1	113.2	112.9	113.4	113.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	105.2	99.0	101.4	127.3 100.6	102.0	103.7	127.7 106.9	127.3 109.5	127.2	110.3	127.8 106.3	127.9 104.6	127.9 106.0
Manta	108.7	101.2	103.5	102.4	104.5	106.7	110.5	113.2	116.3	115.2	iii.i	108.9	110.5
Reaf and yeal	102.8	97.1	97.1	96.3	99.4	101.3	103.0	105.5	106.9	107.3	105.9	105.6	107.7
Round steak	113.7	107.7	107.1	105.8	110.2	112.4	111.1	117.8	119.2	119.1	117.1	116.3	117.8
Chuck roest	95.0	88.8	89.8	88.2	92.1	94.0	94.4	96.1	97.9	99.9	98.4	98.5	102.1
Pib roast	111.0	108.5	104.7	104.5	107.1	110.2	111.8	113.5	114.4	115.2	113.7	112.9	124.9
Hamburger	86.6	80.4	80.6	80.9	82.5	84.2	87.0	89.7	91.2	90.6	89.7	90.1	91.8
Veal cutlets	127.9	124.5	126.7	126.3	127.3	127.2	128.8	128.0	128.8	129.5	128.8	128.7	130.4
Pork	107.3	98.5	103.0	101.1	102.3	105.2	110.9	1114.3	119.2	116.0	108.2	103.7	105.2
Pork chops	119.1	109.7	113.9	112.0	114.2	117.0	127.5	127.3	127.6	124.7	120.9	117.3	117.1
Bacon, sliced	97.4	88.6 95.4	95.4 96.9	93.2 95.6	94.3 95.8	98.3 96.9	103.0 98.4	99.1	120.3	99.1	95.3	96.0	96.8
Lamb, leg	103.5	98.2	99.0	97.5	104.1	105.6	107.2	105.5	105.5	105.7	104.5	94.7 104.3	105.1
Other meets:	1 20,0	,0.2	//	//•/	104.1	10,00	10,	1 20,0,	100.0	100.1	104.7	104.5	105.1
<u></u>	93.1	86.6	87.8	88.1	88.4	89.7	93.0	95.0	97.7	98.5	98.1	97.2	97.3
Luncheon meat, canned 2/	93.1	87.9	89.4	90.7	91.8	92.7	93.5	93.8	94.2	94.6	95.2	96.2	96.8
Luncheon meat, canned 2/ Poultry, frying chickens	78.4	75.9	79.9	80.4	79.1	78.9	80.9	83.3	83.3	78.5	73.8	73.1	74.2
	10/07	109.5	109.3	108.6	108.8	109.7	109.0	109.6	110.2	110.0	110.5	111.4	112.2
Fish, fresh or frozen	107.6	107.3	106.7	105.4	106.0	107.2	106.0	106.8	107.8	107.6	108.5	110.1	111.5
Canned fish:	1						_		l	1			
Salmon, pink, canned	130.1	129.5	130.2	129.9	129.7	129.9	129.9	130.1	130.2	130.1	130.4	130.7	130.8
Tuna fish, canned 2/	93+3	92.7	92.9	93.0	92.9	93.2	93.4	93.6	93.6	93.6	93.6	93-4	93.7
Siry products	111.8	111.2	111.1	110.7	110.5	110.0	110.0	110.5	111.5	113.1	1114.5	114.5	114.6
Milk, fresh, (grocery)	117.6	117.2	117.1	116.2	116.0	1114-7	1114.2	115.0	116.9	119.5	121.0	121.8	121.9
Milk, fresh, (delivered)	97.4	96.5	121.0 96.3	120.5 96.6	120.0 97.0	119.3 97.3	119.3	97.7	121.5 97.9	123.8 98.1	125.5 98.0	126.1 97.8	126.2
Butter	94.0	94.0	93.8	93.8	93.6	93.7	97•7 93•4	93.2	93.2	94.4	95.4	94.9	98.1 94.8
Cheese, American process	109.3	108.8	108.9	109.2	109.0	109.0	109.4	109.3	109.5	109.6	109.5	109.5	109.6
Milk, evaporated	107.2	105.3	105.3	105.4	106.0	106.8	107.2	108.0	108.3	108.5	108.5	108.4	109.0
All fruits and vegetables	118.6	116.9	116.5	116.1	118.7	122.5	126.8	126.9	121.3	114.8	114.5	114.6	113.9
Frozen fruits and vegetables 2/	97.8	100.3	99.8	99.6	98.7	97.2	95.9	95.8	96.3	97.0	97.6	97.8	97.7
Prozen fruits:	1	1	١	١		_	l .	l	1	l .	1 .	1	1 .
Strawberries 2/	82.1	88.4	87.5	86.5	85.1	82.2	79.5	79.0	79.0	79.5	79.6	79-4	79.4
Orange juice concentrate 2/	99.4	104.4	102.9	102.4	101.7	98.7	95.6	95.0	96•4	97.8	98.9	99-4	99•2
Frozen vegetables:	100.9	103.0	103.0	102.0	100.1	100.2	100.4	100.6	100.3	100.8	100.3	100.3	99.8
Peas, green 2/	99.2	94.8	95.9	98.1	98.3	98.6	99.1	100.2	100.3	99.8	101.5	101.6	101.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables	123.7	120.0	119.5	119.0	123.5	129.8	137.1	137.4	128.5	118.0	117.4	117.6	116.5
Fresh fruits:	122,00	12200	/-/	1	1.00	12,00	1 -2/1	1 -510-4	1200	120.0	*****	12,00	1 1000
Apples	1,/11,0.8	126.3	131.7	134.6	150.1	171.7	195.2	194.8	(5/)	123.8	104.8	104.6	110.9
		106.8	105.5	101.1	100.8	103.6	112.4	112.2	115.6	110.9	114.6	109.7	99.3
Orrnges, size 200	126.2	118.1	119.2	119.0	119-4	118.1	121.2	126.8	133.6	139.3	141.9	133.2	124.6
Lemons 6/	1 103.0	113.4	113.2	105.9	102.5	104.0	98.2	96.5	98.1	97-5	96•7	104.9	105.3
Grapefruit 1/	7/111.3	113.4	109.9	109.1	110.1	113.0	*	* -	* .	300	*	113.4	110.0
Peaches 0/	T) / 80.7	*	*	*	(<u>\$</u> /)	81.4	80.0	123.5	99.6	106.7	*	*	#
Strauberries 10	75/90-6	*	*	*	'2''	4.01.01		129.6	88.0	75.1	77.6	82.6	*
Bananas Ornges, size 200 Lemons 2/ Oraps fruit 1/ Peaches 8/ Stracherries 10/ Grapes, seedles 8/ Watermelous 13/	9/ 87.5	*	*		1 2	-	103.4	86.4	72.8	12.1	#	*	
Fresh vegetables:	7						- 2-4		'		1	ı	
Potatoes	107.9	106.3	106.0	103.7	105.3	108.1	111.1	134.3	111.0	106.2	105.9	107.1	109.3
Sweetnotatoes	131.0	118.2	121.6	122.1	128.6	143.8	155.1	166.3	155.8	118.2	112.7	109.2	120.3
Ontons	111.9	91.5	102.5	99-4	116.8	145.1	153-4	135.9	110.2	96.7	95.9	97.0	98.9
Carrots	117.1	110.5	103.0	101.8	99.9	110.8	115.9	117.2	125.7	131.1	125.5	131.6	132.7
Lettuce	121.9	129.1	117.3	95.4	109.5	107.7	125.6	130.7	153.4	127.9	133.3	128.7	104.7
Celery 1/	104.1	117.2	114.9	107.7	101.0	106.7	112.0	115.9	97.6	98.5	92.7	91.3	93.2
Cabbage	125.9	120.4	99.3	138.7	153.1	132.5	125.6 121.1	124.6	121.2	120.8	1111.1	113.5	120.4
Beans, green	117.7	129.4	11.6.9	153.8	124.1	143.4	99.9	95.7 109.7	77.2 98.8	70.9	104.5	95.1	115.4
Canned fruits and vegetables	106.3	107.7	107.3	107.1	106.7	106.6	106.3	106.0	105.6	105.6	105.7	105.5	105.3
Conned frontiet			1,-,	(•					,••	,	/-'	,-,	,•,
Orange juice 2/	. 113.2	122.5	120.1	118.7	116.5	115.4	113.3	110.3	108.9	108.1	108.5	108.0	108.0
Pasches	. 110.h	109.7	110.3	110.4	110.7	110.7	110.8	111.3	110.8	110.8	110.5	109.8	108.4
Pineennie	. 110.2	109.7	109.6	109.9	110.0	110.2	110.3	110.4	110.4	110.4	110.5	1,10.6	110.6
Fruit cocktail 2/	100.3	100.0	100.1	100.3	100.1	100.1	100.2	100.3	100.lı	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.4
Canned vegetables:	1	1	1			1	l	_		ì	1	1	1
Corn. cream style	102.2	102.6	102.3	102.2	101.9	101.6	101.6	101.9	101.7	102.0	102.8	103.2	102.8
Peas, green	- 102.1	101.7	101.7	101.9	102.0	102.4	102.7	103.2	102.9	102.3	102.1	101.6	101.0
Tonatoes	- 103.h	102.9	102.8	103.0	102.7	102.7	102.8	102.9	103.0	103.7	104.0	104.9	105.5
Baby foods 2/	102.6	102.7	102.4	102.5	102.5	102.9	102.7	102.8	102.9	103.0	102.8	101.9	102.1
Dried fruits and vegetables	111.5	112.2	112.1	111.6	111.5	111.5	111.8	111.7	111.4	111.0	110.9	110.7	111.1
Prunes	· 140.3	_ 1 ¹ ¹ ³ • ²	142.9	11,2.3	7,5.0	115.0	11,2.2	17.7	110.2	137.7	137.1	136.4	135.9
Dried beans	- 85.2	84.5	84.5	84.2	84.2	84.2	84.5	84.9	85.2	86.1	86.2	86.4	87.3
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Table 6. Indexes of Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States, by Month, 1957 and 1958--Continued

[T957-h9=100 unless otherwise indicated]

	Γ	<u> </u>	71331-43-				1957						
Article or group	Aver- age	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Other foods at home	112.9	112.7	113.0	111.6	111.0	109.9	109.5	111.7	113.8	115.0	116.2	115.5	114.9
Partially prepared foods:	99.0	98.2	98.9	99.1	99.6	99•5	99.7	99.9	99.6	98.7	98.5	98.3	98.5
Soup, tomato 2/	1 202 0	104.0	104.1	103.1	103.5	103.3	104.3	104.1	104.2	103.6	104.1	104.4	104.5
Condiments and sauces:	100.0	99.3	100.2	99.8	99.5	99.6	100.0	100.3	100.2	100.1	100.5	100.7	99.8
Catsup, tomato 2/	99.2	102.4	102.5	102.5	102.6	102.7	97.8	97.2	96.0	95.7	96.3	96.9	97.4
Beverages, nonalcoholic	192.7	201.3	200.8	199.5	196.5	194.6	194.7	192.6	192.5	188.0	184.7	183.9	183.8
Tea 2/	187.4	201.0 122.2	199.7 122.4	197.7 122.6	193.3 122.7	190.3 122.9	190.3 123.0	186.9 123.3	186.5 123.2	180.1 123.5	175.4 123.3	174.2	173.9
Cola drinks 2/	118.1	115.0	116.3	116.5	117.1	117.5	117.8	118.7	119.1	119.4	119.3	120.1	120.2
Fats and oils	86.8 93.1	86.6 94.1	87.8 95.4	88.0 95.3	87.4 94.3	87.1 94.0	86.7	86.5 92.3	86.6 92.7	86.5 92.0	86.1 90.9	86.1 90.9	86.1 91.3
Margarine	78.5	79.0	80.0	80.3	79.2	78.5	93.6 78.1	77.7	77.7	77.9	78.0	77.7	78.0
Lard	83.8	81.9	84.5	84.7	84.1	83.5	82.3	83.1	84.5	84.9	84.3	84.1	83.2
Peanut butter 2/	99.2 109.8	97.0 109.7	97.7 109.5	99.0 109.4	99•3 109•7	99.5 109.7	99.3 109.5	99.8 109.7	99.7 109.8	99.8	99.7 109.9	99.9	99.7
Sugar and sweets	112.8	111.5	112.1	112.4	112.5	112.7	112.7	113.0	113.3	113.4	113.3	113.4	113.2
Sugar	114.6 106.0	112.8	113.8	113.9	114.0 105.7	114.2 105.3	114.2	114.9	115.5	115.5	115.4 106.6	115.5	106.9
Grape jelly 2/	114.5	113.2	113.6	114.4	114.3	114.9	114.7	114.8	114.7	115.1	114.7	115.0	115.0
Chocolate bar 2/	100.4	100.0	100.1	100.3	100.4	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.
Eggs, grade A, large	82.2	77.0	76.9	72.4	72.3	69.9	68.8	77.5	85.4	93.0	99.5	98.1	95.
Condiments and sauces: Pickles, sweet 2/	103.0	102.4	102.6	102.3	102.7	103.0	103.0	103.1	103.4	102.8	103.5	103.9	103,6
							1958						,
All foods	120.3	118.2	118.7	120.8	121.6	121.6	121.6	121.7	120.7	120.3	119.7	119.4	118.7
Food away from home 1/	112.6	111.1	111.3	111.8	112.0	112.2	112.7	112.8	113.3	113.4	113.3	113.7	113.6
All foods	118.8 133.1	132.5	117.2	119.6	120.5	120.5 132.8	120.4	120.5	119.2	118.7	118.0 133.9	117.6	116.8
		1,200	1,72.0	ł			1,2.0	1,2.,	1,2.0	1,,,,	1,000	1,4.0	1,04.0
Flour, wheat	114.4	114.4	114.7	115.1	115.4	115.4	114.9	114.5	1114.0	113.6	113.4	113.6	113.9
Corn meal	95.9 115.6	96.0	96.0 115.2	96.0	95.9 115.4	96.0 115.5	95.8 115.6	95.8 115.7	95.7 116.3	95.9 116.6	95.9 116.5	95.9 116.1	96.0 115.2
Rice	97.1	95.6	95.8	95.9	96.3	96.8	97.5	97.6	98.1	98.0	97.7	97.7	98.1
Rolled oats	137.9	137.2	137.5 147.6	137.7	137.9	137.9 149.4	138.0	138.0	138.0 150.0	138.0	138.3 150.5	138.4	138.4 151.0
Bakery products:	147.4	140.5	147.0	140.9	145.0	147.4	147.1	145.1	150.0	150.2	150.5	150.5	154.0
Bakery products: Bread Soda crackers 2/ Vanilla cookies Meats, poultry, and fish Meats Beef and veal Round steak Chuck roast Rib roast Hamburger Veal cutlets Pork Pork chops Bacon, sliced Ham, leg Other meats:	145.0	143.7	143.7	143.7	143.8	144.0	144.4	144.5	144.6	146.1	147.1	147.2	147.1
Vanilla cookies	113.7	113.3	113.6	113.4	113.6	113.7 126.7	113.6	113.8	113.6	114.0	113.8 126.6	113.8	113.8
Meats, poultry, and fish	115.1	110.2	112.0	114.4	115.9	116.6	118.3	119.2	117.7	115.8	114.6	113.5	113.0
Reaf and year	121.0	115.1	116.7	118.9	121.5	122.0 121.7	124.2 12 2. 6	125.4	124.3 119.8	119.5	121.4	120.0	119.9
Round steak	126.3	122.1	122.7	125.2	128.4	128.4	128.8	128.5	125.8	125.4	126.4	126.9	127.0
Chuck roast	114.1	106.6	110.2	115.4	118.5	116.9	118.2	117.4	113.0	112.6	112.9	113.1	114.4
Hamburger	122.4	120.6 98.3	120.4	121.5	123.9	124.5	124.5	124.3	122.4	122.2	121.3	121.6	121.5
Veal cutlets	143.9	135.9	140.4	142.4	143.1	144.3	145.3	144.7	145.1	145.9	146.0	146.2	146.9
Pork share	114.4	110.1	111.3	112.6	114.7	115.0	118.3	120.7	120.3	116.8 128.6	113.7	110.2	109.4
Bacon, sliced	108.7	103.7	121.7	105.8	109.2	125.4 110.4	131.8	133.2 116.5	130.1	113.7	126.9	124.8	99.6
Ham, whole 3/	104.2	102.1	102.3	105.5	105.5	104.7	106.1	107.1	106.7	102.8	102.0	101.6	103.6
Contract Con	112.3	110.5	113.2	112.4	113.4	111.8	112.6	113.1	111.6	1111.9	112.4	112.5	112.3
Frankfurters 2/	106.3	99.0	100.2	102.9	105.2	106.5	108.6	109.6	110.1	108.7	108.4	107.9	108.4
Luncheon meat, canned 2/	103.6	97.7	98.1	98.1	99•? 80•1	101.6	103.4	104.2	105.1	106.7	108.7	109.7	110.2
Frankfurters 2/ Luncheon meat, canned 2/ Poultry, frying chickers Fish Fish, fresh or frozen	117.6	77.0 113.8	115 . և	83.5	117.6	81.7 117.6	81.9	81.5	77.6	74.1 118.2	71.6	119.6	119.9
Fish, fresh or frozen	120.0	113.9	116.6	119.7	120.L	120.4	119.4	119.9	120.1	121.1	122.C	123.1	123.9
Canned fish: Salmon, pink, canned	130.4	130.8	131.0	1,31.1	131.2	131.3	131.3	131.5	131.7	129.8	129.0	128.1	128.0
Salmon, pink, canned Tuna fish, canned 2/	96.1	94.4	94.9	95.0	95.3	95.2	95.3	95.9	96.2	96.6	98.0	98.2	97.9
Dairy products	113.5	121.5	114.5	114.1	112.5	111.8	111.7	112.4	113.0	114.1	121.2	114.5	114.
Milk. fresh. (delivered)	124.4	126.0	125.8	125.2	122.1	121.7	121.6	122.6	123.9	125.4	126.0	126.1	125.7
Ice cream 2/	98.3 93.9	98.4	98.4	98.2 94.8	98.4 93.5	98.3 93.1	98.3 93.0	98.0 93.0	98.4 93.0	98.4 94.4	98.4 94.6	98.3 94.2	98.2
Cheese, American process	109.5	109.9	109.8	110.0	109.9	109.5	109.5	109.4	109.2	109.1	109.3	109.2	94.1 109.3
Milk, evaporated	111.0	110.1	110.5	110.8	111.1	110.9	111.1	111.2	111.1	111.2	111.3	111.1	111.5
All fruits and vegetables Frozen fruits and vegetables 2/	127.1	121.9	124.4	130.7 112.7	136.6	137.4 116.2	134.3	131.9	124.9	120.7	121.0	121.1	120.1
Frozen fruits:	i .		l .				Į.	l		i	İ		
Strawberries 2/ Orange juice concentrate 2/	81.9 147.3	80.3 123.4	81.9	82.6 134.8	82.5	82.6 143.2	82.4 152.2	82.0	81.9	81.3	81.1	81.9	82.3
Frozen vegetables:	l],	*****		141.5	14,702	172,2	155.2	156.8	157.7	157.5	157.9	157.5
Peas, green 2/ Beans, green 2/	100.7	100.5	100.4	99.7	99.5	99.5	99.8	100.2	100.6	101.3	101.9	102.2	102.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	105.5	102.6	103.1	105.2	106.4	106.6	06.بلبل1 106.لب	106.3 139.5	106.4	106.6	105.6	105.7	105.3
Fresh fruits:	1				[ļ.	1	ì	1	1200	12000	ı
ApplesBananas	I 202 L	114.1	117.6	121.8	133.3	157.7	193.3	(5/) 103.2	(<u>5</u> /) 118.3	127.1	108.2	103.2	109.
Oranges, size 200	165.0	104.9	106.9	104.8	98.3 169.0	103.8 160.9	104.2	103.2 173.8	174.2	106.1	113.3	114.2	110.8
Lemons 6/	100.4	104.2	101.8	102.6	101.8	102.9	98.9	97.1	96∙€	97.6	99.3	100.5	101.8
Peaches 8/	9/05 1	122.4	116.l;	118.2	130.5	149.3	*	* 104.1	89.5	92.6	*	138.0	125.4
Oranges, size 200	11/86.c	*	*	-	(5/)	95.2	76.7	#	89.5	92.6	*	*	*
See footnotes at end of table.			1	1			1		l	1		l	
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Table 6. Indexes of Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States, by Month, 1957 and 1958--Continued 1947-49-100 unless otherwise specified

A-A4-32	T						1958						
Article or group	Aver-	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Hay	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
All fruits and vegetables-Con.													
Fresh fruits and vegetables-Con.	1	[1					1		i	
Fresh fruits-Con.	20/02 (330.0	م م	20.0		100	
Grapes, seedless 8/	12/93.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	110.9	88.5	79.9	9h•3	(<u>5</u> /)	*
Watermelons 13/	2/15-4	*	*	*	*	*	101.6	69.6	54.9	*	*	. *	*
Fresh vegetables:	1 ,,,,,	1 ,,,, ,;	115 2	320 l	155.9	91.3.3	128.7	307 1		00.7	ا م	أ مرا	07.5
Potatoes	118.3	112.6	115.7	138-4		1կկ.1 158.հ		127.4	111.7	98.7	93.3	95.3	97.5
Onions		134.2 101.2	138.3	147.6	152.9 159.7		159.5	165.2	166.6	122.7	111.5	1111.0	118.5
Carrots	117.7	135.2	105.5 123.7	128.7 119.3	106.2	132.9 108.և	123.0	119.9	111.2	106.4	105.5	107-4	111.1
Lettuce	121.1	118.3	113.0	140.7	135.5	145.8	113.9 106.4	111.6	119.7 103.2	110.9	110.1 126.8	108.4	111.0
Celery 1/	110.7	102.2	108.1	109.7	132.h	147.0	127.1	116.4	97.3	96.5	90.2	98.6	103.1
Cabbage	129.8	151.7	165.5	174.1	160.9	152.3	126.3	111.0	101.3	101.3	101.8	99.5	
Tomatoes 2/		138.7	145.8	118.6	163.8	157.8	101.7	94.2	69.3	65.2	76.4		112.0
Beans, green	1 114.5	171.0	(5/)	(5/)	136.3	125.0			80.2			99.8	109.0
							93.9	94.3		90.9	104.2	104.3	105.3
Canned fruits and vegetables Canned fruits:	i	106.0	106.5	107.4	108.6	109.5	110.6	111.5	112.4	113.2	114.1	114.6	115.0
Orange juice 2/	126.8	109.4	111.1	111.9	1111.11	117.5	121.1	125.5	132.8	139.8	144.3	146.6	347.4
Peaches	109.2	109.3	109.1	109.5	108.4	107.9	107.6	108.0	108.2	109.2	110.2	111.4	112.0
Pineapple	112.4	110.9	111.0	111.4	111.7	111.8	112.1	112.3	112.4	112.9	113.1	114.1	114.7
Fruit cocktail 2/	101.9	100.6	100.8	100.6	100.7	100.8	100.9	101.2	101.4	102.3	103.5	104.7	105.7
Canned vegetables:	1									l			
Corn, cream style	105.1	103.6	103.9	103.6	103.7	104.0	103.7	104.1	104.8	105.6	106.8	108.1	109.0
Peas, green	100.1	101.2	100.9	100.6	99•7	99•h	99.5	99.6	100.2	100.1	100.2	100.1	99.9
Tomatoes	115.3	106.3	107.9	112.2	118.2	121.0	124.2	123.7	119.8	115.0	113.3	111.2	110.8
Baby foods 2/	102.4	102.2	102.0	102.2	101.8	101.7	102.2	102.5	102.8	102.9	102.9	102.9	103.1
Dried fruits and vegetables	118.2	112.0	112.3	113.9	116.4	117.3	118.5	119.6	120.4	121.4	121.5	121.9	123.2
Prunes	11,0.6	136.2	136.1	136.1	137.0	137.2	137.0	137.5	137.8	138.6	114.5	151.9	157.6
Bried beans	95.3	88.5	89.0	91.4	94.8	95.9	97.9	39.3	100.3	101.3	97.9	94.1	92.7
Other foods at home	112.4	113.1	111.3	113.8	112.4	111.5	110.9	111.8	112.8	115.2	113.2	112.6	110.7
Partially prepared foods:	000	١ ,,,	300.0			1 200 1					١		
Somp, tomato 2/	99.8	99-1	100.0	100.1	100.3	100.4	100.3	100.5	99.9	99.3	99+3	99.1	99.2
Beans with pork 2/	106.5	104.9	105.9	106.3	106.6	106.7	106.4	106.5	106.5	106.7	107.3	107.1	106.9
Condiments and sauces:	100.0	100.1	100.4	100.8	100.6	100.0	99.9		۱ ۵۵ ۵	00.6	ا مم ح	00 -	
Pickles, sweet 2/		98.2	97.4	96.3	96.4	96.1		99.8	99.9	99.6	99.5	99.5	99.8
Catsup, tomato Z/	97.5	184.8				181.2	96.4	96.9	97.2	97.9	98.7	98.8	99.3
Beverages, nonalcoholic	179.1	175.2	184.7	183.4	182.5		180.9	179.9	178.2	174.7	174.1	173.8	171.4
Coffee		123.8	175.0	172.9	171.6	169.9	168.9	167.3	164.4	159.2	158-4	157.8	153.9
Cols drinks 2/	124.3	120.li	124.0	124.2	124.2	124.2	124.3	124.5	124.4	124.5	124.7	124.4	124.9
Fats and oils	85.8	86.3	85.8	86.1	86.2	86.2	85.9	85.8	123.1	123.8	123.8	124.4	125.2
Chartering bedragened	89.7	91.5	90.1	90.5	91.0	90.9	89.9	89.9	85.8 89.2	85.6	85.5	85.4	85.4
Shortening, hydrogenated	77.0	78.1	77.7	78.0	78.0	77.7	77.3	76.5	76.2	76.3	76.1	76.0	88.4
Lard	83.4	82.6	82.0	82.6	82.6	82.7	83.1	83.3	84.4	85.2	8L.7		76.2
Salad dressing	100.8	100.7	100.8	101.0	100.6	101.0	100.8	100.7	100.9	100.7	100.8	100.8	100.9
Peanut butter 2/	113.2	110.5	110.5	110.9	111.0	111.5	112.5	113.7	115.4	115.9	115.7	115.7	115.4
Sugar and sweets	117.9	113.7	113.6	113.9	117.1	118.4	119.2	119.6	119.8	119.9	120.0	120.0	120.0
Sugar and emerca	117.2	115.8	115.6	115.6	115.9	116.2	117.6	118.1	118.4	118.3	118.4	118.3	118.4
Corn syrup 2/	110.2	107.3	107.9	108.7	109.7	110.2	110.5	110.7	110.9	111.3	111.5	111.9	112.1
Grape jelly 2/	116.1	115.4	115.3	115.9	115.9	115.7	115.9	116.2	116.3	116.4	116.8	116.4	116.6
Chocolate bar 2/	110.3	100.5	100.1	100.7	109.6	113.2	113.8	114.2	111.2	114.3	114.4	114.2	111.3
Eggs, grade A, large	86.5	87.6	81.4	90.6	84.5	81.1	78.9	82.5	87.2	98.5	91.4	89.9	84.4
Miscellaneous foods:	ر	1 0,.0	1	/**	04.5		,,,,,	V2.03	"""	,,,,,	71.4	07.7	Į ⁰⁴ ***
Oelatin, flavored 2/	104.4	103.8	104.1	104.0	104.1	104.3	104.6	104.4	104.4	104.4	104.3	104.7	105.7
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January 1953-100.

Z/ December 1952-100.

J/ Includes ready-to-est ham beginning November 1958.

L/ Average for 11 months in 1957; average for 10 months in 1958.

Kot available.

Kot May 1953-100.

J/ Average for 7 months.

July 1953-100.

J/ Average for 3 months.

J/ April 1953-100.

J/ Average for 2 months.

Z/ Average for 5 months in 1957; average for 1 months in 1958.

J/ May 1953-100.

J/ Average for 5 months.

Z/ Average for 10 months.

Priced in season only.

			Percent Change	from December 1950 to De	nember 1958		
+10.0% and	iover	+ 5.0% to 9.9%	+1.0% to 4.9%	+0.9% to = 0.9%	- 1.0% to - 4.9%	- 5.0% to - 9.9%	-10.0% and over
orange juice concentrate Hamburger Haddock, fresh, frosen Frankfurters Luncheon weat, camed oranges Onions Chuck roast Veal cutlets Bacon Orange juice, camed Round steak Chocolate bar Pork chops Lamb, leg Corn flames Ham, whole Rib roast Prunes	+50.5 +39.5 +27.5 +26.9 +26.9 +23.9 +23.7 +22.9 +18.8 +18.2 +16.7 +15.6 +14.8 +13.7 +13.7 +13.7 +10.2 +10.1	Ocean perch, fresh, frosen fresh, frosen fresh, frosen fresh, frosen fresh, frosen fresh, frosen fresh	6 Finespple,canned + L.h. 7 Cabbage + h.l. 2 Milk, fresh, 3 grocery + 3.9 1 Beans with pork + 3.5 3 Tea + 3.0 3 Tea + 3.0 6 Flour + 2.6 7 Corn meal + 2.6 6 Milk, fresh, 6 delivered + 2.1 6 Celery + 2.0 5 Faaabes,canned + 2.0 1 Ice cream + 1.7	Beans, green, frozen + 0.9 Carrots + .7 Regs + .5 Vanilla cookies + .4 Biscuit mix 0 Pickles 0 Salmon, pink, canned5 Butter5	Peas, frozen - 1.0 Margarine - 1.h Peas, canned - 1.9 Catsup - 3.0 Potatoes - 3.7 Shortening, hydrogenated - h.6	Prying chickens - 5.6 Strawberries, frosen - 7.3 Lemons - 8.3	Tomatoes, fresh -11.0 Lettuce -13.0 Cols drinks -11.5 Apples -15.1 Beans, green, fresh -18.2 Coffee, can -21.7 Coffee, bag -27.1
		1	Percent Change	from December 1956 to D	ecember 1957		L
Carrots Bacon Rolled cats Hamburger Eggs Frankfurtere Cabbage Lunchson meat, earned Onions	+21.6 +1h.8 +1h.h +13.8 +13.2 +12.2 +11.b +10.5	Pork chops + 9. Chuck rosst + 9. Haddock, fresh, frosso + 7. Round steak + 7. Potatose + 7. Corn flakes + 7. Beans, green, frozen + 7. Veal cutlets + 7. Sweetpotatoes + 6. Lasby leg + 6. Ham, whole + 5. Lard + 5.	1 grosery	Cheese + 0.9 Tomato soup + .8 Margarine + .7 Pineapple_canned6 Peanut butter + .4 Biscuit mix + .4 Pickles + .4 Butter + .1 Chocolate bar 0 Baby foods 0 Fruit cocktail 0 Fruit	Peaches, canned - 1.2 Shortening, hydrogenated - 1.4 Peas, frosen - 3.5 Grapefruit - 3,5 Catsup - 4.7	Prunes, dried - 5.2 Orange juice, canned - 5.2 Lemons - 5.4 Tomatose, fresh - 5.8 Bananae - 8.1 Celery - 8.1	Strawberries, frozen -10.5 Apples -11.0 Coffee, can -12.8 Orange juice, cammed -13.6 Beans, green, fresh -15.0 Coffee, bag -15.5 Cola drinks -17.5 Lettuce -27.9
			Percent Change	from December 1957 to D	ecember 1958		
Orange juice, concentrate orange juice, canned Hamburger Orange Lettuce Haddock, fresh, frozen Prumes, dried Chocolate bar Luncheon meat, canned Veal cutlete Chuck roset Frankfurtere Banamas Onions Celery	+58.8 +36.7 +22.6 +22.2 +20.7 +18.2 +16.1 +15.6 +13.9 +13.5 +13.3 +12.6 +12.0 +11.9 +11.9	Round steak	9 Rice + 1.5 Tomatoes, canned + 1.5 9 Pinespple, " 3.8 16 Cola drinks + 3.7 18 frozen + 3.5 18 Bacon + 3.1 18 Pread + 3.2 3 Peaches, canned + 3.2 2 Peas, frozen + 2.6 2 Sugar + 2.3 Celatin + 2.2	Corn meal + 0.8 Tomato soup + .8 Lard + .1 Flour + .1 Flour + .1 Soda crackers2 Cheese + .2 Biscult mix1 Milk, fresh, grocery1 Flickles1 Butter1 Suestpotatoes7 Fleas, canned9 Ice cream 0	Vanilla cookies - 1.6 Milk, fresh, delivered - 1.6 Salmon, pink, canned - 1.9 Margarine - 2.0 Lemons - 3.1 Shortening, hydrogenated - 3.2 Beans, green, fresh - 3.9 Apples - h.6	Frying chickens - 5.6 Tomatoes, fresh - 5.6 Beans, green, frozen - 6.1 Cabbage - 7.2 Rolled cats - 8.5	Coffee, can -10.2 Potatoes -10.6 Eggs -11.7 Coffee, bag -13.7 Carrots -17.2

Table 8. Average Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States 1/, by Month, 1957 and 1958 [In Cents]

							1957						
Article or group	sto year-	Jaz.	Peb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
ereals and bakery products:													
Coreals: Flour, wheat5 pounds				امما	ر ما			١	ا م م				
Biscuit mix 2/20 ounces	54.6 26.8	53.8 26.8	54.1 26.9	54.3 26.8	26.9	54.6 26.8	54.7 26.8	54.7 26.8	54.8 26.8	54.8 26.8	54.9 26.8	54.7 26.8	54. 26.
Corn meal 3	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.5	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.
Rice, short grain https://do.	17.4 21.9	17.2	17.0	17.0	17.1 21.9	17.2 22.0	17.2	17.h 22.1	17.5	17.6	17.6	17.8	17.
Corn flakes 5/	23.2	22.7	22.9	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.2	23.2	23.2	23.6	24.
Breadpound	18.8	18.4	18.5	18.7	18.7	18.8	18.8	18.9	18.9	18.9	19.0	19.0	19.
Soda crackersdo	28.9	27.6	28.7	28.9	28.9	29.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.0	29.2	29.
Vamilla cockies 6/7 ownces leats, poultry, and fish:	2h.6	24.3	24.5	24.6	24.6	24.7	24.7	24.6	24.6	24.7	24.8	24.8	24.
Meats: Beef and weal:		1		1		ł			1	l			1
Round steak 2/pound	93.6	88.7	88.1	87.1	90.7	92.6	94.0	96.9	98.1	98.0	96.3	95.6	96,
Chuck rosst 7/do	52.5	19.0	49.7 69.7	69.6	50.9 71.3	52.0 73.4	52.2 74.4	53.0 75.4	76.0	76.6	75.5	54.3 75.0	56. 76.
Hamburgerdo	73.8 42.0	39.0	39.1	39.3	40.0	10.8	42.2	43.6	14.3	44.1	43.6	43.8	1 44.
Chuck rosst 7do Rib rosst 2do Basburgerdo Veal cutlets 6do	117.8	114.7	116.8	116.4	117.3	117.2	118.6	117.8	118.5	119.1	118.5	118.3	120
Pork chops, center cutdo	86.6	79.7	82.8	81.4	83.1	85.0	92.7	92.7	92.9	90.8	88.0	85.4	85.
Bacon, sliceddo	73.8 63.1	62.0	69.h 62.7	67.7	68.5	71.4 62.7	74.9	64.3	87.5	85.4	75.5	69.8	70.
Bacon, slicod Rum, whole 2do Lamb, leg 10do	71.3	67.7	68.2	67.2	61.9	72.8	73.9	72.6	72.6	72.7	11.9	10.5	72
Other meate:	56.5	52.5	53.2	١	53.6	l	56.4	52.2	59.3	59.8	59.6	1 .	1
Frankfurtersdo Luncheon meat12-oz, can	45.0	42.5	43.2	53.4 43.9	h4.3	hr.3	45.2	45.3	45.5	45.7	46.0	59.0 46.5	59. 46.
Poultry, frying chickens: Ready-to-cook 11/do Fish:	46.9	45.4	47.6	48.0	47.5	47.1	48.5	49.4	49.7	47.2	Щ.3	43.6	₩.
Fresh and frozen: Ocean perch, fillet, frozen 12/do Haddock, fillet, frozen 13/do	42.9 46.4	42.2 46.0	42.7 46.1	42.5 45.1	42.8 45.1	42.9 45.7	42.7 45.3	42.9 45.6	43.2 46.6	42.9 46.6	43.1 47.2	43.6 48.4	43. 49.
Salmon, pink	62.5	62.2	62.5	62.4	62.2	62.h	62.h	62.5	62.5	62.5	62.6	62.8	62.
Tune fish, chunk style 1h/ 6-69-os. can airy products:	32.1 23.4	23.3	23.3	32.0	23.1	32.0	32.1	32.2	32.1	23.8	32.1 24.1	32.1 24.3	32. 24.
Milk, fresh, (grocery) 15/do Milk, fresh, (delivered) 16/do Ice cress	25.0	24.8	24.7	24.6	24.6	24.4	24.4	24.5	24.8	25.3	25.7	25.8	25.
Ice creampint	29.h 74.3	29.1 74.3	29.0	29.2 74.1	29.3 73.9	29.4 74.0	29.5 73.8	29.5 73.7	29.5 73.7	29.6 74.6	29.6 75.4	29.5	29. 74.
Cheese, American process 17/do Milk, evaporatedligos. can	57.6	57.3	57.4	57.5	57.4	57.4	57.6	57.7	57.8	57.8	57.8	75.0 57.8	57.
Hilk, evaporatedlig-ox. can	1k.6	14.3	14.3	14.3	2h.h	14.5	14.6	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	հ.
From fruits and vegetables:	ļ	į			1	1	ļ	1	1		1		1
Fromen fruits: Strawberries	26.5	28.6	28.3	28.0	27.5	26.6	25.7	25.5	25.5	25.7	25.7	25.7	25.
Orange juice concentrate ounces	18.3	19.2	18.9	18.8	18.7	18.1	17.6	17.5	17.7	18.0	18.2	18.3	18
From vegetables: Peas, green	19.7	20.1	20,1	19.9	19.6	19.6	19.6	19.6	19.6	19.7	19.6	19.6	19.
Beans, green 10 owness	23.9	22.8	23.1	23.6	23.7	23.7	23.9	24.1	26.1	24.0	2h.k	24.5	214
Fresh fruits and vegetables: Fresh fruits:		1		1	Į.		i	1					
Applespound Bananasdo	18/16.5	14.7	15.4	15.7	17.5	20.0	22.8	22.8	(19/)	14.5	12.3	12.3	13
Oranges, sise 200dosen	17.3 57.9	17.2 54.2	17,0	16.3 54.6	16.2 54.8	16.7 54.2	18.1 55.6	18.0 58.2	18.6 61.3	63.9	18.4	17.6	15 57
Grapefruit (NovMay)each	19.1	21.0	21.0	19.7	19.0	19.3	18.2	17.8	18.1	18.0	17.8	19.3	19
Peaches (July-Sept.)pound	20/11.2 21/17.8	(*/)	11,0	10.9	(*/)	(*/)		20.0	16,1	17.3		(*/)	11 (*)
Strawberries (April-June) 22/pint Grapes, seedless (July-Nov.)pound	23/27.5 24/25.h			(₹ /)	(3/2)	27.7	27.2	(<u>*</u> /) 36₀t₁	(*/) 25.7	(*/) 21.1	(E/) 21.8	(*/) (*/) 23,2	SEE SE
Watermelons (June-Aug.)do	2/5.1	E /S	(E /)		₹/১	(*///(*//// (*/// (*// (*// (*// (*// (*) (*/ (*) (*)/ (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*)	(*/) 6.4	5.3	4.4	(±/)	(±/°)	(€ /5	
Fresh vegetables: Potatoes10 pounds	57.1	56.h	56.2	55.0	55.8	57.3	59.0	60.3	58.6	56.1	55.9	56,5	57
Sweetpotatoespound	14.7	13.2	13.6	13.7	14.4	16.1	17.4	18.7	17.5	13.3	12.7	12.3	13
Onionsdo Carrotsdo	9.5	7.7	13.1	8.4 12.9	9.9	12.3	13.0	11.5	16.0	16.7	8.1 16.0	16.7	16
Lettucehead	17.4	18.5	16.8	13.6	15.6	15.4	18.0	18.7	21.9	18.3	19.1	18.4	13
Cabbagado	15.1	17.0	16.7	15.6	14.7	15.5	16.2	16.9	1h.2	14.4	13.5	13.3	13
Tomatoesdo	29.5	31.9	27.9	9.6 32.7	10.6 36.3	9.1 40.3	8.7 34.0	26.9	21.7	19.9	23.4	26.7	32
Beans, greendo	24.8	27.h	31.1	32.5	26.2	27.1	20.8	23,2	20.8	19.7	22.0	23.9	23
Canned fruits and vegetables: Canned fruits:]		1	1			l		i	
Orange juiceli6-os. can	35.4	38.4	37.6	37.1	36.4	36.1	35.5	34.5	34.1	33.8	33.9	33.8	33
PeachesNo. 2½ can PineamoleNo. 2 can	34.6 34.1	34.4 34.0	34.6	34.6 34.0	34.7 34.0	34.7 34.1	34.8 34.1	34.9 34.1	34.8 34.1	34.7	34.7 34.2	34.4 34.2	34 34
Fruit cocktail	26.0	25.9	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26
Canned vegetables: Corn, cream styleNo. 303 can	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.3	17.3	17
Peas, greendo	21.5	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.5	21.6	21.7	21.6	21.5	21.4	21.4	21
Tomatoss 25/do Baby foodsdo	15.0 10.0	14.9	14.8 10.0	10.0	14.8 10.0	14.8	14.9	15.0	15.0	15.1	15.2	15.3	15
Dried fruits and vegetables:	-	1		i								1	1
Prunes 26/pound Dried beansdo	33.9 16.1	34.6 16.1	34.5 16.0	34.4 16.0	34.3 16.0	34.3 16.0	34.4 16.0	34.2 16.1	33.9 16.1	33.3 16.3	33.1 16.3	33.0 16.3	32 16
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Table 8. Average Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States 1/2, by Honth, 1957 and 1958--Continued

[In Cents]

							1957						
Article or group	Aver-	Jan.	Peb,	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Other foods at home:							<u> </u>						
Partially prepared foods: Soup, tomatoll-os. can	12.4	12.3	12.4	12.4	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3
Beens with pork16-os. can Condiments and sauces:	2h.7	14.7	14.7	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.7	14.7	24.7	14.6	14.7	14.8	14.8
Pickles, sweet	27.2 22.5	27.1 23.2	27.3 23.3	27.2	27.1	27.2	27.3	27.2	27.1	27.1	27.3	27.3	27.1
Coffee 3l-lb, can	101.7	108.2	107.7	106.3	104.4	102.5	102.4	101.7	101.5	99.3	96.2	95.1	95.0
Tee herenessessessessessessessesses of 10 i	83.7 23.6	90.8 23.5	89.9 23.5	89.6 23.6	86.9 23.6	86.1 23.6	23.6	23.7	83.0 23.7	78.2	76.9 23.7	76.9 23.6	76.8
Cola drink 27/carton - 36 owness Pats and odls:	(<u>26</u> /)	33.3	33.6	33.7	33.9	34.0	34.1	26.9	27.0	27.1	27.2	27.2	27.3
Shortening, hydrogenated3-lb. cen Hargarine, colored10/pound	98.1 29.9	99.1 30.2	100.5 30.5	100.h 30.6	99.4 30.2	99.1 30.0	98.6 29.8	97.7 29.6	97.6 29.6	96.9 29.7	95.8 29.7	95.7 29.6	96.1 29.1
Hargarine, coloreding	22.7 37.2	22.1 36.3	22.8 36.6	22.9 37.1	22.8 37.2	22.6 37.3	22.3 37.2	22.5 37.4	22.9 37.3	23.0 37.4	22.9 37.3	22.8 37.h	22.5
Peanut butterpound Sugar and sueets:	53.6	53.6	53.5	53 . b	53.6	53.6	53.5	53.6	53.6	53.7	53.7	53.8	53.6
Sugar	55.2 24.8	54.3 24.5	54.8 24.7	54.8 24.7	54.9 24.8	55.0 24.8	55.0 24.9	55.3 24.9	55.6 24.9	55.6 24.9	55.5 24.9	55.6 25.0	55.6 25.0
Charalata har	27.3	26.9	27.0	27.2	27.2	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.k	27.3	27.4	27.1
Eggs, Grade A, largedosen	57.3	53.6	53.6	50.5	50.4	48.7	47.9	94.1	59.6	64.9	69.5	68.1	66.6
Miscellaneous foods: Gelatin, flavored3-h ounces	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.7	8,8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	8,9
		L	<u> </u>	I	L	L	1958	L		L	1		٠
Greals and bakery products:		Ι	<u> </u>	T	Γ	T	T	T	Ι	Γ	T	Ţ	T
Coreals: Flour, wheat5 pounds	55.2	55.2	55.3	55.5	55.6	55.7	55.4	55.3	55.0	54.8	54.7	54.8	54.9
Flour, wheat5 pounds Biscuit mix 2/20 ounces Corn meel 3/pound	26.8 12.9	26.8 12.8	26.8	26.8 12.8	26.8 12.8	26.8 12.8	26.8 12.8	26.8 12.8	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.8
Rice, short grain bydo Rolled cets 29	18.4 20.3	18,1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.3	18.4 20.3	18.4	18.6	18.6	18.5	18.5 20.4	18.6
Corn flakes 7	25.h	25.0	25.2	25.3	25.4	25.4	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.6	25.6	25.7
Breadpound Soda craskersdo	19.3 29.2	19.1 29.2	19.1	19.1	19.1	19.2	19.2	19.2 29.2	19.3	19.5	19.6	19.6 29.2	19.6
Vanilla cookies 6/7 ownces	24.5	24.8	24.6	24.7	24.5	29.3 24.5	24.5	24.5	24.5	29.3	29.3 24.5	24.5	29.3
Heats, poultry, and Fish:										ľ	1		
Round steek 2/pound	10k.2	100.6	101.0	103.1	105.8	105.9	106.2	106.3	104.0	103.7	104.5	104.9	104.5
Chack reast // do Rib reast 2/ do Rib reast 2/ do Ramburger do Veal cutlets 5/ do	63.3 81.6	59.1 80.3	61.1 80.2	81.0	82.6	82.9	83.0	65.1 83.0	62.7 81.7	62.h	62.5	62.6	63.1
Veal cutlets 6/do	52.9 132.8	125.1	129.3	50.3	53.1 131.8	54.0 133.0	54.6 133.9	54.8 133.8	53.9 134.2	53.8 135.0	54.3 135.1	54.4 135.3	135.5
Pork choos, center cutdo	91.8	87.9	88.6	89.5	91.2	91.3	96.0	96.9	94.6	93.5	92.3	90.7	89.1
Bacon, sliceddo Ham, whole 9/do Lamb, leg10/do	79.3 30/67.7	75.6 66.3	77.2 66.5	77.1 68.4	79.5	80.L 67.9	81.9 69.1	85.1 69.2	86.h 68.9	83.0 66.3	78.8 65.8	73.9 66.4	72.8
Lamb, legic/do	77.4	76.1	78.0	77.5	78.1	77.0	77.6	77.9	76.8	77.1	77.4	77.6	77.3
Frankfurtersdo Luncheon meat12-os, can	64.8 50.1	60.3 47.3	61.0 47.4	62.7	64.0 48.2	64.8 49.1	66.1 50.0	66.8 50.4	67.1 50.8	66.3 51.6	66.1 52.6	65.8 53.1	66.1 53.3
Poultry, frying chickens: Ready-to-cook 21/	46.5	46.2	48.3	49.9	h8.1	49.0	49.0	48.9	46.5	44.3	42.9	43.0	42.0
Fish: Fresh and frozen:		1		""		-,,,,	1,00	1					
Ocean perch, fillet, frozen12/do Haddock, fillet, frozen 13/do	45.6 55.5	以.1 50.8	144.14 53.0	山.7 55.9	45.5 56.5	45.6 55.9	45.8 55.0	46.3 54.7	46.0 55.0	45.7 56.2	46.2 56.7	46.3 57.8	46.6 58.1
Canned: Salmon, pink16-os. can	62.8	62.9	63.0	63.1	63.1	63.2	63.2	63.3	63.4	62.5	62.1	61.8	61.6
Tuna fish, chunk 1h/6-6}-oz. can	33.1	32.5	32.7	32.8	32.9	32.9	32.9	32.9	33.1	33.2	33.5	33.7	33.8
Milk, fresh, (grocery) 15/quart	23.9 25.3	24.2 25.8	2h.2 25.7	24.0 25.6	23.6 24.9	23.3 24.8	23.3 24.8	23.5	23.7	24.0	24.1	24.2	24.2
Milk, fresh, (delivered) 16/do Ice creampint Butter	29.7	29.6	29.7	29.6	29.7	29.7	29.6	24.8 29.6	25.1	25.3	25.5	25.5	25.1
Cheese, American process 17/do	74.2 58.0	74.9 58.2	74.9 58.2	74.9 58.3	73.9 58.2	73.6 58.0	73.5 58.1	73.5	73.5 57.8	74.6 57.8	74.8 57.9	74.4 57.9	74.1 57.9
Milk, evaporatedlkg-os. can	15.1	15.0	15.0	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1
Frosen fruits and vegetables: Frosen fruits:													
Orange juice concentrate6 ownces	26.4 27.0	25.8 22.6	26.3	26.6 24.7	26.5	26.6 26.3	26.5	26.5 28.5	26.4 28.8	26.2 28.9	26.2	26.4 29.0	26.6
Peas, green 31/9 ounces	19.6 23.0	19.6 22.4	19.6 22.5	19.5	19.4 23.2	19.4 23.3	19.5 23.2	19.5	19.6	19.8	19.9 23.1	19.9	20.0
Fresh fruits and vegetables: Fresh fruits:				1 -1 -			000	1/20/	1/30/	1 -1 1	1	1	12.4
Fresh fruits: Applespound	30/14.7 17.3	13.1	13.5	14.0 16.9	15.3	18.1 16.7	22.2 16.8	(19/)	148	1h.h	12.3	11.7	
Fresh fruits:	30/14.7 17.3 76.0 18.6	13.1 16.9 63.2 19	13.5 17.2 65.5 18.8	16.9 68.0 19.0	15.9 77.8 18.8	16.7 74.1 19.1	16.8 76.1 18.3	16.6 80.1 17.9	(19/) 19.1 80.3 17.8	17.1 87.2 18.0	18.3 87.3 18.3	18.4 82.6 18.5	17.8 69.9 18.8

Table 8. Average Retail Prices of Principal Foods in the United States 1/2, by Month, 1957 and 1958--Continued

In cents/

							1958						
Article or group	Aver-	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
11 fruits and vegetablesCon.													
Fresh fruits and vegetablesCon.		1			}	1	ļ			1	İ		
Fresh fruitsCon.	20/12.0	12.3	11,7	11.9	13,1	15.0	(*/)	(*/)	(4/)	(*/)	(+/)	13.0	12.6
Crapefruit (NovMay)each Peaches (July-Sept.)pound	20/12.9 21/15.5	(*/)	(*/)	(*/)	(*/)	(*/)	(*/) (*/) 26,2	(*/) 16.9	14.6	(*/) 15.1	******	13.9 (*/) (*/) (19/)	(*/)
Strawberries (April-June)pint	23/29.li 32/25.9		SEE			(*/) 32.5	26.2	(*/)	(*/) 24.5	(*/)	(₹/)	(₹/)	(¥ /)
Grapes, seedless Suly-Nov.)pound	32/25.9	(₹/)	(₹/)	(₹/)	(E/)		(*/)	(±/) 30.7		(*/) 22,1	26.3	(13/)	
Watermelons (June-Aug.)do	27/ 4.7	(₹/)	(₹/)	(₹/)	(₹/)	(₹/)	6.3	4.3	3.4	(±/)	(<u>*</u> /)	(⊕ /)	(⊛/)
Fresh vegetables:		i	Ι.	l .				١.,					_
Potatoes10 pounds	62.6	59.6	61.3	73.2	82.5	76.3	68,1	67.4	59.1	52.2	49.4	50.4	51.6
Sweetpotatoespound	15.8	15.0	15.5	16.5	17.1	17.7	17.9	18.6	18.8	13.8	12.6	12.9	13.
Onionsdo Carrotsdo	10.1	17.1	9.0	11.0	13.6	11.3	10.5	10.1	9.4 15.2	9.0	8.9 13.9	9.1	9,1
Lettucehead	17.3	16.9	16.2	20.2	19.4	20.9	15.3	16.0	14.8	15.9	18.1	16.3	18.3
Celerypound	16.1	14.7	15.6	15.8	19.0	21.1	18.3	17.1	14.3	14.2	13.2	14.5	15.1
Cabbagedo	8.9	10.4	11.4	12.0	11.1	10.5	8.7	7.6	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.8	7.7
Tomatoes	32,1	39.1	41.1	41.8	46.1	եև ե	28.7	26.4	19.4	18.3	21.4	28.0	30.6
Beans, greendo	<u>30</u> /23.4	36,2	(<u>19</u> /)	(<u>19</u> /)	28.8	26.4	19.9	20.0	17.0	19.3	22.1	22.2	22.1
Canned fruits and vegetables:					1	1		Ì	i	1		Ĭ.	ł
Canned fruits:	20.0	31. 3	3). 0	35.1	35.9	36.9	30.0	39.4	1.2	1.00	45.3	1.4 0	46.2
Orange juice	39.8 34.2	34.3 34.3	34.9	34.3	34.0	33.8	38.0 33.7	33.8	33.9	143.8 34.2	34.5	46.0 34.9	35.1
PeachesNo. 22 can PineappleNo. 2 can	34.6	34.3	34.3	34.5	34.5	34.6	34.7	34.7	34.8	3.5	35.0	35.3	35.5
Fruit cocktailNo. 303 can	26.4	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.1	26,1	26.2	26.2	26.3	26.5	26.8	27.1	27.1
Canned vegetables:		ł	i									-,,,_	1
Corn, cream styleNo. 303 can	17.7	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.8	18.0	18.2	18.1
Pess, greendo	21.3	21.3	21.2	21.2	21.0	20.9	20.9	21.0	21.1	21.1	21.1	22.1	21.0
Tomatoes 25/do	17.0	15.6	15.8	16.6	17.6	18.0	18.5	18.3	17.6	16.7	16.5	16.2	16.1
Baby foods	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.
Dried fruits and vegetables:				1				1 1		1	25.0	1 ~ .	
Prunes 26/pound	34.1 18.0	33.0	33.0 16.8	33.0	33.2	33.2	33.2 18.5	33.4 18.8	33.4 19.0	33.6	35.0	36.8	38.2
Dried beansdo	10.0	16.7	10.0	17.3	17.9	10.2	10.5	10.0	17,0	19.2	18.5	17.8	17.5
Partially prepared foods:		1										1	1
Soup, tomatoll-oz. can	12.5	12.4	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.6	12.6	12,6	12.5	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4
Beans with pork16-os. can	15.1	14.9	15.0	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.2	15.2	15.1
Condiments and sauces:	l	İ	1	1	Į.				ł	1			
Pickles, sweet73 ounces	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.2	27.1	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0
Catsup, tomatoli ounces	22.3	22.3	22.1	21.8	21.9	21.8	21.9	22.0	22,1	22,2	22.4	22.4	22.5
Beverages, nonalcoholic:	90.7	95.3	95.2	93.4	92.8	92.2	91.8	90.6	89.6	87.7	87.2	86.8	85.3
Coffee 3/1-lb. can	73.7	77.9	77.9	77.9	77.2	75.9	75.4	75.0	73.0	69.4	69.1	68.9	66.
Tea bagspackage of 16	24.0	23.9	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.1	24.0	24.1	24.1	24.0	24.1
Cola drink 27/carton - 36 ounces	27.7	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.1	27.3	27.6	27.6	27.9	28.0	28.0	28.1	28.3
Fats and oils:	l	Ι.	l	1	1			1	1		İ		1
Shortening, hydrogenated3-lb. can	94.4	96.3	94.8	95.2	95.8	95.6	94.6	94.6	93.9	92.8	92.8	92.8	93.0
Margarine, colored 10/pound	29.4	29.8	29.7	29.8	29.8	29.7	29.5	29.2	29.1	29.1	29.0	29.0	29.1
Larddo Salad dressingpint	22.6 37.8	22.4	22.3	22.h	22.11	22.5	22.6 37.8	37.8	22.9	23,1	23.0 37.8	22.9	22.6
Peanut butterpound	55.5	37.7 54.1	54.0	54.3	37.7 54.3	37.9	55.1	55.7	37.9 56.6	37.8 56.8	56.7	37.9 56.7	56.6
Sugar and sweets:		/~		1	~.,	1 ~~~		1	1	~•°	1	~~"	1 ~
Sugar5 pounds	56.3	55.6	55.6	55.5	55.7	55.8	56.5	56.7	56.9	56.9	56.9	56.9	56.9
Corn syrup24 ounces	25.8	25.1	25.3	25.5	25.7	25.8	25.9	25.9	26.0	26.1	26.1	26.2	26.
Grape jelly12 ownces	27.8	27.6	27.6	27.7	27.7	27.7	27.7	27.8	27.8	27.8	27.9	27.8	27.9
Chocolate bar ounce	5.0	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.2 68.7	5.2	5.2	5.2
Pour Consta A James	60.lı	61.1	56.8	63,2	59.0	56.6	55,1	57.6	60.9	00.1	63.8	62.7	58.8
Eggs, Grade A, large dosen		8.9	8.9	8.9	8,9	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.3
Eggs, Grade A, large dosen Miscellaneous foods: Gelatin, flavored3-b ounces	9.0												

^{5/ 37} cities.
6/ ½2 cities January 1957 through June 1958; ½1 cities July through December 1958.
7/ ½4 cities January 1957 through June 1958; ½3 cities July through December 1958.
½5 cities January 1957 through December 1957; ½6 cities January 1958 through June 1958; ½5 cities July 1958 through December 1958.

½/ 36 cities January 1957 through June 1956; 35 cities July 1958 through October 1958; ½6 cities November and December 1958.

£/ 25 cities January 1957 through June 1956; 35 cities July 1958 through October 1958; ½6 cities November and December 1958.

^{3/8} cities January 1957 through June 1958; 35 cities July 1958 through October 1958; 46 cities November and December 1956. Effective November 1950 ages price includes ready-to-eat ham.

10/ 11/10 cities.

11/11 cities January 1957 through March 1957; 43 cities April and May 1957; 44 cities June 1957 through June 1958; 45 cities July 1958 through maker 1958.

12/12 cities.

13/13/ 35 cities January 1957 through May 1958; 34 cities June through December 1958.

13/13/ 35 cities January 1957 through January 1958; 42 cities February and March 1958; 43 cities April and May 1958; 44 cities June through December 1958.

15/11 cities January 1957 through August 1957; 41 cities September 1957 through January 1958; 42 cities February and March 1958; 43 cities May through maker 1958.

17/14/ 10 cities January 1957 through August 1958; 45 cities September through November 1958; 44 cities December 1958.

17/14/ 10 cities January 1957 through August 1958; 45 cities September through November 1958; 44 cities December 1958.

Table 9. Annual Average Retail Prices of Principal Foods by City, 1957 and 1958 /Tn cents/

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Article	1 6	lanta, Ga.	1	timore,	M	ston,	1	cago,	0	innati hio		veland, Ohio	Mi	troit,	Te:	ston, xas	Mo		Ca	ngeles,
Cereals and bakery products:	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
Coreals: Flour, wheat	56.1	57.4	54.2	54.6	52.3	1/51.8	51.5	51.6	53.0	53 . h	53.7	53.6	51.5	53.0	53 . lı	53.7	47.6	50.0	60.5	63.3
Riscuit wix20 ownces	26,9	27.2	27.1	27.2	27.8	27.7	26.3	26.3	26.5	26.3	27.2	27.2	28.0	28.1	26.6	26.7	26.3	26.7	26.8	26.7
Corn mealpound Rice, short graindo	7.3 17.9	19.3	13.0 17.7	13.2	12.2	12.1	12.6 15.5	12.9 16.5	12.6 20.7	12.8 21.3	12.3 18.0		12.6	13.0 18.1	12.0	12.1	12.4	12.7 17.7	12.9	13.4
Pice lang greinessessessessesses		19.3	11.1	10.2	20.3	20,6	15.5	10.5		21.5	10.0	10.5		10.1	17.6	18.4	10.5	1/0/	20.8	21.7
Rolled cats 2/20 onnes Rolled cats 2/18 ounces	22,0	20.4	21.5		21.4	19.5	21.5	19.6	21.8		21.7		21.6		22.3	20-4	20.7	19.4	23.3	21.6
CATA Ilakasuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuu	17.7	19.9		20.0	16.9	18.5				20.0		19.8		20.2	17.h	19.2	17.3	19.3	17.6	20.0
Corn flakes12 ounces			22.6	24.6			22.5	24.6	23.2	25.1	22.5	25.0	23.4	25.6						*
Bakery products: Breadpound	18.5	19.3	18.4	18.5	18.5	19.1	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.6	19.0	20.1	18.0	18.2	15.2	16.7	17.7	18.7	20.8	21.8
Soda crackersdo	28.9		28.7	28.7	30.1	30.1	28.4	29.0	27.9	28.4	29.6		29.3	29.4	29.0		28.8	29.3	30.8	31.0
Vanilla cookies7 cunces Vanilla cookies12 cunces	35.2	35.6	24.1	23.9	24.3	23.5	28.2	27.1	36.2	36,5	23.9	24.5	25.4	25.1	23.9	24.1	24.1	23.9	24.7	24.7
Meats, poultry, and fish:						i i			3000	, ,,,,			ŀ					1		
Meats: Beef and veal:	1	'	1	[1 1								ĺ	Ì			ì	İ	l
Round steak	92.4		103.2	112.8	111.7	124.6	79.5	89.1	93.1	102.9	85.0		91.5 52.4	97.8	3/87.77 3/51.5 3/81.3 41.7 4/82.1	/l ₄ /98.8	85.5	95.9	93.4 56.8	5/98.9 5/67.0
Chuck roastdo	55.1 80.9	5/87.1	53.7 73.6	65.0 81.2	53.2 67.0	(6/) 1/75.7	47.7 70.3	56.2 78.1	55.8 76.2	66.2 84.4	51.4 82.1	87.3	75.2	63.7 83.9	3/51.5	3/61.8 1/86.3	50.2 74.3	61.2 82.5	56.8 86.3	5/67.0 94.1 51.5
Harburger	38.2	50.4	51.5	59.3	44.0	22.4.1	41.0	53.2	41.4	53.5	40.9	50.9	42.7	52.8	₩.7	1/54.1	42.3	53.9	11.8	
Veal cutletsdo	104.2	120.5	135.0	150.8	109.1	122.7	108.0	117.3	120.9	137.2	115.9	128,6	114.5	123.7	<u>h</u> /82.1	(%)	107.6	113.9	117.1	5/130.9
Pork choospound	76.9	81.5	86.5	93.2	87.7	93.3	85.2	89.8	87.5	93.8	90.3	93.9	90.9	93.9	80.3	87.1	85.8	89.7	98.6	5/102.6
Bacon, sliceddo	74.0		73.6	80.2	73.0	78.9	71.0	76.9	78.7	82.6	73.6	77.1	73.8	79.8	73.7	79.8	69.1	74.7	77.9	5/83.2 1/66.7
Ham, whole, tenderised 7/do Ham, whole, ready-to-est 7/do Lamb, legdo	60.8	₩/65.6	66,3	1/69.6	65.4	1/69.6	61.4	65.9	64.1	68.3	66.8	71.5	66.9	71.5	64.1	1/69.0	60.3	66,0	05.0	11/00-1
Lamb, legdo	5/75.1	82.6	73.7	78.7	72.4	78.8	68.1	73.2	85.3	89.0	76.5		74.5	78.6	<u>L</u> √85.5	5/90.1	5/82.1	87.6	71.6	5/77.2
Other meats: Frankfurtersdo	52.0	60.9	56,3	63 . lı	57.8	66.h	55.6	63,5	58.6	64.8	61.6	60.1	52.8	60.8	51.0	62.1	54.6	63.h	56.5	5/65.0
Luncheon meat12-os, can	45.8	50.8	43.9	48.5	42.9	46.7	43.7	49.5	h4.8	50.0	46.1	58:7	52.8 46.7	60.8 52.1	£3:2	62.1 50.0	\$1.6 43.5	63.h	56.5 44.6	5/65.0 49.8
Poultry, frying chickens: Ready-to-cookpound	42.3	43.0	47.8	45.4	(<u>6</u> /)	47.8	43.1	42.7	47.1	48.1	45.3	44.3	եր Դր	43.8	46.8	46.8	47.1	46,6	57.b	5/54.8
Fish:		3,00	4.00	7,00	(2)	4.00	-50-			4.10	-5.5	""		4500	44.0		, ,,,,,	4300	, ,,,,,	
Fresh or frozen: Ocean perch, fillet, frozendo	37.1	1/42.7	Ma.3	46.7			40.7	42.5	44.1	46.2	44.7	48.8	hh.8	49.6	42.h	45.9	40.2	h3.2		
Heddock, fillet, frommannennennen	5/45.8	53.8	45.6	55.7			bh.3	50.6	47.3	55.0	48.6	59.2	46.6	59.7			45.0	55.1		
Cod, fillet, frosendo Salmon, fresh or frosendo					<u>4</u> /39.7	(8/)				****									93.8	5/100.5
Haddock, fillet, freshdo					51.5	1/63.1														
Sea trout, freshdo Halibut, fresh or frozendo															53.0	54.2			72.2	76.0
Sole, fillet, fresh or frosendo															****					
Canned: Salmon, pink16-os, can	61.2	61.3	62.1	62.7	59.9	60.0	60.9	60.6	63.9	63.9	62.2	63.0	64.2	64.0	62.2	63.3	59.0	60.9	63.4	63.1
Tuna fish, solid pack7-os, can			38.2	37.5	31.0	1/33.8	-													
Tuna fish, chunk style6-68-oz. can Dairy products:	28.6	32.6					31.9	32.0	33.8	33.7	32.4	33.6	32.3	34.4	32.3	34.0	30.8	32.9	30.8	31.4
Milk, fresh, homog. wit. D (grocery)quart	26,7	27.2	9/24.8	9/26.4	25.9	22.6	21.6	21.8	24.0	24.5	19.6	20.3	22.5	23.0	23,1	23.4	20.0	18.7	20.9	21.6
Milk, fresh, homog. vit. D (delivered)do	26.7	27.1	9/24.8 9/25.3 34.7	2/27.0	28.3	28.5	27.9	1/25.8	26,3	F/52.01	22.0	23.1	24.3	14∕23.2 32.4	26.1	26.5	22.4	20.9	70 ∖55°8	10/23.9
Butterpound	28.1 78.8	79.4	76.9	- 33.7 76.5	30.5 74.2	1/30.5	27.7 73.7	73.2	29.1 74.2	- 29.2 75.1	74.8	30.3 74.7	32.4 73.6	74.1	29.9 79.7	31.1 80.7	26.9 72.5	27.4 73.5	25.6 73.7	76.0
Cheese, American processdo Milk, evaporatedlh2-os, can	(8∕)	(8/) 15.0	62.6	60.4	55.7	(8/) 14.5	58.6	59.3	57.9	58.7	60.4	59.1	55.8	57.6	62.2	63.5	53.5	55.5	57.0	5/58.0
All fruits and vegetables:	11.2	15.0	14.8	15.3	14.2	14.5	14.6	15.1	14.5	14.9	15.0	15.6	14.8	15.7	14.5	15.2	13.9	15.0	14.3	14.8
Frosen fruits and vegetables:							1						- 1	ĺ						
Frosen fruits: Strawberries	23.4	23.4	29.5	28.5	27.1	26.7	25.4	24.7	26.6	27.3	27.5	27.3	27.3	28.8	26.0	26.3	24.0	2h.0	23.9	5/25.1
Orange juice concentrate ounces	18.7	27.6	19.7	28.0	17.4	26.7	17.7	25.9	17.8	26.4	19.5	27.9	19.2	29.5	17.1	25.9	16.6	25.8	19.0	27.6
Frozen vegetables: Peas, green10 ounces	19.7	19.6	21.5	21.5	19.6	19.1	19.1	19.0	20.2	20.4	20.4	20.4	19.9	20.6	19.9	19.4	18.2	18.8	18.9	19.1
Beans, green 11/10 ounces	23.5		25.8		23.4		23.7		24.7		24.6		26.0		22.7		21.9		23.4	
Beans, green II/ 9 ounces Fresh fruits and vegetables:		21.8		24.4		22.9		22.7		23.2		23.6		24.8		23.3		22,1		22 . L
Fresh fruits:		ا ا				. 1							1							. .
Applesdo	5/17.8 14.6	14.7	5/15.1	(8/) 15.8	5/14.9 17.0	16.9	5/18.7	5/16.4 19.1	16.1	15,0 17.9	4/16.4 18.4	5/15.4 18.1	15.2 18.9	5/13.5 18.8				17.5	5/17.8 18.3	
Oranges, size 200dozen	42.8	62.3	47.0	65 31	e3. 1	3/23 0	60.4	79.6	18.8	67.2	57.9	69.8	66.4	81.6	15.3	₩75.1	61.5	79.1	51.9	5/74.9 5/18.0
Lemons	16.9	ו מירו	12 21	17 8	20.9	20.6	10 5	79.6	12.2	22 6	22 0	10.3	ວາ ຂໍ	اعتمو	17.7	19.3	17.9	18 1.	18.1	5/18.0
UPERSITUDE (ROYREY/12/	L1/ 0.3	113/10.3	13/9.5	13/11.51	13/12.01	13/13.7[]	13/10.31	13/11.8	1711.11	13/12.71	13/11.61	11/13.51	13/12.01	13/13.81	17/10.81	13/13.0	13/10.kľ	13/11.51	13/10.0	33/12.0

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		1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	Watermelons (June-Aug.)12/do	14/16.3 (8/) 16/22.9 14/3.4	14/13.2 (8/) 17/23.0 14/2.7	14/17.8 (8/) 16/26.1 14/4.9	14/14.4 13/33.4 17/28.9 15/3.0	14/17.6 15/31.5 17/27.8 14/7.5	14/14.7 15/33.9 17/28.1 14/6.0	114/20.5 15/33.3 16/26.14	11/17.3 14/39.8 17/26.9 11/5.2	14/16.7 15/22.2 16/27.0	14/14.h 15/29.5 17/28.5	14/17.6 15/29.5 17/27.8	14/14.7 15/28.7 17/28.7	11/19.7 15/28.0 17/29.7	11/15.7 15/28.7 17/30.3	14/22.6 15/31.4 17/25.9	14/20.3 14/37.9 16/27.2	11/19.5 15/26.5 17/25.1	14/16.6 14/36.6 17/25.4	14/18.2 15/22.4 16/18.1	14/18.2 14/30.6 17/20.2
	Fresh vegetables:	55.8 13.1 8.9 14.7	60.6 14.6 9.8 14.5	56.9 11.3 9.5 16.2	5/12.7 9.8	\$4.3 (8/) 9.7 16.2	1/14.9	63.9 15.2 9.3 14.8	70.7 <u>5</u> /15.9 9.7 14.1	5/14.0 10.5 17.3	69.0 15.3 11.0 16.1	64.9 5/15.0 10.2 16.0	66.2 16.2 10.7 16.0	66.6 15.7 10.9 16.4	70.3 17.2 11.3 15.8	84.5 5/13.4 10.0 14.1	87.2 15.1 10.0 14.5	62.2 15.8 9.5 14.7	70.7 16.2 10.1 14.1	70.7 19.3 8.2 10.9	3/8.7
	Lettuce	16.h 13.3 7.3 26.6 20.5		18.7 17.7 8.0 26.1 22.h	17.1 8.3	20.5 16.9 9.5 28.3 27.1	I/18.3	17.6 16.0 8.4 34.1 26.7	17.2 18.2 9.0 35.2 1/24.6	18.7 13.3 10.2 31.8 22.7	19.3 14.5 11.0 36.4 (8/)	18.6 15.2 9.5 35.7 26.5	18.5 15.3 9.9 38.6 (8/)	19.1, 15.7 9.7 34.5 27.2	18.9 16.2 9.8 38.0 h/2h.2	17.8 16.3 7.6 28.2 26.2	18.4 17.5 8.1 29.9 (8/)	17.2 14.1 7.8 29.6 25.5	15.9 15.h 7.9 31.3 (8/)	14.3 12.3 7.4 26.3 28.7	14.3 5/12.6 7.8
	Canned fruits and vegetables: Canned fruits: Orange juice	29.8 34.3 33.3	36.3 34.9 34.3	35.h 34.6 32.5	38.2 33.9 33.7	34.8 34.0 32.4	1/38.3 1/34.2 32.8	鬼.1 35.2 乳.4	37.6 33.8 34.5	35.2 34.8 34.5	39.0 34.9 35.3	36.6 36.5 34.8	39.6 35.0 35.6	36.2 36.0 35.1	11.9 36.6 36.0	33.6	39.1 34.5 34.3	34.9 33.5 33.1	38.1 34.0 34.5	11.2 31.6 33.2	5/52.1 30.8 33.2
	Carmed vegetables: Corn, cream styledo Peas, greendo Tomatoes	25.5 16.7 22.8 14.4 10.3	26.6 17.8 22.3 (8/) 10.9	26.9 17.7 22.0 14.5 10.8	26.2 17.9 21.2 16.8 10.7	26.5 16.8 22.1 15.h 10.3	26.7 16.2 21.9 16.3 10.4	27.0 16.8 20.8 14.2 10.1	27.2 17.2 20.2 16.0 10.2	26.4 17.5 22.9 15.8 10.8	26.9 17.8 22.5 17.4 10.8	27.1 17.3 21.2 17.2 10.6	26.9 17.6 20.9 18.4 10.5	26.5 17.2 21.2 15.6 10.4	27.5 18.2 21.1 18.1 10.7	26.3 17.9 21.9 14.4 9.4	26.7 18.9 21.1 15.3 9.6	26.0 16.3 20.6 13.9 9.3	26.8 17.3 21.3 15.9 9.3	23.8 17.3 20.6 (6/) 9.6	
24	Dried fruits and vegetables: Prunes	33.h 15.1	3h.7 18.0	34.3	33.9 19.1	34.4 17.5	1/35.0 18.7	33.7 17.6	33.h 18.5	36.5 15.9	36.1 17.9	36.1 17.4	35.6 18.3	35.5 16.4	36.4 19.3	33.8 17.1	33.7 18.6	3h.1 13.8	35.1 16.1	30.6 15.7	31.8 17.7
,-	Soup, tomatoll-os. can Beans with porklf-os. can Condiments and sauces:	13.0 14.7	13.1 15.1	12.9 14.9		12.1 16.6	-	12.0	11.9 15.0	12.4 14.6	12.3 15.0	12.6 15.1	12.6 15.3	12.8 14.6	12.7 15.1	12.7	12.9 14.0	11.6 13.7	12.0 14.4	12.h 15.h	12.5
	Pickles, sweet	27.3	26.0		32.0	29.4 22.6		25.5 21.6	26.2 21.0	24.2 21.7	22.6	27.1 23.4	25.6 23.4	26.5 25.0	26.6 25.4	32.1 21.7	30.9 21.3	25.9 23.2	26.8 23.9	28.1	5/26.6 19.0
	Coffee	102.3 23.1 (6/)	93.2 24.6 20.0	106.6 24.4 (<u>6</u> /)	96.5 24.3 <u>4</u> /24.6	102.5 21.5 (6/)	1/91.4 1/21.8 24.0	100.8 23.6 (6/)	89.3 23.8 25.3	100.7 24.6 (6/)	89.8 24.7 27.2	103.6 23.7 (<u>6</u> /)	93.2 23.9 27.1	101.0 24.9 (6/)	90.1 25.5 30.0	101.5 24.7 (<u>6</u> /)	88.9 25.2 20.8	98.u 24.u (6/)	87.9 25.1 25.0	99.4 25.1 (<u>6</u> /)	88.7 25.1 31.3
	Shortening, hydrogenated3-lb. can Margarine, coloreddo Salad dressing	98.8 25.6 21.8 33.3 53.8	97.0 25.9 21.6 34.7 57.3	98.3 33.1 21.8 37.9 55.6	32.2 21.5 37.9	99.5 29.0 22.2 36.1 51.4	96.2 27.3 1/22.0 1/36.5 1/54.0	91.8 29.7 22.0 35.5 52.3	85.0 29.5 21.7 36.1 54.4	97.1 29.4 22.7 39.6 55.1	90.8 29.3 23.2 39.9 57.4	98.8 30.0 24.9 36.8 53.8	94.9 29.7 25.5 37.8 55.1	99.6 29.2 22.2 38.6 54.4	95.4 28.7 22.3 40.1 58.3	95.1 30.4 22.9 37.4 50.5	91.6 30.1 23.5 38.3 <u>U</u> /53.6	97.0 26.5 20.3 36.2 51.8	94.2 27.2 20.9 38.0 55.1	100.3 29.1 25.0 38.4 55.5	96.3 28.8 5/25.3 40.5 56.9
	Sugar	53.5 25.2 25.0 4.4 58.3	55.8 26.5 25.6 5.0 61.8	54.1 25.4 24.9 4.8 62.3	55.2 26.4 26.6 5.1 64.4	53.8 24.7 25.4 4.6 64.0	54.4 25.4 25.6 4.9 67.8	55.2 22.1 26.3 4.5 55.2	55.1 23.8 26.6 4.9 58.0	54.9 23.1 28.2 4.6 56.3	56.1 23.8 28.2 5.0 59.5	57.0 24.2 27.6 4.6 61.0	58.0 25.2 28.2 5.1 63.0	55.9 24.5 28.2 4.6 58.0	57.6 26.0 29.0 5.1 60.6	50.6 25.1 28.3 4.5 62.2	52.3 25.5 28.2 5.0 64.6	55.0 22.5 27.8 4.4 51.4	56.2 24.1 29.1 5.0 54.7	54.8 25.7 27.7 4.7 55.0	56.5 26.8 28.7 5.0 57.6
	Gelatin, flavored3-h ounces	8.8	9.2	9.0	9.1	8,2	8.4	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.1	9.4	9.1	9.3	8.1	8.5	9.3	9.6

Table 9. Annual Average Retail Prices of Principal Foods by City, 1957 and 1958--Continued
[In Cents]

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Article	Minnea Minn		New Yo		Philad Pa	elphia,	P	burgh,	Or	land,	St. L	•	Cal		P	nton,		sh.	D.	. c.
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
Cereals and bakery products:			ł	}	}								- 1							1
Cereals: Flour, wheat5 pounds	56.5	56.0	52,2	53.5	53.7	8.0	20/53.5	54.6	61.2	63.0	53.0	51.7	63.8	64.7	52.2	52.1	58.3	60.5	53.4	5h.6
Biscuit mix20 ounces	27.7	27.4	26.5	26,6	26.3	26.3	26.6	27.3	25.6	25.6	27.4	27.1	27.5	27.6	26.3	26.9	26.6	26.7	26.0	26.5
Corn mealpound	12.8	12.9	12.2	12.3	11.9	11.9	12.6	12.7	14.1	14.3	12.6	12.6	14.3	14.4	12.0	12,1	13.8	13.9	10.5	11.1
Rice, short graindo	18.9	20.2			18.0	(<u>6</u> ∕)	17.6	18.5			17.5	18.5			16.8	17.5				
Rice, long graindo			19.0	19.4			****		22.6	23.8			23.8	24.5			23.0	24.5	20.8	21.5
Rolled oats 2/20 ounces	22.5		21.3		20.8		21.2		23.3	03. 1	21.3	30.0	23.9	22.2	21.5	19.8	23.6	21.9	21.3	19.5
Rolled cats Z/		20.6	16.6	19.4 18.2		19.3		20.2		21.5		19.7		22,2		19.0			17.2	18.5
Corn flakes12 ounces	23.6	25.5	10,0	10.2	22.6	25.3	23.3	25.6	23.7	26.1	22.8	24.8	23.6	26.2	21.9	24.4	22.8	25.7		
Bakery products:	-200	-,.,				""	4505	-,	-50.	2002	1	i				1				Ι
Breadpound	17.5	18.4	19.6	20.5	20.7	21,1	18.6	19.1	21.0	22.1	18.6	18.4	22.7	23.8	19.0	21.1	21.5	22.5	17.8	18.4
Soda crackersdo	29.6	29.8	28.9	29.1	29.1	30.7	30.2	30.4	29.3	29.2	29.4	29.2	29.6	29.8	27.7	28.0	29.2	29.5	28.0	
Vanilla cockies7 ownces Vanilla cockies12 ownces	25.6	25.8	24.8	2h.9	23.7	24.1	24.ե	24.2	25.6	25.6	24.2	24.1	25.0	25.0	24.2	2և.1՝	24.3	2և ւկ	24.3	24.1
Meats, poultry, and fish:																				
Meats:						1 1						1 1	- 1							1
Beef and veal:		l]	1	1						1	1 1	i, 1			Į į				l .
Round steakpound	86.2	94.8	100.4	111.8	110.3	121.4	90.8	101.9	(B)	99.2	92.3	101.72	0/101.5 49.4	119.6	99.1	108.7	96.2	5/108.h	107.7	116.0
Chuck roastdo	58.8	65.4	52.1	63.7	53.8	62.9	20/58.7	69.0	(8/)	63.2	50.5	63.5	49.4	60.7	56.5	64.1	52.8	Γ 64.8	52.7	63.
Rib restdo	76.8	87.0	71.2	78.2	78.5	84.7	20/77.6	83.7	(B/)	86.2	1/69.3	78.3 54.8	84.5 42.5	92.4 52.9	69.3	75.4 55.2	78.2 43.8		77.6	85.
Veal cutletsdo	41.3 107.5	53.8 122.7	133.6	46.7 150.4	146.7	54.2	0/127.5	56.5 142.0	1.09.8	53.8 122.9	113.8	120.62	0/117.0	134.2	118.3		117.4	5/129.4	138.4	154.
Pork:	101.5	142.1	133.0	120.0	140.1	100.52	C 121.5	142.0	1.07.0	122.7	11,0	1 -20.05	¥ -1	1,446	11000	1,2.0		2,, 14		
Pork choosdo	83.8	88.7	87.8	93.8	93.4	98.2	91.4	97.5	87.3	92.1	84.1	88.4	20/99.0	104.4	90.3	96.2	89.2	94.3	90.4	27.7
Bacon, sliceddo	73.8	80.2	75.9	93.8 84.1	80.h	86.6	20/74.5	79.3	76.0	80.9	70.8	76.6	20/80.3	86.3	73.9	81.7	76.8	81.1	75.7	81.8
Ham, whole, tenderised 7/do			62.8	L/68.6	64.7	ի/68.ե	20/62.R	b/67.2	60.9	<u>1</u> /64.7			71.0	73.4	61.0	14/64.7	62.R	<u>1</u> 4/67.2	64.7	69.1
Ham, whole, ready-to-eat 7/do Lamb, legdo	65.6	68.6	7775								61.1	66.2	75.h	82.2	69.1	74.7	74.6	5/82.2	75.4	80.
Other meats:	76.0	80,1	66.5	73.4	73.1	77.0	20/76.5	81.3	73.5	82.1	77.7	82.0	12.4	02.2	09.1	14.1	14.0	2702.0	1,744	1 ***
Frankfurtersdo	53.8	63.1	61.7	68.8	57.2	66.3	20/56.8	64.8	55.3	64.2	54.7	63,1	57.9	65.3	56.0	64.8	56.9	64.6	54.9	63.1
Luncheon meat12-oz. can	15.2	50.1	45.2	49.8	43.0	47.7	46.0	51.1	45.6	51.1	43.3	49.2	48.0	52.2	44.7	49.2	45.5	50.8	42.4	48.2
Poultry, frying chickens:										l .	l	١					ا ۔۔۔		۔ ا	١
Ready-to-cookpound	46.7	46.1	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6∕)	20/46 . 0	45.1	55.3	54.1	կե.1	14.2	(6∕)	55.4	43.0	43.3	59.7	60.0	եր • 2	45.3
Fish: Fresh or frosen:			1				i									ļ	i	1	l	1
Ocean perch, fillet, frozendo	43.4	43.8	43.9	46.0	39.5	41.0	40.2	հեռն			42.3	144.14	20/52.0	54.0	42.3	46.5			42.0	43.9
Haddock, fillet, frosendo	52.1	54.2	47.1	55.8	42.6	51.5	43.0	53.6			45.9	54.0			47.2	56.7			42.9	54.0
Cod, fillet, frozendo																				
Salmon, fresh or frosendo									(8/)	(8∕)							83.8	89.9		
Haddock, fillet, freshdo Sea trout, freshdo									****											
Halibut, fresh or frosendo									(0/)	79/										
Sole, fillet, fresh or frozendo									(<u>8</u> /)	(8/)			20/70.1	71 .lı			63.3	66.4		
Canned:													227 ***	,,	ł	l		1		ı
Salmon, pink16-os. can	65.1	64.9	62.0	62.3	60.6	60.7	60.6	61.2	60.7	62.1	62.7	62.5	65.2	66.5	61.2	60.h	60.5	61.4	61.5	
Tuna fish, solid pack7-os. can			33.1	33.8																
Tuna fish, chank style6-62-os. can Dairy products:	33.7	34.h			31.5	32.3	33.1	33.7	29.7	30.8	31.7	31.8	33.7	34.2	30.1	30.9	31.9	3.8	30.5	32.5
Milk, fresh, homog. wit. D (grocery)quart	18.2	12 5	25.8	24.0	22 4		26.	0	aa -			المما	ا م			ا مد ما	١	ء مم	ـ ـ ا	00
Milk, fresh, homog. vit. D (delivered) do	18.5	17.5 18.5	28.5	26.8	27.6	28.3 28.1	26.1 26.8	27.0	22.5 24.8	22.7	20.3	20.h	22.5	23.1 24.7	26.5 27.2		23.4	23.1	24.7	25.
Ice cream	28.5	28.5	37.1	32.3	27.0	26.9	31.9	33.9	31.6	1/24.0	29.4	28.9	10/23.9 31.0	30.9	32.6		24.3 35.4	23.8 35.9	27.3 32.5	
Butterpound	70 .ls	69.5	74.1	74.2	74.3	73.8	77.0	77.3	73.4	72.5	1/79.1	78.3	17.9	78.2	72.2	72.6	74.5	74.3	76.2	
Cheese, American processdo Milk, evaporatedlug-os. can	59.1	58,6	59.0	59.7	59.9	59.6	20/59.3 14.5	59.1	57.8	58.5	57.6	56.0	60.9	61.0	54.9	53.9	58.3	58.4	58.1	56,0
All fruits and vegetables:	15.5	16,0	14.5	15.2	14.4	15.1	14.5	14.8	14.4	15.0	14.2	15.1	15.1	15.5	14.0	14.3	14.6	15.0	15.0	15.
From fruits and vegetables:			l															i		1
Frozen fruits:																				1
Strawberries10 ounces	26,2	26.0	26.5	27.3	26.2	26.5	26.1	26.4	23.5	24.1	27.9	27.2	29.1	28,1	24.7	25.5	24.3	25.4	26.5	27.
Orange juice concentrate ounces	18.9	27.0	17.6	26.5	16.7	25.0	18.7	27.7	19.8	28.7	19.1	26.7	21.4	30,1	17.5	27.2	19.7	27.9	18.2	
Frosen vegetables:								}		1)				J :	١.	l		1
Peas, green 11/10 ounces	19.7	19.1	19.3	19.5	18.9	18.2	19.7	20.1	18.5	19.1	20.8	20.0	21.5	21.2	18.8	18.6	19.0	19.0	19.7	19.
Beans, green 11/	25.3	23.4	23.8	22.8	2(,7.	21.9	23.5	22.2	21.3	22.3	24.2	20.0	<u>20</u> /24.6	22.1	24.3	22.2	23.4	92 5	23.7	1
Fresh fruits and vegetables:		6,544		22.0		21.9		23.3		22,1		22.7		23.h		22.2		22.5		23.
Proch foulton																		l '	1	[
Applespound	<u>b</u> /18.7	5/17.8	1/16.0	<u>4/15.8</u>	4/16.8	L/15.9	15.8	b/13.5	15.9	5/12.9	17.2	1/25.6	5/15.9	15.3	b/12.6	5/13.0	17.9	1/15.4	1/16.5	5/17.
Apples	20.5	20.5	16.3	15.9	- 15.h	15.5	17.5	17.5	20.2	19.6	18.8	18.8	18.7	18.3	15.6	15.5	19.6	\$/19.8	16.1	16.
Uranges, 8128 200dozen	64.9	51.7	58.9	79.2	50,9	66.7	20/56.6	74.6	68.0	84.2	1/59.8	76.2	20/58.4	77.4	42.6	65.8	69.5	5/89.2	48.6	
Connectorité (New Mary) 32/	19.5	10.8	19.1	18.4	17.9	17.1	17.6	17.4	19.7	ا با 18 _	18.8	18.4	20.6	19.7	18.3	15.8	19.5	5/19.1	19.1	19.
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	1957	1958	1957	1058	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
Peaches (July-Sept.) 12/pound Strawberries (AprJume) 12/pint Grapes, seedless (July-Nov.) 12/pound	14/22.1	14/20.3	14/17.8	14/14.2	14/20.3	14.8	14/17.3	14/13.3	11./20.8	11/18.8	14/21.1	14.3	14/19.0	14/18.3	14/15.0	14/11.6	14/22.2	14 21.1	14/17.5	14/13
Strawberries (AprJune) 12/pint	15/34.9	15/34.0	T5, 32.1	11/37.8	15/30.h	<u>15</u> /33.0	15/26.6	114/37.0	<u>15</u> /20.և	<u>1,5</u> / 26.6	15/19.4	15/23.9	15/22.7	<u> 15/27.8</u>	15/29.9	15/29.7	15/23.L	(8/)	15/36.1	100/38。
Grapes, seedless (July-Nov.) 12/pound	17/28.1	17/27.8	17/28.7	17/29.4	17/29.9	17/28.5	17/27.3	17/29.6	16/21.6	17, 22.8	16/25.6	16/26.8	16/19.3	17/21.2	17/24.4	17/24.5	16/22.5	<u>17/25.3</u>	17/27.4	17/29
Watermelons (June-Aug.) 12/	Da/6.9	14/6.5	114/6.6	<u> 14</u> /5.3	14/5.9	<u> </u>	14/5.2	14/4.5	11/5.9	114/5.6	14/4.7	124/4.0	114/6.6	<u> 114</u> /5.8	1 <u>114</u> 4.6	T34.4.4	114/6.9	TIL/6.5	T14/5.0	T144.
Fresh vegetables:					l						I		l	l	I		f	l .	l [—] .	
Potatoes10 pounds		57.1	50.3	53.8			20/59.4	62.0	54.44	58.1	1/62.4	71.3		70.1		59.2	56,2	5/60.1	61.7	65
Sweetpotatoespound	(8/)	(8/) 11.5	12.0	<u>4</u> /13.7	13.2	14.4	13.5	5/15.8	<u> </u> ₩17.3	(8/) 9.2	3/14.5	16.0		20.7	11.0		(8/)	[<u>[</u> (<u>8</u> /).	13.6	
Onions	10.8		8.2	8.7	9.9	10.3	2.7	10.1	8.8		10.0	10.5	8.8	9.5		9.0	9.1	5/9.6 5/15.1	9.5	
Carrotsdo	16,1	15.ի	15.2	14.7	15.8	14.8		15.5	13.6	13.6		15.0	11.0	11.8			14.8	5/15.1	16.3	
Lettuce	19,2 (<u>8</u> /)	19.h	18.2	17.9			20/19.2	19.1	14.8	16.1	18.6		15.8	15.6			13.9	5/14.6	18.9	
Celerypound	(<u>B</u> /)	15.9	15.h	17.2	15.5		20/16.4	16.9	13.4	14.6			(8/)	13.1	13.1		14.5		16.1	
Cabbagedo	9.1	9.3	7.9	8.0		8.8		9.9	8.5	9.0	9.2				8.2		9.7	5/10.5	8.4	
Tomatoesdo	1/29,2	31.0	29.2	32.0	29.7		<u>20</u> /33.3	36.2	30,5	33.4	28.2			29.7	26.9	30,2	32,8	3/34.7	29.7	32. (8)
Beans, greendo	T (<u>8</u> /)	(<u>8</u> ∕)	25.1	5/25.7	26.3	<u>L</u> /23.8	27.3	(<u>8</u> /)	(8/)	(<u>8</u> /)	26.1	4/23.7	30.h	M∕30°5	24.9	(8/)	(8/-)	(8/)	23.7) (<u>8</u> y
Canned fruits and vegetables:	_	_			I	_					· ·	1	Į				_		l	1
Canned fruits:					l		امد ا	1	ا ا				1	٠				١	١.	
Orange juice		41.9	33.8	37.2	34.0	37.0	34.8	38.4	10.1	44.0	34.9	38.4	41.1	46.2	33.8	37.6	39.6	ի հի.8	33.8	37
PeachesNo. 22 can	35.h	35.0	34.9	34.5		32.9	35.8	36.0	32.4	32.5	35.2	34.1	32.4	32.1	35.8	35.0	33.8	34.3	33.0	
PineappleNo. 2 can	36.0	36.3	33.6	33.9	33.4	33.7	34.0	3h.4	32.6	34.3			34.0	34.9		34.7	31.5	33.5	32.6	
Pruit cocktailNo. 303 can	26.9	27.4	26.2	26,6	26,0	26.1	26.0	26.7	24.6	26,2	27.0	27.5	24.7	25.2	26.4	26.9	25.4	25.9	25Ju	25,
Canned vegetables:				l	l		ا ـ م ـ ا	١			l								}	1 .
Corn, cream styledo	16.8	17.4	3.7.1	17.4		17.1	16.7	17.3	17.2	18.0	17.3	17.5	18.6	19.0		17.2	16.8	17.7	17.0	18,
Peas, greendo	21.8	21.4	21.7	20.9		20.5	21.5	20.7	19,3	19.9	21.2		21.5	21.1		20.9	20,6		20.4	
Tomatoesdo	16.6	17.8	15.2	17.5		16.7	15.6		(6/) 9.5	18/28.8	16.0	17.5	(6/) 9.8	18/27.h		16,3		22/32.0	13.4	16,
Baby foods	10.3	10.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.9	11.1	9.5	9.7	9.5	9.3	9.8	_ 9 . 5	9.7	9.7	7.4	9.4	10.1	10.
Dried fruits and vegetables:									سیدا		ا		.		1	١	1		i]
Prunespound	35.h	36.0	32.1	32.5	33.2	32.8	34.3	34.1	33.5	34.8	34.6	33.7	33.3	33.2		34.4	33.8	33.0	32.6	
Dried beans	17.1	19.6	16.8	18.0	16.7	18.8	15.6	17.2	17.8	19.5	14.7	17.0	18.1	19.8	16.7	18.7	18,9	20,2	15.7	18.
Other foods at home:		1	i	ì	1		1	1	1		ı	i .	ľ	ļ		1	ı			ł
Partially prepared foods:		l		l			اسمما	l			l		١	١					١	1
Soup, tomatoll-os, can	12.3	12.2	12.3	12,4		11.9	12.5	12.7	12.2	12.7	11.9	12.0	13.2	12.3		12.2	12.3	12.3	12.4	12.
Beans with pork16-os, can	16.2	16.4	14.3	14.6	14.5	14.9	15.8	16.3	14.8	15.0	14.3	14.5	15.0	15.5	14.1	14.6	14.2	15.1	13.6	14,
Condiments and sauces:		اسمما		1						٠.,	۱ ۔۔ ۵	۔ ۔ ۔	l/ a		l			١	l	
Pickles, sweet72 ounces		26.5	30,0	30.0		25.1	29.3	27.7	26.5	26.8		27.3	20/27.8	28.3		28.9	25.1	26.0	29.2	30,
Catsup, tomatolli ounces	24.2	23.8	22.1	21.7	21.5	20.8	24.1	24.2	22.7	22.9	1/22.6	21.5	T 19.4	19.1	23,5	23.5	24.7	25.7	22.2	22,
Beverages, nonalcoholic: Coffeel-lb. can		l • i		•			3	٠.,		۸	۔ ممد ا					l				١.,
Tea bagspackage of 16		90.4	103.8	92.3			20/104.5	94.2	101.0	89.7	102.5	90.9		93.0		90.9	100.6	90.5	106.2	94.
Cola drink 19/ carton, 36 ounces		25.1	22,1	22.7	23,9		20/23,4	24.2	23,6	24.4	24.9	24.8	24,6	24.7	22,8	23.2	24,2	24.7	24,,7	25.
Fats and oils:	(⊗)	30.3	(<u>6</u> /)	29.9	(6/)	25.8	<u>~ (4</u>)	32.1	(6/)	33,4	(<u>6</u> ∕)	22.1	(6/)	35.1	(6/)	26.4	(6/)	3և.և	(6∕)	2h,
Shortening, hydrogenated3-lb, can		ام مما				٠						1 1.				١	ا . سه ا	۱ ۔	۱	١
Margarine, coloredpound	97.4	92.8	97.6	94.3	100.9	97.2	103.1	95.7	96.4	95.2	95.6		20/105.3	103.9		93.4	95.4	93.4	98.4	94.
Larddo			31.0	30.5		27.8	29.3	27.9	30.7	30.1	1/28.6			31.4	29.5	28.4	32.6	31.3	31.5	
Salad dressingpint	22.2		21.9	22.0		22.1	23.3	24.1	2h.h	25.h	21.8	21.8		28.3	20.9	20.5	25.4	26.2	21.3	21.
Peanut butterpound	36.6		35.9	36.7	36.3	36.0	38.2	39.0	39.2	39.3	37.8	38.3		41.5		36.1	39.0	10.1	36.7	37.
Sugar and sweets:	51.2	53.6	91.9	51.2	52.4	54.1	52.9	55.7	56.4	59.4	55.9	55.5	55.7	57.3	53.3	54.5	54.8	57.6	54.1	5k,
Sugar5 pounds	ro -	58.3	e2 -	1 4. 4	50.0	F2 6	56.6	e0 -	42.0	62.6	24 -	56.3	1	56.3	m			- 0-	ا ـ مما	۱ -
Corn syrup24 ounces	58.2		53.1	54.6		53.8		58.0	61.0			20.3				55.9	57.1	58.7	53.7	[<u>5</u> 2.
Grape jelly12 ounces	21.2		25.7	26.2		25.4	25.2	26.5	26.2	26.9	23.1	24.3	26.0	27.5		26.7	27.5	28.3	24.6	
Chocolate barl ounce	30.8	30.9	23.6	24.5		2h.5	28.5	28.7	28.1	29.3	29.6	29.8	30.2	37.0		25.6	27.8	27.8	24.4	26.
Eggs, Grade A, largedosen	4.7	5.1	4.5	5.0		4.9	4.5	4.9	4.4	01.40	4.6	14.9	- Lu.9	5.4	կ.կ	4.8	4.5	5.0	4.5	5.
Miscellaneous foods:	50.8	52,8	6և.և	67.6	64.0	66,5	63.1	00.1	<u>24</u> /57.8	1,000ء	54.8	>9.0	25/55.2	<u>43</u> /00.7	60.4	03.9	23/60.7	20/01.4	64.8	67.
Gelatin, flavored3-h ounces		ا ـ ا	ا ہ					- خا			۔ ہا	٠.				۔ ما	ا ۔ ا			, .
determi listoled	9.2	9.2	8,5	8,8	8.6	8.9	9.1	9.5	9.0	9.1	8.7	8.8	9.3	9.3	8.6	8,7	8.7	6.8	8.7	[8.
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Published unit changed from 20 ounces to 18 ounces beginning January 1958.

Includes "U.S.Choice" and "U.S.Good" grades baby beef.

13/ 7 months average.
15/ 2 months average.
15/ 5 months average.
15/ 5 months average.
16/ 5 months average.
17/ 1 months average.
18/ Solid pack, extra standard grade, #2½ can.
18/ Specification changed from carton of 6 bottles or cans to 2 volume selling brands, 6 or 12 bottle cartons, beginning July 1957.
20/ 9 months average.
21/ 6 months average.
22/ Solid pack, extra standard grade, #2½ can, 11 months average.
22/ Uncolored margarine.
23/ Orade AA large, 9 months average.
26/ Grade AA large, 11 months average.

Includes "U.S.Choice" and "U.S.Cood" grades baby beef.

10 months average.

5/11 months average.

5/11 months average.

6/ Prices not comparable throughout the year due to change in specifications.

7/ Specification changed to include both "tenderised" and "ready-to-eat" hams beginning Hovesber 1955.

8/ Insufficient number of quotations to publish average price.

9/ Non-homogenised, without vitamin D.

10/ Includes estimated share of delivery charges.

11/ Specification changed from 10 owness to 9 owness beginning Jamary 1958.

12/ Priced only in season.

APPENDIX The Retail Food Price Index

A Brief Description of the Retail Price Index

The retail food price index, a component of the Consumer Price Index, measures average changes from time to time in retail prices of a fixed list of foods of constant quantity and quality, bought by moderate-income wage-earner and clerical-worker families in cities of all sizes in continental United States. This conforms with the general purpose of the Consumer Price Index to measure changes over time in the purchase price of a fixed list of goods and services. The index is not designed to measure how much more it costs to live in one city than in another.

The current retail food price index, which comprised about 29 percent 5/ of the weight of items in the Consumer Price Index in December 1958, 6/ has been published monthly since January 1953 in its present form but constitutes a continuous series with earlier indexes back to 1913.

Index Base Period

The current index base period is 1947-49 as recommended by the Division of Statistical Standards of the Bureau of the Budget for all Government index series. These were relatively normal postwar years when price controls were not in effect on most commodities. Conversion factors for converting former food price indexes to the current base period are given in Retail Prices of Food 1955-56, (BLS Bull. 1217, appendix table C). 7/ Indexes for major subgroups are shown from 1923 to date and for all foods from 1913 in summary table 3 of this bulletin.

Collection of Prices

Retail prices of approximately 80 foods are collected by local Bureau representatives in each of the 46 cities included in the Consumer Price Index, during the first 3 days of the week containing the 15th of the month. Prices are obtained from grocers by personal interviews in the place of business. Precise specifications 8/ are set up to define the type, quality, and size for each food item priced to insure a meaningful average price and to avoid movement of the index because of shifts in the quality priced from one period to the next. A series of alternate specifications has been developed to allow for city and regional differences in grades, types, etc. Each dealer reports prices on the brand and size within each specification which has been selling in greatest volume in his outlet.

A few major changes in specifications have been required in recent years by developments in marketing. In July 1957, because of the wide variation in prices and bottle sizes for cola drink among brands, the pricing rules were changed to require two brands in

^{5/} See table A for the relative importance of individual foods in the retail food price index.

^{6/} See Consumer Prices in the United States, 1949-52 (BLS Bull. 1165); The Revised Consumer Price Index, Outline of Main Features of the Revised Index--December 1952 (mimeographed); and the Consumer Price Index--A Layman's Guide (BLS Bull. 1140).

^{7/} See also the Revised Consumer's Price Index—A Summary of Changes in the Index and Suggestions for Transition from the "Interim Adjusted" and "Old Series" Indexes to the Revised Index, December 1952 (mimeographed).

^{8/} See Average Retail Prices: Collection and Calculation Techniques and Problems (ELS Bull. 1182, June 1955), pp. 7-13. For a listing of specifications see pp. 33-37 of this bulletin.

each outlet. Beginning January 1956, two new items, bag and can coffee, replaced the single specification for the volume selling type of coffee. Can coffee, which is more generally available, is priced in all stores. Bag coffee, which is important chiefly in chain stores, is priced only in chain stores and independent supermarkets. This change was made following a period of experimental pricing which demonstrated wide price differentials between the two types, as well as differences in the magnitude and timing of price changes. 9/

In recent years, many items offered in retail stores are more nearly ready to serve. In January 1953, "New York dressed" frying chickens (not drawn, head and feet on, feathers removed) were priced in 12 cities and "ready-to-cook" frying chickens (dressed, drawn, eviscerated) in 34 cities. As ready-to-cook chickens gradually replaced the New York dressed type throughout the country, pricing was transferred to the ready-to-cook type in one city after another. By January 1959, it was being priced in all 46 cities. A similar development occurred for smoked ham. In January 1953, "tenderized" ham was priced in 44 cities. However, ready-to-eat ham has become increasingly popular and at the present time it is necessary to price whatever type is available in each store to obtain sufficient quotations.

Several changes in milk pricing have been inaugurated. Until August 1956, agents had been instructed to price the volume selling type of pasteurized milk. At that time, on the basis of a special survey, the specification was more precisely defined in terms of a particular type to be priced in all outlets in a given city. For delivered milk, special attention has been devoted to obtaining accurate information on discounts for deliveries in quantity over a period of time, on delivery charges, and on volume selling size containers for calculation of realistic average prices.

When price substitutions of this sort occur, the new series is introduced by linking so that no difference in price due to specification change is reflected as a price change

Processing

Each month, the Bureau's field representatives send the price reports to the Washington office, where the schedules are edited for conformance to the required specifications. Conversions to uniform quantity units are made as necessary. 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). 10/

Sample of Cities

Prices are collected in a representative sample of 46 cities, 11/which includes the 12 largest urbanized areas, 9 other large cities, 9 medium-size cities, and 16 small

^{9/} For a more detailed explanation of the revision in coffee prices, see Retail Food Prices by Cities, May 1957.

^{10/} See Retail Prices of Foods 1955-56 (BLS Bull. 1217), appendix, for a more complete description of processing methods, including the system of weights used for averaging prices.

^{11/} For lists of cities in the old and adjusted and revised retail food price indexes, see Retail Prices of Foods 1953-54 (BLS Bull. 1183) pp. 28-30. For an explanation of the method of selecting the sample of cities, see Selection of Cities for Consumer Expenditure Survey, Monthly Labor Review, April 1951 (p. 430).

cities. In addition to the 20 large cities for which separate indexes are published in this report, the following 26 medium-size and small cities are included in the food index and in United States city average prices:

Anna, Ill.
Camden, Ark.
Canton, Ohio
Charleston, W. Va.
Evansville, Ind.
Garrett, Ind.
Glendale, Ariz.
Grand Forks, N.D.
Grand Island, Neb.

Huntington, W. Va.
Laconia, N.H.
Lodi, Calif.
Lynchburg, Va.
Madill. Okla.
Madison, Wis.
Middlesboro, Ky.
Middletown, Conn.
Newark, Ohio

Pulaski, Va.
Ravenna, Ohio
Rawlins, Wyo.
San Jose, Calif
Sandpoint, Idahc
Shawnee, Okla.
Shenandoah, Iowa
Youngstown, Ohio

Sample of Stores

The sample of stores in each of the 20 large cities is composed of: (1) All important chainstore systems in the city; and (2) A sample of independent stores equal to the square root of the total number of independent food stores operating in the city when the sample was set up. 12/

To provide a representative sample, independent stores were classified by type of store in terms of commodities handled, annual sales volume, and geographic location within the city.

In the 26 small and medium-size cities added to the index in January 1953, the stores were selected by reference to their importance in family buying as revealed by the Survey of Consumer Expenditures in 1950.

Changes in retailing patterns require adjustments of the sample of stores. In addition to the continual replacement of outlets which go out of business, periodic revisions of the weights are made as new statistics on sales volume become available. Regular biennial revisions of weights used for averaging chain store prices were linked into the index in December 1953, January 1956, and December 1957, using sales volume data reported to the Bureau by the chain stores. 13/ Simultaneously with the December 1953 revision of internal chain store weights, the relative weights for combining chain and independent store prices were revised on the basis of 1948 sales reported in the Bureau of the Census Retail Trade Census. Another revision of these weights was made in January 1956, based on estimates from trade sources. In December 1957, these estimates were adjusted on the basis of the 1954 Census of Retail Trade.

Sample of Food Items

The sample of items in the index includes those items found to be most important in wage-earner and clerical-worker family budgets as shown by comprehensive consumer expenditure surveys. 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. 14/

^{12/} See Store Samples for Retail Food Prices in (Monthly Labor Review, January 1947) also represented as Serial No. R. 1878.

^{13/} See monthly report Retail Food Prices by Cities, January 1954, February 1956, and special report for December 1957.

<u>ll</u>/ For lists of foods included in the old and adjusted and revised retail food price indexes, see Retail Prices of Food, 1953-54 (BLS Bull. 1183), pp. 30-32.

Food Away From Home

Prices of food away from home (restaurant meals), represented by lunches, are obtained by personal interviews with the managers of a representative sample of eating places in the 46 cities. When direct pricing was established in January 1953, monthly pricing was scheduled only for the five largest urbanized areas. Prices were obtained in other large cities and in the medium-size cities every 3 months and in the smallest cities every 4 months. As resources permitted, more frequent pricings have been scheduled. At the present time, the small cities are on a quarterly cycle, and by June 1959, most of the 20 large cities will be on a monthly pricing cycle.

In April 1957, regular publication of a monthly United States index for food away from home (January 1953=100) was initiated. Monthly indexes from January 1953 to April 1957 were published in the April 1957 issue of the regular monthly report, Retail Food Prices by Cities.

Revisions

For a description of the major revisions of the retail food price indexes and references describing the revisions in greater detail, see Retail Prices of Food 1953-54 (BLS Bull. 1183) appendix; and Retail Prices of Food, 1951 and 1952 (BLS Bull. 1141), appendix.

Correction Procedure for Published Price Indexes and Prices

The Bureau's retail prices and indexes normally are considered final when issued. Necessary estimates for missing data are made at the time of release. Subsequent corrections of estimates are reflected in the next month's index. Every effort is made to eliminate errors in the computation of the retail food index. However, as errors do arise, the Bureau has set up the following correction procedure:

Prices or Indexes for Individual Items. A correction of less than 1.0 percent in an average price or in an item index will not be made for publication unless the entire index is recalculated.

A correction in an average price and/or in an item index of 1.0 percent or more will be published in the next subsequent release which normally carries the series affected, and normally for as far back as the month in which the incorrect data entered into the index calculation.

Subgroup, Group or All Items Indexes. A correction which would cause a change of not more than one-tenth (0.1) of an index point at any level will not be published although adjustments for the error will be made in current index calculations.

A correction which would cause a change of six-tenths (0.6) or more of an index point at a United States subgroup or a city subgroup or group level will be made in published subgroup and group indexes.

A correction which would cause a change of two-tenths (0.2) or more of an index point in a United States major group or all items index or in all items indexes for the 20 cities for which indexes are published will be made in the index at the group and subgroup levels regardless of the amplitude at the lower levels. A correction of this magnitude, which is extremely rare, would require the consideration by the Bureau of the statistical, economic, and other factors involved, to determine whether the previously published city or United States all items index is to be corrected or an adjustment made in calculating the current index number.

Special Studies

Since 1954, the Bureau, in addition to the collection of retail prices for its own food index, has collected retail prices of specific items in designated cities for the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These data are used primarily in their project for determining prices of selected food items at various marketing stages and are not published.

During 1957, the Bureau continued its study, begun in August 1956, of the effect of weekend prices on the levels of average food prices and on the measurement of price change from month to month. Detailed reports of this investigation were published in several issues of the Bureau's monthly report, Retail Food Prices by Cities. 15/ The methodology used was described in the October 1956 report.

Another special study was conducted by the Bureau in 1957 for the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for its analysis of the impact of trading stamps on food prices. 16/ A brief analysis of this study was published in the Monthly Labor Review. 17/

In July 1958, the Bureau initiated a program for monthly collection of retail prices of selected canned fish items for the Fish and Wildlife Service of the U.S. Department of the Interior. The data collected provide information on price levels in different cities and are available in monthly published reports. 18/

BLS PUBLICATIONS

Retail food prices collected for the Bureau's index are issued regularly as follows:

- 1. Consumer Price Index (monthly, multilithed).
- 2. Retail Food Prices by Cities (monthly, multilithed).
- 3. Retail Food Prices by Cities -- Annual Averages (annually, multilithed).
- 4. Monthly Labor Review (monthly).
- 5. Retail Prices of Food (bulletins annually or biennially).

^{15/} See monthly report, Retail Food Prices by Cities, August, September, and October 1956 issues and January, February, April, July, August, and October 1957 issues.

^{16/} See Trading Stamps and Their Impact on Food Prices (U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Marketing Research Report No. 295).

^{17/} See Trading Stamps and Their Impact on Food Prices (in Monthly Labor Review,

March 1959), p. 276.

18/ See Canned Fish Retail Prices (U.S. Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service) July-September, October, November, December 1958, etc. Fishery Leaflets 476, 476a, 476b, 476c.

Table A. List of Foods and Relative Importance of Individual Foods and Groups of Foods Included in the Retail Food Price Index,
December 1957 and December 1958

Article	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1958	Article	Dec. 1957	195
ll foods	100.00	100.00	All fruits and vegetables-Con.		1
			Fresh fruits and vegetables-Con.		1
oods at home	83.38	83.35	Fresh fruits-Con.		
Cereals and bakery products	11.33	11.27	Grapefruit	.23	
Cereals:		٠	Peaches	.38	•
Flowr, wheat Biscuit mix	1.90	1.86	Oranosities	.18	
Corn meal	.51	-49	Watermelons	.26	
Rice	.28	.15	Fresh vegetables:	•37	
Rolled oats	29	.29	Potatoes	1.47	1.
Corn flakes	35	37	Sweetpotatoes	.19	1
Bakery products:	1 •"	•	Oxions	.29	
Bread	5.59	5.64	Carrots	37	
Sode menters	.55	.54	Lettuce	.56	1
Vanilla cookies	1.71	1.65	Celery	.32	١.
Meats, poultry, and fish	23.71	24.73	Cabbage	.14	
Meats	19.04	20.24	Tomatoes	.84	
Beef and weal:		ŀ	Beans, green	.39	. •
Round steak	2.77	2.92	Canned fruits and vegetables	3.92	4.
Chuck roast	1.59	1.75	Canned fruits:		1
Rib roast	.53	-55	Orange juice	.71	١ ٠
Hamburger	1.60	1.92	Peaches	-56	١ .
Veal cutlets	.66	•72	Pineapple	, <u>3</u>	١.
Pork:	0.00	2.06	. Fruit cocktail	.28	١.
Pork chops	2.89	2.96	Carned vegetables:	1.3	
Bacon, sliced	3.03	3.05 2.25	Peas, green	.41	١ .
Lamb, leg	2.19	.62	Tomatoes	.52	1:
Other meats:	1 •29	•02	Baby foods	.h6	١ ٠
Frankfurters	2.37	2.58	Dried fruits and vegetables	.59	:
Luncheon meat, canned	.82	.92	Prunes	29	
Poultry, frying chickens	2.79	2.54	Dried beans	36	
Fish	1.88	1.95	Other foods at home	19.68	18.
Fresh or frozen	1.00	1.08	Partially prepared foods:	1	`
Canned:			Tomato somp	1.21	1.
Salmon, pink	•35	•33	Beans with pork	.53	١.
Tuna fish	.53	54	Condiments and sauces:		Į.
Dairy products	13.97	13.63	Pickles, sweet	.78	١.
Milk, fresh, (grocery)	4.43	4.31	Catsup, tomato	32	۰۔ ا
Milk, fresh, (delivered)	h.38	4.27	Beverages, nonalcoholic	5.53	5.
Ice cream	1.08	1.06	Tes	3.79	3.
Cheese, American process	1.62	1.58	Cols drinks	1.30	1.
Milk, evaporated	.95	95	Fats and oils	3.23	3.
All fruits and vegetables	14.69	15.16	Shortening, hydrogenated	1.07	i.
Frozen fruits and vegetables	.85	1.05	Margarine	.80	-:
Frozen fruits:	•••	-••	Lard	38	
Strawberries	.08	.08	Salad dressing annual contraction	.63	
Orange juice concentrate	3h	.53	Peanut butter	-35	Ι.
Frozen vegetables:			Sugar and sweets	3.3h	3.
Peas, green	.26	.26	Sugar	1.33	1.
Beans, green	.17	.18	Corn syrup	بلباء	•
Fresh fruits and vegetables	9.33	9.29	Grape Jelly	.h8	:
Fresh fruits:	٠	l	Chocolate bar	.89	۰. ا
Apples	1.04	1.01	Eggs, fresh	k.53	3.
Oranges	.76	.83 1.64	Hiscellaneous foods: Gelatin, flavored	اعدا	l
remais	1.37 .17	.16	Food away from home:	.36	١ .
TATATA	1 ++1	1 ***	Restaurant meals	16.62	16.

Code	Description	Date of Change	Code	Description	Date of Change
F-101.0	Flour, general all-purpose; 5-pound sack. (If not available, 10-pound sack.)		F-207.0	Chuck roast; blade pot roast cut from upper part of shoulder before rib roast and behind neck; bone-in; U.S. Choice grade; one pound. (Baby beef priced in Houston.)	
F-106.0	Biscuit mix, prepared flour, containing all ingredients except liquid; 20-cunce package.	-		U.S. Good grade if U.S. Choice is not available. If U.S. Good also not available, U.S. Standard, or U.S.	June 1957
F-110.0	Corn meal, white or yellow; best quality; volume selling package up to 24-ounces. (32- to 40-ounce package or bag in Washington; one-pound bulk		F-210.0	Commercial. Boston, price only boneless. Rib roast; roast cut from rib section of	July 1958
F-120.0	or 5-pound bag in Atlanta.) Rice, polished, fancy, whole, long			forequarter behind chuck, before loin and above plate, 7-inch; bone-in; U.S. Choice grade; one pound. (Baby beef priced in Houston.)	
	grain in Boston, Houston, Los Angeles, New York-Northern New Jersey, Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Washington; fancy, whole, short grain in other large cities; 16-ounce package or nearest size.			U.S. Good grade if U.S. Choice is not available. If U.S. Good also not available, U.S. Commercial or U.S. Standard.	June 1957
	Either "regular" or "quick cooking." Philadelphia deleted from short grain and added to long grain list of cities.	July 1958 May 1958	F-215.0	Hamburger, preground beef, containing from 12% to 25% fat or suet; one pound.	
F-126.0	Rolled cats, either "quick cooking" or		F-218.0	Veal cutlets, cut from shank half of leg; U.S. Choice grade; one pound.	
1-120,0	"regular"; 20-ounce package.	Jan. 1958		U.S. Good grade cubed veal cutlets in Houston only.	0et. 195
	16-20-ounce package.	Nov. 1958	F-220.0	Pork chops, cut from center of loins; one pound.	
F-130.0	Com flakes; prepared (ready-to-eat) breakfast cereal, made from com, flavored with sugar and salt and processed into flakes; 8-ounce package			No. 1 grade.	Feb. 195
	in Atlanta, Boston, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, New York, and Washington; 11-12-ounce packages in other large cities.		F-224.0	Bacon, sliced and packaged, rind off; Standard Grade A; one-pound package (if not available, two half-pound packages).	
F-150.0	Bread, pan style, prepared from white flour; volume selling size loaf.		F-227.0	Ham, whole, skinned, smoked, tenderised, weighing between 10 and 16 pounds. (If whole hams are not available, shank half priced.) Packer's best	
F-160.0	Soda crackers, salted or unsalted; best quality; one-pound package or nearest size.			quality; one pound. Priced in all large cities except those listed for pricing in F-228.0.	
F-170.0	Vanilla cockies, or wafers without any filling or coating; 12-16-cunce bag or box in Atlenta and Cincinnati,			<pre>If F-227.0 is not available, F-228.0 is priced.</pre>	May 1958
	6-10-ounce bag or box in other large cities.		F-228.0	Ham, whole, smoked, ready-to-eat, weighing between 10 and 16 pounds, always bearing the description "ready-	
	11-16-ownce bag or box in Atlanta and Cincinnati.	May 1957		to-eat," "tender" or "fully cooked." If whole hams are not available, shank half is priced. Packer's best quality, one pound, Friced in Cleveland.	
F-201.1	Round steak, cut from hind quarter be- tween rump and heal roast or hind shank; top or full cut; bone-in (bone- less if bone-in is not available);			Detroit, Minneapolis, and St. Louis. If F-228.0 is not available, F-227.0 is priced.	May 1958
	U.S. Choice grade; one pound. (Baby beef priced in Houston.)		F-230.0	"Tender" deleted. Leg of lamb; hind leg of lamb, short cut	Oct. 195
	U.S. Good grade if U.S. Choice is not available. If U.S. Good also not available, U.S. Commercial or U.S. Standard.	June 1957	2,0.0	(includes leg to the hip bone); U.S. Choice grade; one pound.	
	91000 110		F-240.0	Frankfurters or weiners, skinless (synthetic casing), containing a combi- nation of beef, pork and veal. May be packaged. Best quality; one pound.	

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-246.0	Luncheon meat, canned. Contains pork in solid pack. May contain small per- centage of beef. Heat is either		F-280.0	Haddock, fresh, fillets; good quality; one pound. Priced in Boston.	
	ground or chopped and spices are added. Ready-to-eat; U.S. inspected; 12-ounce tin.		F-281.0	Sea trout, fresh, dressed. May be spotted, gray (weakfish) or white. Good quality; one pound. Priced in Houston.	
-250.0	Frying chickens, New York dressed (only the feathers removed); tender-mented chicken of either sex, with smooth tender skin, flexible breasthone cartilage and undeveloped leg tendons. Age: approximately 8 to 16 weeks; weighing 2½ to 3 1/3 pounds. Grade A		F-290.0	Salmon, pink, canned, also known as Alaska Pink or Humpback salmon. One pound tall cylindrical can.	
	or best quality. Priced in Boston, New York-Northern New Jersey, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.		F-294.0	Tuna fish, canned, fancy light meat, packed in oil. Solid pack, 7-ounce can in Baltimore, Boston, and New York- Northern New Jersey. Chunk style,	
	Priced only in Bostom, New York- Northern New Jersey, and Philadelphia. Priced only in New York-Worthern New Jersey, and Philadelphia.	June 1957 Aug. 1957		6-6 1/2-ounce can in all other large cities.	
F-251.0	Priced only in New York-Northern New Jersey. Frying chickens, ready-to-est (dressed and drawn). Otherwise the description	Sept. 1958	F-306,0	Milk, fresh, fluid, pasteurised, homogenised, Vitamin D added, sold in stores. Lowest butterfat content over 3.25 percent. Quart or half- gallon, carton or bottle. Priced in all large cities except Baltimore.	
	is the same as for F-250.0. Priced in all large cities.		F-308.0	· ·	
F-260.0	Ocean perch, prepackaged frozen fillets; also known as rosefish, see perch, red perch or redfish. Good merchantable condition. Gellophane package or fixed weight box. One pound. (If one pound is not available, the nearest			homogenised, without Vitamin D, sold in stores. Lowest butterfat content over 3.25 percent. Quart or half- gallon, carton or bottle. Priced in Baltimore.	
	size in the 12-16-conce range.) Priced in all large cities except Boston, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle.		F-315.0	Milk, fresh, fluid, pasteurised, homo- genized, Witamin D added, delivered to homes. Lowest butterfat content over 3,25 percent. Quart or half-	
	Box or fixed weight of one pound. (If one pound is not available, price nearest sise box or callophane package under one pound.)	May 1958		gallon, carton or bottle. Priced in all large cities except Baltimore.	
F-261. 0	Haddock, prepackaged frosen fillets. Good merchantable condition. Same size and type of package as F-260.0. Priced in all large cities except Boston, Houston, Los Angeles, Portland, Sam Francisco, and Seattle.		F-317.0	Milk, fresh, fluid, pasteurised, non- homogenised, without Vitamin D, delivered to homes. Lowest butterfat content over 3.25 percent. Quart or half-gallon, carton or bottle. Priced in Baltimore.	
	Same change in size and type of package as F-260.0.	Hay 1958	F-320.0	Ice cream, pre-packed bulk, vanilla or chocolate flavored; pint. (If bulk not available, brick ice cream).	
F- 262 . 0	Cod, prepackage frozen fillets; good merchantable condition; fixed weight box, one pound or nearest size in 12-16-ounce range. Priced in Boston,		F-330.0	Butter, salted, creamory, 92 score (if 92 score not available, 93 score; if 93 score not available, 90 score). Any type of one-pound package.	
F-270 . 0	Salmon, fresh or frosen, steak or slice; King (chinook) salmon only; good quality; one pound. Priced in Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle.		F-340.0	Cheese, American processed, pasteurised, prepared by mixing one or more individual cheddars. May contain added salt, water and coloring. One pound, pieced or sliced, either prepackaged or cut from a larger loaf, or	
F-271.0	Halibut, fresh or frozen, steak or slice; good quality; one pound. Priced in Los Angeles and Portland.			two-pound package. One-half pound package in Boston. One-half pound package in Boston and Atlanta.	Aug. 19 Dec. 19
F-272.0	Sole, fresh or frosen fillets; same type packages as F-260.0 for frosen; one pound. Priced in Sam Francisco and Seattle.		F-380.0	Milk, evaporated, unsweetened; may or may not be irradiated; lk 1/2-ounce can.	

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F-401.1	Strawberries, frosen, sliced, packed in sugar; Grade A or Fancy; 10-cumce fiber container or nearest available sise.		F-428.0	Watermelons, large, ripe, whole or cut pieces, of uniformly good color and in good merchantable condition; one pound. Priced in June, July, August.	
	Sliced or halves.	Mar. 1958	F-140.0	Potatoes, white or "Irish", all varieties; U.S. No. 1 grade; volume	
F-403.0	Orange juice, fromen, 1 to 3 concentration; Grade A or Fancy; 6-cunce can.			selling unit. Red skinned white potatoes acceptable.	0ct. 1958
F-410.1	Peas, green, frosen; Grade A or Fancy;				
	10-ounce fiber container or nearest sise.		F-1412.0	Sweet potatoes, all varieties; U.S. No. 1 grade; volume selling unit.	
P- 413.0	Beans, green, frosen, cut. (If not available, French style); Grade A or Fancy; 10-cunce fiber container or nearest sise.		₽-ԱԱ.O	Onions, common yellow, dry, cooking, globe type; all varieties; U.S. No. 1 grade; approximately 2 inches in diameter; one pound.	
P 1-20 0	9-ounce container or nearest size. Cut or French style.	Jan. 1958 June 1958	F-447.0	Carrots, bunched or topped, all varie- ties; U.S. No. 1 grade; one bunch or one pound. Priced in Los Angeles	
F-420.0	Apples, fresh, all-purpose, mature but not overripe; U.S. No. 1 or U.S. Fancy; medium sise (163 to 100 to the box);			and San Francisco.	
F-421.0	prepackaged or bulk; one pound. Bananas, yellow; first quality; one		F-448.0	Carrots, topped, all varieties; U.S. No. 1; in callophane or pliofilm bag; one pound. Priced in all large cities except Los Angeles and San Francisco.	
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F-422.0	Oranges; California, Florida or Texas; all varieties; may be seedless; U.S. No. 1 grade; sise: 176 to 220 in a standard box; one dosen.		F-450.0	Lettuce, head, all varieties; U.S. No. 1; size 60 if packed by the crate; size 30 if packed by the carton; one head.	
	Volume selling orange from any State; all varieties; may be seedless.	May 1958	F-452.0	Celery, fresh, green, known as "Pascal celery"; U.S. No. 1; one pound.	
	Volume selling orange from any State; all varieties except Temple and King.	Aug. 1958	F-454.0	Cabbage, Danish, domestic or pointed type, with standard trim; U.S. No. 1;	
F-423.0	Lemons; all varieties; U.S. No. 1 grade; one pound.			one pound.	
F-424.0	Grapefruit; fresh; the volume selling pink or white; may be seeded or seed- less; U.S. No. 1 grade; each. Priced		F-456.0	Tomatoes, fresh, firm, glossy, free from deep grooves; U.S. No. 1 or best quality; in cartons or loose; one pound.	
F-1:25 0	November through May,		F-458.0	stringless, all varieties; U.S. No. 1;	
F-425.0	Peaches, freestone, fresh, white or yellow flesh in good merchantable condition, fully ripened having no basic green color. Varieties are usually Elbertas, J.C. Hale, Havens Family and Belle of Georgia, One		F-460.0	Orange juice, single strength; Grade A or Fancy; 46-ounce can.	
	pound. Priced in July, August, September.		F-463.0	Peaches, yellow cling, halves, in heavy syrup; Choice grade; No. 22 can.	
F-426.0	Strawberries, fresh, of good uniform color, with the caps firmly attached to the fruit; of uniformly good quality, and no signs of decay; one-pint basket (if not available, quart basket).		F-465.1	Pineapple, Hawaiian, sliced, in extra- heavy syrup; Grade A or Fancy; No. 2 can.	
F-427.0	Priced in April, May, June. Grapes, Thompson seedless, pale yellow, green or white thin skinned seedless grapes, in large compact bunches, with the fruit firmly attached to the stems; in good merchantable condition, and no sign of decay; one pound. Priced July through November.		F-469,1	Fruit cocktail, prepared from peaches, pears, pincapple, seedless grapes and maraschino-type or natural cherries, packed in heavy syrup; Grade A or Fancy; No. 303 can. If No. 303 can is not available, No. 300 can is priced.	July 1958

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F-470.0	Corn, sugar, cream style, yellow or white; Grade A or Fancy; No. 303 can.		F-511.0	Pickles, cucumber pickles, sliced cross- wise (sometimes called "Bread and Butter Pickles" or "Quickles"); fresh packed green cucumbers, canned with a	Dec. 195
F-473.0	Peas, sweet or sugar; Grade A or Fancy (top quality); any sieve size; No. 303 can.			mildly spiced and sweetened solution. 15-16-ounces (if not available, nearest smaller size).	
F-475 . 1	A) Tomatoes, small and large pieces, with a maximum of 50 percent liquid; standard grade (Grade C); No. 303 can. (If not available, No. 2 can). Priced all large cities except Los Angeles,		F-515.0	Catsup, tomato product, sometimes called "ketchup"; Grade A or Fancy; l1-cunce bottle.	
	Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle. B) No. 2½ can in Los Angeles, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle.		F-521.0	Coffee, ground, roasted; air-tight can; one pound.	
	Whole or solid pack, with a maximum of 42 percent liquid; extra standard (Grade B or choice). Priced in West Coast cities (see B).	June 1957	F-522.0	Coffee, whole bean or ground, reasted; cardboard or paper bag; one pound. All large cities except San Francisco and Seattle. Priced only in chain stores and independent supermarkets.	
F-479.0	Baby foods; strained fruits, vegetables or meat and vegetable mixtures; 4 1/2-5-curse jar or can. (If not available, the next smaller size.)		F-524.1	Tea bags, orange pekoe and pekoe, generally known as black tea; package of 16 bags.	
	4 1/2-5-ounce only.	July 1958	F-526.0	Cola drink, cola-flavored, carbonated beverages, carton of 6 bottles or cans, 6-10-ounces size.	
F-480.0	Prunes, dried; extra large or large (53 or less); carton or cellophane package; one-pound package (if not available, two pounds).			Discontinued.	Aug. 195
	May be tenderized.	Mar. 1958	F-526.1	Cola drink, two brands of cola-flavored, carbonated beverages; carton of 6 or 12 bottles or cans, 6-12-ounce size.	Aug. 195
F-490.0	Navy beans, dry, white, packaged or bulk; No. 1 choice, hand picked; one-pound package (if not available, nearest			Unchilled (if unchilled not available, chilled).	Sept. 199
	package size or bulk). Priced in Boston, Cleveland, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburgh, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle.		F-530.1	Shortening, processed from hydrogenated vegetable oils; 3-pound container.	
F-491.0	Oreat Northern beans, dry, white, packaged or bulk; No. 1 choice, hand picked; one-pound package (if not		F-532.0	Margarine, vegetable, colored; one-pound carton. Priced in all large cities except Minneapolis-St. Paul.	
	available, nearest package size or bulk). Priced in all large cities except those in which F-490.0 is priced.		F-533.0	Margarine, uncolored; one-pound carton. Priced in Minneapolis.	
F-502.0	Soup, tomato or cream of tomato, condensed; 10 1/2-11-ounce can.		F-537.0	Lard, pure, steam rendered, open kettle rendered, or leaf; carton or bulk; one pound (if not available, nearest size).	
F-505.0	Beans with pork, canned dried beans with pork, known as "baked beans", packed in tomato sauce. If beans with pork		F-540.0	Salad dressing, cooked; pint jar.	
	in tomato sauce are not available, New England style beans with pork. Best quality; 15-18-counce can or jar (if not available, nearest size).		F-545.0	Peanut butter, prepared from U.S. No. 1 peanuts with salt added. May be homogenized and contain hydrogenated	
	15-18-ounce can or jar only.	Jul y 1958		peanut oil. 12-16-ounce jar or tum- bler (if not available, nearest size).	
F-510.0	Pickles, small, sweet, cucumber pickles, may be called sweet midget pickles; Grade A or Fancy; 6-12-ounce jar (if			Jar or plain tumbler. (If 12-16-ounce not available, nearest smaller size).	June 1957 July 1956
	not available, the nearest size).		F-550.1	Sugar, white granulated came or beet sugar; paper bag (if not available, carton or cloth bag); 5 pounds.	

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Code	Description	Date of Change	Code	Description	Date of Change
F-5 55.0	Corn syrup, golden, containing at least 90 percent corn syrup, may contain up to 10 percent of cane or maple sugar		F-570.0	Chocolate bar, plain milk chocolate; l-ounce bar or nearest available size.	
	syrup; 24-ounce (net weight) bottle or can (if not available, next smaller size).			Nearest available small size.	May 1957
			F-580.0	Eggs, strictly fresh, white or brown shell; Grade A, Large; one dozen.	
F-560.0	Grape jelly, made from filtered and strained grape juice; Grade A or fancy; 10-16-ounce jar or tumbler (if not available, nearest size).			Citywide deviation: Grade AA in Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle.	
	10-16-ounce jar or tumbler only.	July 1958	F-590.0	Gelatin Dessert, flavored, powder; 3-4-ounce package.	