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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--MAY 1994

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.1 percent before seasonal adjustment in May to a level of 147.5 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in May, the CPI-U increased 2.3 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) also increased 0.1 percent in May, prior to seasonal adjustment. The May 1994 CPI-W level of 144.9 was 2.1 percent higher than the index in May 1993.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent in May after increasing 0.1 percent in April. The food index, which rose 0.1 percent in April, increased 0.3 percent in May, reflecting a sharp upturn in the index for fruits and vegetables. The energy index fell 1.0 percent in May, following seasonal adjustment. The index for gasoline prices rose less than usual for May and thus declined 1.8 percent after seasonal adjustment. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent in May, about the same as in recent months.

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadj
	Changes from preceding month							Compnd	12-mo
	1993							ann rte	
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	3-mos ended	ended
All items	.3	.2	.0	.3	.3	.1	.2	2.8	2.3
Food and beverages	.2	.5	-.1	-.3	.1	.1	.3	2.0	1.6
Housing	.2	.2	.1	.4	.3	.0	.2	2.2	2.6
Apparel and upkeep	.7	-.1	-.1	-.3	.4	-.3	.4	2.4	.4
Transportation	.0	-.2	-.2	.5	.6	.3	-.4	2.1	2.0
Medical care	.3	.3	.3	.3	.2	.6	.4	5.1	4.6
Entertainment	.5	.3	.3	.4	.3	-.1	.3	2.2	3.4
Other goods & serv	.4	.4	.1	.3	.4	.7	.6	6.9	2.0
Special indexes:									
Energy	-.9	-.7	-.8	1.6	.4	-.4	-1.0	-3.8	-1.4
Food	.2	.5	-.1	-.3	.1	.1	.3	2.3	1.7
AI - food & energy	.4	.2	.1	.3	.3	.2	.3	3.4	2.8

During the first 5 months of 1994, the CPI-U rose at a 2.3 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with a 2.7 percent annual increase in 1993. Thus far in 1994, as throughout the preceding 3 years, the food and energy components have continued to act as a moderating influence on consumer price movements. Through the first 5 months of 1994, the food index has increased at a 0.3 percent annual rate, while energy costs have declined at a 0.5 percent rate. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U has advanced at an annual rate of 3.0 percent in 1994.

The food and beverage index increased 0.3 percent in May. Grocery store food prices, which were unchanged in April, rose 0.4 percent, largely as a result of the upturn in the index for fruits and vegetables. The index for fresh fruits, reflecting a sharp increase in prices for citrus products, rose 2.3 percent. Prices for fresh vegetables, on the other hand, declined, but by substantially less than usual, resulting in an increase in the index of 5.7 percent on a seasonally adjusted basis. The index for processed fruits and vegetables declined 0.2 percent. Among other grocery store food groups, the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rose 0.1 percent in May, the same as in each of the preceding

2 months. Beef prices, on average, were unchanged in May and were 0.8 percent lower than a year earlier. The index for pork fell 0.8 percent, reflecting smaller than usual price increases in May. Poultry prices increased 0.6 percent. The index for dairy products increased 0.5 percent, while those for cereal and bakery products and for other food at home declined 0.1 and 0.2 percent, respectively. The other two components of the food and beverage index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--each rose 0.1 percent in May.

The housing component, which was unchanged in April, advanced 0.2 percent in May. Shelter costs increased 0.3 percent, following a 0.1 percent rise in April. Within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.4 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.2 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.6 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities declined for the second consecutive month, down 0.1 percent in May. The index for household fuels fell 0.4 percent, reflecting declines in indexes for fuel oil and natural gas--down 1.3 and 2.0 percent, respectively. The index for electricity, reflecting the introduction of summer rates in some areas, rose 0.5 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, these charges increased 2.0 percent.) The index for other utilities and public services rose 0.3 percent, largely as a result of increases in charges for water and sewerage maintenance and refuse collection. The index for household furnishings and operation advanced 0.4 percent in May, its largest increase in 9 months.

The transportation index turned down in May, declining 0.4 percent after increasing 0.3 percent in April. Sharp declines in the indexes for public transportation and motor fuels more than offset increases in the costs of automobile purchase and maintenance. The index for gasoline, which was unchanged in April, declined 1.8 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices rose 1.4 percent.) As of May, the gasoline index was 4.0 percent lower than a year earlier and 19.6 percent below its peak level of December 1990. Automobile purchase costs continued to advance in May. The index for new vehicles rose 0.3 percent, following increases of either 0.4 or 0.5 percent in each of the 3 preceding months. Automobile finance charges advanced 3.7 percent in May after increasing 2.3 percent in April, its largest monthly rise since September 1988. The index for used cars rose 0.7 percent. The index for public transportation decreased 3.6 percent, following a 0.2 percent rise in April. Airline fares fell 5.4 percent and the index for other intercity transportation declined 1.2 percent.

The index for apparel and upkeep rose 0.4 percent in May, following a decline of 0.3 percent in April. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices fell 0.6 percent.)

Medical care costs rose 0.4 percent in May, to a level 4.6 percent above a year earlier. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--rose 0.2 percent in May. The index for medical care services rose 0.4 percent in May. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.2 and 0.8 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs, which declined 0.1 percent in April, increased 0.3 percent in May. The index for entertainment commodities rose 0.7 percent, reflecting price increases for newspapers and sporting goods and equipment.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.6 percent in May after advancing 0.7 percent in April. A 1.3 percent increase in the index for tobacco and smoking products accounted for about half of the May advance.

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

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers rose 0.1 percent in May.

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadj	
	Changes from preceding month									Compnd ann rte
	1993				1994						3-mos ended
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	May 94		
All items	.2	.1	.1	.2	.3	.1	.1	2.5	2.1	
Food and beverages	.2	.4	.1	-.3	.1	.1	.3	2.0	1.6	
Housing	.1	.2	.1	.5	.3	.0	.1	1.7	2.5	

Apparel and upkeep	.4	-.3	.3	-.2	.2	-.4	.5	1.5	.5
Transportation	-.2	-.2	-.2	.5	.5	.3	-.2	2.5	2.0
Medical care	.3	.4	.3	.2	.3	.6	.3	5.1	4.5
Entertainment	.6	.3	.3	.3	.3	-.1	.4	2.5	3.3
Other goods & serv	.5	.3	.1	.2	.5	.7	.5	6.8	.9
Special indexes:									
Energy	-1.0	-.7	-.8	1.6	.5	-.5	-1.1	-4.2	-1.7
Food	.2	.3	.1	-.4	.3	.1	.3	2.6	1.7
AI - food & energy	.3	.3	.1	.3	.3	.2	.3	3.5	2.7

Consumer Price Index data for June will be released on Wednesday, July 13, 1994, 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 1993	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Apr. 1994	May 1994	May 1994 from- May 1993	Apr. 1994	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	147.4	147.5	2.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2
All items (1967=100)	-	441.4	441.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.398	144.0	144.1	1.6	.1	.1	.1	.3
Food	15.799	143.4	143.5	1.7	.1	.1	.1	.3
Food at home	9.853	143.0	143.0	1.6	.0	.1	.0	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.454	162.5	162.3	3.8	-.1	-.3	1.1	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.984	137.6	137.1	1.5	-.4	.1	.1	.1
Dairy products	1.186	131.8	132.0	3.1	.2	.0	.8	.5
Fruits and vegetables	1.909	161.8	163.2	-.8	.9	.6	-2.3	2.4
Other food at home	2.320	133.0	132.8	1.8	-.2	.2	.5	-.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.331	135.9	135.5	1.6	-.3	-.1	.5	-.5
Fats and oils .....	.246	133.2	133.4	3.1	.2	1.3	.4	.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.712	115.5	115.6	.5	.1	.5	.2	-.1
Other prepared food	1.030	147.5	147.0	2.3	-.3	-.2	.9	-.3
Food away from home	5.946	145.1	145.3	1.7	.1	.1	.2	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.600	151.6	151.5	1.3	-.1	-.1	.0	.1

Housing	41.394	143.9	144.1	2.6	.1	.3	.0	.2
Shelter	27.948	159.6	159.6	3.0	.0	.4	.1	.3
Renters' costs 1/	7.984	169.1	168.5	2.6	-.4	.4	.0	.4
Rent, residential	5.771	153.3	153.3	2.3	.0	.3	.0	.1
Other renters' costs	2.213	197.3	194.9	3.5	-1.2	.8	.0	1.1
Homeowners' costs 1/	19.768	164.2	164.5	3.2	.2	.4	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	19.386	164.6	164.8	3.2	.1	.4	.1	.2
Household insurance 2/ 1/ .....	.382	150.1	150.8	3.6	.5	.4	.1	.5
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.196	130.2	131.0	-.5	.6	-.1	.7	.6
Maintenance and repair services 2/ .	.118	133.3	135.0	-.3	1.3	.5	1.1	1.3
Maintenance and repair								
commodities 2/ .....	.078	126.3	125.7	-.7	-.5	-.8	.2	-.5
Fuel and other utilities	7.262	121.6	122.2	1.4	.5	.3	-.3	-.1
Fuels	3.983	109.8	110.6	.3	.7	.5	-.5	-.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel								
commodities .....	.369	90.2	88.7	-2.8	-1.7	-.1	-1.9	-1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy								
services).....	3.614	116.9	118.0	.6	.9	.6	-.4	-.3
Other utilities and public								
services 2/	3.279	150.0	150.4	2.8	.3	.1	-.1	.3
Household furnishings and operation	6.183	120.6	121.1	1.7	.4	.1	.1	.4
Housefurnishings	3.601	110.7	111.4	1.9	.6	-.2	.5	.5
Housekeeping supplies	1.109	131.5	131.9	.5	.3	1.0	-1.1	.1
Housekeeping services	1.473	137.9	138.1	2.2	.1	.1	-.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep	5.897	136.4	135.6	.4	-.6	.4	-.3	.4
Apparel commodities	5.333	133.7	132.8	.2	-.7	.5	-.5	.5
Men's and boys' apparel	1.389	126.9	127.4	-.9	.4	-.2	.4	.6
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.421	137.4	135.1	.4	-1.7	.4	-.3	.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.203	128.0	125.2	-2.0	-2.2	-.7	-.6	-1.2
Footwear .....	.781	128.0	128.5	.5	.4	-.6	.2	.5
Other apparel commodities .....	.539	149.0	149.9	2.5	.6	5.1	-3.7	1.5
Apparel services 2/ .....	.564	154.8	155.0	2.7	.1	.1	.4	.1
Transportation	16.954	132.6	132.8	2.0	.2	.6	.3	-.4
Private transportation	15.295	129.2	130.0	2.0	.6	.5	.2	.0
New vehicles	5.025	136.9	137.2	3.6	.2	.5	.4	.3
New cars	4.031	135.4	135.7	3.4	.2	.4	.4	.3
Used cars	1.245	135.3	137.9	4.9	1.9	.4	.8	.7
Motor fuel	3.010	94.8	96.0	-3.7	1.3	.2	-.2	-1.5
Gasoline	-	94.3	95.6	-4.0	1.4	.1	.0	-1.8
Maintenance and repairs	1.533	149.4	149.7	3.0	.2	.2	.2	.3
Other private transportation	4.483	160.4	160.8	3.0	.2	.8	.4	.4

Other private transportation commodities .....	.629	103.4	103.4	-.1	.0	.4	.0	.0
Other private transportation services	3.854	173.6	174.0	3.4	.2	.8	.4	.5	
Public transportation	1.659	176.5	169.9	2.7	-3.7	1.6	.2	-3.6	
Medical care	7.108	209.2	209.7	4.6	.2	.2	.6	.4	
Medical care commodities	1.287	199.7	200.1	3.0	.2	.0	.5	.2	
Medical care services	5.821	211.4	212.0	5.0	.3	.3	.7	.4	
Professional medical services	3.353	191.4	191.7	4.0	.2	.4	.7	.2	
Entertainment	4.351	149.7	149.9	3.4	.1	.3	-.1	.3	
Entertainment commodities	1.986	135.7	136.2	2.4	.4	.3	.3	.7	
Entertainment services	2.365	166.5	166.2	4.1	-.2	.3	-.4	.1	
Other goods and services	6.897	196.4	197.1	2.0	.4	.4	.7	.6	
Tobacco and smoking products	1.601	218.0	220.6	-7.3	1.2	.6	.2	1.3	
Personal care 2/	1.184	144.2	144.4	2.4	.1	.0	.8	.1	
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ .....	.628	141.4	141.7	2.2	.2	-.2	1.2	.2
Personal care services 2/ .....	.556	147.1	147.2	2.6	.1	.3	.3	.1
Personal and educational expenses	4.112	220.1	220.4	6.1	.1	.5	.8	.4	
School books and supplies .....	.249	204.0	204.1	4.1	.0	.4	.3	.5
Personal and educational services	3.863	221.6	221.9	6.3	.1	.5	.8	.4	
Commodity and service group									
All items	100.000	147.4	147.5	2.3	.1	.3	.1	.2	
Commodities	43.547	133.1	133.4	1.1	.2	.2	.1	.3	
Food and beverages	17.398	144.0	144.1	1.6	.1	.1	.1	.3	
Commodities less food and beverages	26.149	126.4	126.8	.6	.3	.3	.1	.2	
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	15.579	128.3	128.5	-.8	.2	.4	-.1	.1	
Apparel commodities	5.333	133.7	132.8	.2	-.7	.5	-.5	.5	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	10.245	128.5	129.3	-1.4	.6	.1	.5	.6	
Durables	10.570	123.7	124.4	3.0	.6	.2	.3	.6	
Services	56.453	162.0	162.0	3.3	.0	.4	.2	.1	
Rent of shelter 2/ 1/	27.337	166.1	166.0	3.0	-.1	.4	-.1	-.1	
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.900	135.0	135.7	1.8	.5	.3	-.1	.0	
Transportation services	7.046	168.2	167.1	3.2	-.7	.9	.3	-.5	
Medical care services	5.821	211.4	212.0	5.0	.3	.3	.7	.4	
Other services	7.349	183.8	183.9	5.0	.1	.4	.3	.3	

Special indexes

All items less food	84.201	148.1	148.3	2.4	.1	.4	.1	.2
All items less shelter	72.052	144.0	144.2	2.1	.1	.3	.1	.1
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	80.232	148.7	148.9	2.1	.1	.3	.1	.2
All items less medical care	92.892	143.9	144.0	2.1	.1	.3	.1	.1
Commodities less food	27.749	127.4	127.8	.7	.3	.3	.1	.2
Nondurables less food	17.178	129.6	129.8	-.6	.2	.5	-.2	.1
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	11.845	130.0	130.6	-1.1	.5	.1	.5	.5
Nondurables 2/	32.977	136.4	136.5	.4	.1	.6	.3	.1
Services less rent of shelter 1/	29.116	169.4	169.5	3.6	.1	.2	.4	.1
Services less medical care services	50.632	157.4	157.4	3.1	.0	.3	.2	.1
Energy	6.993	102.0	102.9	-1.4	.9	.4	-.4	-1.0
All items less energy	93.007	153.4	153.5	2.6	.1	.3	.2	.3
All items less food and energy	77.208	155.9	156.0	2.8	.1	.3	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.369	137.2	137.5	1.3	.2	.3	.1	.4
Energy commodities	3.380	94.5	95.4	-3.5	1.0	.2	-.3	-1.7
Services less energy services	52.839	166.6	166.6	3.5	.0	.4	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.679	\$.678	-2.2	-.1	-.4	.0	-.1
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.227	.226	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

2/ Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes					Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for				
						3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994	May 1994	Aug. 1993	Nov. 1993	Feb. 1994	May 1994	Nov. 1993	May 1994

All items	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.8	1.9	2.8	2.4	2.3
Food and beverages	143.3	143.5	143.6	144.0	.3	3.7	.6	2.0	2.0	1.3
Food	142.7	142.9	143.0	143.5	.3	4.0	.3	2.3	2.1	1.3
Food at home	141.9	142.1	142.1	142.7	-.6	4.9	.0	2.3	2.1	1.1
Cereals and bakery products	161.1	160.6	162.4	162.3	2.1	3.9	6.7	3.0	3.0	4.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.5	137.6	137.7	137.8	-.3	4.5	.9	.9	2.1	.9
Dairy products	131.5	131.5	132.6	133.3	3.1	-3.6	7.6	5.6	-.3	6.6
Fruits and vegetables	158.8	159.8	156.1	159.9	-8.4	15.5	-11.0	2.8	2.9	-4.4
Other food at home	131.7	132.0	132.7	132.4	1.5	3.1	.3	2.1	2.3	1.2
Sugar and sweets	135.4	135.2	135.9	135.2	.6	2.1	3.9	-.6	1.4	1.6
Fats and oils	130.6	132.3	132.8	133.1	2.5	.9	.9	7.9	1.7	4.3
Nonalcoholic beverages	114.5	115.1	115.3	115.2	.3	5.0	-5.1	2.5	2.6	-1.4
Other prepared food	146.2	145.9	147.2	146.7	2.0	3.1	2.8	1.4	2.5	2.1
Food away from home	144.7	144.8	145.1	145.3	1.7	2.0	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.5
Alcoholic beverages	151.3	151.1	151.1	151.2	.8	2.4	2.4	-.3	1.6	1.1
Housing	143.5	144.0	144.0	144.3	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.4	2.5
Shelter	158.6	159.2	159.3	159.7	2.3	2.9	3.9	2.8	2.6	3.3
Renters' costs 1/	167.0	167.7	167.7	168.4	1.2	3.2	2.9	3.4	2.2	3.2
Rent, residential	152.9	153.3	153.3	153.5	2.4	1.3	4.0	1.6	1.9	2.8
Other renters' costs	193.5	195.0	195.0	197.2	-1.9	8.3	-.2	7.9	3.1	3.8
Homeowners' costs 1/	163.6	164.3	164.4	164.8	2.8	2.8	4.3	3.0	2.8	3.6
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	164.0	164.6	164.7	165.1	2.8	2.8	4.5	2.7	2.8	3.6
Household insurance 2/ 1/	149.4	150.0	150.1	150.8	7.1	3.3	.5	3.8	5.2	2.2
Maintenance and repairs 2/	129.4	129.3	130.2	131.0	.0	-10.8	4.8	5.0	-5.5	4.9
Maintenance and repair services	131.2	131.8	133.3	135.0	3.3	-17.2	3.1	12.1	-7.5	7.5
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	127.1	126.1	126.3	125.7	-5.3	.0	7.2	-4.3	-2.7	1.3
Fuel and other utilities	122.9	123.3	122.9	122.8	4.0	.7	1.6	-.3	2.3	.7
Fuels	111.2	111.8	111.2	110.8	3.3	-.4	.0	-1.4	1.5	-.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	91.5	91.4	89.7	88.7	-4.3	-6.5	12.7	-11.7	-5.4	-.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	118.6	119.3	118.8	118.4	4.5	.3	-1.3	-.7	2.4	-1.0
Other utilities and public services 2/	150.0	150.1	150.0	150.4	4.2	2.2	3.8	1.1	3.2	2.4
Household furnishings and operation	120.2	120.3	120.4	120.9	1.0	3.7	-.3	2.3	2.4	1.0
Housefurnishings	110.3	110.1	110.6	111.1	1.8	3.3	-.7	2.9	2.6	1.1
Housekeeping supplies	131.6	132.9	131.5	131.6	-4.8	7.3	-.3	.0	1.1	-.2
Housekeeping services	137.6	137.8	137.6	138.3	3.9	2.1	.9	2.1	3.0	1.5
Apparel and upkeep	133.4	134.0	133.6	134.2	.9	.6	-2.1	2.4	.7	.1
Apparel commodities	130.4	131.1	130.5	131.2	.3	.3	-2.4	2.5	.3	.0
Men's and boys' apparel	125.2	124.9	125.4	126.2	1.6	2.8	-10.2	3.2	2.2	-3.7
Women's and girls' apparel	132.4	132.9	132.5	133.1	1.8	-2.7	.3	2.1	-.5	1.2

Infants' and toddlers' apparel	127.3	126.4	125.7	124.2	8.1	-8.1	2.9	-9.4	-.3	-3.5
Footwear	127.0	126.2	126.5	127.1	-4.4	3.9	2.2	.3	-.3	1.3
Other apparel commodities	145.4	152.8	147.1	149.3	-3.3	5.4	-2.7	11.2	1.0	4.0
Apparel services 2/.....	154.0	154.2	154.8	155.0	2.9	4.3	1.0	2.6	3.6	1.8
Transportation	132.0	132.8	133.2	132.7	1.5	4.0	.3	2.1	2.8	1.2
Private transportation	129.0	129.7	130.0	130.0	.0	3.8	.9	3.1	1.9	2.0
New vehicles	135.3	136.0	136.5	136.9	4.3	2.7	2.4	4.8	3.5	3.6
New cars	133.9	134.5	135.0	135.4	3.7	2.8	2.4	4.6	3.2	3.5
Used cars	136.0	136.6	137.7	138.6	12.7	7.5	-7.6	7.9	10.1	-.1
Motor fuel	96.8	97.0	96.8	95.3	-13.8	5.6	.8	-6.1	-4.6	-2.7
Gasoline	96.3	96.4	96.4	94.7	-14.2	5.1	.4	-6.5	-5.0	-3.1
Maintenance and repairs	148.6	148.9	149.2	149.7	2.8	2.8	3.3	3.0	2.8	3.1
Other private transportation	158.6	159.8	160.4	161.0	1.3	3.1	1.3	6.2	2.2	3.7
Other private transportation commodities	103.1	103.5	103.5	103.5	-3.1	-.8	2.0	1.6	-1.9	1.8
Other private transportation services	171.6	173.0	173.7	174.5	1.9	3.8	1.2	6.9	2.9	4.0
Public transportation	172.4	175.2	175.6	169.3	16.2	6.2	-3.0	-7.0	11.1	-5.0
Medical care	207.3	207.8	209.1	209.9	4.7	4.8	3.8	5.1	4.7	4.4
Medical care commodities	198.3	198.3	199.3	199.7	4.6	2.5	2.0	2.9	3.5	2.4
Medical care services	209.1	209.8	211.2	212.0	4.8	5.2	4.1	5.7	5.0	4.9
Professional medical services	189.2	189.9	191.2	191.5	3.1	3.9	3.7	5.0	3.5	4.3
Entertainment 2/	149.2	149.6	149.5	150.0	2.5	4.7	4.1	2.2	3.6	3.1
Entertainment commodities	134.5	134.9	135.3	136.2	1.2	3.0	.3	5.2	2.1	2.7
Entertainment services	166.5	167.0	166.3	166.4	3.6	6.6	7.0	-.2	5.1	3.3
Other goods and services	195.4	196.2	197.5	198.7	.0	-1.2	2.9	6.9	-.6	4.9
Tobacco and smoking products	215.6	217.0	217.4	220.2	-15.7	-17.4	-2.4	8.8	-16.5	3.1
Personal care 2/	143.0	143.0	144.2	144.4	2.9	2.6	.3	4.0	2.7	2.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	140.0	139.7	141.4	141.7	3.2	1.1	-.6	4.9	2.2	2.2
Personal care services 2/	146.2	146.6	147.1	147.2	2.5	3.9	1.4	2.8	3.2	2.1
Personal and educational expenses	218.7	219.7	221.5	222.4	6.9	5.2	5.7	6.9	6.0	6.3
School books and supplies	202.8	203.6	204.2	205.2	8.6	-2.8	6.4	4.8	2.8	5.6
Personal and educational services	219.9	220.9	222.7	223.7	6.6	5.7	5.8	7.1	6.2	6.5
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.8	1.9	2.8	2.4	2.3
Commodities	132.3	132.6	132.7	133.1	-.6	2.5	.0	2.4	.9	1.2
Food and beverages	143.3	143.5	143.6	144.0	.3	3.7	.6	2.0	2.0	1.3
Commodities less food and beverages	125.6	126.0	126.1	126.4	-1.0	1.3	.0	2.6	.2	1.3

Nondurables less food and beverages	127.5	128.0	127.9	128.0	-4.0	-1.9	.9	1.6	-2.9	1.3
Apparel commodities	130.4	131.1	130.5	131.2	.3	.3	-2.4	2.5	.3	.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	127.8	127.9	128.5	129.3	-6.0	-.3	-3.7	4.8	-3.2	.5
Durables	123.0	123.2	123.6	124.3	3.7	3.3	.7	4.3	3.5	2.5
Services	161.3	162.0	162.3	162.5	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.5	3.1
Rent of shelter 2/ 1/	165.6	166.3	166.1	166.0	4.8	.0	6.3	1.0	2.4	3.6
Household services less rent										
of shelter 1/	135.9	136.3	136.1	136.1	4.6	1.5	.6	.6	3.0	.6
Transportation services	166.0	167.5	168.0	167.2	5.3	4.2	.5	2.9	4.7	1.7
Medical care services	209.1	209.8	211.2	212.0	4.8	5.2	4.1	5.7	5.0	4.9
Other services	183.4	184.1	184.7	185.2	5.1	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.4	4.7

Special indexes

All items less food	147.3	147.9	148.0	148.3	1.9	2.8	2.2	2.7	2.4	2.5
All items less shelter	143.2	143.7	143.9	144.1	1.7	2.9	1.1	2.5	2.3	1.8
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	147.9	148.4	148.6	148.9	1.7	2.8	1.4	2.7	2.2	2.0
All items less medical care	143.1	143.5	143.7	143.9	1.7	2.6	2.0	2.3	2.1	2.1
Commodities less food	126.7	127.1	127.2	127.5	-.9	1.3	.0	2.5	.2	1.3
Nondurables less food	128.8	129.4	129.2	129.3	-3.0	-1.5	.6	1.6	-2.3	1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	129.3	129.4	130.0	130.6	-5.1	-.3	-2.7	4.1	-2.7	.6
Nondurables 2/	135.2	136.0	136.4	136.5	-4.1	3.9	-1.8	3.9	-.1	1.0
Services less rent of shelter 1/	168.9	169.3	169.9	170.0	4.7	3.9	3.4	2.6	4.3	3.0
Services less medical care services	157.0	157.4	157.7	157.8	3.4	3.1	3.9	2.1	3.3	3.0
Energy	103.7	104.1	103.7	102.7	-4.5	2.4	.4	-3.8	-1.1	-1.7
All items less energy	152.5	153.0	153.3	153.7	2.4	3.0	1.9	3.2	2.7	2.5
All items less food and energy	155.0	155.5	155.8	156.3	2.7	2.9	2.4	3.4	2.8	2.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	135.8	136.2	136.4	137.0	.9	.9	-.3	3.6	.9	1.6
Energy commodities	96.3	96.5	96.2	94.6	-12.8	3.8	2.1	-6.9	-4.8	-2.5
Services less energy services	165.7	166.4	166.7	167.0	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.2	3.5	3.4

1/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

2/ Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

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

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 1993	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1994 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Apr. 1994	May 1994	May 1993	Apr. 1994	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	144.7	144.9	2.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	430.9	431.7	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.344	143.6	143.7	1.6	.1	.1	.1	.3
Food	17.622	143.0	143.1	1.7	.1	.3	.1	.3
Food at home	11.187	142.4	142.4	1.6	.0	.2	.1	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.660	162.2	162.0	3.8	-.1	-.2	.9	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.513	137.4	137.0	1.5	-.3	.1	.0	.1
Dairy products	1.321	131.6	131.7	3.1	.1	.2	.8	.6
Fruits and vegetables	2.019	160.9	162.3	-.9	.9	.5	-1.8	1.8
Other food at home	2.674	132.9	132.7	1.7	-.2	.2	.6	-.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.374	135.8	135.4	1.7	-.3	-.3	.5	-.5
Fats and oils .....	.283	133.2	133.4	3.2	.2	1.3	.4	.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.833	115.9	116.1	.5	.2	.6	.3	-.1
Other prepared food	1.184	147.3	146.7	2.2	-.4	-.1	.9	-.4
Food away from home	6.435	144.9	145.2	1.7	.2	.3	.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.722	151.0	150.9	1.1	-.1	-.1	.0	-.1
Housing	39.004	141.1	141.3	2.5	.1	.3	.0	.1
Shelter	25.682	155.3	155.3	3.0	.0	.3	.1	.3
Renters' costs 1/	8.095	148.0	147.7	2.6	-.2	.3	.1	.3
Rent, residential	6.628	153.0	153.0	2.3	.0	.3	.0	.1
Other renters' costs	1.467	197.3	194.9	3.5	-1.2	.7	.3	1.0
Homeowners' costs 1/	17.399	149.8	150.0	3.2	.1	.3	.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	17.074	150.0	150.2	3.2	.1	.3	.1	.2
Household insurance 2/ 1/ .....	.324	137.3	138.1	3.7	.6	.4	.0	.6
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.188	130.0	130.9	-.5	.7	.0	.5	.7
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ..	.102	136.6	138.8	.3	1.6	.4	1.0	1.6
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/ .....	.085	120.9	120.6	-1.4	-.2	-.6	-.1	-.2
Fuel and other utilities	7.523	121.4	121.9	1.3	.4	.3	-.4	-.2
Fuels	4.093	109.3	110.0	.2	.6	.7	-.7	-.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.339	90.1	88.6	-2.9	-1.7	-.3	-1.9	-1.2

Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	3.754	116.4	117.4	.5	.9	.8	-.5	-.4
Other utilities and public services 2/	3.429	150.7	151.0	2.8	.2	.0	.0	.2
Household furnishings and operation	5.800	119.2	119.7	1.5	.4	.3	.0	.4
Housefurnishings	3.525	109.3	109.9	1.7	.5	.0	.3	.5
Housekeeping supplies	1.141	131.7	132.2	.3	.4	1.3	-1.1	.2
Housekeeping services	1.134	139.9	140.2	2.7	.2	.1	-.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep	5.909	135.0	134.3	.5	-.5	.2	-.4	.5
Apparel commodities	5.379	132.4	131.6	.4	-.6	.2	-.5	.5
Men's and boys' apparel	1.393	126.0	126.5	-.9	.4	-.6	.4	.6
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.356	135.0	132.7	.3	-1.7	.2	-.6	.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.261	128.5	126.2	-2.5	-1.8	-.9	-.5	-.9
Footwear .....	.866	129.0	129.5	.9	.4	-.5	.0	.2
Other apparel commodities .....	.502	150.1	151.3	4.1	.8	5.0	-2.4	1.7
Apparel services 2/ .....	.530	154.2	154.5	2.7	.2	.1	.3	.2
Transportation	18.863	131.2	131.8	2.0	.5	.5	.3	-.2
Private transportation	17.613	128.9	129.8	1.9	.7	.4	.3	.0
New vehicles	4.948	137.6	138.0	3.9	.3	.5	.4	.4
New cars	3.606	135.1	135.4	3.4	.2	.4	.4	.3
Used cars	2.256	136.0	138.6	4.8	1.9	-.1	.8	.8
Motor fuel	3.705	94.7	96.0	-3.7	1.4	.1	-.1	-1.9
Gasoline	-	94.3	95.6	-4.1	1.4	-.1	.0	-1.9
Maintenance and repairs	1.615	150.1	150.5	3.0	.3	.3	.3	.3
Other private transportation	5.089	156.0	156.6	2.9	.4	.6	.4	.6
Other private transportation commodities .....	.795	102.8	102.8	.0	.0	.4	.1	.0
Other private transportation services	4.295	169.0	169.8	3.4	.5	.7	.5	.7
Public transportation	1.251	171.5	166.4	3.0	-3.0	1.8	.3	-2.6
Medical care	6.044	208.6	209.1	4.5	.2	.3	.6	.3
Medical care commodities	1.061	197.8	198.2	3.0	.2	-.2	.5	.2
Medical care services	4.983	211.0	211.5	4.8	.2	.4	.7	.3
Professional medical services	2.865	192.2	192.5	4.1	.2	.3	.8	.2
Entertainment	4.028	147.8	148.1	3.3	.2	.3	-.1	.4
Entertainment commodities	2.077	135.2	135.7	2.5	.4	.4	.1	.7
Entertainment services	1.951	166.2	166.1	4.3	-.1	.2	-.2	.1
Other goods and services	6.807	194.4	195.3	.9	.5	.5	.7	.5
Tobacco and smoking products	2.121	217.8	220.6	-7.2	1.3	.6	.3	1.1
Personal care 2/	1.146	144.5	144.7	2.5	.1	.1	.9	.1

Toilet goods and personal care									
appliances 2/ .....	.650	142.2	142.4	2.2	.1	-.1	1.4	.1	
Personal care services 2/ .....	.496	147.2	147.3	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.1	
Personal and educational expenses	3.540	216.3	216.6	6.0	.1	.5	.9	.3	
School books and supplies .....	.219	205.8	205.9	4.3	.0	.4	.3	.5	
Personal and educational services	3.321	217.4	217.7	6.1	.1	.5	.9	.3	
Commodity and service group									
All items	100.000	144.7	144.9	2.1	.1	.3	.1	.1	
Commodities	47.644	132.6	132.9	.9	.2	.2	.1	.2	
Food and beverages	19.344	143.6	143.7	1.6	.1	.1	.1	.3	
Commodities less food and beverages	28.300	125.8	126.3	.5	.4	.2	.1	.2	
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	16.590	127.5	127.9	-1.2	.3	.3	-.1	.2	
Apparel commodities	5.379	132.4	131.6	.4	-.6	.2	-.5	.5	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	11.211	128.0	129.0	-1.9	.8	.1	.5	.8	
Durables	11.710	122.4	123.1	3.0	.6	.2	.2	.5	
Services	52.356	159.4	159.6	3.3	.1	.4	.2	.2	
Rent of shelter 2/ 1/	25.143	149.4	149.4	3.0	.0	.4	-.1	.0	
Household services less rent of									
shelter 1/	8.771	124.1	124.8	1.8	.6	.1	-.2	.0	
Transportation services	7.160	164.6	164.3	3.3	-.2	.8	.4	.0	
Medical care services	4.983	211.0	211.5	4.8	.2	.4	.7	.3	
Other services	6.299	180.8	181.0	5.0	.1	.3	.4	.2	
Special indexes									
All items less food	82.378	144.9	145.2	2.3	.2	.3	.1	.2	
All items less shelter	74.318	141.9	142.3	1.9	.3	.3	.1	.2	
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	82.601	136.1	136.4	1.9	.2	.4	.1	.1	
All items less medical care	93.956	141.6	141.9	2.0	.2	.3	.1	.2	
Commodities less food	30.022	126.8	127.3	.6	.4	.2	.1	.2	
Nondurables less food	18.312	128.8	129.2	-.9	.3	.4	-.1	-.2	
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	12.933	129.5	130.3	-1.5	.6	.1	.5	.6	
Nondurables 2/	35.934	135.8	136.1	.3	.2	.5	.3	.2	
Services less rent of shelter 1/	27.213	150.8	151.0	3.4	.1	.3	.3	.0	
Services less medical care services	47.373	155.0	155.1	3.1	.1	.3	.2	.2	
Energy	7.798	101.3	102.3	-1.7	1.0	.5	-.5	-1.1	
All items less energy	92.202	150.7	150.9	2.5	.1	.3	.1	.3	
All items less food and energy	74.580	152.7	152.9	2.7	.1	.3	.2	.3	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	25.978	135.9	136.4	1.3	.4	.3	.1	.5	
Energy commodities	4.044	94.6	95.6	-3.6	1.1	.0	-.2	-1.8	

Services less energy services	48.602	164.2	164.3	3.5	.1	.4	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.691	\$.690	-2.1	-.1	-.4	-.1	-.1
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.232	.232	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

2/ Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

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

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes					Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for				
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Aug.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	1994	1994	1994	1994	1993	Nov. 1993	Feb. 1994	May 1994	Nov. 1993	May 1994
All items	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.8	1.7	2.5	2.1	2.1
Food and beverages	143.0	143.2	143.3	143.7	.3	3.7	.6	2.0	2.0	1.3
Food	142.2	142.6	142.7	143.1	.3	4.0	.0	2.6	2.1	1.3
Food at home	141.4	141.7	141.8	142.3	-.3	5.0	-.3	2.6	2.3	1.1
Cereals and bakery products	160.7	160.4	161.9	162.0	1.5	4.1	6.2	3.3	2.8	4.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.3	137.5	137.5	137.6	.0	3.9	.9	.9	1.9	.9
Dairy products	131.1	131.4	132.4	133.2	3.1	-3.9	7.3	6.6	-.5	6.9
Fruits and vegetables	158.5	159.3	156.4	159.2	-7.7	16.7	-11.7	1.8	3.8	-5.2
Other food at home	131.5	131.8	132.6	132.3	1.5	3.7	-.6	2.5	2.6	.9
Sugar and sweets	135.5	135.1	135.8	135.1	.9	2.7	4.6	-1.2	1.8	1.6
Fats and oils	130.7	132.4	132.9	133.1	3.1	.9	1.2	7.5	2.0	4.3
Nonalcoholic beverages	114.7	115.4	115.7	115.6	.3	6.0	-7.0	3.2	3.2	-2.0
Other prepared food	145.9	145.7	147.0	146.4	2.0	3.1	2.5	1.4	2.5	1.9
Food away from home	144.4	144.8	144.9	145.2	1.7	1.7	1.1	2.2	1.7	1.7
Alcoholic beverages	150.7	150.6	150.6	150.5	1.4	2.4	1.3	-.5	1.9	.4
Housing	140.8	141.2	141.2	141.4	2.6	2.3	3.2	1.7	2.5	2.4

Shelter	154.6	155.0	155.2	155.6	2.4	2.7	4.5	2.6	2.5	3.6
Renters' costs 1/	146.8	147.3	147.4	147.8	1.4	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.2	2.9
Rent, residential	152.6	153.0	153.0	153.2	1.9	1.9	4.0	1.6	1.9	2.8
Other renters' costs	193.5	194.8	195.3	197.2	-1.9	8.5	-.2	7.9	3.2	3.8
Homeowners' costs 1/	149.4	149.8	149.9	150.3	3.1	2.8	5.0	2.4	2.9	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	149.6	150.0	150.2	150.5	2.8	2.8	5.0	2.4	2.8	3.7
Household insurance 2/ 1/	136.7	137.3	137.3	138.1	7.1	3.0	.6	4.2	5.0	2.4
Maintenance and repairs 2/	129.4	129.4	130.0	130.9	1.5	-10.2	2.5	4.7	-4.5	3.6
Maintenance and repair services	134.8	135.3	136.6	138.8	5.0	-17.6	4.0	12.4	-7.0	8.1
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	121.7	121.0	120.9	120.6	-2.3	-.7	1.0	-3.6	-1.5	-1.3
Fuel and other utilities	122.6	123.0	122.5	122.3	4.0	.7	1.6	-1.0	2.3	.3
Fuels	110.5	111.3	110.5	110.0	3.7	-.7	-.4	-1.8	1.5	-1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel										
commodities	91.6	91.3	89.6	88.5	-2.6	-7.3	13.2	-12.9	-5.0	-.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy										
services).....	117.9	118.8	118.2	117.7	4.2	.0	-1.7	-.7	2.1	-1.2
Other utilities and public services 2/	150.7	150.7	150.7	151.0	4.4	2.2	3.8	.8	3.3	2.3
Household furnishings and operation	118.7	119.0	119.0	119.5	.3	3.8	-.7	2.7	2.0	1.0
Housefurnishings	108.8	108.8	109.1	109.6	1.1	3.7	-1.5	3.0	2.4	.7
Housekeeping supplies	131.4	133.1	131.7	131.9	-4.8	5.7	-.9	1.5	.3	.3
Housekeeping services	139.5	139.7	139.6	140.3	4.8	2.0	1.4	2.3	3.4	1.9
Apparel and upkeep	132.4	132.7	132.2	132.9	.6	.9	-.9	1.5	.8	.3
Apparel commodities	129.8	130.1	129.5	130.2	.3	.6	-.9	1.2	.5	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	124.9	124.1	124.6	125.4	1.9	2.2	-8.5	1.6	2.1	-3.6
Women's and girls' apparel	131.1	131.3	130.5	131.2	-.3	.3	.9	.3	.0	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	128.3	127.2	126.6	125.4	5.7	-8.9	2.9	-8.7	-1.9	-3.1
Footwear	128.3	127.6	127.6	127.9	-2.8	3.5	4.2	-1.2	.3	1.4
Other apparel commodities	144.6	151.9	148.3	150.8	1.7	-1.4	-1.4	18.3	.1	8.0
Apparel services 2/.....	153.5	153.7	154.2	154.5	2.4	4.8	.8	2.6	3.6	1.7
Transportation	130.8	131.4	131.8	131.6	1.2	3.8	.6	2.5	2.5	1.5
Private transportation	128.8	129.3	129.7	129.7	.0	3.8	.9	2.8	1.9	1.9
New vehicles	135.9	136.6	137.2	137.8	4.9	2.7	2.4	5.7	3.8	4.0
New cars	133.7	134.2	134.7	135.1	4.0	2.8	2.4	4.3	3.4	3.3
Used cars	137.2	137.1	138.2	139.3	12.6	8.1	-6.7	6.3	10.3	-.4
Motor fuel	96.8	96.9	96.8	95.0	-13.4	5.1	1.7	-7.2	-4.6	-2.9
Gasoline	96.4	96.3	96.3	94.5	-13.5	4.3	1.7	-7.7	-5.0	-3.1
Maintenance and repairs	149.2	149.6	150.0	150.5	3.0	2.5	3.3	3.5	2.8	3.4
Other private transportation	154.5	155.5	156.1	157.0	1.3	2.4	1.3	6.6	1.8	3.9
Other private transportation										
commodities	102.5	102.9	103.0	103.0	-2.7	-.8	1.6	2.0	-1.7	1.8
Other private transportation										
services	167.2	168.4	169.2	170.3	2.0	2.9	1.2	7.6	2.4	4.4

Public transportation	167.2	170.2	170.7	166.2	12.7	6.4	-3.7	-2.4	9.5	-3.1
Medical care	206.5	207.1	208.4	209.1	4.5	4.4	3.8	5.1	4.4	4.4
Medical care commodities	196.8	196.4	197.4	197.8	4.4	2.3	3.1	2.0	3.4	2.6
Medical care services	208.5	209.4	210.8	211.5	4.4	5.0	3.7	5.9	4.7	4.8
Professional medical services	189.9	190.4	192.0	192.3	3.1	3.9	4.1	5.2	3.5	4.6
Entertainment 2/	147.2	147.7	147.5	148.1	2.8	4.5	3.6	2.5	3.7	3.0
Entertainment commodities	134.0	134.6	134.8	135.7	1.5	2.7	.6	5.2	2.1	2.9
Entertainment services	166.2	166.5	166.1	166.2	4.1	6.4	6.8	.0	5.2	3.3
Other goods and services	192.9	193.8	195.1	196.1	-1.6	-3.3	2.1	6.8	-2.5	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products	215.5	216.8	217.4	219.9	-14.8	-17.8	-2.6	8.4	-16.3	2.8
Personal care 2/	143.1	143.2	144.5	144.7	2.9	2.3	.3	4.5	2.6	2.4
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	140.5	140.3	142.2	142.4	2.6	1.1	-.6	5.5	1.9	2.4
Personal care services 2/	146.3	146.7	147.2	147.3	3.1	3.7	1.9	2.8	3.4	2.3
Personal and educational expenses	214.5	215.5	217.4	218.0	6.6	5.1	5.8	6.7	5.8	6.2
School books and supplies	204.6	205.4	206.0	207.0	8.7	-2.3	6.3	4.8	3.0	5.5
Personal and educational services	215.5	216.5	218.5	219.1	6.3	5.7	5.8	6.9	6.0	6.3
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.8	1.7	2.5	2.1	2.1
Commodities	131.9	132.2	132.3	132.6	-.6	2.2	.0	2.1	.8	1.1
Food and beverages	143.0	143.2	143.3	143.7	.3	3.7	.6	2.0	2.0	1.3
Commodities less food and beverages	125.1	125.4	125.5	125.8	-1.3	1.3	.0	2.3	.0	1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	127.0	127.4	127.3	127.5	-5.5	-2.2	1.6	1.6	-3.8	1.6
Apparel commodities	129.8	130.1	129.5	130.2	.3	.6	-.9	1.2	.5	.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	127.2	127.3	128.0	129.0	-7.1	-1.2	-4.6	5.8	-4.2	.5
Durables	122.0	122.2	122.5	123.1	3.7	3.4	1.0	3.7	3.5	2.3
Services	158.8	159.4	159.7	160.0	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.4	3.2
Rent of shelter 2/ 1/	148.9	149.5	149.4	149.4	4.5	.8	5.6	1.3	2.6	3.4
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	125.4	125.5	125.3	125.3	4.0	1.3	2.3	-.3	2.6	1.0
Transportation services	162.6	163.9	164.6	164.6	3.8	3.5	.7	5.0	3.7	2.9
Medical care services	208.5	209.4	210.8	211.5	4.4	5.0	3.7	5.9	4.7	4.8
Other services	180.3	180.9	181.7	182.0	4.9	5.6	5.5	3.8	5.3	4.7
Special indexes										
All items less food	144.1	144.6	144.8	145.1	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.0	2.5
All items less shelter	141.3	141.7	141.9	142.2	1.2	2.9	.9	2.6	2.0	1.7

All items less homeowners' costs 1/	135.4	135.9	136.1	136.3	1.2	2.7	.9	2.7	2.0	1.8
All items less medical care	141.0	141.4	141.5	141.8	1.4	2.6	1.7	2.3	2.0	2.0
Commodities less food	126.3	126.6	126.7	127.0	-.9	1.3	.0	2.2	.2	1.1
Nondurables less food	128.3	128.8	128.7	128.5	-3.6	-1.9	1.3	.6	-2.8	.9
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	128.7	128.8	129.5	130.3	-6.2	-.9	-3.6	5.1	-3.6	.6
Nondurables 2/	134.7	135.4	135.8	136.1	-4.3	3.3	-1.8	4.2	-.6	1.2
Services less rent of shelter 1/	150.4	150.9	151.3	151.3	4.2	3.6	3.3	2.4	3.9	2.8
Services less medical care services	154.6	155.0	155.3	155.6	3.2	2.7	4.0	2.6	2.9	3.3
Energy	103.1	103.6	103.1	102.0	-4.9	2.0	.4	-4.2	-1.5	-1.9
All items less energy	149.8	150.3	150.5	151.0	1.9	2.7	1.9	3.2	2.3	2.6
All items less food and energy	151.9	152.4	152.7	153.2	2.4	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.4	2.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	134.8	135.2	135.4	136.1	.9	.9	-.6	3.9	.9	1.6
Energy commodities	96.6	96.6	96.4	94.7	-12.4	3.8	3.0	-7.6	-4.6	-2.5
Services less energy services	163.5	164.1	164.5	164.8	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.2	3.4	3.5

1/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

2/ Not seasonally adjusted.

- Data not available.

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

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to May 1994 from-			Percent change to Apr. 1994 from-		
		Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994	May 1994	May 1993	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994	Apr. 1993	Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994
U.S. city average	M	146.7	147.2	147.4	147.5	2.3	0.2	0.1	2.4	0.5	0.1
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	154.0	154.3	154.4	154.2	2.3	-.1	-.1	2.2	.3	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	154.6	155.1	155.0	154.7	2.3	-.3	-.2	2.2	.3	-.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	153.0	152.7	153.3	152.8	1.7	.1	-.3	2.1	.2	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	151.9	152.2	152.6	152.7	2.3	.3	.1	2.3	.5	.3

North Central urban	M	142.1	142.6	142.9	143.3	2.5	.5	.3	2.5	.6	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	143.2	143.9	144.1	144.5	2.5	.4	.3	2.6	.6	.1
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	141.3	141.8	142.2	142.0	3.0	.1	-.1	3.3	.6	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	143.0	143.1	143.7	144.4	1.8	.9	.5	2.1	.5	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	137.2	137.8	137.9	138.8	3.3	.7	.7	2.3	.5	.1
South urban	M	142.9	143.6	143.8	144.3	2.6	.5	.3	2.6	.6	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	143.4	144.4	144.4	144.7	2.6	.2	.2	2.6	.7	.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	144.6	145.4	145.5	146.3	3.0	.6	.5	2.5	.6	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	141.6	142.0	142.9	143.1	2.2	.8	.1	2.6	.9	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	140.7	141.3	141.3	142.3	2.6	.7	.7	2.6	.4	.0
West urban	M	148.3	149.0	148.9	148.8	1.9	-.1	-.1	2.2	.4	-.1
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	149.9	150.5	150.4	150.4	1.6	-.1	.0	1.8	.3	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	148.3	148.7	148.6	147.8	2.9	-.6	-.5	3.1	.2	-.1
Size classes											
A 3/	M	133.3	133.9	133.9	133.9	2.2	.0	.0	2.3	.5	.0
B	M	146.1	146.5	146.8	147.0	2.7	.3	.1	2.7	.5	.2
C	M	144.9	145.2	145.8	146.0	2.2	.6	.1	2.5	.6	.4
D	M	141.5	142.0	142.1	143.0	2.8	.7	.6	2.5	.4	.1
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	146.8	147.6	147.9	147.6	1.3	.0	-.2	2.2	.7	.2
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	152.2	152.5	152.0	151.4	.9	-.7	-.4	1.4	-.1	-.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	157.4	157.9	157.7	157.3	2.3	-.4	-.3	2.4	.2	-.1
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	M	152.9	153.5	153.1	153.2	2.5	-.2	.1	2.3	.1	-.3
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	147.4	148.2	148.0	148.3	1.0	.1	.2	.8	.4	-.1
Baltimore, MD	1	-	145.0	-	145.8	2.1	.6	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	155.0	-	153.6	1.1	-.9	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	143.3	-	143.7	2.9	.3	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	143.5	-	143.3	3.1	-.1	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	139.7	-	140.0	2.3	.2	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	151.5	-	151.4	1.5	-.1	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	139.2	-	140.3	-	-	-	-	2.4	.8	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	141.7	-	142.6	-	-	-	-	2.8	.6	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	137.0	-	136.8	-	-	-	-	3.8	-.1	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	142.6	-	143.9	-	-	-	-	3.1	.9	-

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Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, all items index
(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to May 1994 from-			Percent change to Apr. 1994 from-		
		Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994	May 1994	May 1993	Mar. 1994	Apr. 1994	Apr. 1993	Feb. 1994	Mar. 1994
U.S. city average	M	144.0	144.4	144.7	144.9	2.1	0.3	0.1	2.2	0.5	0.2
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	151.4	151.7	151.8	151.7	2.0	.0	-.1	1.9	.3	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	150.9	151.4	151.4	151.1	2.1	-.2	-.2	2.0	.3	.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	150.7	150.6	151.1	150.8	1.7	.1	-.2	2.1	.3	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	153.2	153.4	153.9	154.2	2.1	.5	.2	2.0	.5	.3
North Central urban	M	139.0	139.4	139.8	140.2	2.2	.6	.3	2.3	.6	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	139.4	140.0	140.3	140.7	2.3	.5	.3	2.5	.6	.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	137.6	137.9	138.5	138.4	2.7	.4	-.1	2.9	.7	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	140.6	140.6	141.2	141.9	1.4	.9	.5	1.9	.4	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	135.8	136.3	136.4	137.3	2.8	.7	.7	1.9	.4	.1
South urban	M	141.2	141.9	142.2	142.8	2.5	.6	.4	2.4	.7	.2

Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	141.3	142.3	142.4	142.8	2.4	.4	.3	2.6	.8	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	141.2	141.8	141.8	142.8	2.8	.7	.7	2.3	.4	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	141.3	141.6	142.6	142.8	1.9	.8	.1	2.4	.9	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	141.0	141.4	141.4	142.5	2.7	.8	.8	2.6	.3	.0
West urban	M	145.4	145.9	145.9	146.0	1.7	.1	.1	1.9	.3	.0
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	145.4	145.9	145.8	146.0	1.5	.1	.1	1.6	.3	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	146.0	146.3	146.3	145.7	2.8	-.4	-.4	2.7	.2	.0
Size classes											
A 3/	M	132.1	132.7	132.7	132.9	2.1	.2	.2	2.1	.5	.0
B	M	143.4	143.8	144.1	144.4	2.5	.4	.2	2.5	.5	.2
C	M	144.1	144.3	144.9	145.2	2.0	.6	.2	2.2	.6	.4
D	M	140.8	141.2	141.4	142.3	2.7	.8	.6	2.2	.4	.1
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	142.3	143.0	143.3	143.1	1.2	.1	-.1	2.1	.7	.2
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	146.9	147.0	146.6	146.2	.8	-.5	-.3	1.2	-.2	-.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	153.5	154.0	153.9	153.6	2.1	-.3	-.2	2.1	.3	-.1
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	M	152.2	152.8	152.6	152.7	2.3	-.1	.1	2.1	.3	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	145.0	145.6	145.6	146.1	.9	.3	.3	.6	.4	.0
Baltimore, MD	1	-	144.2	-	144.9	2.0	.5	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	153.5	-	152.2	.5	-.8	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	135.7	-	136.1	2.6	.3	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	141.1	-	141.2	2.9	.1	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	138.7	-	139.2	2.1	.4	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	148.9	-	149.2	1.5	.2	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	138.1	-	139.3	-	-	-	-	2.2	.9	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	137.0	-	137.9	-	-	-	-	2.5	.7	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	136.3	-	136.2	-	-	-	-	3.7	-.1	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	136.3	-	137.4	-	-	-	-	2.8	.8	-

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