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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--JANUARY 1995

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.4 percent before seasonal adjustment in January to a level of 150.3 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in January, the CPI-U increased 2.8 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 0.4 percent in January, prior to seasonal adjustment. The January 1995 CPI-W level of 147.8 was 2.9 percent higher than the index in January 1994.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent in January, following increases of 0.1 and 0.2 percent in the 2 preceding months. In January, the index for food declined 0.3 percent, following an advance of 0.8 percent in December. Energy costs, which declined slightly in December, increased 0.3 percent in January. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U increased 0.4 percent, following a 0.1 percent rise in December. The acceleration in January reflects a larger rise in shelter costs and upturns in the indexes for apparel commodities, airline fares, and housefurnishings, each of which had declined throughout most of the second half of 1994.

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Unadj		
	Changes from preceding month							Compnd	12-mo	
	1994							1995	ended	ended
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.95	Jan95	
All items	.3	.4	.2	.1	.1	.2	.3	2.7	2.8	
Food and beverages	.5	.4	.3	.0	.2	.6	-.2	2.5	2.5	
Housing	.2	.3	.2	.2	.1	.0	.4	2.2	2.4	
Apparel and upkeep	-.4	-.9	.1	-.2	-.3	-.2	.7	.6	-.8	
Transportation	.7	1.0	.1	-.1	.1	.2	.6	3.9	4.3	
Medical care	.4	.4	.4	.5	.4	.5	.3	4.9	4.9	
Entertainment	.3	.0	.1	.1	.4	.1	.4	3.5	2.4	
Other goods & serv	.4	.3	.1	.4	.4	.3	.0	2.6	4.0	
Special indexes:										
Energy	1.4	1.4	-.6	-.3	.5	-.1	.3	2.7	2.9	
Food	.6	.5	.2	.1	.1	.8	-.3	2.5	2.6	
AI - food & energy	.2	.3	.2	.2	.2	.1	.4	3.1	2.9	

The food and beverage index fell 0.2 percent in January. Grocery store food prices decreased 0.5 percent in January, following a 1.0 percent increase in December. The deceleration reflects a sharp downturn in the index for fruits and vegetables, which declined 2.6 percent in January, following a 5.3 percent rise in December. The index for fresh fruits and vegetables decreased 4.3 percent, more than offsetting a 1.0 percent increase in the index for processed fruits and vegetables. Each of the other major grocery store food groups showed little movement in January, with the changes ranging between negative and positive 0.2 percent. The index for cereal and bakery products fell 0.2 percent, while the indexes for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, for dairy products, and for other food at home each increased. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs turned up in January as an increase in meat prices more than offset declines in the indexes for poultry, eggs, and fish and seafood. Beef and pork prices, each of which declined in 1994, rose 0.5 and 1.3 percent, respectively. The other two components of the food and beverage index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--each rose 0.1 percent in January.

The housing component increased 0.4 percent in January, following no change in December. Each of the three major housing groups

contributed to the acceleration. Shelter costs, which increased 0.1 percent in December, advanced 0.3 percent in January. Within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.2 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.4 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.3 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities, which declined 0.2 percent in December, increased 0.5 percent in January. The index for household fuels rose 0.2 percent, as increases in the indexes for fuel oil and electricity--up 0.6 and 0.7 percent, respectively--more than offset an 0.8 percent decline in the index for natural gas. The index for other utilities and public services rose 1.0 percent in January, reflecting a sharp increase in the index for telephone services. These charges rose 1.3 percent in January as a 2.7 percent increase in local telephone call charges more than offset a 4.8 percent drop in charges for intrastate toll calls. Charges for cable television, which had declined throughout most of 1994 before turning up in November, rose 0.7 percent in January. The index for household furnishings and operation, which was unchanged in December, increased 0.8 percent in January, its largest monthly advance since February 1991. Contributing to the January increase was a 10.3 percent rise in postage fees.

The transportation index advanced 0.6 percent in January, following an increase of 0.2 percent in December. Public transportation costs, which declined 2.3 percent in December, rose 1.2 percent in January, reflecting an upturn in airline fares. The index for airline fares rose 2.2 percent in January, following declines in each of the last four months of 1994 totaling 10.8 percent. Private transportation costs rose 0.5 percent in January, the same as in December. The index for motor fuels rose 0.4 percent in January. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices declined 1.8 percent. See the note on page 6, which explains the quality adjustment made to gasoline prices in the January CPI.) The increase of 0.1 percent in the index for new cars continues its pattern of very little movement evident since the introduction of the 1995 models. (As of January, the proportion of 1995 models in the index was about 80 percent of the new car sample.) Automobile finance charges continued to increase sharply, advancing 4.0 percent in January and 27.4 percent in the last 12 months. Used car prices also continued to rise sharply, advancing 2.6 percent in January and 11.4 percent since January 1994.

The index for apparel and upkeep, which registered declines throughout most of the second half of 1994, turned up in January, increasing 0.7 percent. Smaller than usual discounts on fall-winter clothing in January, resulting from substantial discounting earlier in the season were responsible for the January increase. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, clothing prices fell

0.9 percent in January.)

Medical care costs rose 0.3 percent in January to a level 4.9 percent higher than a year earlier. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--was unchanged in January. The index for medical care services rose 0.4 percent in January. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.3 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs increased 0.4 percent in January, following a 0.1 percent rise in December. The indexes for toys and sporting goods and equipment and for fees for club memberships and for instructions, which declined in December, turned up in January.

The index for other goods and services was unchanged in January. The index for tobacco and smoking products fell 1.3 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, tobacco prices rose 0.1 percent.) An increase in the index for personal and educational expenses, in particular, for prices of school books and supplies offset the drop in the tobacco index.

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

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

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	12-mo
	1994			1995						3-mos ended	ended
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.95	Jan95
All items	.4	.3	.2	.1	.2	.2	.3	3.0	2.9
Food and beverages	.4	.4	.3	.0	.2	.6	-.2	2.5	2.4
Housing	.1	.4	.1	.1	.2	.0	.4	2.5	2.4

Apparel and upkeep	|	-.3	-.8	.1	-.4	-.4	-.3	.7	.0	-.9
Transportation	|	.8	1.0	.1	.0	.4	.4	.7	6.0	5.1
Medical care	|	.3	.4	.4	.6	.4	.5	.3	4.8	4.9
Entertainment	|	.3	.0	.0	.2	.4	.0	.4	3.3	2.3
Other goods & serv	|	.4	.3	.3	.3	.4	.3	-.1	2.0	3.8
Special indexes:	|									
Energy	|	1.4	1.7	-.6	-.4	.6	-.1	.2	2.7	3.1
Food	|	.6	.4	.3	.0	.1	.7	-.1	2.8	2.5
AI - food & energy	|	.2	.3	.3	.2	.2	.2	.4	3.1	3.0

Consumer Price Index data for February will be released on Thursday, March 16, 1995, 8:30 A.M. (EST).

QUALITY ADJUSTMENT FOR GASOLINE

A quality adjustment has been made to gasoline prices used in the January CPI to account for the effects of the mandated introduction of reformulated gasoline in selected areas of the United States. The gasoline index rose 0.4 percent in January, following seasonal adjustment. Without the quality adjustment, it is estimated that this index would have increased 1.1 percent. In those areas required to sell the reformulated gasoline, virtually all of the January price quotes were for reformulated gasoline.

CPI ANNOUNCEMENT

Effective with the release of data for January 1995, on February 15, the Bureau of Labor Statistics introduced several technical improvements in the calculation of the Consumer Price Index designed to make the index a more accurate measure of price change. These improvements, which stem from findings of research conducted by BLS staff, affected the food at home, shelter, and prescription drug components of the CPI.

The change to the food at home component improved the outlet sample rotation process. (Approximately 20 percent of CPI outlet samples are updated annually.) Empirical evidence had established that the prior procedures for the routine introduction of new samples tended to overstate price change for the newly sampled items immediately following their introduction. Since the food at home component of the index is particularly sensitive to this effect, new measures designed to lessen its impact have been introduced in the

calculation of the food at home component beginning with January 1995 data.

In addition, two changes have been made in the way in which the shelter component of the CPI is calculated. First, the imputation formula for estimating owners' equivalent rent, which relies upon a matching of a sample of residential rental units to a sample of homeowner units, has been improved. Second, additional BLS research indicated that the prior procedures, both for residential rent and for owners' implicit rent, tended to understate the short-term rent change. Beginning with data for January 1995, BLS has incorporated an improved estimate. Research on this issue will continue during the course of the upcoming CPI revision, and, if this research yields further improvements in the estimates of rent changes, they will be incorporated into the index as part of the revision effort.

Finally, the procedure for handling the introduction into the index of generic versions of formerly patented drugs into the index has been changed. The prior practice of directly comparing the prices of patented and generic drugs only when the patented drug is no longer available in the sampled outlet has been changed. A new procedure, which reflects the rate at which consumers switch their purchases from patented to generic versions of a drug, has been employed beginning with CPI data for January 1995.

The basic research papers on these topics are available from the BLS by calling 202-606-7000. These changes are explained more fully in the CPI Detailed Report for October 1994.

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 1994	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1995 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Dec. 1994	Jan. 1995	Jan. 1994	Dec. 1994	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
All items	100.000	149.7	150.3	2.8	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	448.4	450.3	-	-	-	-	-

Food and beverages	17.412	147.2	147.9	2.5	.5	.2	.6	-.2
Food	15.838	146.8	147.5	2.6	.5	.1	.8	-.3
Food at home	9.934	147.3	148.2	3.1	.6	.1	1.0	-.5
Cereals and bakery products	1.464	164.2	164.6	2.7	.2	-.1	.2	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.892	136.4	137.3	-.4	.7	.0	-.2	.2
Dairy products	1.169	131.6	132.7	.8	.8	.3	-.1	.2
Fruits and vegetables	2.013	180.3	180.4	6.2	.1	.3	5.3	-2.6
Other food at home	2.396	138.8	140.3	6.1	1.1	.1	.1	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.326	134.5	135.5	.4	.7	-.3	.4	-.1
Fats and oils .....	.249	134.2	136.4	3.9	1.6	.4	.1	.3
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.796	131.7	133.3	14.8	1.2	.2	.1	-.1
Other prepared food	1.026	148.1	149.4	2.5	.9	.2	-.1	.3
Food away from home	5.904	147.1	147.4	2.0	.2	.3	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.574	151.8	152.0	.7	.1	.3	.0	.1
Housing	41.187	145.4	146.4	2.4	.7	.1	.0	.4
Shelter	28.042	161.8	162.9	3.0	.7	.2	.1	.3
Renters' costs 1/	7.955	168.2	170.7	2.3	1.5	.3	-.1	.2
Rent, residential	5.765	155.7	156.1	2.6	.3	.3	.1	.3
Other renters' costs	2.190	186.2	195.0	1.8	4.7	.4	-.5	.2
Homeowners' costs 1/	19.889	167.8	168.4	3.4	.4	.2	.1	.4
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	19.501	168.1	168.7	3.4	.4	.2	.1	.4
Household insurance 1/ .....	.389	155.4	155.9	4.5	.3	.4	.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.198	132.7	133.1	3.3	.3	.3	1.1	.3
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ..	.120	137.0	137.3	4.6	.2	.4	.4	.2
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/ .....	.078	126.8	127.5	1.3	.6	.4	2.0	.6
Fuel and other utilities	7.093	122.0	122.9	1.1	.7	.2	-.2	.5
Fuels	3.859	110.1	110.7	.1	.5	.5	-.5	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.360	88.4	89.4	.6	1.1	-.2	.0	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	3.499	117.4	118.0	.0	.5	.4	-.5	.3
Other utilities and public services 2/	3.234	150.6	152.1	2.1	1.0	.1	.1	1.0
Household furnishings and operation	6.052	120.8	121.8	1.1	.8	-.2	.0	.8
Housefurnishings	3.508	110.3	110.5	-.2	.2	-.2	-.1	.2
Housekeeping supplies	1.088	132.9	133.8	1.7	.7	-1.0	.2	.8
Housekeeping services	1.455	139.1	142.4	3.6	2.4	.0	.0	2.5
Apparel and upkeep	5.656	130.5	129.4	-.8	-.8	-.3	-.2	.7
Apparel commodities	5.097	127.2	126.0	-1.0	-.9	-.2	-.3	.7
Men's and boys' apparel	1.329	125.3	124.0	-.2	-1.0	-.1	-1.1	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.269	125.7	123.0	-3.1	-2.1	-1.0	-.1	.5

Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.204	131.3	129.0	2.7	-1.8	.8	.5	.0
Footwear .....	.747	123.6	124.0	-1.5	.3	.2	-.2	.9
Other apparel commodities .....	.548	146.5	150.1	5.3	2.5	.8	.8	.0
Apparel services 2/ .....	.559	156.4	157.0	2.1	.4	-.1	.1	.4
Transportation	17.139	137.1	137.3	4.3	.1	.1	.2	.6
Private transportation	15.623	134.9	134.9	5.2	.0	.4	.5	.5
New vehicles	5.059	140.1	140.6	3.3	.4	-.1	.1	.2
New cars	4.052	138.5	139.0	3.2	.4	-.1	.1	.1
Used cars	1.318	151.5	152.4	11.4	.6	1.2	2.0	2.6
Motor fuel	3.106	100.4	98.7	6.6	-1.7	.7	.2	.4
Gasoline	-	100.2	98.4	6.8	-1.8	.8	.1	.4
Maintenance and repairs	1.536	151.9	152.0	2.6	.1	.2	.1	.1
Other private transportation	4.604	167.6	168.8	5.8	.7	.8	.8	.7
Other private transportation commodities .....	.618	104.3	104.2	.7	-.1	.5	.0	-.2
Other private transportation services	3.986	182.4	184.0	6.7	.9	.8	.9	.8
Public transportation	1.516	165.6	168.4	-3.9	1.7	-2.3	-2.3	1.2
Medical care	7.266	215.3	216.6	4.9	.6	.4	.5	.3
Medical care commodities	1.291	202.9	203.1	2.7	.1	.3	.1	.0
Medical care services	5.974	218.2	219.8	5.5	.7	.4	.6	.4
Professional medical services	3.416	196.0	197.2	4.7	.6	.4	.5	.3
Entertainment	4.335	151.2	152.1	2.4	.6	.4	.1	.4
Entertainment commodities	1.968	136.8	137.5	2.1	.5	.2	.0	.2
Entertainment services	2.366	168.3	169.4	2.7	.7	.5	.1	.5
Other goods and services	7.005	202.4	203.0	4.0	.3	.4	.3	.0
Tobacco and smoking products	1.607	222.0	222.2	2.1	.1	.1	.0	-1.3
Personal care 2/	1.175	145.8	145.7	1.7	-.1	.3	.1	-.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ .....	.622	142.6	142.2	1.2	-.3	.2	.2	-.3
Personal care services 2/ .....	.553	149.2	149.4	2.1	.1	.3	.0	.1
Personal and educational expenses	4.223	229.2	230.2	5.5	.4	.6	.4	.4
School books and supplies .....	.251	207.4	211.9	4.2	2.2	.3	.2	1.2
Personal and educational services	3.972	231.1	231.8	5.5	.3	.6	.4	.4
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	149.7	150.3	2.8	.4	.1	.2	.3
Commodities	43.386	135.1	135.1	2.3	.0	.1	.3	.1
Food and beverages	17.412	147.2	147.9	2.5	.5	.2	.6	-.2
Commodities less food and beverages	25.974	127.6	127.4	2.3	-.2	.0	.2	.3

Nondurables less food and beverages ..	15.375	128.1	127.5	1.7	-.5	.1	.0	.3	
Apparel commodities	5.097	127.2	126.0	-1.0	-.9	-.2	-.3	.7	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	10.278	131.5	131.2	3.1	-.2	.2	-.8	-.2	
Durables	10.599	126.9	127.2	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.4	
Services	56.614	164.7	165.9	3.2	.7	.3	.1	.5	
Rent of shelter 1/	27.422	168.3	169.4	3.0	.7	.2	.0	.3	
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.731	135.9	137.2	1.7	1.0	.3	.0	.7	
Transportation services	7.038	171.1	172.6	3.3	.9	.0	.1	.6	
Medical care services	5.974	218.2	219.8	5.5	.7	.4	.6	.4	
Other services	7.450	188.9	189.7	4.1	.4	.5	.3	.4	
Special indexes									
All items less food	84.162	150.2	150.8	2.9	.4	.2	.1	.4	
All items less shelter	71.958	146.3	146.8	2.7	.3	.2	.2	.3	
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	80.111	150.8	151.5	2.7	.5	.2	.2	.3	
All items less medical care	92.734	146.0	146.6	2.7	.4	.1	.2	.3	
Commodities less food	27.548	128.5	128.3	2.1	-.2	.0	.2	.3	
Nondurables less food	16.950	129.5	128.9	1.6	-.5	.0	.1	.2	
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	11.852	132.6	132.4	2.8	-.2	.2	-.7	-.2	
Nondurables	32.788	137.8	137.8	2.1	.0	.2	.2	.1	
Services less rent of shelter 1/	29.192	172.7	174.0	3.4	.8	.2	.2	.6	
Services less medical care services	50.640	159.7	160.9	3.0	.8	.3	.1	.5	
Energy	6.965	104.7	104.2	2.9	-.5	.5	-.1	.3	
All items less energy	93.035	155.7	156.5	2.8	.5	.1	.3	.3	
All items less food and energy	77.197	157.9	158.7	2.9	.5	.2	.1	.4	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.082	137.6	137.7	1.7	.1	.0	.1	.4	
Energy commodities	3.466	99.2	97.9	6.0	-1.3	.6	.2	.3	
Services less energy services	53.115	169.6	170.8	3.5	.7	.2	.2	.5	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:									
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.668	\$.665	-2.8	-.4	-.1	.0	-.4	
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.223	.222	-	-	-	-	-	

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				
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Apr.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	1994	1994	1994	1995	1994	July 1994	Oct. 1994	Jan. 1995	July 1994	Jan. 1995
All items	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.8
Food and beverages	146.1	146.4	147.3	147.0	.3	4.0	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.6
Food	145.8	146.0	147.1	146.7	.6	4.3	3.1	2.5	2.4	2.8
Food at home	145.7	145.9	147.3	146.6	.0	6.0	3.4	2.5	3.0	2.9
Cereals and bakery products	164.8	164.7	165.0	164.6	4.8	3.0	3.5	-.5	3.9	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	136.9	136.9	136.6	136.9	-.3	-.9	-.3	.0	-.6	-.1
Dairy products	131.5	131.9	131.8	132.0	3.7	-.9	-1.2	1.5	1.4	.2
Fruits and vegetables	167.9	168.4	177.4	172.7	-9.2	22.3	2.2	11.9	5.4	6.9
Other food at home	139.4	139.6	139.7	139.9	2.8	10.0	10.7	1.4	6.3	6.0
Sugar and sweets	135.4	135.0	135.5	135.4	2.7	-1.8	.9	.0	.4	.4
Fats and oils	135.0	135.5	135.7	136.1	5.0	6.5	.9	3.3	5.7	2.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	132.5	132.8	132.9	132.8	-.7	30.7	32.9	.9	14.0	15.8
Other prepared food	148.5	148.8	148.7	149.2	4.8	1.4	1.9	1.9	3.0	1.9
Food away from home	146.4	146.8	147.2	147.4	1.4	1.1	2.5	2.8	1.2	2.6
Alcoholic beverages	151.8	152.2	152.2	152.3	-.3	1.3	.5	1.3	.5	.9
Housing	145.7	145.9	145.9	146.5	2.5	2.0	2.8	2.2	2.2	2.5
Shelter	161.8	162.2	162.3	162.8	3.3	2.3	4.1	2.5	2.8	3.3
Renters' costs 1/	169.7	170.2	170.1	170.5	2.4	2.2	2.9	1.9	2.3	2.4
Rent, residential	155.1	155.5	155.7	156.1	2.7	2.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.7
Other renters' costs	197.5	198.3	197.3	197.6	2.1	2.3	2.5	.2	2.2	1.3
Homeowners' costs 1/	167.3	167.7	167.8	168.4	3.7	2.2	4.9	2.7	3.0	3.8
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	167.6	168.0	168.1	168.7	3.7	2.2	4.9	2.7	3.0	3.8
Household insurance 1/	154.2	154.8	155.4	156.1	3.5	5.7	3.7	5.0	4.6	4.4
Maintenance and repairs 2/	130.8	131.2	132.7	133.1	4.1	3.4	-1.5	7.2	3.8	2.8
Maintenance and repair services	135.9	136.4	137.0	137.3	6.2	6.5	1.5	4.2	6.3	2.8
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	123.8	124.3	126.8	127.5	1.3	-1.3	-6.5	12.5	.0	2.6
Fuel and other utilities	122.6	122.9	122.7	123.3	2.6	-.3	-.6	2.3	1.1	.8
Fuels	110.5	111.0	110.5	110.7	2.6	-1.4	-1.1	.7	.5	-.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	87.9	87.7	87.7	87.6	9.5	-1.3	-4.0	-1.4	3.9	-2.7

appliances 2/	142.0	142.3	142.6	142.2	2.6	1.4	.3	.6	2.0	.4
Personal care services 2/	148.7	149.2	149.2	149.4	2.2	3.3	1.1	1.9	2.8	1.5
Personal and educational expenses	226.5	227.8	228.8	229.8	6.2	5.9	3.8	6.0	6.1	4.9
School books and supplies	207.1	207.8	208.2	210.6	3.8	4.4	1.4	6.9	4.1	4.1
Personal and educational services	227.9	229.2	230.2	231.1	6.4	6.1	4.0	5.7	6.2	4.8

Commodity and service group

All items	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.8
Commodities	134.7	134.9	135.3	135.5	1.2	4.0	1.8	2.4	2.6	2.1
Food and beverages	146.1	146.4	147.3	147.0	.3	4.0	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages	127.8	127.8	128.0	128.4	1.6	4.2	1.3	1.9	2.9	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	128.8	128.9	128.9	129.3	2.2	3.2	-.3	1.6	2.7	.6
Apparel commodities	129.5	129.2	128.8	129.7	-1.5	1.9	-5.1	.6	.2	-2.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	132.2	132.5	131.5	131.2	3.8	9.0	2.8	-3.0	6.4	-.2
Durables	125.8	126.1	126.5	127.0	2.6	4.3	1.9	3.9	3.4	2.9
Services	164.6	165.1	165.2	166.0	3.8	2.5	3.5	3.4	3.1	3.5
Rent of shelter 1/	168.7	169.1	169.1	169.6	3.4	2.2	4.4	2.2	2.8	3.3
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	136.4	136.8	136.8	137.8	2.1	.6	.0	4.2	1.3	2.1
Transportation services	170.1	170.1	170.2	171.3	5.2	2.6	2.6	2.9	3.9	2.7
Medical care services	216.8	217.7	218.9	219.8	5.5	4.8	5.9	5.7	5.2	5.8
Other services	187.8	188.7	189.2	189.9	4.7	4.2	2.8	4.5	4.4	3.7

Special indexes

All items less food	150.1	150.4	150.6	151.2	3.0	3.0	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.8
All items less shelter	145.9	146.2	146.5	147.0	2.3	3.7	1.9	3.1	3.0	2.5
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	150.7	151.0	151.3	151.8	2.2	3.5	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.6
All items less medical care	145.7	145.9	146.2	146.6	2.5	3.1	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.5
Commodities less food	128.9	128.9	129.1	129.5	1.6	4.2	1.3	1.9	2.9	1.6
Nondurables less food	130.2	130.2	130.3	130.6	1.6	3.1	.3	1.2	2.3	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	133.2	133.5	132.6	132.4	3.8	7.6	2.4	-2.4	5.7	.0
Nondurables	137.6	137.9	138.2	138.4	1.2	3.6	1.2	2.3	2.4	1.8
Services less rent of shelter 1/	172.1	172.5	172.9	174.0	4.1	2.6	2.8	4.5	3.4	3.7
Services less medical care services	159.6	160.0	160.1	160.9	3.6	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.0	3.1
Energy	105.0	105.5	105.4	105.7	3.6	3.1	2.3	2.7	3.3	2.5
All items less energy	155.6	155.8	156.2	156.7	2.7	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
All items less food and energy	158.0	158.3	158.5	159.2	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.0	2.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	137.8	137.8	137.9	138.4	1.2	3.3	.6	1.8	2.2	1.2
Energy commodities	99.1	99.7	99.9	100.2	6.1	7.7	5.4	4.5	6.9	5.0
Services less energy services	169.3	169.7	170.0	170.8	3.9	2.7	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.6

- 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 1994	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1995 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Dec. 1994	Jan. 1995	Jan. 1994	Dec. 1994	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
All items	100.000	147.2	147.8	2.9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	438.6	440.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.320	146.6	147.2	2.4	.4	.2	.6	-.2
Food	17.629	146.2	146.9	2.5	.5	.1	.7	-.1
Food at home	11.243	146.3	147.2	2.8	.6	.1	1.0	-.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.670	163.9	164.3	2.8	.2	-.1	.2	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.398	136.0	137.1	-.4	.8	-.1	-.2	.3
Dairy products	1.299	131.4	132.4	.8	.8	.3	.0	.1
Fruits and vegetables	2.124	178.8	178.8	5.9	.0	.2	5.4	-2.6
Other food at home	2.751	138.3	139.7	5.7	1.0	.1	.1	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.367	134.4	135.5	.4	.8	-.3	.3	-.1
Fats and oils .....	.286	134.1	136.3	3.8	1.6	.2	.1	.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.920	130.6	132.2	13.4	1.2	.3	.1	-.1
Other prepared food	1.179	148.0	149.1	2.4	.7	.2	.1	.1
Food away from home	6.387	147.0	147.3	2.1	.2	.3	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.690	151.4	151.6	.7	.1	.3	.1	.0
Housing	38.759	142.7	143.5	2.4	.6	.2	.0	.4
Shelter	25.753	157.7	158.6	3.1	.6	.3	.1	.3
Renters' costs 1/	8.073	148.5	149.9	2.4	.9	.3	.1	.1
Rent, residential	6.615	155.4	155.7	2.5	.2	.3	.1	.2
Other renters' costs	1.458	187.2	195.3	1.7	4.3	.5	-.3	-.3
Homeowners' costs 1/	17.491	153.1	153.6	3.4	.3	.3	.1	.3

Owners' equivalent rent 1/	17.161	153.3	153.8	3.4	.3	.3	.1	.3
Household insurance 1/ .....	.331	142.9	143.2	4.9	.2	.4	.5	.4
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.189	132.4	132.8	2.5	.3	.3	.8	.3
Maintenance and repair services 2/ .	.104	140.3	140.5	4.2	.1	.4	.2	.1
Maintenance and repair								
commodities 2/ .....	.085	121.9	122.5	.6	.5	.2	1.4	.5
Fuel and other utilities	7.329	121.6	122.5	.8	.7	.2	-.2	.5
Fuels	3.958	109.5	110.1	.0	.5	.5	-.5	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel								
commodities .....	.331	88.3	89.3	.4	1.1	-.1	.0	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy								
services).....	3.627	116.8	117.4	-.1	.5	.5	-.6	.3
Other utilities and public								
services 2/	3.372	151.1	152.4	1.9	.9	.0	.1	.9
Household furnishings and operation	5.676	119.7	120.5	1.1	.7	-.3	.0	.8
Housefurnishings	3.432	109.1	109.2	-.2	.1	-.1	-.2	.2
Housekeeping supplies	1.122	133.3	134.1	1.8	.6	-.7	.3	.8
Housekeeping services	1.122	141.5	145.6	4.4	2.9	-.1	.1	3.0
Apparel and upkeep	5.661	129.3	128.3	-.9	-.8	-.4	-.3	.7
Apparel commodities	5.136	126.1	125.0	-1.2	-.9	-.5	-.2	.7
Men's and boys' apparel	1.329	124.5	123.5	-.5	-.8	-.2	-.9	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.214	124.0	121.2	-3.1	-2.3	-.9	-.2	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.263	132.9	130.3	3.3	-2.0	.9	.3	-.1
Footwear .....	.827	124.2	124.4	-2.0	.2	-.1	-.1	.8
Other apparel commodities .....	.503	144.1	149.1	4.3	3.5	.4	.3	.3
Apparel services 2/ .....	.524	155.9	156.5	2.0	.4	-.1	.1	.4
Transportation	19.183	136.7	136.9	5.1	.1	.4	.4	.7
Private transportation	18.027	135.2	135.2	5.7	.0	.5	.6	.6
New vehicles	4.982	140.9	141.2	3.4	.2	-.1	.1	.1
New cars	3.622	138.1	138.6	3.1	.4	-.1	.1	.2
Used cars	2.382	152.1	153.0	11.2	.6	1.2	1.9	2.8
Motor fuel	3.819	100.2	98.5	6.5	-1.7	.8	.2	.3
Gasoline	-	100.0	98.3	6.8	-1.7	.8	.1	.4
Maintenance and repairs	1.617	152.6	152.7	2.6	.1	.2	.2	.0
Other private transportation	5.227	163.4	164.7	6.1	.8	.7	.8	.7
Other private transportation								
commodities .....	.780	103.5	103.4	.5	-.1	.4	.1	-.3
Other private transportation								
services	4.447	178.4	180.0	7.0	.9	.7	.9	.8
Public transportation	1.156	162.5	164.8	-3.2	1.4	-1.4	-1.6	.7
Medical care	6.173	214.6	215.9	4.9	.6	.4	.5	.3
Medical care commodities	1.063	200.8	200.9	2.6	.0	.4	.1	.0

Medical care services	5.110	217.7	219.3	5.4	.7	.4	.6	.4	
Professional medical services	2.920	196.9	198.1	4.8	.6	.4	.4	.3	
Entertainment	4.005	149.2	150.1	2.3	.6	.4	.0	.4	
Entertainment commodities	2.054	136.1	136.8	1.9	.5	.3	-.1	.3	
Entertainment services	1.951	168.3	169.2	2.7	.5	.5	.1	.5	
Other goods and services	6.900	200.0	200.5	3.8	.3	.4	.3	-.1	
Tobacco and smoking products	2.128	222.2	222.4	2.3	.1	.2	.0	-1.2	
Personal care 2/	1.139	146.1	146.0	1.7	-.1	.3	.1	-.1	
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ .....	.646	143.5	143.1	1.5	-.3	.2	.3	-.3
Personal care services 2/ .....	.493	149.2	149.5	2.1	.2	.3	.1	.2
Personal and educational expenses	3.633	224.9	226.0	5.6	.5	.5	.4	.5	
School books and supplies .....	.220	208.5	213.4	4.0	2.4	.5	.2	1.4
Personal and educational services	3.413	226.5	227.2	5.6	.3	.5	.4	.4	
Commodity and service group									
All items	100.000	147.2	147.8	2.9	.4	.2	.2	.3	
Commodities	47.499	134.8	134.9	2.5	.1	.1	.4	.1	
Food and beverages	19.320	146.6	147.2	2.4	.4	.2	.6	-.2	
Commodities less food and beverages	28.180	127.6	127.4	2.7	-.2	.1	.2	.4	
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	16.400	127.7	127.0	1.8	-.5	.2	.0	.2	
Apparel commodities	5.136	126.1	125.0	-1.2	-.9	-.5	-.2	.7	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	11.263	131.3	130.9	3.3	-.3	.3	-.8	-.3	
Durables	11.780	126.5	126.8	3.8	.2	.3	.4	.6	
Services	52.501	162.4	163.4	3.3	.6	.3	.2	.4	
Rent of shelter 1/	25.206	151.7	152.5	3.0	.5	.3	.0	.2	
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.584	124.9	126.1	1.5	1.0	.2	.0	.7	
Transportation services	7.220	169.2	170.6	4.3	.8	.3	.3	.7	
Medical care services	5.110	217.7	219.3	5.4	.7	.4	.6	.4	
Other services	6.381	185.9	186.6	4.1	.4	.4	.3	.4	
Special indexes									
All items less food	82.371	147.4	147.9	3.1	.3	.3	.1	.4	
All items less shelter	74.247	144.6	145.0	2.8	.3	.2	.3	.3	
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	82.509	138.4	139.0	2.9	.4	.2	.3	.3	
All items less medical care	93.827	144.0	144.6	2.8	.4	.2	.2	.3	
Commodities less food	29.870	128.5	128.3	2.6	-.2	.2	.2	.3	
Nondurables less food	18.090	129.0	128.4	1.7	-.5	.1	.0	.2	
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	12.954	132.4	132.0	3.0	-.3	.2	-.7	-.3	

Nondurables	35.719	137.4	137.4	2.1	.0	.2	.3	.1
Services less rent of shelter 1/	27.295	154.0	155.2	3.6	.8	.3	.3	.6
Services less medical care services	47.390	157.6	158.6	3.1	.6	.3	.1	.4
Energy	7.777	104.2	103.6	3.1	-.6	.6	-.1	.2
All items less energy	92.223	153.3	154.0	2.9	.5	.2	.3	.3
All items less food and energy	74.594	155.1	155.8	3.0	.5	.2	.2	.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	25.720	137.1	137.1	2.0	.0	.1	.1	.4
Energy commodities	4.150	99.4	98.0	6.1	-1.4	.7	.2	.3
Services less energy services	48.874	167.5	168.5	3.6	.6	.3	.2	.5
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.679	\$.677	-2.9	-.3	-.1	.0	-.3
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.228	.227	-	-	-	-	-

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				
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Apr.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	1994	1994	1994	1995	1994	July 1994	Oct. 1994	Jan. 1995	July 1994	Jan. 1995
All items	-	-	-	-	2.5	3.4	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.9
Food and beverages	145.7	146.0	146.9	146.6	.3	3.7	2.8	2.5	2.0	2.6
Food	145.2	145.4	146.4	146.2	.3	4.3	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.8
Food at home	145.0	145.1	146.5	145.9	.0	5.8	3.1	2.5	2.8	2.8
Cereals and bakery products	164.5	164.4	164.7	164.3	4.8	3.3	3.5	-.5	4.0	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	136.8	136.6	136.3	136.7	-.3	-1.4	.3	-.3	-.9	.0
Dairy products	131.2	131.6	131.6	131.7	3.7	-.9	-1.5	1.5	1.4	.0
Fruits and vegetables	167.3	167.7	176.7	172.1	-9.5	21.8	1.9	12.0	5.0	6.8

Other food at home	138.8	139.0	139.2	139.3	2.5	9.0	10.1	1.4	5.7	5.7
Sugar and sweets	135.5	135.1	135.5	135.3	2.4	-1.8	1.5	-.6	.3	.4
Fats and oils	135.0	135.3	135.5	135.8	5.6	6.2	.9	2.4	5.9	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages	131.3	131.7	131.8	131.7	-1.4	27.7	29.8	1.2	12.2	14.6
Other prepared food	148.2	148.5	148.6	148.8	4.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	3.0	1.6
Food away from home	146.3	146.7	147.0	147.4	1.4	1.4	2.5	3.0	1.4	2.8
Alcoholic beverages	151.3	151.7	151.9	151.9	-.8	1.3	.8	1.6	.3	1.2
Housing	142.7	143.0	143.0	143.6	2.6	2.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.6
Shelter	157.6	158.1	158.2	158.6	3.4	2.3	4.2	2.6	2.9	3.4
Renters' costs 1/	149.1	149.6	149.7	149.9	2.8	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.3
Rent, residential	154.8	155.2	155.4	155.7	2.9	1.8	2.9	2.3	2.4	2.6
Other renters' costs	197.8	198.8	198.3	197.8	2.1	3.1	1.8	.0	2.6	.9
Homeowners' costs 1/	152.6	153.0	153.1	153.6	3.8	2.4	4.9	2.6	3.1	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	152.8	153.2	153.3	153.8	3.8	2.4	4.9	2.6	3.1	3.7
Household insurance 1/	141.6	142.1	142.8	143.4	3.6	7.5	3.8	5.2	5.5	4.5
Maintenance and repairs 2/	131.0	131.4	132.4	132.8	1.2	4.4	-1.2	5.6	2.8	2.1
Maintenance and repair services	139.5	140.0	140.3	140.5	5.1	7.5	1.2	2.9	6.3	2.0
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	120.0	120.2	121.9	122.5	-2.9	.7	-3.6	8.6	-1.1	2.3
Fuel and other utilities	122.2	122.5	122.2	122.8	2.3	-.7	-.3	2.0	.8	.8
Fuels	109.8	110.3	109.8	110.0	1.8	-1.4	-1.1	.7	.2	-.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel										
commodities	87.7	87.6	87.6	87.5	9.0	-1.3	-4.4	-.9	3.7	-2.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy										
services).....	117.6	118.2	117.5	117.8	1.4	-1.7	-.3	.7	-.2	.2
Other utilities and public services 2/	150.9	150.9	151.1	152.4	3.0	.5	.0	4.0	1.7	2.0
Household furnishings and operation	120.0	119.7	119.7	120.7	-1.0	2.7	.3	2.4	.8	1.3
Housefurnishings	109.6	109.5	109.3	109.5	-2.2	3.3	-1.4	-.4	.5	-.9
Housekeeping supplies	133.8	132.8	133.2	134.2	.0	2.1	4.0	1.2	1.1	2.6
Housekeeping services	141.4	141.3	141.4	145.7	1.7	2.3	1.4	12.7	2.0	6.9
Apparel and upkeep	131.5	131.0	130.6	131.5	-1.2	1.5	-4.1	.0	.2	-2.1
Apparel commodities	128.6	128.0	127.7	128.6	-1.8	1.6	-4.8	.0	-.2	-2.4
Men's and boys' apparel	125.7	125.4	124.3	125.8	-4.1	5.2	-3.1	.3	.5	-1.4
Women's and girls' apparel	128.0	126.8	126.5	127.3	-2.7	.0	-7.4	-2.2	-1.4	-4.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	130.3	131.5	131.9	131.8	-.3	12.1	-2.4	4.7	5.7	1.1
Footwear	125.3	125.2	125.1	126.1	-3.1	-1.6	-5.5	2.6	-2.3	-1.6
Other apparel commodities	148.6	149.2	149.6	150.1	12.2	.0	1.4	4.1	5.9	2.7
Apparel services 2/.....	156.0	155.8	155.9	156.5	2.1	2.4	2.3	1.3	2.2	1.8
Transportation	135.2	135.7	136.3	137.2	4.7	5.3	4.9	6.0	5.0	5.5
Private transportation	133.4	134.1	134.9	135.7	4.1	6.3	5.3	7.1	5.2	6.2
New vehicles	140.0	139.8	140.0	140.1	4.8	5.4	2.9	.3	5.1	1.6
New cars	137.2	137.1	137.2	137.5	4.3	4.5	3.0	.9	4.4	1.9
Used cars	145.3	147.0	149.8	154.0	3.2	7.4	9.6	26.2	5.3	17.6

Motor fuel	100.3	101.1	101.3	101.6	5.1	9.0	7.1	5.3	7.0	6.2
Gasoline	100.1	100.9	101.0	101.4	5.6	9.9	6.2	5.3	7.7	5.8
Maintenance and repairs	152.3	152.6	152.9	152.9	2.4	2.7	3.8	1.6	2.6	2.7
Other private transportation	160.1	161.2	162.5	163.6	4.5	5.8	4.9	9.0	5.1	6.9
Other private transportation commodities	102.7	103.1	103.2	102.9	1.6	.4	-.8	.8	1.0	.0
Other private transportation services	174.4	175.7	177.3	178.8	5.1	6.5	6.2	10.5	5.8	8.3
Public transportation	166.7	164.3	161.6	162.8	5.1	-3.9	-4.7	-9.0	.5	-6.9
Medical care	213.6	214.5	215.5	216.1	4.7	4.5	5.6	4.8	4.6	5.2
Medical care commodities	200.3	201.2	201.4	201.3	2.1	2.9	3.3	2.0	2.5	2.6
Medical care services	216.4	217.3	218.5	219.3	5.5	4.8	5.9	5.5	5.2	5.7
Professional medical services	196.1	196.9	197.7	198.3	5.6	3.6	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.9
Entertainment 2/	148.9	149.5	149.5	150.1	2.2	3.0	.8	3.3	2.6	2.0
Entertainment commodities	136.2	136.6	136.4	136.8	2.1	3.0	.9	1.8	2.5	1.3
Entertainment services	167.3	168.2	168.4	169.2	2.4	2.9	.7	4.6	2.7	2.7
Other goods and services	199.2	200.0	200.5	200.2	4.4	5.4	3.5	2.0	4.9	2.8
Tobacco and smoking products	223.2	223.6	223.6	220.9	2.4	6.8	4.0	-4.1	4.6	-.1
Personal care 2/	145.5	145.9	146.1	146.0	2.8	1.7	1.1	1.4	2.2	1.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	142.8	143.1	143.5	143.1	3.4	.8	.8	.8	2.1	.8
Personal care services 2/	148.6	149.1	149.2	149.5	2.2	2.7	1.1	2.4	2.5	1.8
Personal and educational expenses	222.3	223.5	224.4	225.6	6.3	6.0	3.9	6.1	6.2	5.0
School books and supplies	207.8	208.9	209.3	212.3	4.0	4.7	-1.1	8.9	4.4	3.8
Personal and educational services	223.6	224.8	225.8	226.8	6.5	6.0	4.2	5.8	6.2	5.0
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	2.5	3.4	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.9
Commodities	134.4	134.6	135.1	135.3	1.2	4.3	1.8	2.7	2.7	2.3
Food and beverages	145.7	146.0	146.9	146.6	.3	3.7	2.8	2.5	2.0	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages	127.5	127.6	127.8	128.3	1.9	4.5	1.6	2.5	3.2	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	128.3	128.5	128.5	128.8	2.6	3.2	.0	1.6	2.9	.8
Apparel commodities	128.6	128.0	127.7	128.6	-1.8	1.6	-4.8	.0	-.2	-2.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	132.0	132.4	131.3	130.9	4.2	10.4	2.5	-3.3	7.2	-.5
Durables	125.0	125.4	125.9	126.7	2.0	5.3	2.6	5.6	3.6	4.1
Services	162.0	162.5	162.8	163.5	3.6	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.2	3.5
Rent of shelter 1/	151.8	152.2	152.2	152.5	3.8	2.4	4.1	1.9	3.1	2.9
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	125.4	125.7	125.7	126.6	1.9	.3	.0	3.9	1.1	1.9
Transportation services	167.5	168.0	168.5	169.6	4.5	4.0	3.7	5.1	4.2	4.4

Medical care services	216.4	217.3	218.5	219.3	5.5	4.8	5.9	5.5	5.2	5.7
Other services	184.7	185.5	186.1	186.9	4.5	4.5	2.9	4.9	4.5	3.9
Special indexes										
All items less food	146.9	147.3	147.5	148.1	3.1	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.1	3.0
All items less shelter	144.1	144.4	144.8	145.3	2.3	3.7	2.3	3.4	3.0	2.8
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	138.1	138.4	138.8	139.2	2.4	3.6	2.4	3.2	3.0	2.8
All items less medical care	143.6	143.9	144.2	144.7	2.3	3.4	2.5	3.1	2.9	2.8
Commodities less food	128.6	128.8	129.0	129.4	1.6	4.2	1.6	2.5	2.9	2.0
Nondurables less food	129.7	129.8	129.8	130.1	2.2	3.1	.3	1.2	2.7	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	133.0	133.3	132.4	132.0	4.1	8.6	2.4	-3.0	6.3	-.3
Nondurables	137.2	137.5	137.9	138.0	1.2	3.9	1.2	2.4	2.5	1.8
Services less rent of shelter 1/	153.3	153.8	154.2	155.2	3.8	2.9	2.7	5.1	3.4	3.8
Services less medical care services	157.4	157.8	157.9	158.6	3.7	2.3	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1
Energy	104.6	105.2	105.1	105.3	3.6	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.4	2.9
All items less energy	152.9	153.2	153.6	154.1	2.4	3.2	2.9	3.2	2.8	3.1
All items less food and energy	155.0	155.3	155.6	156.2	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.0
Commodities less food and energy										
commodities	137.0	137.1	137.3	137.8	.9	3.6	.9	2.4	2.2	1.6
Energy commodities	99.4	100.1	100.3	100.6	5.6	7.7	6.3	4.9	6.6	5.6
Services less energy services	167.1	167.6	167.9	168.7	4.0	3.0	3.7	3.9	3.5	3.8

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 Jan. 1995 from-			Percent change to Dec. 1994 from-		
		Oct. 1994	Nov. 1994	Dec. 1994	Jan. 1995	Jan. 1994	Nov. 1994	Dec. 1994	Dec. 1993	Oct. 1994	Nov. 1994
U.S. city average	M	149.5	149.7	149.7	150.3	2.8	0.4	0.4	2.7	0.1	0.0

Region and area size 2/

Northeast urban.....	M	156.4	156.7	156.3	157.1	2.5	.3	.5	2.4	-.1	-.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	157.2	157.2	156.6	157.7	2.6	.3	.7	2.2	-.4	-.4
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	154.6	154.8	155.3	155.4	1.9	.4	.1	2.4	.5	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	154.3	155.4	155.0	155.7	2.9	.2	.5	2.6	.5	-.3
North Central urban	M	145.3	145.8	145.7	146.1	3.3	.2	.3	3.2	.3	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	146.2	146.8	146.8	147.3	3.4	.3	.3	3.2	.4	.0
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	144.4	144.5	144.1	144.4	2.3	-.1	.2	2.9	-.2	-.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	146.9	147.4	147.1	147.4	3.5	.0	.2	3.3	.1	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	140.9	141.3	141.2	141.5	3.5	.1	.2	3.2	.2	-.1
South urban	M	145.9	146.0	146.1	146.7	2.9	.5	.4	2.7	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	145.9	145.9	146.0	146.6	2.6	.5	.4	2.3	.1	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	148.2	148.4	148.4	148.9	3.1	.3	.3	3.2	.1	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	145.0	145.0	145.3	145.7	3.3	.5	.3	3.1	.2	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	144.1	144.3	144.3	145.2	3.1	.6	.6	2.6	.1	.0
West urban	M	151.0	151.1	151.2	152.0	2.6	.6	.5	2.3	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	152.1	151.9	152.2	152.9	2.1	.7	.5	1.8	.1	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	152.7	153.8	153.3	154.1	4.3	.2	.5	4.5	.4	-.3
Size classes											
A 3/	M	135.5	135.6	135.6	136.2	2.6	.4	.4	2.3	.1	.0
B	M	149.2	149.4	149.4	149.9	2.8	.3	.3	3.0	.1	.0
C	M	148.4	148.9	148.8	149.3	3.5	.3	.3	3.3	.3	-.1
D	M	145.0	145.3	145.3	145.9	3.3	.4	.4	2.8	.2	.0
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	149.4	150.4	150.5	151.8	3.6	.9	.9	3.0	.7	.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	153.4	152.9	153.4	154.3	1.4	.9	.6	1.0	.0	.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	159.5	159.4	158.9	159.9	2.5	.3	.6	2.1	-.4	-.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	M	156.6	156.7	155.4	156.6	2.7	-.1	.8	2.7	-.8	-.8
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	149.4	149.8	149.4	150.3	1.9	.3	.6	1.6	.0	-.3
Baltimore, MD	1	-	148.6	-	148.7	3.4	.1	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	156.7	-	158.0	2.9	.8	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	146.0	-	146.6	2.9	.4	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	144.5	-	147.3	4.5	1.9	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	143.3	-	142.9	3.1	-.3	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	153.0	-	153.8	1.9	.5	-	-	-	-

Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	142.8	-	141.9	-	-	-	-	2.2	-.6	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	145.7	-	145.5	-	-	-	-	3.8	-.1	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	139.3	-	137.8	-	-	-	-	1.0	-1.1	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	146.4	-	146.5	-	-	-	-	3.8	.1	-

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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 Jan. 1995 from-			Percent change to Dec. 1994 from-		
		Oct. 1994	Nov. 1994	Dec. 1994	Jan. 1995	Jan. 1994	Nov. 1994	Dec. 1994	Dec. 1993	Oct. 1994	Nov. 1994
U.S. city average	M	147.0	147.3	147.2	147.8	2.9	0.3	0.4	2.7	0.1	-0.1
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	154.1	154.3	154.0	154.8	2.7	.3	.5	2.4	-.1	-.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	153.8	153.8	153.3	154.3	2.7	.3	.7	2.3	-.3	-.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	152.6	152.6	153.1	153.3	2.0	.5	.1	2.5	.3	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	156.0	157.1	156.7	157.4	3.1	.2	.4	2.7	.4	-.3
North Central urban	M	142.2	142.8	142.7	143.0	3.2	.1	.2	3.3	.4	-.1

Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	142.4	143.1	143.1	143.5	3.4	.3	.3	3.3	.5	.0
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	140.9	141.0	140.6	140.9	2.5	-.1	.2	3.0	-.2	-.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	144.4	144.8	144.6	144.9	3.5	.1	.2	3.3	.1	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	139.4	139.9	139.7	139.8	3.3	-.1	.1	3.0	.2	-.1
South urban	M	144.6	144.8	144.9	145.3	3.0	.3	.3	2.9	.2	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	144.3	144.3	144.3	144.8	2.7	.3	.3	2.3	.0	.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	144.9	145.2	145.3	145.6	3.2	.3	.2	3.3	.3	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	145.0	145.1	145.3	145.7	3.5	.4	.3	3.2	.2	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	144.4	144.7	144.7	145.6	3.2	.6	.6	2.7	.2	.0
West urban	M	148.1	148.2	148.5	149.2	2.7	.7	.5	2.4	.3	.2
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	147.6	147.6	147.9	148.5	2.2	.6	.4	1.9	.2	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	150.0	151.1	150.7	151.4	4.1	.2	.5	4.3	.5	-.3
Size classes											
A 3/	M	134.6	134.8	134.7	135.3	2.7	.4	.4	2.4	.1	-.1
B	M	146.6	146.8	146.9	147.3	2.9	.3	.3	3.0	.2	.1
C	M	147.7	148.2	148.1	148.6	3.5	.3	.3	3.3	.3	-.1
D	M	144.3	144.8	144.8	145.2	3.3	.3	.3	2.9	.3	.0
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N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	156.0	155.9	155.4	156.3	2.6	.3	.6	2.2	-.4	-.3
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San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	147.0	147.6	147.4	148.2	2.0	.4	.5	1.9	.3	-.1
Baltimore, MD	1	-	147.6	-	147.7	3.5	.1	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	155.8	-	157.0	3.0	.8	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	138.8	-	139.0	2.9	.1	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	142.7	-	145.3	4.8	1.8	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	142.9	-	142.3	3.3	-.4	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	150.6	-	151.2	2.0	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	142.4	-	141.7	-	-	-	-	2.2	-.5	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	141.1	-	141.0	-	-	-	-	3.9	-.1	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	139.0	-	137.8	-	-	-	-	1.3	-.9	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	140.1	-	140.3	-	-	-	-	3.8	.1	-

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