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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--MAY 1995

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.2 percent before seasonal adjustment in May to a level of 152.2 (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 3.2 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) also increased 0.2 percent in May, prior to seasonal adjustment. The May 1995 CPI-W level of 149.6 was 3.2 percent higher than the index in May 1994.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent in May, following an increase of 0.4 percent in April. The index for food, which advanced 0.7 percent in April, moderated substantially in May--up 0.1 percent--as fresh vegetable prices turned down. Energy costs advanced 0.5 percent in

May as a 2.0 percent increase in the index for motor fuels was partially offset by a decrease in the index for household fuels. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U increased 0.2 percent, following an increase of 0.4 percent in April. The smaller rise in May reflects a moderation in the transportation group (other than motor fuels), particularly for used cars, automobile finance charges, and airline fares, each of which had risen sharply during the first 4 months of 1995.

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadj
	Changes from preceding month								Compnd
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	1994				1995				3-mos ended
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	May.95	May95
All items	.1	.2	.3	.3	.2	.4	.3	3.5	3.2
Food and beverages	.2	.6	-.2	.3	.0	.7	.1	3.3	3.2
Housing	.1	.0	.4	.3	.2	.3	.1	2.5	2.4
Apparel and upkeep	-.3	-.2	.7	-.6	.0	-.1	-.3	-1.5	-1.6
Transportation	.1	.2	.6	.4	.6	.7	.4	7.1	5.6
Medical care	.4	.5	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	3.5	4.6
Entertainment	.4	.1	.4	.2	.0	.3	.5	3.2	2.5
Other goods & serv	.4	.3	.0	.8	.1	.2	.4	3.2	4.0
Special indexes:									
Energy	.5	-.1	.3	-.1	-.5	.4	.5	1.5	3.3
Food	.1	.8	-.3	.3	.0	.7	.1	3.3	3.3
AI - food & energy	.2	.1	.4	.3	.3	.4	.2	3.6	3.1

During the first 5 months of 1995, the CPI-U rose at a 3.6 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with a 2.7 percent increase for all of 1994. The food index has risen at a 2.0 percent annual rate and energy costs have increased at a 1.4 percent rate. Excluding food and

energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 3.8 percent rate in the first 5 months of 1995. This follows a 2.6 percent increase in all of 1994.

The food and beverage index rose 0.1 percent in May, following an increase of 0.7 percent in April. Grocery store food prices, which advanced 1.1 percent in April, also increased 0.1 percent in May. The moderation in May largely reflects a sharp downturn in the index for fruits and vegetables. The index for fresh vegetables declined 4.0 percent in May after increasing 13.6 percent in April. The index for fresh fruits, however, rose substantially for the second consecutive month--up 2.8 percent in May. Among other major grocery store food groups, the index for dairy products rose 0.7 percent, while the indexes for cereals and bakery products, for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, and for other food at home were each virtually unchanged. Within the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, declines in prices for beef, pork, and poultry were offset by price increases for fish and seafood and eggs. The other two components of the food and beverage index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--rose 0.2 and 0.3 percent, respectively.

The housing component increased 0.1 percent in May, following a 0.3 percent rise in April. The index for fuel and utilities, which rose 0.2 percent in April, declined 0.4 percent in May. The index for household fuels fell 0.7 percent, as a 2.7 percent decrease in charges for natural gas more than offset an increase in the index for fuel oil. The index for electricity was unchanged. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for electricity rose 1.4 percent, reflecting the switch to higher summer rates in some areas.) The index for other utilities and public services rose 0.1 percent as moderate

increases in the indexes for water and sewerage maintenance, refuse collection, and cable television were partially offset by a 0.3 percent decline in the index for local telephone charges. Shelter costs rose 0.4 percent in May, the same as in April. Within shelter, renters' and homeowners' costs each advanced 0.4 percent, while maintenance and repair costs rose 0.3 percent. The index for household furnishings and operation was unchanged in May as declines in prices for most housefurnishings were offset by increases in the indexes for housekeeping supplies and housekeeping services.

The transportation index continued to advance in May--up 0.4 percent--as a sharp increase in gasoline prices partially offset the moderation in the indexes for used cars, automobile finance charges, and airline fares, which had been largely responsible for the surge in the transportation component during the first 4 months of this year. In May, the indexes for used cars and automobile finance charges declined 0.7 and 1.3 percent, respectively, while airline fares advanced 0.4 percent. Also contributing to the moderation in the May transportation component was the new car index, which rose 0.1 percent after advancing 0.6 percent in April. The index for gasoline, which accounted for over four-fifths of the overall transportation advance, rose 2.1 percent in May, following a 0.6 percent increase in April. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices rose 4.9 percent in May).

In May, for the second consecutive month, the index for apparel and upkeep declined. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, clothing prices fell 1.0 percent.) A 1.3 percent increase in the index for men's clothing was more than offset by larger than seasonal price declines in the indexes for boys', women's and girls', and infants and toddlers'

apparel and for footwear.

Medical care costs have increased 0.3 percent in each of the first 5 months of 1995. As of May, the index was 4.6 percent higher than a year earlier. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, non-prescription drugs, and medical supplies--was unchanged in May. The index for medical care services rose 0.4 percent in May. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.5 and 0.4 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs rose 0.5 percent in May. A 1.2 percent increase in the index for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events accounted for about 45 percent of the May entertainment advance.

The index for other goods and services increased 0.4 percent in May, following a 0.2 percent rise in April. The index for tobacco and smoking products rose 0.5 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, prices for tobacco and smoking products increased 1.0 percent, in part reflecting the first wholesale price increase since November 1993.)

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 0.2 percent in May.

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

Expenditure	Seasonally adjusted		Unadj
	Changes from preceding month	Compnd	
		ann rte	12-mo

category	1994							1995		3-mos	
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	May.95	ended	ended	
All items	.2	.2	.3	.3	.3	.3	.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	
Food and beverages	.2	.6	-.2	.3	.0	.7	.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	
Housing	.2	.0	.4	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.5	2.5	2.3	
Apparel and upkeep	-.4	-.3	.7	-.3	.1	-.1	-.5	-1.8	-1.8	-1.6	
Transportation	.4	.4	.7	.4	.7	.6	.4	6.8	6.8	6.3	
Medical care	.4	.5	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	3.6	3.6	4.6	
Entertainment	.4	.0	.4	.2	.0	.3	.4	3.0	3.0	2.3	
Other goods & serv	.4	.3	-.1	.7	.1	.1	.4	3.0	3.0	3.7	
Special indexes:											
Energy	.6	-.1	.2	-.1	-.4	.3	.7	2.3	2.3	3.6	
Food	.1	.7	-.1	.2	.0	.8	.0	3.0	3.0	3.2	
AI - food & energy	.2	.2	.4	.3	.4	.3	.2	3.6	3.6	3.2	

Consumer Price Index data for June will be released on Friday, July 14, 1995, at 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 1994	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1995 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Apr. 1995	May 1995	May 1994	Apr. 1995	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	151.9	152.2	3.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	455.0	455.8	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.412	148.9	148.7	3.2	-.1	.0	.7	.1
Food	15.838	148.4	148.3	3.3	-.1	.0	.7	.1

Food at home	9.934	149.2	148.7	4.0	-.3	-.2	1.1	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.464	166.9	166.6	2.6	-.2	.1	.6	.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.892	137.7	137.3	.1	-.3	.1	-.2	.0
Dairy products	1.169	132.1	132.8	.6	.5	.2	.4	.7
Fruits and vegetables	2.013	183.1	181.0	10.9	-1.1	-1.8	5.1	-.2
Other food at home	2.396	140.9	140.8	6.0	-.1	.3	.3	-.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.326	136.7	137.3	1.3	.4	.7	.1	.4
Fats and oils .....	.249	137.2	137.1	2.8	-.1	.2	.2	.0
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.796	132.9	131.7	13.9	-.9	-.2	.5	-.9
Other prepared food	1.026	150.6	151.3	2.9	.5	.6	.2	.4
Food away from home	5.904	148.3	148.6	2.3	.2	.3	.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.574	153.6	153.9	1.6	.2	.3	.3	.3
Housing	41.187	147.4	147.6	2.4	.1	.2	.3	.1
Shelter	28.042	164.7	164.8	3.3	.1	.3	.4	.4
Renters' costs 1/	7.955	174.1	173.7	3.1	-.2	.6	.4	.4
Rent, residential	5.765	157.0	157.2	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.3
Other renters' costs	2.190	206.0	203.4	4.4	-1.3	1.5	1.0	.7
Homeowners' costs 1/	19.889	169.6	170.0	3.3	.2	.2	.4	.4
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	19.501	169.9	170.3	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.4
Household insurance 1/ .....	.389	157.2	157.4	4.4	.1	.7	.3	.1
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.198	134.2	134.6	2.7	.3	.3	.0	.3
Maintenance and repair services 2/ .	.120	139.0	139.4	3.3	.3	.7	.1	.3
Maintenance and repair								
commodities 2/ .....	.078	127.6	128.1	1.9	.4	.0	-.5	.4
Fuel and other utilities	7.093	122.1	122.5	.2	.3	-.2	.2	-.4
Fuels	3.859	109.3	109.8	-.7	.5	-.4	.2	-.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel								
commodities .....	.360	88.4	88.3	-.5	-.1	.1	-.1	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy								
services).....	3.499	116.6	117.2	-.7	.5	-.4	.3	-.9
Other utilities and public								
services 2/	3.234	152.2	152.3	1.3	.1	.1	.2	.1
Household furnishings and operation	6.052	122.6	122.7	1.3	.1	.2	-.1	.0
Housefurnishings	3.508	111.2	111.0	-.4	-.2	-.3	.1	-.3
Housekeeping supplies	1.088	135.9	136.4	3.4	.4	1.3	-.2	.1
Housekeeping services	1.455	142.9	143.3	3.8	.3	.2	-.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep	5.656	134.8	133.4	-1.6	-1.0	.0	-.1	-.3
Apparel commodities	5.097	131.7	130.2	-2.0	-1.1	.0	-.1	-.3
Men's and boys' apparel	1.329	127.0	127.9	.4	.7	-.1	-.9	.7
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.269	132.2	129.6	-4.1	-2.0	-.5	.6	-.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.204	127.1	123.6	-1.3	-2.8	.0	-2.1	-1.8
Footwear .....	.747	127.2	126.6	-1.5	-.5	-.2	.4	-.9
Other apparel commodities .....	.548	154.4	150.3	.3	-2.7	2.7	-.8	-2.1

and apparel 2/	10.278	132.0	134.2	3.8	1.7	-.2	.7	1.7	
Durables	10.599	128.1	128.1	3.0	.0	.1	.4	-.1	
Services	56.614	167.5	167.7	3.5	.1	.4	.4	.3	
Rent of shelter 1/	27.422	171.3	171.5	3.3	.1	.4	.4	.3	
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.731	136.7	137.1	1.0	.3	.0	.2	-.2	
Transportation services	7.038	176.1	175.9	5.3	-.1	1.0	1.1	.2	
Medical care services	5.974	222.4	223.0	5.2	.3	.4	.4	.4	
Other services	7.450	191.4	191.7	4.2	.2	.3	.2	.4	
Special indexes									
All items less food	84.162	152.5	152.9	3.1	.3	.3	.3	.3	
All items less shelter	71.958	148.3	148.6	3.1	.2	.1	.5	.1	
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	80.111	153.2	153.4	3.0	.1	.2	.4	.2	
All items less medical care	92.734	148.1	148.4	3.1	.2	.2	.4	.2	
Commodities less food	27.548	130.1	130.6	2.2	.4	.1	.2	.2	
Nondurables less food	16.950	131.3	132.1	1.8	.6	.2	.0	.5	
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	11.852	133.3	135.2	3.5	1.4	-.1	.7	1.4	
Nondurables	32.788	139.6	139.9	2.5	.2	.1	.4	.2	
Services less rent of shelter 1/	29.192	175.5	175.8	3.7	.2	.2	.5	.2	
Services less medical care services	50.640	162.4	162.6	3.3	.1	.4	.4	.3	
Energy	6.965	103.9	106.3	3.3	2.3	-.5	.4	.5	
All items less energy	93.035	158.3	158.3	3.1	.0	.3	.4	.2	
All items less food and energy	77.197	160.7	160.8	3.1	.1	.3	.4	.2	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.082	139.7	139.6	1.5	-.1	.1	.2	.0	
Energy commodities	3.466	98.4	102.6	7.5	4.3	-.3	.5	1.8	
Services less energy services	53.115	172.7	172.9	3.8	.1	.4	.4	.3	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:									
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.658	\$.657	-3.1	-.2	-.5	-.3	-.2	
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.220	.219	-	-	-	-	-	

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				
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Aug.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	1995	1995	1995	1995	1994	Nov. 1994	Feb. 1995	May 1995	Nov. 1994	May 1995
All items	-	-	-	-	4.1	1.9	3.2	3.5	3.0	3.4
Food and beverages	147.4	147.4	148.5	148.6	4.8	1.9	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.0
Food	147.1	147.1	148.2	148.3	5.4	1.7	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.2
Food at home	147.1	146.8	148.4	148.5	7.5	1.4	3.3	3.9	4.4	3.6
Cereals and bakery products	165.4	165.6	166.6	166.6	4.5	1.5	1.7	2.9	3.0	2.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.6	137.8	137.5	137.5	-.6	-.3	2.1	-.3	-.4	.9
Dairy products	131.7	132.0	132.5	133.4	-3.3	1.2	-.6	5.3	-1.1	2.3
Fruits and vegetables	173.9	170.7	179.4	179.0	14.9	3.4	13.7	12.3	9.0	13.0
Other food at home	139.8	140.2	140.6	140.5	20.8	2.0	.6	2.0	11.0	1.3
Sugar and sweets	135.4	136.3	136.5	137.0	-.9	.3	1.2	4.8	-.3	3.0
Fats and oils	136.1	136.4	136.7	136.7	3.3	4.2	1.8	1.8	3.8	1.8
Nonalcoholic beverages	132.4	132.1	132.7	131.5	71.2	2.4	-1.2	-2.7	32.4	-1.9
Other prepared food	149.3	150.2	150.5	151.1	3.6	1.9	1.4	4.9	2.7	3.1
Food away from home	147.6	148.1	148.3	148.6	1.7	2.5	2.2	2.7	2.1	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	152.3	152.8	153.2	153.6	.5	1.9	.3	3.5	1.2	1.8
Housing	146.9	147.2	147.6	147.8	2.2	2.2	2.8	2.5	2.2	2.6
Shelter	163.3	163.8	164.4	165.0	3.0	3.3	2.7	4.2	3.2	3.5
Renters' costs 1/	171.0	172.0	172.7	173.4	2.6	2.4	1.9	5.7	2.5	3.8
Rent, residential	156.4	156.7	157.0	157.4	2.9	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.5
Other renters' costs	198.7	201.7	203.7	205.1	1.6	2.0	.8	13.5	1.8	7.0
Homeowners' costs 1/	168.9	169.2	169.8	170.4	3.2	3.9	2.9	3.6	3.6	3.2
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	169.1	169.5	170.0	170.7	3.2	3.9	2.6	3.8	3.5	3.2
Household insurance 1/	156.3	157.4	157.9	158.0	5.9	3.4	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.2
Maintenance and repairs 2/	133.8	134.2	134.2	134.6	.6	.0	8.2	2.4	.3	5.3
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ...	137.9	138.8	139.0	139.4	1.2	3.0	4.5	4.4	2.1	4.4
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	128.2	128.2	127.6	128.1	-.3	-4.1	13.2	-.3	-2.2	6.2
Fuel and other utilities	123.3	123.1	123.4	122.9	1.3	-.3	1.3	-1.3	.5	.0
Fuels	110.8	110.4	110.6	109.8	1.8	.0	-.7	-3.6	.9	-2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	87.3	87.4	87.3	88.0	3.7	-6.6	-1.8	3.2	-1.6	.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	118.7	118.2	118.5	117.4	1.4	.7	-.3	-4.3	1.0	-2.3
Other utilities and public services 2/ .	151.8	151.9	152.2	152.3	.5	-.3	3.5	1.3	.1	2.4

Household furnishings and operation	122.4	122.6	122.5	122.5	1.3	-1.0	4.7	.3	.2	2.5
Housefurnishings	111.3	111.0	111.1	110.8	1.1	-2.1	1.8	-1.8	-.5	.0
Housekeeping supplies	134.5	136.3	136.0	136.2	1.8	.0	6.5	5.2	.9	5.8
Housekeeping services	142.8	143.1	142.9	143.6	1.5	.9	11.1	2.3	1.2	6.6
Apparel and upkeep	132.2	132.2	132.1	131.7	-2.7	-1.8	-.6	-1.5	-2.2	-1.1
Apparel commodities	128.8	128.8	128.7	128.3	-3.3	-1.8	-1.2	-1.5	-2.6	-1.4
Men's and boys' apparel	127.2	127.1	125.9	126.8	2.9	-2.2	2.2	-1.3	.3	.5
Women's and girls' apparel	127.1	126.5	127.2	127.0	-10.4	-1.5	-3.4	-.3	-6.1	-1.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	128.3	128.3	125.6	123.3	13.5	3.1	-4.5	-14.7	8.2	-9.8
Footwear	125.7	125.4	125.9	124.8	-2.8	-3.4	2.9	-2.8	-3.1	.0
Other apparel commodities	149.9	153.9	152.7	149.5	7.7	-3.1	-2.1	-1.1	2.2	-1.6
Apparel services 2/.....	157.3	157.6	157.7	157.7	2.3	1.0	2.6	1.0	1.7	1.8
Transportation	137.9	138.7	139.7	140.3	10.0	.9	4.8	7.1	5.3	6.0
Private transportation	135.9	136.3	137.1	137.6	9.2	3.0	5.8	5.1	6.1	5.4
New vehicles	139.6	139.9	140.6	140.8	4.8	1.5	1.4	3.5	3.1	2.5
New cars	138.1	138.1	138.9	139.0	4.5	1.5	2.1	2.6	3.0	2.3
Used cars	157.4	160.0	160.7	159.6	7.7	12.7	33.6	5.7	10.1	18.8
Motor fuel	101.3	100.9	101.5	103.5	29.7	-2.7	.8	9.0	12.3	4.8
Gasoline	101.1	100.8	101.4	103.5	30.8	-2.3	.4	9.8	13.0	5.0
Maintenance and repairs	152.5	152.6	153.1	153.8	3.0	2.9	1.6	3.5	3.0	2.5
Other private transportation	168.3	169.6	170.7	170.6	4.6	6.5	7.5	5.6	5.5	6.5
Other private transportation commodities	104.3	104.5	104.5	104.8	.4	1.2	1.5	1.9	.8	1.7
Other private transportation services	183.5	185.0	186.5	186.3	5.1	7.4	8.5	6.2	6.3	7.4
Public transportation	166.8	170.9	175.3	176.4	16.0	-18.4	-1.2	25.1	-2.7	11.2
Medical care	217.6	218.2	218.8	219.5	4.8	5.4	4.5	3.5	5.1	4.0
Medical care commodities	203.3	203.1	203.2	203.2	3.4	3.2	.2	-.2	3.3	.0
Medical care services	220.6	221.4	222.2	223.0	5.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	5.4	4.9
Professional medical services	198.3	198.7	199.1	200.0	4.0	5.3	5.0	3.5	4.6	4.2
Entertainment	152.4	152.4	152.9	153.6	1.6	2.4	2.7	3.2	2.0	2.9
Entertainment commodities	137.6	137.1	137.8	138.0	1.5	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.2
Entertainment services	170.1	170.5	170.8	172.0	1.9	3.1	4.1	4.5	2.5	4.3
Other goods and services	204.6	204.9	205.4	206.2	4.7	3.8	4.2	3.2	4.3	3.7
Tobacco and smoking products	221.6	221.8	222.5	223.7	4.5	3.7	-3.4	3.8	4.1	.2
Personal care 2/	146.2	146.0	146.3	146.6	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.8	1.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	142.6	142.2	142.2	142.9	.6	1.1	.8	.8	.8	.8
Personal care services 2/	150.1	150.2	150.7	150.6	3.0	2.4	2.4	1.3	2.7	1.9
Personal and educational expenses	232.2	232.9	233.3	234.2	5.3	4.7	8.0	3.5	5.0	5.7

School books and supplies	211.2	212.2	212.9	212.8	3.8	2.1	6.7	3.1	3.0	4.9
Personal and educational services	233.6	234.3	234.7	235.6	5.5	4.9	7.9	3.5	5.2	5.7
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	4.1	1.9	3.2	3.5	3.0	3.4
Commodities	135.7	135.8	136.3	136.6	4.9	.9	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.5
Food and beverages	147.4	147.4	148.5	148.6	4.8	1.9	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.0
Commodities less food and beverages	128.5	128.6	128.9	129.2	4.5	.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.3	129.3	129.5	130.2	5.1	-1.5	1.2	2.8	1.7	2.0
Apparel commodities	128.8	128.8	128.7	128.3	-3.3	-1.8	-1.2	-1.5	-2.6	-1.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	131.3	131.1	132.0	134.2	11.3	-.9	-3.6	9.1	5.0	2.6
Durables	127.6	127.7	128.2	128.1	3.6	2.3	4.8	1.6	2.9	3.2
Services	166.5	167.1	167.7	168.2	3.5	3.0	3.4	4.1	3.2	3.8
Rent of shelter 1/	170.1	170.7	171.3	171.8	2.9	3.6	2.4	4.1	3.3	3.2
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	137.7	137.7	138.0	137.7	.9	.6	2.7	.0	.7	1.3
Transportation services	172.1	173.8	175.7	176.0	6.9	.2	4.8	9.4	3.5	7.1
Medical care services	220.6	221.4	222.2	223.0	5.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	5.4	4.9
Other services	191.4	191.9	192.2	193.0	3.9	3.9	5.8	3.4	3.9	4.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	151.6	152.0	152.5	152.9	3.6	2.2	3.2	3.5	2.9	3.4
All items less shelter	147.4	147.6	148.3	148.5	4.5	1.4	3.3	3.0	2.9	3.2
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	152.2	152.5	153.1	153.4	4.4	1.6	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.2
All items less medical care	147.0	147.3	147.9	148.2	3.9	1.7	3.1	3.3	2.8	3.2
Commodities less food	129.6	129.7	130.0	130.3	4.5	.3	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.2
Nondurables less food	130.5	130.7	130.7	131.4	4.4	-1.2	.9	2.8	1.6	1.9
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	132.5	132.4	133.3	135.2	9.8	-.6	-3.0	8.4	4.5	2.6
Nondurables	138.5	138.6	139.2	139.5	4.8	.6	1.8	2.9	2.7	2.3
Services less rent of shelter 1/	174.7	175.1	175.9	176.3	3.6	2.4	5.2	3.7	3.0	4.5
Services less medical care services	161.4	162.0	162.6	163.1	2.8	2.5	3.5	4.3	2.7	3.9
Energy	105.6	105.1	105.5	106.0	13.1	-1.5	.4	1.5	5.5	1.0
All items less energy	157.1	157.5	158.2	158.5	3.4	2.1	3.4	3.6	2.8	3.5
All items less food and energy	159.6	160.1	160.7	161.0	3.1	2.3	3.3	3.6	2.7	3.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	138.6	138.8	139.1	139.1	1.5	.9	2.3	1.5	1.2	1.9
Energy commodities	99.8	99.5	100.0	101.8	26.8	-3.1	.4	8.3	10.8	4.3
Services less energy services	171.4	172.0	172.7	173.3	3.6	2.9	4.1	4.5	3.3	4.3

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,	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
	December 1994	Apr. 1995	May 1995	May 1994	Apr. 1995	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	149.3	149.6	3.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
All items (1967=100)	-	444.6	445.6	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.320	148.3	148.1	3.1	-.1	.0	.7	.1
Food	17.629	147.9	147.7	3.2	-.1	.0	.8	.0
Food at home	11.243	148.2	147.8	3.8	-.3	-.2	1.0	-.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.670	166.7	166.3	2.7	-.2	.0	.5	.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.398	137.3	136.9	-.1	-.3	.1	-.4	.0
Dairy products	1.299	131.8	132.5	.6	.5	.2	.3	.6
Fruits and vegetables	2.124	182.1	179.8	10.8	-1.3	-1.7	5.3	-.6
Other food at home	2.751	140.4	140.4	5.8	.0	.3	.3	-.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.367	136.6	137.3	1.4	.5	.7	.1	.4
Fats and oils .....	.286	137.1	136.9	2.6	-.1	.3	.1	-.1
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.920	132.1	131.0	12.8	-.8	-.2	.6	-1.0
Other prepared food	1.179	150.3	151.0	2.9	.5	.4	.1	.6
Food away from home	6.387	148.2	148.5	2.3	.2	.4	.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.690	153.2	153.4	1.7	.1	.3	.2	.3
Housing	38.759	144.4	144.6	2.3	.1	.2	.2	.2
Shelter	25.753	160.1	160.3	3.2	.1	.4	.3	.4
Renters' costs 1/	8.073	152.1	152.0	2.9	-.1	.4	.4	.3
Rent, residential	6.615	156.7	156.9	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.3
Other renters' costs	1.458	205.8	203.8	4.6	-1.0	1.4	1.0	.9
Homeowners' costs 1/	17.491	154.7	155.1	3.4	.3	.3	.3	.4
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	17.161	154.9	155.3	3.4	.3	.3	.3	.4
Household insurance 1/ .....	.331	144.5	144.6	4.7	.1	.6	.3	.1
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.189	133.7	134.1	2.4	.3	.4	.0	.3

Maintenance and repair services 2/ .	.104	141.9	142.3	2.5	.3	.6	.1	.3
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/ .....	.085	122.9	123.2	2.2	.2	.1	-.2	.2
Fuel and other utilities	7.329	121.6	122.0	.1	.3	-.2	.1	-.2
Fuels	3.958	108.4	109.1	-.8	.6	-.5	.1	-.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.331	88.3	88.2	-.5	-.1	.1	-.2	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	3.627	115.6	116.3	-.9	.6	-.7	.1	-.7
Other utilities and public services 2/	3.372	152.7	152.8	1.2	.1	.1	.3	.1
Household furnishings and operation	5.676	121.4	121.5	1.5	.1	.1	.0	.0
Housefurnishings	3.432	109.9	109.8	-.1	-.1	-.2	-.1	-.1
Housekeeping supplies	1.122	136.2	136.6	3.3	.3	1.1	.0	.1
Housekeeping services	1.122	145.9	146.2	4.3	.2	.1	-.1	.3
Apparel and upkeep	5.661	133.6	132.1	-1.6	-1.1	.1	-.1	-.5
Apparel commodities	5.136	130.7	129.1	-1.9	-1.2	.0	-.2	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel	1.329	126.5	127.8	1.0	1.0	.1	-1.1	.9
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.214	130.6	128.1	-3.5	-1.9	-.6	.9	-.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.263	127.7	123.9	-1.8	-3.0	.2	-1.5	-2.4
Footwear .....	.827	127.9	127.4	-1.6	-.4	.0	.2	-.8
Other apparel commodities .....	.503	153.5	146.9	-2.9	-4.3	2.7	-1.6	-3.7
Apparel services 2/ .....	.524	157.2	157.1	1.7	-.1	.2	.1	-.1
Transportation	19.183	138.7	140.1	6.3	1.0	.7	.6	.4
Private transportation	18.027	136.8	138.3	6.5	1.1	.5	.5	.4
New vehicles	4.982	141.9	141.9	2.8	.0	.4	.5	.1
New cars	3.622	139.0	138.9	2.6	-.1	.1	.5	.1
Used cars	2.382	157.4	158.4	14.3	.6	1.8	.4	-.6
Motor fuel	3.819	99.5	104.2	8.5	4.7	-.3	.5	2.0
Gasoline	-	99.3	104.3	9.1	5.0	-.3	.6	2.1
Maintenance and repairs	1.617	154.0	154.6	2.7	.4	.2	.3	.3
Other private transportation	5.227	166.9	166.5	6.3	-.2	.9	.6	-.1
Other private transportation commodities .....	.780	103.7	103.9	1.1	.2	.1	.0	.3
Other private transportation services	4.447	182.8	182.2	7.3	-.3	.9	.8	-.2
Public transportation	1.156	172.3	172.5	3.7	.1	2.0	2.5	1.0
Medical care	6.173	218.2	218.7	4.6	.2	.3	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	1.063	201.3	201.0	1.4	-.1	.0	-.1	.0
Medical care services	5.110	222.0	222.6	5.2	.3	.4	.4	.4
Professional medical services	2.920	200.5	201.2	4.5	.3	.2	.3	.4

Entertainment	4.005	151.3	151.5	2.3	.1	.0	.3	.4
Entertainment commodities	2.054	137.5	137.5	1.3	.0	-.3	.4	.1
Entertainment services	1.951	171.2	171.8	3.4	.4	.4	.2	.7
Other goods and services	6.900	201.7	202.5	3.7	.4	.1	.1	.4
Tobacco and smoking products	2.128	223.1	225.4	2.2	1.0	.1	.2	.5
Personal care 2/	1.139	146.5	146.8	1.5	.2	-.2	.3	.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ .....	.646	143.1	143.7	.9	.4	-.3	.1	.4
Personal care services 2/ .....	.493	150.7	150.6	2.2	-.1	.1	.3	-.1
Personal and educational expenses	3.633	227.8	228.0	5.3	.1	.3	.2	.4
School books and supplies .....	.220	213.7	213.2	3.5	-.2	.5	.4	.0
Personal and educational services	3.413	229.2	229.5	5.4	.1	.3	.2	.4

Commodity and service group

All items	100.000	149.3	149.6	3.2	.2	.3	.3	.2
Commodities	47.499	136.5	136.9	3.0	.3	.1	.4	.2
Food and beverages	19.320	148.3	148.1	3.1	-.1	.0	.7	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	28.180	129.3	130.0	2.9	.5	.2	.2	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	16.400	129.4	130.5	2.0	.9	.1	.2	.6
Apparel commodities	5.136	130.7	129.1	-1.9	-1.2	.0	-.2	-.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	11.263	131.7	134.2	4.0	1.9	-.2	.8	1.9
Durables	11.780	128.0	128.1	4.1	.1	.4	.2	.0
Services	52.501	164.8	165.1	3.4	.2	.3	.4	.2
Rent of shelter 1/	25.206	154.0	154.2	3.2	.1	.3	.3	.3
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.584	125.4	125.9	.9	.4	-.2	.2	-.2
Transportation services	7.220	173.8	173.6	5.7	-.1	.9	1.0	.1
Medical care services	5.110	222.0	222.6	5.2	.3	.4	.4	.4
Other services	6.381	188.3	188.6	4.2	.2	.3	.2	.4

Special indexes

All items less food	82.371	149.5	149.9	3.2	.3	.3	.3	.2
All items less shelter	74.247	146.5	146.9	3.2	.3	.2	.4	.1
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	82.509	140.4	140.7	3.2	.2	.2	.4	.2
All items less medical care	93.827	146.0	146.3	3.1	.2	.2	.4	.2
Commodities less food	29.870	130.2	130.9	2.8	.5	.2	.2	.2
Nondurables less food	18.090	130.7	131.8	2.0	.8	.1	.2	.5
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	12.954	132.9	135.1	3.7	1.7	-.1	.8	1.7
Nondurables	35.719	139.1	139.6	2.6	.4	-.1	.4	.3
Services less rent of shelter 1/	27.295	156.4	156.7	3.8	.2	.3	.4	.1
Services less medical care services	47.390	160.0	160.2	3.3	.1	.2	.4	.2

Energy	7.777	103.3	106.0	3.6	2.6	-.4	.3	.7
All items less energy	92.223	155.7	155.7	3.2	.0	.3	.4	.1
All items less food and energy	74.594	157.7	157.8	3.2	.1	.4	.3	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	25.720	139.3	139.1	2.0	-.1	.3	.1	-.1
Energy commodities	4.150	98.7	103.1	7.8	4.5	-.2	.4	2.0
Services less energy services	48.874	170.3	170.5	3.8	.1	.4	.4	.4
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.670	\$.668	-3.2	-.3	-.3	-.3	-.3
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.225	.224	-	-	-	-	-

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-		
	1995	1995	1995	1995	1994	Nov. 1994	Feb. 1995	May 1995	Nov. 1994	May 1995
All items	-	-	-	-	4.2	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.3
Food and beverages	147.0	147.0	148.0	148.1	4.5	1.9	2.8	3.0	3.2	2.9
Food	146.5	146.5	147.6	147.6	5.1	1.7	3.1	3.0	3.4	3.0
Food at home	146.4	146.1	147.6	147.5	7.2	1.1	3.6	3.0	4.1	3.3
Cereals and bakery products	165.4	165.4	166.3	166.3	4.5	1.5	2.5	2.2	3.0	2.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.4	137.5	137.0	137.0	-.9	-.6	2.4	-1.2	-.7	.6
Dairy products	131.5	131.8	132.2	133.0	-3.0	.9	-.3	4.6	-1.1	2.1
Fruits and vegetables	173.1	170.1	179.1	178.0	15.2	2.7	13.5	11.8	8.8	12.7
Other food at home	139.3	139.7	140.1	140.0	19.1	2.0	.9	2.0	10.2	1.4
Sugar and sweets	135.4	136.3	136.5	137.0	-.6	.6	.9	4.8	.0	2.8
Fats and oils	136.0	136.4	136.6	136.5	3.0	3.9	2.1	1.5	3.5	1.8

Nonalcoholic beverages	131.4	131.2	132.0	130.7	62.8	2.8	-.9	-2.1	29.3	-1.5
Other prepared food	149.2	149.8	150.0	150.9	3.6	1.9	1.9	4.6	2.7	3.3
Food away from home	147.5	148.1	148.2	148.5	1.9	2.5	2.2	2.7	2.2	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	152.0	152.4	152.7	153.1	.8	2.1	.8	2.9	1.5	1.9
Housing	143.9	144.2	144.5	144.8	2.6	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.5
Shelter	158.9	159.5	160.0	160.6	3.1	3.6	2.0	4.3	3.4	3.2
Renters' costs 1/	150.3	150.9	151.5	152.0	2.7	2.4	1.9	4.6	2.6	3.2
Rent, residential	156.1	156.4	156.7	157.1	2.6	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.5
Other renters' costs	199.1	201.8	203.8	205.6	2.3	2.2	.6	13.7	2.3	7.0
Homeowners' costs 1/	153.8	154.3	154.8	155.4	3.2	4.0	2.1	4.2	3.6	3.2
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	154.0	154.5	155.0	155.6	3.2	4.0	2.1	4.2	3.6	3.2
Household insurance 1/	143.7	144.6	145.0	145.2	7.1	3.2	4.6	4.2	5.1	4.4
Maintenance and repairs 2/	133.2	133.7	133.7	134.1	1.2	.3	5.6	2.7	.8	4.2
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ...	140.8	141.7	141.9	142.3	.9	2.6	2.3	4.3	1.7	3.3
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	123.0	123.1	122.9	123.2	1.0	-2.3	9.6	.7	-.7	5.1
Fuel and other utilities	122.9	122.6	122.7	122.4	1.0	.0	1.3	-1.6	.5	-.2
Fuels	110.2	109.6	109.7	109.0	1.1	.4	-.4	-4.3	.7	-2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	87.3	87.4	87.2	87.9	3.2	-6.1	-1.4	2.8	-1.6	.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	118.1	117.3	117.4	116.6	1.0	1.0	-.3	-5.0	1.0	-2.7
Other utilities and public services 2/ .	152.2	152.3	152.7	152.8	.3	-.5	3.5	1.6	-.1	2.5
Household furnishings and operation	121.2	121.3	121.3	121.3	1.3	-1.0	5.1	.3	.2	2.7
Housefurnishings	110.0	109.8	109.7	109.6	1.5	-2.2	1.8	-1.4	-.4	.2
Housekeeping supplies	134.8	136.3	136.3	136.4	2.1	.3	6.2	4.8	1.2	5.5
Housekeeping services	146.0	146.2	146.0	146.5	1.1	1.1	14.0	1.4	1.1	7.5
Apparel and upkeep	131.1	131.2	131.1	130.5	-2.1	-2.7	.3	-1.8	-2.4	-.8
Apparel commodities	128.2	128.2	128.0	127.4	-2.4	-3.4	.6	-2.5	-2.9	-.9
Men's and boys' apparel	127.0	127.1	125.7	126.8	3.2	-3.7	5.2	-.6	-.3	2.2
Women's and girls' apparel	125.9	125.1	126.2	126.0	-8.0	-3.1	-2.8	.3	-5.6	-1.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	128.3	128.6	126.7	123.7	14.0	4.1	-9.4	-13.6	8.9	-11.5
Footwear	126.3	126.3	126.5	125.5	-2.8	-4.7	3.6	-2.5	-3.7	.5
Other apparel commodities	150.0	154.0	151.5	145.9	1.6	-4.2	2.2	-10.5	-1.3	-4.4
Apparel services 2/.....	156.8	157.1	157.2	157.1	2.4	1.0	2.6	.8	1.7	1.7
Transportation	137.8	138.7	139.6	140.1	10.1	2.1	6.3	6.8	6.0	6.6
Private transportation	136.4	137.1	137.8	138.3	9.9	3.3	7.0	5.7	6.6	6.4
New vehicles	140.3	140.8	141.5	141.6	5.0	.9	1.4	3.8	2.9	2.6
New cars	137.8	137.9	138.6	138.7	4.5	1.5	2.1	2.6	3.0	2.3
Used cars	157.9	160.8	161.4	160.4	7.3	12.3	33.1	6.5	9.8	19.1
Motor fuel	101.2	100.9	101.4	103.4	31.3	-3.1	.4	9.0	12.8	4.6
Gasoline	101.1	100.8	101.4	103.5	33.0	-3.5	.8	9.8	13.3	5.2
Maintenance and repairs	153.1	153.4	153.9	154.4	3.0	2.9	1.3	3.4	2.9	2.4

Other private transportation	164.5	166.0	167.0	166.8	4.9	6.5	8.4	5.7	5.7	7.1
Other private transportation commodities	103.6	103.7	103.7	104.0	-.4	1.2	2.0	1.6	.4	1.8
Other private transportation services	179.8	181.5	182.9	182.6	5.8	7.6	9.7	6.4	6.7	8.0
Public transportation	163.9	167.1	171.3	173.0	7.9	-13.2	-1.0	24.1	-3.2	10.9
Medical care	216.8	217.4	218.1	218.7	4.9	5.6	4.4	3.6	5.2	4.0
Medical care commodities	201.1	201.1	200.9	200.8	2.9	3.9	-.2	-.6	3.4	-.4
Medical care services	220.2	221.0	221.8	222.6	5.2	5.9	5.4	4.4	5.6	4.9
Professional medical services	199.2	199.6	200.1	201.0	4.2	5.5	4.8	3.7	4.8	4.2
Entertainment	150.4	150.4	150.9	151.5	1.4	2.4	2.4	3.0	1.9	2.7
Entertainment commodities	136.9	136.5	137.1	137.3	.9	2.1	.9	1.2	1.5	1.0
Entertainment services	169.9	170.5	170.8	172.0	1.9	2.9	4.1	5.0	2.4	4.6
Other goods and services	201.6	201.9	202.2	203.1	4.6	3.9	3.2	3.0	4.2	3.1
Tobacco and smoking products	222.0	222.2	222.6	223.8	5.0	3.3	-2.8	3.3	4.1	.2
Personal care 2/	146.4	146.1	146.5	146.8	1.4	1.9	1.4	1.1	1.7	1.2
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	143.4	142.9	143.1	143.7	.6	1.4	.8	.8	1.0	.8
Personal care services 2/	150.1	150.2	150.7	150.6	2.5	2.5	2.7	1.3	2.5	2.0
Personal and educational expenses	227.5	228.2	228.6	229.5	5.4	4.8	7.4	3.6	5.1	5.4
School books and supplies	212.1	213.1	213.9	214.0	3.3	1.0	6.3	3.6	2.1	4.9
Personal and educational services	228.9	229.5	229.9	230.8	5.6	5.0	7.5	3.4	5.3	5.4
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	4.2	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.3
Commodities	135.7	135.8	136.3	136.6	5.2	.9	3.3	2.7	3.0	3.0
Food and beverages	147.0	147.0	148.0	148.1	4.5	1.9	2.8	3.0	3.2	2.9
Commodities less food and beverages	128.6	128.9	129.2	129.4	5.5	.3	3.2	2.5	2.9	2.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	128.8	128.9	129.1	129.9	6.1	-1.8	.9	3.5	2.1	2.2
Apparel commodities	128.2	128.2	128.0	127.4	-2.4	-3.4	.6	-2.5	-2.9	-.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	130.8	130.6	131.7	134.2	13.0	-1.8	-4.7	10.8	5.3	2.7
Durables	127.5	128.0	128.3	128.3	4.3	2.9	6.9	2.5	3.6	4.7
Services	164.0	164.5	165.1	165.5	3.5	3.0	3.7	3.7	3.3	3.7
Rent of shelter 1/	153.1	153.5	154.0	154.5	3.0	3.5	2.4	3.7	3.2	3.0
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	126.6	126.4	126.6	126.4	.6	.6	2.9	-.6	.6	1.1
Transportation services	170.4	172.0	173.7	173.9	5.5	2.9	5.8	8.5	4.2	7.1
Medical care services	220.2	221.0	221.8	222.6	5.2	5.9	5.4	4.4	5.6	4.9
Other services	188.1	188.6	189.0	189.7	4.0	3.8	5.7	3.4	3.9	4.6

Special indexes

All items less food	148.5	148.9	149.4	149.7	4.2	2.2	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.3
All items less shelter	145.7	146.0	146.6	146.8	4.6	1.7	3.7	3.1	3.1	3.4
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	139.6	139.9	140.4	140.7	4.5	1.8	3.5	3.2	3.1	3.4
All items less medical care	145.1	145.4	146.0	146.3	4.3	1.7	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.4
Commodities less food	129.8	130.0	130.3	130.5	5.1	.6	3.1	2.2	2.9	2.7
Nondurables less food	130.1	130.2	130.5	131.1	5.4	-1.5	.9	3.1	1.9	2.0
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	132.0	131.9	132.9	135.1	10.9	-1.2	-3.8	9.7	4.7	2.7
Nondurables	138.3	138.2	138.8	139.2	5.4	.0	2.3	2.6	2.7	2.5
Services less rent of shelter 1/	155.8	156.3	156.9	157.1	3.5	2.9	5.3	3.4	3.2	4.3
Services less medical care services	159.3	159.6	160.3	160.7	3.1	2.8	3.9	3.6	3.0	3.7
Energy	105.2	104.8	105.1	105.8	14.9	-1.5	.0	2.3	6.4	1.1
All items less energy	154.5	155.0	155.6	155.8	3.5	2.4	3.4	3.4	2.9	3.4
All items less food and energy	156.7	157.3	157.8	158.1	2.9	2.6	3.7	3.6	2.8	3.6
Commodities less food and energy										
commodities	138.3	138.7	138.9	138.8	2.1	1.2	3.5	1.5	1.6	2.5
Energy commodities	100.1	99.9	100.3	102.3	28.8	-3.5	.0	9.1	11.5	4.4
Services less energy services	169.2	169.9	170.5	171.1	3.4	3.4	3.9	4.6	3.4	4.2

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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 1995 from-			Percent change to Apr. 1995 from-		
		Feb. 1995	Mar. 1995	Apr. 1995	May 1995	May 1994	Mar. 1995	Apr. 1995	Apr. 1994	Feb. 1995	Mar. 1995
U.S. city average	M	150.9	151.4	151.9	152.2	3.2	0.5	0.2	3.1	0.7	0.3
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	157.6	158.0	158.3	158.5	2.8	.3	.1	2.5	.4	.2

Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	158.3	158.7	159.0	159.2	2.9	.3	.1	2.6	.4	.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	155.7	155.9	156.3	156.4	2.4	.3	.1	2.0	.4	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	156.0	156.6	157.0	157.1	2.9	.3	.1	2.9	.6	.3
North Central urban	M	146.7	147.3	148.1	148.3	3.5	.7	.1	3.6	1.0	.5
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	148.0	148.5	149.0	149.0	3.1	.3	.0	3.4	.7	.3
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	145.2	146.1	146.9	147.3	3.7	.8	.3	3.3	1.2	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	147.7	148.3	149.5	150.0	3.9	1.1	.3	4.0	1.2	.8
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	142.3	142.7	143.9	144.6	4.2	1.3	.5	4.4	1.1	.8
South urban	M	147.4	148.0	148.4	148.8	3.1	.5	.3	3.2	.7	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	147.3	148.0	148.3	148.7	2.8	.5	.3	2.7	.7	.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	149.6	150.4	150.9	150.8	3.1	.3	-.1	3.7	.9	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	146.2	146.6	147.3	147.6	3.1	.7	.2	3.1	.8	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	146.1	146.6	147.1	148.0	4.0	1.0	.6	4.1	.7	.3
West urban	M	152.4	152.8	153.2	153.5	3.2	.5	.2	2.9	.5	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	153.1	153.6	154.0	154.2	2.5	.4	.1	2.4	.6	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	155.1	155.2	155.9	156.4	5.8	.8	.3	4.9	.5	.5
Size classes											
A 3/	M	136.7	137.2	137.5	137.7	2.8	.4	.1	2.7	.6	.2
B	M	150.5	151.1	151.6	151.8	3.3	.5	.1	3.3	.7	.3
C	M	149.8	150.2	151.0	151.4	3.7	.8	.3	3.6	.8	.5
D	M	146.6	147.1	147.7	148.5	3.8	1.0	.5	3.9	.8	.4
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	152.3	152.6	153.1	153.0	3.7	.3	-.1	3.5	.5	.3
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	154.5	154.6	154.7	155.1	2.4	.3	.3	1.8	.1	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	160.3	160.9	161.4	161.8	2.9	.6	.2	2.3	.7	.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	M	157.8	158.0	157.8	157.8	3.0	-.1	.0	3.1	.0	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	150.5	151.1	151.5	151.3	2.0	.1	-.1	2.4	.7	.3
Baltimore, MD	1	-	150.3	-	150.4	3.2	.1	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	158.4	-	157.7	2.7	-.4	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	147.3	-	147.4	2.6	.1	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	148.7	-	148.6	3.7	-.1	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	144.5	-	144.6	3.3	.1	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	155.1	-	154.7	2.2	-.3	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	143.3	-	145.0	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.2	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	147.3	-	148.1	-	-	-	-	3.9	.5	-

Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	139.3	-	138.0	-	-	-	-	.9	-.9	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	147.3	-	148.9	-	-	-	-	3.5	1.1	-

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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 May 1995 from-			Percent change to Apr. 1995 from-		
		Feb. 1995	Mar. 1995	Apr. 1995	May 1995	May 1994	Mar. 1995	Apr. 1995	Apr. 1994	Feb. 1995	Mar. 1995
U.S. city average	M	148.3	148.7	149.3	149.6	3.2	0.6	0.2	3.2	0.7	0.4
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	155.2	155.5	155.8	156.1	2.9	.4	.2	2.6	.4	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	154.8	155.1	155.4	155.7	3.0	.4	.2	2.6	.4	.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	153.7	153.9	154.2	154.3	2.3	.3	.1	2.1	.3	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	157.6	158.1	158.6	158.8	3.0	.4	.1	3.1	.6	.3
North Central urban	M	143.6	144.2	145.0	145.2	3.6	.7	.1	3.7	1.0	.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	144.2	144.7	145.3	145.2	3.2	.3	-.1	3.6	.8	.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	141.8	142.6	143.4	143.9	4.0	.9	.3	3.5	1.1	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	145.2	145.6	146.9	147.5	3.9	1.3	.4	4.0	1.2	.9

Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	140.4	141.0	142.2	142.9	4.1	1.3	.5	4.3	1.3	.9
South urban	M	145.9	146.5	147.0	147.4	3.2	.6	.3	3.4	.8	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	145.4	146.1	146.4	147.1	3.0	.7	.5	2.8	.7	.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	146.3	146.9	147.4	147.4	3.2	.3	.0	3.9	.8	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	146.1	146.5	147.3	147.8	3.5	.9	.3	3.3	.8	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	146.4	146.7	147.3	148.2	4.0	1.0	.6	4.2	.6	.4
West urban	M	149.4	149.8	150.3	150.6	3.2	.5	.2	3.0	.6	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	148.7	149.1	149.6	149.7	2.5	.4	.1	2.6	.6	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	152.2	152.2	152.8	153.8	5.6	1.1	.7	4.4	.4	.4
Size classes											
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B	M	147.9	148.5	148.9	149.1	3.3	.4	.1	3.3	.7	.3
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Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	156.9	-	156.5	2.8	-.3	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	139.7	-	139.9	2.8	.1	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	146.6	-	146.8	4.0	.1	-	-	-	-
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Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	152.4	-	152.3	2.1	-.1	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	142.7	-	144.5	-	-	-	-	3.7	1.3	-
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Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	138.9	-	137.6	-	-	-	-	1.0	-.9	-
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