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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: OCTOBER 1995

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.3 percent before seasonal adjustment in October to a level of 153.7 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in October, the CPI-U increased 2.8 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.3 percent in October, prior to seasonal adjustment. The October 1995 CPI-W level of 151.0 was 2.7 percent higher than the index in October 1994.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent in October after increasing 0.1 percent in both August and September. The energy index, which had declined in each of the 3-preceding months rose 0.4 percent in October. Household fuel costs declined less than seasonally anticipated, while the index for motor fuels continued to fall, but by substantially less than in recent months. The food index, which rose 0.5 percent in September, advanced 0.3 percent in October as a downturn in the index for fresh fruits and vegetables more than offset larger increases in most other major grocery store food groups.

Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent, following increases of 0.2 percent in each of the 5 preceding months. An upturn in the index for apparel and upkeep was primarily responsible for the larger advance in October.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)
Seasonally adjusted

Expenditure Category	Changes from preceding month 1995							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended	Un- adjusted 12-mos. ended
	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Oct. '95	Oct. '95
All Items	.4	.3	.1	.2	.1	.1	.3	2.4	2.8
Food and beverages	.7	.1	.1	.2	.2	.4	.3	3.8	2.9
Housing	.3	.1	.2	.3	.3	.1	.4	3.3	2.7
Apparel and upkeep	-.1	-.3	-.3	.2	.3	-.2	.3	1.5	-.5
Transportation	.7	.4	.4	-.4	-.6	-.1	.1	-2.5	2.4
Medical care	.3	.3	.3	.4	.4	.3	.3	4.0	4.2
Entertainment	.3	.5	-.2	.3	.4	.3	.1	3.4	2.8
Other goods and services	.2	.4	.4	.4	.5	.3	.3	4.9	4.4
Special Indexes:									
Energy	.4	.5	.5	-.8	-.8	-1.4	.4	-7.0	-1.2
Food	.7	.1	.1	.2	.2	.5	.3	4.1	3.0
All items less food and energy	.4	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.3	3.0	3.0

During the first 10 months of 1995, the CPI-U rose at a 2.9 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 2.5 percent annual rate, while energy costs have decreased at a 1.9 percent rate. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 3.3 percent annual rate in the first 10 months of 1995. This follows a 2.6 percent increase in all of 1994.

The food and beverage index rose 0.3 percent in October. Grocery store food prices, which rose 0.6 percent in September, increased 0.4 percent in October. The index for fruits and vegetables, which increased 2.4 percent in September, declined 0.2 percent in October. This deceleration more than offset larger increases in most other major grocery store food groups. In particular, the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, which had risen 0.8 and 0.6 percent in the 2-preceding months, increased 1.0 percent in October, its largest monthly advance since a similar rise in April 1993. Meat prices increased 1.2 percent with beef prices up 0.6 percent; pork prices were up 1.4 percent; and prices for other meats rose, up 2.4 percent. Egg prices increased 4.1

percent in October, their third substantial increase in the past 4 months. The indexes for cereal and bakery products and dairy products also accelerated in October, increasing 0.5 and 0.7 percent, respectively. The index for other food at home declined 0.1 percent, the same as in September. The other two components of the food and beverage index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--increased 0.3 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

The housing component increased 0.4 percent in October, following a 0.1 percent rise in September. The index for fuel and utilities, which declined 0.6 percent in September, rose 0.6 percent in October. The index for household fuels rose 1.1 percent as declines in the indexes for fuel oil and natural gas--down 1.3 and 0.2 percent, respectively--were more than offset by a 1.9 percent increase in the index for electricity. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for electricity fell 2.5 percent.) The index for other utilities and public services rose 0.2 percent, reflecting increases in the indexes for telephone services, cable television, and for water and sewer services. Shelter costs advanced 0.4 percent, the same as in September. Within shelter, renters' and homeowners' costs each increased 0.3 percent, and maintenance and repair costs rose 0.7 percent. The index for household furnishings and operation advanced 0.1 percent in October, following increases of 0.5 and 0.3 percent in August and September, respectively.

The transportation index rose 0.1 percent in October after registering declines in each of the 3 preceding months. An upturn in the index for airline fares coupled with a smaller decline in the index for motor fuels more than offset a drop in the index for new vehicles. The index for airline fares, which had fallen 5.9 percent in the last 3 months after increasing 20.4 percent in the first half of 1995, rose 2.3 percent in October. The gasoline index, which fell 6.5 percent in the 3-month period ended in September, continued to decline, but by less than in recent months--down 0.5 percent in October. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices fell 1.7 percent.) The index for new vehicles, which rose 0.5 percent in September, declined 0.1 percent in October. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, prices for new vehicles rose 0.6 percent. As of October, almost one-fifth of the new car sample was represented by 1996 models. The 1996 models will continue to be phased in over the next several months as they replace old models at dealerships. For a report on quality changes for the 1996 cars, see news release USDL-95-464, dated November 9, 1995.) Automobile finance charges declined 0.5 percent after seasonal adjustment. The index for used car prices was unchanged in October.

The index for apparel and upkeep increased 0.3 percent in October,

following a decline of 0.2 percent in September. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, clothing prices rose 1.5 percent, reflecting the continued introduction of higher-priced fall-winter wear.)

Medical care costs rose 0.3 percent in October and have risen 4.2 percent in the past 12 months. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, non-prescription drugs, and medical supplies--increased 0.5 percent in October. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.1 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs rose 0.1 percent in October. Large increases in the indexes for newspapers and club memberships--up 1.7 and 1.1 percent, respectively--were largely offset by declines in the indexes for sporting goods, for toys, hobbies, and music equipment, for admissions, and for fees for lessons and instructions.

The index for other goods and services increased 0.3 percent in October, the same as in September. The index for toilet goods and personal care appliances increased 1.0 percent.

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 0.3 percent in October.

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

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Oct. '95	Un- adjusted 12-mos. ended Oct. '95
	Changes from preceding month 1995								
	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.		
All Items	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.2	.3	2.4	2.7
Food and beverages	.7	.1	.0	.2	.3	.5	.3	4.4	2.9
Housing	.2	.2	.1	.3	.3	.1	.4	3.1	2.7
Apparel and upkeep	-.1	-.5	-.1	-.1	.3	-.2	.4	2.2	-.4
Transportation	.6	.4	.2	-.6	-.6	-.2	.1	-2.8	2.5
Medical care	.3	.3	.3	.3	.5	.3	.3	4.2	4.2
Entertainment	.3	.4	-.1	.1	.4	.3	.1	3.2	2.6
Other goods and services	.1	.4	.4	.3	.5	.6	.3	6.0	4.2
Special Indexes:									
Energy	.3	.7	.4	-1.0	-.9	-1.4	.4	-7.4	-1.4
Food	.8	.0	.1	.2	.2	.5	.4	4.4	3.0

All items less
 food and energy .3 .2 .1 .1 .3 .2 .3 3.1 3.0

Consumer Price Index data for November are scheduled for release on
 Wednesday, December 13, 1995, at 8:30 A.M. (EST).

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		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Sept. 1995	Oct. 1995	Oct. 1994	Sept. 1995	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sept.	Sept. to Oct.
All items	100.000	153.2	153.7	2.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	459.0	460.3	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.412	149.4	149.8	2.9	.3	.2	.4	.3
Food	15.838	148.9	149.4	3.0	.3	.2	.5	.3
Food at home	9.934	149.2	149.7	3.4	.3	.2	.6	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.464	168.4	169.0	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.892	139.5	140.8	2.9	.9	.8	.6	1.0
Dairy products	1.169	132.3	133.2	1.3	.7	-.3	-.2	.7
Fruits and vegetables	2.013	178.1	177.2	8.8	-.5	-.6	2.4	-.2
Other food at home	2.396	141.1	141.2	1.2	.1	.3	-.1	-.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.326	138.4	139.2	2.7	.6	.5	-.1	.4
Fats and oils .....	.249	137.4	138.3	2.4	.7	.0	.1	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.796	131.7	130.9	-1.4	-.6	.5	.1	-1.1
Other prepared food	1.026	151.5	152.1	2.4	.4	.3	-.2	.3
Food away from home	5.904	149.6	150.0	2.5	.3	.2	.1	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.574	154.5	154.9	2.2	.3	.7	-.1	.2
Housing	41.187	149.5	149.7	2.7	.1	.3	.1	.4

services	3.986	185.4	187.7	5.2	1.2	.5	.4	.2
Public transportation	1.516	176.1	178.7	6.1	1.5	-2.4	-.5	1.6
Medical care	7.266	222.1	222.9	4.2	.4	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	1.291	204.8	205.7	1.7	.4	.2	.2	.5
Medical care services	5.974	226.1	226.9	4.7	.4	.4	.3	.3
Professional medical services	3.416	202.4	202.9	4.0	.2	.2	.4	.1
Entertainment	4.335	154.9	155.2	2.8	.2	.4	.3	.1
Entertainment commodities	1.968	139.3	139.6	2.0	.2	.4	.2	.1
Entertainment services	2.366	173.4	173.6	3.5	.1	.3	.4	.1
Other goods and services	7.005	210.2	210.7	4.4	.2	.5	.3	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	1.607	228.2	228.0	3.0	-.1	.6	.9	.3
Personal care 2/	1.175	147.5	148.5	2.2	.7	.3	.1	.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/ .....	.622	143.0	144.4	1.7	1.0	.4	-.1	1.0
Personal care services 2/ .....	.553	152.4	153.0	2.9	.4	.2	.5	.4
Personal and educational expenses	4.223	240.7	241.3	5.5	.2	.6	.2	.3
School books and supplies .....	.251	216.9	217.7	4.8	.4	.0	.7	.7
Personal and educational services	3.972	242.7	243.2	5.5	.2	.6	.2	.3
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	153.2	153.7	2.8	.3	.1	.1	.3
Commodities	43.386	136.8	137.2	1.7	.3	.0	.1	.2
Food and beverages	17.412	149.4	149.8	2.9	.3	.2	.4	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	25.974	129.1	129.5	.9	.3	-.1	.0	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	15.375	130.0	130.5	.2	.4	-.4	-.3	.1
Apparel commodities	5.097	129.5	131.4	-.7	1.5	.3	-.2	.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	10.278	133.3	133.1	.7	-.2	-.5	-.2	-.2
Durables	10.599	127.8	128.2	2.0	.3	.2	.2	.0
Services	56.614	170.0	170.4	3.5	.2	.2	.2	.4
Rent of shelter 1/	27.422	173.6	174.1	3.3	.3	.2	.3	.3
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.731	139.7	138.8	1.8	-.6	.4	-.4	.5
Transportation services	7.038	175.9	177.7	4.8	1.0	-.2	.1	.5
Medical care services	5.974	226.1	226.9	4.7	.4	.4	.3	.3
Other services	7.450	196.2	196.5	4.2	.2	.4	.3	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.162	154.0	154.4	2.7	.3	.1	.1	.3
All items less shelter	71.958	149.4	149.8	2.5	.3	.1	.1	.3

All items less homeowners' costs 1/	80.111	154.3	154.7	2.7	.3	.1	.1	.3
All items less medical care	92.734	149.4	149.8	2.7	.3	.1	.1	.3
Commodities less food	27.548	130.1	130.5	.9	.3	-.1	-.1	.2
Nondurables less food	16.950	131.4	131.9	.4	.4	-.2	-.3	.2
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	11.852	134.5	134.3	.8	-.1	-.4	-.2	-.1
Nondurables	32.788	139.9	140.4	1.7	.4	-.1	.0	.2
Services less rent of shelter 1/	29.192	178.3	178.6	3.7	.2	.3	.1	.3
Services less medical care services	50.640	164.7	165.1	3.4	.2	.1	.2	.4
Energy	6.965	106.2	104.5	-1.2	-1.6	-.8	-1.4	.4
All items less energy	93.035	159.5	160.2	3.0	.4	.2	.3	.3
All items less food and energy	77.197	162.1	162.8	3.0	.4	.2	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.082	139.7	140.5	1.6	.6	.4	.1	.2
Energy commodities	3.466	98.5	97.2	-3.2	-1.3	-2.7	-1.3	-.5
Services less energy services	53.115	174.9	175.6	3.7	.4	.1	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.653	\$.651	-2.7	-.3	-.3	-.2	-.3
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.218	.217	-	-	-	-	-

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				
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Jan.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	Apr.	July	Oct.	Apr.	Oct.
All items	-	-	-	-	2.7	3.5	2.4	2.4	3.1	2.4
Food and beverages	149.0	149.3	149.9	150.4	2.5	4.1	1.4	3.8	3.3	2.6
Food	148.7	149.0	149.7	150.2	2.5	4.2	1.4	4.1	3.3	2.7

Food at home	148.8	149.1	150.0	150.6	2.5	5.0	1.1	4.9	3.7	3.0
Cereals and bakery products	167.7	168.1	168.4	169.2	-.5	4.9	2.7	3.6	2.2	3.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.6	138.7	139.5	140.9	.0	1.8	.3	9.9	.9	5.0
Dairy products	133.0	132.6	132.3	133.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	.6	1.5	1.1
Fruits and vegetables	179.7	178.6	182.8	182.5	11.9	16.4	.7	6.4	14.2	3.5
Other food at home	140.9	141.3	141.2	141.1	1.4	2.0	.9	.6	1.7	.7
Sugar and sweets	137.9	138.6	138.4	139.0	.0	3.3	4.2	3.2	1.6	3.7
Fats and oils	137.5	137.5	137.6	138.3	3.3	1.8	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.4
Nonalcoholic beverages	131.4	132.0	132.1	130.7	.9	-.3	-3.9	-2.1	.3	-3.0
Other prepared food	151.5	151.9	151.6	152.1	1.9	3.5	2.7	1.6	2.7	2.1
Food away from home	149.1	149.4	149.6	150.0	2.8	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.3
Alcoholic beverages	153.8	154.8	154.7	155.0	1.3	2.4	1.6	3.2	1.9	2.4
Housing	148.5	148.9	149.1	149.7	2.2	3.0	2.5	3.3	2.6	2.9
Shelter	165.8	165.9	166.6	167.2	2.5	4.0	3.5	3.4	3.2	3.4
Renters' costs 1/	174.1	173.9	174.7	175.3	1.9	5.3	3.3	2.8	3.6	3.0
Rent, residential	158.0	158.2	158.4	158.7	2.6	2.3	2.6	1.8	2.5	2.2
Other renters' costs	206.3	204.7	207.6	208.7	.2	12.9	5.2	4.7	6.4	5.0
Homeowners' costs 1/	171.3	171.6	172.2	172.8	2.7	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.0	3.6
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	171.6	171.9	172.5	173.2	2.7	3.1	3.8	3.8	2.9	3.8
Household insurance 1/	157.8	158.2	156.6	156.7	5.0	4.7	-.3	-2.8	4.9	-1.5
Maintenance and repairs 2/	135.1	135.4	135.4	136.3	7.2	3.3	2.7	3.6	5.3	3.2
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ...	139.8	140.3	140.3	141.8	4.2	5.0	2.3	5.8	4.6	4.1
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	128.7	128.8	128.9	128.9	12.5	.3	3.5	.6	6.2	2.0
Fuel and other utilities	123.5	124.2	123.4	124.1	2.3	.3	.3	2.0	1.3	1.1
Fuels	110.4	111.5	110.0	111.2	.7	-.4	-.7	2.9	.2	1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel										
commodities	88.8	89.0	88.7	87.8	-1.4	-1.4	7.1	-4.4	-1.4	1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy										
services).....	117.9	119.3	117.6	119.0	.7	.0	-2.0	3.8	.3	.8
Other utilities and public services 2/ .	153.0	153.1	153.2	153.5	4.6	.3	2.1	1.3	2.4	1.7
Household furnishings and operation	122.7	123.3	123.7	123.8	2.3	1.6	.7	3.6	2.0	2.1
Housefurnishings	110.8	111.5	111.9	111.8	-.4	.7	-1.1	3.7	.2	1.3
Housekeeping supplies	137.4	138.3	138.4	139.2	.3	6.7	4.2	5.3	3.5	4.8
Housekeeping services	143.6	143.7	144.1	144.4	10.5	.8	2.0	2.2	5.5	2.1
Apparel and upkeep	131.6	132.0	131.7	132.1	.6	-2.7	-1.5	1.5	-1.1	.0
Apparel commodities	128.2	128.6	128.3	128.7	.6	-3.0	-1.5	1.6	-1.2	.0
Men's and boys' apparel	125.4	126.0	125.9	126.0	.0	-2.2	-1.6	1.9	-1.1	.2
Women's and girls' apparel	127.0	126.6	125.2	126.8	-2.1	-4.9	-.6	-.6	-3.5	-.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	123.3	128.3	131.0	131.3	5.1	-13.9	-7.1	28.6	-4.9	9.3
Footwear	124.7	125.0	126.6	126.5	3.6	1.0	-3.8	5.9	2.3	1.0
Other apparel commodities	152.0	155.0	154.2	151.2	6.6	2.1	-1.8	-2.1	4.3	-2.0
Apparel services 2/.....	157.2	157.3	157.4	157.0	1.5	1.8	-1.3	-.5	1.7	-.9

Transportation	140.3	139.4	139.2	139.4	3.9	6.9	1.7	-2.5	5.4	-.4
Private transportation	137.0	136.3	136.2	136.2	6.1	5.1	-.3	-2.3	5.6	-1.3
New vehicles	141.0	141.2	141.9	141.8	.6	3.2	1.1	2.3	1.9	1.7
New cars	139.0	139.3	139.6	139.6	.3	3.5	.3	1.7	1.9	1.0
Used cars	156.1	155.0	154.0	154.0	26.0	20.8	-11.0	-5.3	23.3	-8.2
Motor fuel	101.9	98.8	97.3	97.0	5.3	-.8	1.6	-17.9	2.2	-8.7
Gasoline	101.7	98.7	97.1	96.6	5.3	-.4	1.2	-18.6	2.4	-9.2
Maintenance and repairs	154.0	154.6	155.0	155.3	1.6	2.4	2.4	3.4	2.0	2.9
Other private transportation	170.3	171.0	171.5	171.8	9.3	7.3	-.9	3.6	8.3	1.3
Other private transportation commodities	105.1	105.3	105.1	105.3	1.2	3.1	2.3	.8	2.1	1.5
Other private transportation services	185.7	186.6	187.3	187.7	10.7	8.1	-1.7	4.4	9.4	1.3
Public transportation	184.4	179.9	179.0	181.8	-13.1	26.2	22.4	-5.5	4.7	7.6
Medical care	221.0	221.8	222.5	223.2	4.9	3.6	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.1
Medical care commodities	204.1	204.5	205.0	206.1	2.0	-.6	1.8	4.0	.7	2.9
Medical care services	224.6	225.6	226.3	226.9	5.7	4.4	4.4	4.2	5.0	4.3
Professional medical services	201.4	201.8	202.6	202.9	4.4	3.7	4.7	3.0	4.0	3.9
Entertainment	153.8	154.4	154.9	155.1	3.5	2.1	2.4	3.4	2.8	2.9
Entertainment commodities	138.5	139.1	139.4	139.6	1.8	.9	2.0	3.2	1.3	2.6
Entertainment services	171.9	172.5	173.2	173.4	4.6	3.3	2.6	3.5	4.0	3.1
Other goods and services	207.9	209.0	209.7	210.4	2.6	4.8	5.0	4.9	3.7	4.9
Tobacco and smoking products	225.8	227.2	229.3	229.9	-4.4	3.3	6.1	7.5	-.6	6.8
Personal care 2/	146.9	147.3	147.5	148.5	1.1	1.7	1.7	4.4	1.4	3.0
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	142.7	143.2	143.0	144.4	.6	.0	1.4	4.9	.3	3.1
Personal care services 2/	151.4	151.7	152.4	153.0	1.9	3.5	1.9	4.3	2.7	3.1
Personal and educational expenses	236.4	237.8	238.2	238.8	6.0	6.2	5.4	4.1	6.1	4.8
School books and supplies	214.2	214.2	215.6	217.1	6.9	4.4	2.5	5.5	5.7	4.0
Personal and educational services	237.9	239.4	239.8	240.4	5.7	6.4	5.6	4.3	6.1	4.9
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	2.7	3.5	2.4	2.4	3.1	2.4
Commodities	136.6	136.6	136.8	137.1	2.4	2.4	.9	1.5	2.4	1.2
Food and beverages	149.0	149.3	149.9	150.4	2.5	4.1	1.4	3.8	3.3	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages	129.0	128.9	128.9	129.0	1.9	1.6	.3	.0	1.7	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.9	129.4	129.0	129.1	1.6	.6	1.2	-2.4	1.1	-.6
Apparel commodities	128.2	128.6	128.3	128.7	.6	-3.0	-1.5	1.6	-1.2	.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	134.3	133.6	133.3	133.1	-3.0	2.5	7.2	-3.5	-.3	1.7
Durables	127.9	128.1	128.3	128.3	3.9	3.8	-.9	1.3	3.9	.2

Services	169.1	169.5	169.8	170.4	3.4	4.2	3.4	3.1	3.8	3.2
Rent of shelter 1/	172.8	173.1	173.6	174.1	2.2	4.1	3.5	3.0	3.1	3.3
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	138.2	138.8	138.2	138.9	4.2	.6	.6	2.0	2.4	1.3
Transportation services	177.5	177.2	177.4	178.3	2.9	10.7	4.2	1.8	6.7	3.0
Medical care services	224.6	225.6	226.3	226.9	5.7	4.4	4.4	4.2	5.0	4.3
Other services	194.1	194.9	195.4	195.8	4.5	4.9	4.0	3.5	4.7	3.8

Special indexes

All items less food	153.4	153.6	153.7	154.2	3.0	3.5	2.4	2.1	3.2	2.2
All items less shelter	148.9	149.1	149.2	149.6	3.1	3.6	1.6	1.9	3.3	1.8
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	153.8	154.0	154.2	154.7	3.0	3.5	1.8	2.4	3.2	2.1
All items less medical care	148.7	148.9	149.1	149.5	2.5	3.6	2.2	2.2	3.0	2.2
Commodities less food	130.2	130.1	130.0	130.2	1.9	1.6	.6	.0	1.7	.3
Nondurables less food	131.2	130.9	130.5	130.7	1.2	.3	1.5	-1.5	.8	.0
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	135.3	134.8	134.5	134.3	-2.4	2.7	6.1	-2.9	.2	1.5
Nondurables	139.6	139.5	139.5	139.8	2.3	2.3	1.2	.6	2.3	.9
Services less rent of shelter 1/	177.1	177.7	177.8	178.4	4.5	4.4	2.8	3.0	4.5	2.9
Services less medical care services	163.9	164.1	164.4	165.1	3.3	4.3	3.2	3.0	3.8	3.1
Energy	105.6	104.8	103.3	103.7	2.7	-.8	.4	-7.0	1.0	-3.4
All items less energy	159.1	159.4	159.9	160.3	2.9	3.9	2.3	3.1	3.4	2.7
All items less food and energy	161.7	162.0	162.4	162.9	3.1	3.8	2.5	3.0	3.4	2.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	139.1	139.6	139.8	140.1	1.8	2.0	.0	2.9	1.9	1.4
Energy commodities	100.5	97.8	96.5	96.0	4.5	-.8	2.0	-16.7	1.8	-7.8
Services less energy services	174.3	174.5	175.1	175.6	3.6	4.5	3.8	3.0	4.1	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)

	Relative Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted		Seasonally adjusted			
	importance,	Sept.	Oct.	percent change to	percent change from-	July to	Aug. to	Sept. to
	December			Oct. 1995 from-	July to	Aug. to	Sept. to	

Expenditure category	1994	1995	1995	Oct. 1994	Sept. 1995	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
All items	100.000	150.6	151.0	2.7	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	448.5	449.6	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.320	148.9	149.3	2.9	.3	.3	.5	.3
Food	17.629	148.5	148.9	3.0	.3	.2	.5	.4
Food at home	11.243	148.4	148.9	3.3	.3	.3	.6	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.670	168.2	168.8	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.398	139.2	140.5	2.9	.9	.8	.7	1.1
Dairy products	1.299	132.1	132.8	1.2	.5	-.3	-.2	.5
Fruits and vegetables	2.124	177.5	176.4	8.9	-.6	-.6	2.3	-.1
Other food at home	2.751	140.7	140.8	1.3	.1	.3	.1	-.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.367	138.3	139.0	2.4	.5	.5	-.1	.4
Fats and oils .....	.286	137.4	138.0	2.2	.4	-.1	.1	.4
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.920	131.1	130.2	-1.0	-.7	.4	.4	-1.3
Other prepared food	1.179	151.2	151.8	2.4	.4	.2	-.1	.3
Food away from home	6.387	149.5	149.9	2.5	.3	.3	.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.690	153.8	154.2	2.1	.3	.7	-.1	.3
Housing	38.759	146.5	146.6	2.7	.1	.3	.1	.4
Shelter	25.753	162.3	162.8	3.2	.3	.1	.3	.4
Renters' costs 1/	8.073	153.3	153.5	2.9	.1	-.1	.4	.3
Rent, residential	6.615	158.2	158.6	2.4	.3	.1	.1	.3
Other renters' costs	1.458	205.6	205.3	5.6	-.1	-.7	1.7	.3
Homeowners' costs 1/	17.491	157.2	157.8	3.3	.4	.2	.3	.4
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	17.161	157.5	158.1	3.3	.4	.3	.3	.4
Household insurance 1/ .....	.331	143.7	144.3	1.7	.4	.1	-1.5	.6
Maintenance and repairs 2/ .....	.189	135.0	135.7	3.6	.5	.1	.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services 2/ ..	.104	143.0	144.4	3.5	1.0	.1	.0	1.0
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/ .....	.085	124.3	124.3	3.6	.0	.1	.2	.0
Fuel and other utilities	7.329	124.5	123.5	1.2	-.8	.7	-.7	.7
Fuels	3.958	112.7	110.8	.5	-1.7	1.1	-1.4	1.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.331	86.5	86.8	-.1	.3	.1	-.2	-1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	3.627	120.8	118.5	.6	-1.9	1.1	-1.5	1.5
Other utilities and public services 2/	3.372	153.6	153.9	2.0	.2	.1	.1	.2
Household furnishings and operation	5.676	122.5	122.7	2.2	.2	.4	.3	.0
Housefurnishings	3.432	110.5	110.4	.8	-.1	.5	.4	-.2
Housekeeping supplies	1.122	138.6	139.4	4.1	.6	.7	.1	.4

Housekeeping services	1.122	147.8	148.0	4.4	.1	.0	.3	.2
Apparel and upkeep	5.661	131.6	133.4	-.4	1.4	.3	-.2	.4
Apparel commodities	5.136	128.5	130.5	-.5	1.6	.3	-.2	.4
Men's and boys' apparel	1.329	126.4	127.9	-.2	1.2	.4	-.2	.1
Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.214	125.4	129.2	-1.9	3.0	-.8	-.9	1.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.263	132.6	132.8	1.9	.2	4.7	2.2	.3
Footwear .....	.827	127.5	128.4	1.7	.7	.3	1.1	.1
Other apparel commodities .....	.503	153.2	150.8	.6	-1.6	2.7	-.5	-1.8
Apparel services 2/ .....	.524	156.8	156.3	.2	-.3	.1	-.1	-.3
Transportation	19.183	138.5	139.0	2.5	.4	-.6	-.2	.1
Private transportation	18.027	136.6	136.9	2.2	.2	-.5	-.2	.0
New vehicles	4.982	140.9	141.9	1.9	.7	.1	.3	.1
New cars	3.622	137.4	138.3	1.5	.7	.1	.1	.1
Used cars	2.382	157.4	158.1	6.5	.4	-.7	-.6	-.1
Motor fuel	3.819	99.8	98.2	-3.4	-1.6	-2.9	-1.4	-.5
Gasoline	-	99.7	97.9	-3.5	-1.8	-3.0	-1.6	-.4
Maintenance and repairs	1.617	155.9	156.2	2.5	.2	.3	.3	.1
Other private transportation	5.227	166.0	167.7	4.8	1.0	.4	.3	.2
Other private transportation								
commodities .....	.780	104.1	104.2	1.8	.1	.2	-.2	.2
Other private transportation								
services	4.447	181.5	183.7	5.4	1.2	.4	.4	.2
Public transportation	1.156	172.2	174.8	6.1	1.5	-2.2	-.1	1.7
Medical care	6.173	221.5	222.3	4.2	.4	.5	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	1.063	202.5	203.2	1.7	.3	.1	.1	.5
Medical care services	5.110	225.8	226.6	4.7	.4	.5	.3	.3
Professional medical services	2.920	203.5	204.0	4.1	.2	.2	.3	.1
Entertainment	4.005	152.7	152.9	2.6	.1	.4	.3	.1
Entertainment commodities	2.054	138.4	138.7	1.8	.2	.4	.2	.1
Entertainment services	1.951	173.4	173.5	3.6	.1	.3	.3	.2
Other goods and services	6.900	207.2	207.8	4.2	.3	.5	.6	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	2.128	228.1	228.2	3.0	.0	.6	.9	.3
Personal care 2/	1.139	147.6	148.7	2.2	.7	.3	.1	.7
Toilet goods and personal care								
appliances 2/ .....	.646	143.7	145.1	1.6	1.0	.3	-.1	1.0
Personal care services 2/ .....	.493	152.5	153.2	3.1	.5	.3	.5	.5
Personal and educational expenses	3.633	236.1	236.8	5.5	.3	.5	.6	.3
School books and supplies .....	.220	218.1	219.1	4.9	.5	-.1	.7	.6
Personal and educational services	3.413	237.8	238.4	5.5	.3	.6	.5	.3

Commodity and service group

All items	100.000	150.6	151.0	2.7	.3	.1	.2	.3
Commodities	47.499	136.7	137.1	1.8	.3	.0	.1	.1
Food and beverages	19.320	148.9	149.3	2.9	.3	.3	.5	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	28.180	129.3	129.7	1.2	.3	-.2	-.1	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages ..	16.400	129.6	130.0	.2	.3	-.4	-.2	.0
Apparel commodities	5.136	128.5	130.5	-.5	1.6	.3	-.2	.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	11.263	133.1	132.7	.5	-.3	-.6	-.2	-.3
Durables	11.780	127.7	128.2	2.5	.4	.0	.1	.0
Services	52.501	167.3	167.7	3.5	.2	.2	.2	.4
Rent of shelter 1/	25.206	156.1	156.6	3.2	.3	.3	.3	.3
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	8.584	128.3	127.4	1.8	-.7	.5	-.5	.6
Transportation services	7.220	173.5	175.3	4.8	1.0	.0	.3	.4
Medical care services	5.110	225.8	226.6	4.7	.4	.5	.3	.3
Other services	6.381	193.0	193.3	4.3	.2	.4	.4	.2

Special indexes

All items less food	82.371	150.9	151.3	2.6	.3	.1	.1	.3
All items less shelter	74.247	147.5	147.9	2.5	.3	.1	.1	.3
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	82.509	141.4	141.8	2.6	.3	.1	.1	.3
All items less medical care	93.827	147.2	147.6	2.6	.3	.1	.1	.3
Commodities less food	29.870	130.2	130.6	1.2	.3	-.2	-.1	.1
Nondurables less food	18.090	131.0	131.4	.4	.3	-.3	-.4	.2
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	12.954	134.2	133.9	.7	-.2	-.4	-.2	-.2
Nondurables	35.719	139.5	139.9	1.6	.3	-.1	.0	.2
Services less rent of shelter 1/	27.295	158.8	159.1	3.7	.2	.3	.1	.4
Services less medical care services	47.390	162.3	162.6	3.3	.2	.1	.2	.4
Energy	7.777	105.5	103.8	-1.4	-1.6	-.9	-1.4	.4
All items less energy	92.223	156.8	157.5	3.0	.4	.2	.3	.3
All items less food and energy	74.594	159.0	159.7	3.0	.4	.3	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	25.720	139.3	140.1	1.9	.6	.3	.1	.2
Energy commodities	4.150	98.9	97.5	-3.1	-1.4	-2.6	-1.4	-.5
Services less energy services	48.874	172.5	173.1	3.7	.3	.2	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 2/	-	\$.664	\$.662	-2.6	-.3	-.1	-.3	-.3
1967=\$1.00 2/	-	.223	.222	-	-	-	-	-

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					
	July 1995	Aug. 1995	Sept. 1995	Oct. 1995	Jan. 1995	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
						Apr. 1995	July 1995	Oct. 1995	Apr. 1995	Oct. 1995
All items	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.6	1.6	2.4	3.3	2.0
Food and beverages	148.4	148.8	149.5	150.0	2.5	3.9	1.1	4.4	3.2	2.7
Food	148.0	148.3	149.0	149.6	2.8	3.9	1.1	4.4	3.3	2.7
Food at home	147.9	148.3	149.2	149.8	2.5	4.7	.8	5.2	3.6	3.0
Cereals and bakery products	167.4	167.8	168.2	168.9	-.5	5.0	2.7	3.6	2.2	3.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	137.2	138.3	139.2	140.7	-.3	.9	.6	10.6	.3	5.5
Dairy products	132.7	132.3	132.1	132.8	1.5	1.5	1.5	.3	1.5	.9
Fruits and vegetables	179.0	178.0	182.1	182.0	12.0	17.3	-.2	6.9	14.6	3.3
Other food at home	140.4	140.8	140.9	140.6	1.4	2.3	.9	.6	1.9	.7
Sugar and sweets	137.8	138.5	138.3	138.9	-.6	3.6	3.9	3.2	1.5	3.5
Fats and oils	137.5	137.4	137.5	138.0	2.4	2.4	2.7	1.5	2.4	2.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	130.7	131.2	131.7	130.0	1.2	.9	-3.9	-2.1	1.1	-3.0
Other prepared food	151.3	151.6	151.4	151.8	1.6	3.3	3.5	1.3	2.4	2.4
Food away from home	148.8	149.2	149.5	149.9	3.0	2.2	1.6	3.0	2.6	2.3
Alcoholic beverages	153.0	154.1	153.9	154.4	1.6	2.1	.8	3.7	1.9	2.2
Housing	145.4	145.8	145.9	146.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.1	2.5	2.8
Shelter	161.3	161.5	162.0	162.7	2.6	3.6	3.3	3.5	3.1	3.4
Renters' costs 1/	152.6	152.5	153.1	153.5	2.2	4.3	2.9	2.4	3.2	2.7
Rent, residential	157.7	157.8	158.0	158.4	2.3	2.6	2.6	1.8	2.5	2.2
Other renters' costs	206.1	204.7	208.1	208.8	.0	12.7	4.6	5.3	6.2	5.0
Homeowners' costs 1/	156.2	156.5	156.9	157.6	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.6	2.9	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	156.4	156.8	157.2	157.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.9	2.9	3.8
Household insurance 1/	145.1	145.3	143.1	144.0	5.2	4.5	.3	-3.0	4.9	-1.4
Maintenance and repairs 2/	134.7	134.9	135.0	135.7	5.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	4.2	3.0

Maintenance and repair services 2/ ...	142.9	143.0	143.0	144.4	2.9	4.0	2.8	4.3	3.5	3.6
Maintenance and repair commodities 2/	124.0	124.1	124.3	124.3	8.6	1.3	3.6	1.0	4.9	2.3
Fuel and other utilities	122.9	123.7	122.8	123.7	2.0	-.3	.7	2.6	.8	1.6
Fuels	109.5	110.7	109.1	110.5	.7	-1.1	-.7	3.7	-.2	1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	88.7	88.8	88.6	87.6	-.9	-1.4	7.1	-4.9	-1.1	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	117.1	118.4	116.6	118.3	.7	-1.4	-1.0	4.2	-.3	1.5
Other utilities and public services 2/ .	153.4	153.5	153.6	153.9	4.0	.8	1.8	1.3	2.4	1.6
Household furnishings and operation	121.6	122.1	122.5	122.5	2.4	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.2	2.0
Housefurnishings	109.7	110.2	110.6	110.4	-.4	.7	.0	2.6	.2	1.3
Housekeeping supplies	137.6	138.5	138.7	139.2	1.2	6.4	3.9	4.7	3.8	4.3
Housekeeping services	146.9	146.9	147.4	147.7	12.7	.8	2.5	2.2	6.6	2.3
Apparel and upkeep	130.3	130.7	130.5	131.0	.0	-1.2	-2.4	2.2	-.6	-.2
Apparel commodities	127.3	127.7	127.5	128.0	.0	-1.9	-2.2	2.2	-.9	.0
Men's and boys' apparel	125.1	125.6	125.4	125.5	.3	-.3	-1.9	1.3	.0	-.3
Women's and girls' apparel	126.1	125.1	124.0	125.7	-2.2	-3.4	-.3	-1.3	-2.8	-.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	123.7	129.5	132.4	132.8	4.7	-14.6	-9.1	32.8	-5.4	9.9
Footwear	125.4	125.8	127.2	127.3	2.6	1.3	-3.4	6.2	1.9	1.3
Other apparel commodities	149.0	153.0	152.3	149.6	4.1	3.8	-6.4	1.6	3.9	-2.5
Apparel services 2/.....	156.8	156.9	156.8	156.3	1.3	1.8	-1.0	-1.3	1.5	-1.1
Transportation	139.5	138.7	138.4	138.5	6.0	7.2	-.3	-2.8	6.6	-1.6
Private transportation	137.4	136.7	136.4	136.4	7.1	6.3	-1.2	-2.9	6.7	-2.0
New vehicles	142.0	142.2	142.6	142.7	.3	4.1	1.4	2.0	2.2	1.7
New cars	138.8	139.0	139.2	139.3	.9	3.2	.6	1.4	2.1	1.0
Used cars	157.0	155.9	155.0	154.9	26.2	20.7	-10.5	-5.2	23.4	-7.9
Motor fuel	101.6	98.7	97.3	96.8	5.3	-.8	.8	-17.6	2.2	-8.9
Gasoline	101.7	98.6	97.0	96.6	5.3	.0	1.2	-18.6	2.6	-9.2
Maintenance and repairs	155.1	155.5	155.9	156.1	1.6	2.6	3.2	2.6	2.1	2.9
Other private transportation	166.3	167.0	167.5	167.8	9.0	8.6	-1.7	3.7	8.8	1.0
Other private transportation commodities	104.3	104.5	104.3	104.5	.8	3.1	2.3	.8	2.0	1.5
Other private transportation services	181.8	182.6	183.3	183.7	10.5	9.5	-2.4	4.2	10.0	.9
Public transportation	178.2	174.2	174.0	176.9	-9.0	22.6	17.1	-2.9	5.6	6.6
Medical care	220.1	221.2	221.8	222.4	4.8	3.8	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.0
Medical care commodities	202.0	202.3	202.5	203.6	2.0	-.8	2.2	3.2	.6	2.7
Medical care services	224.1	225.3	226.0	226.6	5.5	4.6	4.2	4.5	5.1	4.4
Professional medical services	202.5	203.0	203.7	204.0	4.6	3.7	4.9	3.0	4.1	3.9
Entertainment	151.6	152.2	152.7	152.8	3.3	2.1	1.9	3.2	2.7	2.5
Entertainment commodities	137.6	138.2	138.5	138.7	1.8	.9	1.5	3.2	1.3	2.3

Entertainment services	171.9	172.5	173.0	173.3	4.6	3.8	2.6	3.3	4.2	2.9
Other goods and services	204.6	205.7	206.9	207.6	2.0	4.1	4.8	6.0	3.0	5.4
Tobacco and smoking products	225.8	227.2	229.2	229.8	-4.1	3.1	5.9	7.3	-.5	6.6
Personal care 2/	146.9	147.4	147.6	148.7	1.4	1.4	1.1	5.0	1.4	3.0
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 2/	143.3	143.8	143.7	145.1	.8	.0	.6	5.1	.4	2.8
Personal care services 2/	151.3	151.7	152.5	153.2	2.4	3.2	1.6	5.1	2.8	3.3
Personal and educational expenses	231.5	232.7	234.0	234.6	6.1	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.3
School books and supplies	215.3	215.0	216.6	218.0	8.9	3.0	2.6	5.1	6.0	3.9
Personal and educational services	233.0	234.3	235.5	236.1	5.8	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.5
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.6	1.6	2.4	3.3	2.0
Commodities	136.5	136.5	136.7	136.9	2.7	3.0	.6	1.2	2.8	.9
Food and beverages	148.4	148.8	149.5	150.0	2.5	3.9	1.1	4.4	3.2	2.7
Commodities less food and beverages	129.1	128.9	128.8	128.9	2.5	2.8	-.3	-.6	2.7	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.4	128.9	128.6	128.6	1.6	.9	.9	-2.5	1.3	-.8
Apparel commodities	127.3	127.7	127.5	128.0	.0	-1.9	-2.2	2.2	-.9	.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 2/	134.2	133.4	133.1	132.7	-3.3	2.5	7.8	-4.4	-.5	1.5
Durables	127.9	127.9	128.0	128.0	5.6	5.1	-1.2	.3	5.3	-.5
Services	166.3	166.7	167.0	167.7	3.8	4.0	2.9	3.4	3.9	3.2
Rent of shelter 1/	155.2	155.7	156.1	156.6	1.9	4.0	3.2	3.7	2.9	3.4
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	126.9	127.5	126.8	127.5	3.9	.0	1.0	1.9	1.9	1.4
Transportation services	174.4	174.4	174.9	175.6	5.1	10.0	1.6	2.8	7.5	2.2
Medical care services	224.1	225.3	226.0	226.6	5.5	4.6	4.2	4.5	5.1	4.4
Other services	190.7	191.5	192.3	192.7	4.9	4.6	3.6	4.3	4.7	4.0
Special indexes										
All items less food	150.1	150.2	150.3	150.8	3.3	3.6	1.9	1.9	3.4	1.9
All items less shelter	147.0	147.2	147.3	147.7	3.4	3.6	1.1	1.9	3.5	1.5
All items less homeowners' costs 1/	140.9	141.1	141.2	141.6	3.2	3.5	1.4	2.0	3.4	1.7
All items less medical care	146.5	146.7	146.9	147.4	3.1	3.6	1.4	2.5	3.4	1.9
Commodities less food	130.3	130.1	130.0	130.1	2.5	2.8	.0	-.6	2.7	-.3
Nondurables less food	130.8	130.4	129.9	130.2	1.2	1.2	.9	-1.8	1.2	-.5
Nondurables less food and apparel 2/	135.1	134.5	134.2	133.9	-3.0	2.8	6.8	-3.5	-.2	1.5
Nondurables	139.2	139.1	139.1	139.4	2.4	2.3	1.2	.6	2.3	.9
Services less rent of shelter 1/	157.8	158.2	158.4	159.1	5.1	4.5	2.3	3.3	4.8	2.8
Services less medical care services	161.4	161.6	162.0	162.6	3.1	4.4	2.8	3.0	3.7	2.9
Energy	105.1	104.2	102.7	103.1	2.7	-.8	.0	-7.4	1.0	-3.8
All items less energy	156.3	156.6	157.1	157.5	3.2	4.0	1.8	3.1	3.6	2.5

All items less food and energy	158.5	158.9	159.2	159.7	3.1	4.2	1.8	3.1	3.6	2.4
Commodities less food and energy										
commodities	138.8	139.2	139.3	139.6	2.4	3.2	-.3	2.3	2.8	1.0
Energy commodities	100.7	98.1	96.7	96.2	4.9	-1.2	1.6	-16.7	1.8	-8.0
Services less energy services	171.9	172.2	172.7	173.3	3.9	4.3	3.3	3.3	4.1	3.3

1/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

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- 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 Oct. 1995 from-			Percent change to Sept. 1995 from-		
		July 1995	Aug. 1995	Sept. 1995	Oct. 1995	Oct. 1994	Aug. 1995	Sept. 1995	Sept. 1994	July 1995	Aug. 1995
U.S. city average	M	152.5	152.9	153.2	153.7	2.8	0.5	0.3	2.5	0.5	0.2
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	159.2	159.7	160.0	160.3	2.5	.4	.2	2.5	.5	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	159.8	160.3	160.7	161.1	2.5	.5	.2	2.6	.6	.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	157.5	157.9	158.0	158.5	2.5	.4	.3	2.1	.3	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	157.8	158.5	158.5	158.3	2.6	-.1	-.1	2.7	.4	.0
North Central urban	M	148.8	148.9	149.4	149.6	3.0	.5	.1	2.6	.4	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	149.5	149.8	150.3	150.3	2.8	.3	.0	2.5	.5	.3
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	148.0	147.8	147.9	148.4	2.8	.4	.3	2.7	-.1	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	149.6	149.9	150.6	151.5	3.1	1.1	.6	2.6	.7	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	146.0	145.7	146.3	146.0	3.6	.2	-.2	3.4	.2	.4
South urban	M	149.2	149.7	149.8	150.5	3.2	.5	.5	2.7	.4	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	148.8	149.4	149.2	149.9	2.7	.3	.5	2.3	.3	-.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	151.5	152.0	152.3	152.6	3.0	.4	.2	2.7	.5	.2

Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	148.4	149.4	149.5	150.4	3.7	.7	.6	3.3	.7	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	148.1	147.8	148.4	149.0	3.4	.8	.4	3.6	.2	.4
West urban	M	153.5	153.7	154.1	154.6	2.4	.6	.3	2.3	.4	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	154.0	154.1	154.5	154.9	1.8	.5	.3	1.8	.3	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	156.7	157.0	157.6	157.9	3.4	.6	.2	3.5	.6	.4
Size classes											
A 3/	M	137.9	138.2	138.5	138.8	2.4	.4	.2	2.3	.4	.2
B	M	152.6	152.8	153.1	153.5	2.9	.5	.3	2.8	.3	.2
C	M	151.8	152.4	152.7	153.3	3.3	.6	.4	3.0	.6	.2
D	M	149.1	148.8	149.6	150.0	3.4	.8	.3	3.4	.3	.5
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	153.6	153.8	154.0	154.3	3.3	.3	.2	2.5	.3	.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	154.5	154.4	154.6	155.2	1.2	.5	.4	1.2	.1	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	162.3	162.8	163.2	163.6	2.6	.5	.2	2.6	.6	.2
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	M	158.9	159.6	160.3	160.4	2.4	.5	.1	2.6	.9	.4
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	151.5	151.5	152.3	152.6	2.1	.7	.2	1.9	.5	.5
Baltimore, MD	1	151.5	-	151.8	-	-	-	-	2.2	.2	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	157.8	-	158.6	-	-	-	-	1.9	.5	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	148.1	-	149.0	-	-	-	-	1.8	.6	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	148.3	-	148.9	-	-	-	-	3.0	.4	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	145.6	-	147.1	-	-	-	-	2.6	1.0	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	156.1	-	156.2	-	-	-	-	1.6	.1	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	-	145.1	-	146.8	2.8	1.2	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	-	148.8	-	149.8	2.8	.7	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	-	140.1	-	141.6	1.7	1.1	-	-	-	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	-	150.1	-	150.5	2.8	.3	-	-	-	-

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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 Oct. 1995 from-			Percent change to Sept. 1995 from-		
		July 1995	Aug. 1995	Sept. 1995	Oct. 1995	Oct. 1994	Aug. 1995	Sept. 1995	Sept. 1994	July 1995	Aug. 1995
U.S. city average	M	149.9	150.2	150.6	151.0	2.7	0.5	0.3	2.5	0.5	0.3
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	156.6	157.1	157.6	157.8	2.4	.4	.1	2.5	.6	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	156.1	156.7	157.2	157.5	2.4	.5	.2	2.5	.7	.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	155.3	155.7	155.9	156.4	2.5	.4	.3	2.1	.4	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	159.2	159.8	160.1	160.0	2.6	.1	-.1	2.6	.6	.2
North Central urban	M	145.5	145.6	146.1	146.3	2.9	.5	.1	2.5	.4	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	145.6	145.8	146.3	146.3	2.7	.3	.0	2.4	.5	.3
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	144.1	144.0	144.2	144.6	2.6	.4	.3	2.6	.1	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	147.1	147.3	147.9	148.8	3.0	1.0	.6	2.5	.5	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	144.2	144.0	144.5	144.2	3.4	.1	-.2	3.2	.2	.3
South urban	M	147.8	148.3	148.4	149.0	3.0	.5	.4	2.7	.4	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	147.2	147.6	147.3	148.0	2.6	.3	.5	2.1	.1	-.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	147.9	148.3	148.7	149.0	2.8	.5	.2	2.6	.5	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	148.5	149.4	149.5	150.4	3.7	.7	.6	3.3	.7	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	148.3	148.3	148.9	149.3	3.4	.7	.3	3.6	.4	.4
West urban	M	150.5	150.7	151.0	151.6	2.4	.6	.4	2.2	.3	.2
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	149.5	149.6	149.9	150.4	1.9	.5	.3	1.8	.3	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	153.7	153.9	154.5	154.8	3.2	.6	.2	3.3	.5	.4

Size classes

A 3/	M	136.9	137.2	137.5	137.8	2.4	.4	.2	2.2	.4	.2
B	M	149.7	150.0	150.3	150.7	2.8	.5	.3	2.6	.4	.2
C	M	150.9	151.5	151.9	152.5	3.2	.7	.4	3.0	.7	.3
D	M	148.4	148.2	148.9	149.2	3.4	.7	.2	3.3	.3	.5

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Baltimore, MD	1	150.5	-	150.8	-	-	-	-	2.0	.2	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	156.6	-	157.4	-	-	-	-	1.7	.5	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	140.3	-	141.3	-	-	-	-	1.7	.7	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	146.5	-	146.9	-	-	-	-	3.1	.3	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	145.2	-	146.5	-	-	-	-	2.4	.9	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	153.5	-	153.5	-	-	-	-	1.3	.0	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	-	144.8	-	146.5	2.9	1.2	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	-	144.0	-	145.0	2.8	.7	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	-	139.8	-	140.9	1.4	.8	-	-	-	-
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