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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: JUNE 1997

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.1 percent before seasonal adjustment in June to a level of 160.3 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in June, the CPI-U increased 2.3 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) also rose 0.1 percent in June, prior to seasonal adjustment. The June 1997 CPI-W level of 157.4 was 2.1 percent higher than the index in June 1996.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.1 percent in June, the same as in each of the preceding three months. The food index increased 0.2 percent in June. Grocery store food prices, which increased 0.6 percent in May, advanced 0.2 percent in June, reflecting a larger decline in the index for dairy products and moderation in the indexes for fruits and vegetables and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs. The energy index, which declined in each of the preceding three months, was unchanged in June. The index for petroleum-based energy fell 1.1 percent, while the index for energy services rose 1.0 percent. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.1 percent, following an increase of 0.2 percent in May. The smaller advance in June reflects a downturn in the index for apparel and upkeep and a deceleration in the index for household furnishings and operation.

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

Expenditure	Seasonally adjusted Changes from preceding month	Un- Compound annual rate	adjusted 12-mos.
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Category	1996		1997					3-mos. ended		ended	
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	June '97	June '97	June '97	
All Items	.3	.1	.3	.1	.1	.1	.1	1.0		2.3	
Food and beverages	.0	-.2	.3	.0	-.2	.4	.2	1.5		2.6	
Housing	.2	.3	.3	.0	.2	.1	.3	2.3		2.8	
Apparel and upkeep	.1	.4	.2	-.3	.9	.1	-.2	3.4		1.2	
Transportation	.6	-.2	-.1	.1	-.4	-.8	-.3	-5.9		.0	
Medical care	.2	.2	.2	.4	.3	.3	.2	2.9		2.9	
Entertainment	.3	.0	.2	.2	.1	.2	.5	3.0		2.3	
Other goods and services	.1	.4	.5	.5	.8	.2	.2	4.8		4.3	
Special Indexes:											
Energy	1.5	.8	.3	-1.7	-1.5	-2.4	.0	-14.7		-.7	
Food	.0	-.3	.3	.0	-.2	.4	.2	1.5		2.6	
All items less food and energy	.2	.1	.2	.2	.3	.2	.1	2.4		2.4	

See page 5 for a note on the future use of a hedonic model to adjust prices of personal computers in the CPI for changes in quality.

Consumer prices rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR) of 1.0 percent in the second quarter after advancing at a 1.8 percent rate in the first three months of 1997. This brings the year-to-date annual rate to 1.4 percent, the lowest rate for the first six months of the year since 1986 (down 0.2 percent at a SAAR) and notably less than the 3.3 percent increase for all of 1996. The food and energy components, which had accelerated in 1996 after acting as moderating influences throughout most of the preceding five years, were largely responsible for the deceleration thus far in 1997. The food index has risen at a 0.9 percent SAAR thus far in 1997, following a 4.3 percent increase in 1996. All major grocery store food categories have shown marked deceleration thus far in 1997, relative to 1996, except for the other food at home group. The larger advance in this latter group is almost entirely due to the sharp acceleration in coffee prices, which have increased at a 45.3 percent annual rate in the first six months of 1997 after declining 6.7 percent in all of 1996. The energy index, which increased 8.6 percent in 1996, declined at a 8.9 percent SAAR in the first six months of 1997. The index for petroleum-based energy fell at a 16.9 percent annual rate, and energy services declined at a 0.2 percent SAAR.

Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 2.4 percent SAAR in the second quarter, the same as in the first quarter of 1997. The 2.4 percent SAAR in the first six months of 1997 was the lowest rate for the first six months of the year since 1965 (up 1.2 percent at a SAAR) and compares with a 2.6 percent rise for all of 1996. Within this category, the indexes for commodities less food and energy and for services less

energy have each advanced at virtually the same rate thus far in 1997 as for all of 1996.

	Percent change 12 months ended in December								SAAR
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	6 months ended in June 1997
All Items	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.4
Food and beverages	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.0
Housing	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.3
Apparel and upkeep	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	.9	-1.6	.1	-.2	2.3
Transportation	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-3.4
Medical care	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	3.0
Entertainment	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	2.9	2.2
Other goods and services	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	5.1
Special Indexes									
Energy	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	-8.9
Food	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	.9
All items less food and energy	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.4

The food and beverage index rose 0.2 percent in June. The index for grocery store food prices, which advanced 0.6 percent in May, also rose 0.2 percent in June. Smaller increases in the indexes for fruits and vegetables and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, coupled with a larger decline in the index for dairy products, were responsible for the moderation. The index for fruits and vegetables rose 0.3 percent in June as an increase in fresh vegetable prices more than offset a decline in fresh fruit prices. Prices for processed fruits and vegetables were, on average, unchanged. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, which rose 0.5 percent in May, increased 0.1 percent in June, reflecting a downturn in egg prices and a smaller increase in beef prices. The index for beef rose 0.2 percent in June after increasing 1.1 percent in May. The 0.9 percent decrease in the index for dairy products was the eighth

consecutive month that this component failed to increase. During this period, dairy product prices have fallen 3.5 percent after registering increases totaling 8.5 percent in the preceding five-month period. The indexes for cereal and bakery products and for other food at home rose 0.4 and 0.7 percent, respectively. In the latter group, coffee prices continued to surge upwards--up 5.0 percent in June and 19.7 percent in the last four months. The other two components of the food and beverage index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--increased 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.

The housing component rose 0.3 percent in June. Shelter costs increased 0.2 percent, following increases of 0.3 percent in each of the two preceding months. In June, within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.3 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.2 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.1 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities, which had declined in each of the three preceding months, advanced 0.6 percent in June. The index for household fuels rose 0.8 percent, following a 1.1 percent drop in May. The indexes for natural gas and for electricity rose 2.5 and 0.3 percent, respectively. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for electricity increased 6.0 percent, reflecting the switch to summer rates in some areas.) The index for other utilities and public services rose 0.4 percent in June, in part as a result of a 1.0 percent increase in the index for cable television. The index for household furnishings and operation, which increased 0.4 percent in May, was unchanged in June.

The transportation component fell 0.3 percent in June, its third consecutive decline. The index for gasoline declined for the fourth consecutive month, down 0.9 percent in June. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices rose 0.2 percent.) New vehicle purchase costs continued to show little movement; the index for new vehicle prices was unchanged, and automobile finance charges decreased 0.4 percent. The index for used cars declined 1.8 percent in June. Public transportation costs turned down in June. The index for airline fares, which advanced earlier this year, reflecting, in part, the reimposition of the 10 percent federal tax on airline fares effective March 7, declined for the second month in a row--down 1.2 percent in June.

The index for apparel and upkeep declined 0.2 percent in June. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel commodity prices fell 2.4 percent in June, reflecting seasonal price declines.)

Medical care costs rose 0.2 percent in June to a level 2.9 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--increased 0.1 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.2 percent. Charges for

professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.2 and 0.1 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs, which rose 0.2 percent in May, increased 0.5 percent in June. Increases in the index for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events and for fees for lessons or instructions--up 1.9 and 1.3 percent, respectively--were responsible for the larger advance.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.2 percent in June, the same as in May. In June, legal service fees rose 1.5 percent, while the index for tobacco and smoking products declined 0.9 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 0.1 percent in June.

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 June `97	Un- adjust- ed 12- mos. ended June `97
	Changes from preceding month								
	1996 Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	1997 Mar. Apr.		May	June		
All Items	.3	.1	.2	.1	.0	.0	.1	.5	2.1
Food and beverages	.1	-.2	.2	.1	-.2	.4	.2	1.5	2.6
Housing	.2	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.3	2.1	2.7
Apparel and upkeep	.1	.4	.4	-.3	1.0	.2	-.3	3.4	1.2
Transportation	.6	.0	.0	-.1	-.6	-1.0	-.4	-7.5	-.3
Medical care	.2	.2	.2	.3	.3	.3	.2	3.0	2.9
Entertainment	.3	.0	.1	.1	.1	.1	.5	2.5	2.2
Other goods and services	.0	.6	.4	.5	1.0	.1	.0	4.3	4.2
Special Indexes:									
Energy	1.5	.9	.3	-1.8	-1.9	-2.4	.0	-16.0	-1.0
Food	.1	-.3	.3	.1	-.2	.3	.3	1.5	2.6

All items less										
food and energy	.2	.2	.2	.2	.3	.2	.1	2.2		2.3

After seasonal adjustment, the level of the CPI-U for All Items was 160.3 in June; the seasonally adjusted CPI-W for All Items was 157.2.

Beginning with January 1997 data, BLS is reporting the level of the seasonally adjusted U.S. City Average All Items CPI-U and CPI-W in this monthly news release. Effective with the release of January 1998 data in February 1998, the seasonally adjusted All Items indexes will be fully integrated into the releases, appearing in tables 2 and 5 and in the text where relevant.

Like other seasonally adjusted CPI data, the All Items index levels are subject to revision for up to five years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.

Consumer Price Index data for July are scheduled for release on Thursday, August 14, 1997, at 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

Using a hedonic model to adjust prices of personal computers in the Consumer Price Index for changes in quality

Effective with the release of data for January 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will introduce an improved quality adjustment technique in the new stratum of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) called Personal Computers and Peripheral Equipment.

Currently, personal computers are part of the Information Processing Equipment stratum. As previously announced, beginning with the CPI for January 1998, Information Processing Equipment will become an expenditure class entitled Information and Information Processing Other Than Telephone Services. Personal Computers and Peripheral Equipment will be one of four strata in that expenditure class.

Analysts in the Producer Price Index (PPI) program have developed and implemented a regression procedure, called a hedonic model, that decomposes the price of personal computers into implicit prices for each important feature and component of the computer. This model, which has been used in the PPI since 1991, provides a way to estimate

the value of changes or improvements. The CPI has used similar hedonic methods to adjust apparel prices for many years.

Starting with the CPI for January 1998, when a personal computer or selected item of peripheral equipment, such as a modem, in the CPI sample improves in some way, a regression-based quality adjustment will be made. The value of the improvement, as derived from the PPI regression estimates, will be deducted from the observed price change for the product. (Conversely, if a model deteriorates, the value of the difference will be added to the price.)

Additional information on these changes will be published in the June 1997 CPI Detailed Report and is available on the Internet (at <http://stats.bls.gov/cpihome.htm>). This information can also be obtained by writing to Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Room 3260, 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20212 or by telephoning Joseph Chelena at (202) 606-6982 ext. 255.

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 1997 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		May 1997	June 1997	June 1996	May 1997	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
All items .....	100.000	160.1	160.3	2.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	-	479.6	480.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	17.484	157.1	157.1	2.6	.0	-.2	.4	.2
Food .....	15.913	156.6	156.6	2.6	.0	-.2	.4	.2
Food at home .....	10.040	157.5	157.3	2.5	-.1	-.4	.6	.2
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.479	176.9	178.2	2.3	.7	-.4	.3	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.002	147.7	147.9	3.4	.1	.4	.5	.1
Dairy products 1/ .....	1.245	145.4	144.1	3.1	-.9	-.3	-.2	-.9
+								
Fruits and vegetables 2/ .....	1.974	186.4	183.7	.2	-1.4	-3.4	1.8	.3
+								
Other food at home .....	2.340	147.1	147.8	3.4	.5	1.0	.1	.7

	Sugar and sweets .....	.331	147.9	148.1	3.1	.1	1.1	-.1	.5
	Fats and oils .....	.246	142.0	141.6	.6	-.3	.0	-.1	-.3
	Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.724	133.4	134.8	5.0	1.0	1.9	1.4	1.2
	Other prepared food .....	1.039	160.4	161.2	3.2	.5	.5	-.4	.6
	Food away from home .....	5.873	156.3	156.6	2.8	.2	.1	.1	.2
	Alcoholic beverages .....	1.571	162.8	162.7	2.6	-.1	.1	.3	.1
	Housing 2/ .....	41.203	155.9	156.9	2.8	.6	.2	.1	.3
+	Shelter .....	28.194	175.3	176.0	3.1	.4	.3	.3	.2
	Renters' costs 3/ 4/.....	7.994	185.3	186.6	3.7	.7	.3	.2	.3
+	Rent, residential .....	5.731	165.9	166.4	2.9	.3	.2	.4	.2
	Other renters' costs 4/ .....	2.263	222.9	226.7	5.5	1.7	.4	-.3	.5
+	Homeowners' costs 3/ 4/.....	20.000	180.6	181.1	2.9	.3	.3	.3	.2
+	Owners' equivalent rent 3/ .....	19.616	180.9	181.4	2.9	.3	.3	.3	.2
+	Household insurance 3/ 4/ .....	.383	164.5	165.3	2.9	.5	.4	.5	.1
+	Maintenance and repairs 1/ 4/ .....	.200	143.2	143.3	3.2	.1	.1	.5	.1
+	Maintenance and repair services 1/ 4/ .....	.123	149.9	150.0	3.7	.1	.3	.7	.1
+	Maintenance and repair commodities 1/ 4/ .....	.077	134.1	134.1	2.4	.0	-.5	.4	.0
+	Fuel and other utilities 2/ .....	7.102	129.0	131.9	2.7	2.2	-.2	-.6	.6
+	Fuels .....	3.878	115.3	119.8	2.8	3.9	-.8	-1.1	.8
	Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.424	100.4	98.0	3.6	-2.4	-2.1	-.4	-.7
	Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	3.453	121.9	127.5	2.7	4.6	-.6	-1.3	1.0
	Other utilities and public services 4/ .....	3.224	161.1	161.7	2.6	.4	.2	.1	.4
+	Household furnishings and operation 2/ .....	5.908	125.8	125.7	1.0	-.1	.1	.4	.0
+	Housefurnishings 4/ .....	3.332	111.5	111.2	.0	-.3	-.2	.7	-.2
+	Housekeeping supplies .....	1.093	143.0	142.9	1.5	-.1	.4	-.1	.1
	Housekeeping services 4/ .....	1.482	151.3	151.8	2.7	.3	.4	.1	.3



+		-							
	Apparel and upkeep .....	5.330	135.3	132.4	1.2	-2.1	.9	.1	-.2
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	4.786	131.8	128.6	1.1	-2.4	1.1	.2	-.3
+									
	Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.280	132.0	129.0	1.5	-2.3	1.8	.2	-.6
	Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.102	129.9	125.6	2.3	-3.3	.8	.6	-.1
	Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/ ....	.186	133.8	132.9	2.9	-.7	3.1	.1	-.7
+									
	Footwear .....	.718	129.1	126.3	-.6	-2.2	1.2	-.3	-1.0
	Other apparel commodities 4/.....	.500	146.0	146.4	-2.9	.3	-.7	-.6	.5
+									
	Apparel services 1/ 4/ .....	.545	162.9	163.2	2.2	.2	.1	.2	.2
+		-							
	Transportation .....	17.140	144.4	144.0	.0	-.3	-.4	-.8	-.3
	Private transportation .....	15.499	141.0	140.7	-.2	-.2	-.6	-.9	-.3
	New vehicles .....	4.955	144.6	144.2	.5	-.3	.0	-.2	.0
	New cars .....	3.952	142.1	141.7	.3	-.3	.0	-.1	-.1
	Used cars .....	1.278	153.9	151.8	-3.4	-1.4	-1.6	-.9	-1.8
	Motor fuel .....	3.171	105.7	105.9	-4.8	.2	-2.5	-4.0	-1.1
	Gasoline .....	-	105.2	105.4	-5.0	.2	-2.6	-4.1	-.9
	Maintenance and repairs .....	1.533	162.2	162.6	3.1	.2	.2	.2	.4
	Other private transportation 4/.....	4.562	177.0	176.7	2.1	-.2	.2	.0	.1
+									
	Other private transportation								
	commodities 4/.....	.589	104.7	104.7	-.5	.0	-.1	.1	.1
+									
	Other private transportation								
	services 4/ .....	3.973	194.2	193.8	2.5	-.2	.2	.1	.1
+									
	Public transportation .....	1.642	188.1	186.6	2.4	-.8	1.2	.2	-.6
	Medical care .....	7.346	234.2	234.4	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Medical care commodities .....	1.273	215.6	216.0	2.6	.2	.2	.4	.1
	Medical care services .....	6.073	238.5	238.7	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Professional medical services .....	3.472	215.2	215.5	3.7	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Entertainment 4/ .....	4.352	162.2	162.7	2.3	.3	.1	.2	.5
+									
	Entertainment commodities 4/ .....	1.957	143.9	143.9	.7	.0	-.2	-.1	.2
+									
	Entertainment services 4/ .....	2.395	183.5	184.5	3.7	.5	.3	.3	.8
+		-							

	Other goods and services 2/ .....	7.145	223.1	223.1	4.3	.0	.8	.2	.2
+	Tobacco and smoking products .....	1.601	243.8	241.3	3.6	-1.0	2.4	-.5	-.9
	Personal care 1/ .....	1.145	152.6	152.8	2.1	.1	.6	-.1	.1
+	Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/ .....	.588	144.1	144.2	.2	.1	.6	-.3	.1
+	Personal care services 1/ .....	.557	162.3	162.6	4.3	.2	.5	.2	.2
+	Personal and educational expenses 4/ ...	4.398	256.6	257.3	5.0	.3	.3	.5	.6
+	School books and supplies .....	.264	235.9	237.2	5.6	.6	.5	.6	.9
+	Personal and educational services 4/ .	4.134	258.3	259.1	5.0	.3	.3	.5	.6
	-								
	Commodity and service group								
	All items .....	100.000	160.1	160.3	2.3	.1	.1	.1	.1
	Commodities .....	42.873	142.1	141.5	1.1	-.4	-.1	-.1	-.1
	Food and beverages .....	17.484	157.1	157.1	2.6	.0	-.2	.4	.2
	Commodities less food and beverages ....	25.389	132.9	132.0	.1	-.7	.0	-.5	-.3
	Nondurables less food and beverages ..	15.147	135.4	134.2	.4	-.9	.1	-.7	-.3
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	4.786	131.8	128.6	1.1	-2.4	1.1	.2	-.3
+	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	10.362	140.4	140.1	.0	-.2	-.4	-1.1	-.6
	Durables .....	10.242	129.4	129.0	-.2	-.3	-.2	.0	-.2
	Services .....	57.127	178.4	179.3	3.1	.5	.3	.2	.3
	Rent of shelter 3/ .....	27.577	182.4	183.1	3.1	.4	.3	.3	.3
+	Household services less rent of shelter 3/ 4/.....	8.698	144.0	147.0	2.7	2.1	-.1	-.3	.6
+	Transportation services .....	7.148	184.9	184.5	2.6	-.2	.4	.1	.0
	Medical care services .....	6.073	238.5	238.7	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Other services .....	7.631	208.0	208.8	4.3	.4	.3	.4	.6
	Special indexes								
	All items less food .....	84.087	160.7	161.0	2.2	.2	.2	-.1	.1
	All items less shelter .....	71.806	155.7	155.7	1.9	.0	.0	.0	.1
	All items less homeowners' costs 3/ 4/.....	80.000	161.1	161.2	2.1	.1	.1	-.1	.1
+	All items less medical care .....	92.654	155.9	156.1	2.2	.1	.1	.0	.1

Commodities less food .....	26.960	134.1	133.3	.2	-.6	-.1	-.4	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	16.718	137.0	135.9	.6	-.8	.1	-.4	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	11.932	141.7	141.4	.4	-.2	-.4	-1.0	-.3
Nondurables .....	32.631	146.4	145.8	1.5	-.4	-.1	-.2	.1
Services less rent of shelter 3/ 4/ .....	29.550	186.9	188.1	3.1	.6	.3	.1	.4
+ Services less medical care services .....	51.054	172.8	173.8	3.1	.6	.2	.1	.3
Energy .....	7.049	109.9	112.3	-.7	2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.0
All items less energy .....	92.951	166.8	166.7	2.5	-.1	.2	.2	.1
All items less food and energy .....	77.038	169.3	169.2	2.4	-.1	.3	.2	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	23.364	143.3	142.2	.9	-.8	.3	.1	-.2
Energy commodities .....	3.596	105.3	105.2	-3.9	-.1	-2.4	-3.6	-1.1
Services less energy services .....	53.674	184.1	184.6	3.1	.3	.3	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 1/ .....	-	\$.625	\$.624	-2.2	-.2	-.2	.2	-.2
+ 1967=\$1.00 1/ .....	-	.209	.208	-	-	-	-	-
+ -								
+ -								

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.

2/ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

3/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

4/ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997.

- See Table X for a comparable index series.

- 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)

	Seasonally adjusted indexes					Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for				
	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Sept.	3 months ended-		6 months ended-		
						Dec.	Mar.	June	Dec.	June

Expenditure category	1997	1997	1997	1997	1996	1996	1997	1997	1996	1997
All items .....	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.3	1.8	1.0	3.2	1.4
Food and beverages .....	156.8	156.5	157.1	157.4	5.0	3.4	.5	1.5	4.2	1.0
Food .....	156.5	156.2	156.8	157.1	5.3	3.4	.3	1.5	4.4	.9
Food at home .....	157.2	156.5	157.4	157.7	6.4	3.6	-1.3	1.3	5.0	.0
Cereals and bakery products .....	177.0	176.3	176.9	177.6	2.6	3.9	.9	1.4	3.2	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	147.1	147.7	148.5	148.6	9.5	5.8	-5.8	4.1	7.6	-.9
Dairy products 1/ .....	146.1	145.7	145.4	144.1	21.3	5.3	-6.6	-5.4	13.0	-6.0
+ Fruits and vegetables 2/ .....	187.8	181.5	184.7	185.3	1.3	.6	4.2	-5.2	1.0	-.6
+ Other food at home .....	145.0	146.5	146.7	147.7	2.3	2.2	1.7	7.7	2.3	4.6
Sugar and sweets .....	146.0	147.6	147.4	148.1	4.8	1.9	.0	5.9	3.4	2.9
Fats and oils .....	142.0	142.0	141.8	141.4	3.5	.3	.0	-1.7	1.9	-.8
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	129.0	131.5	133.3	134.9	-1.9	-.9	4.1	19.6	-1.4	11.6
Other prepared food .....	160.0	160.8	160.1	161.0	4.2	4.9	1.0	2.5	4.5	1.8
Food away from home .....	156.0	156.2	156.3	156.6	3.2	3.4	2.9	1.5	3.3	2.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	161.6	161.8	162.3	162.4	3.6	3.6	1.2	2.0	3.6	1.6
Housing 2/ .....	155.6	155.9	156.1	156.5	3.2	3.2	2.3	2.3	3.2	2.3
+ Shelter .....	174.3	174.9	175.4	175.8	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.5	3.0	3.4
Renters' costs 3/ 4/ .....	183.9	184.5	184.8	185.4	3.6	2.7	4.9	3.3	3.2	4.1
Rent, residential .....	165.1	165.5	166.1	166.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	3.4	2.7	3.1
Other renters' costs 4/ .....	223.7	224.6	224.0	225.2	6.5	2.2	10.9	2.7	4.4	6.7
Homeowners' costs 3/ 4/ .....	179.8	180.4	180.9	181.2	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.7	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent 3/ .....	180.1	180.7	181.3	181.6	2.7	3.0	2.5	3.4	2.9	2.9
Household insurance 3/ 4/ .....	163.5	164.2	165.0	165.1	4.3	.7	2.5	4.0	2.5	3.2
Maintenance and repairs 1/ 4/ .....	142.4	142.5	143.2	143.3	3.2	4.7	2.6	2.6	3.9	2.6
Maintenance and repair services 1/ 4/ .....	148.4	148.9	149.9	150.0	8.0	1.6	1.1	4.4	4.8	2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/ 4/ .....	134.3	133.6	134.1	134.1	-4.2	9.9	5.2	-.6	2.6	2.3
+ Fuel and other utilities 2/ .....	130.5	130.2	129.4	130.2	5.1	6.1	.6	-.9	5.6	-.2





	of shelter 3/ 4/.....	145.2	145.0	144.6	145.5	4.0	3.4	2.5	.8	3.7	1.7
+	Transportation services .....	184.1	184.9	185.0	185.0	4.7	3.6	.0	2.0	4.1	1.0
	Medical care services .....	237.2	237.9	238.5	239.0	3.0	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.9	2.9
	Other services .....	207.8	208.4	209.3	210.5	3.0	4.2	4.8	5.3	3.6	5.0
	Special indexes										
	All items less food .....	160.3	160.6	160.5	160.7	2.6	3.6	1.8	1.0	3.1	1.4
	All items less shelter .....	155.5	155.5	155.5	155.6	2.9	3.7	1.0	.3	3.3	.6
	All items less homeowners' costs 3/ 4/.....	160.9	161.0	160.9	161.1	3.1	3.6	1.5	.5	3.3	1.0
+	All items less medical care .....	155.5	155.7	155.7	155.9	2.9	3.4	1.6	1.0	3.2	1.3
	Commodities less food .....	134.1	134.0	133.4	133.0	.6	4.0	.0	-3.2	2.3	-1.6
	Nondurables less food .....	136.2	136.3	135.7	135.2	-.9	7.7	-1.5	-2.9	3.3	-2.2
	Nondurables less food and apparel .....	142.1	141.5	140.1	139.7	2.0	8.6	-1.9	-6.6	5.2	-4.3
	Nondurables .....	145.9	145.7	145.4	145.5	2.0	5.4	-.3	-1.1	3.7	-.7
	Services less rent of shelter 3/ .....	186.7	187.2	187.3	188.0	4.0	3.7	2.2	2.8	3.9	2.5
+	Services less medical care services .....	172.5	172.9	173.1	173.6	3.6	3.3	2.8	2.6	3.5	2.7
	Energy .....	112.9	111.2	108.5	108.5	1.1	16.2	-2.8	-14.7	8.4	-8.9
	All items less energy .....	166.2	166.6	167.0	167.2	3.2	2.5	1.9	2.4	2.8	2.2
	All items less food and energy .....	168.7	169.2	169.5	169.7	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.4
	Commodities less food and energy										
	commodities .....	142.3	142.7	142.8	142.5	1.1	.9	1.1	.6	1.0	.8
	Energy commodities .....	108.8	106.2	102.4	101.3	-4.1	28.7	-8.0	-24.9	11.1	-16.9
	Services less energy services .....	183.4	184.0	184.5	185.0	3.4	3.1	2.7	3.5	3.3	3.1

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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 June 1997 from-			Percent change to May 1997 from-		
		Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	June 1997	June 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	160.0	160.2	160.1	160.3	2.3	0.1	0.1	2.2	0.1	-0.1
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban.....	M	167.3	167.1	166.8	167.0	2.4	-.1	.1	2.3	-.3	-.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	168.1	167.7	167.5	167.7	2.4	.0	.1	2.4	-.4	-.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	164.8	165.4	164.7	165.2	2.7	-.1	.3	2.3	-.1	-.4
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 3/.....	M	165.6	165.6	165.2	165.6	2.9	.0	.2	2.7	-.2	-.2
North Central urban .....	M	155.9	156.1	156.3	156.7	2.5	.4	.3	2.4	.3	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	156.6	156.9	157.0	157.3	2.5	.3	.2	2.5	.3	.1
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	154.6	154.8	155.4	155.7	2.4	.6	.2	2.5	.5	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 3/.....	M	158.1	158.2	158.3	158.7	3.0	.3	.3	2.3	.1	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	152.1	152.1	152.2	152.6	1.9	.3	.3	2.0	.1	.1
South urban .....	M	156.5	156.7	156.6	157.0	1.9	.2	.3	2.0	.1	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	155.4	155.7	155.5	155.8	1.7	.1	.2	1.8	.1	-.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	159.7	159.8	159.7	160.4	2.6	.4	.4	2.4	.0	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 3/.....	M	155.7	156.0	156.1	156.4	1.7	.3	.2	1.9	.3	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	156.0	156.1	156.0	156.3	2.2	.1	.2	2.0	.0	-.1
West urban .....	M	160.8	161.1	161.1	161.0	2.2	-.1	-.1	2.2	.2	.0
Size A - More than 1,250,000 .....	M	160.9	161.2	161.1	161.1	2.4	-.1	.0	2.2	.1	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 3/.....	M	166.3	166.5	166.5	166.0	2.2	-.3	-.3	2.5	.1	.0



Size classes												
A 4/	M	144.4	144.5	144.5	144.6	2.3	.1	.1	2.3	.1	.0	
+ B 3/	M	160.1	160.4	160.4	160.7	2.4	.2	.2	2.4	.2	.0	
+ C 3/	M	159.8	160.0	160.0	160.2	2.4	.1	.1	2.3	.1	.0	
+ D -	M	156.4	156.5	156.4	156.6	1.9	.1	.1	1.9	.0	-.1	

Selected local areas

Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....	M	161.0	160.9	161.1	161.7	2.6	.5	.4	2.7	.1	.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	M	159.8	159.9	159.5	159.4	1.7	-.3	-.1	1.3	-.2	-.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	170.7	170.2	169.9	170.3	2.3	.1	.2	2.1	-.5	-.2
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD 5/ .....	M	166.1	166.0	166.0	166.1	2.3	.1	.1	2.6	-.1	.0
+ San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA 5/ ..	M	159.2	159.6	159.8	160.0	3.1	.3	.1	3.0	.4	.1
+ -											
Baltimore, MD 6/ .....	1	157.1	-	155.5	-	-	-	-	1.0	-1.0	-
+ Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	1	168.1	-	166.7	-	-	-	-	3.0	-.8	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	1	155.4	-	155.6	-	-	-	-	2.5	.1	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	1	158.5	-	157.9	-	-	-	-	3.5	-.4	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL 7/ .....	1	152.2	-	152.1	-	-	-	-	2.7	-.1	-
+ Washington, DC-MD-VA 6/ .....	1	161.9	-	162.1	-	-	-	-	1.9	.1	-
+ -											
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	2	-	150.6	-	151.4	1.3	.5	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	2	-	156.0	-	155.0	2.0	-.6	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	-	145.2	-	144.8	1.4	-.3	-	-	-	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA 7/ .....	2	-	156.6	-	157.4	2.7	.5	-	-	-	-

1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

- 2/ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.
  - + 3/ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current
  - + - Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.
  - 4/ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
  - + 5/ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly
  - + - basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a
  - 6/ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997.
  - + - Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore
  - 7/ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly
  - + - basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each
  - January and July.
  - Data not available.
- NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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 1996	Unadjusted indexes			Unadjusted percent change to June 1997 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		May 1997	June 1997	June 1996	May 1997	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June	
All items .....	100.000	157.2	157.4	2.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	
All items (1967=100) .....	-	468.3	468.8	-	-	-	-	-	
Food and beverages .....	19.436	156.6	156.6	2.6	.0	-.2	.4	.2	
Food .....	17.749	156.1	156.1	2.6	.0	-.2	.3	.3	



	services 4/ .....	3.365	161.8	162.5	2.7	.4	.2	.1	.4
+	Household furnishings and operation 2/ .	5.536	124.3	124.2	.9	-.1	.0	.5	-.1
+	Housefurnishings 4/ .....	3.261	110.2	110.0	.1	-.2	-.3	.7	-.2
+	Housekeeping supplies .....	1.129	143.7	143.4	1.6	-.2	.4	-.1	-.1
+	Housekeeping services 4/ .....	1.145	153.9	154.4	2.6	.3	.5	.1	.5
	—								
	Apparel and upkeep .....	5.348	134.7	131.8	1.2	-2.2	1.0	.2	-.3
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	4.838	131.5	128.3	1.1	-2.4	1.0	.2	-.3
+	Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.286	131.7	128.8	1.7	-2.2	1.8	.0	-.5
	Women's and girls' apparel.....	2.053	129.0	124.8	2.2	-3.3	.4	.6	.0
	Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/ ....	.240	134.9	133.8	2.8	-.8	3.2	.0	-.8
+	Footwear .....	.799	130.1	127.2	-.7	-2.2	1.3	-.3	-.9
+	Other apparel commodities 4/.....	.461	146.8	146.3	-2.8	-.3	.4	-.7	.3
+	Apparel services 1/ 4/ .....	.510	161.9	162.2	2.0	.2	.1	.1	.2
+	— —								
	Transportation .....	19.190	143.8	143.4	-.3	-.3	-.6	-1.0	-.4
	Private transportation .....	17.934	141.5	141.1	-.5	-.3	-.8	-1.0	-.3
	New vehicles .....	4.893	145.9	145.4	.6	-.3	.1	-.3	.0
	New cars .....	3.533	141.8	141.3	.3	-.4	-.1	-.1	-.1
	Used cars .....	2.320	155.3	153.3	-3.2	-1.3	-1.6	-.9	-1.7
	Motor fuel .....	3.921	105.7	105.9	-4.6	.2	-2.7	-3.8	-.9
	Gasoline .....	-	105.2	105.5	-4.9	.3	-2.7	-4.1	-.8
	Maintenance and repairs .....	1.616	163.2	163.7	3.2	.3	.2	.2	.4
	Other private transportation 4/.....	5.185	172.5	172.1	2.0	-.2	.2	-.1	.2
+	Other private transportation								
	commodities 4/.....	.742	103.8	103.8	-.5	.0	-.3	.2	.1
+	Other private transportation								
	services 4/ .....	4.442	189.9	189.4	2.3	-.3	.3	-.1	.2
+	Public transportation .....	1.256	185.2	184.0	2.2	-.6	1.2	-.1	-.7
	Medical care .....	6.251	233.6	233.8	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Medical care commodities .....	1.047	212.9	213.4	2.6	.2	.2	.5	.0
	Medical care services .....	5.204	238.2	238.4	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Professional medical services .....	2.973	216.5	216.8	3.7	.1	.3	.3	.2

+	Entertainment 4/ .....	4.015	159.7	160.1	2.2	.3	.1	.1	.5
+	Entertainment commodities 4/ .....	2.036	142.8	142.7	.6	-.1	-.4	.0	.1
+	Entertainment services 4/ .....	1.979	183.8	185.0	3.9	.7	.5	.2	.8
+	-								
+	Other goods and services 2/ .....	7.012	220.2	219.9	4.2	-.1	1.0	.1	.0
+	Tobacco and smoking products .....	2.117	243.4	240.9	3.5	-1.0	2.3	-.5	-.9
+	Personal care 1/ .....	1.107	152.6	152.7	2.1	.1	.7	.0	.1
+	Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/ .....	.610	145.0	145.0	.3	.0	.8	-.3	.0
+	Personal care services 1/ .....	.497	162.4	162.7	4.3	.2	.6	.2	.2
+	Personal and educational expenses 4/ ...	3.788	252.5	253.1	5.2	.2	.3	.6	.4
+	School books and supplies .....	.232	237.5	239.6	6.3	.9	.6	.7	1.1
+	Personal and educational services 4/ .	3.556	254.0	254.5	5.2	.2	.3	.6	.4
+	-								
	Commodity and service group								
	All items .....	100.000	157.2	157.4	2.1	.1	.0	.0	.1
	Commodities .....	47.057	142.1	141.5	1.1	-.4	-.2	-.2	-.1
	Food and beverages .....	19.436	156.6	156.6	2.6	.0	-.2	.4	.2
	Commodities less food and beverages ....	27.621	133.2	132.3	-.1	-.7	-.2	-.5	-.4
	Nondurables less food and beverages ..	16.215	135.3	134.1	.2	-.9	.0	-.7	-.4
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	4.838	131.5	128.3	1.1	-2.4	1.0	.2	-.3
+	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	11.377	140.2	139.9	-.1	-.2	-.4	-1.3	-.6
	Durables .....	11.407	129.2	128.6	-.5	-.5	-.3	.1	-.5
	Services .....	52.943	175.5	176.4	3.0	.5	.2	.2	.3
	Rent of shelter 3/ .....	25.329	163.9	164.5	3.1	.4	.3	.3	.3
+	Household services less rent of shelter 3/ 4/.....	8.553	132.3	135.1	2.7	2.1	-.1	-.3	.6
+	Transportation services .....	7.314	182.4	182.0	2.5	-.2	.4	-.1	.1
	Medical care services .....	5.204	238.2	238.4	2.9	.1	.3	.3	.2
	Other services .....	6.542	205.0	205.7	4.5	.3	.3	.4	.5

Special indexes

All items less food .....	82.251	157.3	157.5	2.0	.1	.1	-.1	.1
All items less shelter .....	74.133	153.8	153.8	1.8	.0	-.1	-.1	.1
All items less homeowners' costs 3/ 4/.....	82.401	147.6	147.7	2.0	.1	.0	-.1	.1
+ All items less medical care .....	93.749	153.6	153.8	2.1	.1	.1	-.1	.1
Commodities less food .....	29.308	134.4	133.5	.2	-.7	-.1	-.5	-.4
Nondurables less food .....	17.901	136.9	135.8	.5	-.8	-.1	-.7	-.3
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	13.064	141.4	141.1	.2	-.2	-.4	-1.2	-.3
Nondurables .....	35.651	146.2	145.7	1.5	-.3	-.1	-.3	.0
Services less rent of shelter 3/ 4/ .....	27.613	166.5	167.7	3.1	.7	.1	.1	.3
+ Services less medical care services .....	47.738	170.1	171.1	3.1	.6	.2	.2	.4
Energy .....	7.901	109.5	111.8	-1.0	2.1	-1.9	-2.4	.0
All items less energy .....	92.099	163.9	163.8	2.4	-.1	.2	.2	.1
All items less food and energy .....	74.350	165.9	165.8	2.3	-.1	.3	.2	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	24.996	142.9	141.8	.8	-.8	.2	.0	-.3
Energy commodities .....	4.312	105.5	105.5	-3.9	.0	-2.7	-3.5	-.9
Services less energy services .....	49.354	181.4	181.9	3.1	.3	.3	.2	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 1/ .....	-	\$.636	\$.635	-2.2	-.2	-.2	.0	-.2
+ 1967=\$1.00 1/ .....	-	.214	.213	-	-	-	-	-
+ -								
+ 1/ Not seasonally adjusted.								
+ 2/ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.								
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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)

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Seasonally adjusted indexes

Seasonally adjusted annual rate  
percent change for

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes					3 months ended-		6 months ended-	
	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	June 1997	Sept. 1996	Dec. 1996	Mar. 1997	June 1997	Dec. 1996

Expenditure category

All items .....	-	-	-	-	2.6	3.9	1.5	0.5	3.3	1.0
Food and beverages .....	156.4	156.1	156.7	157.0	5.1	3.9	.3	1.5	4.5	.9
Food .....	156.0	155.7	156.2	156.6	5.1	3.9	.3	1.5	4.5	.9
Food at home .....	156.3	155.8	156.6	157.0	6.4	3.7	-1.5	1.8	5.0	.1
Cereals and bakery products .....	176.7	176.0	176.7	177.4	2.3	4.2	.9	1.6	3.3	1.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	146.7	147.4	148.2	148.3	9.5	6.4	-6.3	4.4	8.0	-1.1
Dairy products 1/ .....	145.8	145.4	145.1	143.8	20.6	5.9	-7.1	-5.4	13.0	-6.2
Fruits and vegetables 2/ .....	187.2	181.0	184.1	185.0	1.5	-.4	4.8	-4.6	.5	.0
Other food at home .....	144.5	145.9	146.2	147.0	2.3	2.5	1.1	7.1	2.4	4.1
Sugar and sweets .....	145.9	147.7	147.5	147.9	4.5	1.9	.0	5.6	3.2	2.8
Fats and oils .....	141.8	141.7	141.6	141.3	2.3	1.1	.0	-1.4	1.7	-.7
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	128.3	130.6	132.2	133.7	-1.6	-.6	2.9	17.9	-1.1	10.1
Other prepared food .....	159.6	160.7	160.0	160.7	4.2	5.4	.3	2.8	4.8	1.5
Food away from home .....	156.2	156.2	156.2	156.6	2.9	4.0	3.4	1.0	3.4	2.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	161.0	161.0	161.7	161.8	4.1	3.8	1.0	2.0	4.0	1.5
Housing 2/ .....	152.3	152.5	152.7	153.1	2.7	3.2	2.4	2.1	3.0	2.3
Shelter .....	169.5	170.0	170.5	170.9	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.3	2.8	3.2
Renters' costs 3/ 4/ .....	160.4	161.0	161.5	162.0	2.8	2.8	3.8	4.1	2.8	3.9
Rent, residential .....	164.7	165.2	165.7	166.2	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.7	2.7	3.1
Other renters' costs 4/ .....	222.4	223.9	224.3	225.7	5.0	2.0	9.1	6.1	3.5	7.6
Homeowners' costs 3/ 4/ .....	164.1	164.5	164.9	165.3	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.0
Owners' equivalent rent 3/ .....	164.4	164.8	165.3	165.6	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.0
Household insurance 3/ 4/ .....	148.4	149.0	149.4	149.6	2.8	-1.3	3.0	3.3	.7	3.1

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	Maintenance and repairs 1/ 4/ .....	140.9	141.0	141.7	141.7	1.5	6.2	2.3	2.3	3.8	2.3
+											
	Maintenance and repair services 1/ 4/ .....	150.3	150.9	151.9	152.0	7.6	1.9	.5	4.6	4.7	2.5
+											
	Maintenance and repair commodities 1/ 4/ .....	128.7	128.2	128.6	128.6	-6.2	11.8	5.1	-.3	2.4	2.4
+											
	Fuel and other utilities 2/.....	130.2	129.7	129.0	129.8	4.8	6.1	1.2	-1.2	5.5	.0
+											
	Fuels .....	117.0	115.9	114.6	115.6	6.9	8.7	.7	-4.7	7.8	-2.0
	Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	102.3	100.0	99.6	98.9	13.6	52.1	-23.8	-12.6	31.5	-18.4
	Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services).....	124.2	123.2	121.7	122.9	6.1	5.0	3.6	-4.1	5.6	-.3
	Other utilities and public services 4/ .....	160.9	161.3	161.5	162.1	2.6	3.1	2.0	3.0	2.8	2.5
+											
	Household furnishings and operation 2/.....	123.6	123.6	124.2	124.1	1.0	1.3	-.6	1.6	1.1	.5
+											
	Housefurnishings 4/ .....	109.7	109.4	110.2	110.0	.0	1.1	-1.8	1.1	.5	-.4
+											
	Housekeeping supplies .....	143.2	143.8	143.7	143.6	1.7	1.1	2.6	1.1	1.4	1.8
	Housekeeping services 4/ .....	153.0	153.7	153.9	154.6	3.5	2.7	.0	4.2	3.1	2.1
+											
	Apparel and upkeep .....	131.4	132.7	132.9	132.5	-2.4	2.2	1.8	3.4	-.2	2.6
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	128.1	129.4	129.6	129.2	-2.8	1.9	2.2	3.5	-.5	2.8
+											
	Men's and boys' apparel .....	127.8	130.1	130.1	129.4	-1.9	4.5	-.6	5.1	1.3	2.2
	Women's and girls' apparel .....	125.4	125.9	126.7	126.7	-5.7	5.3	5.6	4.2	-.3	4.9
	Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/ .....	130.7	134.9	134.9	133.8	7.3	-12.4	8.4	9.8	-3.1	9.1
+											
	Footwear .....	127.0	128.6	128.2	127.0	.0	2.2	-4.6	.0	1.1	-2.3
	Other apparel commodities 4/.....	146.3	146.9	145.8	146.2	-2.6	-9.3	1.7	-.3	-6.0	.7
+											
	Apparel services 1/ 4/ .....	161.5	161.7	161.9	162.2	1.8	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.9	2.1
+											
	Transportation .....	145.1	144.2	142.8	142.3	1.4	5.7	-.3	-7.5	3.5	-4.0
	Private transportation .....	143.0	141.9	140.5	140.1	1.1	5.2	.6	-7.9	3.2	-3.7
	New vehicles .....	145.9	146.0	145.6	145.6	3.6	-.3	.3	-.8	1.7	-.3
	New cars .....	141.8	141.7	141.5	141.3	4.0	-1.1	-.3	-1.4	1.4	-.8
	Used cars .....	159.1	156.5	155.1	152.5	.8	-3.5	7.4	-15.6	-1.4	-4.8
	Motor fuel .....	109.5	106.5	102.5	101.6	-6.2	27.7	-6.6	-25.9	9.4	-16.8
	Gasoline .....	109.0	106.1	101.8	101.0	-6.3	27.8	-7.0	-26.3	9.4	-17.2
	Maintenance and repairs .....	162.5	162.8	163.2	163.8	4.6	2.3	2.5	3.2	3.4	2.9



	Other private transportation 4/.....	172.3	172.6	172.5	172.8	3.8	-.5	3.3	1.2	1.7	2.2
+											
	Other private transportation commodities 4/.....	104.0	103.7	103.9	104.0	-.8	-.4	-.4	.0	-.6	-.2
+											
	Other private transportation services 4/ .....	189.6	190.1	189.9	190.2	4.6	-.4	3.9	1.3	2.1	2.6
+											
	Public transportation .....	182.9	185.1	184.9	183.6	6.6	15.0	-12.5	1.5	10.7	-5.7
	Medical care .....	232.4	233.0	233.7	234.1	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.9
	Medical care commodities .....	211.7	212.1	213.1	213.1	1.9	1.9	3.5	2.7	1.9	3.1
	Medical care services .....	236.9	237.6	238.2	238.7	3.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.0	2.8
	Professional medical services .....	215.0	215.7	216.3	216.8	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.4	4.0	3.6
	Entertainment 4/ .....	159.2	159.3	159.4	160.2	1.8	3.3	1.0	2.5	2.6	1.8
+											
	Entertainment commodities 4/ .....	143.1	142.5	142.5	142.7	1.4	2.6	-.6	-1.1	2.0	-.8
+											
	Entertainment services 4/ .....	182.3	183.3	183.6	185.1	2.5	3.8	2.9	6.3	3.2	4.6
+											
	Other goods and services 2/.....	218.7	220.8	221.1	221.0	3.4	3.0	5.9	4.3	3.2	5.1
+											
	Tobacco and smoking products .....	238.2	243.7	242.4	240.1	2.8	1.9	5.9	3.2	2.3	4.6
	Personal care 1/ .....	151.6	152.6	152.6	152.7	3.2	-1.1	3.2	2.9	1.1	3.1
+											
	Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/ .....	144.3	145.4	145.0	145.0	3.1	-5.9	2.2	2.0	-1.5	2.1
+											
	Personal care services 1/ .....	161.2	162.1	162.4	162.7	3.1	5.7	4.6	3.8	4.4	4.2
+											
	Personal and educational expenses 4/ .....	251.8	252.6	254.1	255.2	4.0	4.6	6.4	5.5	4.3	6.0
+											
	School books and supplies .....	235.6	236.9	238.5	241.1	7.1	6.0	2.4	9.7	6.5	6.0
	Personal and educational services 4/ ...	253.3	254.1	255.5	256.6	3.8	4.6	6.7	5.3	4.2	6.0
+											
	Commodity and service group										
	All items .....	-	-	-	-	2.6	3.9	1.5	.5	3.3	1.0
	Commodities .....	142.0	141.7	141.4	141.2	2.0	4.3	.3	-2.2	3.2	-1.0
	Food and beverages .....	156.4	156.1	156.7	157.0	5.1	3.9	.3	1.5	4.5	.9
	Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.1	132.8	132.1	131.6	.0	4.6	.0	-4.4	2.3	-2.2
	Nondurables less food and beverages ....	134.7	134.7	133.7	133.2	-1.2	8.4	-1.5	-4.4	3.5	-2.9
	Apparel commodities 4/ .....	128.1	129.4	129.6	129.2	-2.8	1.9	2.2	3.5	-.5	2.8

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	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	141.2	140.7	138.9	138.0	-1.2	12.1	-1.7	-8.8	5.3	-5.3
	Durables .....	129.4	129.0	129.1	128.5	1.9	-.9	.0	-2.8	.5	-1.4
	Services .....	175.1	175.5	175.8	176.3	3.3	3.3	2.8	2.8	3.3	2.8
	Rent of shelter 3/ .....	163.2	163.7	164.2	164.7	3.0	2.5	3.3	3.7	2.8	3.5
+											
	Household services less rent of shelter 3/ 4/.....	133.4	133.2	132.8	133.6	4.1	3.4	2.4	.6	3.7	1.5
+											
	Transportation services .....	181.6	182.4	182.3	182.4	5.0	2.7	.4	1.8	3.9	1.1
	Medical care services .....	236.9	237.6	238.2	238.7	3.0	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.0	2.8
	Other services .....	204.6	205.3	206.1	207.2	3.3	4.3	5.0	5.2	3.8	5.1
	Special indexes										
	All items less food .....	156.9	157.0	156.9	157.0	2.1	3.9	1.8	.3	3.0	1.0
	All items less shelter .....	153.7	153.6	153.4	153.5	2.7	4.0	1.0	-.5	3.3	.3
	All items less homeowners' costs 3/ 4/.....	147.4	147.4	147.3	147.4	2.5	3.9	1.4	.0	3.2	.7
+											
	All items less medical care .....	153.3	153.4	153.3	153.5	3.0	3.8	1.3	.5	3.4	.9
	Commodities less food .....	134.4	134.2	133.5	133.0	.3	4.6	.0	-4.1	2.4	-2.1
	Nondurables less food .....	136.1	136.0	135.1	134.7	.3	7.7	-1.7	-4.1	3.9	-2.9
	Nondurables less food and apparel .....	141.9	141.3	139.6	139.2	1.7	9.2	-1.9	-7.4	5.4	-4.7
	Nondurables .....	145.8	145.6	145.2	145.2	2.0	6.0	-.3	-1.6	4.0	-1.0
	Services less rent of shelter 3/ .....	166.5	166.7	166.8	167.3	4.3	3.5	2.7	1.9	3.9	2.3
+											
	Services less medical care services .....	169.7	170.1	170.4	171.0	3.4	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.3	2.9
	Energy .....	112.8	110.7	108.0	108.0	.0	17.5	-2.8	-16.0	8.4	-9.6
	All items less energy .....	163.3	163.6	163.9	164.1	2.8	2.8	2.0	2.0	2.8	2.0
	All items less food and energy .....	165.3	165.8	166.1	166.2	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.3
	Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.1	142.4	142.4	142.0	1.1	.9	1.7	-.3	1.0	.7
	Energy commodities .....	109.1	106.2	102.5	101.6	-4.8	29.6	-8.3	-24.8	11.1	-17.0
	Services less energy services .....	180.9	181.5	181.9	182.4	3.2	2.9	2.9	3.4	3.1	3.1

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1/ Not seasonally adjusted.

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2/ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

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3/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

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4/ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997.

+ - See Table X for a comparable index series.  
 - Data not available.  
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

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 June 1997 from-			Percent change to May 1997 from-		
		Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	June 1997	June 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	157.0	157.2	157.2	157.4	2.1	0.1	0.1	2.1	0.1	0.0
Region and area size 2/ -											
Northeast urban.....	M	164.5	164.4	164.1	164.3	2.3	-.1	.1	2.2	-.2	-.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	164.2	163.9	163.8	164.0	2.2	.1	.1	2.2	-.2	-.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	162.6	163.1	162.3	162.8	2.6	-.2	.3	2.1	-.2	-.5
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 3/.....	M	167.0	167.0	166.9	167.1	2.8	.1	.1	2.6	-.1	-.1
North Central urban .....	M	152.4	152.6	152.8	153.1	2.4	.3	.2	2.3	.3	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	152.3	152.6	152.7	152.9	2.2	.2	.1	2.3	.3	.1
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	150.5	150.8	151.5	151.7	2.5	.6	.1	2.5	.7	.5
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 3/.....	M	155.3	155.4	155.6	156.0	3.0	.4	.3	2.3	.2	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	150.1	150.0	150.2	150.8	1.9	.5	.4	2.0	.1	.1
South urban .....	M	154.8	155.1	155.1	155.4	1.8	.2	.2	2.0	.2	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	M	153.4	153.6	153.6	153.9	1.5	.2	.2	1.7	.1	.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 3/.....	M	155.6	155.8	155.7	156.1	2.3	.2	.3	2.2	.1	-.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 3/.....	M	155.5	155.8	156.0	156.2	1.6	.3	.1	1.9	.3	.1

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Size D - Nonmetropolitan												
(less than 50,000) .....												
	M	156.1	156.3	156.3	156.5	1.9	.1	.1	1.8	.1	.0	
West urban .....												
	M	157.4	157.8	157.8	157.5	1.9	-.2	-.2	2.0	.3	.0	
Size A - More than 1,250,000 .....												
	M	155.9	156.2	156.1	156.0	2.0	-.1	-.1	1.9	.1	-.1	
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 3/.....												
	M	163.1	163.3	163.2	162.7	2.2	-.4	-.3	2.4	.1	-.1	
+												
Size classes												
A 4/ .....												
	M	143.2	143.4	143.3	143.5	2.1	.1	.1	2.1	.1	-.1	
+												
B 3/ .....												
	M	157.0	157.3	157.3	157.6	2.3	.2	.2	2.3	.2	.0	
+												
C 3/ .....												
	M	158.8	159.0	159.1	159.2	2.2	.1	.1	2.2	.2	.1	
+												
D .....												
	M	155.4	155.6	155.6	155.7	1.7	.1	.1	1.8	.1	.0	
Selected local areas												
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI.....												
	M	155.6	155.3	155.5	156.0	2.2	.5	.3	2.4	-.1	.1	
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....												
	M	154.2	154.3	154.0	153.8	1.5	-.3	-.1	1.1	-.1	-.2	
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT												
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton,												
PA-NJ-DE-MD 5/ .....												
	M	165.3	165.1	165.2	165.3	2.2	.1	.1	2.4	-.1	.1	
+												
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA 5/ ..												
	M	156.2	156.7	156.8	157.0	2.7	.2	.1	2.5	.4	.1	
+												
Baltimore, MD 6/ .....												
	1	155.9	-	154.3	-	-	-	-	1.0	-1.0	-	
+												
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....												
	1	166.8	-	165.6	-	-	-	-	3.0	-.7	-	
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....												
	1	147.5	-	147.8	-	-	-	-	2.6	.2	-	
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....												
	1	156.2	-	155.6	-	-	-	-	3.0	-.4	-	
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL 7/ .....												
	1	151.1	-	151.2	-	-	-	-	2.6	.1	-	
+												
Washington, DC-MD-VA 6/ .....												
	1	159.1	-	159.7	-	-	-	-	1.9	.4	-	
+												
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....												
	2	-	150.4	-	151.4	1.2	.7	-	-	-	-	
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....												
	2	-	151.0	-	149.8	1.8	-.8	-	-	-	-	
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....												
	2	-	144.1	-	144.1	1.3	.0	-	-	-	-	
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA 7/ .....												
	2	-	150.1	-	150.8	2.7	.5	-	-	-	-	
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1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as

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- indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

2/ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

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3/ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current

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- Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

4/ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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5/ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly

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- basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

6/ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997.

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- Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

7/ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly

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- basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.