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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR JUNE 1956

Consumer prices in United States cities, advancing 0.7 percent above the May level, reached a new high in June, according to the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. An average increase of 2.0 percent in food prices, partly seasonal, was primarily responsible for the rise. Continued small advances for housing, medical and personal care, and "other goods and services" also contributed to the increase. Apparel prices were unchanged on the average and prices of transportation and reading and recreation items declined.

The Consumer Price Index for June, at 116.2 percent of the 1947-49 average, was 1.6 percent higher than a year earlier.

FOOD The advance in food prices, the largest monthly increase since January 1951, brought the food index for June to 113.2, 1.7 percent higher than a year ago, but still 2.9 percent below the August 1952 peak. Food prices increased in all of the 46 cities surveyed.

Prices averaged higher for 65 of the 78 food items priced, with fresh fruits and vegetables and pork accounting for most of the increase. The average price of potatoes rose from 80 cents to 92 cents for a 10-pound bag, reflecting unfavorable growing conditions along the East Coast. Tomatoes at 33 cents a pound averaged 5 cents higher than in May, and onions at 12.5 cents a pound were at their highest level since March 1953. Oranges averaged 60 cents a dozen in June, up $5\frac{1}{2}$ cents over the month. Apples were 9.2 percent above their May price.

Decreased supplies brought greater than usual seasonal increases in prices of pork. Chops averaged 9 cents a pound higher than in May and ham and bacon prices rose about $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents a pound. Beef and veal prices also increased during the month, but were still 4 percent lower than a year ago. Coffee prices increased 1.7 percent.

Prices of frying chickens declined 1.7 percent, and egg prices decreased contraseasonally by the same amount.

HOUSING The rise in the housing index reflected increases in all of its components except gas and electricity. Residential rents continued to advance slightly, with average increases reported in 21 of the 35 cities surveyed in June. Housefurnishings prices increased 0.2 percent, as some textile items returned to regular prices following May sales, and prices of furniture rose slightly. Lower prices were recorded for ranges and refrigerators. The advance in the household operation group reflected generally higher prices for laundry soap and detergents and continued increases for laundry and dry cleaning services. Solid fuels and fuel oil rose 0.4 percent on the average.

OTHER COMMODITIES Prices of commodities other than foods were relatively stable. <u>AND SERVICES</u> Apparel prices were unchanged on the average for the third successive month, higher prices for men's and boys' wear and

footwear offsetting further reductions in prices of women's and girls' apparel. New and used car prices were down about 1 percent, and small price changes were reported for tires, gasoline, and motor oil. Prices of sporting goods and toys averaged 1.5 percent lower. On the other hand, higher rates were reported for hospital and other medical care, barber and beauty shop services, auto repairs, and other consumer services generally.

NOTICE:	As a result of an incorrect price reported for new automobiles in Los Angeles, it has been necessary to make the following revisions of indexes published for May 1956:						
	Group		d Index U.S. Average 9=100)				
	All Items Transportation Private Transportation	116.9 125.6 121.2	* 127.1 117.1				
		<u>(1935–3</u>	9=100)				
	All Items	195.3	*				
* No chan	ge.						

			Indexes (1947-49.	.100)		
Group	June 1956	May 1956	Arri1 1956	June 1955	June 1950	Year 1939
-	This month	Last	2 months ago	Last year	Pre-Korea	Pre-World War II
ll items	116.2	115.4	114.9	114.4	101.8	59.4
Food 1/	113.2	111.0	109.6	111.3	100.5	47.1
Food at home	112.1	109.5	107.9	110.3	100.5	47.1
Cereals and bakery products	125.2	124.7	124.5	124.0	102.7	57.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	98.0	95.5	94.0	103.8	106.1	41.6
Dairy products	107.7	107.5	106.4	104.1	92.3	49.8
Fruits and vegetables Other foods at home	131.4 111.1	121.5 110.9	116.7 110.8	119 . 5 107 . 7	102.5 94.1	46.3 48.4
Housing 2/	121.4	120,9	120.8	119.7	104.9	76.1
Rent	132.5	132.2	131.7	130.4	108.7	86.6
Gas and electricity	111.7	111.8	111.8	110.7	102.7	104.9
Solid fuels and fuel oil	128.4	127.9	129.7	122.7	107.6	56.4
Housefurnishings	102.8	102.6	102.7	103.8	97.4	53.4
Household operation	122.6	122.4	122.1	119.2	99.6	68.4
Apparel	104.8	104.8	104.8	103.2	96.5	52.5
Men's and boys'	107.5	107.0	106.5	105.6	98.1	(4/)
Women's and girls'	97.5	97.9	98.1	97.2	93.3	(4/)
Footwear	123.1	122.8	123.0	117.4	102.1	(<u></u> ,
Other apparel	91.1	91.1	91.1	90.1	88.4	(<u>4</u> /)
Transportation	126,8	<u>R/ 127.1</u>	126.4	125.8	109.9	70.2
Public	172.6 116.7	172.5 <u>R</u> / 117.1	170.8 116.5	165 . 1 116 . 5	117.9 106.6	81.3 65.5
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Medical care	132.0 119.9	<u>131.9</u> 119.6	131.6	<u>127.6</u> 114.7	105.4 99.2	72.6
Reading and recreation	107.6	108,2	108.2	106.2	102.5	59.6 63.0
Other goods and services 3/	121.8	121.5	121.4	119.9	102.9	70.6
-			Percent change to	June 1956	from:	
		May 1956	April 1956	June 1955	June 1950	Year 1937
ll items		0.7	1.1	1.6	14.1	95.6
Food 1/		2.0	3.3	1 .7	12.6	140.3
Food at home		2.4	3.9	1.6	11.5	138.0
Cereals and bakery products		4	.6	1.0	21.9	118.9
Meats, poultry, and fish		2.6	4.3	- 5.6	- 7.6	135.6
Dairy products		.2	1.2	3.5	16.7	116.3
Fruits and vegetables		8.1	12.6	10.0	28.2	183.8
Other foods at home		.2	•3	3.2	18.1	129.5
Housing 2/			.5	1.4	15.7	59.5
Gas and electricity		•2	.6	1.6	21.9	53.0
Solid fuels and fuel oil		1 .4	1	•9 4•6	8.8 19.3	6.5 127 7
Housefurnishings		.2	.1	- 1.0	5.5	127 . 7 92 . 5
Household operation		.2	•4	2.9	.23.1	79.2
Household Oberacion			0	1.6	8.6	99.6
Apparel		0				
Apparel		•5	.9	1.8	9.6	$(\mu/)$
Apparel Men's and boys'		•5 - •4	•9 - •6	1.8 .3	9.6 4.5	
Apparel		•5	.9	1.8	9.6	(4/)
Apparel Men's and boys' Women's and girls' Footwear Other apparel Transportation		•5 - •4 •2 0	.9 6 .1 0	1.8 .3 4.9 1.1	9.6 4.5 20.6 3.1	EEE
Apparel		•5 - •4 •2 0	.9 6 .1 0 .3	1.8 .3 4.9 1.1 .8	9.6 4.5 20.6 3.1 15.4	(4/) (4/) (4/) 80,6
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TABLE 1: Consumer Price Index -- United States city average, all items and commodity groups Indexes and percent changes for selected dates

1/ Includes restaurant meals not shown separately. 2/ Includes home purchase and other home-owner costs not shown separately. 3/ Includes tobacco, alcoholic beverages, and "miscellaneous services"(such as legal services, banking fees, burial services, etc.). 4/ Not available. E/ Revised.

TABLE 2: Consumer Price Index -- All items indexes for selected dates U.S. city average and 20 Jarge cities

		[1935-39=100]				
City	June 1956	<u>Мау</u> 1956	June 1955	June 1950	Year 1939	June 1956 <u>1</u>
United States city average	116.2	115.4	114.4	101.8	59.4	194.3
Cities priced monthly:						
Chicago Detroit Los Angeles New York	119.5 118.7 117.4 113.8	118.6 118.0 <u>R</u> / 116.9 113.0	117.4 116.7 115.3 111.8	102.8 102.8 101.3 100.9	58.6 59.0 60.4 60.1	203.5 200.4 196.2 188.3
Philadelphia	116.8	116.2	115.5	101.6	59.2	194.4
Cities priced in March, June, eptember, December <u>2</u> /	June 1956	March 1956	June 1955	June 1950	Year 1939	June 1956
Atlanta	118.0	116.8	116.0	3/ 101.3	58.3	200.1
Baltimore	116.6	115.2	115.0	101.6	57.9	200.4
Cincinnati	116.3	114.3	113.7	101.2	58.4	195.8
San Francisco	117.0 117.9	115 . 7 116 . 8	115.9 115.3	101 . 1 100 . 9	59•3 58•6	195.3 201.5
Cities priced in February, May, August, November 2/	May 1956	February 1956	Мау 1955	<u>Мау</u> 1950	Year 1939	May 1956
Cleveland	117.3	115.7	115.3	100.4	59.2	199.9
Houston	116.8	116.6	115.5	103.5	59.5	197.7
Scranton	112.1	111.1	111.4	100.2	58.5	186.3
Seattle	117.1	116.2	116.8	102.0	59.2	200.1
Washington, D. C	114.4	113.4	113.5	101.6	60.4	187.8
Cities priced in January, April, July, October <u>2</u> /	April 1956	January 1956	April 1955	April 1950	Year 1939	April 1956
Boston	115.2	114.6	113.4	101.2	61.0	185.5
Kansas City	116.4	115.5	115.2	101.4	61.7	187.4
Minneapolis	115.6	116.1	117.0	4/ 102.1	60.7	191.4
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Pittsburgh	115.2	113.6	113.8	99.9	58.1	195.8

1/ These are the same indexes shown in column 1, converted to a base of 1935-39:100.

1/ Inset are the same indexes shown in column 1, converted to a task of 1999-99-100.
2/ Foods, fuels, rents, and a few other items priced monthly; other commodities and services priced quarterly.
3/ May 1950; formerly priced February, May, August, November.
4/ June 1950; formerly priced March, June, September, December.
8/ Revised.

NOTE: This is the final publication of city indexes on the base of 1935-39 = 100. The U.S. index will be published until further notice.

TABLE 3: Consumer Price Index -- Percent changes from May 1956 U.S. city average and five cities priced monthly All items and commodity groups to June 1956

City	All items	Food	Housing	Apparel	Trans- portation	Medical care	Personal care	Reading and recreation	Other goods & services
United States city average	0.7	2.0	0.4	0	- 0.2	0.1	0.3	- 0.6	0.2
Chicago Detroit Los Angeles New York	.8 .6 .4 .7	1.7 2.3 1.1 1.9	.8 .3 .2 .2	- 0.2 2 3 .3	.2 4 1 2	1 .2 0 0	.3 .1 2 .1	4 9 .4 .4	•1 - •1 1•6 •2
Philadelphia	•5	1.5	.3	.1	5	.1	0	3	•1

TABLE 4: Consumer Price Index -- All items and commodity groups June 1956 indexes and percent changes, March 1956 to June 1956 U.S. city average and 10 cities priced in June 1956

Group	U.S. City Average	Atlanta	Balti- more	Chicago	Cincin- nati	Detroit	Los Angeles	New York	Phila- delphia	St. Louis	San Francisco
					Indexes	(1947 -49	,100)			••••	• - ~-
ll items	116.2	118.0	116.6	119.5	116.3	118.7	117.4	113.8	116.8	117.0	117.9
Food	113.2	111.3	114.2	110.6	115.3	116.5	114.2	112.7	114.6	113.8	114.5
Food at home	112.1	110.0	112.0	109.1	114.3	115.4	111.0	111.6	113.2	111.9	113.2
Cereals and bakery products	125.2	118.3	121.8	120.1	124.9						
	98.0					119.6	130.9	129.4	124.7	119.4	130.8
Meats, poultry, and fish		100.0	98.4	91.3	99.6	97.1	97.7	99.6	99.4	96.2	103.7
Dairy products	107.7	109.5	109.1	110.7	113.6	109.1	103.3	103.3	107.7	101.7	105.8
Fruits and vegetables	131.4	130.1	129.9	124.4	131.6	148.7	126.3	128.7	135.0	135.1	130.5
Other foods at home	111.1	104.0	111.4	118.3	116.8	113.4	109.3	111.5	110.8	120.1	107.5
Housing	121.4	126.6	115.9	130.9	120.7	123.6	127.2	117.2	116.2	120.9	120.6
Rent	132.5				135.5					139.3	135.0
Gas and electricity	111.7	119.4	99.9	113.8	118.0	114.0	116.2	110.0	103.4	103.8	136.3
Solid fuels and fuel oil	128.4	117.9	129.6	132.3	130.3	123.9		135.5	121.5	136.8	
Housefurnishings	102.8	107.8	96.8	101.3	97.8	106.9	101.3	102.7	107.9	100.9	105.0
Household operation	122.6	132.6	117.1	127.3	130.1	116.2	125.2	121.4	119.3	125.9	110.8
Apparel	104.8	110.7	104.7	108.0	104.2	102.3	105.8	103.8	103.7	104.3	105.4
Men's and boys'	107.5	112.4	103.8	113.7	104.0	110.1	109.9	107.2	104.1	107.1	106.5
Women's and girls'	97.5	104.0	100.0	97.9	97.8	91.1	97.5	95.7	98.8	96.1	99.7
Footwear	123.1	130.1	123.2	127.0	130.4	118.8	127.0	122.9	118.1	123.8	124.6
Other apparel	91.1	92.2	95.3	94.8	88.1	87.3	83.0	94.1	91.9	95.8	88.8
Transportation	126.8	124.3	137.4	131.9	122.2	124.7	125.5	131.5	133.6	133.8	140.0
Public	172.6	154.8	186.6	166.5	163.9	144.3	152.9	187.9	186.7	187.9	180.6
Private	116.7	118.3	118.8	116.7	112.2	120.7	121.1	111.5	112.5	115.7	126.4
Medical care	132.0	130.0	142.2	136.3	137.3	142.7.	126.8	126.7	137.6	140.7	128.3
	1 110 0	125.0	116.5	123.2	119.4	127.5	119.4	111.5	127.6	118.7	116.5
Personal care	119.9							105 (114.6	90.2	1001
Reading and recreation	107.6	109.4	116.9	115.1	99.7	108.5	97.0	105.6	114.0	90.2	105.4
			123.9	117.7	120.9	124.4	118.2	121.4	125.0	122.0	118,2
Reading and recreation	107.6	109.4	123.9	117.7	120.9		118.2		125.0		
Reading and recreation Other goods and services	107.6	109.4	123.9	117.7	120.9	124.4	118.2	121.4	125.0		
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1/ Change from December 1955 to June 1956.

TABLE 5: Consumer Price Index Food and its subgroups	
June 1956 indexes and percent changes, May 1956 to June 1956	
U.S. city average and 20 large cities	
[1947-49_100]	

	Total	food		tal thome		ls and products		poultry, fish		iry lucts		ts and tables		her at home
City			1000 0		- Vakery	;			prot		vege		10003	
	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change
U.S. city average	113.2	2.0	112.1	2.4	125.2	0.4	98.0	2.6	10 7.7	0.2	131.4	8.1	111.1	0.2
Atlanta	111.3	2.2	110.0	2.5	118.3	0	100.0	2.8	109.5	.6	130.1	9.7	104.0	1
Baltimore	114.2	2.0	112.0	2.3	121.8	.2	98.4	2.3	109.1	.2	129.9	8.3.	111.4	.3
Boston	112.1	2.2	110.2	2.9	122.3	.1	97.3	3.3	105.0	2	130.6	10.2	105.9	.2
Chicago	110.6	1.7	109.1	1.9	120.1	.1	91.3	2.5	110.7	.4	124.4	5.6	118.3	.4
Cincinnati	115.3	2.4	114.3	2.6	124.9	.2	99.6	4.0	113.6	2	131.6	7.6	116.8	.2
Cleveland	111.9	2.5	110.4	2.9	121.5	1:6	95.3	2.3	104.3	1	127.9	9.6	115.4	1.0
Detroit	116.5	2.3	115.4	2.7	119.6	2	97.1	3.9	109.1	.2	148.7	7.1	113.4	.5
Houston	108.7	1.1	107.4	1.9	117.4	2	92.6	2.0	108.8	1	120.2	7.9	109.7	1
Kansas City	110.1	2.3	108.7	2.8	120.7	.2	93.5	4.4	110.6	0	124.2	7.3	107.1	1.2
Los Angeles	114.2	1.1	111.0	1.3	130.9	2.0	97.7	1.6	103.3	.3	126.3	3.7	109.3	7
Minneapolis	114.1	1.1	113.9	1.3	126.3	1	95.0	2.2	111.0	8	136.3	4.4	120.0	•4
New York	112.7	1.9	111.6	2.4	129.4	.2	99.6	.5	103.3	.7	128.7	10.4	111.5	.4
Philadelphia	114.6	1.5	113.2	1.8	124.7	.1	99.4	1.1	107.7	.2	135.0	7.7	110.8	2
Pittsburgh	115.2	3.0	114.4	3.5	125.5	1	97.3	4.0	107.3	0	139.0	13.9	119.9	1
Portland, Oreg	116.1	2.3	115.3	2.9	130.2	3.9	100.0	2.8	113.4	.8	132.2	5.9	114.3	1.5
St. Louis	113.8	2.1	111.9	2.6	119.4	1	96.2	3.3	101.7	.2	135.1	7.8	120.1	.4
San Francisco	114.5	1.1	113.2	1.1	130.8	Ó	103.7	1.8	105.8	.1	130.5	2.6	107.5	.4
Scranton	112.0	3.4	111.6	4.0	123.8	2	98.5	5.5	105.3	1	134.3	14.6	108.5	2
Seattle	113.6	1.6	113.2	1.9	132.0	.6	98.0	2.2	112.9	O O	130.4	5.5	109.4	7
Washington, D.C	114.2	2.0	112.7	2.5	122.3	.3	95.3	2.5	112.3	.2	133.0	8.7	112.5	.4

TABLE 6: Consumer Frice Index -- Average retail prices of selected foods U.S. city average

Food and unit	June 1956	May 1956	Food and unit	June 1956	May 1956
Cereals and bakery products;	Cents	Cents	Fresh Continued	Cents	Cents
Flour, wheat 5 lb.	53.6	53.4	Grapefruit * each		11.0
Biscuit mix 20 oz.	26.7	26.7	Peaches * 1b.		
Corn meal 1b.	12.5	12.5	Strawberries * pt.	31.1	28.8
Rice 1b.	17.1	17.1	Grapes, seedless * 1b.		
Rolled oats 20 oz.	19.3	19.3	Watermelons * Ib.	6.1	
Corn flakes 12 oz.	21.8	21.8	Potatoes 10 lb.	92.3	79.7
Bread, white 1b.	17.8	17.7	Sweetpotatoes 1b.	13.5	12.5
Soda crackers 1b.	27.6	27.4	Onions 1b.	12.5	9.1
Vanilla cookies 7 oz.	23.9	23.9	Carrots 1b.	13.7	12.9
feats, poultry, and fish:			Lettuce head	16.0	15.9
Round steak 1b.	85.7	84.0	Celery 1b.	14.6	13.2
Chuck roast 1b.	46.1	45.5	Cabbage 1b.	8.6	7.9
Rib roast 1b.	67.0	65.7	Tomatoes 1b.	33.2	28.4
Hamburger 1b.	37.9	37.7	Beans, green 1b.	28.0	27.6
Veal cutlets 1b.	110.8	110.6	Canned:		
Pork chops, center cut 1b.	86.3	77.3	Orange juice 46-oz. can	37.1	36.8
Bacon, sliced 1b.	56.6	54.2	Peaches #22 can	35.1	35.0
Ham, whole 1b.	62.1	59.4	Pineapple #2 can	33.7	33.6
Lamb, leg 1b.	74.7	71.3	Fruit cocktail #303 can	26.1	26.1
Frankfurters 1b.	51.7	51.5	Corn, cream style #303 can	18.1	18.0
Luncheon meat, canned 12 oz.	40.4	40.4	Peas, green #303 can	21.6	21.6
Frying chickens, ready-to-cook 1b.	48.8	49.1	Tomatoes #303 can	15.2	15.2
Ocean perch, fillet, frozen 1b.	41.9	41.8	Baby foods 41 to 5 oz.	9.9	9.8
Haddock, fillet, frozen 1b.	45.2	45.4	Dried:		
Salmon, pink, canned 16 oz.	60.1	59.7	Prunes 1b.	36.1	35.9
Tuna fish, canned 6 to 62 oz.	32.3	32.8	Beans 1b.	16.2	16.1
airy products:			Other foods at home:	10.2	
Milk, fresh, (grocery) qt.	22.2	22.2	Vegetable soup 11-oz. can	14.0	14.0
Milk, fresh, (delivered) qt.	23.7	23.7	Beans with pork 16-oz. can	14.6	14.5
Ice cream pt.	28.8	28.7	Pickles, sweet 71 oz.	26.9	27.0
Butter 1b.	71.9	71.7	Catsup, tomato 14 oz.	23.1	23.0
Cheese, American process 1b.	57.2	57.2	Coffee 1b. can	101.8	100.3
Milk, evaporated 142-oz. can	14.0	13.8	Tea bags pkg. of 16	23.2	23.2
ruits and vegetables:	14.0		Cola drink, carton 36 oz.	32.6	32.5
Frozen:			Shortening, hydrogenated 3 1b.	99.2	
Strawberries 10 oz.	30.4	30.2	Margarine, colored 1b.		97.3
Orange juice concentrate 6 oz.	19.7	19.6	Lard 1b.	29.2	29.3
Peas, green 10 oz.	21.4	21.3	Salad dressing pt.	19 . 8 35 . 6	19.8
Beans, green 10 oz.	23.2		Peanut butter 1b.		35.3
Fresh:	~J•~	23.1	Sugar 5 lb.	53.5	53.4
-	18.1	166	Corn syrup 24 oz.	52.9	52.6
Apples 1b.		16.6	Grape jelly 12 oz.	23.5	23.5
Bananas 1b.	17.1	16.9		26.4	26.4
Oranges, size 200 doz.	59.9	54.4	Chocolate bar 1 oz.	4.5	4.5
Lenons 1b.	17.5	17.6	Eggs, Grade A, large doz.	56.3	57.3
		1	Gelatin, flavored 3 to 4 oz.	8,5	8.5

* Priced only in season.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the average changes in prices of goods and services typically bought by city families of wage earners and clerical workers. It is based on prices of about 300 items which were selected so that their price changes would represent the movement of prices of all goods and services purchased by wage and clerical families; they include all of the important items in family spending. Prices for these items are obtained in 46 cities which were chosen to represent all urban places in the United States; they are collected from grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments which wage-earner and clerical-worker families patronize.

Prices of foods, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 46 cities. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the 5 largest cities and every 3 months in other cities. Almost all prices are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each city are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in family spending. City data are then combined in the total index with weights based on the 1950 populations of cities they represent. Index numbers are computed on the base 1947-49 = 100.

The national index (the United States city average) includes prices from the 20 large cities for which separate indexes are published in this report, as well as from the following 26 medium-sized and small cities:

Anna, Illinois	Huntington, W. Virginia	Fulaski, Virginia
Camden, Arkansas	Laconia, New Hampshire	Ravenna, Ohio
Canton, Ohio	Lodi, California	Rawlins, Wyoming
Charleston, W. Virginia	Lynchburg, Virginia	San Jose, California
Evansville, Indiana	Madill, Oklahoma	Sandpoint, Idaho
Garrett, Indiana	Madison, Wisconsin	Shawnee, Oklahoma
Glendale, Arizona	Middlesboro, Kentucky	Shenandoah, Iowa
Grand Forks, N. Dakota	Middletown, Connecticut	Youngstown, Ohio
Grand Island, Nebraska	Newark, Ohio	

Comparisons of city indexes show only that prices in one city changed more or less than in another. The city indexes cannot be used to measure differences in price levels or in living costs between cities.

A description of the index is contained in BLS Bulletin 1140, "The Consumer Price Index: A Layman's Guide," which may be purchased for 20 cents at any Bureau of Labor Statistics regional office (addresses below) or from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. A more technical description of the index appears in BLS Bulletin 1168, "Techniques of Freparing Major BLS Statistical Series." Reprints of chapter 9, pertaining to the CPI, are available on request to the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington or at any of its regional offices.

Historical series of index numbers for the United States city average and for 20 large cities are available upon request. These series include index numbers for All Items, Food, Apparel, and Rent for periods from 1913 to date; and for other groups of goods and services from 1947 to date.

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