

May 1967

the consumer price index

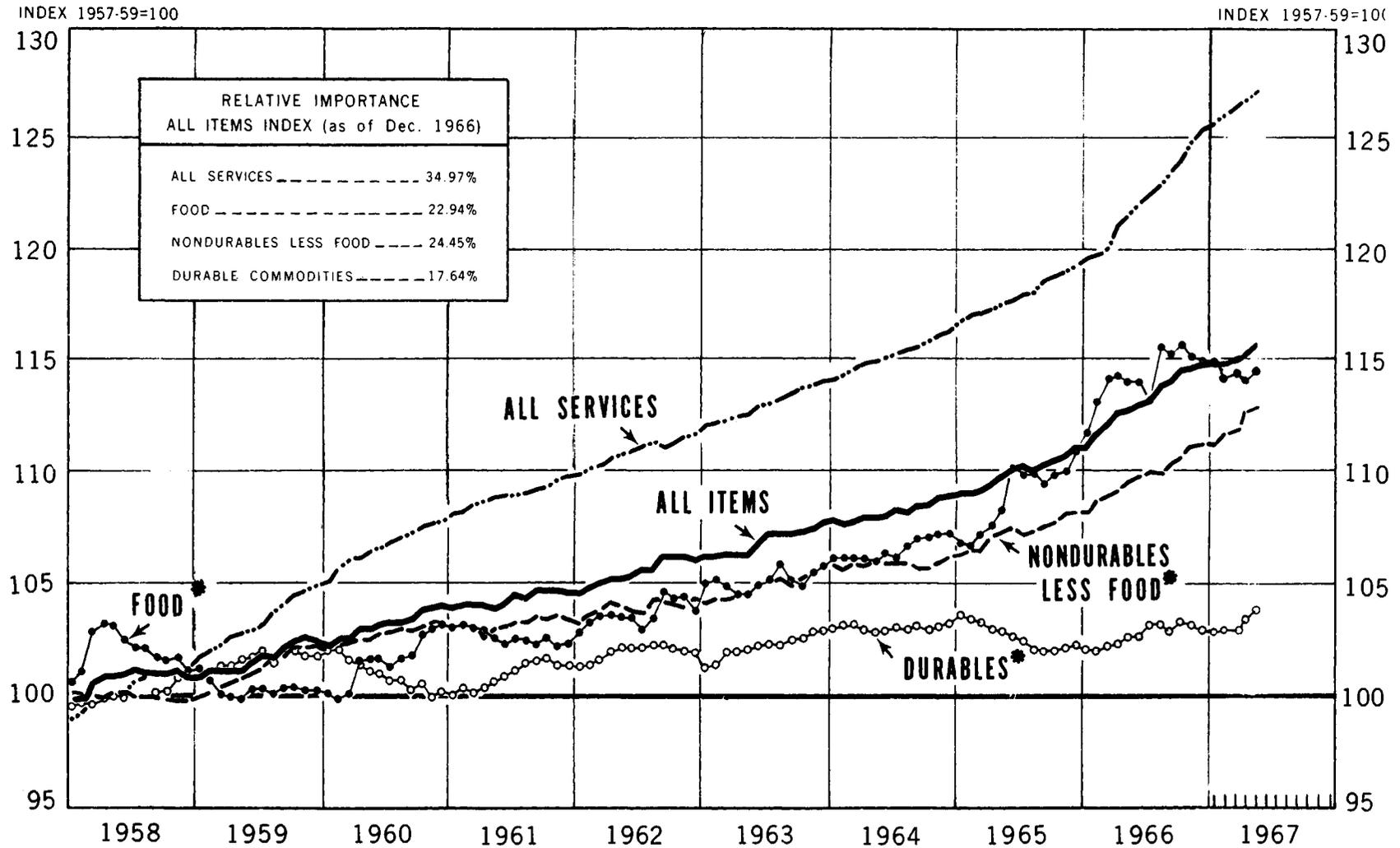
U S CITY AVERAGE
AND
SELECTED AREAS

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES: COMMODITIES AND SERVICES

* (Seasonally Adjusted)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

Latest Data: May 1967

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Bureau of Labor Statistics
Washington, D. C. 20212

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR MAY 1967

Price Changes, April to May 1967

The Consumer Price Index went up 0.3 percent in May to 115.6 (1957-59=100), following a similar advance in April. Prices for all major groups of goods and services increased. The index has risen by 0.8 percent during the first five months of this year, only a little more than half of the increase recorded during the same period in 1966. Higher prices of commodities other than food accounted for more than half the May increase in the overall index and higher charges for consumer services for about two-fifths. Prices of food bought for home consumption rose fractionally in May for the first time in 9 months.

Prices of consumer durable goods averaged 0.5 percent higher in May. Higher prices for used cars were again largely responsible for the group's advance. An increase in house prices and further gains in furniture and appliance prices also played major roles in the May increase. Thus far in 1967, prices of consumer durables have risen 0.8 percent while in the same period a year ago they increased barely 0.1 percent. Used cars accounted for a large part of this year's accelerated pace.

In the first five months of 1967, used car prices have risen about 6 percent. In the same 1966 period they declined fractionally. A shrinkage in the number of late model used cars, due apparently to the drop-off in trade-ins as a result of this year's slower pace of new car sales, seems to be the primary cause of the advance. In addition, used car sales have shown a small increase over a year ago. New car prices declined in May, but not as much as usual, although the decline for the 1967 model year as a whole (2-1/2 percent) has been about normal.

Prices of nondurable goods other than foods rose more than seasonally (0.3 percent), largely because of higher apparel prices. Women's and girls' apparel costs increased by 1.1 percent, as prices of this season's bathing suits, street dresses, house dresses and girls' shorts were increased. Prices of some men's and boys' clothing and footwear also advanced. Continuing demand, widening retail margins, and higher unit labor costs are responsible for the relatively steep advance in apparel prices. A contraseasonal decrease in gasoline prices offset, in part, the advances for apparel.

Food prices averaged higher in May for the first time since August 1966, as prices of food purchased for home consumption reversed their eight-month downtrend and averaged 0.1 percent higher. Costs of restaurant meals and snacks rose 0.3 percent. Prices of fresh vegetables rose by 4-1/2 percent as rain and cool weather in California and drought conditions in the South affected the yield and harvesting of lettuce, celery, cabbage, and green peppers. However, cucumbers, asparagus, onions, and potatoes were in plentiful supply and their prices dropped accordingly. Fresh fruit prices were higher in response to reductions in supplies of apples and oranges. Drought conditions in some Northeastern States reduced supplies of fresh milk, causing prices to rise, but prices of ice cream, cheese and butter, were lower. Higher prices for bread reflected a return to more usual pricing from the competitive sale prices prevalent in many cities in recent months.

Supplies of beef, pork and poultry continued plentiful, causing an average decline of 1/2 of one percent. Prices were reduced for most cuts of meat, bringing the total decline from their 1966 peak to about 7 percent. Seasonally high production of eggs resulted in a price decline of 5.2 percent in May.

Charges for consumer services continued to increase in May with a rise of 0.3 percent, bringing the gain for this component thus far in 1967 to 1.4 percent. In the year-earlier period, costs of consumer services rose 1.9 percent. This year's slower rate of advance is accounted for by mortgage interest costs which fell 1.1 percent in the first five months of 1967, but rose 5.2 percent in the same 1966 period. About half of the May increase was due to higher household service costs, mainly real estate taxes and insurance rates in some cities, and home maintenance charges. Costs of medical care services, rent, public transportation, and most other services continued to increase in May as they have for some time. Gas rates declined slightly.

Price Trends, May 1966 to May 1967

The Consumer Price Index rose 2.7 percent between May 1966 and May 1967. Higher charges for consumer services (up 4.5 percent) accounted for three-fifths of the total index rise. Commodities other than food, accounting for most of the remainder, increased 2.3 percent, largely as a result of increases in prices of nondurable goods. Food prices increased slightly on the average (0.4 percent), with restaurant meal prices up 5.3 percent, but grocery store food prices down by 1 percent, largely in response to abundant supplies.

Increased charges for medical care services (up 9.3 percent) accounted for 30 percent of the increase in total service costs. Charges for hospital services have been raised over 20 percent in the past year as steadily increasing costs of operation and administration have been passed on to patients. Other services showing significant increases during the year were mortgage interest, real estate taxes, fire insurance, household maintenance and repair, and public transportation.

Nondurable commodities other than food increased 3.1 percent under pressure of higher apparel and gasoline prices. Most other nondurables (including soaps and detergents, newspapers, and cigarettes) also increased in price over the year, but prescriptions and drugs cost somewhat less. Prices of durable goods rose by 1.4 percent mainly because of higher prices for used cars and furniture. New car and appliance prices were lower than a year ago.

Lower prices for eggs, most meats, and many fruits and vegetables caused the cost of groceries to decline over the year. Cold storage holdings of pork were 43 percent above a year ago, and cold storage supplies of beef and veal were 13 percent greater. The largest price declines were 14 percent for bacon, 13 percent for pork sausage, and 12 percent for picnics. Beef and veal prices averaged 3 percent lower. Among fruits and vegetables, the largest declines were 16 percent for grapefruit, 15 percent for fresh orange juice and 13 percent for potatoes. On the other hand, short supplies of lettuce and green peppers caused price advances of 30 and 16 percent, respectively. Abundant supplies of eggs have caused their prices to fall by 17 percent from a year ago, but prices of dairy products have advanced by 6 percent, and cereals and bakery products cost 4 percent more than in May 1966.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments

Approximately 125,000 workers are scheduled to receive hourly pay increases based either on the national Consumer Price Index or individual city indexes for May. About 113,000, mostly in the aircraft industry, will receive a 2-cent increase because of the rise in the national index since February. The other increases will range from 1 cent to 9 cents, representing quarterly, semi-annual, or annual adjustments.

TABLE 1: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers
Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, May 1967
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)				Percent change to May 1967 from --					
	May 1967		April 1967		May 1966	April 1967		February 1967		May 1966
	Unad-justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad-justed	Seasonally adjusted		Unad-justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad-justed	Seasonally adjusted	
All items -----	115.6	-----	115.3	-----	112.6	0.3	-----	0.7	-----	2.7
Food -----	113.9	114.5	113.7	113.9	113.5	.2	0.5	-.3	0.4	.4
Food at home -----	110.9	111.5	110.8	110.9	112.0	.1	.5	-.7	.1	-1.0
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.8	-----	118.5	-----	114.3	.3	-----	.3	-----	3.9
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	108.5	110.3	109.0	110.0	113.9	-.5	.3	-2.0	-.1	-4.7
Dairy products -----	115.9	116.6	115.7	116.3	109.3	.2	.3	-.2	.6	6.0
Fruits and vegetables -----	116.4	113.5	114.2	112.1	119.2	1.9	1.2	1.9	-.8	-2.3
Other foods at home -----	100.7	101.7	101.4	101.9	102.8	-.7	-.2	-1.8	-.6	-2.0
Food away from home -----	128.7	-----	128.3	-----	122.2	.3	-----	1.0	-----	5.3
Housing -----	113.9	-----	113.6	-----	110.7	.3	-----	.5	-----	2.9
Shelter <u>1/</u> -----	117.5	-----	116.9	-----	113.5	.5	-----	.6	-----	3.5
Rent -----	112.1	-----	111.9	-----	110.2	.2	-----	.4	-----	1.7
Homeownership <u>2/</u> -----	119.7	-----	119.0	-----	115.0	.6	-----	.7	-----	4.1
Fuel and utilities <u>3/</u> -----	108.7	108.8	108.8	108.7	108.2	-.1	.1	0	.1	.5
Fuel oil and coal <u>4/</u> -----	110.8	112.4	111.0	110.3	108.0	-.2	1.9	-.3	3.2	2.6
Gas and electricity -----	108.3	-----	108.4	-----	108.2	-.1	-----	0	-----	.1
Household furnishings and operation -----	107.9	-----	107.7	-----	104.6	.2	-----	.8	-----	3.2
Apparel and upkeep <u>5/</u> -----	113.8	113.7	113.0	113.1	109.3	.7	.5	1.7	1.2	4.1
Men's and boys' -----	114.0	114.0	113.5	113.6	109.9	.4	.4	2.0	1.6	3.7
Women's and girls' -----	109.6	109.6	108.4	108.7	105.0	1.1	.8	2.1	1.6	4.4
Footwear -----	125.2	125.2	124.9	124.8	119.0	.2	.3	1.5	1.4	5.2
Transportation -----	115.5	115.6	115.1	115.3	112.0	.3	.3	1.5	1.1	3.1
Private -----	113.6	113.7	113.2	113.4	110.5	.4	.3	1.6	1.3	2.8
Public -----	130.9	-----	130.6	-----	122.1	.2	-----	.7	-----	7.2
Health and recreation -----	122.8	-----	122.6	-----	118.4	.2	-----	.8	-----	3.7
Medical care -----	135.7	-----	135.1	-----	126.3	.4	-----	1.6	-----	7.4
Personal care -----	115.0	-----	114.9	-----	112.0	.1	-----	.8	-----	2.7
Reading and recreation -----	119.6	-----	119.4	-----	116.8	.2	-----	.8	-----	2.4
Other goods and services <u>6/</u> -----	116.7	-----	116.6	-----	114.7	.1	-----	.3	-----	1.7
Special groups:										
All items less shelter -----	115.1	-----	114.8	-----	112.4	.3	-----	.7	-----	2.4
All items less food -----	116.3	-----	115.9	-----	112.5	.3	-----	1.0	-----	3.4
Commodities <u>7/</u> -----	110.5	110.6	110.2	110.3	108.8	.3	.3	.5	.5	1.6
Nondurables -----	113.2	113.4	113.0	113.1	111.3	.2	.3	.4	.6	1.7
Durables <u>7/ 8/</u> -----	103.9	103.9	103.4	103.4	102.5	.5	.5	1.1	.9	1.4
Services <u>9/</u> -----	127.0	-----	126.6	-----	121.5	.3	-----	.9	-----	4.5
Commodities less food <u>7/</u> -----	108.7	108.8	108.4	108.4	106.3	.3	.4	1.0	.8	2.3
Nondurables less food -----	112.7	112.8	112.4	112.5	109.3	.3	.3	1.1	.9	3.1
Apparel commodities -----	112.7	112.6	111.9	112.1	108.3	.7	.4	1.8	1.2	4.1
Apparel commodities less footwear -----	110.2	110.2	109.4	109.6	106.1	.7	.5	1.8	1.2	3.9
Nondurables less food and apparel -----	112.6	-----	112.7	-----	110.0	-.1	-----	.6	-----	2.4
New cars -----	96.9	97.1	97.0	96.8	97.0	-.1	.3	-.4	.2	-.1
Used cars -----	121.4	121.9	118.8	119.4	117.5	2.2	2.1	6.5	4.0	3.3
Household durables <u>10/</u> -----	98.1	-----	98.0	-----	96.7	.1	-----	.4	-----	1.4
Housefurnishings -----	100.6	100.5	100.6	100.4	98.5	0	.1	.6	.3	2.1
Services less rent <u>9/</u> -----	130.4	-----	130.0	-----	124.1	.3	-----	.9	-----	5.1
Household services less rent -----	126.5	-----	126.0	-----	120.9	.4	-----	.8	-----	4.6
Transportation services -----	127.7	-----	127.6	-----	123.0	.1	-----	.4	-----	3.8
Medical care services -----	144.4	-----	143.6	-----	132.1	.6	-----	2.0	-----	9.3
Other services <u>11/</u> -----	130.8	-----	130.3	-----	125.9	.4	-----	1.1	-----	3.9
All items index on other bases:										
1947-49=100 -----	141.8	-----	141.5	-----	138.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=100 -----	238.7	-----	238.1	-----	232.5	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:										
1957-59=\$1.00 -----	\$0.865	-----	\$0.867	-----	\$0.888	-.2	-----	-.7	-----	-2.6
1947-49=\$1.00 -----	.705	-----	.707	-----	.724	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=\$1.00 -----	.419	-----	.420	-----	.430	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

1/ Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.

2/ Includes home purchase, mortgage interest, taxes, insurance, and maintenance and repairs.

3/ Also includes telephone, water, and sewerage service not shown separately.

4/ Called "Solid and petroleum fuels" prior to 1964.

5/ Also includes infants' wear, sewing materials, jewelry, and apparel upkeep services not shown separately.

6/ Includes tobacco, alcoholic beverages, and funeral, legal, and bank service charges.

7/ Includes home purchase costs which were classified under services prior to 1964.

8/ Also includes auto parts, toys, and recreational goods not shown separately.

9/ Excludes home purchase costs which were classified under this heading prior to 1964.

10/ Called "Durables less cars" prior to 1964.

11/ Includes the services components of apparel, personal care, reading and recreation, and other goods and services.

TABLE 2. Consumer Price Index—The United States and Selected Areas
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, All Items
Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates

Area ^{1/}	Pricing Schedule ^{2/}	Indexes			Percent change from:	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases	February 1967	May 1966
		May 1967			February 1967	May 1966
U.S. City Average -----	M	115.6	141.8		0.7	2.7
Chicago -----	M	112.6	142.0		.4	2.2
Detroit -----	M	114.5	141.2		.9	3.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	M	116.9	145.8		1.0	2.4
New York -----	M	118.4	142.7		.3	2.8
Philadelphia -----	M	116.0	142.4		.6	2.6
		April 1967			January 1967	April 1966
Boston -----	1	118.8	147.2		0.2	1.7
Houston -----	1	113.6	140.0		.5	2.4
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	1	114.2	141.3		.7	2.1
Pittsburgh -----	1	114.2	140.7		.2	1.1
		May 1967			February 1967	May 1966
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -	2	-----	-----	109.5	0.9	2.7
Cleveland -----	2	111.8	138.9		.3	1.9
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) ---	2	-----	-----	107.5	.5	2.8
Milwaukee -----	2	112.2	141.5		.7	1.9
San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	2	-----	-----	104.1	.4	2.5
Seattle -----	2	116.8	146.8		.8	2.7
Washington -----	2	115.7	139.3		.5	2.6
		March 1967			December 1966	March 1966
Atlanta -----	3	114.0	141.1		0.6	3.4
Baltimore -----	3	114.8	142.5		.3	2.0
Cincinnati -----	3	111.6	135.8		.4	2.3
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	3	-----	-----	106.7	.1	2.2
Kansas City -----	3	117.9	145.8		.5	2.3
St. Louis -----	3	115.5	143.3		.5	3.0
San Francisco-Oakland ---	3	117.1	148.6		.1	1.9

^{1/} Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago where the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas are used. Area definitions are those established for the 1960 Census and do not include revisions made since 1960.

^{2/} Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all cities; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, April, July, and October.

2 - February, May, August, and November.

3 - March, June, September, and December.

TABLE 3: Consumer Price Index--The United States and Selected Areas ^{1/}
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Major Groups
Percent change from April 1967 to May 1967

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.3	0.4	- 0.1	0.5	0.2	0.2
Food -----	.2	.7	.4	0	- .1	.3
Housing -----	.3	0	- .7	1.0	.3	.1
Apparel and upkeep -----	.7	.8	.1	.5	.8	.4
Transportation -----	.3	.4	- .2	.2	.3	0
Health and recreation -----	.2	.3	.6	.3	- .1	.4
Medical care -----	.4	.6	.4	1.1	.5	.7
Personal care -----	.1	0	1.6	0	- .9	- .8
Reading and recreation -----	.2	.5	- .3	.2	- .4	.9
Other goods and services -----	.1	- .2	1.4	- .1	- .1	(2/)

^{1/} See footnote 1, table 2.

^{2/} Not available.

TABLE 4: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers
Major group indexes, selected dates
(1957-59=100)

Date	All items	Food	Housing	Apparel and upkeep	Transportation	Health and recreation				
						Total	Medical care	Personal care	Reading and recreation	Other goods and services
1967: May	115.6	113.9	113.9	113.8	115.5	122.8	135.7	115.0	119.6	116.7
Apr.	115.3	113.7	113.6	113.0	115.1	122.6	135.1	114.9	119.4	116.6
Mar.	115.0	114.2	113.3	112.6	114.2	122.2	134.6	114.4	118.9	116.4
Feb.	114.8	114.2	113.3	111.9	113.8	121.8	133.6	114.1	118.6	116.3
Jan.	114.7	114.7	113.1	111.3	113.4	121.4	132.9	113.8	118.5	116.2
1966: Dec.	114.7	114.8	113.0	112.3	113.8	121.0	131.9	113.7	118.4	115.9
Nov.	114.6	114.8	112.6	112.0	114.5	120.8	131.3	113.4	118.3	116.0
Oct.	114.5	115.6	112.2	111.5	114.3	120.4	130.4	113.3	118.0	115.9
Sept.	114.1	115.6	111.8	110.7	113.3	119.9	129.4	113.0	117.5	115.7
Aug.	113.8	115.8	111.5	109.2	113.5	119.5	128.4	112.7	117.4	115.5
July	113.3	114.3	111.3	109.2	113.5	119.1	127.7	112.5	117.2	115.3
June	112.9	113.9	111.1	109.4	112.2	118.7	127.0	112.2	117.0	114.9
May	112.6	113.5	110.7	109.3	112.0	118.4	126.3	112.0	116.8	114.7
Annual Average: 1966	113.1	114.2	111.1	109.6	112.7	119.0	127.7	112.2	117.1	114.9
1965	109.9	108.8	108.5	106.8	111.1	115.6	122.3	109.9	115.2	111.4
1964	108.1	106.4	107.2	105.7	109.3	113.6	119.4	109.2	114.1	108.8
1963	106.7	105.1	106.0	104.8	107.8	111.4	117.0	107.9	111.5	107.1
1962	105.4	103.6	104.8	103.6	107.2	109.4	114.2	106.5	109.6	105.3
1961	104.2	102.6	103.9	103.0	105.0	107.3	111.3	104.6	107.2	104.6
1956	94.7	94.7	95.5	97.8	91.3	93.6	91.8	93.7	93.4	95.8

TABLE 5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas ^{1/}
 For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups
 May 1967 indexes and percent changes from February 1967

Group	U.S. City Average	Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	Chicago	Cleveland	Dallas (Nov.1963=100)	Detroit	Los Angeles- Long Beach
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	115.6	109.5	112.6	111.8	107.5	114.5	116.9
Food -----	113.9	108.9	113.9	109.9	108.4	113.0	112.4
Food at home -----	110.9	107.7	112.6	107.4	107.0	110.2	107.8
Cereals and bakery products ----	118.8	104.1	120.8	112.1	107.9	112.4	119.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	108.5	107.3	110.6	108.7	108.3	111.3	99.7
Dairy products -----	115.9	108.9	123.3	110.9	117.9	118.9	116.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	116.4	115.2	113.9	113.4	104.7	110.2	119.9
Other foods at home -----	100.7	103.9	100.9	96.4	101.1	100.1	94.3
Food away from home -----	128.7	116.3	120.5	124.1	113.6	128.4	129.6
Housing -----	113.9	107.7	110.4	108.2	105.6	109.0	119.6
Shelter -----	117.5	108.0	112.3	107.5	108.7	110.8	126.2
Rent -----	112.1	103.9	108.3	102.6	101.0	-----	112.5
Homeownership -----	119.7	108.8	114.3	108.3	112.3	113.3	130.9
Fuel and utilities -----	108.7	107.8	106.1	115.2	98.4	102.7	104.8
Fuel oil and coal -----	110.8	103.1	105.9	-----	-----	105.0	-----
Gas and electricity -----	108.3	110.6	106.6	116.4	97.9	104.7	110.9
Household furnishings and operation	107.9	106.5	108.0	104.3	103.3	105.0	106.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	113.8	113.6	109.4	111.4	106.7	113.6	112.4
Men's and boys' -----	114.0	109.2	107.1	115.0	108.7	110.0	114.9
Women's and girls' -----	109.6	116.2	106.1	104.0	106.0	114.3	110.6
Footwear -----	125.2	119.2	121.4	126.4	105.6	123.6	120.1
Transportation -----	115.5	108.6	111.7	114.5	105.0	114.5	121.2
Private -----	113.6	108.8	112.3	112.2	105.2	112.8	117.1
Public -----	130.9	106.4	109.3	127.7	103.4	119.6	142.1
Health and recreation -----	122.8	111.8	117.6	120.3	111.6	126.3	116.6
Medical care -----	135.7	115.8	143.3	143.5	116.2	143.3	133.6
Personal care -----	115.0	109.1	114.0	110.2	106.8	120.6	110.3
Reading and recreation -----	119.6	108.1	103.8	111.9	110.8	119.0	107.2
Other goods and services -----	116.7	113.4	108.4	112.9	108.9	117.4	108.8
Percent changes February 1967 to May 1967							
All items -----	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.0
Food -----	-.3	-.4	-.7	-.1	-1.3	.3	-.4
Food at home -----	-.7	-.5	-1.1	-.3	-2.0	-.1	-.6
Cereals and bakery products ----	.3	.6	.9	-2.4	-.2	-.2	.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	-2.0	-1.9	-2.0	-2.2	-2.9	-.9	-1.6
Dairy products -----	-.2	-.8	-.4	2.2	-1.1	-.1	.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	1.9	2.9	-.3	4.6	-1.0	4.1	1.1
Other foods at home -----	-1.8	-1.5	-2.1	-1.0	-2.9	-2.2	-1.4
Food away from home -----	1.0	.7	.9	.9	1.3	1.5	.3
Housing -----	.5	1.5	-.1	0	1.1	.6	1.1
Shelter -----	.6	2.2	-.4	-.2	1.7	.5	1.4
Rent -----	.4	.3	2/ .3	.5	.4	-----	2/ .2
Homeownership -----	.7	2.5	-1.0	-.3	2.2	.4	1.9
Fuel and utilities -----	0	1.0	0	-.3	.1	.3	0
Fuel oil and coal -----	-.3	0	0	-----	-----	0	-----
Gas and electricity -----	0	1.6	0	-.5	.1	.5	-.1
Household furnishings and operation	.8	0	.7	.4	.1	1.0	.3
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.7	2.3	1.9	1.3	.9	.9	.9
Men's and boys' -----	2.0	2.1	1.3	1.1	.2	.9	1.6
Women's and girls' -----	2.1	3.7	3.3	2.6	2.4	1.3	.3
Footwear -----	1.5	1.3	.7	.2	1.4	.5	1.4
Transportation -----	1.5	.8	.9	.6	1.5	1.0	2.8
Private -----	1.6	.9	1.1	.7	1.6	1.0	2.9
Public -----	.7	.1	.1	.6	.2	.2	1.3
Health and recreation -----	.8	.6	1.3	.8	.3	1.7	1.1
Medical care -----	1.6	1.0	2.7	2.9	.3	1.3	2.2
Personal care -----	.8	.8	.5	0	-1.2	1.3	.5
Reading and recreation -----	.8	.7	1.1	-.6	1.9	1.9	1.1
Other goods and services -----	.3	0	.4	.1	-.7	2.2	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas ^{1/}
 For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups
 May 1967 indexes and percent changes from February 1967--Continued

Group	Milwaukee	New York	Philadelphia	San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	Seattle	Washington
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)						
All items -----	112.2	118.4	116.0	104.1	116.8	115.7
Food -----	113.5	114.3	113.3	106.2	113.6	114.4
Food at home -----	111.4	109.4	109.5	104.8	109.8	110.6
Cereals and bakery products -----	109.7	118.2	114.7	108.2	110.3	113.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	109.6	107.8	104.6	109.3	107.8	107.5
Dairy products -----	121.2	107.8	122.6	105.8	119.6	120.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	118.4	117.2	115.0	98.7	118.5	113.9
Other foods at home -----	102.2	99.7	98.2	100.0	98.9	103.2
Food away from home -----	125.3	135.0	133.8	109.8	130.1	129.6
Housing -----	108.6	118.2	114.0	104.2	116.7	112.6
Shelter -----	107.7	121.4	117.2	106.4	122.9	114.4
Rent -----	105.2	-----	112.8	101.8	116.2	117.1
Homeownership -----	108.5	120.6	118.4	108.3	124.5	111.6
Fuel and utilities -----	110.9	109.6	107.2	97.8	^{3/} 111.6	104.7
Fuel oil and coal -----	115.9	116.8	116.2	-----	105.9	110.2
Gas and electricity -----	101.9	110.2	101.6	100.0	98.0	103.8
Household furnishings and operation	109.7	114.2	108.1	101.7	106.8	110.9
Apparel and upkeep -----	112.0	118.0	120.2	101.7	115.6	117.4
Men's and boys' -----	^{4/} 111.1	120.1	114.6	104.2	117.8	116.7
Women's and girls' -----	110.3	112.3	115.5	97.7	115.8	113.6
Footwear -----	122.0	127.1	129.8	110.1	126.9	127.0
Transportation -----	112.5	116.5	121.0	103.2	118.7	115.2
Private -----	112.7	115.2	116.3	103.1	118.2	113.0
Public -----	111.2	124.5	143.7	104.6	125.4	128.2
Health and recreation -----	117.8	127.6	121.4	104.1	119.3	124.1
Medical care -----	128.5	137.1	138.5	113.4	129.8	149.5
Personal care -----	119.9	112.6	110.3	96.6	113.4	112.5
Reading and recreation -----	114.8	128.8	115.2	101.6	110.7	119.7
Other goods and services -----	111.5	124.6	(^{5/})	101.1	121.4	112.0
Percent changes February 1967 to May 1967						
All items -----	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.5
Food -----	.6	-.6	-.3	.3	.1	-.3
Food at home -----	.6	-1.2	-.9	.2	-.1	-.5
Cereals and bakery products -----	-.1	1.2	0	-.6	-.8	.6
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	-1.2	-3.4	-3.3	0	-2.2	-1.2
Dairy products -----	2.9	-1.1	2.7	-.2	.1	.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	3.8	1.7	.9	3.6	5.5	1.0
Other foods at home -----	-.5	-1.2	-2.0	-.9	-1.0	-2.0
Food away from home -----	.5	1.1	2.6	.5	.5	.5
Housing -----	.6	0	.6	.6	.8	-.4
Shelter -----	.7	-.3	1.2	.8	.6	-.8
Rent -----	.3	-----	^{2/} .4	.6	1.0	.3
Homeownership -----	.8	-.7	1.4	.7	.6	-1.5
Fuel and utilities -----	0	-.1	-.1	0	.1	0
Fuel oil and coal -----	0	.1	0	-----	0	0
Gas and electricity -----	0	-.4	-.2	0	0	0
Household furnishings and operation	.5	.7	.1	.3	.9	.7
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.5	2.0	2.5	1.0	1.4	1.7
Men's and boys' -----	-.1	4.5	1.6	-.2	-.4	1.4
Women's and girls' -----	4.4	1.1	2.5	2.2	4.2	3.5
Footwear -----	.2	1.7	3.7	.5	-.7	0
Transportation -----	.6	1.0	1.1	-.1	2.2	2.4
Private -----	.7	1.2	1.2	-.2	2.7	1.3
Public -----	0	.1	0	.3	0	8.6
Health and recreation -----	.6	.8	.7	.7	.5	1.1
Medical care -----	.7	1.0	1.0	1.7	.9	2.0
Personal care -----	2.6	1.3	-.3	-.5	.4	.8
Reading and recreation -----	-.2	.5	1.7	.5	.2	.8
Other goods and services -----	.4	.6	(^{5/})	.2	.2	1.0

^{1/} See footnote 1, table 2.

^{2/} Change from March 1967.

^{3/} Corrected indexes: November 1966, 111.4; February 1967, 111.5.

^{4/} Corrected index: February 1967, 111.2.

^{5/} Not available.

TABLE 6: Consumer Price Index—United States and Selected Areas
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups
May 1967 indexes and percent changes from April 1967

Area ^{1/}	Total food	Food at home						Food away from home
		Total	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other foods at home	
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)								
U.S. City Average -----	113.9	110.9	118.8	108.5	115.9	116.4	100.7	128.7
Atlanta -----	113.6	111.4	114.8	110.4	113.8	114.5	107.0	121.6
Baltimore -----	114.9	110.5	122.4	107.6	113.6	120.5	98.6	133.3
Boston -----	118.3	113.8	127.0	114.3	113.4	114.9	102.2	138.0
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	108.9	107.7	104.1	107.3	108.9	115.2	103.9	116.3
Chicago -----	113.9	112.6	120.8	110.6	123.3	113.9	100.9	120.5
Cincinnati -----	111.9	108.9	114.1	109.2	113.0	117.2	96.7	128.2
Cleveland -----	109.9	107.4	112.1	108.7	110.9	113.4	96.4	124.1
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	108.4	107.0	107.9	108.3	117.9	104.7	101.1	113.6
Detroit -----	113.0	110.2	112.4	111.3	118.9	110.2	100.1	128.4
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	108.4	108.3	107.5	111.6	107.2	110.7	101.6	108.6
Houston -----	114.2	110.4	124.0	104.4	117.2	117.9	100.0	130.7
Kansas City -----	116.1	113.7	122.4	110.4	122.5	115.8	104.4	125.0
Los Angeles-Long Beach	112.4	107.8	119.5	99.7	116.5	119.9	94.3	129.6
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	111.8	109.5	108.8	108.0	119.6	114.2	101.3	122.0
New York -----	114.3	109.4	118.2	107.8	107.8	117.2	99.7	135.0
Philadelphia -----	113.3	109.5	114.7	104.6	122.6	115.0	98.2	133.8
Pittsburgh -----	109.1	107.3	116.5	108.3	105.1	113.9	97.8	120.6
St. Louis -----	117.4	114.3	118.3	112.6	126.3	120.4	102.0	128.9
San Francisco-Oakland -	112.8	108.6	116.0	105.4	114.8	117.1	96.3	131.6
Seattle -----	113.6	109.8	110.3	107.8	119.6	118.5	98.9	130.1
Washington -----	114.4	110.6	113.0	107.5	120.1	113.9	103.2	129.6
Percent changes April 1967 to May 1967								
U.S. City Average -----	0.2	0.1	0.3	- 0.5	0.2	1.9	- 0.7	0.3
Atlanta -----	.6	.6	- .1	1.6	.3	2.1	- .9	.7
Baltimore -----	.1	0	.2	- 1.9	1.9	3.0	- .7	.2
Boston -----	.5	.4	2.9	.1	1.3	- .3	- 1.3	.8
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	0	- .1	0	- .2	- 1.2	2.7	- 1.3	.5
Chicago -----	.7	.8	1.9	1.2	- .2	2.1	- 1.0	.7
Cincinnati -----	.5	.6	.1	- .5	- .7	4.1	.2	.5
Cleveland -----	.3	.2	- .4	.3	- 2.4	3.7	- .1	.6
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	.5	.4	1.2	- .6	1.6	1.0	.1	.7
Detroit -----	.4	.3	.1	0	- .2	1.9	- .3	.5
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	.4	.5	- .7	2.0	- .1	- 1.2	.5	0
Houston -----	- 1.1	- 1.4	- .4	- 2.1	- .8	.4	- 2.8	.2
Kansas City -----	.1	.1	0	.4	.3	.8	- .8	.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach	0	.1	.3	- .1	.3	0	- .1	0
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	- .4	- .4	- .5	- .6	0	.8	- 1.4	0
New York -----	- 1.1	- .2	.3	- 1.4	0	2.5	- .7	.1
Philadelphia -----	.3	.3	- .1	- .9	3.5	.6	- .1	.2
Pittsburgh -----	- .4	- .5	.3	- 1.1	- .2	1.5	- 1.4	.1
St. Louis -----	.2	.2	.4	- .8	.1	2.7	- .6	.2
San Francisco-Oakland -	- .2	- .2	- .4	- 1.0	.5	1.3	- .5	.2
Seattle -----	.4	.5	- .1	0	- .3	4.4	- .6	.4
Washington -----	- .3	- .5	0	- 1.1	.5	- .2	- 1.1	.1

^{1/} See footnote 1, table 2.

TABLE 7: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items
May 1967 indexes and percent changes from selected dates
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to May 1967 from--		
	May 1967		April 1967		May 1966
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Total food -----	113.9	114.5	0.2	0.5	0.4
Food away from home -----	128.7	-----	.3	-----	5.3
Restaurant meals -----	129.0	-----	.3	-----	5.3
Snacks 1/ -----	111.4	-----	.4	-----	5.5
Food at home -----	110.9	111.5	.1	.5	- 1.0
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.8	-----	.3	-----	3.9
Flour -----	114.7	-----	.2	-----	3.8
Cracker meal 1/ -----	116.7	-----	0	-----	1.0
Corn flakes -----	128.9	-----	-.2	-----	7.1
Rice -----	108.1	-----	.3	-----	1.0
Bread, white -----	124.0	-----	.3	-----	4.3
Bread, whole wheat 1/ -----	114.3	-----	.2	-----	5.5
Cookies -----	102.0	-----	-.3	-----	2.8
Layer cake 1/ -----	106.0	-----	1.0	-----	4.6
Cinnamon rolls 1/ -----	108.2	-----	.2	-----	3.4
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	108.5	110.3	-.5	.3	- 4.7
Meats -----	110.2	112.3	-.5	.2	- 5.2
Beef and veal -----	110.0	111.0	-.5	-.1	- 2.9
Steak, round -----	104.8	106.0	-.6	.2	- 3.2
Steak, sirloin 2/ -----	102.8	-----	-.4	-----	- 2.4
Steak, porterhouse 1/ -----	106.2	-----	-.5	-----	- 3.5
Rump roast 1/ -----	101.9	-----	-.5	-----	- 2.9
Rib roast -----	116.2	117.4	0	.3	- 3.2
Chuck roast -----	101.1	102.1	- 1.1	.2	- 6.9
Hamburger -----	113.5	114.1	-.8	-.7	- 3.3
Beef liver 1/ -----	105.9	-----	-.4	-----	- 3.3
Veal cutlets -----	131.1	131.2	-.4	.8	3.2
Pork -----	109.0	113.8	-.8	.1	- 10.4
Chops -----	108.7	114.8	.8	2.1	- 6.9
Loin roast 2/ -----	115.6	-----	-.8	-----	- 9.2
Pork sausage 1/ -----	118.8	-----	-.8	-----	- 13.0
Ham, whole -----	105.4	108.9	- 3.3	- 1.4	- 7.9
Picnics 1/ -----	112.3	-----	- 2.0	-----	- 11.6
Bacon -----	112.6	116.7	-.8	- 1.5	- 13.7
Other meats -----	116.2	116.1	-.5	- 1.1	- 2.8
Lamb chops 1/ -----	118.2	-----	1.6	-----	-.8
Frankfurters -----	116.1	116.7	-.3	-.3	- 2.7
Ham, canned 1/ -----	114.5	-----	- 1.6	-----	- 7.4
Bologna sausage 1/ -----	116.0	-----	-.3	-----	-.8
Salami sausage 1/ -----	111.1	-----	- 1.0	-----	- 3.0
Liverwurst 1/ -----	115.6	-----	- 1.3	-----	- 1.7
Poultry -----	89.5	-----	-.2	-----	- 6.7
Frying chicken -----	89.3	90.6	0	2.5	- 7.9
Chicken breasts 1/ -----	100.4	-----	.1	-----	- 3.6
Turkey 1/ -----	102.5	-----	- 1.6	-----	- 3.9
Fish -----	122.4	122.3	-.3	-.3	3.6
Shrimp, frozen 1/ -----	111.6	-----	.7	-----	10.0
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	125.2	124.7	-.2	-.6	1.5
Tuna fish, canned -----	111.5	-----	-.4	-----	- 2.7
Sardines, canned 1/ -----	113.2	-----	- 1.5	-----	6.1
Dairy products -----	115.9	116.6	.2	.3	6.0
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	112.7	114.0	.4	1.0	5.3
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	116.7	-----	.6	-----	5.8
Milk, fresh, skim 1/ -----	110.8	-----	.1	-----	7.1
Milk, evaporated -----	117.3	-----	.2	-----	8.3
Ice cream -----	98.6	-----	-.6	-----	4.2
Cheese, American process -----	136.5	136.2	-.4	-.5	6.1
Butter -----	115.3	115.8	-.3	0	6.8

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 7: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items
May 1967 indexes and percent changes from selected dates--Continued
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to May 1967 from--		
	May 1967		April 1967		May 1966
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Fruits and vegetables -----	116.4	113.5	1.9	1.2	- 2.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	124.0	119.5	3.3	2.5	- 1.8
Apples -----	141.0	131.3	3.7	- 3.2	.5
Bananas -----	92.8	91.1	.5	- .7	- 7.1
Oranges -----	108.5	110.7	2.4	.8	- 5.0
Orange juice, fresh 1/ -----	71.5	-----	- 1.4	-----	- 14.9
Grapefruit -----	118.9	124.6	1.5	- 5.0	- 15.7
Grapes * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Strawberries * -----	127.6	130.2	- .5	13.1	2.2
Watermelon * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Potatoes -----	125.3	119.6	- 2.0	- 7.8	- 13.3
Onions -----	134.9	132.0	- 3.8	- 7.0	- 3.5
Asparagus * 1/ -----	98.3	-----	- 6.0	-----	- 10.6
Cabbage -----	143.5	129.0	6.8	3.5	- 11.3
Carrots -----	102.6	105.9	5.9	2.3	- 11.6
Celery -----	105.2	104.8	8.0	4.4	4.4
Cucumbers 1/ -----	129.6	-----	- 22.1	-----	4.1
Lettuce -----	148.4	157.9	34.5	34.4	29.5
Peppers, green 1/ -----	183.3	-----	20.4	-----	16.5
Spinach 1/ -----	100.0	-----	.6	-----	1.8
Tomatoes -----	118.9	104.9	1.0	1.3	- 5.7
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	107.1	-----	- .2	-----	- 3.2
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	95.3	-----	- .7	-----	- 6.7
Pears, canned 1/ -----	92.3	-----	- .1	-----	- 13.3
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/ -----	94.0	-----	- .9	-----	- 3.2
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	72.4	72.5	- .5	1.5	- 23.2
Lemonade concentrate, frozen 2/ -----	89.5	-----	- 1.1	-----	- 1.8
Beets, canned 1/ -----	106.2	-----	.3	-----	3.9
Peas, green, canned -----	121.2	-----	.4	-----	5.3
Tomatoes, canned -----	122.3	-----	1.1	-----	8.9
Dried beans -----	112.6	-----	- .5	-----	- 10.5
Broccoli, frozen 1/ -----	99.2	-----	- .2	-----	3.0
Other food at home -----	100.7	101.7	- .7	- .2	- 2.0
Eggs -----	82.3	90.1	- 5.2	1.8	- 16.7
Fats and oils:					
Margarine -----	105.0	-----	- .8	-----	1.4
Salad dressing, Italian 1/ -----	100.9	-----	.5	-----	.2
Salad or cooking oil 1/ -----	124.4	-----	- .3	-----	3.2
Sugar and sweets -----	114.1	-----	- .1	-----	2.8
Sugar -----	111.6	-----	- .4	-----	1.4
Grape jelly -----	116.0	-----	- .2	-----	- .3
Chocolate bar -----	104.9	-----	.2	-----	12.9
Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/ -----	98.1	-----	0	-----	- 2.0
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	99.1	-----	.2	-----	- 1.1
Coffee, can and bag -----	88.4	-----	0	-----	- 5.8
Coffee, instant 3/ -----	97.0	-----	.2	-----	- 1.7
Tea -----	100.9	-----	.5	-----	.1
Cola drink -----	137.5	-----	.9	-----	6.6
Carbonated fruit drink 1/ -----	108.2	-----	.3	-----	4.7
Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/ -----	100.5	-----	.2	-----	.8
Bean soup, canned 1/ -----	99.8	-----	1.8	-----	1.7
Chicken soup, canned 1/ -----	96.4	-----	- .5	-----	- 2.0
Spaghetti, canned 1/ -----	108.4	-----	.6	-----	3.2
Mashed potatoes, instant 1/ -----	101.9	-----	- .1	-----	.3
Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/ -----	84.2	-----	- .5	-----	- 2.0
Baby foods, canned -----	105.5	-----	- .5	-----	.6
Sweet pickle relish 1/ -----	107.1	-----	.1	-----	2.5
Pretzels 1/ -----	101.3	-----	.2	-----	1.4

1/ December 1963=100.

2/ April 1960=100.

3/ July 1961=100.

* Priced only in season.

TABLE 8: Consumer Price Index--Scranton
 All items and commodity groups
 May 1967 indexes and percent changes from selected dates
 (1957-59=100)

Group	Index	Percent change from --	
		February 1967	May 1966
All items -----	<u>1</u> /117.1	0.7	2.6
All items (1947-49=100) -----	<u>2</u> /139.7	-----	-----
Food -----	112.0	- .1	- .1
Food at home -----	109.3	- .2	- .8
Cereals and bakery products --	119.3	- .3	4.8
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	112.2	- 1.5	- 5.2
Dairy products -----	108.9	- .5	4.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	105.2	2.7	- 3.5
Other foods at home -----	101.6	- .3	- .6
Housing -----	112.3	.4	4.3
Rent -----	112.6	.5	1.7
Gas and electricity -----	104.8	0	0
Solid and petroleum fuels -----	98.7	- 6.2	.3
Housefurnishings -----	100.7	- .5	2.3
Household operation -----	117.5	.3	4.0
Apparel -----	115.7	2.2	4.7
Men's and boys' -----	116.9	.8	4.5
Women's and girls' -----	113.3	4.1	5.1
Footwear -----	124.9	.4	5.6
Other apparel -----	103.1	0	- .1
Transportation -----	<u>3</u> /112.7	1.4	2.3
Private -----	109.5	1.7	1.5
Public -----	<u>4</u> /133.3	0	6.4
Medical care -----	141.5	.6	5.3
Personal care -----	123.0	- 1.0	2.8
Reading and recreation -----	162.6	1.9	3.8
Other goods and services -----	116.2	.3	1.9

1/ Corrected index: February 1967, 116.3.

2/ Corrected index: February 1967, 138.7.

3/ Corrected index: February 1967, 111.1.

4/ Corrected index: February 1967, 133.3.

Table 9: Percent Change in Prices for Selected Groups in the Consumer Price Index and the Wholesale Price Index
(Seasonally adjusted except where indicated)

	Apr. to May 1967		February - May 1967		Nov. 1966 - Feb. 1967		Aug. to Nov. 1966		May to Aug. 1966		May 1966 - May 1967	
	CPI	WPI	CPI	WPI	CPI	WPI	CPI	WPI	CPI	WPI	CPI*	WPI*
*ALL ITEMS -----	0.3	0.5	0.7	-0.2	0.2	0.1	0.7	-0.8	1.1	1.1	2.7	0.2
CONSUMER PRODUCTS -----	.3	.7	.5	.4	-.3	-.6	.6	-.6	.5	1.5	1.2	.8
<u>Nondurable</u> -----	.3	1.0	.5	.5	-.4	-.7	.5	-.8	.5	1.9	1.2	.7
Food and beverages at home -----	.4	1.8	.2	.3	-1.6	-1.5	-.2	-1.6	.7	2.1	-.9	-.8
Apparel and accessories -----	.4	0	1.2	.2	1.2	.7	1.5	.4	0	.1	4.1	1.3
Household furnishings and supplies -----	.3	.7	1.1	1.9	.2	1.2	.6	.2	.7	1.1	2.6	4.3
Gasoline and motor oil -----	-.4	1.0	1.5	.5	-.6	1.2	2.3	-.1	.2	3.3	4.8	4.9
Other nondurables -----	-.2	.2	-.2	.6	.4	.1	.4	.1	.6	.5	1.2	1.2
<u>Durable</u> -----	.1	0	.3	-.1	-.2	.1	.6	1.0	.4	.2	1.1	1.2
New passenger cars -----	.3	0	.2	0	-.8	-.3	.6	1.3	-.3	-.4	-.1	.6
Appliances -----	-.1	-.5	-.5	-.6	-.5	.3	-.2	.3	.1	-.2	-1.1	-.1
Furniture and floor coverings -----	.2	0	.5	1	.4	-.7	1.1	1.3	1.0	.4	3.0	1.0
*Other durables -----	.1	-.1	.6	.3	.3	.8	.7	1.1	.8	.6	2.3	2.7
*CONSUMER SERVICES -----	.3	-	.9	-	1.0	-	1.4	-	1.2	-	4.5	-
*Insurance and finance -----	.4	-	.3	-	1.4	-	1.6	-	1.7	-	5.1	-
*Rent -----	.2	-	.4	-	.4	-	.5	-	.4	-	1.7	-
*Utilities and public transportation -----	0	-	.3	-	.1	-	.2	-	1.2	-	1.7	-
*Housekeeping and home maintenance services -----	.4	-	1.6	-	1.3	-	2.0	-	1.4	-	6.4	-
*Medical care services -----	.6	-	2.0	-	2.2	-	2.9	-	2.0	-	9.3	-
*Personal care services -----	0	-	.7	-	.9	-	1.2	-	1.4	-	4.2	-
*Other services -----	.5	-	1.3	-	.8	-	1.1	-	1.0	-	4.2	-
WHOLESALE PRICES:												
<u>Type of Product:</u>												
Farm products -----	-	4.3	-	.6	-	-1.2	-	-5.2	-	2.3	-	-3.6
Processed foods and feeds -----	-	.7	-	.3	-	-1.2	-	-2.7	-	2.7	-	-1.0
*Industrial commodities -----	-	0	-	0	-	.5	-	.3	-	.5	-	1.2
<u>Industrial Materials and Equipment:</u>												
Chemicals and allied products -----	-	0	-	.3	-	.4	-	-.2	-	.6	-	1.1
Rubber and rubber products -----	-	.1	-	.2	-	1.2	-	.3	-	.2	-	.4
Lumber and wood products -----	-	.1	-	.4	-	.3	-	-1.8	-	-3.1	-	-4.9
Pulp, paper and allied products -----	-	.1	-	.4	-	.4	-	.3	-	.7	-	1.2
*Metals and metal products -----	-	.2	-	.6	-	.6	-	.5	-	.1	-	.5
Machinery and equipment -----	-	.1	-	.2	-	.8	-	1.5	-	1.0	-	3.5
<u>Stage of Processing at Wholesale:</u>												
Finished goods -----	-	.6	-	.4	-	.2	-	.2	-	.9	-	1.3
Consumer -----	-	.8	-	.4	-	.4	-	.3	-	1.0	-	.8
Producer -----	-	.2	-	.4	-	.7	-	1.4	-	.7	-	3.3
Intermediate materials, supplies and components -----	-	.2	-	.1	-	.1	-	.6	-	1.0	-	.5
Crude materials -----	-	3.1	-	.4	-	.7	-	-5.0	-	.5	-	-4.8

NOTE: The price changes shown for Consumer Products and components are for roughly comparable classes of finished consumer products from the CPI and WPI. A brief description of the classes of items contained in each group is included at the end of this report. Complete listings of inclusions in the CPI and WPI groupings will be furnished on request.

*Based on data unadjusted for seasonal variations.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures average changes in prices of goods and services usually bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers, both families and single persons living alone. It is based on prices of about 400 items which were selected to represent the movement of prices of all goods and services purchased by wage earners and clerical workers. Prices for these items are obtained in urban portions of 39 Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas (SMSA's) and 17 smaller cities, which were chosen to represent all urban places in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii. They are collected from grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments which wage earners and clerical workers patronize.

Prices of foods, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 56 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the 5 largest SMSA's and every 3 months in other SMSA's and cities. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain local transit fares, public utility rates, newspaper prices, fuel prices, and certain other items which change in price infrequently. Prices of most other goods and services are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of all wage earners and clerical workers. SMSA and city data are then combined in the total index with weights based on the 1960 populations of SMSA's and cities they represent. Index numbers are computed on the base 1957-59=100, and are also available on the bases of 1947-49=100 and 1939=100.

The national index (the United States city average) includes prices from the 23 SMSA's for which separate indexes are published in this report, as well as from the following additional locations:

Alabama - Florence	Louisiana - Baton Rouge*	Ohio - Findlay
Alaska - Anchorage	Maine - Portland*	Oklahoma - Mangum
California - Bakersfield*	Massachusetts - Southbridge	Oregon - Klamath Falls
Colorado - Denver*	Michigan - Niles	Pennsylvania - Lancaster*
Connecticut - Hartford*	Minnesota - Crookston	South Carolina - Union
Florida - Orlando*	Mississippi - Vicksburg	Tennessee - Nashville*
Indiana - Indianapolis*	New Jersey - Millville	Texas - Austin*
Indiana - Logansport	New York - Kingston	Texas - McAllen
Illinois - Champaign-Urbana*	North Carolina - Durham*	Utah - Orem
Iowa - Cedar Rapids*	North Dakota - Devils Lake	Virginia - Martinsville
Kansas - Wichita*	Ohio - Dayton*	Wisconsin - Green Bay*

*Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area

Comparisons of indexes for individual SMSA's show only that prices in one location changed more or less than in another. The SMSA indexes cannot be used to measure differences in price levels or in living costs between areas.

A description of the index and historical tables of index numbers for the United States city average and for 23 large SMSA's are available on request to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D. C. 20212 or any of its regional offices (addresses below).

BLS Regional Offices

1371 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30309	341 Ninth Avenue New York, New York 10001	219 South Dearborn Street Chicago, Illinois 60604
450 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, California 94103	John F. Kennedy Fed. Bldg. Boston, Massachusetts 02110	911 Walnut Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Composition of Index Groupings Appearing in Table 9

	Consumer Price Index	Wholesale Price Index
ALL ITEMS -----	All commodities and services	All Commodities
CONSUMER PRODUCTS -----	All commodities except home purchase, used cars, food and beverages away from home, newspapers, magazines and books.	Nondurable and durable commodities ready for use by home consumers except a few individual consumer products included in WPI groupings of commodities purchased primarily by industrial firms.
Nondurable -----	All nondurable commodities except food and beverages away from home and newspapers, magazines and books.	A combination of indexes listed below. <u>1/</u>
Food and beverages at home -----	Food at home, alcoholic beverages at home.	Fresh and dried fruits and vegetables, nuts, and eggs from the farm products group; and the processed foods and feeda group, excluding crude vegetable oils and manufactured animal feeds.
Apparel and accessories -----	Apparel, footwear, and accessories. <u>2/</u>	Apparel and some fabrics and sewing materials, leather footwear, leather gloves, rubber footwear, watches and clocks, jewelry.
Household furnishings and supplies -----	Home maintenance nondurables, fuel oil and coal, textile housefurnishings, housekeeping supplies.	Textile housefurnishings, fuels for home use (except gas), soap and synthetic detergents, sanitary papers and health products, matches, pens and pencils, and prepared paints, and miscellaneous housekeeping supplies.
Gasoline and motor oil -----	Gasoline and motor oil.	Gasoline and automotive motor oil.
Other nondurables -----	Drugs and pharmaceuticals, toilet goods, recreational nondurables, tobacco products.	Pharmaceutical preparations, cosmetics and other toilet preparations, tobacco products, personal brushes, and recreational items such as toys, film, and playing cards.
Durable -----	All durable commodities except home purchase and used cars.	A combination of indexes listed below. <u>1/</u>
New passenger cars -----	New cars.	Passenger cars.
Appliances -----	Household appliances, radio and TV.	Home electronic equipment, room heaters, and household appliances, excluding electric lamps.
Furniture and floor coverings -----	Furniture and floor coverings.	Household furniture and floor coverings.
Other durables -----	Home maintenance durables, other housefurnishings, tires, recreational durables, except radio and TV.	Other durable commodities throughout the WPI which are used for home maintenance, including some household goods, tires and tubes, outboard motors, equipment for home workshops and home gardens, recreational items such as photographic equipment, sporting and athletic goods, musical instruments, and phonograph records, electric lamps, typewriters, luggage and small leather goods, and caskets and morticians goods.
CONSUMER SERVICES -----	All consumer services.	
Insurance and finance -----	Mortgage interest, taxes and insurance, automobile insurance and other auto expenses. <u>3/</u>	
Rent -----	Rent of home or apartment.	
Utilities and public transportation -----	Gas and electricity, telephone, water and sewer, public transportation.	
Housekeeping and home maintenance services --	Housekeeping and home maintenance services.	
Medical care services -----	Medical care except drugs and prescriptions.	
Personal care services -----	Personal care services.	
Other services -----	Hotels, apparel services, auto repairs and maintenance, recreational services, reading and educational services, personal expenses.	
WHOLESALE PRICES		
Type of product Farm Product Processed foods and feeds Industrial commodities Industrial materials and equipment		Same as the Wholesale Price Indexes for major groups.
Stage of Processing at wholesale Finished goods Consumer Producer Intermediate materials, supplies, and components Crude materials		The Wholesale Price Stage of Processing Indexes. The Consumer Finished Goods index differs from the Consumer Products index in weighting structure and is based on a larger sample of commodities.

1/ The classification by durable and nondurable commodities is based on CPI classification and is not necessarily the same as the WPI classification in the Indexes by Durability of Product

2/ Same as apparel commodities.

3/ Includes registration and license fees and parking fees.