

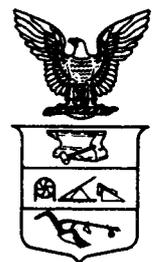
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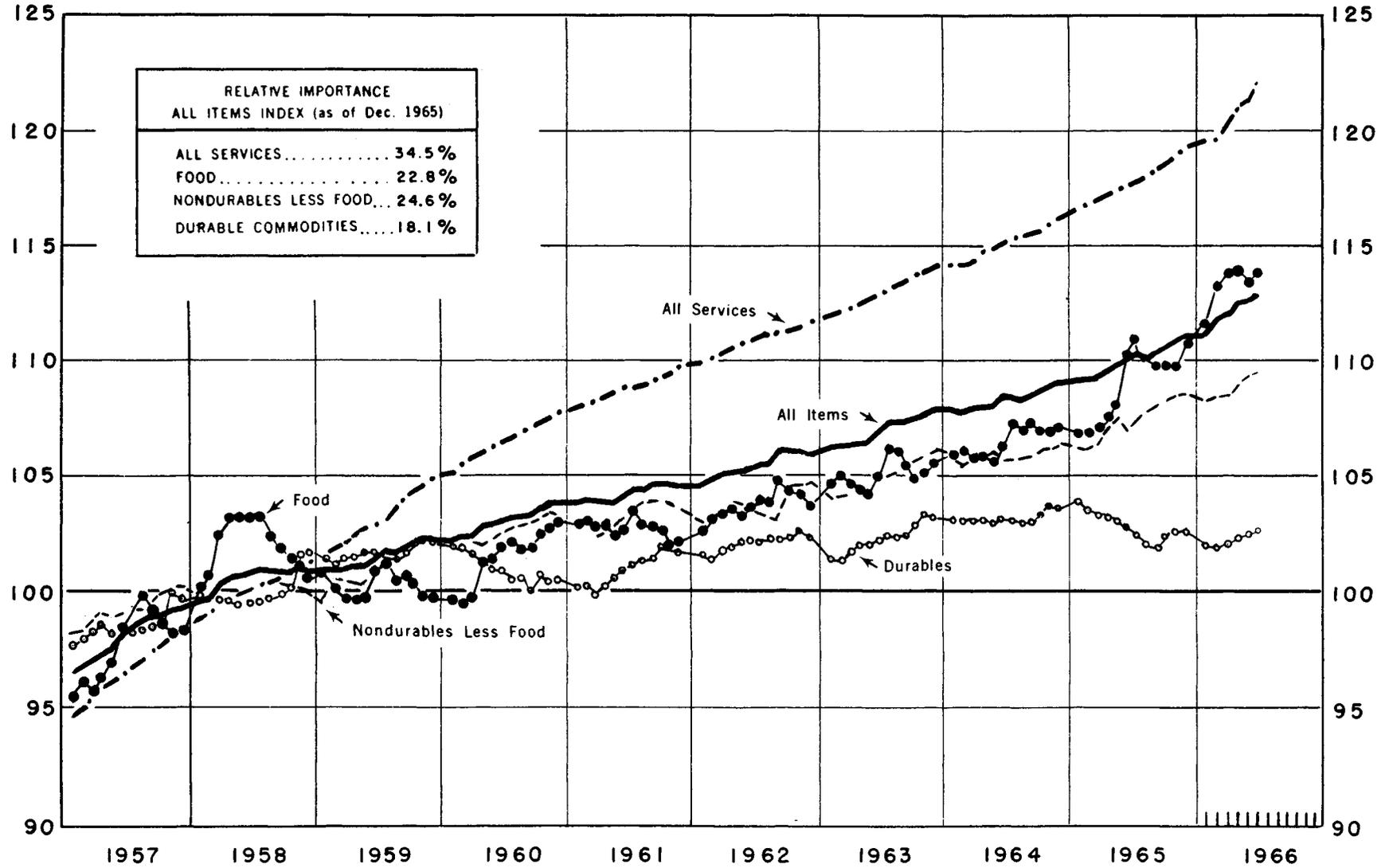
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The Consumer Price Index rose by 0.3 percent in June, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. The increase was caused mostly by higher food prices, medical care costs, and mortgage interest rates. At 112.9 (1957-59=100) the index stood 2.5 percent above a year ago.

Price Changes, May-June 1966

Food prices customarily go up in June, so that the 0.4 increase was in line with seasonal expectations. The principal increases were for fresh fruit, pork, dairy products and bread. Apples, oranges, grapefruit, and watermelons all bore higher price tags. Seasonally reduced hog slaughter brought price increases for fresh pork cuts, but beef prices averaged slightly lower. Prices of evaporated milk, butter, and white bread increased by about 1 percent over the month. Margarine prices held steady.

Egg prices dropped almost 10 percent, considerably more than the usual decline in June, with increased production and lower demand for both domestic and export use. Canned fruit and juice prices moved down by more than 1 percent, in contrast with the increases for fresh fruits.

Charges were raised for many types of consumer services. Doctors' and dentists' fees and health insurance charges rose 0.7 percent, while hospital charges increased 0.6 percent. Home repairs, laundry and dry cleaning, and barber and beauty shop services also moved higher.

A 2 percent advance in mortgage interest rates in June reflected a continuing scarcity of funds for new mortgage lending and the upward climb of interest rates generally.

Used car prices went up, as they usually do in June, and new cars showed the usual slight price reduction. Gasoline prices rose seasonally. Taxi fare increases in several cities accounted for a 0.6 percent rise in the index for public transportation.

Price Trends, June 1965-June 1966

One half of the increase in the Consumer Price Index over the past year has been caused by higher charges for consumer services (up 3.7 percent). Charges for hospital services, mortgage interest, automobile insurance, home repairs, housekeeping services, and barber and beauty shop services have advanced 5 percent or more.

Food prices in June were 3.5 percent higher than a year ago, with restaurant meals up 4.8 percent and food in grocery stores up 3.2 percent. Meat prices averaged 8 percent higher over the year, mostly because of a 14 percent increase for pork. Egg prices climbed 6 percent.

Fresh vegetables, on the other hand, were 16 percent cheaper than a year ago.

Apparel prices averaged 2.3 percent higher than in June 1965, with footwear up by 6-1/2 percent. Tobacco products also showed an increase of nearly 6 percent, due in part to higher State and local taxes. Used car prices dropped 3-1/2 percent over the year.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments

About 84,000 workers will receive cost-of-living wage increases based on the national Consumer Price Index for June. Approximately 50,000, mostly aircraft workers, will get 2 cents an hour, about 9,000 will receive 3 cents, and some 21,000 (mostly interstate bus workers) will receive 1 cent, as a result of the rise in the index since March. An additional 3,650 workers will receive 1 cent an hour as a result of the index rise since December 1965.

TABLE 1: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers
Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, June 1966
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)					Percent change to June 1966 from--				
	June 1966		May 1966		June 1965	May 1966		March 1966		June 1965
	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
All items -----	112.9	-----	112.6	-----	110.1	0.3	-----	0.8	-----	2.5
Food -----	113.9	114.0	113.5	114.0	110.1	.4	0	0	- 0.2	3.5
Food at home -----	112.3	112.4	112.0	112.6	108.8	.3	- 0.2	- .3	- .4	3.2
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.7	-----	114.3	-----	111.0	.3	-----	1.0	-----	3.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.2	115.9	113.9	116.0	106.4	.3	- .1	- 2.3	- 1.5	7.3
Dairy products -----	109.6	110.7	109.3	110.2	104.0	.3	.5	1.4	2.5	5.4
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.7	115.8	119.2	115.3	125.9	2.1	.4	3.7	- 1.4	- 3.3
Other foods at home -----	101.3	102.9	102.8	104.0	100.5	- 1.5	- 1.1	- 2.3	- 1.4	.8
Food away from home -----	122.8	-----	122.2	-----	117.2	.5	-----	1.3	-----	4.8
Housing -----	111.1	-----	110.7	-----	108.2	.4	-----	1.4	-----	2.7
Shelter 1/ -----	114.1	-----	113.5	-----	110.3	.5	-----	1.6	-----	3.4
Rent -----	110.2	-----	110.2	-----	108.8	0	-----	.3	-----	1.3
Homeownership 2/ -----	115.8	-----	115.0*	-----	111.0	.7	-----	2.0	-----	4.3
Fuel and utilities 3/ -----	108.0	108.4	108.2	108.5	106.9	- .2	- .1	1.3	2.0	1.0
Fuel oil and coal 4/ -----	107.0	109.2	108.0	109.5	103.4	- .9	- .3	- 1.7	2.2	3.5
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	-----	108.2	-----	107.8	- .1	-----	- .1	-----	.3
Household furnishings and operation -	104.8	-----	104.6	-----	103.1	.2	-----	.8	-----	1.6
Apparel and upkeep 5/ -----	109.4	109.5	109.3	109.4	106.9	.1	.1	1.1	.9	2.3
Men's and boys' -----	110.1	110.2	109.9	109.9	107.1	.2	.3	1.0	.7	2.8
Women's and girls' -----	104.7	105.0	105.0	105.4	103.5	- .3	- .4	.8	.6	1.2
Footwear -----	119.8	119.9	119.0	119.0	112.3	.7	.8	2.5	2.5	6.7
Transportation -----	112.2	112.3	112.0	112.0	111.2	.2	.3	.7	.4	.9
Private -----	110.7	110.8	110.5	110.5	109.7	.2	.3	.7	.3	.9
Public -----	122.8	-----	122.1	-----	121.3	.6	-----	.6	-----	1.2
Health and recreation -----	118.7	-----	118.4	-----	115.7	.3	-----	.9	-----	2.6
Medical care -----	127.0	-----	126.3	-----	122.2	.6	-----	1.4	-----	3.9
Personal care -----	112.2	-----	112.0	-----	111.0	.2	-----	1.1	-----	1.1
Reading and recreation -----	117.0	-----	116.8	-----	115.7	.2	-----	.3	-----	1.1
Other goods and services 6/ -----	114.9	-----	114.7	-----	111.0	.2	-----	1.0	-----	3.5
Special groups:										
All items less shelter -----	112.6	-----	112.4	-----	110.0	.2	-----	.6	-----	2.4
All items less food -----	112.8	-----	112.5	-----	110.3	.3	-----	1.1	-----	2.3
Commodities 7/ -----	109.0	108.9	108.8	109.0	106.9	.2	- .1	.6	.3	2.0
Nondurables -----	111.5	111.5	111.3	111.6	108.6	.2	- .1	.4	.1	2.7
Durables 7/ 8/ -----	102.6	102.6	102.5	102.5	102.6	.1	.1	.6	.5	0
Services 9/ -----	122.0	-----	121.5	-----	117.6	.4	-----	1.6	-----	3.7
Commodities less food 7/ -----	106.4	106.5	106.3	106.4	105.1	.1	.1	.8	.8	1.2
Nondurables less food -----	109.5	109.6	109.3	109.4	107.3	.2	.2	.8	.7	2.1
Apparel commodities -----	108.3	108.4	108.3	108.4	106.0	0	0	1.1	.9	2.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	106.0	106.2	106.1	106.3	104.7	- .1	- .1	.8	.6	1.2
Nondurables less food and apparel	110.1	-----	110.0	-----	108.1	.1	-----	.6	-----	1.9
New cars -----	96.8	97.4	97.0	97.4	97.4	- .2	0	- .3	.5	- .6
Used cars -----	118.2	116.8	117.5	117.6	122.7	.6	- .7	2.4	- .7	- 3.7
Household durables 10/ -----	96.7	-----	96.7	-----	97.3	0	-----	.5	-----	- .6
Housefurnishings -----	98.6	98.4	98.5	98.4	98.2	.1	0	.6	.6	.4
Services less rent 9/ -----	124.8	-----	124.1	-----	119.7	.6	-----	1.9	-----	4.3
Household services less rent -----	121.7	-----	120.9	-----	116.8	.7	-----	2.7	-----	4.2
Transportation services -----	123.2	-----	123.0	-----	118.6	.2	-----	.5	-----	3.9
Medical care services -----	133.0	-----	132.1	-----	127.0	.7	-----	1.7	-----	4.7
Other services 11/ -----	126.4	-----	125.9	-----	121.7	.4	-----	1.1	-----	3.9
All items index on other bases:										
1947-49=100 -----	138.5	-----	138.2	-----	135.1	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=100 -----	233.1	-----	232.5	-----	227.4	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:										
1957-59=\$1.00 -----	\$0.886	-----	\$0.888	-----	\$0.908	- .2	-----	- .8	-----	- 2.4
1947-49=\$1.00 -----	.722	-----	.724	-----	.740	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=\$1.00 -----	.429	-----	.430	-----	.440	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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.

* Corrected index.

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 <u>1/</u>	Pricing Schedule <u>2/</u>	Indexes			Percent change from:	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases	March 1966	June 1965
		June 1966			March 1966	June 1965
U.S. City Average -----	M	112.9	138.5		0.8	2.5
Chicago -----	M	110.6	139.5		.6	2.5
Detroit -----	M	111.0	136.9		1.5	3.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	M	114.5	142.8		.7	1.4
New York -----	M	115.3	138.9		.4	2.8
Philadelphia -----	M	113.4	139.3		.6	2.4
		April 1966			January 1966	April 1965
Boston -----	1	116.8	144.7		2.5	3.5
Houston -----	1	110.9	136.6		.8	2.8
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	1	111.8	138.3		1.2	2.7
Pittsburgh -----	1	113.0	139.2		1.8	2.9
		May 1966			February 1966	May 1965
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -	2	-----	-----	106.6	0.8	3.5
Cleveland -----	2	109.7	136.2		1.5	2.7
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) --	2	-----	-----	104.6	1.2	3.5
Milwaukee -----	2	110.1	138.8		.5	1.8
San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	2	-----	-----	101.6	.4	1.1
Seattle -----	2	113.7	142.9		1.0	2.6
Washington -----	2	112.8	135.8		.8	3.0
		June 1966			March 1966	June 1965
Atlanta -----	3	111.1	137.5		0.7	3.0
Baltimore -----	3	113.4	140.7		.8	3.1
Cincinnati -----	3	110.2	134.1		1.0	2.5
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	3	-----	-----	104.6	.2	2.9
Kansas City -----	3	116.5	144.1		1.0	2.3
St. Louis -----	3	113.6	141.0		1.3	3.1
San Francisco-Oakland --	3	115.2	146.2		.3	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 May 1966 to June 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.3
Food -----	.4	.6	.4	- .5	.1	.4
Housing -----	.4	.3	1.3	.7	.2	.1
Apparel and upkeep -----	.1	.3	0	0	- .5	.1
Transportation -----	.2	.4	.1	.8	.3	.4
Health and recreation -----	.3	.2	.2	- .4	.6	.3
Medical care -----	.6	.2	.7	.3	1.5	.5
Personal care -----	.2	.3	.4	- 1.8	- .2	- .3
Reading and recreation -----	.2	.3	.2	- .5	.4	.6
Other goods and services ---	.2	0	- .3	- .5	.2	(<u>2/</u>)

^{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
1966: 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
Apr.	112.5	114.0	110.3	108.7	112.0	118.1	125.8	111.6	116.8	114.3
Mar.	112.0	113.9	109.6	108.2	111.4	117.6	125.3	111.0	116.6	113.8
Feb.	111.6	113.1	109.4	107.6	111.1	117.1	124.5	110.8	115.9	113.6
Jan.	111.0	111.4	109.2	107.3	111.2	116.9	124.2	110.4	115.7	113.4
1965: Dec.	111.0	110.6	109.4	108.1	111.6	116.6	123.7	110.0	115.4	113.4
Nov.	110.6	109.7	109.2	108.1	111.5	116.4	123.4	109.6	115.4	113.3
Oct.	110.4	109.7	109.0	107.8	111.2	116.2	123.0	109.2	115.2	113.3
Sept.	110.2	109.7	108.6	107.2	111.0	115.8	122.8	109.2	114.8	112.7
Aug.	110.0	110.1	108.2	106.4	111.0	115.6	122.8	109.0	114.3	112.6
July	110.2	110.9	108.3	106.1	111.5	115.3	122.7	108.7	114.6	111.5
June	110.1	110.1	108.2	106.9	111.2	115.7	122.2	111.0	115.7	111.0
Annual Average: 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
1960	103.1	101.4	103.1	102.2	103.8	105.4	108.1	104.1	104.9	103.8
1955	93.3	94.0	94.1	95.9	89.7	91.4	88.6	90.0	92.1	94.3

TABLE 5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups
June 1966 indexes and percent changes from March 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Atlanta	Baltimore	Chicago	Cincinnati	Detroit	Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	112.9	111.1	113.4	110.6	110.2	111.0	104.6
Food -----	113.9	112.4	115.9	114.3	111.6	112.0	106.6
Food at home -----	112.3	111.8	112.9	114.0	110.0	110.6	106.9
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.7	108.8	119.0	115.0	111.1	108.1	103.2
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.2	115.2	114.3	114.7	115.6	115.4	111.2
Dairy products -----	109.6	106.7	110.0	117.6	107.9	110.7	101.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.7	120.4	125.3	121.2	118.6	115.6	112.3
Other foods at home -----	101.3	106.3	99.5	103.1	96.5	98.9	101.0
Food away from home -----	122.8	114.7	128.1	116.5	121.2	120.5	105.7
Housing -----	111.1	110.4	111.3	108.1	105.1	105.1	106.2
Shelter -----	114.1	110.1	113.6	109.5	104.5	105.9	109.3
Rent -----	110.2	106.5	109.9	-----	103.7	98.1	104.6
Homeownership -----	115.8	111.1	115.2	111.1	104.9	107.9	112.6
Fuel and utilities -----	108.0	110.7	107.0	105.8	104.3	102.8	99.2
Fuel oil and coal -----	107.0	-----	109.5	105.0	98.9	100.2	-----
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	110.7	101.9	106.4	106.7	105.1	99.9
Household furnishings and operation -----	104.8	108.0	109.5	105.9	103.9	101.4	101.4
Apparel and upkeep -----	109.4	109.8	111.4	105.7	110.5	110.1	104.2
Men's and boys' -----	110.1	110.4	110.2	105.8	112.7	107.2	99.5
Women's and girls' -----	104.7	101.0	108.4	100.0	102.6	109.7	109.7
Footwear -----	119.8	121.3	130.4	117.5	124.7	120.4	103.2
Transportation -----	112.2	110.4	113.6	109.6	112.5	110.9	98.2
Private -----	110.7	107.9	111.1	109.8	110.8	109.0	99.5
Public -----	122.8	124.5	123.5	109.2	124.7	119.4	92.3
Health and recreation -----	118.7	116.1	116.0	113.9	117.0	120.9	105.2
Medical care -----	127.0	123.7	138.1	133.2	131.8	134.8	107.3
Personal care -----	112.2	115.4	111.6	112.1	106.8	112.8	102.3
Reading and recreation -----	117.0	115.2	110.0	101.5	116.1	116.3	100.9
Other goods and services -----	114.9	110.7	107.1	107.6	108.3	113.7	110.5
Percent changes March 1966 to June 1966							
All items -----	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.5	0.2
Food -----	0	0	.3	-.7	.6	.6	-.1
Food at home -----	-.3	-.5	.4	-1.1	.3	.4	-.3
Cereals and bakery products -----	1.0	1.1	-.7	.7	1.9	1.5	0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	-2.3	-2.5	-1.0	-4.5	-1.1	-2.9	.1
Dairy products -----	1.4	1.0	3.1	1.3	2.7	3.6	1.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	3.7	4.4	7.1	6.4	1.9	6.8	-2.3
Other foods at home -----	-2.3	-2.6	-3.6	-3.4	-1.3	-1.8	-.2
Food away from home -----	1.3	2.0	.5	1.1	1.8	2.0	.7
Housing -----	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.4	1.6	2.9	.3
Shelter -----	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.5	2.1	3.9	0
Rent -----	.3	.8	.3	-----	.5	2/ .4	-.3
Homeownership -----	2.0	1.5	1.6	2.0	2.8	4.6	.2
Fuel and utilities -----	1.3	1.7	1.6	2.5	1.2	1.9	2.2
Fuel oil and coal -----	-1.7	-----	0	-.6	-8.3	-.4	-----
Gas and electricity -----	-.1	0	.4	1.3	0	.7	0
Household furnishings and operation -----	.8	0	0	.4	.5	.7	.3
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.1	1.3	.7	.5	1.4	.6	1.1
Men's and boys' -----	1.0	4.0	.6	.1	1.4	1.2	-.3
Women's and girls' -----	.8	-1.2	0	.1	1.5	-1.3	2.6
Footwear -----	2.5	.4	2.9	2.3	2.8	2.5	.9
Transportation -----	.7	.2	.5	.8	1.2	.5	.6
Private -----	.7	.1	.5	.9	1.2	.3	.4
Public -----	.6	0	0	0	.5	4.0	2.0
Health and recreation -----	.9	1.2	1.0	.9	.5	.9	.1
Medical care -----	1.4	1.6	1.8	.7	1.2	1.1	.9
Personal care -----	1.1	1.4	-.1	-.2	-.1	.2	-1.4
Reading and recreation -----	.3	.7	.4	.9	-.4	1.3	-.5
Other goods and services -----	1.0	1.0	1.4	(3/)	.8	(3/)	.5

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
 June 1966 indexes and percent changes from March 1966--Continued

Group	Kansas City	Los Angeles- Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia	St. Louis	San Francisco- Oakland
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)						
All items -----	116.5	114.5	115.3	113.4	113.6	115.2
Food -----	116.9	112.4	114.5	112.9	117.2	113.6
Food at home -----	116.2	109.0	111.4	111.2	115.2	110.5
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.0	119.3	115.8	110.4	113.5	112.2
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	117.8	105.0	113.0	110.3	119.4	112.8
Dairy products -----	118.0	111.1	103.1	114.6	117.2	109.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	123.8	121.7	122.5	122.0	122.1	118.8
Other foods at home -----	104.8	94.4	101.0	99.9	103.8	97.9
Food away from home -----	119.7	125.3	128.7	122.9	123.3	127.2
Housing -----	110.3	117.1	115.2	111.3	108.2	118.7
Shelter -----	110.9	123.4	118.7	113.9	109.0	124.6
Rent -----	105.2	-----	118.9	-----	106.5	125.2
Homeownership -----	113.3	127.4	117.8	114.9	109.3	124.2
Fuel and utilities -----	114.3	103.8	107.1	106.4	108.0	103.7
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	110.9	111.2	106.1	-----
Gas and electricity -----	116.4	110.9	108.1	101.9	110.3	107.6
Household furnishings and operation -----	103.8	104.7	110.0	105.4	106.9	107.1
Apparel and upkeep -----	113.3	109.4	111.8	114.3	110.9	113.2
Men's and boys' -----	115.1	113.2	113.2	109.3	110.4	110.0
Women's and girls' -----	108.2	105.6	104.9	110.5	107.8	109.9
Footwear -----	122.2	117.0	122.0	121.8	123.4	117.7
Transportation -----	119.3	119.1	109.8	118.8	115.5	111.5
Private -----	117.2	115.0	112.3	114.7	113.9	112.8
Public -----	125.9	139.9	102.0	137.3	120.7	102.2
Health and recreation -----	126.6	111.8	123.9	117.3	120.3	118.0
Medical care -----	134.3	123.0	130.0	131.0	126.2	130.4
Personal care -----	116.0	106.3	109.8	108.7	117.3	120.8
Reading and recreation -----	128.7	103.5	126.3	112.7	122.0	109.1
Other goods and services -----	120.2	108.6	122.2	112.4	114.0	111.9
Percent changes March 1966 to June 1966						
All items -----	1.0	0.7	0.4	0.6	1.3	0.3
Food -----	.2	-.9	-.5	.1	.4	-.9
Food at home -----	-.3	-1.4	-1.0	-.2	.2	-1.3
Cereals and bakery products -----	1.2	2.1	.8	.8	.5	1.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	-2.5	-2.9	-2.0	-.7	-1.8	-2.3
Dairy products -----	.4	.1	-.6	.5	3.4	.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	5.4	-.7	1.9	2.9	3.9	-.3
Other foods at home -----	-2.2	-2.8	-3.0	-3.2	-1.7	-2.4
Food away from home -----	1.5	.6	1.1	1.7	1.5	.3
Housing -----	1.2	1.6	.8	.9	1.2	.9
Shelter -----	1.3	1.8	.7	.7	1.4	.8
Rent -----	.2	-----	^{2/} .1	-----	.2	.1
Homeownership -----	1.6	2.4	.9	.9	1.7	1.1
Fuel and utilities -----	2.0	2.1	1.5	1.2	1.4	2.3
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	-2.6	-1.2	.2	-----
Gas and electricity -----	.3	-.1	-.2	0	-.1	0
Household furnishings and operation -----	.4	.5	.5	1.1	.7	.7
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.8	1.0	.4	.7	1.5	.4
Men's and boys' -----	.8	1.3	.3	.4	.5	.4
Women's and girls' -----	2.9	.8	-.6	.3	1.6	.5
Footwear -----	2.3	1.5	2.8	2.7	2.5	1.8
Transportation -----	1.8	1.1	.6	.8	2.7	-1.0
Private -----	1.8	1.1	.7	1.0	2.6	-1.0
Public -----	.2	0	.3	.3	2.4	0
Health and recreation -----	.9	0	1.3	.4	2.0	1.0
Medical care -----	.9	.8	2.6	1.0	2.4	1.9
Personal care -----	1.7	-1.9	.9	.4	6.2	.8
Reading and recreation -----	.6	-.3	.4	.2	.2	.3
Other goods and services -----	.6	(^{3/})	(^{3/})	.2	1.2	.7

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

^{2/} Change from April 1966.

^{3/} Not available.

TABLE 6: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups
June 1966 indexes and percent changes from May 1966

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	112.3	114.7	114.2	109.6	121.7	101.3	122.8
Atlanta -----	112.4	111.8	108.8	115.2	106.7	120.4	106.3	114.7
Baltimore -----	115.9	112.9	119.0	114.3	110.0	125.3	99.5	128.1
Boston -----	115.7	112.7	116.0	116.3	103.8	126.0	100.4	128.7
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	108.5	108.3	100.4	112.1	104.5	117.8	103.3	109.8
Chicago -----	114.3	114.0	115.0	114.7	117.6	121.2	103.1	116.5
Cincinnati -----	111.6	110.0	111.1	115.6	107.9	118.6	96.5	121.2
Cleveland -----	111.1	109.7	111.0	114.7	104.2	121.0	97.3	119.0
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	109.4	109.9	107.1	116.8	109.2	111.4	102.3	107.7
Detroit -----	112.0	110.6	108.1	115.4	110.7	115.6	98.9	120.5
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	106.6	106.9	103.2	111.2	101.1	112.3	101.0	105.7
Houston -----	114.4	112.6	119.6	110.8	108.9	125.2	102.6	122.8
Kansas City -----	116.9	116.2	118.0	117.8	118.0	123.8	104.8	119.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach	112.4	109.0	119.3	105.0	111.1	121.7	94.4	125.3
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	111.6	110.8	107.9	113.0	116.5	116.8	101.6	114.2
New York -----	114.5	111.4	115.8	113.0	103.1	122.5	101.0	128.7
Philadelphia -----	112.9	111.2	110.4	110.3	114.6	122.0	99.9	122.9
Pittsburgh -----	111.4	110.7	113.5	116.7	101.1	122.1	99.4	115.7
St. Louis -----	117.2	115.2	113.5	119.4	117.2	122.1	103.8	123.3
San Francisco-Oakland -	113.6	110.5	112.2	112.8	109.5	118.8	97.9	127.2
Seattle -----	114.3	112.0	106.2	116.7	117.8	119.1	99.7	124.8
Washington -----	114.1	111.8	108.9	112.5	112.4	120.6	103.2	124.8
Percent changes May 1966 to June 1966								
U.S. City Average -----	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	2.1	- 1.5	0.5
Atlanta -----	.4	.4	1.1	.7	.9	1.8	- 1.9	.4
Baltimore -----	.5	.6	- .7	1.3	.3	4.2	- 2.3	.2
Boston -----	.3	.3	.8	-. 2	.4	3.4	- 2.1	.6
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	.5	.6	.1	.3	2.8	.3	- .5	.4
Chicago -----	.6	.7	1.6	1.0	.5	2.8	- 2.0	.3
Cincinnati -----	.8	.7	-. 5	1.7	1.4	1.4	- 1.1	1.2
Cleveland -----	1.0	1.2	.7	.5	.5	5.0	- .1	0
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	0	.1	.1	.2	.2	.5	- .6	0
Detroit -----	.4	.5	.7	.4	1.1	2.4	- 1.3	.2
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	.4	.5	-. 1	-. 7	.6	2.8	.7	0
Houston -----	.3	.4	.6	.5	-. 4	3.0	- 1.2	.1
Kansas City -----	.8	.8	.9	1.2	-. 3	3.9	- 1.6	.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach	-. 5	-. 8	.2	-. 8	-. 4	-. 5	- 1.9	.2
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	-. 1	-. 2	.3	.3	- 1.6	2.1	- 1.6	.2
New York -----	.1	-. 1	.1	-. 1	-. 7	2.3	- 1.9	.8
Philadelphia -----	.4	.4	.5	.1	.3	2.8	- 1.4	.7
Pittsburgh -----	-. 1	-. 2	.5	-. 5	.5	2.3	- 2.5	.8
St. Louis -----	.2	.1	.1	.3	.3	1.0	- 1.0	.7
San Francisco-Oakland -	-. 3	-. 5	.1	-. 7	.3	.6	- 1.4	.2
Seattle -----	-. 1	-. 2	- 1.5	1.0	.8	0	- 2.1	.2
Washington -----	.4	.4	-. 9	1.0	.4	3.5	- 1.9	.6

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

TABLE 7: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items
June 1966 indexes and percent changes from selected dates
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to June 1966 from--		
	June 1966		May 1966		June 1965
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Total food -----	113.9	114.0	0.4	0	3.5
Food away from home -----	122.8	-----	.5	-----	4.8
Restaurant meals -----	123.1	-----	.5	-----	5.0
Snacks <u>1/</u> -----	105.9	-----	.3	-----	3.4
Food at home -----	112.3	112.4	.3	-.2	3.2
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.7	-----	.3	-----	3.3
Flour -----	110.4	-----	-.1	-----	.2
Cracker meal <u>1/</u> -----	115.7	-----	.2	-----	6.0
Corn flakes -----	122.3	-----	1.7	-----	2.9
Rice -----	107.0	-----	0	-----	.8
Bread, white -----	119.9	-----	.8	-----	4.9
Bread, whole wheat <u>1/</u> -----	107.9	-----	-.4	-----	4.5
Cookies -----	97.8	-----	-1.4	-----	-1.2
Layer cake <u>1/</u> -----	102.1	-----	.8	-----	4.2
Cinnamon rolls <u>1/</u> -----	105.4	-----	.8	-----	5.2
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.2	115.9	.3	-.1	7.3
Meats -----	116.6	118.7	.3	0	8.0
Beef and veal -----	112.8	115.2	-.4	.4	2.9
Steak, round -----	108.5	110.6	.2	1.1	-.9
Steak, sirloin <u>2/</u> -----	106.2	-----	.9	-----	-1.5
Steak, porterhouse <u>1/</u> -----	110.7	-----	.6	-----	-.4
Rump roast <u>1/</u> -----	104.9	-----	0	-----	.4
Rib roast -----	118.5	120.5	-1.3	-1.2	.9
Chuck roast -----	104.5	109.9	-3.8	-.6	.7
Hamburger -----	116.0	116.8	-1.2	-1.9	8.3
Beef liver <u>1/</u> -----	108.8	-----	-.6	-----	6.9
Veal cutlets -----	127.9	127.9	.7	.7	7.8
Pork -----	123.9	126.2	1.9	.8	13.8
Chops -----	124.0	126.5	6.3	3.4	7.1
Loin roast <u>2/</u> -----	131.9	-----	3.6	-----	9.0
Pork sausage <u>1/</u> -----	134.3	-----	-1.6	-----	17.8
Ham, whole -----	113.1	114.9	-1.1	-2.2	10.8
Picnics <u>1/</u> -----	125.7	-----	-1.0	-----	23.1
Bacon -----	132.2	134.8	1.3	.6	18.9
Other meats -----	119.0	119.0	-.4	-.6	11.2
Lamb chops <u>1/</u> -----	119.6	-----	.4	-----	4.1
Frankfurters -----	119.3	119.5	0	.5	9.4
Ham, canned <u>1/</u> -----	120.5	-----	-2.5	-----	19.0
Bologna sausage <u>1/</u> -----	117.6	-----	.6	-----	12.3
Salami sausage <u>1/</u> -----	113.3	-----	-1.0	-----	10.5
Liverwurst <u>1/</u> -----	117.8	-----	.2	-----	12.8
Poultry -----	96.3	-----	.4	-----	3.0
Frying chicken -----	97.1	96.3	.1	-2.4	2.9
Chicken breasts <u>1/</u> -----	105.5	-----	1.3	-----	4.6
Turkey <u>1/</u> -----	107.4	-----	.7	-----	3.0
Fish -----	118.0	118.1	-.2	0	6.9
Shrimp, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	101.6	-----	.1	-----	7.5
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	122.3	122.8	-.8	-.2	5.6
Tuna fish, canned -----	115.1	-----	.4	-----	13.2
Sardines, canned <u>1/</u> -----	106.6	-----	-.1	-----	2.0
Dairy products -----	109.6	110.7	.3	.5	5.4
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	106.8	108.9	-.2	.4	5.8
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	110.6	-----	.3	-----	5.1
Milk, fresh, skim <u>1/</u> -----	103.1	-----	-.4	-----	5.0
Milk, evaporated -----	109.6	-----	1.2	-----	3.8
Ice cream -----	94.9	-----	.3	-----	0
Cheese, American process -----	128.9	129.0	.2	.3	10.6
Butter -----	109.2	109.9	1.1	1.4	6.3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 7: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items
June 1966 indexes and percent changes from selected dates--Continued
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to June 1966 from--		June 1965 Unadjusted
	June 1966		May 1966		
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.7	115.8	2.1	0.4	- 3.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	131.1	121.4	3.8	1.1	- 7.4
Apples -----	155.2	128.2	10.6	- .5	13.9
Bananas -----	101.7	100.9	1.8	.9	6.0
Oranges -----	119.2	121.5	4.4	4.6	1.4
Orange juice, fresh <u>1/</u> -----	84.4	-----	.5	-----	- 7.0
Grapefruit -----	159.2	148.9	12.8	.5	1.5
Grapes * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Strawberries * -----	139.0	157.8	5.1	14.7	10.7
Watermelon * -----	125.4	102.9	(4/)	(4/)	5.9
Potatoes -----	152.0	131.8	5.1	- 5.4	-29.5
Onions -----	148.7	136.4	6.4	1.3	2.3
Asparagus * <u>1/</u> -----	103.7	-----	- 5.7	-----	9.4
Cabbage -----	141.9	129.6	-12.3	-11.9	-17.4
Carrots -----	128.7	123.3	10.9	1.8	13.2
Celery -----	116.3	115.8	15.4	17.6	9.7
Cucumbers <u>1/</u> -----	123.5	-----	- .8	-----	9.1
Lettuce -----	109.7	108.8	- 4.3	- 6.4	-35.1
Peppers, green <u>1/</u> -----	153.0	-----	- 2.7	-----	- 6.7
Spinach <u>1/</u> -----	99.1	-----	.9	-----	- 3.2
Tomatoes -----	113.3	107.7	-10.2	- .3	- 7.3
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	110.1	-----	- .5	-----	4.1
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	100.4	-----	- 1.7	-----	5.5
Pears, canned <u>1/</u> -----	104.4	-----	- 1.9	-----	9.5
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned <u>1/</u> --	97.3	-----	.2	-----	- 2.0
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	93.8	95.9	- .5	.2	- 3.1
Lemonade concentrate, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	89.4	-----	- 1.9	-----	- 1.3
Beets, canned <u>1/</u> -----	103.5	-----	1.3	-----	4.7
Peas, green, canned -----	115.7	-----	.5	-----	.2
Tomatoes, canned -----	112.7	-----	.4	-----	8.3
Dried beans -----	124.6	-----	- 1.0	-----	16.3
Broccoli, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	96.1	-----	- .2	-----	0
Other food at home -----	101.3	102.9	- 1.5	- 1.1	.8
Eggs -----	89.1	100.9	- 9.8	- 7.6	6.2
Fats and oils:					
Margarine -----	103.6	-----	0	-----	1.0
Salad dressing, Italian <u>1/</u> -----	101.2	-----	.5	-----	1.4
Salad or cooking oil <u>1/</u> -----	120.7	-----	.1	-----	10.4
Sugar and sweets -----	110.6	-----	- .4	-----	- 2.9
Sugar -----	109.9	-----	- .2	-----	1.1
Grape jelly -----	116.3	-----	- .1	-----	.7
Chocolate bar -----	92.7	-----	- .2	-----	-12.5
Syrup, chocolate flavored <u>1/</u> -----	99.1	-----	- 1.0	-----	0
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	100.8	-----	.6	-----	.6
Coffee, can and bag -----	94.1	-----	.3	-----	- .7
Coffee, instant <u>3/</u> -----	99.5	-----	.8	-----	.8
Tea -----	101.0	-----	.2	-----	- .2
Cola drink -----	129.8	-----	.6	-----	3.6
Carbonated fruit drink <u>1/</u> -----	104.5	-----	1.2	-----	2.3
Prepared and partially prepared foods <u>1/</u>	99.6	-----	- .1	-----	- 1.5
Bean soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	97.5	-----	- .6	-----	- .6
Chicken soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	98.2	-----	- .2	-----	- 1.4
Spaghetti, canned <u>1/</u> -----	104.8	-----	- .2	-----	4.6
Mashed potatoes, instant <u>1/</u> -----	102.1	-----	.5	-----	- 6.6
Potatoes, french fried, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	85.8	-----	- .1	-----	- 8.8
Baby foods, canned -----	105.0	-----	.1	-----	- 2.6
Sweet pickle relish <u>1/</u> -----	103.8	-----	- .7	-----	3.3
Pretzels <u>1/</u> -----	99.9	-----	0	-----	.9

1/ December 1963=100.

2/ April 1960=100.

3/ July 1961=100.

4/ Not available.

* Priced only in season.

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).

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