

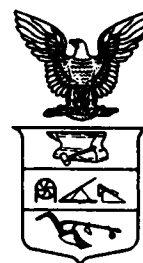
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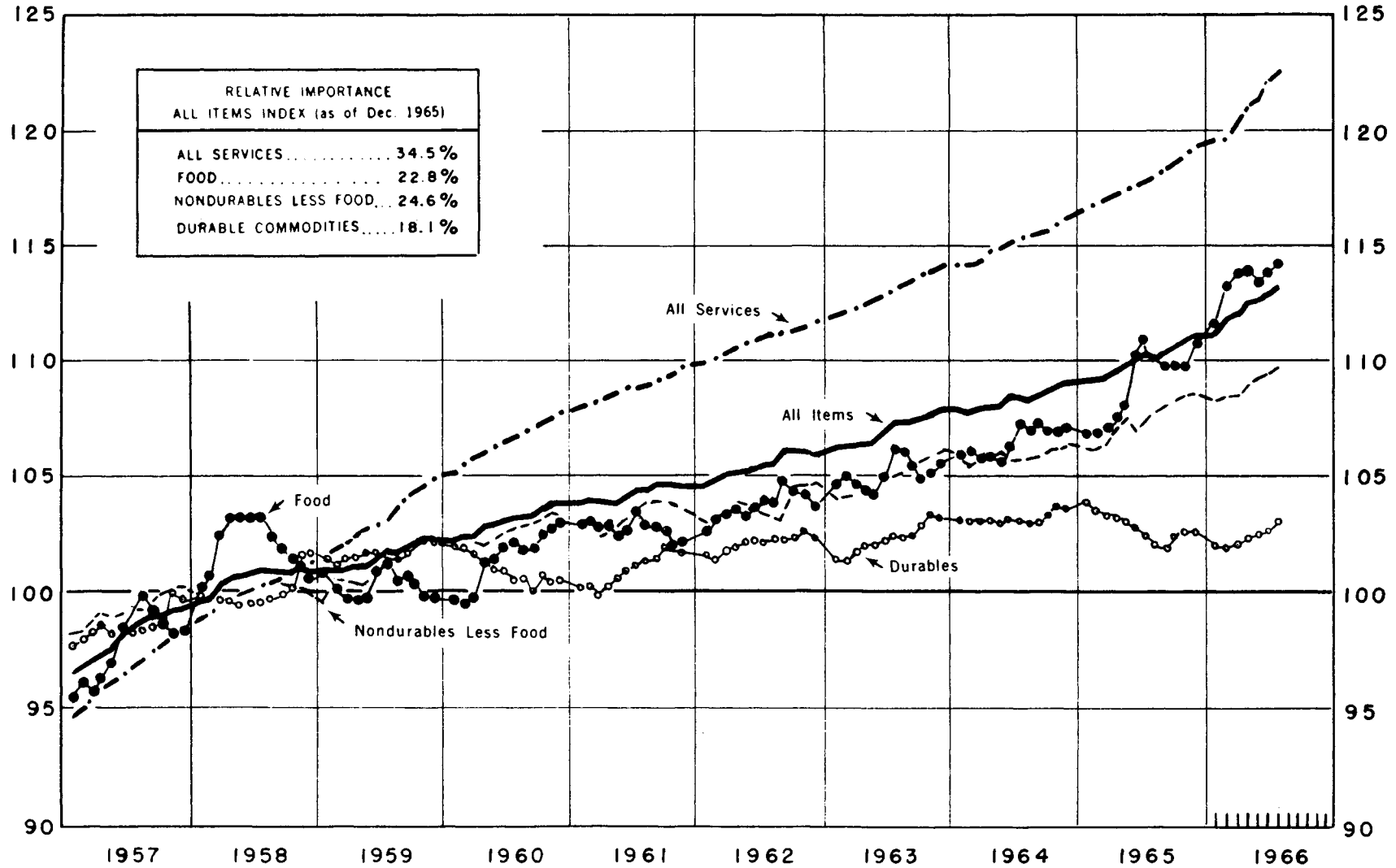
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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR JULY 1966

The Consumer Price Index rose by 0.4 percent in July, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. The increase was largely the result of higher transportation costs and an advance in food prices that was smaller than usual for July. At 113.3 (1957-59=100) the index was 2.8 percent higher than a year earlier.

Price Changes, June-July 1966

A rise of 1.2 percent in transportation costs resulted from increased transit fares in New York City and higher prices for used cars, gasoline, tires, auto repairs, and insurance. Subway and bus fares were raised by a nickel to 20 cents on all transit lines within New York City. Some suburban lines also increased their fares. Used car prices rose 1.8 percent in response to brisk demand and reduced inventories. New car prices were down by 0.1 percent, much less than the usual July decline.

Food prices usually rise in July by considerably more than the 0.4 percent increase shown last month. Prices of meats, fruits, and vegetables were generally steady, whereas a seasonal advance often takes place for these important food items in July. Milk, butter, and eggs, on the other hand, went up more than usual at this season. Higher milk prices were reported in 26 of the 56 cities surveyed in July, as production declined and demand continued strong. Egg prices took a 5-1/2 percent jump when the unusually hot weather caused a drop in production. Prices of meals in restaurants were boosted again, and cigarettes cost more largely because of State and local tax hikes.

A further advance in mortgage interest rates added to homeownership costs. Prices also were raised moderately for furniture, textile housefurnishings, and house-keeping supplies and services.

Medical care costs continued to go up at their accelerated rate of recent months. Charges for many other types of services also were raised.

Price Trends, July 1965-July 1966

About half of the rise in the Consumer Price Index in the past year has been caused by increased charges for nearly all kinds of consumer services, averaging 4.1 percent. Transportation and medical service charges each climbed 5 percent over the year. Other types of services were up 4 to 4-1/2 percent, except for rents, which, with a 1.3 percent increase, continued their slow rise.

Food prices averaged 3.1 percent higher than a year ago in July. Restaurant meal prices were up 5 percent, dairy products 6-1/2 percent, and meats 4-1/2 percent. Fresh vegetable prices have dropped 11 percent over the year mainly because of a 40-percent decline in potato prices from their record high of last year.

Prices have increased by from 3 to 5 percent over the past year for such items as fuel oil, apparel, newspapers, cigarettes, furniture, and tires. On the other hand, prices averaged slightly lower for new cars and appliances. Used car prices also are down about 2 percent from a year ago.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments

About 1.14 million workers will receive cost-of-living wage increases based on the July Consumer Price Index. Slightly over a million, in auto and automotive parts, farm and construction equipment, aerospace, and metalworking industries, will get 2 cents an hour based on the rise in the index since April. Others will receive increases ranging from 1 to 5 cents an hour based on monthly, quarterly, or semi-annual changes in the national index and some city indexes.

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

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)					Percent change to July 1966 from--				
	July 1966		June 1966		July 1965	June 1966		April 1966		July 1965
	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
All items -----	113.3	-----	112.9	-----	110.2	0.4	-----	0.7	-----	2.8
Food -----	114.3	113.2	113.9	114.0	110.9	.4	-.7	.3	-1.0	3.1
Food at home -----	112.7	111.3	112.3	112.4	109.7	.4	-1.0	0	-1.7	2.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.8	-----	114.7	-----	111.1	.1	-----	.6	-----	3.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.3	114.1	114.2	115.9	109.2	.1	-1.6	-1.1	-2.6	4.7
Dairy products -----	111.0	111.6	109.6	110.7	104.3	1.3	.8	1.9	2.0	6.4
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.5	113.9	121.7	115.8	124.3	-.2	-1.6	1.4	-3.2	-2.3
Other foods at home -----	102.1	102.9	101.3	102.9	101.2	.8	0	-1.4	-1.5	.9
Food away from home -----	123.5	-----	122.8	-----	117.6	.6	-----	1.6	-----	5.0
Housing -----	111.3	-----	111.1	-----	108.3	.2	-----	.9	-----	2.8
Shelter 1/ -----	114.4	-----	114.1	-----	110.6	.3	-----	1.2	-----	3.4
Rent -----	110.3	-----	110.2	-----	108.9	.1	-----	.2	-----	1.3
Homeownership 2/ -----	116.2	-----	115.8	-----	111.2	.3	-----	1.7	-----	4.5
Fuel and utilities 3/ -----	107.9	108.4	108.0	108.4	106.6	-.1	0	-.4	.2	1.2
Fuel oil and coal 4/ -----	107.0	109.3	107.0	109.2	103.2	0	.1	-1.4	1.5	3.7
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	-----	108.1	-----	106.9	0	-----	-.2	-----	1.1
Household furnishings and operation -----	105.1	-----	104.8	-----	102.9	.3	-----	.7	-----	2.1
Apparel and upkeep 5/ -----	109.2	109.6	109.4	109.5	106.1	-.2	.1	.5	.7	2.9
Men's and boys' -----	109.6	109.9	110.1	110.2	106.8	-.5	-.3	0	.2	2.6
Women's and girls' -----	104.6	105.1	104.7	105.0	102.5	-.1	.1	.4	.6	2.0
Footwear -----	119.8	120.2	119.8	119.9	112.0	0	.3	1.4	1.8	7.0
Transportation -----	113.5	113.4	112.2	112.3	111.5	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.8
Private -----	111.5	111.4	110.7	110.8	110.0	.7	.5	.9	.5	1.4
Public -----	129.1	-----	122.8	-----	121.4	5.1	-----	5.7	-----	6.3
Health and recreation -----	119.1	-----	118.7	-----	115.3	.3	-----	.8	-----	3.3
Medical care -----	127.7	-----	127.0	-----	122.7	.6	-----	1.5	-----	4.1
Personal care -----	112.5	-----	112.2	-----	108.7	.3	-----	.8	-----	3.5
Reading and recreation -----	117.2	-----	117.0	-----	114.6	.2	-----	.3	-----	2.3
Other goods and services 6/ -----	115.3	-----	114.9	-----	111.5	.3	-----	.9	-----	3.4
<b>Special groups:</b>										
All items less shelter -----	113.1	-----	112.6	-----	110.1	.4	-----	.6	-----	2.7
All items less food -----	113.2	-----	112.8	-----	110.2	.4	-----	.9	-----	2.7
Commodities 7/ -----	109.3	109.1	109.0	108.9	106.9	.3	.2	.5	.1	2.2
Nondurables -----	111.8	111.4	111.5	111.5	108.7	.3	-.1	.4	-.2	2.9
Durables 7/ 8/ -----	103.0	103.1	102.6	102.6	102.3	.4	.5	.7	.8	.7
Services 9/ -----	122.6	-----	122.0	-----	117.8	.5	-----	1.2	-----	4.1
Commodities less food 7/ -----	106.7	106.8	106.4	106.5	104.7	.3	.3	.7	.8	1.9
Nondurables less food -----	109.7	109.9	109.5	109.6	106.9	.2	.3	.6	.7	2.6
Apparel commodities -----	108.1	108.3	108.3	108.4	105.0	-.2	-.1	.5	.5	3.0
Apparel commodities less footwear -----	105.8	106.1	106.0	106.2	103.6	-.2	-.1	.2	.2	2.1
Nondurables less food and apparel -----	110.6	-----	110.1	-----	108.0	.5	-----	.7	-----	2.4
New cars -----	96.7	97.9	96.8	97.4	97.2	-.1	.5	-.7	.5	-.5
Used cars -----	120.3	118.6	118.2	116.8	123.0	1.8	1.5	2.5	.3	-2.2
Household durables 10/ -----	96.9	-----	96.7	-----	96.3	.2	-----	.5	-----	.6
Housefurnishings -----	98.8	98.9	98.6	98.4	97.6	.2	.5	.5	.9	1.2
Services less rent 9/ -----	125.5	-----	124.8	-----	120.0	.6	-----	1.5	-----	4.6
Household services less rent -----	122.1	-----	121.7	-----	116.9	.3	-----	1.6	-----	4.4
Transportation services -----	125.0	-----	123.2	-----	119.1	1.5	-----	1.6	-----	5.0
Medical care services -----	133.9	-----	133.0	-----	127.5	.7	-----	1.9	-----	5.0
Other services 11/ -----	126.7	-----	126.4	-----	121.9	.2	-----	1.0	-----	3.9
All items index on other bases:										
1947-49=100 -----	139.0	-----	138.5	-----	135.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=100 -----	234.0	-----	233.1	-----	227.6	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:										
1957-59=\$1.00 -----	\$0.883	-----	\$0.886	-----	\$0.907	-.3	-----	-.7	-----	-2.6
1947-49=\$1.00 -----	.719	-----	.722	-----	.740	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=\$1.00 -----	.427	-----	.429	-----	.439	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

- 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 <sup>1/</sup>	Pricing Schedule <sup>2/</sup>	Indexes			Percent change from:	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases	April 1966	July 1965
		July 1966			April 1966	July 1965
U.S. City Average -----	M	113.3	139.0		0.7	2.8
Chicago -----	M	110.5	139.3		.5	2.6
Detroit -----	M	111.1	137.0		1.0	3.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	M	115.0	143.4		.6	2.0
New Ycrk -----	M	116.3	140.1		1.0	3.5
Philadelphia -----	M	113.7	139.6		.4	2.4
		July 1966			April 1966	July 1965
Boston -----	1	117.1	145.1		0.3	3.2
Houston -----	1	111.6	137.5		.6	2.9
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	1	112.0	138.5		.2	2.1
Pittsburgh -----	1	112.8	139.0		-.2	1.8
		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

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

<sup>2/</sup> 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 <sup>1/</sup>  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Major Groups  
Percent change from June 1966 to July 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.4	- 0.1	0.1	0.4	0.9	0.3
Food -----	.4	- .2	.7	.4	.5	.3
Housing -----	.2	.4	.2	.3	.3	-.2
Apparel and upkeep -----	-.2	- 1.5	-.6	-.5	-.3	.5
Transportation -----	1.2	0	-.4	1.8	4.5	.5
Health and recreation -----	.3	.2	0	.4	.7	.8
Medical care -----	.6	.7	.4	.3	.7	1.1
Personal care -----	.3	0	1.8	1.1	1.1	.6
Reading and recreation -----	.2	.3	- 1.3	.7	.5	.4
Other goods and services -----	.3	-.3	0	0	1.0	(2/)

<sup>1/</sup> See footnote 1, table 2.

<sup>2/</sup> 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:										
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
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
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 <sup>1/</sup>  
 For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
 July 1966 indexes and percent changes from April 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Boston	Chicago	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles- Long Beach	Minn- neapolis- St. Paul	New York	Phila- delphia	Pitts- burgh
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)										
All items -----	113.3	117.1	110.5	111.1	111.6	115.0	112.0	116.3	113.7	112.8
Food -----	114.3	117.0	114.1	112.8	115.8	112.8	112.3	115.1	113.2	111.6
Food at home -----	112.7	113.9	113.7	111.5	114.1	109.1	111.5	111.9	111.5	110.8
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.8	115.5	115.2	108.0	120.0	119.0	107.5	115.8	109.8	114.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.3	117.9	114.0	115.8	111.7	104.8	113.2	112.7	110.6	117.2
Dairy products -----	111.0	106.4	117.7	110.9	115.1	111.7	118.9	105.6	117.1	101.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.5	126.4	118.9	117.7	124.7	122.3	117.4	122.1	120.2	119.3
Other foods at home -----	102.1	101.7	104.2	100.4	103.9	94.8	102.6	102.2	100.7	100.6
Food away from home -----	123.5	130.0	116.9	121.3	124.0	126.7	114.6	130.1	123.1	116.0
Housing -----	111.3	119.2	108.5	105.3	107.2	117.4	108.3	115.5	111.1	111.2
Shelter -----	114.4	126.1	110.2	106.4	104.3	123.8	112.6	118.7	113.5	109.9
Rent -----	110.3	124.6	106.6	-----	101.0	111.6	109.5	-----	110.9	108.8
Homeownership -----	116.2	126.8	112.0	108.4	105.7	127.8	113.1	117.6	114.2	110.1
Fuel and utilities -----	107.9	108.2	105.9	102.7	115.1	103.8	101.2	107.1	106.2	116.8
Fuel oil and coal -----	107.0	114.0	105.0	100.2	-----	-----	98.0	110.9	110.4	-----
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	102.5	106.4	105.2	124.7	110.9	98.1	108.0	101.7	116.4
Household furnishings and operation -----	105.1	111.3	106.0	101.3	110.3	104.7	101.1	111.4	105.7	107.5
Apparel and upkeep -----	109.2	109.2	104.1	109.4	108.7	108.9	108.7	111.5	114.9	111.7
Men's and boys' -----	109.6	103.9	103.9	105.3	107.7	110.8	116.3	111.8	109.2	106.6
Women's and girls' -----	104.6	104.5	97.1	109.8	105.4	106.2	100.8	105.4	112.4	105.7
Footwear -----	119.8	118.6	117.7	119.5	122.9	117.3	118.6	120.3	120.6	125.4
Transportation -----	113.5	116.9	109.6	110.5	110.1	121.3	113.2	114.7	119.4	115.6
Private -----	111.5	111.2	109.9	108.6	106.9	117.2	111.6	113.1	115.3	110.8
Public -----	129.1	132.1	109.2	119.4	135.5	140.3	122.0	124.3	137.3	132.1
Health and recreation -----	119.1	119.7	114.1	120.9	118.4	112.3	120.3	124.8	118.2	118.4
Medical care -----	127.7	127.7	134.1	135.3	118.6	123.4	138.8	130.9	132.4	134.5
Personal care -----	112.5	112.5	112.1	114.8	120.5	107.5	110.2	111.0	109.3	104.8
Reading and recreation -----	117.2	123.1	101.8	114.8	118.0	104.2	117.3	126.9	113.1	112.1
Other goods and services -----	115.3	112.4	107.3	113.7	117.0	108.6	107.7	123.4	(2/)	115.1
Percent changes April 1966 to July 1966										
All items -----	0.7	0.3	0.5	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.2	1.0	0.4	- 0.2
Food -----	.3	.3	-.1	1.1	.9	-.6	-.1	.1	-.2	- 1.1
Food at home -----	0	-.2	-.3	1.1	.9	- 1.4	-.4	-.4	-.4	- 1.4
Cereals and bakery products -----	.6	.1	.5	.8	.5	1.0	-.1	.7	-.1	-.6
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	- 1.1	-.3	- 2.3	-.7	-.6	- 2.5	- 1.6	- 1.1	-.8	- 2.8
Dairy products -----	1.9	.7	1.6	1.4	6.0	.2	2.6	1.3	3.0	1.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	1.4	1.9	2.7	6.4	2.9	- 1.4	1.6	.4	-.6	- 2.3
Other foods at home -----	- 1.4	- 2.7	- 1.0	-.6	- 1.1	- 2.6	- 2.5	- 2.1	- 2.7	-.6
Food away from home -----	1.6	2.1	.9	1.6	1.3	1.9	.6	2.1	1.2	1.4
Housing -----	.9	.1	1.4	2.2	.7	1.5	-.2	.3	.3	-.1
Shelter -----	1.2	-.1	2.0	3.5	1.5	1.8	-.2	.2	.1	.5
Rent -----	.2	.2	<sup>3/</sup> .1	-----	.5	<sup>3/</sup> 0	-.1	-----	<sup>3/</sup> .2	.2
Homeownership -----	1.7	-.4	2.8	4.1	1.8	2.2	-.3	.2	-.1	.5
Fuel and utilities -----	-.4	-.2	.4	.3	- 3.6	0	0	-.6	-.5	-.8
Fuel oil and coal -----	- 1.4	-.4	-.6	-.4	-----	-----	- 6.6	- 2.6	- 2.0	-----
Gas and electricity -----	-.2	-.2	.6	.8	- 6.3	-.1	-.2	-.3	-.2	- 1.5
Household furnishings and operation -----	.7	.8	.2	.1	1.4	.9	-.3	1.5	1.1	-.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	.5	-.8	-.9	-.6	.3	.4	1.2	-.2	.7	-.2
Men's and boys' -----	0	-.5	- 2.1	- 1.8	.4	- 1.3	1.7	- 1.8	0	-.3
Women's and girls' -----	.4	- 1.8	- 1.8	-.4	-.2	1.6	.6	.4	1.6	-.8
Footwear -----	1.4	.9	1.8	0	3.3	.7	2.2	-.5	.2	2.3
Transportation -----	1.3	.4	.6	-.4	1.1	1.4	.4	4.5	1.2	1.0
Private -----	.9	.6	.7	-.7	1.1	1.4	.5	.5	1.2	1.1
Public -----	5.7	-.7	0	4.0	0	.3	0	22.2	.3	.2
Health and recreation -----	.8	.9	.7	.5	.3	0	.2	1.6	1.0	.2
Medical care -----	1.5	.3	1.2	1.5	.7	.5	1.3	2.8	1.5	1.2
Personal care -----	.8	- 1.5	0	1.1	-.2	- 1.5	-.5	1.5	.4	-.7
Reading and recreation -----	.3	2.2	.9	-.7	.3	.2	-.2	1.0	.8	- 1.0
Other goods and services -----	.9	1.2	.2	.2	-.3	-.4	-.2	1.6	(2/)	.8

<sup>1/</sup> See footnote 1, table 2.

<sup>2/</sup> Not available.

<sup>3/</sup> Change from May 1966.



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

Area <sup>1/</sup>	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 -----	114.3	112.7	114.8	114.3	111.0	121.5	102.1	123.5
Atlanta -----	112.5	111.9	108.3	114.5	107.2	122.0	106.7	114.9
Baltimore -----	116.2	113.1	118.7	114.4	110.2	125.3	100.6	128.3
Boston -----	117.0	113.9	115.5	117.9	106.4	126.4	101.7	130.0
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	108.8	108.6	100.4	113.0	106.6	115.3	103.7	110.2
Chicago -----	114.1	113.7	115.2	114.0	117.7	118.9	104.2	116.9
Cincinnati -----	112.1	110.4	109.6	114.8	107.3	122.6	97.5	121.8
Cleveland -----	111.1	109.6	110.1	115.7	104.9	117.2	98.2	119.3
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	110.1	110.5	107.1	116.3	111.6	112.7	103.3	108.3
Detroit -----	112.8	111.5	108.0	115.8	110.9	117.7	100.4	121.3
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	106.5	106.7	103.4	112.4	101.0	108.7	101.4	105.8
Houston -----	115.8	114.1	120.0	111.7	115.1	124.7	103.9	124.0
Kansas City -----	117.1	116.3	115.6	117.8	119.9	123.3	105.8	120.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach	112.8	109.1	119.0	104.8	111.7	122.3	94.8	126.7
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	112.3	111.5	107.5	113.2	118.9	117.4	102.6	114.6
New York -----	115.1	111.9	115.8	112.7	105.6	122.1	102.2	130.1
Philadelphia -----	113.2	111.5	109.8	110.6	117.1	120.2	100.7	123.1
Pittsburgh -----	111.6	110.8	114.5	117.2	101.5	119.3	100.6	116.0
St. Louis -----	118.1	116.2	113.3	120.2	119.9	123.4	104.4	123.2
San Francisco-Oakland -	113.6	110.4	112.4	112.0	109.5	119.1	98.2	127.7
Seattle -----	114.1	111.7	106.4	116.8	117.9	116.9	99.7	125.1
Washington -----	114.3	111.9	109.7	111.3	115.3	120.7	103.4	125.2
Percent changes June 1966 to July 1966								
U.S. City Average -----	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	1.3	- 0.2	0.8	0.6
Atlanta -----	.1	.1	- .5	- .6	.5	1.3	.4	.2
Baltimore -----	.3	.2	- .3	.1	.2	0	1.1	.2
Boston -----	1.1	1.1	- .4	1.4	2.5	.3	1.3	1.0
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	.3	.3	0	.8	2.0	- 2.1	.4	.4
Chicago -----	- .2	- .3	.2	- .6	.1	- 1.9	1.1	.3
Cincinnati -----	.4	.4	- 1.4	- .7	- .6	3.4	1.0	.5
Cleveland -----	0	- .1	- .8	.9	.7	- 3.1	.9	.3
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	.6	.5	0	- .4	2.2	1.2	1.0	.6
Detroit -----	.7	.8	- .1	.3	.2	1.8	1.5	.7
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	- .1	- .2	.2	1.1	- .1	- 3.2	.4	.1
Houston -----	1.2	1.3	.3	.8	5.7	- .4	1.3	1.0
Kansas City -----	.2	.1	- 2.0	0	1.6	- .4	1.0	.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach	.4	.1	- .3	- .2	.5	.5	.4	1.1
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	.6	.6	- .4	.2	2.1	.5	1.0	.4
New York -----	.5	.4	0	- .3	2.4	- .3	1.2	1.1
Philadelphia -----	.3	.3	- .5	.3	2.2	- 1.5	.8	.2
Pittsburgh -----	.2	.1	.9	.4	.4	- 2.3	1.2	.3
St. Louis -----	.8	.9	- .2	.7	2.3	1.1	.6	- .1
San Francisco-Oakland -	0	- .1	.2	- .7	0	.3	.3	.4
Seattle -----	- .2	- .3	.2	.1	.1	- 1.8	0	.2
Washington -----	.2	.1	.7	- 1.1	2.6	.1	.2	.3

<sup>1/</sup> See footnote 1, table 2.

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

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to July 1966 from--		July 1965 Unadjusted
	July 1966		June 1966		
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	
Total food -----	114.3	113.2	0.4	- 0.7	3.1
Food away from home -----	123.5	-----	.6	-----	5.0
Restaurant meals -----	123.9	-----	.6	-----	5.3
Snacks 1/ -----	106.7	-----	.8	-----	4.0
Food at home -----	112.7	111.3	.4	- 1.0	2.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.8	-----	.1	-----	3.3
Flour -----	109.6	-----	- .7	-----	- .4
Cracker meal 1/ -----	115.8	-----	.1	-----	4.3
Corn flakes -----	122.7	-----	.3	-----	3.1
Rice -----	106.9	-----	- .1	-----	.1
Bread, white -----	119.7	-----	- .2	-----	4.7
Bread, whole wheat 1/ -----	108.1	-----	.2	-----	4.5
Cookies -----	98.3	-----	.5	-----	- .5
Layer cake 1/ -----	102.7	-----	.6	-----	5.5
Cinnamon rolls 1/ -----	105.1	-----	- .3	-----	4.9
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.3	114.1	.1	- 1.6	4.7
Meats -----	116.6	116.3	0	- 2.0	4.5
Beef and veal -----	112.2	113.3	- .5	- 1.6	1.2
Steak, round -----	106.8	107.2	- 1.6	- 3.1	- 2.6
Steak, sirloin 2/ -----	107.1	-----	.8	-----	- .8
Steak, porterhouse 1/ -----	111.5	-----	.7	-----	- 1.0
Rump roast 1/ -----	103.5	-----	- 1.3	-----	- 1.5
Rib roast -----	118.1	119.1	- .3	- 1.2	- 1.2
Chuck roast -----	104.2	108.2	- .3	- 1.5	- 1.7
Hamburger -----	114.9	115.4	- .9	- 1.2	5.5
Beef liver 1/ -----	108.8	-----	0	-----	5.3
Veal cutlets -----	128.4	128.5	.4	.5	6.3
Pork -----	125.0	122.3	.9	- 3.1	6.7
Chops -----	125.2	121.1	1.0	- 4.3	1.3
Loin roast 2/ -----	132.7	-----	.6	-----	2.9
Pork sausage 1/ -----	133.9	-----	- .3	-----	10.6
Ham, whole -----	112.9	113.5	- .2	- 1.2	4.8
Picnics 1/ -----	127.1	-----	1.1	-----	12.0
Bacon -----	135.1	131.7	2.2	- 2.3	11.2
Other meats -----	118.4	118.6	- .5	- .3	8.2
Lamb chops 1/ -----	118.9	-----	- .6	-----	2.3
Frankfurters -----	117.6	118.0	- 1.4	- 1.3	4.8
Ham, canned 1/ -----	118.9	-----	- 1.3	-----	13.1
Bologna sausage 1/ -----	117.2	-----	- .3	-----	9.4
Salami sausage 1/ -----	113.6	-----	.3	-----	9.2
Liverwurst 1/ -----	118.2	-----	.3	-----	11.2
Poultry -----	97.1	-----	.8	-----	4.4
Frying chicken -----	98.4	97.2	1.3	.9	4.9
Chicken breasts 1/ -----	104.8	-----	- .7	-----	3.0
Turkey 1/ -----	106.8	-----	- .6	-----	3.4
Fish -----	118.5	118.7	.4	.5	6.9
Shrimp, frozen 1/ -----	102.4	-----	.8	-----	7.7
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	122.9	123.1	.5	.2	5.0
Tuna fish, canned -----	115.2	-----	.1	-----	13.2
Sardines, canned 1/ -----	106.9	-----	.3	-----	2.6
Dairy products -----	111.0	111.6	1.3	.8	6.4
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	108.8	109.8	1.9	.8	6.9
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	112.2	-----	1.4	-----	6.1
Milk, fresh, skim 1/ -----	104.9	-----	1.7	-----	6.4
Milk, evaporated -----	110.2	-----	.5	-----	5.0
Ice cream -----	94.9	-----	0	-----	1.2
Cheese, American process -----	129.3	129.7	.3	.5	10.8
Butter -----	110.9	111.6	1.6	1.5	7.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to July 1966 from--		
	July 1966		June 1966		July 1965
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Fruits and vegetables -----	121.5	113.9	- .2	- 1.6	- 2.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	131.2	118.4	.1	- 2.5	- 5.3
Apples -----	161.2	124.5	3.9	- 2.9	11.6
Bananas -----	92.9	93.3	- 8.7	- 7.5	- 4.6
Oranges -----	118.7	117.8	- .4	- 3.0	- .8
Orange juice, fresh 1/ -----	84.5	-----	.1	-----	- 6.7
Grapefruit -----	162.9	143.9	2.3	- 3.4	- .6
Grapes * -----	150.4	115.3	(4/)	(4/)	- .6
Strawberries * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Watermelon * -----	107.2	113.1	-14.5	9.9	9.6
Potatoes -----	140.3	114.0	- 7.7	-13.5	-40.8
Onions -----	144.8	128.6	- 2.6	- 5.7	- 2.0
Asparagus * 1/ -----	(4/)	-----	(4/)	-----	(4/)
Cabbage -----	135.6	137.2	- 4.4	5.9	5.7
Carrots -----	124.1	116.7	- 3.6	- 5.4	5.3
Celery -----	129.5	117.0	11.3	1.0	13.4
Cucumbers 1/ -----	133.3	-----	7.9	-----	29.3
Lettuce -----	122.1	134.0	11.3	23.2	16.3
Peppers, green 1/ -----	148.7	-----	- 2.8	-----	- 1.1
Spinach 1/ -----	101.0	-----	1.9	-----	- .3
Tomatoes -----	121.5	110.4	7.2	2.5	6.1
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	109.6	-----	- .5	-----	3.3
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	100.1	-----	- .3	-----	4.2
Pears, canned 1/ -----	102.9	-----	- 1.4	-----	5.6
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/ --	96.4	-----	- .9	-----	- 3.2
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	91.5	93.0	- 2.5	- 3.0	- 5.1
Lemonade concentrate, frozen 2/ -----	88.1	-----	- 1.5	-----	- 1.3
Beets, canned 1/ -----	103.6	-----	.1	-----	5.1
Peas, green, canned -----	116.2	-----	.4	-----	.1
Tomatoes, canned -----	112.9	-----	.2	-----	7.6
Dried beans -----	124.3	-----	- .2	-----	15.8
Broccoli, frozen 1/ -----	96.5	-----	.4	-----	.5
Other food at home -----	102.1	102.9	.8	0	.9
Eggs -----	93.9	101.6	5.4	.7	7.7
Fats and oils:					
Margarine -----	103.6	-----	0	-----	1.3
Salad dressing, Italian 1/ -----	101.4	-----	.2	-----	.9
Salad or cooking oil 1/ -----	120.7	-----	0	-----	9.6
Sugar and sweets -----	110.7	-----	.1	-----	- 2.7
Sugar -----	110.0	-----	.1	-----	1.6
Grape jelly -----	116.4	-----	.1	-----	.8
Chocolate bar -----	92.9	-----	.2	-----	-12.4
Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/ -----	99.1	-----	0	-----	0
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	100.8	-----	0	-----	.6
Coffee, can and bag -----	94.0	-----	- .1	-----	- .7
Coffee, instant 3/ -----	99.5	-----	0	-----	0
Tea -----	101.3	-----	.3	-----	.2
Cola drink -----	129.9	-----	.1	-----	3.5
Carbonated fruit drink 1/ -----	104.6	-----	.1	-----	3.0
Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/	99.6	-----	0	-----	- 1.9
Bean soup, canned 1/ -----	97.5	-----	0	-----	- .8
Chicken soup, canned 1/ -----	98.5	-----	.3	-----	- 1.0
Spaghetti, canned 1/ -----	104.8	-----	0	-----	4.2
Mashed potatoes, instant 1/ -----	102.2	-----	.1	-----	- 7.8
Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/ -----	86.1	-----	.3	-----	- 9.5
Baby foods, canned -----	104.9	-----	- .1	-----	- 2.6
Sweet pickle relish 1/ -----	103.6	-----	- .2	-----	2.5
Pretzels 1/ -----	100.1	-----	.2	-----	1.2

1/ December 1963=100.

2/ April 1960=100.

3/ July 1961=100.

4/ Not available.

\* Priced only in season.

OLD SERIES

**TABLE 8: Consumer Price Index--Portland, Oregon**  
**All items and commodity groups**  
 July 1966 indexes and percent changes from selected dates  
 (1957-59=100)

Group	Index	Percent change from --	
		April 1966	July 1965
All items -----	115.5	0.7	2.8
All items (1947-49=100) -----	143.1	----	----
Food -----	114.7	.6	3.5
Food at home -----	112.8	.4	3.1
Cereals and bakery products --	113.3	3.5	3.6
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	120.5	- 1.1	9.4
Dairy products -----	117.9	5.3	7.0
Fruits and vegetables -----	109.0	- 2.7	- 9.8
Other foods at home -----	103.3	- 1.1	3.2
Housing -----	116.2	.2	2.6
Rent -----	110.2	.4	1.5
Gas and electricity -----	102.5	0	0
Solid and petroleum fuels -----	104.2	0	0
Housefurnishings -----	97.3	.1	- .2
Household operation -----	114.6	.4	1.2
Apparel -----	112.5	.1	3.8
Men's and boys' -----	115.9	- 1.8	.4
Women's and girls' -----	107.7	.4	4.8
Footwear -----	121.9	2.8	8.4
Other apparel -----	104.9	0	3.2
Transportation -----	110.1	.4	- .1
Private -----	107.5	.4	- .1
Public -----	126.8	0	0
Medical care -----	125.9	.7	2.4
Personal care -----	116.9	3.4	4.7
Reading and recreation -----	119.6	- .6	- .3
Other goods and services -----	118.3	9.0	11.1

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*
Illinois - 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.

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