

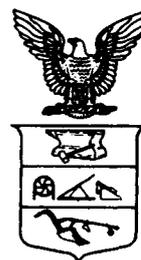
**THE CONSUMER  
PRICE INDEX**

**DECEMBER 1966**

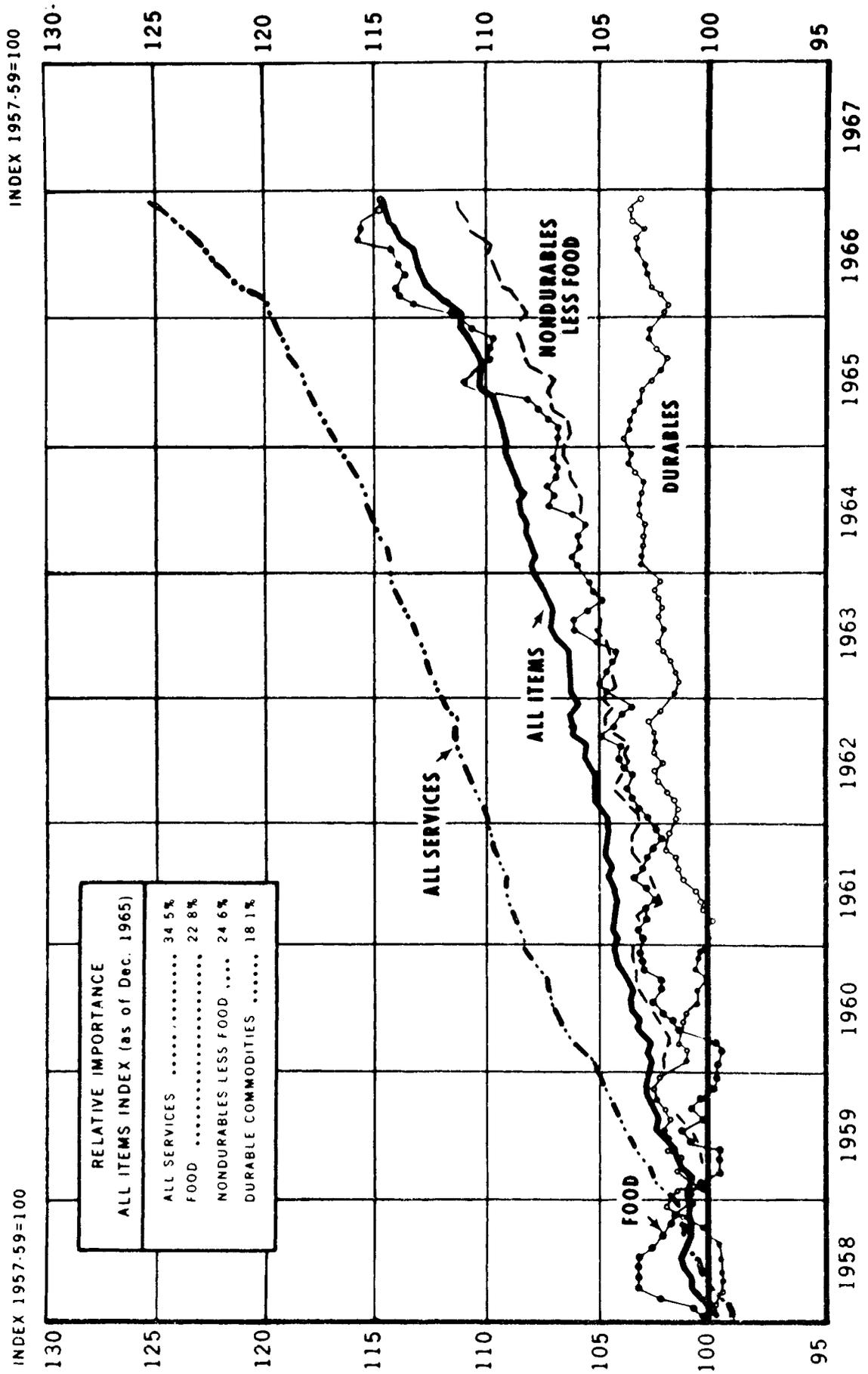
**U.S. CITY AVERAGE  
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SELECTED AREAS**

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# CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES: COMMODITIES AND SERVICES



RELATIVE IMPORTANCE	
ALL ITEMS INDEX (as of Dec. 1965)	
ALL SERVICES .....	34.5%
FOOD .....	22.8%
NONDURABLES LESS FOOD ....	24.6%
DURABLE COMMODITIES .....	18.1%

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR DECEMBER 1966

The Consumer Price Index rose by only 0.1 percent last month, the same as in November, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. Food prices in grocery stores averaged slightly lower, but homeownership and medical care costs increased. The index, at 114.7 (1957-59=100), stood 3.3 percent above a year ago.

Price Changes, November to December 1966

Housing costs rose by 0.4 percent in December, mostly because of increased charges for mortgage interest and house maintenance and repairs. Gas bills declined moderately, but fuel oil prices continued their seasonal rise.

Apparel prices increased 0.3 percent, with the largest advance in women's and girls' apparel. Charges for laundry and dry cleaning continued to rise as they have for several months.

The further climb in medical care costs was led by increased charges for hospital care and professional services. Used car prices dropped sharply and new car prices also moved lower.

Food prices in grocery stores averaged 0.2 percent lower with significant price reductions posted for pork, dairy products, and fresh fruits. Pork chop prices dropped by 6 percent, loin roast 4 1/2 percent, and bacon 4 percent, as supplies of pork continued to be plentiful. Prices of milk and most other dairy products appeared to be retreating from the unusually high levels which they attained earlier last year.

Fresh fruits averaged 3 1/2 percent cheaper in December, as plentiful supplies from Florida brought sharp reductions in orange and grapefruit prices. Apple and banana prices increased.

Eggs also were higher and some fresh vegetable prices went up, especially tomatoes and cabbage, as a result of sharply curtailed winter supplies. On the other hand, abundant supplies of lettuce brought a price drop of over 20 percent. Restaurant meal prices continued their steady climb last month.

Price Trends, December 1965 to December 1966

The December Consumer Price Index stood 3.3 percent above a year earlier, although the rise in consumer prices slowed perceptibly in the fourth quarter. Higher charges for consumer services caused about half of the increase over the year. Medical care services jumped 8 percent and other services, except rents, 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 percent.

The rate of increase in consumer service prices was not abating as the year drew to a close. While rents rose less than other service charges, their 1966 increase was the largest since 1957.

Food prices went up sharply during the first quarter of 1966, largely because of a jump in prices of meats, fruits, and vegetables. They stabilized in the second quarter when meat prices softened a little, but received another boost during the third quarter from a run-up in prices of dairy and bakery products. A moderate decline during the fourth quarter left food prices in December at a point 3.8 percent above a year ago, on the average. Over the year, food price increases caused about one-fourth of the rise in the total Consumer Price Index.

Other significant price developments during 1966 included increases ranging from 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 percent for apparel, furniture, gasoline, and tobacco products, and a 3 1/2 percent drop in used car prices. Apparel (seasonally adjusted), furniture, and gasoline prices rose steadily through the year, but the advance in tobacco prices tapered off during the fourth quarter. Used car prices on a seasonally adjusted basis were weak during the first half, but moved up in the third quarter, only to drop back more than usual at the end of the year.

#### Cost-of-Living Adjustments

About 71,000 workers will receive increases in their cost-of-living allowances as a result of the December Consumer Price Index. For 60,000, mostly in the aircraft industry, the increase will be 1 cent an hour, based on the change in the index since September. The remainder will receive an increase of 2 cents an hour.

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

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)				December 1965 Unadjusted	Percent Change to December 1966 from--				
	December 1966		November 1966			November 1966		September 1966		December 1965 Unadjusted
	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted		Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	Unad- justed	Seasonally adjusted	
All items -----	114.7	-----	114.6	-----	111.0	0.1	-----	0.5	-----	3.3
Food -----	114.8	115.0	114.8	115.1	110.6	0	-.1	-.7	-.3	3.8
Food at home -----	112.6	112.9	112.8	113.3	108.9	-.2	-.4	-1.2	-.7	3.4
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.8	-----	118.6	-----	112.2	.2	-----	.3	-----	5.9
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	110.9	111.1	111.8	111.4	110.1	-.8	-.3	-3.4	-1.2	.7
Dairy products -----	116.5	115.7	116.7	116.0	106.1	-.2	-.3	.4	-.1	9.8
Fruits and vegetables -----	114.3	117.5	114.9	119.6	111.0	-.5	-1.8	-2.0	-2.9	3.0
Other foods at home -----	105.7	105.2	104.8	104.0	103.8	.9	1.2	.4	1.3	1.8
Food away from home -----	126.3	-----	125.7	-----	119.9	.5	-----	1.4	-----	5.3
Housing -----	113.0	-----	112.6	-----	109.4	.4	-----	1.1	-----	3.3
Shelter <u>1/</u> -----	116.4	-----	115.8	-----	111.8	.5	-----	1.2	-----	4.1
Rent -----	111.3	-----	111.2	-----	109.5	.1	-----	.5	-----	1.6
Homeownership <u>2/</u> -----	118.6	-----	117.8	-----	112.9	.7	-----	1.5	-----	5.0
Fuel and utilities <u>3/</u> -----	108.4	108.0	108.3	108.1	108.1	.1	-.1	.4	-.2	.3
Fuel oil and coal <u>4/</u> -----	110.2	108.9	108.9	108.3	108.6	1.2	.6	2.6	.1	1.5
Gas and electricity -----	107.9	-----	108.1	-----	108.0	-.2	-----	-.2	-----	.1
Household furnishings and operation -	106.7	-----	106.5	-----	103.6	.2	-----	.9	-----	3.0
Apparel and upkeep <u>5/</u> -----	112.3	111.7	112.0	111.3	108.1	.3	.4	1.4	1.1	3.9
Men's and boys' -----	112.6	112.0	112.4	111.7	109.3	.2	.3	1.2	.9	3.0
Women's and girls' -----	108.1	107.0	107.8	106.5	104.3	.3	.5	1.7	1.1	3.6
Footwear -----	122.9	122.7	122.8	122.6	115.6	.1	.1	1.3	1.2	6.3
Transportation -----	113.8	113.5	114.5	113.9	111.6	-.6	-.4	.4	0	2.0
Private -----	111.7	111.4	112.6	111.9	110.1	-.8	-.4	.4	-.1	1.5
Public -----	129.8	-----	129.6	-----	122.0	.2	-----	.2	-----	6.4
Health and recreation -----	121.0	-----	120.8	-----	116.6	.2	-----	.9	-----	3.8
Medical care -----	131.9	-----	131.3	-----	123.7	.5	-----	1.9	-----	6.6
Personal care -----	113.7	-----	113.4	-----	110.0	.3	-----	.6	-----	3.4
Reading and recreation -----	118.4	-----	118.3	-----	115.4	.1	-----	.8	-----	2.6
Other goods and services <u>6/</u> -----	115.9	-----	116.0	-----	113.4	-.1	-----	.2	-----	2.2
<b>Special groups:</b>										
All items less shelter -----	114.3	-----	114.4	-----	110.8	-.1	-----	.4	-----	3.2
All items less food -----	114.9	-----	114.8	-----	111.3	.1	-----	1.0	-----	3.2
Commodities <u>7/</u> -----	110.1	110.1	110.2	110.1	107.4	-.1	0	.1	.2	2.5
Nondurables -----	113.0	113.1	112.9	112.9	109.4	.1	.2	.1	.3	3.3
Durables <u>8/</u> -----	103.1	102.9	103.5	103.1	102.4	-.4	-.2	.4	0	.7
Services <u>9/</u> -----	125.2	-----	124.7	-----	119.3	.4	-----	1.4	-----	4.9
Commodities less food <u>7/</u> -----	107.7	107.4	107.8	107.4	105.7	-.1	0	.7	.4	1.9
Nondurables less food -----	111.4	111.1	111.3	111.0	108.4	.1	.1	.8	.7	2.8
Apparel commodities -----	111.2	110.4	110.9	110.0	107.2	.3	.4	1.4	.8	3.7
Apparel commodities less footwear	108.8	108.0	108.6	107.6	105.5	.2	.4	1.3	.8	3.1
Nondurables less food and apparel -	111.6	-----	111.5	-----	109.1	.1	-----	.5	-----	2.3
New cars -----	98.6	97.5	99.3	97.4	98.7	-.7	.1	4.4	1.4	-.1
Used cars -----	114.2	114.4	119.3	118.0	118.2	-4.3	-3.1	-4.9	-3.6	-4.4
Household durables <u>10/</u> -----	97.7	-----	97.6	-----	96.1	.1	-----	.4	-----	1.7
Housefurnishings -----	100.0	100.0	99.9	99.8	97.8	.1	.2	.7	.7	2.2
Services less rent <u>9/</u> -----	128.3	-----	127.7	-----	121.6	.5	-----	1.4	-----	5.5
Household services less rent -----	124.9	-----	124.2	-----	118.4	.6	-----	1.5	-----	5.5
Transportation services -----	126.5	-----	126.1	-----	121.3	.3	-----	.8	-----	4.3
Medical care services -----	139.4	-----	138.6	-----	128.9	.6	-----	2.3	-----	8.1
Other services <u>11/</u> -----	128.9	-----	128.5	-----	123.2	.3	-----	1.1	-----	4.6
All items index on other bases:										
1947-49=100 -----	140.7	-----	140.6	-----	136.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=100 -----	236.9	-----	236.7	-----	229.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:										
1957-59=\$1.00 -----	\$0.872	-----	\$0.873	-----	\$0.901	-.1	-----	-.5	-----	-3.2
1947-49=\$1.00 -----	.711	-----	.711	-----	.734	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1939=\$1.00 -----	.422	-----	.422	-----	.436	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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 1-A: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average <sup>1/</sup>  
 For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers  
 Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, Year 1966  
 and percent changes from 1965

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent Change to
	Year 1966	Year 1965	Year 1966 from--
	Unadjusted	Unadjusted	Unadjusted
All items -----	113.1	109.9	2.9
Food -----	114.2	108.8	5.0
Food at home -----	112.6	107.2	5.0
Cereals and bakery products -----	115.8	111.2	4.1
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.1	105.1	8.6
Dairy products -----	111.8	105.0	6.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	117.6	115.2	2.1
Other foods at home -----	103.9	101.8	2.1
Food away from home -----	123.2	117.8	4.6
Housing -----	111.1	108.5	2.4
Shelter <sup>1/</sup> -----	114.1	110.6	3.2
Rent -----	110.4	108.9	1.4
Homeownership <sup>2/</sup> -----	115.7	111.4	3.9
Fuel and utilities <sup>3/</sup> -----	107.7	107.2	.5
Fuel oil and coal <sup>4/</sup> -----	108.3	105.6	2.6
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	107.8	.3
Household furnishings and operation --	105.0	103.1	1.8
Apparel and upkeep <sup>5/</sup> -----	109.6	106.8	2.6
Men's and boys' -----	110.3	107.4	2.7
Women's and girls' -----	105.1	103.1	1.9
Footwear -----	119.6	112.9	5.9
Transportation -----	112.7	111.1	1.4
Private -----	111.0	109.7	1.2
Public -----	125.8	121.4	3.6
Health and recreation -----	119.0	115.6	2.9
Medical care -----	127.7	122.3	4.4
Personal care -----	112.2	109.9	2.1
Reading and recreation -----	117.1	115.2	1.6
Other goods and services <sup>6/</sup> -----	114.9	111.4	3.1
<b>Special groups:</b>			
All items less shelter -----	112.9	109.6	3.0
All items less food -----	113.0	110.4	2.4
Commodities <sup>7/</sup> -----	109.2	106.4	2.6
Nondurables -----	111.8	107.9	3.6
Durables <sup>7/</sup> <sup>8/</sup> -----	102.7	102.6	.1
Services <sup>9/</sup> -----	122.3	117.8	3.8
Commodities less food <sup>7/</sup> -----	106.5	105.1	1.3
Nondurables less food -----	109.7	107.2	2.3
Apparel commodities -----	108.5	105.8	2.6
Apparel less footwear -----	106.3	104.4	1.8
Nondurables less food and apparel --	110.3	108.0	2.1
New cars -----	97.2	99.0	- 1.8
Used cars -----	117.8	120.8	- 2.5
Household durables <sup>10/</sup> -----	96.8	96.9	- .1
Housefurnishings -----	98.8	97.9	.9
Services less rent <sup>9/</sup> -----	125.0	120.0	4.2
Household services less rent -----	121.5	117.0	3.8
Transportation services -----	124.3	119.3	4.2
Medical care services -----	133.9	127.1	5.4
Other services <sup>11/</sup> -----	126.5	121.8	3.9
All items index on other bases:			
1947-49=100 -----	138.8	134.8	-----
1939=100 -----	233.6	227.0	-----
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:			
1957-59=\$1.00 -----	\$.884	\$.910	- 2.9
1947-49=\$1.00 -----	.720	.742	-----
1939=\$1.00 -----	.428	.441	-----

<sup>1/</sup> See footnotes, table 1.

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	September 1966	December 1965
		December 1966			September 1966	December 1965
U.S. City Average -----	M	114.7	140.7		0.5	3.3
Chicago -----	M	112.2	141.5		.3	3.1
Detroit -----	M	113.3	139.7		1.1	4.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	M	116.3	145.0		.5	2.7
New York -----	M	117.6	141.7		.3	3.6
Philadelphia -----	M	115.3	141.6		.5	3.1
		October 1966			July 1966	October 1965
Boston -----	1	118.5	146.8		1.2	4.3
Houston -----	1	112.4	138.5		.7	2.8
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	1	113.4	140.3		1.3	3.0
Pittsburgh -----	1	114.1	140.6		1.2	3.1
		November 1966			August 1966	November 1965
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -	2			108.0	0.3	3.3
Cleveland -----	2	110.9	137.7		.6	2.9
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) --	2			106.5	.9	3.7
Milwaukee -----	2	111.6	140.7		.1	2.7
San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	2			103.5	1.5	3.2
Seattle -----	2	115.6	145.3		1.0	3.4
Washington -----	2	114.6	138.0		.5	3.7
		December 1966			September 1966	December 1965
Atlanta -----	3	113.3	140.3		0.4	3.8
Baltimore -----	3	114.5	142.1		.2	3.2
Cincinnati -----	3	111.2	135.3		.4	3.1
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	3			106.6	.9	2.6
Kansas City -----	3	117.3	145.1		.2	2.4
St. Louis -----	3	114.9	142.6		.2	3.0
San Francisco-Oakland --	3	117.2	148.7		.7	3.2

<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 November 1966 to December 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.1	0.3	0.5	0	- 0.1	0.3
Food -----	0	0	0	0.3	- .3	.4
Housing -----	.4	.7	1.5	.4	.3	0
Apparel and upkeep -----	.3	.6	.2	.5	.1	.5
Transportation -----	-.6	-.5	-.4	- 1.6	-.4	-.6
Health and recreation -----	.2	.3	.2	.3	-.2	.7
Medical care -----	.5	.8	.6	.7	.2	1.0
Personal care -----	.3	.3	.7	-.3	.4	.1
Reading and recreation -----	.1	0	-.2	.1	0	.0
Other goods and services -----	-.1	-.1	.1	0	- 1.1	(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:										
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
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
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	95.6

TABLE 5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
December 1966 Indexes and Percent Changes from September 1966

Group	U.S. City Average	Atlanta	Baltimore	Chicago	Cincinnati	Detroit	Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	114.7	113.3	114.5	112.2	111.2	113.3	106.6
Food -----	114.8	113.8	116.0	114.7	111.7	113.1	108.0
Food at home -----	112.6	112.5	112.4	114.0	109.1	110.8	108.3
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.8	114.5	121.9	120.6	116.6	111.6	108.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	110.9	110.6	110.8	112.6	110.9	112.0	110.8
Dairy products -----	116.5	115.0	114.3	124.2	113.1	119.6	103.6
Fruits and vegetables -----	114.3	4/ 111.0	116.1	109.0	111.7	106.4	110.6
Other foods at home -----	105.7	112.5	104.8	107.1	98.4	105.1	104.5
Food away from home -----	126.3	118.3	130.8	118.8	125.8	125.7	107.2
Housing -----	113.0	112.9	113.3	110.6	106.2	108.4	109.5
Shelter -----	116.4	113.1	116.4	112.8	105.4	110.4	113.7
Rent -----	111.3	106.7	110.5	-----	104.1	99.8	105.6
Homeownership -----	118.6	114.8	118.9	115.6	105.9	113.0	119.3
Fuel and utilities -----	108.4	110.7	107.3	106.0	104.9	102.5	98.9
Fuel oil and coal -----	110.2	-----	111.7	-----	109.5	104.4	-----
Gas and electricity -----	107.9	110.7	101.7	106.5	106.9	104.4	99.4
Household furnishings and operation -----	106.7	111.0	110.9	107.6	105.9	103.8	103.3
Apparel and upkeep -----	112.3	115.2	112.8	108.4	112.5	112.8	104.1
Men's and boys' -----	112.6	113.3	113.0	108.7	115.0	110.0	101.1
Women's and girls' -----	108.1	108.6	107.4	103.6	104.3	112.8	107.4
Footwear -----	122.9	126.4	134.8	120.3	128.1	122.8	104.7
Transportation -----	113.8	111.1	113.8	109.8	113.0	112.5	100.3
Private -----	111.7	108.7	111.3	110.1	110.6	110.7	102.0
Public -----	129.8	124.5	123.5	109.2	132.9	119.4	92.3
Health and recreation -----	121.0	118.0	117.2	115.8	118.7	122.9	106.9
Medical care -----	131.9	127.5	141.4	138.1	135.2	140.2	110.9
Personal care -----	113.7	115.2	113.7	113.4	107.8	117.7	104.1
Reading and recreation -----	118.4	117.0	110.3	102.9	118.8	114.6	102.4
Other goods and services -----	115.9	111.8	107.4	107.7	108.3	114.7	110.6
Percent changes September 1966 to December 1966							
All items -----	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	- 0.4	1.1	0.9
Food -----	- .7	- .4	- 1.6	- 1.4	- 1.5	- .5	.7
Food at home -----	- 1.2	- 1.2	- 2.3	- 2.0	- 2.4	- 1.2	.5
Cereals and bakery products -----	.3	2.0	.3	.2	2.5	.2	.8
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	- 3.4	- 5.0	- 3.5	- 2.4	- 4.6	- 4.0	- 1.4
Dairy products -----	.4	6.4	.4	.6	- .8	.3	.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	- 2.0	- 6.3	- 7.8	- 7.1	- 4.4	- .1	2.0
Other foods at home -----	.4	1.4	.9	- .6	- 1.1	1.2	2.3
Food away from home -----	1.4	2.3	1.1	1.0	1.9	2.1	1.2
Housing -----	1.1	.9	1.2	1.4	- .5	2.4	.8
Shelter -----	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.9	- .9	3.2	1.0
Rent -----	.5	.1	0	-----	0	2/ 0	.2
Homeownership -----	1.5	1.4	2.3	2.7	- 1.6	3.7	1.4
Fuel and utilities -----	.4	0	.2	0	.3	- .2	0
Fuel oil and coal -----	2.6	-----	2.0	.9	6.6	3.8	-----
Gas and electricity -----	- .2	0	- .3	- .1	- .1	- .8	0
Household furnishings and operation -----	.9	.8	.6	.5	.4	1.6	.6
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.4	1.5	.7	.2	.1	.6	0
Men's and boys' -----	1.3	.8	.8	.6	.6	1.7	- 1.0
Women's and girls' -----	1.7	2.4	.1	- .5	- .8	- .4	.6
Footwear -----	1.3	.6	1.9	1.4	.7	.8	.3
Transportation -----	.4	.1	- .1	- .2	- .4	1.3	2.0
Private -----	.4	.2	- .2	- .2	- .5	1.4	2.5
Public -----	.2	0	0	0	.1	0	0
Health and recreation -----	.9	.3	.5	.8	.6	.7	1.2
Medical care -----	1.9	.4	1.1	1.6	1.7	2.3	2.3
Personal care -----	.6	.1	.6	- .1	1.1	.6	.6
Reading and recreation -----	.8	.4	.2	.9	.3	- .9	1.6
Other goods and services -----	.2	.4	.4	- .1	- .5	.7	.2

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  
December 1966 Indexes and Percent Changes from September 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 -----	117.3	116.3	117.6	115.3	114.9	117.2
Food -----	117.8	114.0	115.3	114.0	119.2	114.4
Food at home -----	116.3	110.0	111.7	111.1	116.7	110.8
Cereals and bakery products -----	122.3	121.1	117.1	114.7	119.2	116.7
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	113.0	102.8	110.9	107.4	115.5	108.4
Dairy products -----	123.7	116.3	109.3	119.7	128.4	115.4
Fruits and vegetables -----	116.6	121.3	116.1	113.1	116.7	115.5
Other foods at home -----	110.4	97.6	105.3	104.6	109.0	101.7
Food away from home -----	123.2	128.7	131.4	129.6	127.9	130.4
Housing -----	111.3	118.4	117.3	112.7	109.4	121.2
Shelter -----	112.2	124.6	120.2	115.3	110.5	128.2
Rent -----	105.4	-----	120.1	-----	107.3	127.8
Homeownership -----	115.1	129.0	119.3	116.3	110.9	128.4
Fuel and utilities -----	114.0	105.0	109.7	107.0	108.4	104.2
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	116.0	114.5	107.8	-----
Gas and electricity -----	115.7	111.0	110.7	101.9	110.7	108.5
Household furnishings and operation -----	104.8	106.0	113.2	107.3	107.9	107.6
Apparel and upkeep -----	113.7	111.5	115.9	118.9	112.5	114.7
Men's and boys' -----	115.6	113.4	116.0	113.9	112.8	111.7
Women's and girls' -----	108.1	110.3	111.6	115.9	109.8	110.2
Footwear -----	122.8	118.1	122.9	125.7	123.3	120.4
Transportation -----	119.4	120.4	114.9	119.4	115.1	114.1
Private -----	117.1	116.4	113.3	115.4	113.5	115.5
Public -----	130.6	140.3	124.4	137.3	120.7	102.4
Health and recreation -----	128.0	115.1	125.6	120.2	122.1	120.4
Medical care -----	136.1	130.6	133.3	136.3	130.3	135.5
Personal care -----	115.8	108.9	111.6	109.5	116.1	123.0
Reading and recreation -----	131.7	105.8	127.8	113.1	122.3	109.7
Other goods and services -----	120.4	108.7	122.6	116.5	116.3	113.1
Percent changes September 1966 to December 1966						
All items -----	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.7
Food -----	- 1.0	.3	- .9	- .4	- .2	- .3
Food at home -----	- 1.7	- .2	- 1.2	- 1.3	- .4	- .5
Cereals and bakery products -----	.7	0	- 1.3	1.5	.8	1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	- 5.2	- 2.7	- 1.7	- 3.1	- 3.3	- 3.5
Dairy products -----	1.6	.3	- .6	- .9	- 2.6	1.0
Fruits and vegetables -----	- 4.2	2.3	- 2.4	- 2.8	- 1.0	1.6
Other foods at home -----	1.3	1.6	- .1	.6	1.5	.4
Food away from home -----	1.3	(3/)	.4	3.7	1.0	.9
Housing -----	.5	.7	.8	.5	.7	1.0
Shelter -----	.3	.6	.3	.2	.9	1.3
Rent -----	.2	-----	2/ .1	-----	.3	.8
Homeownership -----	.3	.9	0	.2	1.0	1.6
Fuel and utilities -----	0	1.2	2.5	.4	.9	0
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	4.6	2.0	.8	-----
Gas and electricity -----	0	.1	2.6	0	1.5	0
Household furnishings and operation -----	1.0	.4	.7	1.2	.3	.7
Apparel and upkeep -----	0	.7	.7	1.1	.3	.7
Men's and boys' -----	0	.2	.5	1.6	1.4	1.7
Women's and girls' -----	- .4	1.2	.7	.7	- .1	- .3
Footwear -----	.3	1.0	1.2	.5	- .8	.9
Transportation -----	.5	- .4	1.1	.6	0	.4
Private -----	.4	- .4	1.3	.7	0	.4
Public -----	3.3	0	0	0	- .1	0
Health and recreation -----	.9	1.1	.3	1.2	.2	1.2
Medical care -----	.8	2.0	1.1	2.4	1.6	1.6
Personal care -----	- .1	.2	.4	.2	- .9	1.2
Reading and recreation -----	2.3	1.0	.9	.2	- .9	1.2
Other goods and services -----	0	.4	- 1.0	1.3	.2	.2

1/ See footnote 1, table 2.

2/ Change from October 1966.

3/ Not available.

4/ Corrected July 1966, 121.4; August 1966, 123.0; September 1966, 118.4; October 1966, 118.2; November 1966, 115.3.

TABLE 5-A: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
Year 1966 Indexes and Percent Changes from 1965

Group	U.S. City Average	Atlanta	Baltimore	Chicago	Cincinnati	Detroit	Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	113.1	111.5	113.4	110.7	110.3	111.1	105.1
All items (1947-49=100)-----	138.8	138.0	140.7	139.6	134.2	137.0	(2/)
Food -----	114.2	112.9	115.9	114.6	111.8	112.2	107.0
Food at home -----	112.6	112.4	112.8	114.4	110.2	110.7	107.4
Cereals and bakery products -----	115.8	109.8	120.1	116.8	112.2	108.9	105.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.1	115.0	113.6	115.2	115.1	115.6	111.7
Dairy products -----	111.8	107.9	110.6	119.2	108.3	113.0	101.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	117.6	117.2	120.3	115.1	117.6	109.6	111.4
Other foods at home -----	103.9	109.7	102.7	105.9	98.1	101.8	102.1
Food away from home -----	123.2	114.7	128.4	116.6	121.5	121.2	105.8
Housing -----	111.1	110.8	111.4	108.2	105.1	104.7	107.2
Shelter -----	114.1	110.5	113.7	109.7	104.4	105.3	110.7
Rent -----	110.4	106.3	110.0	-----	103.7	98.4	105.0
Homeownership -----	115.7	111.7	115.3	111.3	104.7	107.1	114.8
Fuel and utilities -----	107.7	110.2	106.5	105.2	104.3	102.2	98.6
Fuel oil and coal -----	108.3	-----	109.7	105.5	104.7	101.1	-----
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	110.7	101.5	106.1	106.8	104.7	99.7
Household furnishings and operation	105.0	108.8	109.8	106.2	104.4	101.7	102.0
Apparel and upkeep -----	109.6	111.0	111.4	105.8	110.7	110.5	103.8
Men's and boys' -----	110.3	110.0	110.9	105.9	112.8	106.9	100.6
Women's and girls' -----	105.1	103.8	107.8	100.4	103.0	111.2	107.5
Footwear -----	119.6	123.0	130.2	117.1	124.5	119.8	103.4
Transportation -----	112.7	110.7	113.5	109.5	112.4	111.9	98.4
Private -----	111.0	108.3	111.1	109.8	110.4	110.2	99.8
Public -----	125.8	124.5	123.5	109.2	127.9	117.5	91.7
Health and recreation -----	119.0	116.1	115.9	114.1	117.2	120.9	105.5
Medical care -----	127.7	124.3	138.2	134.2	131.9	135.2	107.8
Personal care -----	112.2	114.5	112.3	112.5	106.9	114.6	103.3
Reading and recreation -----	117.1	115.2	109.8	101.5	117.2	115.0	101.2
Other goods and services -----	114.9	110.7	106.6	107.3	108.0	113.8	110.3
Percent changes 1965 to 1966							
All items -----	2.9	3.1	3.5	2.9	2.9	4.4	2.9
Food -----	5.0	5.1	6.0	5.3	5.3	6.9	3.4
Food at home -----	5.0	5.1	6.1	5.7	5.3	6.9	3.6
Cereals and bakery products -----	4.1	5.2	4.0	6.6	3.2	3.6	3.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	8.6	10.2	8.7	7.8	8.6	10.5	7.1
Dairy products -----	6.5	3.4	7.7	7.0	8.1	8.8	2.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	2.1	.5	6.1	2.7	3.6	3.8	1.0
Other foods at home -----	2.1	2.9	2.7	2.8	1.1	4.0	1.6
Food away from home -----	4.6	4.8	5.6	4.0	5.2	7.0	2.8
Housing -----	2.4	3.3	3.2	2.8	1.9	4.8	4.6
Shelter -----	3.2	3.9	4.1	3.7	2.9	7.1	6.8
Rent -----	1.4	1.0	1.2	-----	.5	2.6	2.5
Homeownership -----	3.9	4.8	5.4	5.1	4.0	8.2	9.9
Fuel and utilities -----	.5	.4	1.2	.3	- 1.0	.3	.8
Fuel oil and coal -----	2.6	-----	4.6	.6	1.3	.8	-----
Gas and electricity -----	.3	0	2.3	1.0	- 1.0	.1	.2
Household furnishings and operation	1.8	3.8	2.8	1.5	1.7	1.7	.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	2.6	4.8	3.1	2.6	3.7	2.1	1.7
Men's and boys' -----	2.7	4.4	3.4	2.9	4.2	1.2	.2
Women's and girls' -----	1.9	4.5	1.8	1.8	3.2	.9	3.1
Footwear -----	5.9	4.8	7.9	5.7	7.9	5.8	2.7
Transportation -----	1.4	-.1	1.0	.2	1.7	2.7	.3
Private -----	1.2	-.1	1.2	0	1.2	2.6	.1
Public -----	3.6	0	.1	1.3	5.8	2.5	1.3
Health and recreation -----	2.9	3.3	2.7	2.6	2.1	3.5	2.6
Medical care -----	4.4	5.2	4.2	3.2	4.5	5.7	3.2
Personal care -----	2.1	3.1	2.0	1.7	.4	3.3	2.0
Reading and recreation -----	1.6	3.4	2.6	1.2	.9	2.3	.5
Other goods and services -----	3.1	1.0	1.4	4.0	1.8	2.2	5.4

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5-A: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas <sup>1/</sup>  
 For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
 Year: 1966 Indexes and Percent Changes from 1965--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 -----	116.3	114.7	116.0	113.7	113.5	115.6
All items (1947-49=100) -----	143.9	143.0	139.8	139.6	140.9	146.7
Food -----	117.2	113.3	115.1	113.1	117.8	114.2
Food at home -----	116.5	110.0	112.0	111.3	115.7	111.1
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.6	119.3	116.1	111.1	115.0	113.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	117.4	105.4	112.9	109.8	119.1	112.3
Dairy products -----	120.2	113.0	106.3	116.5	120.3	111.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	119.5	121.8	119.3	117.3	118.4	117.2
Other foods at home -----	107.8	96.5	103.9	102.7	106.2	100.3
Food away from home -----	119.8	<u>3/</u> 125.9	129.1	123.7	124.1	128.1
Housing -----	110.2	116.6	115.6	111.5	108.1	119.0
Shelter -----	110.8	122.7	119.0	114.4	109.0	125.2
Rent -----	105.1	-----	119.2	-----	106.7	125.9
Homeownership -----	113.3	126.5	118.0	115.4	109.2	124.8
Fuel and utilities -----	113.6	103.5	107.1	106.2	107.5	103.3
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	113.0	112.3	106.5	-----
Gas and electricity -----	116.0	110.9	108.3	101.9	109.9	107.9
Household furnishings and operation	103.9	104.7	111.0	105.5	107.0	106.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	112.9	109.4	112.7	115.0	110.9	113.3
Men's and boys' -----	115.1	112.2	113.8	110.1	110.8	110.1
Women's and girls' -----	107.5	106.6	106.9	111.7	108.1	109.7
Footwear -----	121.4	116.7	120.7	121.6	122.5	117.8
Transportation -----	118.5	119.3	112.1	118.7	114.4	112.8
Private -----	116.3	115.3	112.5	114.7	112.8	114.2
Public -----	126.7	140.1	113.1	137.1	119.8	102.2
Health and recreation -----	126.4	112.9	123.9	117.9	120.1	118.2
Medical care -----	134.1	124.9	129.7	131.9	126.3	131.1
Personal care -----	115.1	108.3	110.1	108.9	114.9	121.0
Reading and recreation -----	128.9	104.5	126.4	112.7	122.2	108.9
Other goods and services -----	120.0	108.6	122.3	113.6	114.5	112.1
Percent changes 1965 to 1966						
All items -----	2.6	2.0	3.4	2.8	3.3	2.6
Food -----	5.3	2.3	4.8	5.5	5.7	3.6
Food at home -----	5.1	2.4	5.1	5.6	6.1	3.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	4.8	- 1.2	3.9	2.6	5.4	3.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	10.5	6.1	7.5	8.8	9.9	6.9
Dairy products -----	5.8	4.1	5.5	7.1	8.2	4.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	.7	- .1	4.1	4.0	2.4	.3
Other foods at home -----	1.4	.2	2.1	2.5	3.0	2.0
Food away from home -----	5.9	2.4	3.9	5.1	3.3	3.1
Housing -----	1.3	2.9	2.0	1.5	1.8	2.9
Shelter -----	2.4	3.8	2.1	2.0	2.4	4.0
Rent -----	.4	-----	1.6	-----	.9	2.4
Homeownership -----	3.3	4.7	2.6	2.1	2.8	4.9
Fuel and utilities -----	- 1.0	0	.4	.4	.3	1.1
Fuel oil and coal -----	-----	-----	2.4	3.9	1.0	-----
Gas and electricity -----	- .8	- .6	.6	0	.8	.3
Household furnishings and operation	- .4	1.4	2.6	1.3	2.0	1.9
Apparel and upkeep -----	2.6	1.7	2.5	3.7	3.0	2.6
Men's and boys' -----	1.8	1.9	2.6	2.1	2.0	1.9
Women's and girls' -----	3.3	1.6	1.9	4.6	3.2	4.0
Footwear -----	4.7	5.1	6.3	7.7	6.7	4.5
Transportation -----	2.2	.4	4.1	1.5	3.1	.8
Private -----	2.2	.4	2.4	1.6	3.1	.8
Public -----	.9	.8	11.2	1.0	2.4	1.4
Health and recreation -----	2.7	1.4	3.8	2.1	2.7	2.4
Medical care -----	5.8	3.8	5.3	4.4	5.3	5.4
Personal care -----	.8	.4	1.4	1.4	2.2	1.8
Reading and recreation -----	1.2	.2	2.2	.5	.3	.2
Other goods and services -----	1.9	.4	5.0	1.8	2.5	1.7

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

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

<sup>3/</sup> 11-month average.

**TABLE 6: Consumer Price Index—United States and Selected Areas**  
**For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups**  
 December 1966 Indexes and Percent Changes from November 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 -----	114.8	112.6	118.8	110.9	116.5	114.3	105.7	126.3
Atlanta -----	113.8	112.5	114.5	110.6	115.0	<sup>2/</sup> 111.0	112.5	118.3
Baltimore -----	116.0	112.4	121.9	110.8	114.3	116.1	104.8	130.8
Boston -----	118.8	115.2	123.5	116.5	113.0	118.6	105.8	134.0
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	109.3	108.4	104.7	108.8	108.6	110.4	108.7	114.4
Chicago -----	114.7	114.0	120.6	112.6	124.2	109.0	107.1	118.8
Cincinnati -----	111.7	109.1	116.6	110.9	113.1	111.7	98.4	125.8
Cleveland -----	111.5	109.6	115.3	110.4	113.3	110.3	102.0	122.3
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	110.9	110.7	108.4	112.0	119.4	108.2	107.4	111.8
Detroit -----	113.1	110.8	111.6	112.0	119.6	106.4	105.1	125.7
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	108.0	108.3	108.5	110.8	103.6	110.6	104.5	107.2
Houston -----	116.9	114.2	125.2	108.3	118.6	119.1	107.7	128.8
Kansas City -----	117.8	116.3	122.3	113.0	123.7	116.6	110.4	123.2
Los Angeles-Long Beach	114.0	110.0	121.1	102.8	116.3	121.3	97.6	128.7
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	112.9	111.2	110.4	109.4	120.4	111.4	107.2	119.9
New York -----	115.3	111.7	117.1	110.9	109.3	116.1	105.3	131.4
Philadelphia -----	114.0	111.1	114.7	107.4	119.7	113.1	104.6	129.6
Pittsburgh -----	111.2	110.1	116.8	111.9	107.9	109.9	105.3	118.3
St. Louis -----	119.2	116.7	119.2	115.5	128.4	116.7	109.0	127.9
San Francisco-Oakland -	114.4	110.8	116.7	108.4	115.4	115.5	101.7	130.4
Seattle -----	114.3	111.0	110.9	111.7	119.5	112.8	102.5	128.5
Washington -----	114.7	111.4	111.7	106.3	120.9	112.1	109.7	128.3
Percent Changes November 1966 to December 1966								
U.S. City Average -----	0	- 0.2	0.2	- 0.8	- 0.2	- 0.5	0.9	0.5
Atlanta -----	- 0.2	- .4	1.7	- 1.6	3.0	- 3.7	.6	.3
Baltimore -----	.1	.1	- .5	- .4	.1	- .8	1.9	.4
Boston -----	.3	0	.1	- .2	.4	- .5	.7	1.1
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100)	- .4	- .6	- .3	- 1.2	- 1.1	- .2	.6	.5
Chicago -----	0	- .1	- .4	- .4	0	- .5	1.0	.3
Cincinnati -----	- .6	- 1.0	0	- 1.1	0	- 4.2	.7	.7
Cleveland -----	- .3	- .4	.7	- 1.3	- .4	- 2.0	1.6	.3
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -	- .1	- .3	.4	- 1.7	- .1	.6	.7	.5
Detroit -----	0	- .3	.3	- 1.8	- .3	.5	1.6	.7
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	- .6	- .8	- .3	- 1.4	0	- 1.9	.1	0
Houston -----	.3	0	.6	- .2	- 1.0	- 1.0	1.3	.9
Kansas City -----	.3	.2	.7	- 1.1	- .5	.9	1.5	.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach	.3	.1	1.3	- .7	.1	.2	.4	.7
Minneapolis-St. Paul --	.3	0	- 1.3	- 1.7	.8	1.0	1.5	1.4
New York -----	- .3	- .4	- .5	- .4	- .7	- 2.7	1.2	.1
Philadelphia -----	.4	.4	1.1	- .1	- .3	- 1.1	2.1	.7
Pittsburgh -----	- .2	- .2	- .4	- .9	- .5	- 1.3	1.8	.5
St. Louis -----	.5	.6	1.0	- .5	- .2	2.0	1.7	.4
San Francisco-Oakland -	- .6	- .8	- .3	- 1.8	- .1	- 2.4	1.2	.2
Seattle -----	- .3	- .4	.3	- 1.1	0	- .8	.3	0
Washington -----	1.1	.8	- .6	- .4	.1	2.0	2.7	1.8

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

<sup>2/</sup> Corrected indexes July 1966, 121.4; August 1966, 123.0; September 1966, 118.4; October 1966, 118.2; November 1966, 115.3.

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

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to December 1966 from--		December 1965 Unadjusted
	December 1966		November 1966		
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	
Total food -----	114.8	115.0	0	- 0.1	3.8
Food away from home -----	126.3	-----	0.5	-----	5.3
Restaurant meals -----	126.8	-----	.5	-----	5.6
Snacks <u>1/</u> -----	108.6	-----	.4	-----	4.4
Food at home -----	112.6	112.9	- .2	- .4	3.4
Cereals and bakery products -----	118.8	-----	.2	-----	5.9
Flour -----	116.1	-----	-----	-----	6.4
Cracker meal <u>1/</u> -----	116.7	-----	.3	-----	2.4
Corn flakes -----	126.3	-----	1.1	-----	6.8
Rice -----	107.3	-----	- .2	-----	.8
Bread, white -----	125.7	-----	.1	-----	8.1
Bread, whole wheat <u>1/</u> -----	114.0	-----	- .1	-----	8.1
Cookies -----	102.5	-----	.2	-----	3.6
Layer cake <u>1/</u> -----	105.3	-----	- .4	-----	5.9
Cinnamon rolls <u>1/</u> -----	107.0	-----	.7	-----	5.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	110.9	111.1	- .8	- .3	.7
Meats -----	113.4	113.4	- 1.0	- .4	.1
Beef and veal -----	111.9	111.0	.4	.6	2.8
Steak, round -----	108.0	107.4	.8	1.2	.7
Steak, sirloin <u>2/</u> -----	103.5	-----	- .1	-----	.3
Steak, porterhouse <u>1/</u> -----	108.7	-----	1.2	-----	.6
Rump roast <u>1/</u> -----	104.6	-----	.5	-----	.6
Rib roast -----	117.9	117.0	2.0	1.7	1.6
Chuck roast -----	105.4	103.2	2.3	2.4	2.0
Hamburger -----	115.0	114.0	- .4	- .6	6.1
Beef liver <u>1/</u> -----	107.2	-----	- .2	-----	4.6
Veal cutlets -----	128.5	128.9	.3	.1	6.6
Pork -----	114.9	116.3	- 3.5	- 2.0	- 6.4
Chops -----	112.3	114.6	- 6.1	- 3.8	- 7.0
Loin roast <u>2/</u> -----	122.6	-----	- 4.6	-----	- 5.5
Pork sausage <u>1/</u> -----	125.2	-----	- 3.2	-----	- 2.9
Ham, whole -----	114.7	113.2	2.2	1.4	- 7.4
Picnics <u>1/</u> -----	122.3	-----	- 1.8	-----	- .8
Bacon -----	117.1	119.4	- 3.9	- 2.4	-10.3
Other meats -----	118.4	118.4	- .4	- .1	4.2
Lamb chops <u>1/</u> -----	117.6	-----	- .5	-----	3.2
Frankfurters -----	117.6	117.5	- 1.5	- .9	3.1
Ham, canned <u>1/</u> -----	120.0	-----	.9	-----	2.7
Bologna sausage <u>1/</u> -----	118.4	-----	.3	-----	6.3
Salami sausage <u>1/</u> -----	113.4	-----	- .6	-----	3.9
Liverwurst <u>1/</u> -----	117.5	-----	- 1.0	-----	6.2
Poultry -----	89.2	-----	- .7	-----	- .2
Frying chicken -----	88.0	89.4	- .8	.3	- 1.3
Chicken breasts <u>1/</u> -----	100.1	-----	- .7	-----	.7
Turkey <u>1/</u> -----	107.7	-----	.2	-----	4.4
Fish -----	121.9	121.9	.7	.7	9.3
Shrimp, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	109.9	-----	1.3	-----	14.8
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	125.4	125.5	.2	.2	5.7
Tuna fish, canned -----	114.3	-----	.6	-----	12.7
Sardines, canned <u>1/</u> -----	110.3	-----	.5	-----	4.6
Dairy products -----	116.5	115.7	- .2	- .3	9.8
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	113.7	112.6	- .3	- .2	9.0
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	116.2	-----	- .2	-----	7.9
Milk, fresh, skim <u>1/</u> -----	110.8	-----	- .2	-----	10.2
Milk, evaporated -----	117.1	-----	.7	-----	11.3
Ice cream -----	99.9	-----	- .2	-----	6.6
Cheese, American process -----	138.1	138.1	- .6	- .6	17.0
Butter -----	117.6	116.8	- .3	- .4	11.3

See footnotes at end of table.

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

Item or Group	Index		Percent change to December 1966 from--		December 1965 Unadjusted
	December 1966		November 1966		
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	
Fruits and vegetables -----	114.3	117.5	- 0.5	- 1.8	3.0
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	118.9	124.2	- .9	- 2.8	6.0
Apples -----	120.5	142.9	5.9	.2	11.7
Bananas -----	90.1	91.8	6.1	7.0	1.1
Oranges -----	116.4	118.5	- 16.2	- 9.7	-.1
Orange juice, fresh 1/ -----	80.0	-----	- 6.5	-----	- 6.4
Grapefruit -----	121.8	139.5	- 6.2	.1	1.8
Grapes * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Strawberries * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Watermelon * -----	*	*	*	*	*
Potatoes -----	129.1	140.5	1.2	.7	8.5
Onions -----	129.3	137.3	1.3	- 1.6	32.1
Asparagus * 1/ -----	*	*	*	*	*
Cabbage -----	154.5	170.3	5.3	- 1.4	35.8
Carrots -----	104.9	103.3	3.0	.5	3.1
Celery -----	102.5	106.2	2.7	2.2	- 6.5
Cucumbers 1/ -----	122.6	-----	11.0	-----	15.0
Lettuce -----	109.2	109.7	- 22.6	- 16.1	- 3.1
Peppers, green 1/ -----	148.4	-----	6.2	-----	5.0
Spinach 1/ -----	96.4	-----	-.8	-----	.9
Tomatoes -----	136.8	122.9	25.5	1.7	- 8.9
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	109.0	-----	.2	-----	-.9
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	97.6	-----	-.3	-----	- 5.8
Pears, canned 1/ -----	95.1	-----	- 1.3	-----	- 13.2
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/ --	96.0	-----	-.6	-----	- 2.8
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	92.4	90.5	-.1	- 1.5	- 1.1
Lemonade concentrate, frozen 2/ -----	89.8	-----	.6	-----	.6
Beets, canned 1/ -----	103.8	-----	.8	-----	4.4
Peas, green, canned -----	120.7	-----	1.2	-----	3.5
Tomatoes, canned -----	116.7	-----	1.4	-----	8.1
Dried beans -----	117.4	-----	- 1.2	-----	- 3.5
Broccoli, frozen 1/ -----	98.1	-----	.8	-----	2.1
Other food at home -----	105.7	105.2	.9	1.2	1.8
Eggs -----	111.9	106.6	3.7	5.2	2.1
Fats and oils:					
Margarine -----	107.4	-----	.3	-----	5.8
Salad dressing, Italian 1/ -----	102.2	-----	.2	-----	1.2
Salad or cooking oil 1/ -----	126.6	-----	.8	-----	14.8
Sugar and sweets -----	113.3	-----	.5	-----	1.2
Sugar -----	112.0	-----	.5	-----	3.1
Grape jelly -----	117.0	-----	.3	-----	.8
Chocolate bar -----	99.8	-----	1.8	-----	1.4
Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/ -----	99.1	-----	-.4	-----	-.4
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	99.7	-----	.2	-----	.2
Coffee, can and bag -----	91.2	-----	0	-----	- 2.3
Coffee, instant 3/ -----	96.8	-----	.7	-----	- 1.2
Tea -----	101.5	-----	-.1	-----	.8
Cola drink -----	132.8	-----	.7	-----	4.7
Carbonated fruit drink 1/ -----	106.2	-----	.1	-----	3.8
Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/	100.2	-----	.3	-----	.8
Bean soup, canned 1/ -----	97.1	-----	-.1	-----	-.9
Chicken soup, canned 1/ -----	97.5	-----	.4	-----	- 1.2
Spaghetti, canned 1/ -----	108.0	-----	.7	-----	6.2
Mashed potatoes, instant 1/ -----	102.3	-----	.2	-----	- 2.5
Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/ -----	85.2	-----	.1	-----	-.8
Baby foods, canned -----	106.0	-----	.2	-----	1.0
Sweet pickle relish 1/ -----	106.2	-----	.5	-----	4.1
Pretzels 1/ -----	100.0	-----	.2	-----	.4

1/ December 1963=100.

2/ April 1960=100.

3/ July 1961=100.

\* Priced only in season.

TABLE 7-A: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items  
Year 1966 and Percent Changes from 1965

Item or Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent Change to
	Year 1966 Unadjusted	Year 1965 Unadjusted	Year 1966 Unadjusted
Total food -----	114.2	108.8	5.0
Food away from home -----	123.2	117.8	4.6
Restaurant meals -----	123.5	117.8	4.8
Snacks <u>1/</u> -----	106.4	102.7	3.6
Food at home -----	112.6	107.2	5.0
Cereals and bakery products -----	115.8	111.2	4.1
Flour -----	112.0	109.5	2.3
Cracker meal <u>1/</u> -----	115.6	110.2	4.9
Corn flakes -----	121.9	118.9	2.5
Rice -----	107.0	106.3	.7
Bread, white -----	121.7	114.7	6.1
Bread, whole wheat <u>1/</u> -----	110.2	103.4	6.6
Cookies -----	100.0	99.2	.8
Layer cake <u>1/</u> -----	102.5	97.6	5.0
Cinnamon rolls <u>1/</u> -----	104.9	100.6	4.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	114.1	105.1	8.6
Meats -----	116.8	106.9	9.3
Beef and veal -----	112.4	106.8	5.2
Steak, round -----	108.6	105.6	2.8
Steak, sirloin <u>2/</u> -----	106.1	102.1	3.9
Steak, porterhouse <u>1/</u> -----	110.2	106.6	3.4
Rump roast <u>1/</u> -----	104.9	101.6	3.2
Rib roast -----	118.3	113.2	4.5
Chuck roast -----	106.0	101.3	4.6
Hamburger -----	114.9	105.7	8.7
Beef liver <u>1/</u> -----	107.4	100.7	6.7
Veal cutlets -----	127.3	119.2	6.8
Pork -----	125.1	109.4	14.4
Chops -----	123.0	112.2	9.6
Loin roast <u>2/</u> -----	132.3	118.1	12.0
Pork sausage <u>1/</u> -----	134.7	114.9	17.2
Ham, whole -----	117.8	103.9	13.4
Picnics <u>1/</u> -----	128.4	107.8	19.1
Bacon -----	134.4	114.1	17.8
Other meats -----	118.8	107.7	10.3
Lamb chops <u>1/</u> -----	119.0	111.8	6.4
Frankfurters -----	118.8	108.7	9.3
Ham, canned <u>1/</u> -----	121.6	104.9	15.9
Bologna sausage <u>1/</u> -----	117.1	105.7	10.8
Salami sausage <u>1/</u> -----	113.3	103.9	9.0
Liverwurst <u>1/</u> -----	117.0	105.8	10.6
Poultry -----	94.9	90.0	5.4
Frying chicken -----	95.6	90.3	5.9
Chicken breasts <u>1/</u> -----	103.8	99.5	4.3
Turkey <u>1/</u> -----	106.1	101.9	4.1
Fish -----	117.8	110.6	6.5
Shrimp, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	102.7	94.6	8.6
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	123.2	116.7	5.6
Tuna fish, canned -----	111.8	101.9	9.7
Sardines, canned <u>1/</u> -----	107.1	104.2	2.8
Dairy products -----	111.8	105.0	6.5
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	109.4	102.8	6.4
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	112.3	106.6	5.3
Milk, fresh, skim <u>1/</u> -----	105.9	99.6	6.3
Milk, evaporated -----	110.6	105.3	5.0
Ice cream -----	96.6	94.4	2.3
Cheese, American process -----	130.6	116.6	12.0
Butter -----	112.8	103.6	8.9

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 7-A: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items  
Year 1966 and Percent Changes from 1965--Continued

Item or Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent Change to
	Year 1966 Unadjusted	Year 1965 Unadjusted	Year 1966 from-- Year 1965 Unadjusted
Fruits and vegetables -----	117.6	115.2	2.1
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	123.9	121.7	1.8
Apples -----	133.7	119.7	11.7
Bananas -----	93.2	95.3	- 2.2
Oranges -----	120.6	118.4	1.9
Orange juice, fresh <u>1/</u> -----	84.3	91.1	- 7.5
Grapefruit -----	148.4	139.0	6.8
Grapes * <u>4/</u> -----	122.6	113.4	8.1
Strawberries * <u>5/</u> -----	132.1	135.5	5.8
Watermelon * <u>5/</u> -----	115.3	99.5	15.9
Potatoes -----	131.6	164.5	- 20.0
Onions -----	127.5	116.6	9.3
Asparagus * <u>1/ 6/</u> -----	118.2	101.6	16.3
Cabbage -----	150.2	126.4	18.8
Carrots -----	112.3	103.7	8.3
Celery -----	112.6	105.1	7.1
Cucumbers <u>1/</u> -----	138.5	121.4	14.1
Lettuce -----	128.9	117.9	9.3
Peppers, green <u>1/</u> -----	151.5	137.5	10.2
Spinach <u>1/</u> -----	99.1	98.9	.2
Tomatoes -----	115.0	112.9	1.9
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	109.9	107.3	2.4
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	100.8	97.9	3.0
Pears, canned <u>1/</u> -----	103.8	100.0	3.8
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned <u>1/</u> -----	97.0	99.4	- 2.4
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	92.9	102.7	- 9.5
Lemonade concentrate, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	89.7	92.0	- 2.5
Beets, canned <u>1/</u> -----	102.7	97.9	4.9
Peas, green, canned -----	116.9	114.3	2.3
Tomatoes, canned -----	112.4	104.4	7.7
Dried beans -----	122.9	109.4	12.3
Broccoli, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	96.6	95.5	1.2
Other food at home -----	103.9	101.8	2.1
Eggs -----	105.7	92.8	13.9
Fats and oils:			
Margarine -----	104.5	101.9	2.6
Salad dressing, Italian <u>1/</u> -----	101.3	100.0	1.3
Salad or cooking oil <u>1/</u> -----	119.9	108.5	10.5
Sugar and sweets -----	111.3	113.5	- 1.9
Sugar -----	110.3	108.1	2.0
Grape jelly -----	116.3	115.1	1.0
Chocolate bar -----	94.2	104.9	- 10.2
Syrup, chocolate flavored <u>1/</u> -----	99.6	99.5	.1
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	100.0	100.6	- .6
Coffee, can and bag -----	93.1	94.8	- 1.8
Coffee, instant <u>3/</u> -----	97.9	102.1	- 1.4
Tea -----	100.7	100.7	0
Cola drink -----	129.8	125.8	3.2
Carbonated fruit drink <u>1/</u> -----	104.2	102.1	2.1
Prepared and partially prepared foods <u>1/</u> -----	99.7	100.5	- .8
Bean soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	97.5	98.1	- .6
Chicken soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	98.4	99.4	- 1.0
Spaghetti, canned <u>1/</u> -----	105.2	100.7	4.5
Mashed potatoes, instant <u>1/</u> -----	102.1	106.7	- 4.3
Potatoes, french fried, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	85.6	92.1	- 7.1
Baby foods, canned -----	105.2	106.9	- 1.6
Sweet pickle relish <u>1/</u> -----	104.3	101.3	3.0
Pretzels <u>1/</u> -----	99.8	99.3	.5

1/ December 1963=100.

2/ April 1960=100.

3/ July 1961=100.

4/ 5-month average.

5/ 3-month average.

6/ 4-month average.

\* Priced only in season.

Table 8: Summary of the Most Significant Price Changes in 1966,  
Based on the Consumer Price Index

Commodity and Service Groups	Relative Importance (Percent of total CPI weight)	Percent Change--Seasonally Adjusted					Dec. 1965 to Dec. 1966* **
		First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter		
<u>All items**</u>	100.0	+0.9	+0.8	+1.1	+0.5	+3.3	
<u>Food</u>	22.8	+3.1	-0.2	+1.1	-0.3	+3.8	
Cereals and bakery products**	2.5	+1.2	+1.0	+3.2	+0.3	+5.9	
Meats, poultry and fish	6.0	+6.7	-1.5	-3.0	-1.2	+0.7	
Dairy Products	2.7	+2.5	+2.5	+4.6	-0.1	+9.8	
Fruits and vegetables	3.0	+2.9	-1.4	+4.5	-2.9	+3.0	
Other	4.0	+1.1	-1.4	+0.9	+1.3	+1.8	
Food away from home**	4.6	+1.1	+1.3	+1.5	+1.4	+5.3	
<u>Other nondurables</u>	24.6	+0.6	+0.7	+0.6	+0.7	+2.8	
Apparel commodities	9.0	+0.8	+0.9	+1.0	+0.8	+3.7	
Gasoline and motor oil**	3.3	+0.4	+0.8	+1.7	+0.6	+3.4	
Tobacco products**	2.0	+0.1	+2.0	+1.1	+0.3	+3.5	
<u>Durables</u>	18.1	-0.1	+0.5	+0.3	0	+0.7	
Furniture**	1.4	+0.8	+1.3	+1.0	+1.4	+4.5	
Used Cars	2.4	-0.7	-0.7	+1.6	-3.6	-3.4	
<u>Services**</u>	34.5	+0.7	+1.6	+1.2	+1.4	+4.9	
Rent**	5.4	+0.4	+0.3	+0.5	+0.5	+1.6	
Other household services**	13.6	+0.1	+2.7	+1.1	+1.5	+5.5	
Transportation services**	5.0	+1.1	+0.5	+1.9	+0.8	+4.3	
Medical care services**	4.7	+1.5	+1.7	+2.4	+2.3	+8.1	
Other services**	5.8	+1.5	+1.1	+0.9	+1.1	+4.6	

\* Independently calculated; not the sum of the quarterly changes.

\*\* Not seasonally adjusted--no significant seasonal movement observed.

Table 9: Price Changes for Selected Components of the  
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX in 1966

Group	Percent change from:							
	Dec. 1965 to March 1966	March 1966 to June 1966	June 1966 to Sept. 1966	Sept. 1966 to Dec. 1966	Dec. 1965 to Dec. 1966*			
All commodities	+1.2	+0.3	+1.0	-0.8	+1.7			
Crude materials for further processing	+3.6	-1.2	+0.5	-5.0	-2.3			
Intermediate materials, supplies, and components	+0.9	+1.0	+0.7	-0.2	+2.3			
Finished goods (goods to users, including raw foods and fuel)	+1.0	0	+1.6	-0.5	+2.2			
Consumer finished goods	+1.1	-0.4	+2.0	-1.1	+1.6			
Consumer foods	+2.4	-1.8	+4.6	-3.5	+1.5			
Consumer crude foods	+4.9	-7.7	+17.4	-7.5	+5.2			
Consumer processed foods	+2.0	-0.9	+2.8	-2.9	+0.9			
Consumer other nondurable goods	+0.4	+0.8	+0.5	+0.1	+1.7			
Consumer durable goods	+0.1	+0.4	-0.1	+1.3	+1.7			
Producer finished goods	+0.8	+1.0	+0.5	+1.5	+3.8			
Producer finished goods for manufacturing industries	+0.9	+1.3	+0.7	+1.4	+4.4			
Producer finished goods for nonmanufacturing industries	+0.5	+0.9	+0.1	+1.5	+3.1			

\* Independently calculated; not the sum of the quarterly changes

### 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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