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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR JANUARY 1964

:This is the initial report on the revised Consumer Price Index which :
:has been updated to reflect the buying patterns of wage earners and :
:clerical workers in the 1960's. The first set of tables (A-1 etc.), :
:present the new index series covering both families and single workers:
:living alone. The analysis contained in the text of this report is :
:based on these tables. Table B-1 presents a new index series for :
:families only (excluding single workers). Both series A and series B :
:have been linked to the old series as of December 1963 to provide :
:continuous series. The old series, presented in the third set of :
:tables (C-1 etc.), will be discontinued after June 1964. Documents :
:describing the new index series and the major differences between :
:them and the old series are available on request. :

Consumer prices rose 0.1 percent in January, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today in the initial report based on the revised Consumer Price Index. Prices of food increased, especially for fresh vegetables. Fuel prices were up seasonally, and gasoline prices advanced. However, seasonal clearance sales brought lower prices for apparel and for house-furnishings.

The January index, at 107.7 (1957-59=100), was 1.6 percent above a year ago. Nearly everything that consumers buy rose in price over the year, except meats and electric utility rates.

FOOD

An increase of 0.4 percent in average food prices in January was caused mostly by sharply higher prices for fresh vegetables and for eggs. Coffee, sugar, and candy prices also advanced. Fresh vegetable prices rose by 7½ percent on top of a similar jump in December, as increases of more than 20 percent were reported for cabbage, green peppers, and cucumbers. Prices of lettuce and celery also were up sharply, but tomato prices declined. Except for tomatoes, seasonally low supplies of fresh vegetables were decreased further by unfavorable weather putting pressure on prices. Fresh fruit prices averaged a little lower primarily because of a 4½-percent decline in orange prices.

Severe winter weather reversed the usual increase in egg production in January, causing prices to go up by about 6½ percent, but continued heavy supplies brought further price reductions for meats and poultry. Stocks of beef in cold storage at the end of last year were reported to be substantially above a year ago, and slaughter of young chickens also was running higher. Prices of meats, poultry, and fish averaged 4 percent lower than in January 1963.

APPAREL

A 1-percent decline in apparel prices resulted from the usual widespread clearance sales of fall and winter garments in January. Price reductions were largest on women's and girls' apparel. Footwear prices also were off a little because of competitive markdowns and some declines in wholesale prices.

OTHER GOODS
AND SERVICES

Prices of textile housefurnishings were lower in the traditional January white sales, and furniture prices declined slightly. However, fuel prices rose seasonally, and home maintenance costs advanced moderately.

Private transportation costs increased by 0.5 percent in January, mostly because of higher gasoline prices. During the winter months, gasoline prices

usually trend downward on reduced demand, but in January this year, they rose by 1.7 percent in a recovery from severe competitive price reductions in some cities. There also were increases in automobile insurance rates and in registration and parking fees. Used car prices declined seasonally.

DIFFERENCES IN TRENDS BETWEEN NEW AND OLD SERIES

The "old series" Consumer Price Index remained unchanged in January, in contrast with the 0.1 percent advance in the "new series" index. This slight divergence in trends of the two series for all items combined resulted mostly from somewhat different movements in the component indexes for food and for private transportation. In the food category, fruits and vegetables were up by 2.4 percent in the new series compared with 0.8 percent in the old series. This divergence resulted from different sets of items and sources of price quotations being covered in the two series.

To some extent, the same factors caused the divergence in trends of that part of the old and new series indexes for private transportation relating to gasoline. A large part of the difference between movements of the two private transportation indexes resulted, however, from the behavior of used car prices. Used cars from 2 to 5 years old are included in the new series, whereas 2-year old cars were not included in the old series. Prices of 2-year old cars, which carry a large weight in the new series, did not decline as much in January as did prices of the 4- and 5-year old cars, which have a much smaller weight in the new series.

COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS

Based on the "old series" national index for January, about 1 million workers will receive cost-of-living increases of 1 cent an hour, based on quarterly reviews. Of these, 780,000 were employed in the automotive, 100,000 in the farm and construction equipment, 75,000 in the aerospace, and 14,000 in the business machine industries.

In addition, 5,000 workers will receive 3- or 4-cent increases based on annual reviews of the "old series" national index and 11,500 public transit employees will receive a $\frac{1}{2}$ -cent increase based on a quarterly review of the "old series" Chicago index.

TABLE A-1: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers)
Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, January 1964,
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent change to January 1964 from--			Indexes	
	January 1964	December 1963	December 1963	October 1963	January 1963	1947-49=100	1939=100
						January 1964	January 1964
All items-----	107.7	107.6	0.1	0.5	1.6	132.1	222.4
Food-----	105.8	105.4	.4	.9	1.1	124.8	265.1
Food at home-----	104.2	103.7	.5	1.0	1.0	121.1	257.1
Cereals and bakery products-----	109.1	109.0	.1	0	.4	144.7	252.8
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.3	99.2	- .9	- 2.1	- 4.1	108.4	260.8
Dairy products-----	105.0	105.0	0	.4	1.2	118.9	238.6
Fruits and vegetables-----	112.4	109.8	2.4	5.7	5.6	138.9	300.1
Other foods at home-----	101.8	100.2	1.6	2.2	4.3	112.5	232.4
Food away from home-----	114.3	114.3	0	.3	1.8	(12/)	(12/)
Housing-----	106.9	106.9	0	.6	1.4	136.3	179.1
Shelter 1/-----	108.1	108.0	.1	.7	1.8	(12/)	(12/)
Rent-----	107.3	107.3	0	.2	.9	147.5	170.4
Homeownership 2/-----	108.5	108.4	.1	1.0	2.3	(12/)	(12/)
Fuel and utilities 3/-----	107.7	107.6	.1	.4	.7	(12/)	(12/)
Fuel oil and coal 4/-----	106.6	105.8	.8	2.0	1.6	145.3	257.6
Gas and electricity-----	108.1	108.1	0	0	- .1	126.0	120.1
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.7	102.9	- .2	.1	.9	(12/)	(12/)
Apparel and upkeep 5/-----	105.0	106.1	- 1.0	- .8	1.3	(12/)	(12/)
Men's and boys'-----	105.2	106.2	- .9	- .5	1.6	114.4	225.2
Women's and girls'-----	101.4	103.3	- 1.8	- 2.0	1.2	100.7	184.8
Footwear-----	110.9	111.2	- .3	0	1.0	145.3	288.8
Transportation-----	109.4	108.9	.5	.4	2.6	154.1	219.5
Private-----	108.0	107.5	.5	.3	2.6	140.7	214.9
Public-----	118.3	118.3	0	.6	2.2	220.3	270.8
Health and recreation-----	112.7	112.7	0	.3	2.3	(12/)	(12/)
Medical care-----	118.2	117.9*	.3	.4	2.1	170.8	235.3
Personal care-----	108.5	108.8	- .3	.1	1.0	139.0	233.3
Reading and recreation-----	113.1	113.1	0	.4	2.6	131.0	207.9
Other goods and services 6/-----	108.3	108.3	0	.1	2.5	138.0	195.5
<u>Special groups:</u>							
All items less shelter-----	107.6	107.5	.1	.4	1.6	129.6	233.9
All items less food-----	108.4	108.5	- .1	.3	1.8	135.9	196.8
Commodities 7/-----	104.9	104.9	0	.4	1.5	(12/)	(12/)
Nondurables-----	105.7	105.6	.1	.5	1.3	124.1	241.5
Nondurables less food-----	105.6	105.9	- .3	0	1.5	123.7	210.6
Apparel commodities-----	104.2	105.4	- 1.1	- 1.0	1.4	111.7	214.3
Apparel less footwear-----	102.8	104.2	- 1.3	- 1.3	1.3	105.8	(12/)
Nondurables less food and apparel-----	106.5	106.2	.3	.7	1.7	133.9	203.1
Durables 2/ 8/-----	102.9	103.0	- .1	.2	1.7	(12/)	(12/)
New cars-----	102.3	102.1	.2	- .8	.2	137.5	241.2
Used cars-----	119.6	120.3	- .6	- .3	10.5	(12/)	(12/)
Household durables 9/-----	98.7	98.9	- .2	0	.2	101.8	177.6
Commodities less food 7/-----	104.3	104.5	- .2	.1	1.7	(12/)	(12/)
Services 10/-----	114.2	114.1	.1	.4	2.0	(12/)	(12/)
Services less rent 10/-----	116.0	115.8	.2	.6	2.3	(12/)	(12/)
Household services less rent 13/-----	100.1	100.0	.1	(12/)	(12/)	(12/)	(12/)
Transportation services-----	114.1	113.7	.4	.9	2.7	197.2	246.1
Medical care services-----	121.7	121.3*	.3	.5	2.4	181.6	257.5
Other services 11/ 13/-----	100.0	100.0	0	(12/)	(12/)	(12/)	(12/)
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (reference period = \$1.00)-----	\$0.929	\$0.929	0	- .4	- 1.5	\$0.757	\$0.449

- 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/ Called "Durables less cars" prior to 1964.
10/ Excludes home purchase costs which were classified under this heading prior to 1964.
11/ Includes the services components of apparel, personal care, reading and recreation, and other goods and services.
12/ Not available.
13/ December 1963=100.
* Corrected indexes. See table E.

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Beginning January 1964

TABLE A-2: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average and Selected Cities
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers), All Items
Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates

City	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change from:	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	1939=100	Other bases		
		January 1964				October 1963	January 1963
U. S. City Average-----	M	107.7	132.1	222.4		0.5	1.6
Chicago-----	M	105.8	133.4	227.7		*.2	*.7
Detroit-----	M	103.7	127.9	216.6		.2	1.2
Los Angeles-----	M	109.6	136.7	226.2		.5	2.1
New York-----	M	109.7	132.2	219.9		.3	2.0
Philadelphia-----	M	108.6	133.4	225.3		.4	2.5
		January 1964				October 1963	January 1963
Boston-----	1	110.1	136.4	223.6		.1	1.4
Pittsburgh-----	1	107.7	132.7	228.4		.3	1.1
		November 1963				August 1963	November 1962
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)-----	2	-----	-----	-----	100.0	-----	-----
Cleveland-----	2	105.0	130.4	220.4		-.1	1.3
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)-----	2	-----	-----	-----	100.0	-----	-----
Seattle-----	2	109.3	137.4	232.1		.2	2.1
Washington, D. C.-----	2	107.1	128.9	213.4		.3	1.7
		December 1963				September 1963	December 1962
Atlanta-----	3	105.8	131.0	224.7		.6	1.2
Baltimore-----	3	107.5	133.4	230.4		.4	1.7
Honolulu (Dec 1963=100)-----	3	-----	-----	-----	100.0	-----	-----
St. Louis-----	3	107.3	133.2	224.6		.8	1.2
San Francisco-----	3	109.9	139.5	238.1		.6	1.9

1/ 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

* Based on corrected indexes. See table E.

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TABLE A-3: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average and Selected Cities
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers), Major Groups
Percent changes from December 1963 to January 1964

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles	New York	Philadelphia
All items-----	0.1	* - 0.3	0.1	0.8	- 0.2	0.1
Food-----	.4	.6	.6	.3	.3	.9
Housing-----	0	0	-.1	.1	0	-.2
Apparel and upkeep-----	- 1.0	- 2.4	- 1.2	- 1.3	- 1.9	- 1.4
Transportation-----	.5	- 1.0	.5	6.0	-.2	.2
Health and recreation-----	0	-.1	.1	-.1	0	.1
Medical care-----	* .3	* .3	.2	.4	.3	.2
Personal care-----	-.3	-.6	-.4	- 1.5	-.3	.3
Reading and recreation-----	0	-.1	.2	-.2	.1	0
Other goods and services-----	0	-.2	0	.1	-.1	0

* Based on corrected indexes for December 1963. See table E.

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TABLE A-4: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average and Selected Cities
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers), Commodity Groups
January 1964 Indexes and Percent Changes from October 1963

Group	U.S. city average	Boston	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles	New York	Philadelphia	Pittsburgh
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)								
All items-----	107.7	110.1	105.8	103.7	109.6	109.7	108.6	107.7
Food-----	105.8	108.5	105.8	101.4	108.1	108.1	105.2	103.8
Food at home-----	104.2	105.6	105.2	100.2	105.7	105.4	103.4	103.1
Cereals and bakery products-----	109.1	109.5	108.0	101.5	117.4	111.7	104.2	108.9
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.3	103.2	99.7	95.7	96.0	99.4	96.7	99.1
Dairy products-----	105.0	101.3	111.0	104.9	107.2	104.0	105.3	99.9
Fruits and vegetables-----	112.4	115.3	111.7	103.0	120.6	116.7	112.3	109.4
Other foods at home-----	101.8	101.7	102.6	99.9	97.1	102.0	103.5	103.1
Food away from home-----	114.3	120.8	109.4	108.7	117.7	120.6	115.4	108.1
Housing-----	106.9	112.8	105.2	98.2	109.0	110.8	108.3	107.3
Shelter-----	108.1	117.7	105.4	95.1	111.5	112.8	109.3	105.1
Rent-----	107.3	117.9	105.2	-----	108.5	-----	108.7	106.3
Homeownership-----	108.5	117.6	105.7	95.4	112.3	111.0	109.6	104.7
Fuel and utilities-----	107.7	108.4	106.1	103.3	106.3	106.2	107.0	113.7
Fuel oil and coal-----	106.6	111.9	105.3	100.6	-----	109.9	110.7	-----
Gas and electricity-----	108.1	104.0	106.6	105.0	113.8	105.8	103.8	112.7
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.7	104.1	104.4	100.7	102.7	107.5	103.1	105.0
Apparel and upkeep-----	105.0	105.3	100.6	105.0	105.2	106.9	108.9	105.9
Men's and boys'-----	105.2	98.7	99.8	102.2	106.7	107.1	105.6	105.0
Women's and girls'-----	101.4	104.6	96.1	105.9	101.9	101.1	104.0	98.3
Footwear-----	110.9	111.5	108.7	110.3	108.8	111.3	110.9	114.1
Transportation-----	109.4	110.4	105.9	105.3	117.4	106.7	113.5	112.2
Private-----	108.0	104.0	105.8	103.5	113.4	108.8	110.6	107.8
Public-----	118.3	131.6	107.4	114.4	138.5	100.6	123.7	125.9
Health and recreation-----	112.7	111.4	109.8	114.1	109.4	115.1	113.8	114.0
Medical care-----	118.2	117.0	127.2	123.7	116.8	117.8	122.3	124.4
Personal care-----	108.5	109.1	110.7	106.7	105.0	107.3	106.3	103.4
Reading and recreation-----	113.1	115.9	99.6	111.3	103.5	119.7	112.0	110.2
Other goods and services-----	108.3	102.9	101.4	109.1	107.4	111.5	110.1	111.4
Percent Changes, October 1963 to January 1964								
All items-----	0.5	0.1	*- 0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3
Food-----	.9	.4	0	.7	.6	1.1	.9	.9
Food at home-----	1.0	.7	.2	.9	.8	1.3	1.2	1.1
Cereals and bakery products-----	0	-.9	- 1.4	0	-.2	.2	-.7	-.5
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	- 2.1	- 1.1	- 3.2	- 1.9	- 2.8	- 2.5	- 1.6	- 3.6
Dairy products-----	.4	-.2	0	-.2	-.6	.5	.1	.3
Fruits and vegetables-----	5.7	3.5	7.4	7.0	5.7	8.0	5.3	8.3
Other foods at home-----	2.2	2.2	.8	1.5	2.3	2.8	3.3	3.9
Food away from home-----	.3	-.5	-.1	-.5	0	.4	-.1	-.3
Housing-----	.6	.7	.3	0	.5	.2	.6	.2
Shelter-----	.7	.9	1.2	-.3	.8	0	.8	.1
Rent-----	.2	.6	1/ .1	-----	1/ .5	-----	1/ .1	-.1
Homeownership-----	1.0	1.1	2.3	-.4	.6	-.2	1.0	.2
Fuel and utilities-----	.4	1.2	.6	-.3	-.4	1.0	.6	.2
Fuel oil and coal-----	2.0	3.9	.6	.4	-----	3.2	1.7	-----
Gas and electricity-----	0	-.2	.9	-.8	-.6	.3	.1	.2
Household furnishings and operation-----	.1	.1	- 1.4	.1	-.2	-.1	0	.4
Apparel and upkeep-----	-.8	- 2.6	- 2.7	-.9	-.6	- 1.7	- 1.4	-.4
Men's and boys'-----	-.5	- 4.0	- 2.7	-.6	-.7	- 1.3	-.4	-.2
Women's and girls'-----	- 2.0	- 2.1	- 3.7	- 2.4	- 1.8	- 4.4	- 4.1	0
Footwear-----	0	-.2	- 1.1	0	.3	0	-.2	- 1.9
Transportation-----	.4	.5	- 1.2	1.2	2.1	0	.6	2.0
Private-----	.3	.5	- 1.5	1.4	1.6	-.1	.8	2.3
Public-----	.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health and recreation-----	.3	-.1	.5	-.1	0	.5	.2	-.9
Medical care-----	* .4	.5	* .3	.4	.5	.6	.4	.6
Personal care-----	.1	- 1.2	3.1	-.7	- 1.4	-.4	.2	-.6
Reading and recreation-----	.4	-.3	0	-.4	-.2	1.4	.1	- 3.1
Other goods and services-----	.1	.1	.3	0	.2	.1	.1	.1

1/ Change from November 1963.

* Based on corrected indexes. See table E.

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TABLE A-5: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average and Selected Cities
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers), Food and its Subgroups
January 1964 Indexes and Percent Changes from December 1963

City	Total food	Food at home						Food away from home	
		Total	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other food at home		
			Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)						
U.S City Average-----	105.8	104.2	109.1	98.3	105.0	112.4	101.8	114.3	
Atlanta-----	104.4	103.9	103.9	97.9	101.6	112.1	107.1	106.5	
Baltimore-----	105.8	102.9	113.5	97.2	100.3	107.6	102.9	117.3	
Boston-----	108.5	105.6	109.5	103.2	101.3	115.3	101.7	120.8	
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)-----	102.0	102.3	98.2	97.8	98.8	115.8	105.0	100.3	
Chicago-----	105.8	105.2	108.0	99.7	111.0	111.7	102.6	109.4	
Cleveland-----	102.3	101.0	107.2	98.7	97.2	107.5	98.3	109.8	
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)-----	101.0	101.2	99.6	98.4	99.7	109.5	101.3	100.3	
Detroit-----	101.4	100.2	101.5	95.7	104.9	103.0	99.9	108.7	
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)-----	99.9	99.8	100.5	99.6	99.1	98.0	101.6	100.0	
Los Angeles-----	108.1	105.7	117.4	96.0	107.2	120.6	97.1	117.7	
New York-----	108.1	105.4	111.7	99.4	104.0	116.7	102.0	120.6	
Philadelphia-----	105.2	103.4	104.2	96.7	105.3	112.3	103.5	115.4	
Pittsburgh-----	103.8	103.1	108.9	99.1	99.9	109.4	103.1	108.1	
St. Louis-----	106.1	103.2	106.4	100.2	104.8	105.9	102.4	116.9	
San Francisco-----	107.3	104.9	110.3	99.3	106.7	115.9	98.9	118.2	
Seattle-----	108.2	105.6	110.9	102.9	108.7	111.0	100.0	119.6	
Washington, D. C.-----	104.6	102.3	109.1	94.2	103.8	105.6	104.9	114.7	
			Percent changes, December 1963 to January 1964						
U.S. City Average-----	0.4	0.5	0.1	- 0.9	0	2.4	1.6	0	
Atlanta-----	.6	.8	.2	0	0.4	.9	2.0	0	
Baltimore-----	.1	.1	- 1.3	- .5	- .1	1.5	1.2	0	
Boston-----	.1	.1	- .1	- .7	- .9	1.7	.7	0	
Buffalo-----	.5	.5	- 1.0	- 1.1	- 1.1	4.7	1.9	0	
Chicago-----	.6	.8	.8	- 1.4	- .1	4.5	2.1	0	
Cleveland-----	.4	.5	.5	- .5	- .7	1.1	2.3	0	
Dallas-----	.1	.2	- .4	- 1.1	.3	.8	1.6	0	
Detroit-----	.6	.7	.1	- .3	0	2.1	1.8	0	
Honolulu-----	.1	.2	.5	- .4	- .9	- 2.0	1.6	0	
Los Angeles-----	.3	.4	- .2	- .5	- .5	2.0	1.3	.1	
New York-----	.3	.3	0	- 1.5	- .4	2.6	2.1	.2	
Philadelphia-----	.9	1.1	- .5	.4	.3	2.8	2.3	0	
Pittsburgh-----	.5	.6	- .5	- 1.6	.3	3.9	2.0	0	
St. Louis-----	.2	.2	0	- .8	.3	- .3	2.2	0	
San Francisco-----	.8	1.0	.2	- .2	.3	3.9	1.6	0	
Seattle-----	.3	.4	.8	.2	.1	1.9	- .5	0	
Washington, D. C.-----	.7	.9	.4	- .2	.2	2.8	1.7	0	

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Major group and subgroup indexes, January 1964
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Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent change to January 1964 from--			Indexes 47-49=100 1939=100	
	January 1964	December 1963	December 1963	October 1963	January 1963	January 1964	January 1964
All items-----	107.7	107.6	0.1	0.5	1.6	132.1	222.4
Food-----	105.8	105.4	.4	.9	1.1	124.8	265.1
Food at home-----	104.2	103.7	.5	1.0	1.0	121.1	257.1
Cereals and bakery products-----	109.1	109.0	.1	0	.4	144.7	252.8
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.3	99.2	- .9	- 2.1	- 4.1	108.4	260.8
Dairy products-----	105.0	105.0	0	.4	1.2	118.9	238.6
Fruits and vegetables-----	112.5	109.8	2.5	5.8	5.7	139.0	300.4
Other foods at home-----	101.8	100.2	1.6	2.2	4.3	112.5	232.4
Food away from home-----	114.3	114.3	0	.3	1.8	(2/)	(2/)
Housing-----	106.9	106.9	0	.6	1.4	136.3	179.1
Shelter 1/-----	108.1	108.0	.1	.7	1.8	(2/)	(2/)
Rent-----	107.3	107.3	0	.2	.9	147.5	170.4
Homeownership 2/-----	108.5	108.4	.1	1.0	2.3	(2/)	(2/)
Fuel and utilities 3/-----	107.7	107.6	.1	.4	.7	(2/)	(2/)
Fuel oil and coal 4/-----	106.6	105.8	.8	2.0	1.6	145.3	257.6
Gas and electricity-----	108.1	108.1	0	0	- .1	126.0	120.1
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.7	102.9	- .2	.1	.9	(2/)	(2/)
Apparel and upkeep 5/-----	105.0	106.1	- 1.0	- .8	1.3	(2/)	(2/)
Men's and boys'-----	105.2	106.2	- .9	- .5	1.6	114.4	225.2
Women's and girls'-----	101.4	103.3	- 1.8	- 2.0	1.2	100.7	184.8
Footwear-----	110.9	111.2	- .3	0	1.0	145.3	288.8
Transportation-----	109.4	108.9	.5	.4	2.6	154.1	219.5
Private-----	108.0	107.5	.5	.3	2.6	140.7	214.9
Public-----	118.3	118.3	0	.6	2.2	220.3	270.8
Health and recreation-----	112.7	112.7	0	.3	2.3	(2/)	(2/)
Medical care-----	118.2	* 117.9	.3	.4	2.1	170.8	235.3
Personal care-----	108.5	108.8	- .3	.1	1.0	139.0	233.3
Reading and recreation-----	113.1	113.1	0	.4	2.6	131.0	207.9
Other goods and services 6/-----	108.3	108.3	0	.1	2.5	138.0	195.5

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/ Not available.

* Corrected index. See table E.

TABLE C-1: Consumer Price Index--United States city average
Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, January 1964
and percent changes from selected dates

(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)		Percent change to January 1964 from--			Indexes	
	January 1964	December 1963	December 1963	October 1963	January 1963	1947-49=100	1939=100
						January 1964	January 1964
All items-----	107.6	107.6	0	0.4	1.5	132.0	222.2
Food-----	105.7	105.4	0.3	.8	1.0	124.7	264.9
Food at home-----	104.0	103.7	.3	.8	.8	120.8	256.6
Cereals and bakery products-----	109.1	109.0	.1	0	.4	144.7	252.8
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.2	99.2	- 1.0	- 2.2	- 4.2	108.3	260.5
Dairy products-----	105.0	105.0	0	.4	1.2	118.9	238.6
Fruits and vegetables-----	110.7	109.8	.8	4.1	4.0	136.8	295.6
Other foods at home-----	102.2	100.2	2.0	2.6	4.7	112.9	233.3
Food away from home-----	114.4	114.3	.1	.4	1.9	(1/)	(1/)
Housing 2/-----	106.9	106.9	0	.6	1.4	136.3	179.1
Rent-----	107.3	107.3	0	.2	.9	147.5	170.4
Gas and electricity-----	108.4	108.1	.3	.3	.2	126.4	120.5
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	106.6	105.8	.8	2.0	1.6	145.3	257.6
Housefurnishings-----	98.4	98.8	- .4	- .3	.5	102.4	191.8
Household operation-----	110.9	110.9	0	.4	1.5	145.4	212.5
Apparel-----	104.3	105.5	- 1.1	- 1.0	1.3	111.8	213.0
Men's and boys'-----	105.7	106.2	- .5	0	2.1	114.9	226.3
Women's and girls'-----	101.0	103.3	- 2.2	- 2.4	.8	100.3	184.1
Footwear-----	111.0	111.2	- .2	.1	1.8	145.4	289.0
Other apparel-----	101.3	102.1	- .8	- .5	1.0	93.3	229.8
Transportation-----	108.9	108.9	0	- .1	2.2	153.4	218.5
Private-----	107.5	107.5	0	- .2	2.1	140.1	213.9
Public-----	118.5	118.3	.2	.8	2.4	220.6	271.3
Medical care-----	118.2	4/ 117.9	.3	.4	2.1	170.8	235.3
Personal care-----	109.1	108.8	.3	.6	1.6	139.8	234.6
Reading and recreation-----	113.0	113.1	- .1	.3	2.5	130.9	207.7
Other goods and services-----	108.3	108.3	0	.1	2.5	138.0	195.5
Special groups:							
All items less food-----	108.4	108.5	- .1	.3	1.8	135.9	196.8
All items less shelter-----	107.5	107.5	0	.3	1.5	129.4	233.6
Commodities-----	104.8	105.0	- .2	.1	1.2	121.0	234.7
Nondurables-----	105.6	105.6	0	.4	1.2	124.0	241.3
Food-----	105.7	105.4	.3	.8	1.0	124.7	264.9
Nondurables less food-----	105.6	105.9	- .3	0	1.5	123.7	210.6
Apparel-----	104.1	105.4	- 1.2	- 1.1	1.3	111.6	214.1
Apparel less footwear-----	102.8	104.2	- 1.3	- 1.3	1.3	105.8	(1/)
Nondurables less food and apparel-----	106.5	106.2	.3	.7	1.7	133.9	203.1
Durables-----	101.7	102.2	- .5	- .5	1.3	112.7	196.7
New cars-----	102.1	102.1	0	- 1.0	0	137.2	240.7
Used cars-----	117.4	120.3	- 2.4	- 2.2	8.5	(1/)	(1/)
Durables less cars-----	98.6	98.9	- .3	- .1	.1	101.7	177.4
Commodities less food-----	104.1	104.5	- .4	- .2	1.5	118.3	199.0
Services-----	112.8	112.6	.2	.6	2.1	160.2	199.1
Rent-----	107.3	107.3	0	.2	.9	147.5	170.4
Services less rent-----	113.8	113.5	.3	.8	2.3	163.1	222.0
Household operation services, gas, and electricity-----	111.3	111.2	.1	.3	1.3	146.0	167.8
Transportation services-----	114.0	113.7	.3	.8	2.6	197.0	245.9
Medical care services-----	121.6	4/ 121.3	.2	.4	2.3	181.4	257.3
Other services 3/-----	112.6	112.4	.2	1.0	2.6	145.4	249.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (Reference period=\$1.00)-----	\$ 0.929	\$ 0.929	0	- .4	- 1.5	\$ 0.757	\$ 0.449

1/ Not available.

2/ Includes house purchase, interest, taxes, insurance, and upkeep, not shown separately.

3/ Includes house purchase, interest, taxes, insurance, and upkeep services; shoe repairs, television repairs, barber and beauty shop services, and movies.

4/ Corrected indexes. See table E.

TABLE C-2: Consumer Price Index—All items indexes and percent changes, selected dates
U.S. city average and 20 large cities

(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

City	Indexes (1957-59=100)			Percent change to January 1964 from--		Indexes 1947-49=100 1939=100	
	January 1964	October 1963	January 1963	October 1963	January 1963	January 1964	January 1964
United States city average-----	107.6	107.2	106.0	0.4	1.5	132.0	222.2
Cities priced monthly 1/							
Chicago-----	105.9	3/106.0	3/105.1	- .1	.8	133.5	227.9
Detroit-----	104.0	103.5	102.5	.5	1.5	128.2	217.3
Los Angeles-----	109.4	109.1	107.3	.3	2.0	136.4	225.8
New York-----	109.6	109.4	107.5	.2	2.0	132.1	219.7
Philadelphia-----	108.4	108.2	105.9	.2	2.4	133.1	224.9
Cities priced in January, April, July, October 2/	January 1964	October 1963	January 1963	October 1963	January 1963	January 1964	January 1964
Boston-----	110.0	110.0	108.6	0	1.3	136.3	223.4
Kansas City-----	108.5	108.7	105.9	- .2	2.5	134.2	217.5
Minneapolis-----	107.5	107.4	106.0	.1	1.4	133.0	219.2
Pittsburgh-----	107.4	107.4	106.5	0	.8	132.3	227.8
Portland, Oregon-----	107.6	107.1	105.7	.5	1.8	133.3	228.7
Cities priced in March, June, September, December 2/	December 1963	September 1963	December 1962	September 1963	December 1962	December 1963	December 1963
Atlanta-----	105.8	105.2	104.5	.6	1.2	131.0	224.7
Baltimore-----	107.5	107.1	105.7	.4	1.7	133.4	230.4
Cincinnati-----	105.1	105.1	104.0	0	1.1	127.9	219.1
St. Louis-----	107.3	106.5	106.0	.8	1.2	133.2	224.6
San Francisco-----	109.9	109.2	107.8	.6	1.9	139.5	238.1
Cities priced in February, May, August, November 2/	November 1963	August 1963	November 1962	August 1963	November 1962	November 1963	November 1963
Cleveland-----	105.0	105.1	103.7	- .1	1.3	130.4	220.4
Houston-----	106.7	106.2	104.5	.5	2.1	131.5	220.9
Scranton-----	107.9	107.6	106.5	.3	1.3	128.7	220.0
Seattle-----	109.3	109.1	107.0	.2	2.1	137.4	232.1
Washington, D. C.-----	107.1	106.8	105.3	.3	1.7	128.9	213.4

1/ Rents priced bimonthly.

2/ Foods, fuels, and a few other items priced monthly; rents and other commodities and services priced quarterly.

3/ Corrected indexes. See table E.

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TABLE C-3: Consumer Price Index—Percent changes from December 1963 to January 1964
U.S. city average and five cities priced monthly
All items and commodity groups

City	All items	Food	Housing	Apparel	Transportation	Medical care	Personal care	Reading and recreation	Other goods & services
United States city average--	0	0.3	0	- 1.1	0	1/ 0.3	0.3	- 0.1	0
Chicago-----	- 0.2 1/	.5	- 0.1	- 2.9	- 0.6	1/ .6	- .2	- .2	0.6
Detroit-----	.4	.5	0	.3	1.6	.1	.3	- .2	.1
Los Angeles-----	.6	.3	- .1	- 1.6	3.8	1.1	0	.5	- .2
New York-----	- .3	- .3	0	- 1.9	- .4	.4	1.2	- .1	- .5
Philadelphia-----	- .1	.7	.2	- 2.6	- 1.0	.1	.5	- .3	0

1/ Based on corrected indexes for December 1963. See table E.

TABLE C-4: Consumer Price Index--All items and commodity groups
January 1964 indexes and percent changes, October 1963 to January 1964
U.S. city average and 10 cities priced in January 1964

Group	U.S. City Average	Boston	Chicago	Detroit	Kansas City	Los Angeles	Minnea- polis	New York	Phila- delphia	Pitts- burgh	Portland, Oregon
Indexes (1957-59=100)											
All items-----	107.6	110.0	105.9	104.0	108.5	109.4	107.5	109.6	108.4	107.4	107.6
Food-----	105.7	108.4	105.7	101.3	105.9	108.1	104.0	107.5	105.0	103.5	106.2
Food at home-----	104.0	105.3	105.0	100.1	105.0	105.7	102.4	104.7	103.0	102.6	104.8
Cereals and bakery products--	109.1	109.0	109.9	100.9	109.7	117.1	102.9	111.4	104.9	108.5	107.9
Meats, poultry, and fish----	98.2	104.4	99.3	95.1	97.6	95.0	97.8	99.5	94.9	98.9	100.4
Dairy products-----	105.0	101.3	111.1	104.9	108.6	107.7	105.7	104.0	105.7	100.6	107.5
Fruits and vegetables-----	110.7	112.4	107.9	102.5	111.4	120.3	107.4	112.5	111.4	105.9	113.2
Other foods at home-----	102.2	101.5	103.1	100.7	104.4	97.8	101.7	101.9	104.0	103.2	100.1
Housing-----	106.9	112.3	105.1	98.3	107.0	108.8	105.8	110.8	108.7	107.4	107.7
Rent-----	107.3	117.8	105.2	-----	104.1	108.5	107.6	-----	108.7	106.4	105.8
Gas and electricity-----	108.4	104.1	106.3	105.1	109.4	114.5	103.6	105.6	103.7	112.8	102.5
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	106.6	109.5	104.9	101.5	116.9	-----	102.8	110.8	110.1	-----	102.8
Housefurnishings-----	98.4	97.7	99.6	98.9	98.2	98.7	97.3	103.8	97.5	101.4	97.0
Household operation-----	110.9	114.2	108.8	106.1	113.9	106.0	106.0	113.2	117.9	116.5	110.8
Apparel-----	104.3	104.1	99.7	106.9	104.5	104.4	101.2	105.1	104.4	102.1	103.9
Men's and boys'-----	105.7	99.8	102.0	103.0	109.1	106.6	106.0	108.0	105.7	105.3	108.1
Women's and girls'-----	101.0	105.3	94.8	109.0	98.7	101.8	95.7	101.4	101.9	94.3	97.5
Footwear-----	111.0	109.9	107.3	110.9	114.8	109.8	109.2	111.3	110.6	117.0	113.9
Other apparel-----	101.3	100.0	98.5	101.2	98.4	100.2	95.6	101.9	101.6	100.1	99.0
Transportation-----	108.9	110.2	106.4	106.5	108.1	115.0	110.6	106.5	112.2	111.6	107.8
Private-----	107.5	103.9	106.3	104.9	104.9	111.6	109.1	108.6	108.9	107.4	104.9
Public-----	118.5	131.6	107.4	114.4	125.4	138.5	121.9	100.6	123.7	125.9	126.8
Medical care-----	118.2	116.2	127.5	123.5	115.6	117.6	130.5	118.0	122.1	124.0	113.9
Personal care-----	109.1	110.5	111.2	107.4	115.2	106.6	107.7	108.9	106.5	103.6	109.9
Reading and recreation-----	113.0	115.2	99.5	110.9	119.4	104.2	112.7	119.5	111.7	109.0	115.0
Other goods and services-----	108.3	102.8	102.2	109.2	114.0	107.1	106.6	110.9	110.1	111.5	105.1
Percent change from October 1963 to January 1964											
All items-----	0.4	0	3/-0.1	0.5	- 0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0	0.5
Food-----	.8	0.3	- .1	.6	.8	.6	.8	.6	.7	0.6	1.0
Food at home-----	.8	.4	0	.8	.9	.8	1.0	.7	.8	.6	1.2
Cereals and bakery products--	0	- 1.4	.4	- .6	- .2	- .4	.3	- .1	0	- .8	.7
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	- 2.2	.1	- 3.6	- 2.6	- 2.2	- 3.8	- 2.0	- 2.4	- 3.5	- 3.8	- 2.4
Dairy products-----	.4	- .2	.1	- .2	4.4	- .1	.5	.5	.5	1.0	.7
Fruits and vegetables-----	4.1	.9	3.8	6.4	3.1	5.4	5.5	4.1	4.5	4.9	4.1
Other foods at home-----	2.6	2.0	1.3	2.3	1.1	3.1	1.9	2.7	3.8	4.0	3.7
Housing-----	.6	.3	.2	.1	.1	.3	- .3	.2	.9	.3	.5
Rent-----	.2	.5	1/	.1	---	.2	1/ .5	.2	---	1/ .1	.2
Gas and electricity-----	.3	- .1	.6	- .8	.5	0	- .4	.1	0	.3	0
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	2.0	1.7	.2	1.3	1.7	---	0	4.0	1.2	---	0
Housefurnishings-----	- .3	- 1.7	- 2.0	.5	- .8	- 1.5	- .6	- .3	- .6	- .8	- .3
Household operation-----	.4	- .1	0	.8	.4	.5	.6	.6	1.7	1.0	.4
Apparel-----	- 1.0	- 1.9	- 2.9	.4	- 2.2	- .9	- 2.8	- 2.1	- 3.0	- 1.6	- 1.4
Men's and boys'-----	0	- 2.9	- .6	.2	- .3	- .8	2/- .3	- .5	- .3	.1	.5
Women's and girls'-----	- 2.4	- 1.4	- 5.0	.5	- 4.9	- 1.9	- 5.2	- 4.1	- 6.1	- 4.1	- 4.4
Footwear-----	.1	- 1.6	- 2.4	.5	.2	1.2	- .4	0	- .5	.6	1.1
Other apparel-----	- .5	- 1.8	- 2.7	0	- 1.5	- .4	- 1.8	- 1.1	- 1.2	- .8	- .6
Transportation-----	- .1	.3	- .7	2.3	- 2.3	0	1.0	- .2	- .5	1.5	1.1
Private-----	- .2	.4	- 1.0	2.7	- 2.9	0	1.2	- .3	- .7	1.9	- .9
Public-----	.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.2
Medical care-----	3/ .4	- .2	3/ .6	.2	.2	1.2	.5	.8	.2	.2	.3
Personal care-----	.6	.1	3.5	0	.2	.1	- .6	1.1	.4	- .4	- .1
Reading and recreation-----	.3	- .9	- .1	- .9	2.1	.5	1.3	1.2	- .2	- 4.1	1.4
Other goods and services-----	.1	0	1.1	.1	.1	- .1	.1	- .4	.1	0	.2

1/ Change from November 1963 to January 1964.

2/ Based on corrected indexes: January 1963 = 105.0; April 1963 = 105.1; July 1963 = 105.3; October 1963 = 106.3.

3/ Based on corrected indexes. See table E.

TABLE C-5 Consumer Price Index--Food and its subgroups
January 1964 indexes and percent changes, December 1963 to January 1964
U.S. city average and 20 large cities
(1957-59=100)

City	Total food		Total food at home		Cereals and bakery products		Meats, poultry, and fish		Dairy products		Fruits and vegetables		Other foods at home	
	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change
U. S. city average--	105.7	0.3	104.0	0.3	109.1	0.1	98.2	- 1.0	105.0	0	110.7	0.8	102.2	2.0
Atlanta-----	104.9	1.1	104.5	1.4	103.9	.2	98.9	- 1.0	101.3	.1	112.4	1.2	108.1	3.0
Baltimore-----	106.0	.3	103.2	.4	114.8	- .2	97.4	- .3	99.7	- .7	107.5	1.4	103.3	1.6
Boston-----	108.4	0	105.3	- .2	109.0	- .5	104.4	.5	101.3	- .9	112.4	- .9	101.5	.5
Chicago-----	105.7	.5	105.0	.6	109.9	2.6	99.3	- 1.8	111.1	0	107.9	.9	103.1	2.6
Cincinnati-----	102.9	.2	101.3	.3	102.4	- 1.4	97.8	- .9	100.2	0	110.9	1.9	99.0	1.6
Cleveland-----	101.7	- .2	100.2	- .3	106.4	- .3	96.6	- 2.6	98.2	.3	106.0	- .3	98.2	2.2
Detroit-----	101.3	.5	100.1	.6	100.9	- .5	95.1	- .9	104.9	0	102.5	1.6	100.7	2.7
Houston-----	105.6	.1	103.1	.1	106.7	.3	96.3	- .9	103.9	.3	111.2	.5	102.8	.7
Kansas City-----	105.9	.6	105.0	.6	109.7	- .3	97.6	.3	108.6	- .1	111.4	.3	104.4	2.5
Los Angeles-----	103.1	.3	105.7	.4	117.1	- .4	95.0	- 1.6	107.7	0	120.3	1.8	97.8	2.0
Minneapolis-----	104.0	.6	102.4	.7	102.9	.1	97.8	- .7	105.7	.3	107.4	1.1	101.7	2.9
New York-----	107.5	- .3	104.7	- .4	111.4	- .3	99.5	- 1.4	104.0	- .4	112.5	- 1.1	101.9	2.0
Philadelphia-----	105.0	.7	103.0	.7	104.9	.2	94.9	- 1.5	105.7	.7	111.4	2.0	104.0	2.8
Pittsburgh-----	103.5	.2	102.6	.1	108.5	- .9	98.9	- 1.8	100.6	1.0	105.9	.6	103.2	2.1
Portland, Oreg.-----	106.2	.6	104.8	.6	107.9	.1	100.4	.1	107.5	.8	113.2	.4	100.1	1.5
St. Louis-----	105.9	0	103.1	.1	106.4	0	100.2	- .8	104.8	.3	105.1	- 1.0	102.1	1.9
San Francisco-----	107.0	.5	104.6	.7	110.4	.3	99.4	- .1	106.5	.1	113.2	1.4	98.6	1.3
Scranton-----	104.9	.2	103.0	.1	106.5	- .6	98.1	- 1.4	102.7	1.1	108.1	.9	103.5	1.4
Seattle-----	107.2	- .6	104.4	- .8	110.0	0	101.7	- 1.0	108.3	- .3	107.3	- 1.5	99.9	- .6
Washington, D. C.-----	104.6	.7	102.4	1.0	108.9	.2	95.1	.7	103.5	- .1	104.0	1.3	105.3	2.1

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

Food and unit	January 1964	December 1963	Food and unit	January 1964	December 1963
Cereals and bakery products:	Cents	Cents	Fresh--Continued	Cents	Cents
Flour, wheat-----5 lb.	57.2	57.0	Grapefruit-----each	15.2	14.9
Biscuit mix-----40 oz.	48.2	48.1	Peaches *-----1b.	*	*
Macaroni-----16 oz.	25.0	25.0	Strawberries *-----pt.	*	*
Corn meal-----1b.	14.5	14.5	Grapes, seedless *-----1b.	*	*
Rolled oats-----18 oz.	24.2	24.2	Watermelons *-----1b.	*	*
Corn flakes-----12 oz.	28.5	28.4	Potatoes-----10 lb.	63.8	63.2
Rice, short grain-----1b.	19.5	19.5	Sweet potatoes-----1b.	15.1	14.1
Rice, long grain-----1b.	21.8	21.8	Corn *-----doz. ears	*	*
Bread, white-----1b.	21.5	21.6	Onions-----1b.	11.5	11.4
Soda crackers-----1b.	31.0	30.9	Carrots-----1b.	15.7	15.1
Sandwich cookies-----16 oz.	52.0	52.0	Lettuce-----head	28.8	25.8
Meats, poultry, and fish:			Celery-----1b.	15.4	13.8
Round steak-----1b.	103.2	102.8	Cabbage-----1b.	10.6	9.1
Sirloin steak-----1b.	104.5	105.4	Tomatoes-----1b.	37.7	41.5
Chuck roast-----1b.	57.1	59.2	Beans, green-----1b.	31.0	28.5
Rib roast-----1b.	83.0	83.4	Canned:		
Hamburger-----1b.	50.4	51.2	Orange juice-----46 oz. can	61.7	59.4
Veal cutlets-----1b.	150.1	152.1	Pineapple juice-----46 oz. can	37.1	36.6
Pork chops, center cut-----1b.	85.5	87.4	Peaches-----#2½ can	33.6	33.3
Pork roast-----1b.	59.7	61.0	Pineapple-----#2 can	39.8	39.9
Bacon, sliced-----1b.	66.7	67.3	Fruit cocktail-----#303 can	27.0	26.6
Ham, whole-----1b.	60.8	60.7	Corn, cream style-----#303 can	19.2	19.1
Lamb, leg-----1b.	73.0	70.9	Peas, green-----#303 can	22.6	22.7
Frankfurters-----1b.	62.6	63.1	Tomatoes-----#303 can	16.0	16.0
Luncheon meat, canned-----12 oz.	49.1	49.1	Tomato juice-----46 oz. can	32.3	32.0
Frying chickens, ready-to-cook-----1b.	39.1	40.0	Baby foods-----4½ to 5 oz.	10.9	10.8
Ocean perch, fillet, frozen-----1b.	53.0	52.9	Dried:		
Haddock, fillet, frozen-----1b.	58.6	58.5	Prunes-----1b.	40.2	40.1
Salmon, pink, canned-----16 oz.	68.9	69.1	Beans-----1b.	17.6	17.7
Tuna fish, canned-----6 to 6½ oz.	33.2	32.9	Other foods at home:		
Dairy products:			Tomato soup-----10½ to 11 oz. can	12.3	12.3
Milk, fresh, (grocery)-----qt.	24.6	24.6	Beans, with pork-----16 oz. can	15.1	15.1
Milk, fresh, (delivered)-----qt.	26.3	26.3	Pickles, sliced-----15 oz.	27.4	27.3
Ice cream-----½ gal.	85.1	85.1	Catsup, tomato-----14 oz.	22.2	22.2
Butter-----1b.	75.3	75.3	Potato chips-----4 oz.	28.0	28.1
Cheese, American process-----½ lb.	37.1	36.8	Coffee-----1b. can	71.7	70.1
Milk, evaporated-----14½ oz. can	15.4	15.4	Coffee-----1b. bag	58.1	56.8
Fruits and vegetables:			Coffee, instant-----6 oz.	94.8	91.9
Frozen:			Tea bags-----pkg. of 48	63.8	63.8
Strawberries-----10 oz.	27.6	27.3	Cola drink, carton-----7½ oz.	55.1	55.1
Orange juice concentrate-----6 oz.	32.7	32.7	Shortening, hydrogenated-----3 lb.	82.6	81.6
Lemonade concentrate-----6 oz.	15.0	14.9	Margarine, colored-----1b.	27.8	27.6
Peas, green-----10 oz.	21.1	21.0	Lard-----1b.	20.1	20.1
Beans, green-----9 oz.	23.8	23.6	Salad dressing-----pt.	38.5	38.5
Potatoes, french fried-----9 oz.	17.9	17.9	Peanut butter-----1b.	57.6	57.6
Fresh:			Sugar-----5 lb.	73.4	72.4
Apples-----1b.	15.0	14.8	Corn syrup-----24 oz.	29.9	29.6
Bananas-----1b.	15.6	15.4	Grape jelly-----12 oz.	31.3	31.1
Oranges, size 200-----doz.	79.6	82.8	Chocolate bar-----1 oz.	5.2	5.0
Lemons-----1b.	22.0	22.0	Eggs, Grade A, large-----doz.	60.2	57.1
			Gelatin, flavored-----3 to 4 oz.	10.3	10.3

* Priced only in season.

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TABLE D: Consumer Price Index--All items and commodity groups
1963 annual average indexes and percent changes, 1962 to 1963
5 cities priced in January 1964
(1957-59=100)

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Group	Boston		Kansas City		Minneapolis		Pittsburgh		Portland, Oregon	
	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Index	Percent change
All items-----	109.5	2.0	107.2	1.0	107.0	1.4	107.1	1.1	106.6	1.9
All items (1947-49=100)-----	135.7		132.6		132.4		131.9		132.1	
All items (1939=100)-----	222.4		214.9		218.2		227.2		226.6	
Food-----	107.4	2.7	104.3	1.0	102.5	.7	103.6	1.2	105.2	1.5
Food at home-----	105.1	2.2	103.4	.8	100.7	.5	103.1	1.1	103.6	1.7
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.1	2.0	108.8	.7	99.9	- 2.3	110.3	2.7	107.0	4.7
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	104.0	- .1	98.4	- 2.0	98.8	- 1.4	103.0	- 1.3	102.2	- .5
Dairy products-----	99.0	.9	104.5	- 1.6	103.4	.5	98.9	- .3	106.2	.6
Fruits and vegetables-----	115.9	7.1	110.9	4.5	106.5	3.7	108.2	5.4	112.1	4.6
Other foods at home-----	99.1	2.1	99.9	3.0	97.2	2.2	98.7	1.5	95.2	.6
Housing-----	111.6	2.2	106.2	1.0	105.5	1.9	106.7	.3	106.7	2.6
Rent-----	116.7	1.7	103.9	.6	107.0	1.0	106.2	.3	105.3	1.3
Gas and electricity-----	103.8	- .2	108.9	- .2	104.4	.3	112.1	- .4	102.5	0
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	106.7	3.0	113.7	.4	101.1	0	-----	---	103.9	2.3
Housefurnishings-----	99.7	0	97.7	- .1	97.1	.5	102.2	.5	96.3	.7
Household operation-----	113.6	2.4	113.3	1.9	105.6	1.5	115.6	2.5	109.9	2.2
Apparel-----	104.4	.8	103.1	1.3	103.2	1.9	102.9	1.8	104.7	1.7
Men's and boys'-----	101.4	0	107.1	3.0	105.5	1.6	103.3	1.4	106.7	2.1
Women's and girls'-----	104.6	1.0	97.9	.4	99.7	1.3	97.4	.4	101.2	1.5
Footwear-----	110.4	1.1	113.0	1.2	109.4	2.4	116.5	5.4	112.2	1.9
Other apparel-----	100.7	1.0	97.2	- .4	96.9	.8	100.9	1.1	99.7	1.3
Transportation-----	110.0	.5	107.6	.2	109.5	1.6	110.6	- .1	106.1	1.1
Private-----	103.6	.6	106.1	- .5	108.1	1.5	106.2	0	105.1	1.4
Public-----	131.6	0	116.0	3.8	119.7	1.6	125.9	0	112.3	0
Medical care-----	115.4	2.1	114.9	1.0	129.6	1.2	123.5	2.8	112.0	2.4
Personal care-----	109.6	2.4	113.4	2.8	107.5	1.4	103.5	0	110.0	2.9
Reading and recreation-----	117.6	1.3	114.6	1.8	112.6	.1	110.9	1.9	111.5	1.1
Other goods and services-----	102.3	.5	112.2	2.4	105.6	1.1	109.0	3.7	104.6	1.2

TABLE E: Consumer Price Index--Corrected Indexes, U.S. City Average and Chicago
January 1963 through December 1963

Date	U.S. city average						Chicago			
	Medical care			Medical care services			All items			Medical care
	1957- 59=100	1947- 49=100	1939=100	1957- 59=100	1947- 49=100	1939=100	1957- 59=100	1947- 49=100	1939=100	1957- 59=100
1963: January-----	115.8	167.3	230.6	118.9	177.4	251.6	105.1	132.5	226.2	124.8
February-----	115.9	167.5	230.8	119.1	177.7	252.0	105.1	132.5	226.2	124.6
March-----	116.1	167.8	231.2	119.3	178.0	252.4	105.5	133.0	227.1	124.9
April-----	116.4	168.2	231.8	119.6	178.4	253.1	105.4	132.9	226.8	125.5
May-----	116.7	168.6	232.4	119.9	178.9	253.7	105.3	132.8	226.6	125.6
June-----	117.2	169.4	233.4	120.5	179.8	255.0	105.5	133.0	227.1	125.7
July-----	117.3	169.5	233.6	120.6	179.9	255.2	106.3	134.0	228.8	126.2
August-----	117.4	169.6	233.8	120.8	180.2	255.6	106.0	133.7	228.1	126.3
September-----	117.5	169.8	234.0	120.9	180.4	255.8	106.0	133.7	228.1	126.3
October-----	117.7	170.1	234.4	121.1	180.7	256.2	106.0	133.7	228.1	126.8
November-----	117.9	170.4	234.8	121.3	181.0	256.7	105.8	133.4	227.7	126.8
December-----	117.9	170.4	234.8	121.3	181.0	256.7	106.1	133.8	228.4	126.8
1963: Annual average--	117.0	169.1	233.0	120.3	179.5	254.5	105.7	133.3	227.5	125.9

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 33 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 50 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 17 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*

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