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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR NOVEMBER 1964

The Consumer Price Index rose by 0.2 percent in November, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. The increase was caused in large part by higher prices for new and used cars and by substantial advances in automobile insurance premiums on 1965 models. Food prices averaged slightly lower. At 108.7 percent of its 1957-59 average, the November over-all index was 1.2 percent above a year ago.

Housing costs increased in November, as both rents and homeownership costs continued to advance. Apparel prices also rose, and further increases in doctors' and dentists' fees were reported.

The increase in new car prices resulted from the shift to 1965 models, on which dealers, as usual at the beginning of a model year, offered smaller price concessions than those which had prevailed in October on the remaining stocks of 1964 models. However, dealers' selling prices in November still averaged 0.7 percent below a year ago, after allowance for quality improvements in the 1965 models.

Used car prices usually decline in November, with the end of the summer driving season, but they went up last month, when low dealer stocks resulted from the lack of trade-ins on new cars which were unavailable because of strikes.

Food prices averaged slightly lower in November, as a result of price decreases for meats and fresh fruits. Nearly all cuts of fresh pork and beef were reduced as supplies continued to increase, while consumption was reduced somewhat by consumer preference for turkey for the Thanksgiving holiday. Seasonally increased supplies also brought lower prices for bananas, citrus fruits, and apples.

On the other hand, fresh vegetable prices averaged higher, chiefly as a result of sharp increases for green peppers and cucumbers, which were in seasonally short supply, and potatoes, which rose in response to increased demand. Tomato prices also were higher as a result of the Florida hurricane which curtailed the fall crop.

COST-OF-LIVING
ADJUSTMENTS

As a result of the national Consumer Price Index for November, 90,000 aerospace workers will receive an increase of 1 cent an hour, based on the quarterly change in the index; and 60,000 meatpacking workers will receive an increase of 2 cents an hour, based on the semi-annual index change.

In addition, 2,900 transit workers will receive an increase of one-half cent an hour, based on the quarterly change in the index for Washington, D.C.

OTHER BASES

The Consumer Price Index for November 1964 and the purchasing power of the consumer dollar on the bases of 1947-49 and 1939

are shown below:

<u>Base</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Purchasing Power</u>
1947-49=100 (or \$1.00)	133.4	\$ 0.750
1939=100 (or \$1.00)	224.5	.445

:The first set of the attached tables (A-1 etc.) presents :
 :the new index series, covering both single workers living :
 :alone and families. The analysis contained in this report :
 :is based on these tables. The index series for families :
 :only (excluding single workers), shown in table B-1, will :
 :be discontinued after this issue. The old series index, :
 :U.S. city average, was discontinued after June 1964. How- :
 :ever, indexes for several cities will be published on the :
 :old basis for a short time. These are shown in tables C-1 :
 :and C-2.

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

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)			Percent change to November 1964 from --		
	November 1964	October 1964	November 1963	October 1964	August 1964	November 1963
All items -----	108.7	108.5	107.4	0.2	0.5	1.2
Food -----	106.8	106.9	105.1	-.1	-.1	1.6
Food at home -----	105.1	105.3	103.4	-.2	-.2	1.6
Cereals and bakery products -----	110.7	110.4	109.1	.3	1.0	1.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	99.5	100.6	99.7	-1.1	.3	-.2
Dairy products -----	105.3	105.3	104.8	0	.9	.5
Fruits and vegetables -----	113.0	111.7	108.2	1.2	-3.7	4.4
Other foods at home -----	102.3	102.7	99.5	-.4	.4	2.8
Food away from home -----	115.9	115.7	114.0	.2	.5	1.7
Housing -----	107.7	107.6	106.6	.1	.5	1.0
Shelter ^{1/} -----	109.3	109.2	107.7	.1	.5	1.5
Rent -----	108.3	108.2	107.2	.1	.4	1.0
Homeownership ^{2/} -----	109.8	109.6	108.0	.2	.5	1.7
Fuel and utilities ^{3/} -----	107.5	107.4	107.5	.1	.4	0
Fuel oil and coal ^{4/} -----	103.7	102.9	105.4	.8	2.8	-1.6
Gas and electricity -----	108.1	108.2	108.0	-.1	-.1	.1
Household furnishings and operation -----	102.9	102.8	102.7	.1	.3	.2
Apparel and upkeep ^{5/} -----	106.4	106.2	106.1	.2	1.0	.3
Men's and boys' -----	107.0	106.7	106.1	.3	.9	.8
Women's and girls' -----	103.2	102.9	103.5	.3	1.9	-.3
Footwear -----	111.6	111.4	111.1	.2	.7	.5
Transportation -----	110.0	109.4	109.1	.5	.6	.8
Private -----	108.6	108.0	107.8	.6	.6	.7
Public -----	119.5	119.3	117.6	.2	.3	1.6
Health and recreation -----	114.2	114.0	112.4	.2	.4	1.6
Medical care -----	120.2	119.9	117.9	.3	.3	2.0
Personal care -----	109.7	109.7	108.4	0	.3	1.2
Reading and recreation -----	114.9	114.5	112.8	.3	.6	1.9
Other goods and services ^{6/} -----	109.1	109.1	108.3	0	.2	.7
<u>Special groups:</u>						
All items less shelter -----	108.5	108.3	107.4	.2	.4	1.0
All items less food -----	109.5	109.2	108.4	.3	.6	1.0
Commodities ^{7/} -----	105.6	105.5	104.7	.1	.4	.9
Nondurables -----	106.4	106.4	105.4	0	.3	.9
Durables ^{7/ 8/} -----	103.5	103.1	103.1	.4	.7	.4
Services ^{9/} -----	116.0	115.7	113.9	.3	.5	1.8
Commodities less food ^{7/} -----	104.8	104.6	104.5	.2	.6	.3
Nondurables less food -----	106.1	106.0	105.8	.1	.5	.3
Apparel commodities -----	105.7	105.4	105.4	.3	1.2	.3
Apparel less footwear -----	104.5	104.2	104.3	.3	1.4	.2
Nondurables less food and apparel -----	106.3	106.3	106.0	0	0	.3
New cars -----	102.5	101.3	103.2	1.2	2.6	-.7
Used cars -----	122.9	121.9	121.0	.8	.6	1.6
Household durables ^{10/} -----	98.0	98.0	98.8	0	-.1	-.8
Housefurnishings -----	98.3	98.2	98.8	.1	.2	-.5
Services less rent ^{9/} -----	117.9	117.6	115.5	.3	.6	2.1
Household services less rent -----	115.5	115.4	113.8	.1	.4	1.5
Transportation services -----	116.2	115.3	113.3	.8	1.0	2.6
Medical care services -----	124.4	124.0	121.3	.3	.6	2.6
Other services ^{11/} -----	119.6	119.3	116.6	.3	.7	2.6
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1957-59 = \$1.00) -----	\$0.920	\$0.922	\$0.931	-.2	-.4	-1.2

^{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.

NEW SERIES
(Including Single Workers)

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

Area <u>1/</u>	Pricing Schedule <u>2/</u>	Indexes			Percent change from:	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases	August 1964	November 1963
		November 1964			August 1964	November 1963
U.S. City Average-----	M	108.7	133.4		0.5	1.2
Chicago-----	M	106.6	134.4		.3	.8
Detroit-----	M	104.6	129.0		.3	.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach-----	M	111.3	138.8		1.0	1.8
New York-----	M	111.0	133.8		.5	1.2
Philadelphia-----	M	109.5	134.5		.8	1.1
		October 1964			July 1964	October 1963
Boston-----	1	111.6	138.3		0.4	1.5
Pittsburgh-----	1	108.9	134.2		.1	1.4
		November 1964			August 1964	November 1963
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)-----	2	-----	-----	102.1	0.8	2.1
Cleveland-----	2	105.9	131.5		.7	.9
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)-----	2	-----	-----	100.7	.8	.7
Seattle-----	2	110.1	138.4		-.2	.7
Washington-----	2	108.9	131.1		.2	1.7
		September 1964			June 1964	September 1963
Atlanta-----	3	107.2	132.7		0.8	1.9
Baltimore-----	3	107.9	133.9		-.1	.7
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)-----	3	-----	-----	100.5	.6	---
St. Louis-----	3	108.7	134.9		.9	2.1
San Francisco-Oakland-----	3	111.0	140.9		.4	1.6

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

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

- M - Every month.
 1 - January, April, July, and October.
 2 - February, May, August, and November.
 3 - March, June, September, and December.

NEW SERIES
(Including Single Workers)

TABLE A-3: Consumer Price Index--The United States and Selected Areas 1/
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Major Groups
Percent change from October 1964 to November 1964

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items-----	0.2	0.2	-0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Food-----	-.1	0	-.3	-.7	-.2	-.2
Housing-----	.1	.4	.2	.5	-.1	.3
Apparel and upkeep-----	.2	-.5	-.2	0	-.1	.3
Transportation-----	.5	.7	-1.4	1.3	1.0	.8
Health and recreation-----	.2	0	.1	0	0	.2
Medical care-----	.3	.5	.6	0	.5	.5
Personal care-----	0	-.6	-.9	-.6	-.6	-.6
Reading and recreation-----	.3	-.3	0	.2	.1	.6
Other goods and services-----	0	.2	0	-.1	(<u>2/</u>)	(<u>2/</u>)

1/ See footnote 1, table A-2.

2/ Not available.

NEW SERIES
(Including Single Workers)

TABLE A-4: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups
November 1964 Indexes and Percent Changes from August 1964

Group	U.S. City Average	Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)	Chicago	Cleve- land	Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)	Detroit	Los Angeles- Long Beach	New York	Phila- delphia	Seattle	Wash- ington
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)											
All items-----	108.7	102.1	106.6	105.9	100.7	104.6	111.3	111.0	109.5	110.1	108.9
Food-----	106.8	101.7	106.9	102.2	101.3	102.2	108.8	109.0	105.5	108.7	106.3
Food at home-----	105.1	101.6	106.3	100.4	101.2	100.8	106.0	106.0	103.5	106.3	103.8
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	97.6	108.6	106.5	103.6	104.6	120.1	111.4	107.6	111.9	110.2
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	99.0	102.2	98.0	100.8	96.5	95.7	100.6	96.0	102.1	96.9
Dairy products-----	105.3	99.9	111.5	96.4	99.6	103.3	108.2	103.0	108.8	112.5	106.7
Fruits and vegetables-----	113.0	107.4	109.5	106.9	102.7	105.2	120.1	117.6	109.9	110.4	106.5
Other foods at home-----	102.3	104.9	104.3	98.1	100.4	98.8	97.1	103.2	102.2	100.9	104.3
Food away from home-----	115.9	102.5	110.3	112.1	101.7	110.7	119.6	122.8	116.6	119.6	117.1
Housing-----	107.7	102.5	105.1	103.1	99.3	99.4	111.2	112.0	109.2	111.1	107.5
Shelter-----	109.3	101.2	105.3	102.5	99.6	97.1	114.4	114.8	111.5	114.8	107.8
Rent-----	108.3	100.4	105.8	101.0	100.3	-----	109.1	-----	109.1	108.4	112.7
Homeownership-----	109.8	101.4	105.2	102.7	99.3	97.7	116.0	112.8	112.3	116.2	104.0
Fuel and utilities-----	107.5	107.3	105.4	109.6	99.5	102.8	107.2	105.9	105.0	110.9	105.8
Fuel oil and coal-----	103.7	98.2	105.1	-----	-----	100.6	-----	106.0	102.1	105.6	100.0
Gas and electricity-----	108.1	110.8	105.3	107.4	98.9	105.0	112.6	107.0	102.0	97.5	106.9
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.9	102.4	104.6	99.8	98.4	100.8	103.5	107.5	103.4	103.1	106.2
Apparel and upkeep-----	106.4	102.4	102.3	104.5	99.7	107.1	106.9	109.4	111.3	108.4	108.1
Men's and boys'-----	107.0	103.3	103.8	107.0	99.4	104.3	110.3	109.1	106.9	113.3	105.7
Women's and girls'-----	103.2	102.4	96.5	98.6	100.2	109.3	103.7	105.5	108.3	106.3	106.3
Footwear-----	111.6	101.7	109.6	114.2	97.8	110.9	110.3	112.1	113.2	113.4	114.0
Transportation-----	110.0	100.5	108.0	110.9	101.4	106.1	119.0	107.0	115.0	110.2	110.5
Private-----	108.6	100.3	108.2	108.8	101.3	104.3	115.0	109.2	112.2	108.3	109.5
Public-----	119.5	102.5	107.4	122.1	102.4	114.5	138.9	100.6	124.9	124.9	116.7
Health and recreation-----	114.2	102.8	110.5	114.0	102.3	114.5	111.1	116.7	114.6	110.8	115.3
Medical care-----	120.2	103.5	128.8	129.8	101.5	125.2	119.2	120.3	124.1	113.9	129.2
Personal care-----	109.7	102.9	110.8	104.8	101.5	108.5	108.3	108.1	108.0	108.4	109.6
Reading and recreation-----	114.9	103.6	100.2	108.9	104.9	110.3	104.8	123.0	112.2	107.5	115.7
Other goods and services-----	109.1	100.9	101.7	109.3	100.5	109.0	107.9	(3/)	(3/)	111.9	104.3
Percent changes August 1964 to November 1964											
All items-----	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.0	0.5	0.8	- 0.2	0.2
Food-----	-.1	-.5	.6	-.3	.4	-.2	.6	-.1	.1	-.4	-1.1
Food at home-----	-.2	-.7	.6	-.6	.4	-.5	.8	-.1	0	-.4	-1.7
Cereals and bakery products-----	1.0	1.5	1.0	-.3	3.7	2.2	1.8	-.4	2.2	.9	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	.3	-.5	1.5	-.2	1.2	-.3	.6	-.5	-.1	-1.8	.1
Dairy products-----	.9	.2	.4	.5	1.1	-.7	.7	1.6	2.3	-.7	-.4
Fruits and vegetables-----	-3.7	-4.1	-3.6	-3.6	-4.0	-3.9	1.0	-1.8	-4.6	-.3	-10.1
Other foods at home-----	.4	.1	2.1	.1	.4	.3	.4	.8	.8	-.3	.2
Food away from home-----	.5	.8	.4	1.4	.7	1.5	.3	.6	.4	0	.3
Housing-----	.5	1.0	-.1	1.0	-.2	.8	1.1	.2	1.0	-.4	.4
Shelter-----	.5	1.3	-.4	1.3	-.4	.9	1.1	0	1.5	-.5	.2
Rent-----	.4	0	2/	.1	-.2	.4	-----	2/	.2	-----	2/
Homeownership-----	.5	1.6	-.7	1.6	-.7	1.0	1.4	-.4	2.0	-.6	-.1
Fuel and utilities-----	.4	-.3	.5	.1	.1	-.2	1.4	1.0	.5	-.6	.2
Fuel oil and coal-----	2.8	5.0	5.0	-----	-----	3.0	-----	3.6	2.0	.9	1.6
Gas and electricity-----	-.1	-.9	-.3	0	.2	-.8	0	.7	.3	-2.6	0
Household furnishings and operation-----	.3	1.1	.1	.7	.1	.8	.7	.2	.5	.8	1.1
Apparel and upkeep-----	1.0	1.4	1.2	.6	.8	.8	.6	1.5	2.7	1.7	.3
Men's and boys'-----	.9	1.0	2.7	.7	.4	.8	1.7	-.1	1.2	1.9	-.4
Women's and girls'-----	1.9	2.3	.3	.6	1.6	1.2	-.3	4.0	4.8	3.3	.6
Footwear-----	.7	1.0	.9	0	.8	.3	.5	-.1	3.1	.1	.7
Transportation-----	.6	1.3	.7	1.1	4.2	.4	2.2	.9	.8	-2.0	1.4
Private-----	.6	1.4	.7	1.2	4.5	.5	2.3	1.1	1.0	-3.1	1.6
Public-----	.3	0	0	0	-.2	.1	.3	0	.1	5.2	.1
Health and recreation-----	.4	.9	.1	1.1	.4	.2	.5	.2	.5	.6	.5
Medical care-----	.3	2.1	.5	1.0	-.2	.2	.6	.4	.6	.7	.5
Personal care-----	.3	.6	-.4	1.6	1.1	0	0	-.2	1.0	1.9	.4
Reading and recreation-----	.6	.5	-.2	1.0	1.0	-.3	1.5	.4	.7	.3	.9
Other goods and services-----	.2	0	.2	1.0	.1	.4	-.3	(3/)	(3/)	.3	.1

1/ See footnote 1, table A-2.

2/ Change from September 1964.

3/ Not available.

4/ Revised Indexes: May 1964 = 111.4, August 1964 = 111.6.

TABLE A-5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups
November 1964 Indexes and Percent Changes from October 1964

Area ^{1/}	Total food	Food at home						Food away from home
		Total	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other foods at home	
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)								
U.S. City Average-----	106.8	105.1	110.7	99.5	105.3	113.0	102.3	115.9
Atlanta-----	105.6	105.2	104.3	99.7	102.5	117.0	106.7	107.2
Baltimore-----	106.8	103.9	116.3	97.9	102.4	109.8	101.8	118.6
Boston-----	111.0	108.2	113.4	105.2	104.1	117.8	104.4	123.0
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)---	101.7	101.6	97.6	99.0	99.9	107.4	104.9	102.5
Chicago-----	106.9	106.3	108.6	102.2	111.5	109.5	104.3	110.3
Cleveland-----	102.2	100.4	106.5	98.0	96.4	106.9	98.1	112.1
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)----	101.3	101.2	103.6	100.8	99.6	102.7	100.4	101.7
Detroit-----	102.2	100.8	104.6	96.5	103.3	105.2	98.8	110.7
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)---	101.3	101.4	100.6	100.7	99.7	103.8	101.9	101.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach----	108.8	106.0	120.1	95.7	108.2	120.1	97.1	119.6
New York-----	109.0	106.0	111.4	100.6	103.0	117.6	103.2	122.8
Philadelphia-----	105.5	103.5	107.6	96.0	108.8	109.9	102.2	116.6
Pittsburgh-----	104.9	104.1	110.5	102.5	98.1	109.0	103.6	109.3
St. Louis-----	108.5	105.6	109.1	101.2	110.1	110.6	103.1	119.3
San Francisco-Oakland-----	107.8	105.0	109.8	99.7	107.5	116.2	98.1	120.7
Seattle-----	108.7	106.3	111.9	102.1	112.5	110.4	100.9	119.6
Washington-----	106.3	103.8	110.2	96.9	106.7	106.5	104.3	117.1
Percent changes, October 1964 to November 1964								
U.S. City Average-----	- 0.1	- 0.2	0.3	- 1.1	0	1.2	- 0.4	0.2
Atlanta-----	- .1	- .1	.4	- .7	0.3	.1	.1	.1
Baltimore-----	- .2	- .2	.5	.1	.3	-.6	-.3	0
Boston-----	.2	.2	.3	.2	.1	.7	-.5	.2
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)---	- .1	0	.9	- 2.4	-.1	3.9	-.2	.1
Chicago-----	0	- .1	-.3	-.9	.3	.8	-.2	.2
Cleveland-----	- .2	- .5	-.4	- 1.7	-.1	1.4	-.3	.8
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)----	.2	.1	.6	-.7	- 1.2	2.6	-.2	.7
Detroit-----	- .3	- .4	.2	- 2.7	-.4	3.8	-.9	.4
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)---	.2	.3	-.1	.2	-.1	1.6	-.2	0
Los Angeles-Long Beach----	- .7	- .9	.8	- 1.0	0	- 2.7	- 1.3	.1
New York-----	- .2	- .3	.5	- 1.4	.3	1.1	-.2	.2
Philadelphia-----	- .2	- .2	0	-.8	-.4	.6	-.1	0
Pittsburgh-----	- .2	- .3	.2	- 2.4	.3	2.4	.4	.2
St. Louis-----	- .4	- .6	-.2	- 1.4	.5	0	-.4	.3
San Francisco-Oakland-----	0	0	.3	.1	0	2.5	- 2.0	.1
Seattle-----	0	.1	.6	- 1.1	-.4	3.3	- 1.2	0
Washington-----	- .4	- .6	.5	- 1.4	-.4	- 1.3	.1	.2

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

NEW SERIES
(Including Single Workers)

TABLE A-6: Consumer Price Index--Food, Groups, and Items
November 1964 Indexes, and Percent Changes October 1964 to November 1964
U.S. City Average
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index	Percent Change	Item or Group	Index	Percent Change
Total food-----	106.8	-0.1	Fruits and vegetables-----	113.0	1.2
Food away from home-----	115.9	.2	Fresh fruits and vegetables-----	116.4	2.0
Restaurant meals-----	115.9	.2	Apples-----	93.6	-3.6
Snacks 1/-----	101.4	.3	Bananas-----	91.7	-9.4
Food at home-----	105.1	-.2	Oranges-----	151.6	-4.5
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	.3	Orange juice, fresh 1/-----	100.3	-.1
Flour-----	108.5	.6	Grapefruit-----	143.7	-23.3
Cracker meal 1/-----	105.9	1.3	Grapes *-----	124.6	18.7
Corn flakes-----	119.3	.2	Strawberries *-----	*	*
Rice-----	106.6	.1	Watermelon *-----	*	*
Bread, white-----	114.7	.3	Potatoes-----	136.5	7.1
Bread, whole wheat 1/-----	102.2	.6	Onions-----	105.2	0
Cookies-----	100.4	.5	Asparagus * 1/-----	*	*
Layer cake 1/-----	98.8	.2	Cabbage-----	119.7	-3.5
Cinnamon rolls 1/-----	99.4	-.5	Carrots-----	102.6	0
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	-1.1	Celery-----	104.3	1.5
Meats-----	100.4	-1.5	Cucumbers 1/-----	158.2	47.4
Beef and veal-----	103.3	-1.2	Lettuce-----	109.5	-5.0
Steak, round-----	102.8	-2.4	Peppers, green 1/-----	141.0	43.4
Steak, sirloin 2/-----	96.9	-2.1	Spinach 1/-----	99.9	-1.7
Steak, porterhouse 1/-----	100.6	-2.0	Tomatoes-----	93.0	12.3
Rump roast 1/-----	99.8	-1.0	Processed fruits and vegetables-----	109.0	-.1
Rib roast-----	107.5	-.6	Fruit cocktail, canned-----	99.5	-1.1
Chuck roast-----	99.3	-2.1	Pears, canned 1/-----	102.3	-1.1
Hamburger-----	102.7	-.1	Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/--	99.5	-.1
Beef liver 1/-----	97.6	-.4	Orange juice concentrate, frozen-----	128.9	-.9
Veal cutlets-----	115.2	-.5	Lemonade concentrate, frozen 2/-----	95.5	.8
Pork-----	96.9	-2.8	Beets, canned 1/-----	98.1	.4
Chops-----	101.8	-5.1	Peas, green, canned-----	108.6	-.3
Loin roast 2/-----	106.5	-4.4	Tomatoes, canned-----	102.8	-.2
Pork sausage 1/-----	102.1	-1.2	Dried beans-----	104.2	.5
Ham, whole-----	94.8	-1.4	Broccoli, frozen 1/-----	96.2	.5
Picnics 1/-----	97.7	-.9	Other food at home-----	102.3	-.4
Bacon-----	94.4	-1.9	Eggs-----	98.5	-1.8
Other meats-----	102.7	-.1	Fats and oils:		
Lamb chops 1/-----	104.8	-1.7	Margarine-----	95.6	.3
Frankfurters-----	102.8	.1	Salad dressing, Italian 1/-----	98.4	-.5
Ham, canned 1/-----	99.4	.1	Salad or cooking oil 1/-----	99.0	.6
Bologna sausage 1/-----	101.2	.3	Sugar and sweets-----	113.7	-.2
Salami sausage 1/-----	99.7	-.3	Sugar-----	107.3	-.5
Liverwurst 1/-----	103.5	1.2	Grape jelly-----	115.6	-.1
Poultry-----	87.8	-.5	Chocolate bar-----	105.8	-.1
Frying chicken-----	88.0	-.6	Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/-----	99.6	-.2
Chicken breasts 1/-----	97.4	-.8	Nonalcoholic beverages-----	103.4	0
Turkey 1/-----	99.4	1.0	Coffee, can and bag-----	96.5	0
Fish-----	108.0	.7	Coffee, instant 3/-----	115.5	-.2
Shrimp, frozen 1/-----	89.4	.3	Tea-----	101.5	-.3
Fish, fresh or frozen-----	114.8	.4	Cola drink-----	125.0	.1
Tuna fish, canned-----	103.2	.6	Carbonated fruit drink 1/-----	102.0	.1
Sardines, canned 1/-----	100.8	1.6	Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/	99.3	0
Dairy products-----	105.3	0	Bean soup, canned 1/-----	99.3	0
Milk, fresh, grocery-----	104.0	-.2	Chicken soup, canned 1/-----	99.4	-.1
Milk, fresh, delivered-----	107.0	-.1	Spaghetti, canned 1/-----	100.9	.2
Milk, fresh, skim 1/-----	100.6	-.2	Mashed potatoes, instant 1/-----	97.9	-.4
Milk, evaporated-----	103.4	.7	Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/-----	87.3	-.2
Ice cream-----	94.5	-.2	Baby foods, canned-----	108.1	-.1
Cheese, American process-----	115.4	.9	Sweet pickle relish 1/-----	100.5	.1
Butter-----	103.8	0	Pretzels 1/-----	101.9	.4

1/ December 1963 = 100.

2/ April 1960 = 100.

3/ July 1961 = 100.

* Priced only in season.

NEW SERIES
(Including Single Workers)

TABLE A-7: 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	Trans- porta- tion	Health and recreation					
						Total	Medical care	Personal care	Reading and recrea- tion	Other goods and services	
1964:	Nov.	108.7	106.8	107.7	106.4	110.0	114.2	120.2	109.7	114.9	109.1
	Oct.	108.5	106.9	107.6	106.2	109.4	114.0	119.9	109.7	114.5	109.1
	Sept.	108.4	107.2	107.4	105.9	108.9	113.9	119.7	109.5	114.3	109.0
	Aug.	108.2	106.9	107.2	105.3	109.3	113.8	119.8	109.4	114.2	108.9
	July	108.3	107.2	107.1	105.5	109.4	113.7	119.5	109.3	114.1	108.9
	June	108.0	106.2	107.1	105.7	109.2	113.5	119.3	109.1	114.0	108.7
	May	107.8	105.5	106.9	105.7	109.1	113.5	119.1	108.9	114.1	108.7
	Apr.	107.8	105.7	107.0	105.6	109.0	113.4	119.0	108.7	114.0	108.6
	Mar.	107.7	105.7	107.1	105.3	108.9	113.1	118.7	108.7	113.6	108.5
	Feb.	107.6	106.0	106.9	105.1	108.6	112.9	118.5	108.4	113.3	108.4
	Jan.	107.7	105.8	106.9	105.0	109.4	112.7	118.2	108.5	113.1	108.3
1963:	Dec.	107.6	105.4	106.9	106.1	108.9	112.7	117.9	108.8	113.1	108.3
	Nov.	107.4	105.1	106.6	106.1	109.1	112.4	117.9	108.4	112.8	108.3
Annual Average:	1963	106.7	105.1	106.0	104.8	107.8	111.4	117.0	107.9	111.5	107.1
	1962	105.4	103.6	104.8	103.6	107.2	109.4	114.2	106.5	109.6	105.3
	1961	104.2	102.6	103.9	103.0	105.0	107.3	111.3	104.6	107.2	104.6
	1960	103.1	101.4	103.1	102.2	103.8	105.4	108.1	104.1	104.9	103.8
	1959	101.5	100.3	101.3	100.6	103.8	102.8	104.4	102.4	102.4	101.8
	1954	93.6	95.4	93.4	96.3	90.8	90.7	86.6	88.5	92.4	94.3

NEW SERIES
(Single Workers Excluded)

TABLE B-1: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average
For Urban Wage-Earner and Clerical-Worker Families
Major group and subgroup indexes, November 1964
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)			Percent change to November 1964 from--		
	November 1964	October 1964	November 1963	October 1964	August 1964	November 1963
All items-----	108.7	108.5	107.4	0.2	0.5	1.2
Food-----	106.8	106.9	105.1	- .1	- .1	1.6
Food at home-----	105.0	105.2	103.4	- .2	- .2	1.5
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	110.4	109.1	.3	1.0	1.5
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	100.7	99.7	- 1.2	.3	- .2
Dairy products-----	105.3	105.3	104.8	0	.9	.5
Fruits and vegetables-----	112.8	111.6	108.2	1.1	- 3.8	4.3
Other foods at home-----	102.3	102.6	99.5	- .3	.4	2.8
Food away from home-----	115.9	115.7	114.0	.2	.5	1.7
Housing-----	107.7	107.5	106.6	.2	.5	1.0
Shelter ^{1/} -----	109.3	109.2	107.7	.1	.5	1.5
Rent-----	108.2	108.2	107.2	0	.4	.9
Homeownership ^{2/} -----	109.8	109.6	108.0	.2	.5	1.7
Fuel and utilities ^{3/} -----	107.5	107.4	107.5	.1	.4	0
Fuel oil and coal ^{4/} -----	103.7	102.9	105.4	.8	2.9	- 1.6
Gas and electricity-----	108.1	108.2	108.0	- .1	- .1	.1
Household furnishings and operation--	102.9	102.8	102.7	.1	.3	.2
Apparel and upkeep ^{5/} -----	106.4	106.2	106.1	.2	1.0	.3
Men's and boys'-----	107.0	106.7	106.1	.3	.9	.8
Women's and girls'-----	103.2	102.9	103.5	.3	1.9	- .3
Footwear-----	111.6	111.4	111.1	.2	.7	.5
Transportation-----	110.0	109.4	109.1	.5	.6	.8
Private-----	108.6	108.0	107.8	.6	.6	.7
Public-----	119.6	119.4	117.6	.2	.3	1.7
Health and recreation-----	114.2	114.0	112.4	.2	.4	1.6
Medical care-----	120.2	119.9	117.9	.3	.3	2.0
Personal care-----	109.7	109.7	108.4	0	.3	1.2
Reading and recreation-----	114.8	114.5	112.8	.3	.5	1.8
Other goods and services ^{6/} -----	109.1	109.1	108.3	0	.2	.7

^{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.

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TABLE C-1: Consumer Price Index--Selected Cities ^{1/}
 All Items
 Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates

City	Pricing Schedule ^{2/}	Indexes		Percent change from--	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100		
		October 1964		July 1964	October 1963
Kansas City-----	1	110.1	136.2	0.5	1.3
Minneapolis-----	1	108.6	134.3	.5	1.1
Portland-----	1	109.5	135.7	.4	2.2
		November 1964		August 1964	November 1963
Houston-----	2	107.3	132.2	0	0.6
Milwaukee-----	2	106.8	134.7	0.5	1.2
Scranton-----	2	109.9	131.1	- .1	1.9
		September 1964		June 1964	September 1963
Cincinnati-----	3	107.0	130.2	0.8	1.8

^{1/} The old series Consumer Price Index, U.S. city average, has been discontinued with the June 1964 publication. Contrary to original plans, Portland and Scranton will be published on the old series basis temporarily. Indexes for Cincinnati, Houston, Kansas City, and Minneapolis will be published on the old series basis for the duration of 1964 and the first part of 1965, and will be added to the new series index in 1966. The present index for Milwaukee calculated by special arrangement with the City of Milwaukee, is now published on the old series basis, and will also be added to the new series index in 1966.

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

- 1 - January, April, July, and October.
- 2 - February, May, August, and November.
- 3 - March, June, September, and December.

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TABLE C-2: Consumer Price Index--All Items and Commodity Groups for Selected Cities 1/
Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates
(1957-59=100)

Group	Kansas City	Minn- neapolis	Portland, Oregon	Houston	Milwaukee	Scranton	Cincinnati
	Indexes (1957-59=100)						
	October 1964			November 1964			September 1964
All items-----	110.1	108.6	109.5	107.3	106.8	109.9	107.0
Food-----	108.2	105.2	107.5	106.1	104.9	105.6	106.2
Food at home-----	107.8	103.2	106.4	103.4	103.6	103.8	104.9
Cereals and bakery products---	113.3	104.5	108.5	110.5	97.4	111.4	108.7
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	100.6	99.1	102.5	95.7	101.7	99.2	103.1
Dairy products-----	110.3	106.7	110.0	103.5	107.0	101.8	100.8
Fruits and vegetables-----	114.9	106.9	115.3	112.3	108.5	110.9	114.4
Other foods at home-----	106.5	102.3	100.8	101.9	103.8	101.0	101.2
Housing-----	108.0	107.1	110.6	105.4	105.6	107.9	103.8
Rent-----	104.5	108.5	107.3	100.1	101.8	109.2	102.5
Gas and electricity-----	115.9	101.6	102.5	133.0	103.4	105.5	110.2
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	112.3	104.5	102.4	-----	115.8	104.1	103.3
Housefurnishings-----	99.2	98.9	98.4	98.9	103.1	94.9	98.9
Household operation-----	117.9	109.5	111.3	115.3	113.3	113.2	112.3
Apparel-----	107.8	105.2	107.7	105.7	105.1	105.7	105.5
Men's and boys'-----	111.0	110.1	111.8	107.9	108.4	108.8	108.7
Women's and girls'-----	104.4	100.7	104.0	103.7	101.0	103.2	101.0
Footwear-----	114.7	110.8	112.5	109.7	109.5	108.9	113.5
Other apparel-----	100.5	98.3	101.3	102.8	103.3	101.0	100.4
Transportation-----	107.9	110.2	106.0	108.8	109.2	110.2	110.6
Private-----	104.7	108.6	102.8	106.4	109.0	107.9	109.6
Public-----	125.4	121.9	126.8	124.3	111.2	125.3	117.8
Medical care-----	116.3	131.8	117.3	113.5	111.2	117.8	117.9
Personal care-----	114.3	106.5	111.7	113.9	112.6	119.8	106.8
Reading and recreation-----	124.2	113.3	117.9	114.3	112.5	140.1	116.8
Other goods and services-----	115.8	106.8	104.9	107.9	106.8	112.8	105.9
	Percent Changes						
	July to October 1964			August to November 1964			June to Sept- ember 1964
All items-----	0.5	0.5	0.4	0	0.5	- 0.1	0.8
Food-----	0	- .5	- .6	0.3	- .7	- 1.1	1.0
Food at home-----	.1	- 1.0	- .7	.2	- .9	- 1.3	1.2
Cereals and bakery products---	6.0	1.4	.2	3.6	1.7	3.7	- .3
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	1.0	2.0	2.1	.3	- .2	- 1.6	5.5
Dairy products-----	2.6	.8	2.9	2.2	- 1.1	2.4	.3
Fruits and vegetables-----	- 9.0	-11.7	- 9.8	- 4.3	- 4.8	- 8.9	- 6.3
Other foods at home-----	2.4	2.8	1.3	.8	1.0	- .2	4.4
Housing-----	.7	.8	1.2	0	1.3	.9	.4
Rent-----	.4	.4	.4	- .1	- .3	.4	- .5
Gas and electricity-----	0	.2	0	- .2	0	0	- .3
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	0	5.2	.2	-----	3.8	2.9	4.2
Housefurnishings-----	.5	.5	.8	.4	.2	- .7	- .1
Household operation-----	1.5	.1	0	0	.3	1.2	.6
Apparel-----	3.3	2.9	2.5	.1	.6	.7	1.4
Men's and boys'-----	- .3	1.5	.7	.7	.2	.5	1.7
Women's and girls'-----	7.2	4.1	6.0	.4	.7	.8	1.9
Footwear-----	1.1	3.9	- 1.3	- 1.8	1.5	.5	.1
Other apparel-----	2.1	.9	1.6	.6	.3	.7	.9
Transportation-----	- .9	1.0	- 2.3	.6	1.3	1.1	.4
Private-----	- 1.0	1.2	- 2.7	.7	1.4	1.3	.5
Public-----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical care-----	- .1	- .2	.3	.1	.1	.3	.1
Personal care-----	- .1	- .9	1.5	- .1	.8	4.2	.4
Reading and recreation-----	2.7	- .2	.6	- 2.1	- 1.1	- 2.5	3.2
Other goods and services-----	- .3	.1	0	0	.1	0	.7

1/ See footnote 1, table C-1.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures average changes in prices of goods and services usually bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers, both families and single persons living alone. It is based on prices of about 400 items which were selected to represent the movement of prices of all goods and services purchased by wage earners and clerical workers. Prices for these items are obtained in urban portions of 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*

*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 17 large SMSA's are available on request to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C. 20212 or any of its regional offices (addressed below).

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