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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR FEBRUARY 1965

The Consumer Price Index remained unchanged between January and February, at 108.9 percent of its 1957-59 average, the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. Lower prices for new and used cars, eggs, gasoline, and telephone services were offset by increased prices for women's apparel, poultry, and potatoes, and further advances in charges for most consumer services.

The February index was 1.2 percent above its level of a year ago, largely because of higher prices for consumer services, which accounted for about two-thirds of the total increase.

Sharp price declines for used cars and gasoline were chiefly responsible for a 0.5 percent decrease in transportation costs. Although used car prices usually drop during the fall and winter months, the February decrease was the first since last September. New car prices were lower, but increases were reported for automobile insurance premiums, auto repairs, and local transit fares.

An increase in housing costs resulted chiefly from higher property taxes and insurance premiums. They were partially offset by the nationwide decrease in rates for interstate telephone service. Apparel prices rose during February, as many items were returned to regular price levels following special mid-winter sales. Medical care and recreational service costs also increased in February.

Food prices remained unchanged on the average in February, but were 0.6 percent above a year ago. Sharply higher prices for poultry, in response to increased consumer demand, and advances in prices of potatoes and bacon were offset by continuing decreases for eggs and lower prices for most cuts of beef. Reduced stocks caused apple prices to advance; adverse weather conditions resulted in higher cucumber prices; and banana prices were raised when the recent longshoremen's strike disrupted supplies. On the other hand, citrus fruits were lower in price, as shipments from Florida and California neared their seasonal peak.

COST-OF-LIVING  
 ADJUSTMENTS

About 80,000 aerospace workers will receive a 1-cent an hour cost-of-living increase, based on the change in the national Consumer Price Index from November to February.

OTHER BASES

The Consumer Price Index for February 1965 and 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)	133.6	\$ 0.749
1939=100 (or \$1.00)	224.9	.445

:The first set of the attached tables (A-1 etc.) and:  
 :the analysis contained in this report are based on :  
 :the new index series, covering both single workers :  
 :living alone and families. :

TABLE A-1: Consumer Price Index--United States City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers  
Major group, subgroup, and special group indexes, February 1965  
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)			Percent change to February 1965 from--		
	February 1965	January 1965	February 1964	January 1965	November 1964	February 1964
All items-----	108.9	108.9	107.6	0	0.2	1.2
Food-----	106.6	106.6	106.0	0	-.2	.6
Food at home-----	104.8	104.8	104.4	0	-.3	.4
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	111.1	109.0	- 0.4	0	1.6
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	99.2	98.3	.3	0	1.2
Dairy products-----	105.2	105.6	104.8	-.4	-.1	.4
Fruits and vegetables-----	113.3	112.4	113.9	-.8	.3	-.5
Other foods at home-----	100.9	101.6	101.7	-.7	- 1.4	-.8
Food away from home-----	116.3	116.1	114.4	.2	.3	1.7
Housing-----	108.2	108.1	106.9	.1	.5	1.2
Shelter <u>1/</u> -----	110.2	109.9	108.3	.3	.8	1.8
Rent-----	108.5	108.4	107.5	.1	.2	.9
Homeownership <u>2/</u> -----	110.9	110.6	108.8	.3	1.0	1.9
Fuel and utilities <u>3/</u> -----	107.4	107.9	106.8	-.5	-.1	.6
Fuel oil and coal <u>4/</u> -----	106.7	106.5	106.6	.2	2.9	.1
Gas and electricity-----	<u>12/</u> 107.8	108.0	106.2	-.2	-.3	1.5
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.8	102.8	102.7	0	-.1	.1
Apparel and upkeep <u>5/</u> -----	105.8	105.6	105.1	.2	-.6	.7
Men's and boys'-----	106.2	106.2	105.0	0	-.7	1.1
Women's and girls'-----	101.9	101.4	101.8	.5	- 1.3	.1
Footwear-----	111.6	111.5	110.7	.1	0	.8
Transportation-----	110.6	111.1	108.6	-.5	.5	1.8
Private-----	109.1	109.7	107.2	-.5	.5	1.8
Public-----	121.2	120.6	118.4	.5	1.4	2.4
Health and recreation-----	114.7	114.5	112.9	.2	.4	1.6
Medical care-----	121.0	120.6	118.5	.3	.7	2.1
Personal care-----	110.1	110.0	108.4	.1	.4	1.6
Reading and recreation-----	115.2	115.0	113.3	.2	.3	1.7
Other goods and services <u>6/</u> -----	109.4	109.3	108.4	.1	.3	.9
<b>Special groups:</b>						
All items less shelter-----	108.6	108.6	107.5	0	.1	1.0
All items less food-----	109.8	109.8	108.4	0	.3	1.3
Commodities <u>7/</u> -----	105.5	105.6	104.8	-.1	-.1	.7
Nondurables-----	106.3	106.3	105.6	0	-.1	.7
Durables <u>7/ 8/</u> -----	103.3	103.6	102.9	-.3	-.2	.4
Services <u>9/</u> -----	116.9	116.6	114.3	.3	.8	2.3
Commodities less food <u>7/</u> -----	104.7	104.9	104.1	-.2	-.1	.6
Nondurables less food-----	106.1	106.1	105.3	0	0	.8
Apparel commodities-----	104.9	104.7	104.2	.2	-.8	.7
Apparel less footwear-----	103.5	103.3	102.9	.2	- 1.0	.6
Nondurables less food and apparel-----	106.8	106.9	106.0	-.1	.5	.8
New cars-----	101.0	101.5	102.2	-.5	- 1.5	- 1.2
Used cars-----	121.7	123.7	119.0	- 1.6	- 1.0	2.3
Household durables <u>10/</u> -----	97.8	97.8	98.6	0	-.2	-.8
Housefurnishings-----	98.1	98.0	98.4	.1	-.2	-.3
Services less rent <u>9/</u> -----	118.9	118.6	116.0	.3	.8	2.5
Household services less rent-----	116.2	116.0	113.9	.2	.6	2.0
Transportation services-----	118.2	117.7	114.2	.4	1.7	3.5
Medical care services-----	125.5	125.0	122.1	.4	.9	2.8
Other services <u>11/</u> -----	120.4	120.1	117.4	.2	.7	2.6
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1957-59 = \$1.00)-----	\$0.918	\$0.918	\$0.929	0	-.2	- 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.

12/ Corrected index for August 1963, 106.4.

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	November 1964	February 1964
		February 1965				
U.S. City Average-----	M	108.9	133.6		0.2	1.2
Chicago-----	M	106.6	134.4		0	.9
Detroit-----	M	104.6	129.0		0	1.5
Los Angeles-Long Beach----	M	112.0	139.7		.6	2.8
New York-----	M	111.1	133.9		.1	.9
Philadelphia-----	M	109.9	135.0		.4	1.1
		January 1965				
					October 1964	January 1964
Boston-----	1	112.3	139.1		0.6	2.0
Pittsburgh-----	1	109.0	134.3		.1	1.2
		February 1965				
					November 1964	February 1964
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)----	2	-----	-----	102.4	0.3	2.3
Cleveland-----	2	106.0	131.7		.1	.8
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)----	2	-----	-----	100.0	- .7	.3
Seattle-----	2	109.8	138.0		- .3	.4
Washington-----	2	108.8	131.0		- .1	1.4
		December 1964				
					September 1964	December 1963
Atlanta-----	3	107.4	133.0		0.2	1.5
Baltimore-----	3	108.6	134.8		.6	1.0
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)---	3	-----	-----	101.2	.7	1.2
St. Louis-----	3	109.0	135.3		.3	1.6
San Francisco-Oakland-----	3	111.6	141.6		.5	1.5

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 January 1965 to February 1965

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items-----	0	0.2	- 0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2
Food-----	0	.8	- .4	- .4	0	.2
Housing-----	0.1	.1	- .1	1.2	0	- .2
Apparel and upkeep-----	.2	- .2	.8	.7	1.5	.2
Transportation-----	- .5	- .4	- 2.0	0	- .6	.9
Health and recreation-----	.2	.2	.3	.1	.3	.2
Medical care-----	.3	.2	.2	.3	.6	.2
Personal care-----	.1	.2	- .2	- .2	- .2	- .1
Reading and recreation-----	.2	0	.2	0	.3	.3
Other goods and services-----	.1	.4	.4	.2	.1	( <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 <sup>1/</sup>  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
February 1965 Indexes and Percent Changes from November 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	Washington
All items-----	108.9	102.4	106.6	106.0	100.0	104.6	112.0	111.1	109.9	109.8	108.8
Food-----	106.6	101.8	106.6	102.2	101.4	101.5	109.1	108.0	105.1	108.6	106.1
Food at home-----	104.8	101.6	105.8	100.4	101.3	99.9	105.9	104.7	103.0	106.0	103.5
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	96.9	109.4	106.1	103.7	103.8	121.6	111.2	108.6	110.5	109.3
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	99.8	102.5	97.5	101.2	96.6	94.6	100.3	96.2	100.5	96.3
Dairy products-----	105.2	99.8	111.4	97.6	99.8	103.1	108.8	101.7	108.1	112.4	106.9
Fruits and vegetables-----	113.3	107.7	109.4	109.5	102.7	103.8	121.3	113.8	109.5	113.9	108.5
Other foods at home-----	100.9	104.0	101.6	96.3	100.1	96.4	96.2	101.1	99.5	100.2	103.1
Food away from home-----	116.3	102.7	110.6	112.7	102.1	110.9	121.4	122.8	117.1	119.9	117.3
Housing-----	108.2	102.2	105.3	102.8	99.5	99.1	113.2	113.0	110.2	110.6	107.6
Shelter-----	110.2	101.8	105.8	101.0	100.0	97.2	117.6	116.2	113.1	114.1	108.8
Rent-----	108.5	100.8	-----	100.9	100.1	95.2	-----	116.6	-----	108.3	113.2
Homeownership-----	110.9	102.0	105.9	100.9	100.0	97.8	120.2	115.1	114.3	115.4	105.4
Fuel and utilities-----	107.4	104.7	104.9	115.7	99.0	102.2	106.5	106.5	106.0	109.8	101.5
Fuel oil and coal-----	106.7	100.5	105.3	-----	-----	100.6	-----	110.9	109.7	103.4	104.5
Gas and electricity-----	<sup>2/</sup> 107.8	106.9	<sup>3/</sup> 104.9	116.9	98.5	104.5	112.1	107.4	102.0	97.5	98.3
Household furnishings and operation-----	102.8	101.6	104.5	100.1	98.5	99.6	103.1	107.7	103.4	103.2	106.3
Apparel and upkeep-----	105.8	103.0	101.3	104.3	98.8	107.2	107.6	108.8	109.9	108.2	107.1
Men's and boys'-----	106.2	103.6	100.8	107.5	98.6	103.5	110.0	109.5	106.3	112.6	104.0
Women's and girls'-----	101.9	103.2	96.1	98.2	98.3	109.5	104.6	103.4	105.4	106.9	104.5
Footwear-----	111.6	102.1	109.8	114.2	96.8	111.6	110.5	111.9	112.1	113.1	113.9
Transportation-----	110.6	102.3	108.5	111.3	95.7	106.3	118.5	107.2	117.1	108.9	110.4
Private-----	109.1	102.1	108.8	109.2	95.2	104.5	114.5	109.3	112.9	106.7	109.4
Public-----	121.2	104.6	107.6	122.3	102.8	114.6	138.9	101.4	136.7	125.6	116.9
Health and recreation-----	114.7	103.2	110.5	114.7	103.0	115.7	111.1	117.5	114.8	110.6	115.7
Medical care-----	121.0	103.4	129.2	132.0	102.7	126.1	119.3	122.3	124.3	114.6	130.4
Personal care-----	110.1	101.9	111.0	105.3	102.4	109.4	108.3	108.6	108.3	107.9	109.7
Reading and recreation-----	115.2	105.7	99.8	109.2	105.2	112.6	104.7	123.3	112.4	106.9	115.7
Other goods and services-----	109.4	100.6	101.9	109.2	100.6	109.5	108.0	111.6	(4/)	111.5	104.4
Percent changes November 1964 to February 1965											
All items-----	0.2	0.3	0	0.1	- 0.7	0	0.6	0.1	0.4	- 0.3	- 0.1
Food-----	-. 2	. 1	- 0.3	0	. 1	- 0.7	. 3	-. 9	-. 4	-. 1	-. 2
Food at home-----	-. 3	0	-. 5	0	. 1	-. 9	-. 1	- 1.2	-. 5	-. 3	-. 3
Cereals and bakery products-----	0	-. 7	-. 7	-. 4	. 1	-. 8	1.2	-. 2	. 9	- 1.3	-. 8
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	0	. 8	. 3	-. 5	. 4	-. 1	- 1.1	-. 3	. 2	- 1.6	-. 6
Dairy products-----	-. 1	-. 1	-. 1	1.2	. 2	-. 2	. 6	- 1.3	-. 6	-. 1	. 2
Fruits and vegetables-----	. 3	. 3	-. 1	2.4	0	- 1.3	1.0	- 3.2	-. 4	3.2	1.9
Other foods at home-----	- 1.4	-. 9	- 2.6	- 1.8	-. 3	- 2.4	-. 9	- 2.0	- 2.6	-. 7	- 1.2
Food away from home-----	. 3	. 2	. 3	. 5	. 4	. 2	1.5	0	. 4	. 3	. 2
Housing-----	. 5	-. 3	. 2	-. 3	. 2	-. 3	1.8	. 9	. 9	-. 5	. 1
Shelter-----	. 8	. 6	. 5	- 1.5	. 4	. 1	2.8	1.2	1.4	-. 6	. 9
Rent-----	. 2	. 4	-----	-. 1	-. 2	<sup>5/</sup> -. 1	-----	<sup>5/</sup> -. 1	-----	-. 1	. 4
Homeownership-----	1.0	. 6	. 7	- 1.8	. 7	. 1	3.6	2.0	1.8	-. 7	1.3
Fuel and utilities-----	-. 1	- 2.4	-. 5	5.6	-. 5	-. 6	-. 7	. 6	1.0	- 1.0	- 4.1
Fuel oil and coal-----	2.9	2.3	. 2	-----	-----	0	-----	4.6	7.4	- 2.1	4.5
Gas and electricity-----	-. 3	- 3.5	-. 4	8.8	-. 4	-. 5	-. 4	. 4	0	0	- 8.0
Household furnishings and operation-----	-. 1	-. 8	-. 1	. 3	. 1	- 1.2	-. 4	. 2	0	. 1	. 1
Apparel and upkeep-----	-. 6	. 6	- 1.0	-. 2	-. 9	. 1	. 7	-. 5	- 1.3	-. 2	-. 9
Men's and boys'-----	-. 7	. 3	- 2.9	. 5	-. 8	-. 8	-. 3	. 4	-. 6	-. 6	- 1.6
Women's and girls'-----	- 1.3	. 8	-. 4	-. 4	- 1.9	. 2	. 9	- 2.0	- 2.7	. 6	- 1.7
Footwear-----	0	. 4	. 2	0	- 1.0	. 6	. 2	-. 2	- 1.0	-. 3	-. 1
Transportation-----	. 5	1.8	. 5	. 4	- 5.6	. 2	-. 4	. 2	1.8	- 1.2	-. 1
Private-----	. 5	1.8	. 6	. 4	- 6.0	. 2	-. 4	. 1	. 6	- 1.5	-. 1
Public-----	1.4	2.0	. 2	. 2	. 4	. 1	0	. 8	9.4	. 6	. 2
Health and recreation-----	. 4	. 4	0	. 6	. 7	1.0	0	. 7	. 2	-. 2	. 3
Medical care-----	. 7	-. 1	. 3	1.7	1.2	. 7	. 1	1.7	. 2	. 6	. 9
Personal care-----	. 4	- 1.0	. 2	. 5	. 9	. 8	0	. 5	. 3	-. 5	. 1
Reading and recreation-----	. 3	2.0	-. 4	. 3	. 3	2.1	-. 1	. 2	. 2	-. 6	0
Other goods and services-----	. 3	-. 3	. 2	-. 1	. 1	. 5	. 1	(4/)	(4/)	-. 4	. 1

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

<sup>2/</sup> Corrected index August 1963 = 106.4.

<sup>3/</sup> Corrected index January 1965 = 105.2.

<sup>4/</sup> Not available.

<sup>5/</sup> Change from December 1964.

NEW SERIES  
Beginning January 1964

TABLE A-5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Including Single Workers), Food and its Subgroups  
February 1965 Indexes and Percent Changes from January 1965

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-----	106.6	104.8	110.7	99.5	105.2	113.3	100.9	116.3
Atlanta-----	105.4	104.7	104.5	99.4	104.8	115.4	104.6	108.1
Baltimore-----	106.2	103.0	114.6	97.5	103.0	109.1	99.7	119.3
Boston-----	111.3	108.5	113.1	106.6	103.5	118.1	104.1	123.1
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)----	101.8	101.6	96.9	99.8	99.8	107.7	104.0	102.7
Chicago-----	106.6	105.8	109.4	102.5	111.4	109.4	101.6	110.6
Cleveland-----	102.2	100.4	106.1	97.5	97.6	109.5	96.3	112.7
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)----	101.4	101.3	103.7	101.2	99.8	102.7	100.1	102.1
Detroit-----	101.5	99.9	103.8	96.6	103.1	103.8	96.4	110.9
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)---	102.7	103.0	100.8	102.5	100.2	108.4	102.4	101.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach-----	109.1	105.9	121.6	94.6	108.8	121.3	96.2	121.4
New York-----	108.0	104.7	111.2	100.3	101.7	113.8	101.1	122.8
Philadelphia-----	105.1	103.0	108.6	96.2	108.1	109.5	99.5	117.1
Pittsburgh-----	105.1	104.3	111.6	103.4	98.8	109.3	101.6	109.6
St. Louis-----	109.3	106.5	109.1	102.1	111.5	114.3	102.0	119.7
San Francisco-Oakland-----	108.0	104.8	109.4	100.5	107.3	115.6	96.8	122.2
Seattle-----	108.6	106.0	110.5	100.5	112.4	113.9	100.2	119.9
Washington-----	106.1	103.5	109.3	96.3	106.9	108.5	103.1	117.3
Percent changes, January 1965 to February 1965								
U.S. City Average-----	0	0	- 0.4	0.3	- 0.4	0.8	- 0.7	0.2
Atlanta-----	- 0.1	- 0.2	- .2	.6	- .3	.9	- 1.6	.1
Baltimore-----	0	- .1	- .6	.2	.1	1.6	- 1.2	.3
Boston-----	.4	.4	- .1	.7	- .1	1.5	- .3	.1
Buffalo (Nov. 1963=100)----	.4	.4	- .6	.7	- .3	1.9	.1	.1
Chicago-----	.8	1.0	- .1	2.1	- .2	2.8	- .7	.1
Cleveland-----	- .2	- .2	.1	- .1	- 2.0	2.2	- 1.2	.1
Dallas (Nov. 1963=100)----	.1	.2	- .1	.5	0	.1	.3	.1
Detroit-----	- .4	- .5	- .7	- .9	- .5	1.6	- 1.4	.3
Honolulu (Dec. 1963=100)---	.7	.9	- .3	2.0	- .1	1.7	- .1	0
Los Angeles-Long Beach-----	- .4	- .7	- .4	- .7	- .1	- .6	- 1.0	.6
New York-----	0	0	- .7	.2	- 1.2	1.8	- .6	0
Philadelphia-----	.2	.3	.2	.9	- .6	.6	- .5	.3
Pittsburgh-----	.5	.5	1.0	.8	0	1.9	- .9	- .1
St. Louis-----	.6	.7	.3	1.3	.5	.9	0	.3
San Francisco-Oakland-----	- .2	- .3	0	.6	0	.4	- 2.5	0
Seattle-----	- .6	- .8	- .8	- 1.4	- .2	.4	- 1.9	.3
Washington-----	- .1	- .1	- .3	- .7	0	1.7	- .4	0

1/ See footnote 1, Table A-2.

TABLE A-6: Consumer Price Index--Food, Groups, and Items  
February 1965 Indexes and Percent Changes January 1965 to February 1965  
U.S. City Average  
(1957=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index	Percent Change	Item or Group	Index	Percent Change
Total food-----	106.6	0	Fruits and vegetables-----	113.3	0.8
Food away from home-----	116.3	0.2	Fresh fruits and vegetables-----	118.2	2.2
Restaurant meals-----	116.3	.2	Apples-----	111.5	7.1
Snacks 1/-----	101.5	0	Bananas-----	96.5	9.5
Food at home-----	104.8	0	Oranges-----	114.5	- 3.7
Cereals and bakery products-----	110.7	- .4	Orange juice, fresh 1/-----	94.9	- 2.1
Flour-----	109.2	- .6	Grapefruit-----	120.8	- 5.0
Cracker meal 1/-----	106.9	- .2	Grapes *-----	*	*
Corn flakes-----	119.5	.3	Strawberries *-----	*	*
Rice-----	106.3	- .2	Watermelon *-----	*	*
Bread, white-----	114.7	- .4	Potatoes-----	171.4	6.3
Bread, whole wheat 1/-----	102.7	- .3	Onions-----	107.9	- .9
Cookies-----	99.4	- .4	Asparagus * 1/-----	*	*
Layer cake 1/-----	97.0	- .9	Cabbage-----	129.0	- 3.5
Cinnamon rolls 1/-----	99.9	- .2	Carrots-----	98.6	- 5.2
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.5	.3	Celery-----	102.6	- 1.3
Meats-----	100.0	- .1	Cucumbers 1/-----	137.4	14.3
Beef and veal-----	102.4	- .7	Lettuce-----	106.2	- 2.1
Steak, round-----	101.5	- .5	Peppers, green 1/-----	123.1	2.8
Steak, sirloin 2/-----	97.0	- .5	Spinach 1/-----	96.7	- 2.4
Steak, porterhouse 1/-----	101.1	- .8	Tomatoes-----	102.9	- 5.1
Rump roast 1/-----	98.2	- .6	Processed fruits and vegetables-----	107.5	- 1.0
Rib roast-----	106.6	- 2.0	Fruit cocktail, canned-----	97.0	- 1.6
Chuck roast-----	98.1	- .2	Pears, canned 1/-----	96.6	- 2.0
Hamburger-----	101.4	- .9	Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/-----	99.4	- 1.0
Beef liver 1/-----	95.5	- 1.4	Orange juice concentrate, frozen-----	116.7	- 9.0
Veal cutlets-----	117.5	.8	Lemonade concentrate frozen 2/-----	96.5	.5
Pork-----	97.0	.8	Beets, canned 1/-----	97.2	.5
Chops-----	102.3	.4	Peas, green, canned-----	111.0	.9
Loin roast 2/-----	105.3	0	Tomatoes, canned-----	102.8	.2
Pork sausage 1/-----	100.5	.2	Dried beans-----	107.2	.6
Ham, whole-----	95.1	.2	Broccoli, frozen 1/-----	94.5	- .4
Picnics 1/-----	95.3	- .1	Other food at home-----	100.9	- .7
Bacon-----	96.9	3.1	Eggs-----	86.1	- 6.0
Other meats-----	102.6	- .1	Fats and oils:		
Lamb chops 1/-----	106.4	.7	Margarine-----	101.6	.9
Frankfurters-----	101.7	- .5	Salad dressing, Italian 1/-----	98.9	.2
Ham, canned 1/-----	98.7	- .9	Salad or cooking oil 1/-----	105.5	2.7
Bologna sausage 1/-----	100.9	.4	Sugar and sweets-----	113.3	- .2
Salami sausage 1/-----	100.2	.3	Sugar-----	108.0	.7
Liverwurst 1/-----	102.8	- .4	Grape jelly-----	114.1	- .9
Poultry-----	89.2	2.9	Chocolate bar-----	105.8	.3
Frying chicken-----	89.7	3.5	Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/-----	99.2	- .4
Chicken breasts 1/-----	98.9	1.6	Nonalcoholic beverages-----	103.0	- .3
Turkey 1/-----	98.8	1.2	Coffee, can and bag-----	96.0	- .2
Fish-----	110.1	.7	Coffee, instant 2/-----	114.1	- .6
Shrimp, frozen 1/-----	94.4	2.3	Tea-----	101.0	- 1.1
Fish, fresh or frozen-----	115.5	.3	Cola drink-----	125.4	- .1
Tuna fish, canned-----	102.5	- .5	Carbonated fruit drink 1/-----	102.5	.2
Sardines, canned 1/-----	103.4	1.3	Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/	99.9	.4
Dairy products-----	105.2	- .4	Bean soup, canned 1/-----	98.2	- .8
Milk, fresh, grocery-----	103.0	- .9	Chicken soup, canned 1/-----	99.5	.2
Milk, fresh, delivered-----	107.0	0	Spaghetti, canned 1/-----	100.6	- .5
Milk, fresh, skim 1/-----	100.5	- .1	Mashed potatoes, instant 1/-----	100.7	2.7
Milk, evaporated-----	105.2	.1	Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/-----	92.2	2.2
Ice cream-----	94.9	- .8	Baby foods, canned-----	107.8	- .3
Cheese, American process-----	116.0	.2	Sweet pickle relish 1/-----	101.4	.8
Butter-----	103.0	- .7	Pretzels 1/-----	99.1	- 1.3

1/ December 1963 = 100.

2/ April 1960 = 100.

3/ July 1961 = 100.

\* Priced only in season.

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(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	Transportation	Health and recreation					
						Total	Medical care	Personal care	Reading and recreation	Other goods and services	
1965:	Feb.	108.9	106.6	108.2	105.8	110.6	114.7	121.0	110.1	115.2	109.4
	Jan.	108.9	106.6	108.1	105.6	111.1	114.5	120.6	110.0	115.0	109.3
1964:	Dec.	108.8	106.9	107.8	106.6	110.5	114.3	120.3	110.0	114.9	109.2
	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
Annual Average:	1964	108.1	106.4	107.2	105.7	109.3	113.6	119.4	109.2	114.1	108.8
	1963	106.7	105.1	106.0	104.8	107.8	111.4	117.0	107.9	111.5	107.1
	1962	105.4	103.6	104.8	103.6	107.2	109.4	114.2	106.5	109.6	105.3
	1961	104.2	102.6	103.9	103.0	105.0	107.3	111.3	104.6	107.2	104.6
	1960	103.1	101.4	103.1	102.2	103.8	105.4	108.1	104.1	104.9	103.8
	1955	93.3	94.0	94.1	95.9	89.7	91.4	88.6	90.0	92.1	94.3

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(Including Single Workers)

TABLE A-8: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas <sup>1/</sup>  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
1964 Annual Average Indexes and Percent Changes, 1963 to 1964  
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Group	Buffalo Nov. 1963=100	Cleveland	Dallas Nov. 1963=100	Seattle	Washington
All items-----	101.1	105.2	100.1	109.7	108.1
All items (1947-49=100)-----	(2/)	130.7	(2/)	137.9	130.2
Food-----	101.5	102.1	100.5	108.7	106.0
Food at home-----	101.6	100.6	100.3	106.3	103.8
Cereals and bakery products-----	97.1	106.7	100.8	110.9	109.3
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.9	97.7	99.0	102.0	95.7
Dairy products-----	99.7	95.2	99.0	110.7	105.4
Fruits and vegetables-----	109.5	110.0	104.0	113.2	111.3
Other foods at home-----	104.1	97.7	100.0	100.9	104.1
Food away from home-----	101.2	110.8	101.0	119.6	116.1
Housing-----	101.3	102.1	99.6	110.7	106.6
Shelter-----	100.8	101.0	100.0	114.2	106.7
Rent-----	100.2	101.1	100.1	108.9	111.7
Homeownership-----	100.9	100.9	99.9	115.3	102.8
Fuel and utilities-----	104.1	110.1	99.5	111.1	105.7
Fuel oil and coal-----	96.5	-----	-----	104.4	101.1
Gas and electricity-----	106.4	108.3	98.9	99.6	106.7
Household furnishings and operation-----	100.8	99.9	98.7	102.6	105.3
Apparel and upkeep-----	101.0	104.3	99.5	108.0	107.8
Men's and boys'-----	101.7	106.2	99.3	111.8	105.4
Women's and girls'-----	101.0	98.9	99.6	106.4	106.0
Footwear-----	100.0	114.2	98.2	113.6	113.2
Transportation-----	99.8	109.9	99.3	109.6	109.2
Private-----	99.7	107.7	99.1	108.3	108.2
Public-----	101.9	122.1	101.3	120.3	115.2
Health and recreation-----	101.4	113.1	101.7	110.0	114.4
Medical care-----	101.5	128.7	101.5	112.6	128.4
Personal care-----	101.2	103.9	100.7	107.0	108.5
Reading and recreation-----	102.0	108.1	103.3	107.2	114.3
Other goods and services-----	100.5	108.5	100.4	111.3	104.0
Percent Changes, 1963 to 1964					
All items-----	(2/)	0.5	(2/)	1.4	1.6
Food-----		.3		1.3	1.7
Food at home-----		.1		1.4	1.5
Cereals and bakery products-----		.1		2.7	.5
Meats, poultry, and fish-----		- 2.1		- 1.3	- 2.1
Dairy products-----		- 3.4		2.7	2.9
Fruits and vegetables-----		2.5		1.4	3.2
Other foods at home-----		3.9		3.5	4.5
Food away from home-----		1.7		1.1	3.3
Housing-----		0		2.0	1.5
Shelter-----		- .3		2.8	1.7
Rent-----		- .2		- 1.2	1.8
Homeownership-----		- .4		3.7	1.6
Fuel and utilities-----		.9		2.2	.9
Fuel oil and coal-----		-----		.3	- 3.7
Gas and electricity-----		.8		- .5	1.9
Household furnishings and operation-----		.6		- .1	1.5
Apparel and upkeep-----		.3		1.1	.7
Men's and boys'-----		2.6		2.9	.9
Women's and girls'-----		- 1.9		1.7	1.3
Footwear-----		.2		- .4	.3
Transportation-----		1.8		.5	2.4
Private-----		1.4		.4	2.5
Public-----		3.2		1.3	2.1
Health and recreation-----		1.2		.8	1.8
Medical care-----		3.0		1.8	2.7
Personal care-----		- .6		.4	1.8
Reading and recreation-----		.4		- .1	1.5
Other goods and services-----		1.1		1.0	.9

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

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

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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 <u>2/</u>	Indexes		Percent change from--	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100		
		January 1965		October 1964	January 1964
Kansas City-----	1	111.4	137.8	0.6	2.7
Minneapolis-----	1	108.7	134.5	.1	1.1
Portland-----	1	109.8	136.0	.3	2.0
		February 1965		November 1964	February 1964
Houston-----	2	107.4	132.3	0.1	0.2
Milwaukee-----	2	107.0	134.9	.2	1.7
Scranton-----	2	110.0	131.2	.1	1.1
		December 1964		September 1964	December 1963
Cincinnati-----	3	106.9	130.1	-0.1	1.7

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 through 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 <sup>1/</sup>  
 Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates  
 (1957-59=100)

Group	Kansas City	Minn- neapolis	Portland, Oregon	Houston	Milwaukee	Scranton	Cincin- nati
	Indexes (1957-59=100)						
	January 1965			February 1965			December 1964
All items-----	111.4	108.7	109.8	107.4	107.0	110.0	106.9
Food-----	108.8	105.7	107.9	106.9	105.5	106.4	104.9
Food at home-----	108.2	104.1	106.8	104.2	104.4	104.6	103.3
Cereals and bakery products---	113.3	106.7	108.7	111.1	100.4	111.2	109.4
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	99.7	98.1	101.3	96.4	102.5	100.9	100.0
Dairy products-----	112.3	106.9	110.5	103.1	106.7	102.0	100.7
Fruits and vegetables-----	117.5	112.7	118.1	114.7	111.3	113.6	113.8
Other foods at home-----	106.1	101.4	101.2	102.3	101.9	100.2	98.5
Housing-----	107.9	107.0	110.7	105.6	104.6	107.9	103.8
Rent-----	104.5	108.2	108.0	99.5	102.3	109.3	102.9
Gas and electricity-----	115.8	101.9	102.5	132.8	103.4	104.8	110.1
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	112.3	104.9	104.2	-----	115.9	105.7	107.7
Housefurnishings-----	98.4	98.1	96.5	98.4	103.3	95.3	98.2
Household operation-----	117.8	106.8	110.6	115.3	112.8	112.7	112.4
Apparel-----	105.3	103.8	105.5	104.1	105.1	104.8	104.0
Men's and boys'-----	109.6	109.5	111.4	104.7	108.6	108.2	107.8
Women's and girls'-----	99.9	97.5	99.4	103.5	100.6	101.8	98.2
Footwear-----	115.1	112.1	112.0	106.8	109.7	108.9	113.6
Other apparel-----	99.0	97.9	100.0	102.3	103.3	100.6	99.5
Transportation-----	112.5	110.2	109.0	106.2	110.5	108.7	110.4
Private-----	110.1	108.5	106.2	103.4	110.5	106.1	109.3
Public-----	125.4	121.9	126.8	124.3	111.2	125.3	117.8
Medical care-----	124.7	131.9	117.6	114.7	114.0	123.6	124.2
Personal care-----	114.8	106.9	111.5	115.4	114.1	119.6	106.8
Reading and recreation-----	127.5	115.7	118.5	118.0	113.2	136.6	117.3
Other goods and services-----	115.9	106.8	105.1	108.5	107.2	112.8	105.8
	Percent Changes						
	October 1964 to January 1965			November 1964 to February 1965			September to December 1964
All items-----	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	- 0.1
Food-----	.6	.5	.4	.8	.6	.8	- 1.2
Food at home-----	.4	.9	.4	.8	.8	.8	- 1.5
Cereals and bakery products---	0	2.1	.2	.5	3.1	-.2	.6
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	-.9	- 1.0	- 1.2	.7	.8	1.7	- 3.0
Dairy products-----	1.8	.2	.5	-.4	.9	.2	-.1
Fruits and vegetables-----	2.3	5.4	2.4	2.1	2.6	2.4	-.5
Other foods at home-----	-.4	-.9	.4	.4	- 1.8	-.8	- 2.7
Housing-----	-.1	-.1	.1	.2	-.9	0	0
Rent-----	0	-.3	.7	-.6	.5	.1	.4
Gas and electricity-----	-.1	.3	0	-.2	0	-.7	-.1
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	0	.4	1.8	---	.1	1.5	4.3
Housefurnishings-----	-.8	-.8	- 1.9	-.5	.2	.4	-.7
Household operation-----	-.1	- 2.5	-.6	0	-.4	-.4	.1
Apparel-----	- 2.3	- 1.3	- 2.0	- 1.5	0	-.9	- 1.4
Men's and boys'-----	- 1.3	-.5	-.4	- 3.0	.2	-.6	-.8
Women's and girls'-----	- 4.3	- 3.2	- 4.4	-.2	-.4	- 1.4	- 2.8
Footwear-----	.3	1.2	-.4	- 2.6	.2	0	.1
Other apparel-----	- 1.5	-.4	- 1.3	-.5	0	-.4	-.9
Transportation-----	4.3	0	2.8	- 2.4	1.2	- 1.4	-.2
Private-----	5.2	-.1	3.3	- 2.8	1.4	- 1.7	-.3
Public-----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical care-----	.2	.1	.3	1.1	2.5	4.9	5.3
Personal care-----	.4	.4	-.2	1.3	1.3	-.2	0
Reading and recreation-----	2.7	2.1	.5	3.2	.6	- 2.5	.4
Other goods and services-----	.1	0	.2	.6	.4	0	-.1

<sup>1/</sup> See footnote 1, table C-1.

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TABLE C-3: Consumer Price Index--All Items and Commodity Groups for Selected Cities 1/  
1964 Annual Average Indexes and Percent Changes, 1963 to 1964  
(1957-59=100)

Group	Kansas City	Minn-eapolis	Portland, Oregon	Houston	Milwaukee	Scranton	Cincinnati
Indexes (1957-59=100)							
All items (1957-59=100)-----	109.8	108.0	108.9	107.2	106.0	109.3	106.3
All items (1947-49=100)-----	135.8	133.6	134.9	132.1	133.7	130.4	129.4
Food-----	107.2	104.6	107.1	105.7	105.0	105.6	104.5
Food at home-----	106.6	102.9	106.0	103.1	103.8	103.8	103.0
Cereals and bakery products---	110.8	103.6	108.4	108.0	98.0	108.0	108.0
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	98.2	97.7	100.2	95.6	100.5	99.2	99.1
Dairy products-----	109.0	106.0	108.3	102.5	107.3	101.1	100.3
Fruits and vegetables-----	116.9	110.7	118.7	113.8	112.1	114.4	114.7
Other foods at home-----	104.8	100.9	100.2	101.6	102.4	101.2	98.4
Housing-----	107.5	106.4	109.4	105.6	104.0	107.1	103.6
Rent-----	104.4	108.0	106.8	100.1	101.8	108.4	102.7
Gas and electricity-----	114.7	101.9	102.5	133.0	104.0	105.5	110.4
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	113.1	102.5	102.7	-----	113.2	101.0	104.6
Housefurnishings-----	98.7	98.3	97.8	99.3	103.4	95.5	98.8
Household operation-----	116.3	108.6	111.1	114.8	112.4	112.4	111.7
Apparel-----	105.3	103.0	105.7	106.1	104.3	105.0	104.4
Men's and boys'-----	110.4	108.5	110.4	107.6	108.0	108.0	107.5
Women's and girls'-----	99.6	97.7	100.2	104.4	99.9	102.6	99.4
Footwear-----	114.6	108.6	113.3	110.9	107.8	108.3	113.3
Other apparel-----	99.0	97.4	100.1	102.3	102.8	100.5	99.7
Transportation-----	108.6	109.2	107.7	108.1	107.2	109.8	110.3
Private-----	105.5	107.5	104.7	105.9	106.7	107.5	109.1
Public-----	125.4	121.9	126.8	122.0	111.2	124.9	117.8
Medical care-----	121.0	131.7	116.6	113.1	110.8	118.0	118.7
Personal care-----	114.6	107.2	110.5	113.8	112.1	116.1	106.6
Reading and recreation-----	121.5	113.3	116.6	114.8	113.6	136.9	114.2
Other goods and services-----	115.6	106.7	105.1	108.0	106.9	112.7	105.6
Percent Changes 1963 to 1964							
All items-----	2.4	0.9	2.2	1.5	1.0	1.9	1.5
Food-----	2.8	2.0	1.8	1.8	.1	1.4	1.6
Food at home-----	3.1	2.2	2.3	2.1	-.2	1.1	1.6
Cereals and bakery products---	1.8	3.7	1.3	3.0	- 8.5	-.3	2.3
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	-.2	- 1.1	- 2.0	- 2.3	-.8	-.3	-.6
Dairy products-----	4.3	2.5	2.0	2.4	.8	.4	- 1.3
Fruits and vegetables-----	5.4	3.9	5.9	4.3	1.4	3.6	4.3
Other foods at home-----	4.9	3.8	5.3	4.7	4.6	2.4	3.8
Housing-----	1.2	.9	2.5	1.0	1.7	1.6	.9
Rent-----	.5	.9	1.4	.3	.2	1.4	.1
Gas and electricity-----	5.3	- 2.4	0	.4	0	.2	-.3
Solid and petroleum fuels-----	-.5	1.4	- 1.2	-----	.8	4.2	.4
Housefurnishings-----	1.0	1.2	1.6	1.0	.5	.7	.3
Household operation-----	2.6	2.8	1.1	3.6	3.8	.8	1.7
Apparel-----	2.1	-.2	1.0	.4	.7	.3	1.4
Men's and boys'-----	3.1	2.8	3.5	1.8	1.7	1.0	2.3
Women's and girls'-----	1.7	- 2.0	- 1.0	-.7	-.6	-.3	.4
Footwear-----	1.4	-.7	1.0	.7	.7	.8	1.3
Other apparel-----	1.9	.5	.4	.1	2.3	.4	1.2
Transportation-----	.9	-.3	1.5	2.4	.5	2.5	1.5
Private-----	-.6	-.6	-.4	1.6	.5	.8	1.6
Public-----	8.1	1.8	12.9	6.0	0	13.3	.5
Medical care-----	5.3	1.6	4.1	2.6	1.8	2.1	2.9
Personal care-----	1.1	-.3	.5	2.2	1.4	1.0	1.9
Reading and recreation-----	6.0	.6	4.6	3.1	1.2	5.7	2.7
Other goods and services-----	3.0	1.0	.5	.4	1.2	2.3	.5

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 (addresses below).

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