

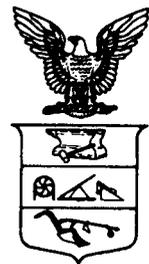
**THE CONSUMER
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**U.S. CITY AVERAGE
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The Consumer Price Index rose by 0.2 percent in November, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics announced today. At 110.6 percent of the 1957-59 average, the index was at a new record high, 1.7 percent above November 1964. Prices increased over the month for nearly all major categories of consumer goods and services.

Price Changes, October - November 1965

Housing costs continued to move upward, principally the result of a 0.4 percent rise in homeownership costs. Transportation costs advanced 0.3 percent over the month. There was a 1.0 percent increase in new car prices which resulted from the continuing shift to 1966 models, on which dealers offered smaller discounts than on their remaining stocks of 1965 models. Gasoline and motor oil prices and automobile insurance rates also increased, partially offset by a seasonal decline in used car prices.

Apparel prices averaged 0.3 percent higher in November. The continuing price rise in fall and winter clothing and footwear generally reflects recent factory increases due to higher material and labor costs.

Higher fees for professional medical services and hospital room rates, together with price increases for toilet goods, newspapers, magazines, and textbooks were chiefly responsible for the rise in health and recreation costs.

Food prices remained unchanged for the second consecutive month, as increases in fresh vegetable prices were offset by decreases for fresh fruits and meats. Supplies of green peppers, tomatoes, celery, and lettuce dropped seasonally. Potato prices rose following three consecutive monthly decreases, as yields were less than anticipated because of early freezing weather in Idaho and extreme summer drought in Maine. Prices of fresh fruits declined over the month, influenced chiefly by a drop in banana prices resulting from larger supplies. Prices of oranges and grapefruit also declined sharply over the month, as supplies from large fall crops became available. However, the close of harvesting in California was reflected in higher grape prices. Prices of meat declined 0.4 percent, on the average, in response to increased supplies. The downward movement of all beef and veal prices was attributed to larger supplies and slackening demand caused by the approach of the holiday season. The temporary decline in pork prices, particularly evident in prices of bacon, resulted from seasonally increased production. (Advances in wholesale prices of hogs and pork since October have not yet been reflected in the Consumer Price Index.)

Price Changes, November 1964 - November 1965

The November index was 1.7 percent higher than in the previous November. Services and food contributed most heavily to this rise. Prices of most services continued their persistent advance during the year, led by household services, automobile insurance rates and medical care services. Services as a whole averaged 2.6 percent above a year ago. Most of the increase in food prices was due to higher prices for meats, led by a 22.1 percent increase in pork prices, as a result of reduced supplies and strong demand. Pork production for the first 10 months of 1965 was about 9 percent less than for the same period in 1964. However, total red meat production was down 3 percent for the same period and retail prices of meats as a whole averaged 10.9 percent higher than a year earlier. The only offsetting influence in food prices was a 2.7

percent decline in prices of fruits and vegetables. Fresh fruit prices decreased 5.4 percent over the year, primarily a result of increased production of oranges, grapefruit, and grapes. Fresh vegetable prices declined nearly 4.0 percent over the year, influenced chiefly by a drop of 12.5 percent in potato prices. Increased supplies forced the price of onions, cabbage, carrots, cucumbers, and peppers downward also.

Although all major components of the index advanced in price over the year, significant declines were noted in new cars, household durables, and toilet goods, partly reflecting the cut in Federal excise taxes, and also in used cars.

COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS As a result of the National Consumer Price Index for November, over 200,000 workers will receive increases in their cost-of-living allowances, as follows:

38,000 workers, mostly in aerospace industries, will receive 1 cent an hour, and 80,000, also mostly aerospace workers, will receive 2 cents an hour, all based on the quarterly change in the index.

86,000 meatpacking workers will receive 3 cents an hour, based on the semi-annual index change.

In addition, 4,300 workers in Battle Creek, Michigan, will receive a 2-cent increase based on the quarterly change in the Detroit index and 3,000 transit workers will receive 2-1/2 cents based on the quarterly change in the index for Washington, D. C.

OTHER BASES The Consumer Price Index for November 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)	135.7	\$ 0.737
1939=100 (or \$1.00)	228.4	.438

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 1965
and percent changes from selected dates

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100)			Percent change to November 1965 from --		
	November 1965	October 1965	November 1964	October 1965	August 1965	November 1964
All items-----	110.6	110.4	108.7	0.2	0.5	1.7
Food-----	109.7	109.7	106.8	0	-.4	2.7
Food at home-----	107.8	107.8	105.1	0	-.7	2.6
Cereals and bakery products-----	111.4	111.3	110.7	.1	.3	.6
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	108.5	108.9	99.5	-.4	-1.2	9.0
Dairy products-----	105.8	105.5	105.3	.3	.8	.5
Fruits and vegetables-----	109.9	108.5	113.0	1.3	-4.1	-2.7
Other foods at home-----	102.9	103.5	102.3	-.6	1.0	.6
Food away from home-----	119.6	119.2	115.9	.3	1.2	3.2
Housing-----	109.2	109.0	107.7	.2	.9	1.4
Shelter ^{1/} -----	111.5	111.2	109.3	.3	.7	2.0
Rent-----	109.3	109.2	108.3	.1	.3	.9
Homeownership ^{2/} -----	112.5	112.1	109.8	.4	1.0	2.5
Fuel and utilities ^{3/} -----	107.9	107.7	107.5	.2	2.5	.4
Fuel oil and coal ^{4/} -----	107.2	106.9	103.7	.3	3.6	3.4
Gas and electricity-----	108.0	107.9	108.1	.1	.3	-.1
Household furnishings and operation-----	103.3	103.3	102.9	0	.4	.4
Apparel and upkeep ^{5/} -----	108.1	107.8	106.4	.3	1.6	1.6
Men's and boys'-----	109.2	108.7	107.0	.5	1.9	2.1
Women's and girls'-----	104.6	104.3	103.2	.3	1.9	1.4
Footwear-----	115.1	114.4	111.6	.6	2.1	3.1
Transportation-----	111.5	111.2	110.0	.3	.5	1.4
Private-----	110.1	109.7	108.6	.4	.5	1.4
Public-----	121.6	121.6	119.5	0	.1	1.8
Health and recreation-----	116.4	116.2	114.2	.2	.7	1.9
Medical care-----	123.4	123.0	120.2	.3	.5	2.7
Personal care-----	109.6	109.2	109.7	.4	.6	-.1
Reading and recreation-----	115.4	115.2	114.9	.2	1.0	.4
Other goods and services ^{6/} -----	113.3	113.3	109.1	0	.6	3.8
Special groups:						
All items less shelter-----	110.4	110.2	108.5	.2	.5	1.8
All items less food-----	111.2	110.9	109.5	.3	.9	1.6
Commodities ^{7/} -----	107.1	106.9	105.6	.2	.5	1.4
Nondurables-----	108.9	108.7	106.4	.2	.4	2.3
Durables ^{7/ 8/} -----	102.4	102.1	103.5	.3	.6	-1.1
Services ^{9/} -----	119.0	118.7	116.0	.3	.9	2.6
Commodities less food ^{7/} -----	105.6	105.3	104.8	.3	.9	.8
Nondurables less food-----	108.3	108.0	106.1	.3	1.1	2.1
Apparel commodities-----	107.2	106.9	105.7	.3	1.8	1.4
Apparel less footwear-----	105.7	105.4	104.5	.3	1.8	1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel-----	108.9	108.7	106.3	.2	.6	2.4
New cars-----	98.7	97.7	102.5	1.0	1.6	-3.7
Used cars-----	118.7	119.4	122.9	.6	-1.3	-3.4
Household durables ^{10/} -----	96.0	96.0	98.0	0	.2	-2.0
Housefurnishings-----	97.6	97.6	98.3	0	.3	-.7
Services less rent ^{9/} -----	121.3	121.0	117.9	.2	1.1	2.9
Household services less rent-----	118.1	117.9	115.5	.2	1.3	2.3
Transportation services-----	121.0	120.7	116.2	.2	1.2	4.1
Medical care services-----	128.5	128.1	124.4	.3	.6	3.3
Other services ^{11/} -----	123.0	122.8	119.6	.2	.7	2.8
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1957-59 = \$1.00)-----	\$0.904	\$0.906	\$0.920	-.2	-.6	-1.7

^{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.

^{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 ^{1/}	Pricing Schedule ^{2/}	Indexes			Percent change from--	
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases	August 1965	November 1964
November 1965						
U.S. City Average -----	M	110.6	135.7		0.5	1.7
Chicago -----	M	108.4	136.7		.6	1.7
Detroit -----	M	107.6	132.7		.7	2.9
Los Angeles-Long Beach ----	M	112.8	140.7		1.2	1.3
New York -----	M	113.2	136.4		.5	2.0
Philadelphia -----	M	111.4	136.8		.7	1.7
October 1965						
Boston -----	1	113.6	140.8		0.1	1.8
Houston ^{3/} -----	1	109.3	134.7		.7	^{4/} 1.9
Minneapolis-St. Paul ^{3/} ----	1	110.1	136.2		.4	1.4
Pittsburgh -----	1	110.7	136.4		.1	1.7
November 1965						
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) ----	2	-----	-----	104.6	0.6	2.4
Cleveland -----	2	107.8	133.9		.7	1.8
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) ----	2	-----	-----	102.7	1.0	2.0
Milwaukee ^{3/} -----	2	108.7	137.1		.2	1.8
San Diego (Feb.1965=100) ^{3/}	2	-----	-----	100.3	.7	-----
Seattle -----	2	111.8	140.5		.3	1.5
Washington -----	2	110.5	133.0		.8	1.5
September 1965						
Atlanta -----	3	108.2	134.0		0.3	0.9
Baltimore -----	3	110.0	136.5		0	1.9
Cincinnati ^{3/} -----	3	107.1	130.3		.4	.1
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100) ----	3	-----	-----	102.3	.6	2.1
Kansas City ^{3/} -----	3	114.3	141.4		.4	^{5/} 3.3
St. Louis -----	3	109.9	136.4		.3	1.1
San Francisco-Oakland -----	3	112.7	143.0		.3	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 except Milwaukee and San Diego; 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.

^{3/} Not included in U.S. average.

^{4/} Change from November 1964.

^{5/} Change from October 1964.

NEW SERIES
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TABLE A-3: Consumer Price Index--The United States and Selected Areas ^{1/}
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Major Groups
Percent changes from October 1965 to November 1965

Group	U.S. city Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
Food -----	0	.4	.3	- 1.6	.5	.2
Housing -----	.2	.1	.2	.4	.1	.5
Apparel and upkeep -----	.3	0	0	.4	.4	.3
Transportation -----	.3	.1	.6	2.0	0	.3
Health and recreation -----	.2	.1	.3	.1	.2	0
Medical care -----	.3	.2	.2	.1	.3	0
Personal care -----	.4	.2	.2	.1	.9	.1
Reading and recreation ----	.2	.2	.7	.5	.1	0
Other goods and services --	0	(^{2/})	(^{2/})	(^{2/})	(^{2/})	(^{2/})

^{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 1965 indexes and percent changes from August 1965

Group	U.S. City Average	Buffalo (Nov.1963= 100)	Chicago	Cleve- land	Dallas (Nov.1963= 100)	Detroit	Los Angeles- Long Beach
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	110.6	104.6	108.4	107.8	102.7	107.6	112.8
Food -----	109.7	104.8	110.4	106.7	105.5	106.5	110.4
Food at home -----	107.8	104.4	109.7	105.1	105.5	104.9	106.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	111.4	99.7	111.2	107.6	105.9	105.3	118.9
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	108.5	108.8	110.9	108.7	111.6	109.3	99.5
Dairy products -----	105.8	100.6	111.7	100.1	101.2	105.9	108.8
Fruits and vegetables -----	109.9	102.4	108.4	108.7	101.5	99.5	117.7
Other foods at home -----	102.9	105.5	105.0	98.9	102.8	99.5	96.5
Food away from home -----	119.6	106.7	114.1	115.6	105.4	115.8	124.2
Housing -----	109.2	103.1	105.7	103.7	100.0	101.4	114.1
Shelter -----	111.5	102.0	106.1	102.1	101.0	100.5	119.4
Rent -----	109.3	101.7	106.0	101.1	99.5	-----	110.6
Homeownership -----	112.5	102.0	106.3	102.2	101.7	101.5	122.3
Fuel and utilities -----	107.9	107.7	105.3	115.6	98.5	102.3	104.3
Fuel oil and coal -----	107.2	101.7	105.6	-----	-----	100.6	-----
Gas and electricity -----	108.0	110.8	105.4	116.9	97.7	104.4	111.5
Household furnishings and operation -----	103.3	103.1	105.1	100.8	98.7	100.6	103.2
Apparel and upkeep -----	108.1	106.2	104.7	105.8	100.0	108.8	108.0
Men's and boys' -----	109.2	107.1	104.6	111.4	101.7	106.1	111.3
Women's and girls' -----	104.6	106.5	100.7	98.1	98.7	110.2	104.6
Footwear -----	115.1	105.4	113.1	116.2	100.0	116.1	113.7
Transportation -----	111.5	104.4	109.4	111.9	102.2	110.5	119.7
Private -----	110.1	104.4	109.8	109.5	102.2	109.0	115.7
Public -----	121.6	104.9	107.7	125.9	103.1	114.4	139.0
Health and recreation -----	116.4	106.3	112.0	116.1	105.8	117.1	111.2
Medical care -----	123.4	105.2	131.1	132.9	104.4	128.6	120.8
Personal care -----	109.6	104.2	109.7	107.9	105.6	110.9	105.9
Reading and recreation -----	115.4	106.0	99.9	109.6	106.4	111.0	104.3
Other goods and services -----	113.3	109.3	(2/)	111.4	107.5	113.1	108.1
Percent changes from August 1965 to November 1965							
All items -----	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.7	1.2
Food -----	-.4	-.5	-.1	-.1	0	-.1	-1.2
Food at home -----	-.7	-.8	-.1	-.2	-.4	-.5	-1.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	.3	-.9	1.7	.1	3.5	-.1	-1.8
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	-1.2	-1.4	.2	-1.4	-.3	-.5	-4.6
Dairy products -----	.8	.3	.4	3.7	.1	2.5	.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	-4.1	-2.3	-5.6	-2.2	-6.3	-6.3	-.3
Other foods at home -----	1.0	.9	2.1	.5	1.7	2.2	.1
Food away from home -----	1.2	.9	1.0	1.3	1.2	1.6	.6
Housing -----	.9	1.1	.6	1.0	1.0	1.7	2.7
Shelter -----	.7	1.7	.3	1.2	1.0	2.4	1.0
Rent -----	.3	.5	3/ 0	0	.2	-----	3/ .1
Homeownership -----	1.0	2.0	.6	1.4	1.6	2.8	1.2
Fuel and utilities -----	2.5	.1	.2	0	.3	-.6	24.5
Fuel oil and coal -----	3.6	5.7	1.9	-----	-----	1.4	-----
Gas and electricity -----	.3	-1.0	0	0	.5	-1.0	.1
Household furnishings and operation -----	.4	.5	1.4	1.0	1.4	1.1	.3
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.6	1.3	2.2	1.1	1.7	.8	1.2
Men's and boys' -----	1.9	1.1	2.9	2.5	3.6	.6	1.8
Women's and girls' -----	1.9	1.7	2.8	0	1.2	.1	.6
Footwear -----	2.1	1.1	2.4	1.4	1.7	3.4	3.6
Transportation -----	.5	.3	.3	.6	.5	1.2	2.7
Private -----	.5	.4	.3	.7	.6	1.3	2.8
Public -----	.1	0	0	.2	.1	-.2	.1
Health and recreation -----	.7	.9	.6	.5	1.7	-.4	.1
Medical care -----	.5	1.2	.5	.2	1.0	-.4	.1
Personal care -----	.6	.3	.1	.4	3.3	.1	-.9
Reading and recreation -----	1.0	1.7	-.1	.9	2.5	-1.0	.8
Other goods and services -----	.6	-.1	(2/)	.5	.7	0	-.5

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE A-4: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas ^{1/}
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups
November 1965 indexes and percent changes from August 1965--continued

Group	Milwaukee ^{4/}	New York	Phila- delphia	San Diego (Feb.1965= 100) ^{4/}	Seattle	Washington
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)						
All items -----	108.7	113.2	111.4	100.3	111.8	110.5
Food -----	109.3	110.5	108.1	103.7	109.2	109.3
Food at home -----	108.5	107.2	106.2	102.9	106.3	106.5
Cereals and bakery products -----	99.8	110.9	108.3	103.7	103.0	111.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	111.0	107.8	104.2	105.9	108.5	105.9
Dairy products -----	110.1	102.0	110.1	99.7	111.9	107.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	109.7	109.9	108.4	100.8	107.1	103.9
Other foods at home -----	106.3	102.7	101.2	102.3	100.1	103.7
Food away from home -----	115.2	125.6	118.6	105.9	121.5	121.2
Housing -----	106.8	113.9	110.8	99.6	111.6	109.2
Shelter -----	105.6	117.3	113.4	99.9	115.7	111.5
Rent -----	103.2	-----	109.8	99.9	109.2	114.2
Homeownership -----	106.6	116.0	114.5	99.9	117.2	108.9
Fuel and utilities -----	111.0	107.6	106.3	97.8	110.4	100.6
Fuel oil and coal -----	115.9	112.1	110.1	-----	104.0	102.7
Gas and electricity -----	101.9	108.6	102.0	100.0	97.3	96.6
Household furnishings and operation -----	107.2	108.0	104.7	99.9	103.5	106.6
Apparel and upkeep -----	105.6	112.1	112.7	98.5	110.0	109.4
Men's and boys' -----	109.4	112.8	110.6	101.9	114.8	108.6
Women's and girls' -----	101.1	108.3	108.2	94.9	108.2	105.1
Footwear -----	110.9	116.8	116.3	102.0	117.6	118.2
Transportation -----	110.7	108.4	117.4	98.3	113.6	110.3
Private -----	110.7	110.8	113.2	98.0	112.1	109.1
Public -----	111.2	101.4	136.7	103.2	125.8	117.5
Health and recreation -----	112.1	120.7	115.8	100.4	114.5	116.5
Medical care -----	116.5	123.9	127.8	101.6	120.2	133.7
Personal care -----	112.9	108.5	107.0	97.8	107.0	110.0
Reading and recreation -----	111.8	123.9	111.7	101.2	107.9	114.6
Other goods and services -----	108.5	(^{2/})	(^{2/})	99.8	119.4	105.7
Percent changes from August 1965 to November 1965						
All items -----	- 0.2	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.3	0.8
Food -----	- .3	- .3	.2	- 1.0	- 1.7	0
Food at home -----	- .4	- .6	.1	- 1.4	- 2.3	- .3
Cereals and bakery products -----	.7	- 1.0	1.1	0	- 5.6	0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	- 1.6	- .9	.1	- 5.6	- 1.4	- .6
Dairy products -----	1.1	1.5	.3	.3	- 1.1	.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	- 4.2	- 2.8	- 3.0	2.2	- 3.6	- 3.4
Other foods at home -----	2.3	.4	1.5	.7	- 2.1	2.0
Food away from home -----	.2	.7	.5	.2	.4	.8
Housing -----	- .7	.5	.8	3.9	.6	1.2
Shelter -----	- 1.2	.7	.9	- .2	1.0	1.6
Rent -----	.4	-----	^{3/} .1	- .1	.9	.3
Homeownership -----	- 1.7	1.0	1.1	- .2	1.0	2.5
Fuel and utilities -----	- 1.1	1.3	.8	37.6	.5	- .1
Fuel oil and coal -----	- .6	3.3	4.0	-----	.4	4.2
Gas and electricity -----	- 1.3	.9	0	0	- .2	- .7
Household furnishings and operation -----	1.1	- .2	.8	1.4	.3	.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	- .6	2.0	2.5	.1	2.0	1.7
Men's and boys' -----	- .2	1.3	3.2	.8	1.8	2.1
Women's and girls' -----	- 1.8	3.9	2.4	- 1.4	2.9	1.3
Footwear -----	.9	3.1	3.7	1.8	2.1	2.4
Transportation -----	0	.6	.5	- 2.9	.1	.5
Private -----	0	.7	.5	- 3.3	.2	.5
Public -----	0	0	0	3.2	0	0
Health and recreation -----	.5	.5	.3	.5	1.0	.7
Medical care -----	1.1	.4	.4	.6	2.1	.6
Personal care -----	.2	- .2	1.2	.9	- .6	1.4
Reading and recreation -----	.9	.2	.4	.7	1.3	.5
Other goods and services -----	0	(^{2/})	(^{2/})	- .2	.3	.4

^{1/} See footnote 1, table A-2.^{2/} Not available.^{3/} Change from September 1965.^{4/} Not included in U.S. average.

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TABLE A-5: Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups
November 1965 indexes and percent changes from October 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 -----	109.7	107.8	111.4	108.5	105.8	109.9	102.9	119.6
Atlanta -----	108.4	107.7	104.2	107.4	104.5	110.7	109.1	111.0
Baltimore -----	110.0	106.7	114.7	108.0	102.6	106.7	101.2	123.7
Boston -----	112.6	109.8	114.2	112.2	104.0	112.2	104.7	124.4
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -----	104.8	104.4	99.7	108.8	100.6	102.4	105.5	106.7
Chicago -----	110.4	109.7	111.2	110.9	111.7	108.4	105.0	114.1
Cincinnati ^{2/} -----	106.8	105.2	108.6	109.3	101.4	109.4	97.2	116.7
Cleveland -----	106.7	105.1	107.6	108.7	100.1	108.7	98.9	115.6
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -----	105.5	105.5	105.9	111.6	101.2	101.5	102.8	105.4
Detroit -----	106.5	104.9	105.3	109.3	105.9	99.5	99.5	115.8
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100) -----	104.6	104.9	102.7	106.9	98.8	109.8	102.2	104.0
Houston ^{2/} -----	110.5	108.2	112.5	106.0	102.7	113.9	105.0	120.8
Kansas City ^{2/} -----	114.3	114.1	115.1	112.6	115.7	118.6	109.1	115.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach -----	110.4	106.7	118.9	99.5	108.8	117.7	96.5	124.2
Milwaukee ^{2/ 3/} -----	109.3	108.5	99.8	111.0	110.1	109.7	106.3	115.2
Minneapolis-St. Paul ^{2/} -----	108.3	106.9	106.5	107.8	106.6	110.5	103.8	113.6
New York -----	110.5	107.2	110.9	107.8	102.0	109.9	102.7	125.6
Philadelphia -----	108.1	106.2	108.3	104.2	110.1	108.4	101.2	118.6
Pittsburgh -----	108.5	107.7	114.5	113.3	98.2	106.7	103.6	113.4
St. Louis -----	112.7	110.3	109.9	112.8	111.2	110.8	105.5	120.9
San Diego (Feb.1965=100) ^{2/ 3/} -----	103.7	102.9	103.7	105.9	99.7	100.8	102.3	105.9
San Francisco-Oakland -----	110.7	107.3	110.9	107.0	107.7	112.0	99.2	125.9
Seattle -----	109.2	106.3	103.0	108.5	111.9	107.1	100.1	121.5
Washington -----	109.3	106.5	111.0	105.9	107.2	103.9	103.7	121.2
Percent changes, October 1965 to November 1965								
U.S. City Average -----	0	0	0.1	- 0.4	0.3	1.3	- 0.6	0.3
Atlanta -----	- 0.4	- 0.6	- .3	- 1.6	0	0	- .2	.2
Baltimore -----	- .6	- .8	- 1.1	- 1.0	- .1	- 2.6	.4	.2
Boston -----	- .2	- .3	.4	- .4	.3	- 1.1	- .3	.2
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -----	.6	.6	- .3	.3	.8	2.9	- .2	.2
Chicago -----	.4	.5	.5	.5	.2	1.8	- .5	.3
Cincinnati ^{2/} -----	- .1	- .2	- .1	- .3	.8	- .4	- .5	.3
Cleveland -----	.7	.7	.3	- .8	2.1	5.9	- 1.1	.5
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) -----	.4	.4	2.5	.2	.1	1.3	- .6	.3
Detroit -----	.3	.2	- .7	- .2	.1	2.4	- .3	.6
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100) -----	.7	.8	1.0	- .1	0	3.5	- .2	.5
Houston ^{2/} -----	- .5	- .7	- .8	- .5	- .1	- 2.4	- .4	.7
Kansas City ^{2/} -----	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.9	.2	2.5	.3	.6
Los Angeles-Long Beach -----	- 1.6	- 2.3	- 1.6	- 4.3	.2	- 1.5	- 1.9	.2
Milwaukee ^{2/ 3/} -----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Minneapolis-St. Paul ^{2/} -----	.1	0	- .7	.1	.9	.8	- .7	0
New York -----	.5	.7	1.2	.2	1.1	1.8	- .2	0
Philadelphia -----	.2	.1	- .1	.1	.1	1.4	- .6	.6
Pittsburgh -----	.3	.3	.2	- 1.0	0	4.9	- .3	.5
St. Louis -----	.3	.3	.4	- .6	.3	1.9	0	.2
San Diego (Feb.1965=100) ^{2/ 3/} -----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
San Francisco-Oakland -----	- .6	- .7	0	- 1.3	.6	- .9	- 1.2	.1
Seattle -----	- 1.6	- 2.2	- 5.7	- 2.1	- 1.1	.8	- 3.6	.2
Washington -----	0	- .2	.9	- .8	- .2	.9	- .5	.5

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

^{2/} Not included in U.S. average.

^{3/} See footnote 2, table A-2.

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TABLE A-6: Consumer Price Index--Food, Groups, and Items
November 1965 indexes, and percent changes October 1965 to November 1965
U.S. City Average
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index	Percent Change	Item or Group	Index	Percent Change
Total food-----	109.7	0	Fruits and vegetables-----	109.9	1.3
Food away from home-----	119.6	0.3	Fresh fruits and vegetables-----	111.2	1.4
Restaurant meals-----	119.8	.3	Apples-----	103.0	- 1.1
Snacks 1/-----	103.7	.1	Bananas-----	92.8	- 9.4
Food at home-----	107.8	0	Oranges-----	122.7	- 5.1
Cereals and bakery products-----	111.4	.1	Orange juice, fresh 1/-----	87.3	- 2.0
Flour-----	109.3	0	Grapefruit-----	124.9	-19.6
Cracker meal 1/-----	113.4	.3	Grapes *-----	108.8	12.2
Corn flakes-----	118.4	- .3	Strawberries *-----	*	*
Rice-----	106.5	.2	Watermelon *-----	*	*
Bread, white-----	114.0	- .7	Potatoes-----	119.4	3.5
Bread, whole wheat 1/-----	104.6	1.3	Onions-----	100.8	- 6.6
Cookies-----	98.7	.1	Asparagus * 1/-----	*	*
Layer cake 1/-----	98.0	.3	Cabbage-----	103.1	.4
Cinnamon rolls 1/-----	101.0	.3	Carrots-----	99.8	- 1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish-----	108.5	- .4	Celery-----	108.2	9.4
Meats-----	111.3	- .4	Cucumbers 1/-----	105.3	2.7
Beef and veal-----	108.3	- .7	Lettuce-----	137.0	12.5
Steak, round-----	106.9	- .3	Peppers, green 1/-----	125.2	19.4
Steak, sirloin 2/-----	102.4	- 2.0	Spinach 1/-----	96.3	- 3.5
Steak, porterhouse 1/-----	107.3	- 1.9	Tomatoes-----	108.5	17.9
Rump roast 1/-----	102.9	- .2	Processed fruits and vegetables-----	108.8	1.3
Rib roast-----	115.2	- .6	Fruit cocktail, canned-----	102.4	1.8
Chuck roast-----	102.6	- 1.4	Pears, canned 1/-----	107.9	2.0
Hamburger-----	107.9	- .5	Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned 1/-----	98.2	- 1.4
Beef liver 1/-----	103.3	- .8	Orange juice concentrate, frozen-----	93.5	- 1.0
Veal cutlets-----	120.4	- .4	Lemonade concentrate frozen 2/-----	89.6	1.6
Pork-----	118.3	- .4	Beets, canned 1/-----	98.9	.9
Chops-----	118.4	.9	Peas, green, canned-----	115.6	.2
Loin roast 2/-----	126.4	1.0	Tomatoes, canned-----	106.5	.9
Pork sausage 1/-----	126.3	- 1.2	Dried beans-----	116.9	7.0
Ham, whole-----	109.6	.9	Broccoli, frozen 1/-----	95.4	- .3
Picnics 1/-----	120.3	.2	Other food at home-----	102.9	- .6
Bacon-----	126.1	- 3.1	Eggs-----	102.6	- .9
Other meats-----	112.2	.2	Fats and oils:		
Lamb chops 1/-----	113.2	- 1.0	Margarine-----	101.5	- .1
Frankfurters-----	113.3	- .5	Salad dressing, Italian 1/-----	100.9	0
Ham, canned 1/-----	112.1	.6	Salad or cooking oil 1/-----	110.3	- .1
Bologna sausage 1/-----	110.9	.6	Sugar and sweets-----	112.4	- 1.2
Salami sausage 1/-----	108.2	1.0	Sugar-----	108.1	- .2
Liverwurst 1/-----	109.8	.3	Grape jelly-----	114.7	- .1
Poultry-----	89.5	0	Chocolate bar-----	102.0	- 3.6
Frying chicken-----	89.4	.3	Syrup, chocolate flavored 1/-----	99.2	- .7
Chicken breasts 1/-----	99.0	- .4	Nonalcoholic beverages-----	99.5	- .3
Turkey 1/-----	102.8	- .8	Coffee, can and bag-----	93.1	- 1.0
Fish-----	111.3	.2	Coffee, instant 3/-----	99.2	- .5
Shrimp, frozen 1/-----	95.4	.6	Tea-----	100.0	.7
Fish, fresh or frozen-----	119.0	1.1	Cola drink-----	126.2	- .4
Tuna fish, canned-----	101.2	- .8	Carbonated fruit drink 1/-----	102.3	.2
Sardines, canned 1/-----	104.9	- .1	Prepared and partially prepared foods 1/	99.9	- .6
Dairy products-----	105.8	.3	Bean soup, canned 1/-----	97.9	- .2
Milk, fresh, grocery-----	104.0	.3	Chicken soup, canned 1/-----	99.0	- .3
Milk, fresh, delivered-----	107.6	.3	Spaghetti, canned 1/-----	100.6	0
Milk, fresh, skim 1/-----	100.6	.4	Mashed potatoes, instant 1/-----	106.0	- 3.1
Milk, evaporated-----	105.3	- .2	Potatoes, french fried, frozen 2/-----	89.0	- .9
Ice cream-----	93.3	- .1	Baby foods, canned-----	105.3	- .4
Cheese, American process-----	117.1	.3	Sweet pickle relish 1/-----	102.1	.6
Butter-----	105.1	.4	Pretzels 1/-----	99.8	.1

1/ December 1963 = 100.

2/ April 1960 = 100.

3/ July 1961 = 100.

* Priced only in season.

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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:	Nov.	110.6	109.7	109.2	108.1	111.5	116.4	123.4	109.6	115.4	113.3
	Oct.	110.4	109.7	109.0	107.8	111.2	116.2	123.0	109.2	115.2	113.3
	Sept.	110.2	109.7	108.6	107.2	111.0	115.8	122.8	109.2	114.8	112.7
	Aug.	110.0	110.1	108.2	106.4	111.0	115.6	122.8	109.0	114.3	112.6
	July	110.2	110.9	108.3	106.1	111.5	115.3	122.7	108.7	114.6	111.5
	June	110.1	110.1	108.2	106.9	111.2	115.7	122.2	111.0	115.7	111.0
	May	109.6	107.9	108.2	106.8	111.4	115.6	121.8	111.0	115.9	110.6
	Apr.	109.3	107.3	108.2	106.3	111.0	115.4	121.6	110.7	115.9	110.3
	Mar.	109.0	106.9	108.2	106.0	110.6	114.9	121.4	110.4	115.4	109.5
	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
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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TABLE C-1: Consumer Price Index--Portland, Oregon and Scranton
All Items and Commodity Groups
Most recent index and percent changes from selected dates
(1957-59=100)

Group	Portland, Oregon		Scranton	
	Index	Percent change to October 1965 from--	Index	Percent change to November 1965 from--
	October 1965	July 1965	November 1965	August 1965
All items -----	112.9	0.4	111.7	0.1
All items (1947-49=100) -----	139.9		133.3	
Food -----	110.5	.3	107.7	- .5
Food at home -----	108.6	.7	106.1	- .4
Cereals and bakery products	109.6	.2	111.8	- .2
Meats, poultry, and fish --	112.6	2.3	110.7	- .4
Dairy products -----	110.4	.2	102.3	2.8
Fruits and vegetables ----	107.9	-10.7	101.9	- 7.9
Other foods at home -----	103.0	2.9	101.9	3.1
Housing -----	114.6	1.1	107.1	- .5
Rent -----	108.8	.2	109.8	- .1
Gas and electricity -----	102.5	0	104.8	0
Solid and petroleum fuels ---	104.2	0	103.5	3.0
Housefurnishings -----	97.8	.3	95.8	.6
Household operation -----	115.9	2.4	113.2	- .1
Apparel -----	113.0	4.2	108.0	1.7
Men's and boys' -----	119.5	3.6	110.7	.2
Women's and girls' -----	108.8	5.8	105.1	2.0
Footwear -----	115.1	2.3	113.2	3.7
Other apparel -----	105.0	3.3	103.0	.9
Transportation -----	108.6	- 1.5	109.9	.3
Private -----	105.8	- 1.7	107.5	.4
Public -----	126.8	0	125.3	0
Medical care -----	123.2	.2	<u>1/</u> 134.1	3.3
Personal care -----	111.4	- .2	119.4	.5
Reading and recreation -----	118.0	- 1.6	148.9	- .1
Other goods and services -----	106.8	.3	113.1	0

1/ Corrected index: August 1965, 129.8.

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
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California - Bakersfield*	Massachusetts - Southbridge	Oregon - Klamath Falls
Colorado - Denver*	Michigan - Niles	Pennsylvania - Lancaster*
Connecticut - Hartford*	Minnesota - Crockston	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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