



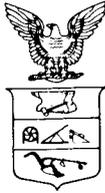
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U.S. CITY AVERAGE  
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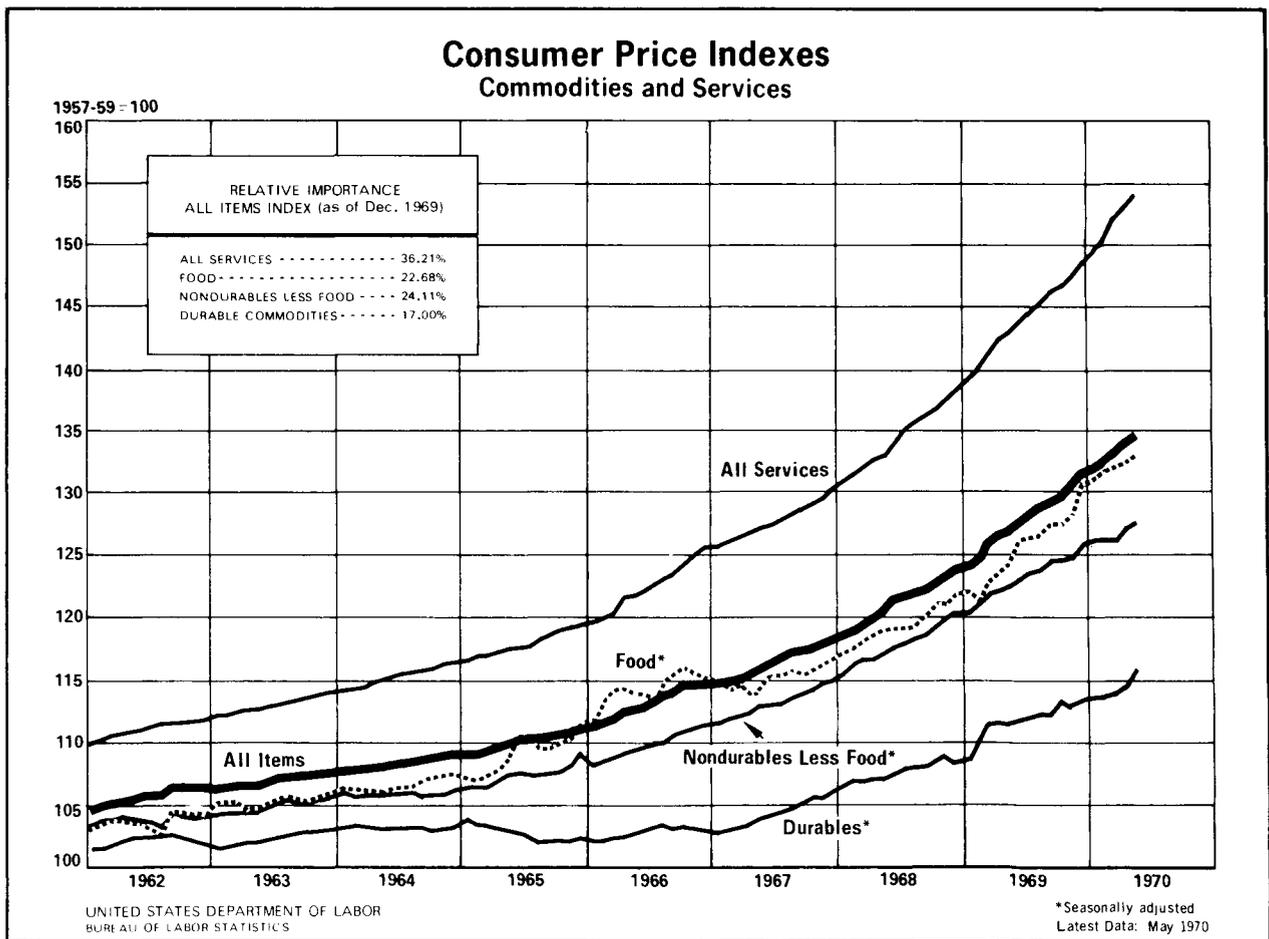
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a monthly report  
on consumer price movements  
including statistical tables  
and technical notes.



THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX  
FOR  
MAY 1970

The Consumer Price Index rose 0.4 percent in May to 134.6 percent of its 1957-59 base. The increase was less than April's 0.6 percent rise because of smaller price increases for most services and for commodities other than food. The rise in prices of food and consumer durable goods accelerated from April's pace.

After seasonal adjustment, the CPI rose 0.5 percent in May, the same rate as in the previous month. Prices of both food and consumer durable goods were up contraseasonally and by more than in April. Poultry and egg prices fell less than seasonally and prices of fruits, vegetables, and dairy products rose more than is usual for May. The rate of increase in prices of nondurable goods other than food slowed significantly as gasoline declined after their appreciable rise last month. Apparel commodity prices, after seasonal adjustment, rose at April's pace.

In the 12 months ending in May 1970 retail prices rose 6.2 percent. Charges for consumer services moved up by 8 percent, largely on the strength of increases for household services, and were responsible for nearly half of the advance in the overall index. Prices of commodities averaged 5.2 percent higher, led by price increases for food, clothing, and houses. Percent changes in the CPI and its major components, along with each component's contribution to the overall change, over the 12 month periods ending in May 1969 and May 1970 are given below.

	May 1969-70		May 1968-69	
	Percent change	Contribution to change	Percent change	Contribution to change
All items .....	6.2	100.0	5.4	100.0
Commodities .....	5.2	53.2	4.3	51.9
Food .....	7.0	25.3	4.1	17.4
Nondurables less food ..	4.2	16.4	4.6	21.1
Durables .....	4.1	11.5	4.1	13.4
Services .....	8.0	46.8	7.3	48.1

Services

Charges for consumer services climbed 0.5 percent in May, the smallest monthly rise since last November. Higher prices for household services, especially residential rents, mortgage interest costs, property taxes and insurance, and home maintenance and repair services led the increase for services. The overall importance of price increases for transportation, medical care and "other" services combined equalled that of household services. The rise in charges for medical care services was the smallest since late 1969 as the rate of advance in physicians' and dentists' fees slowed.

Prices of "other" services rose significantly for the second consecutive month on the strength of increases for college tuition and indoor movie admissions. Less significant increases were recorded for auto repairs and maintenance, other automotive services, and public transportation as a whole.

Since May 1969, the increase in service charges has been 8.0 percent. Over one-fourth of this rise was due to increases in mortgage interest costs which reflect both rate increases and higher house prices. Large increases were also recorded for automobile services, home maintenance and repair services, property taxes and insurance, and rent. Smaller, but still significant, gains were made in prices of public transportation, doctors' and dentists' services, gas and electricity, housekeeping services, and health insurance.

## Food

Retail food prices, which usually decline slightly in May, rose 0.3 percent in May as prices of food purchased in grocery stores and restaurant meals and snacks advanced 0.3 and 0.5 percent, respectively. The increase in prices of food away from home, although substantial, was among the smallest recorded in the past year and significantly smaller than last month's 1 percent gain.

The contraseasonal rise in prices of food purchased for home consumption resulted primarily from less-than-seasonal declines in prices of poultry and eggs and larger-than-seasonal increases in prices of fresh fruits and vegetables and dairy products. Despite the strength in prices of fresh poultry, prices of meats, poultry, and fish posted their smallest average rise on a seasonally adjusted basis since their slight decline last October. Prices of beef and veal declined contraseasonally, 0.9 percent after adjustment, as weakness in prices of nearly all cuts of beef was apparent. Movement of prices of pork and other meats was seasonal, down 0.8 and 0.1 percent, respectively.

Coffee prices rose significantly again in May in continued response to shortage in supplies of green coffee resulting from weather damage to Brazilian crops. Other foods showing large price increases in May were margarine, salad or cooking oil, tea bags, soft drinks, and candy bars. The increase in prices of margarine and salad or cooking oil, the most notable advances in this group, in large part reflects a tightness in world supplies of food fats and oils.

Retail food prices rose 7 percent in the 12 months ending in May 1970. Price increases for food at home totalling 6.7 percent made up about three-fourths of the advance. Higher prices for beef, pork, fresh vegetables, milk, bakery products, and nonalcoholic beverages all played important parts in the rise in prices of grocery store food. Prices of restaurant meals and other foods consumed away from home were 8.3 percent higher than their year-earlier level in May. As in April this was the largest year-to-year increase on record.

## Nondurables other than food

Retail prices of nondurable goods other than food rose 0.4 percent on both an unadjusted and seasonally adjusted basis in May; the rise marked the thirty-fifth consecutive month in which prices for these goods have averaged higher on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Price increases for apparel commodities, particularly women's and girls', were responsible for the major part of the May advance; they amounted to 0.2 percent after seasonal adjustment. Retail prices of gasoline, which climbed sharply in April in response to higher wholesale prices, declined fractionally in May. The drop helped to slow the overall rate of increase in prices of nondurables other than food.

Prices of housekeeping supplies advanced sharply led by higher prices for household paper products. Important price increases were also reported for alcoholic beverages, home-delivered newspapers, magazines and books, and over-the-counter drug items in May.

Since May, last year retail prices of nondurable commodities other than food have advanced 4.2 percent. About one-third of this rise resulted from higher prices for apparel, particularly for men's and women's clothing and women's footwear. Approximately half of the remainder of the advance was due to increases of 10.1 and 5.4 percent, respectively, in prices of tobacco products (primarily cigarettes) and alcoholic beverages.

### Durables

Retail prices of consumer durable goods posted their largest monthly increase in more than a year in May, primarily on the strength of a sharp rise in prices of used cars. House prices together with the increase for used cars made up about eight-tenths of the advance for durables. Prices of new cars declined seasonally and prices of household durables posted their smallest monthly rise since the beginning of the year as appliance prices declined fractionally.

The rise in used car prices followed a smaller rise in April and apparently stemmed from an increase in demand brought about by consumers moving away from new cars or late model used cars. Used car prices declined steadily from July 1969 through March 1970 and, despite the substantial increases in the past 2 months, were only 0.6 percent higher than year-earlier levels in May.

Over the year, prices of consumer durable goods rose 4.1 percent primarily because of a relatively large increase in prices of houses. Price increases for household durables, particularly appliances and furniture, were also important in the rise.

### Cost-of-Living Adjustments

Approximately 128,200 workers will receive cost-of-living wage increases based on the Consumer Price Index for May. About 72,400 aerospace workers will receive an 8-cent hourly pay increase based on the rise in the national index since May 1969. An additional 2,100 workers will receive hourly increases of 8 or 23 cents, based on the rise in the index over the same period. About 2,200 workers in the machinery industry will get an increase of 9 cents an hour, as a result of the rise in the national CPI since November 1969. About 22,500 workers will get increases based on the rise in the index between February and May, including 7,000 in farm equipment (6 cents) and 13,800, mainly in the chemical, machinery and aerospace industries (5 cents).

About 20,000 workers in Pacific coast shipyards will receive increases of 4 cents an hour, based on the rise in the index for Seattle since May 1969, and 2,000 retail clerks in Los Angeles and 5,000 bakery workers in New York will receive increases of 3 cents an hour and 2 percent, respectively, as a result of the increases in the indexes for those areas.

An additional 43,300 workers whose escalation reviews are tied to the May CPI will not receive pay adjustments this month because they have already reached the maximums stipulated in their contracts.

### A NOTE ABOUT CALCULATING INDEX CHANGES

Effective with the February, 1970 release, and continuing thereafter, percent changes expressed as annual rates will be computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicated what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Movements of the indexes from one date to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in the index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period, and percent changes are not. The following example illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes:

Index Point Change	Percentage Change
May 1970 CPI (1957-59=100)      134.6 less April 1970 index <u>134.0</u> Index point difference =            0.6	Index point difference divided by the index for the previous period: $\frac{134.6 - 134.0}{134.0} \times 100 = 0.4$

TABLE 1. Consumer Price Index--United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, May 1970

(Unadjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

Group	Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise noted)				Percent change to May 1970 from:		
	May 1970	April 1970	February 1970	May 1969	1 Month Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago
All items -----	134.6	134.0	132.5	126.8	0.4	1.6	6.2
All items (1947-49=100) -----	165.2	164.4	162.5	155.6	-	-	-
<b>Food</b> -----	132.4	132.0	131.5	123.7	.3	.7	7.0
Food at home -----	127.8	127.4	127.4	119.8	.3	.3	6.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	128.0	127.6	126.3	121.6	.3	1.3	5.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	130.5	130.9	129.7	119.9	-.3	.6	8.8
Dairy products -----	129.9	129.5	128.8	123.6	.3	.9	5.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	136.8	134.7	132.4	130.0	1.6	3.3	5.2
Other foods at home -----	113.7	113.8	118.1	107.1	-.1	-3.7	6.2
Food away from home -----	154.7	154.0	151.5	142.8	.5	2.1	8.3
<b>Housing</b> -----	135.1	134.4	132.2	125.8	.5	2.2	7.4
Shelter 1/ -----	144.7	143.7	140.9	132.4	.7	2.7	9.3
Rent -----	123.0	122.6	121.8	118.1	.3	1.0	4.1
Homeownership 2/ -----	153.3	152.1	148.5	138.0	.8	3.2	11.1
Fuel and utilities 3/ -----	116.4	116.3	114.9	112.6	.1	1.3	3.4
Fuel oil and coal -----	121.0	120.9	120.6	117.5	.1	.3	3.0
Gas and electricity -----	115.8	115.7	114.6	111.2	.1	1.0	4.1
Household furnishings and operation -----	122.5	122.0	120.8	117.4	.4	1.4	4.3
<b>Apparel and upkeep</b> 4/ -----	131.9	131.1	130.0	126.6	.6	1.5	4.2
Men's and boys' -----	133.9	133.4	131.0	128.1	.4	2.2	4.5
Women's and girls' -----	126.6	125.2	125.4	122.4	1.1	1.0	3.4
Footwear -----	147.6	147.2	145.0	139.6	.3	1.8	5.7
<b>Transportation</b> -----	129.9	128.9	127.3	124.0	.8	2.0	4.8
Private -----	125.9	124.9	123.3	121.2	.8	2.1	3.9
New cars -----	104.1	104.3	104.6	101.8	-.2	-5	2.3
Used cars -----	127.5	121.1	117.8	126.8	5.3	8.2	.6
Gasoline -----	118.6	119.2	116.7	117.3	-5	1.6	1.1
Public -----	166.6	165.8	165.4	148.0	.5	.7	12.6
<b>Health and recreation</b> -----	142.9	142.3	140.7	135.7	.4	1.6	5.3
Medical care -----	163.6	162.8	160.1	154.5	.5	2.2	5.9
Personal care -----	130.3	129.8	129.0	125.8	.4	1.0	3.6
Reading and recreation -----	135.2	134.4	133.2	130.2	.6	1.5	3.8
Other goods and services -----	136.1	135.6	134.3	126.9	.4	1.3	7.2
<b>Seasonally Adjusted:</b>							
Food -----	132.9	132.4	131.8	-	.4	.8	-
Apparel and upkeep -----	131.5	131.2	130.7	-	.2	.6	-
Transportation -----	129.9	128.8	127.7	-	.9	1.7	-
<b>Special Groups:</b>							
All items less food -----	135.5	134.8	133.0	127.9	.5	1.9	5.9
All items less medical care -----	132.9	132.2	130.8	125.2	.5	1.6	6.2
<b>Commodities</b> -----	125.8	125.2	124.2	119.6	.5	1.3	5.2
Nondurables -----	129.8	129.3	128.4	123.0	.4	1.1	5.5
Nondurables less food -----	127.5	127.0	125.8	122.4	.4	1.4	4.2
Apparel commodities -----	131.2	130.4	129.3	126.0	.6	1.5	4.1
Durables -----	115.9	114.8	113.7	111.3	1.0	1.9	4.1
Household durables -----	108.0	107.8	106.9	105.6	.2	1.0	2.3
Services -----	154.1	153.4	150.7	142.7	.5	2.3	8.0
Services less rent -----	161.0	160.1	157.1	148.1	.6	2.5	8.7
Services less medical care -----	150.1	149.4	146.8	5/	.5	2.2	5/
Insurance and finance (Dec.1965=100) -----	145.4	144.5	139.9	127.9	.6	3.9	13.7
Utilities and public transportation (Dec.1965=100) -----	113.7	113.4	112.2	107.4	.3	1.3	5.9
Housekeeping and home maintenance services (Dec.1965=100) -----	137.2	136.4	134.7	126.4	.6	1.9	8.5
Medical care services -----	179.3	178.4	175.2	168.2	.5	2.3	6.6
<b>Purchasing Power of Consumer Dollar:</b>							
1957-59=\$1 -----	\$0.743	\$0.746	\$0.755	\$0.789	-.5	- 1.6	- 5.8
1939=\$1 -----	.360	.362	.366	.382	-	-	-

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/ Also includes infants' wear, sewing materials, jewelry, and apparel upkeep services not shown separately.

5/ Not available.

Note: Index applies to month as a whole not to any specific date.

TABLE 2. Consumer Price Index--The United States and selected areas for urban wage earners and clerical workers, all items most recent index and percent changes from selected dates

Area <u>1/</u>	Pricing Schedule <u>2/</u>	Indexes			Percent change from:		
		1957-59=100	1947-49=100	Other bases			
		May 1970			April 1970	February 1970	May 1969
U.S. City Average -----	M	134.6	165.2		0.4	1.6	6.2
Chicago -----	M	131.1	165.3		.7	1.4	6.1
Detroit -----	M	134.9	166.3		.8	2.0	6.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach ---	M	133.8	166.8		.2	1.7	5.4
New York -----	M	140.7	169.5		.4	1.9	7.6
Philadelphia -----	M	136.5	167.6		.6	1.6	7.1
		April 1970				January 1970	April 1969
Boston -----	1	137.9	170.8			1.3	6.2
Houston -----	1	132.9	163.7			1.5	5.9
Minneapolis-St. Paul ----	1	135.1	167.2			1.7	8.0
Pittsburgh -----	1	132.4	163.1			2.3	5.1
		May 1970				February 1970	May 1969
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) ---	2			127.0		1.4	5.7
Cleveland -----	2	134.3	166.7			1.5	7.2
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) ----	2			127.1		1.2	6.4
Milwaukee -----	2	130.0	164.0			1.2	5.9
San Diego (Feb.1965=100) -	2			120.9		1.9	5.7
Seattle -----	2	133.9	168.3			1.3	4.9
Washington -----	2	136.7	164.6			1.6	6.1
		March 1970				December 1969	March 1969
Atlanta -----	3	131.9	163.3			1.5	5.6
Baltimore -----	3	133.5	165.6			1.2	6.2
Cincinnati -----	3	129.2	157.2			1.2	5.3
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100) --	3			122.0		1.9	5.5
Kansas City -----	3	134.6	166.6			1.1	5.1
St. Louis -----	3	132.4	164.3			1.3	5.6
San Francisco-Oakland ----	3	136.1	172.8			1.2	5.6

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.

Note: The Consumer Price Index cannot be used for measuring differences in living costs among areas; it indicates price change within areas. Estimates of differences in living costs among areas are found in the family budgets.

TABLE 3. Consumer Price Index--The United States and Selected Areas <sup>1/</sup>  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Major Groups  
Percent change from April 1970 to May 1970

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
All items -----	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.6
Food -----	.3	.4	.7	.5	.2	.6
Housing -----	.5	.9	.5	.4	.7	.7
Apparel and upkeep -----	.6	1.6	-.2	1.1	.6	.4
Transportation -----	.8	.5	2.0	- 1.4	.6	.9
Health and recreation -----	.4	.1	.8	.4	.1	.1
Medical care -----	.5	.2	.3	.4	.1	.4
Personal care -----	.4	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)
Reading and recreation -----	.5	.3	1.2	.5	.3	.2
Other goods and services -----	.4	-.2	.8	.2	.3	(2/)

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

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

TABLE 4. Consumer Price Index -- United States City Average for  
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for Selected Groups  
Seasonally Adjusted  
(1957-59=100)

Group	Indexes			Percent changes to: May 1970 From:	
	May 1970	April 1970	February 1970	1 Month Ago	3 Months Ago
Food -----	132.9	132.4	131.8	0.4	0.8
Food at home -----	128.4	127.8	127.7	.5	.5
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	132.2	132.1	130.2	.1	1.5
Dairy products -----	130.3	130.2	128.9	.1	1.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	134.0	133.5	133.5	.4	.4
Other foods at home -----	115.3	113.9	117.4	1.2	- 1.8
Fuel and utilities <sup>1/</sup> -----	116.4	116.2	114.8	.2	1.4
Fuel oil and coal -----	121.1	120.5	119.4	.5	1.4
Apparel and upkeep <sup>2/</sup> -----	131.5	131.2	130.7	.2	.5
Men's and boys' -----	133.6	133.3	131.8	.2	1.4
Women's and girls' -----	126.1	125.6	126.5	.4	-.3
Footwear -----	147.3	147.2	145.3	.1	1.4
Transportation -----	129.9	128.8	127.7	.9	1.7
Private -----	125.9	124.5	123.8	1.1	1.7
New cars -----	104.4	104.4	104.2	.0	.2
Commodities -----	125.9	125.3	124.4	.5	1.2
Commodities less food -----	122.3	121.6	120.6	.6	1.4
Nondurable -----	130.1	129.4	128.7	.5	1.1
Nondurables less food -----	127.5	127.0	126.1	.4	1.1
Apparel commodities -----	130.8	130.5	130.1	.2	.5
Durables -----	115.9	114.7	113.9	1.0	1.8

<sup>1/</sup> Also includes telephone, water, and sewerage service not shown separately.

<sup>2/</sup> Also includes infants' wear, sewing materials, jewelry, and apparel upkeep services not shown separately.

TABLE 5. Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups  
May 1970 index and percent changes from February 1970

Group	U.S. City Average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles-Long Beach	New York	Philadelphia
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)						
All items -----	134.6	131.1	134.9	133.8	140.7	136.5
Food -----	132.4	133.1	132.1	128.1	136.0	132.3
Food at home -----	127.8	131.0	129.6	122.3	128.2	126.3
Cereals and bakery products -----	128.0	134.1	124.6	125.7	124.4	129.8
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	130.5	134.7	138.6	120.6	131.6	124.2
Dairy products -----	129.9	138.5	137.9	127.9	122.9	136.8
Fruits and vegetables -----	136.8	133.3	127.1	135.1	143.5	136.0
Other foods at home -----	113.7	114.3	112.9	105.3	113.7	109.8
Food away from home -----	154.7	143.0	146.4	149.1	168.5	164.2
Housing -----	135.1	128.3	135.2	139.7	140.3	135.4
Shelter -----	144.7	135.3	147.3	151.0	148.0	145.0
Rent -----	123.0	116.2	(2/)	125.6	(2/)	126.0
Homeownership -----	153.3	144.6	155.4	159.5	157.0	150.0
Fuel and utilities -----	116.4	110.7	107.5	112.7	115.6	114.8
Fuel oil and coal -----	121.0	114.4	114.0	-	127.0	126.4
Gas and electricity -----	115.8	110.9	107.9	121.7	112.2	109.5
Household furnishings and operation -----	122.5	119.5	115.5	118.9	134.8	126.3
Apparel and upkeep -----	131.9	124.6	126.3	130.5	137.8	137.7
Men's and boys' -----	133.9	123.5	127.1	132.0	145.1	135.5
Women's and girls' -----	126.6	119.0	118.2	133.6	128.9	125.9
Footwear -----	147.6	141.9	147.1	140.1	148.7	157.1
Transportation -----	129.9	130.5	127.0	131.0	142.8	141.6
Private -----	125.9	126.9	124.2	126.3	135.6	134.6
Public -----	166.6	154.6	145.3	160.0	175.6	179.1
Health and recreation -----	142.9	137.9	147.2	134.2	150.2	144.5
Medical care -----	163.6	171.8	178.7	161.4	170.3	174.9
Personal care -----	130.3	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	124.4	(2/)
Reading and recreation -----	135.2	117.9	134.1	116.7	148.4	127.8
Other goods and services -----	136.1	130.2	130.9	126.6	146.1	(2/)
Percent changes from February 1970 to May 1970						
All items -----	1.6	1.4	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.6
Food -----	.7	-.1	1.5	.7	1.0	.2
Food at home -----	.3	-.2	1.3	.6	-.1	-.2
Cereals and bakery products -----	1.3	1.2	.4	1.5	-.1	2.7
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	.6	.2	.8	.9	1.1	.6
Dairy products -----	.9	.4	1.2	3.1	-.7	.1
Fruits and vegetables -----	3.3	3.0	7.9	2.3	2.1	1.2
Other foods at home -----	- 3.7	- 5.0	- 2.6	- 3.4	- 4.7	- 4.9
Food away from home -----	2.1	.6	2.4	1.0	4.1	1.9
Housing -----	2.2	1.7	3.1	1.5	3.3	3.1
Shelter -----	2.7	2.1	3.7	1.8	4.2	4.0
Rent -----	1.0	3/ 1.0	(2/)	3/ 1.9	(2/)	3/ 1.8
Homeownership -----	3.2	2.6	4.2	1.7	6.4	4.6
Fuel and utilities -----	1.3	.2	1.7	.8	1.7	2.0
Fuel oil and coal -----	.3	.3	.3	-	.2	.0
Gas and electricity -----	1.0	.3	.1	1.4	-.3	2.8
Household furnishings and operation -----	1.4	1.1	1.9	.7	2.1	2.1
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.5	2.8	.6	2.0	.8	.0
Men's and boys' -----	2.2	4.7	.1	2.2	3.0	2.5
Women's and girls' -----	1.0	2.9	- 1.3	3.4	- 1.2	- 2.6
Footwear -----	1.8	2.3	6.1	1.3	2.3	1.7
Transportation -----	2.0	2.0	1.0	3.1	1.5	2.2
Private -----	2.1	2.3	1.1	3.2	1.6	2.7
Public -----	.7	.0	.0	.9	1.1	.2
Health and recreation -----	1.6	1.3	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.3
Medical care -----	2.2	2.1	2.9	3.4	2.3	1.8
Personal care -----	1.0	(2/)	(2/)	(2/)	.6	(2/)
Reading and recreation -----	1.5	1.5	1.0	1.0	2.1	.6
Other goods and services -----	1.3	.5	4.6	.6	1.8	(2/)

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 5. Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas 1/  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Commodity Groups--Continued  
May 1970 index and percent changes from February 1970

Group	Buffalo (Nov. 63=100)	Cleveland	Dallas (Nov. 63=100)	Milwaukee	San Diego (Feb. 65=100)	Seattle	washington
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)							
All items -----	127.0	134.3	127.1	130.0	120.9	133.9	136.7
Food -----	128.1	130.8	126.0	129.4	122.3	130.6	136.2
Food at home -----	126.2	127.8	122.1	126.1	119.0	124.1	129.4
Cereals and bakery products -----	114.0	121.5	116.9	118.9	114.5	116.8	125.3
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	129.1	134.0	130.2	131.6	133.6	129.3	128.8
Dairy products -----	126.2	133.4	123.6	130.3	116.9	130.6	129.3
Fruits and vegetables -----	137.5	134.2	124.0	133.4	108.6	131.0	140.0
Other foods at home -----	120.8	113.8	112.7	113.2	110.3	111.4	122.4
Food away from home -----	139.3	148.4	140.7	147.6	131.2	157.5	161.2
Housing -----	126.9	130.5	129.2	127.0	127.5	138.8	132.4
Shelter -----	131.2	134.1	138.8	129.6	140.2	155.7	138.5
Rent -----	113.1	109.3	111.1	115.3	124.8	128.2	127.6
Homeownership -----	134.6	138.6	152.5	134.2	146.8	163.6	143.1
Fuel and utilities -----	118.5	119.7	110.3	123.7	99.1	116.2	108.1
Fuel oil and coal -----	116.1	-	-	132.9	-	116.2	121.0
Gas and electricity -----	121.1	117.9	106.1	118.6	100.0	98.1	107.0
Household furnishings and operation -----	120.8	120.9	119.7	122.8	110.0	117.4	128.1
Apparel and upkeep -----	132.9	131.7	125.7	135.1	117.9	128.8	141.4
Men's and boys' -----	142.8	133.6	133.6	131.6	124.5	130.8	139.0
Women's and girls' -----	130.1	124.1	121.6	134.0	116.5	128.4	142.2
Footwear -----	138.1	151.4	127.0	151.0	124.5	147.9	153.7
Transportation -----	121.0	132.7	116.9	126.1	111.4	124.8	132.9
Private -----	120.7	127.7	116.1	122.2	111.6	124.0	129.1
Public -----	124.1	165.9	128.3	178.8	107.2	132.8	155.7
Health and recreation -----	127.6	148.7	132.7	137.0	118.3	136.0	147.7
Medical care -----	134.3	187.1	144.3	155.6	130.0	154.8	189.6
Personal care -----	123.4	130.9	124.5	134.8	106.8	129.7	128.4
Reading and recreation -----	123.8	130.1	127.6	131.4	112.5	125.5	138.1
Other goods and services -----	127.3	142.3	126.9	129.0	119.4	132.9	131.2
Percent changes from February 1970 to May 1970							
All items -----	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.9	1.3	1.6
Food -----	.9	1.9	.1	-.5	.8	1.1	.0
Food at home -----	.6	1.8	-.8	-1.0	.8	1.0	-1.1
Cereals and bakery products -----	3.4	3.0	1.5	-.1	2.5	2.5	2.0
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	.5	2.8	.8	.2	1.7	1.6	-3.4
Dairy products -----	1.2	4.5	-2.1	-5.9	3.0	.5	1.2
Fruits and vegetables -----	-.4	2.4	3.3	6.4	3.1	4.3	3.7
Other foods at home -----	-.3	-3.1	-5.9	-4.6	-5.2	-2.8	-3.6
Food away from home -----	1.8	2.6	2.8	1.5	1.0	1.6	2.9
Housing -----	1.7	1.4	1.8	.5	2.2	1.6	2.0
Shelter -----	1.9	1.1	2.7	.2	2.9	2.2	2.5
Rent -----	.9	.4	.7	1.3	1.5	-.2	1.2
Homeownership -----	2.1	1.2	3.4	-.2	3.3	2.8	3.2
Fuel and utilities -----	1.5	4.0	-.4	1.4	.0	.3	.3
Fuel oil and coal -----	.0	-	-	1.2	-	.8	.0
Gas and electricity -----	.0	1.3	-.7	2.1	.0	.0	.8
Household furnishings and operation -----	.8	1.2	.7	1.2	1.2	.9	.8
Apparel and upkeep -----	1.3	1.9	-.5	1.6	2.3	1.7	2.6
Men's and boys' -----	1.8	.3	.7	1.3	1.5	-.9	3.0
Women's and girls' -----	-.5	4.5	-2.7	2.2	4.9	4.6	4.5
Footwear -----	6.1	.3	1.3	.8	.0	1.4	.5
Transportation -----	1.2	1.0	2.5	5.0	2.4	.7	2.8
Private -----	1.3	1.2	2.7	3.8	2.5	.6	3.4
Public -----	.0	.0	.2	16.6	.7	1.5	.0
Health and recreation -----	1.8	1.2	1.6	1.4	1.6	.9	1.4
Medical care -----	2.2	1.4	1.8	.9	2.8	1.0	.9
Personal care -----	1.7	2.0	-1.2	.2	1.1	.1	1.4
Reading and recreation -----	2.6	1.4	3.2	4.0	2.0	1.0	1.3
Other goods and services -----	.3	.6	1.3	.0	.3	1.0	2.1

1/ See footnote 1, table 2.  
2/ Not available.  
3/ Change from March 1970.

TABLE 6. Consumer Price Index--United States and Selected Areas  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food and its Subgroups  
May 1970 Indexes and percent changes from April 1970

Area <sup>1/</sup>	Total food	Food at home						Food away from home
		Total	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other foods at home	
Indexes (1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)								
U.S. City Average -----	132.4	127.8	128.0	130.5	129.9	136.8	113.7	154.7
Atlanta -----	130.0	126.2	120.7	129.7	127.3	137.1	117.6	143.4
Baltimore -----	136.5	130.1	134.1	134.7	127.6	140.5	114.2	163.8
Boston -----	136.6	130.6	131.9	135.9	124.6	143.9	114.8	162.4
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -	128.1	126.2	114.0	129.1	126.2	137.5	120.8	139.3
Chicago -----	133.1	131.0	134.1	134.7	138.5	133.3	114.3	143.0
Cincinnati -----	129.1	125.3	123.8	130.6	125.5	135.3	111.1	148.8
Cleveland -----	130.8	127.8	121.5	134.0	133.4	134.2	113.8	148.4
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) --	126.0	122.1	116.9	130.2	123.6	124.0	112.7	140.7
Detroit -----	132.1	129.6	124.6	138.6	137.9	127.1	112.9	146.4
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	123.2	120.5	116.6	126.5	116.9	121.8	114.0	131.8
Houston -----	133.4	127.0	133.6	125.9	132.0	137.2	112.3	160.6
Kansas City -----	136.8	132.3	134.7	135.2	142.4	131.6	119.2	152.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	128.1	122.3	125.7	120.6	127.9	135.1	105.3	149.1
Milwaukee -----	129.4	126.1	118.9	131.6	130.3	133.4	113.2	147.6
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	131.3	126.8	123.1	130.2	139.0	128.1	115.4	152.4
New York -----	136.0	128.2	124.4	131.6	122.9	143.5	113.7	168.5
Philadelphia -----	132.3	126.3	129.8	124.2	136.8	136.0	109.8	164.2
Pittsburgh -----	128.8	125.7	125.5	132.6	120.8	137.0	112.0	148.3
St. Louis -----	136.3	131.7	134.0	137.0	139.7	139.8	111.6	154.9
San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	122.3	119.0	114.5	133.6	116.9	108.6	110.3	131.2
San Francisco-Oakland --	129.0	123.3	124.1	125.5	123.1	134.6	108.3	154.1
Seattle -----	130.6	124.1	116.8	129.3	130.6	131.0	111.4	157.5
Washington -----	136.2	129.4	125.3	128.8	129.3	140.0	122.4	161.2
Percent Changes April 1970 to May 1970								
U.S. City Average -----	0.3	0.3	0.3	- 0.3	0.3	1.6	- 0.1	0.5
Atlanta -----	-.5	-.8	1.1	- 1.1	-.2	.2	- 2.2	.2
Baltimore -----	.4	.5	.3	-.7	-.1	1.6	-.1	.3
Boston -----	.5	.4	.5	-.1	.1	1.1	.7	.6
Buffalo (Nov.1963=100) -	-.2	-.5	1.6	-.5	.6	- 1.9	- 1.1	.9
Chicago -----	.4	.4	-.1	-.2	.2	3.7	-.3	.4
Cincinnati -----	.4	.4	1.4	-.2	.5	1.0	.2	.2
Cleveland -----	.8	.7	.7	.8	1.0	.9	.3	1.5
Dallas (Nov.1963=100) --	.4	.1	.9	.2	- 1.1	.3	.1	1.2
Detroit -----	.7	.8	.6	-.2	.0	5.1	-.5	.3
Honolulu (Dec.1963=100)	-.2	-.2	.2	-.6	.1	.5	-.8	.3
Houston -----	-.3	-.4	.2	- 1.5	.3	.4	-.2	.1
Kansas City -----	.3	.2	-.4	-.2	.4	1.5	.4	.4
Los Angeles-Long Beach -	.5	.7	.8	.0	2.4	.7	.4	.1
Milwaukee -----	.1	-.2	-.9	-.4	- 2.6	2.6	.4	(2/)
Minneapolis-St. Paul ---	.1	.2	.7	-.7	.0	1.9	-.5	.0
New York -----	.2	.4	-.1	.3	.2	1.3	-.4	.1
Philadelphia -----	.6	.6	.9	.1	.5	2.0	.3	.5
Pittsburgh -----	.4	.3	.8	-.3	-.1	3.1	-.9	.6
St. Louis -----	-.1	-.2	.2	- 1.2	-.1	.2	.6	.2
San Diego (Feb.1965=100)	.8	.8	1.1	.1	2.4	.2	.8	(2/)
San Francisco-Oakland --	.2	.2	.0	-.9	.3	2.6	.1	.0
Seattle -----	.4	.3	.4	-.8	.2	2.5	.1	.6
Washington -----	-.3	-.5	.2	- 2.8	-.1	3.3	-.3	.5

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

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

TABLE 7. Consumer Price Index--United States City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items  
May 1970 Indexes and percent changes from selected dates  
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent Change to May 1970 from --		
	May 1970		April 1970		May 1969
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Total food -----	132.4	132.9	0.3	0.4	7.0
Food away from home -----	154.7	-	.5	-	8.3
Restaurant meals -----	154.8	-	.4	-	8.3
Snacks 1/ -----	134.6	-	.4	-	8.5
Food at home -----	127.8	128.4	.3	.5	6.7
Cereals and bakery products -----	128.0	-	.3	-	5.3
Flour -----	113.2	-	-.9	-	.9
Cracker meal 1/ -----	135.7	-	1.0	-	13.7
Corn flakes -----	130.5	-	.4	-	2.0
Rice -----	115.0	-	.2	-	2.7
Bread, white -----	134.1	-	.6	-	5.5
Bread, whole wheat 1/ -----	125.3	-	-.3	-	4.8
Cookies -----	104.7	-	1.3	-	3.8
Layer cake 1/ -----	121.5	-	-.2	-	6.7
Cinnamon rolls 1/ -----	118.5	-	.3	-	5.9
Meats, poultry, and fish -----	130.5	132.2	-.3	.1	8.8
Meats -----	135.0	137.3	-.4	-.1	9.4
Beef and veal -----	135.9	136.4	-.4	-.9	6.3
Steak, round -----	129.0	129.9	- 1.6	- 2.2	3.9
Steak, sirloin 2/ -----	124.3	-	-.2	-	3.0
Steak, porterhouse 1/ -----	129.2	-	- 1.0	-	3.2
Rump roast 1/ -----	124.2	-	-.7	-	6.0
Rib roast -----	142.7	143.5	-.1	-.1	3.3
Chuck roast -----	128.0	128.6	- 1.5	-.8	5.3
Hamburger -----	142.8	144.1	.3	.4	8.7
Beef liver 1/ -----	121.8	-	.6	-	11.1
Veal cutlets -----	171.8	172.0	.4	.5	11.4
Pork -----	134.8	139.8	-.8	.0	13.5
Chops -----	135.1	141.9	-.4	.4	10.4
Loin roast 2/ -----	143.6	-	.1	-	10.6
Pork sausage 1/ -----	150.4	-	-.1	-	15.7
Ham, whole -----	129.0	132.6	- 3.4	- 2.8	16.1
Picnics 1/ -----	138.5	-	- 1.0	-	14.0
Bacon -----	137.1	141.0	-.8	-.5	15.8
Other meats -----	137.9	138.7	-.1	-.0	11.2
Lamb chops 1/ -----	141.2	-	-.6	-	3.7
Frankfurters -----	138.2	139.5	.6	1.2	13.1
Ham, canned 1/ -----	136.7	-	- 1.2	-	17.2
Bologna sausage 1/ -----	139.5	-	-.1	-	12.8
Salami sausage 1/ -----	132.0	-	.2	-	11.3
Liverwurst 1/ -----	132.9	-	.8	-	10.2
Poultry -----	97.1	-	.0	-	4.1
Frying chicken -----	95.3	96.6	-.1	3.3	.6
Chicken breasts 1/ -----	109.2	-	-.2	-	4.6
Turkey 1/ -----	119.5	-	.4	-	21.1
Fish -----	142.3	142.2	.9	.9	9.9
Shrimp, frozen 1/ -----	127.8	-	.8	-	8.1
Fish, fresh or frozen -----	153.0	152.8	.3	.1	15.9
Tuna fish, canned -----	126.0	-	1.2	-	10.5
Sardines, canned 1/ -----	130.8	-	1.2	-	5.7
Dairy products -----	129.9	130.3	.3	.1	5.1
Milk, fresh, grocery -----	126.6	127.4	.1	.0	4.9
Milk, fresh, delivered -----	134.0	-	.1	-	5.3
Milk, fresh, skim 1/ -----	129.2	-	.7	-	6.2
Milk, evaporated -----	129.7	-	1.4	-	4.8
Ice cream -----	103.4	-	.7	-	4.7
Cheese, American process -----	157.2	156.9	-.1	-.4	7.6
Butter -----	121.0	121.5	.7	.7	2.6

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 7. Consumer Price Index--United States City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, Food Items  
May 1970 indexes and percent changes from selected dates--Continued  
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Index		Percent Change to May 1970 from--		
	May 1970		April 1970		May 1959
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
Fruits and vegetables -----	136.8	134.0	1.6	0.4	5.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables -----	151.5	146.5	2.4	.5	7.5
Apples -----	149.7	143.0	5.9	1.1	- 12.7
Bananas -----	101.6	99.4	.2	- 2.4	5.5
Oranges -----	123.7	129.3	1.1	- 1.3	- 2.0
Orange juice, fresh <u>1/</u> -----	90.1	-	.2	-	- 1.2
Grapefruit -----	160.1	170.0	5.1	- .3	16.6
Grapes * -----	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Strawberries * -----	128.1	134.6	- 5.0	7.4	5.4
Watermelon * -----	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)	(3/)
Potatoes -----	166.9	160.8	4.4	- 1.0	16.1
Onions -----	180.0	174.6	- .4	- 4.8	37.9
Asparagus * <u>1/</u> -----	138.9	-	16.4	-	16.8
Cabbage -----	194.3	180.6	- 3.9	- 8.0	27.3
Carrots -----	117.3	122.7	1.7	3.0	6.9
Celery -----	160.5	162.3	24.7	17.3	19.5
Cucumbers <u>1/</u> -----	154.6	-	- 27.8	-	- 4.0
Lettuce -----	138.9	137.3	10.9	10.5	- 7.0
Peppers, green <u>1/</u> -----	344.4	-	14.9	-	83.2
Spinach <u>1/</u> -----	117.5	-	- 2.0	-	7.2
Tomatoes -----	145.2	123.9	- 8.7	- 14.4	- 16.5
Processed fruits and vegetables -----	118.3	-	.3	-	1.7
Fruit cocktail, canned -----	106.3	-	.1	-	.3
Pears, canned <u>1/</u> -----	105.6	-	.7	-	- 3.1
Grapefruit-pineapple juice, canned <u>1/</u> -----	105.5	-	.3	-	6.5
Orange juice concentrate, frozen -----	92.4	91.8	- .2	.8	- 10.9
Lemonade concentrate, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	97.0	-	.5	-	4.9
Beets, canned <u>1/</u> -----	115.9	-	- .3	-	2.2
Peas, green, canned -----	122.0	-	- .9	-	.7
Tomatoes, canned -----	133.3	-	2.0	-	7.7
Dried beans -----	121.3	-	- .2	-	- 3.3
Broccoli, frozen <u>1/</u> -----	112.9	-	- .1	-	9.4
Other food at home -----	113.7	115.3	- .1	1.2	6.2
Eggs -----	97.7	108.1	- 5.7	3.3	.3
Fats and oils:					
Margarine -----	111.4	-	2.4	-	8.4
Salad dressing, Italian <u>1/</u> -----	103.2	-	.9	-	.0
Salad or cooking oil <u>1/</u> -----	134.7	-	2.7	-	9.8
Sugar and sweets -----	131.8	-	1.0	-	5.7
Sugar -----	119.6	-	.6	-	4.0
Grape jelly -----	132.3	-	.8	-	7.5
Chocolate bar -----	133.2	-	2.4	-	7.0
Syrup, chocolate flavored <u>1/</u> -----	110.6	-	.3	-	3.9
Nonalcoholic beverages -----	115.2	-	1.1	-	12.2
Coffee, can and bag -----	103.6	-	1.4	-	19.6
Coffee, instant <u>4/</u> -----	114.7	-	.5	-	11.4
Tea -----	104.8	-	1.2	-	4.0
Cola drink -----	163.0	-	.6	-	6.0
Carbonated fruit drink <u>1/</u> -----	130.0	-	1.2	-	8.0
Prepared and partially prepared foods <u>1/</u> -----	110.1	-	.3	-	3.9
Bean soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	111.1	-	.5	-	5.6
Chicken soup, canned <u>1/</u> -----	102.3	-	.3	-	4.2
Spaghetti, canned <u>1/</u> -----	123.2	-	.4	-	6.0
Mashed potatoes, instant <u>1/</u> -----	110.7	-	.1	-	2.8
Potatoes, french fried, frozen <u>2/</u> -----	93.5	-	.3	-	3.2
Baby foods, canned -----	112.5	-	.4	-	1.4
Sweet pickle relish <u>1/</u> -----	117.6	-	- .3	-	4.5
Pretzels <u>1/</u> -----	110.1	-	.1	-	3.1

1/ December 1963=100.  
2/ April 1960=100.  
3/ Priced only in season.  
4/ July 1961=100.

TABLE 8. Consumer Price Index--U.S. City Average  
For Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers  
Indexes for Selected Items and Groups May 1970

and Percent Changes from Selected Dates  
(1957-59=100 unless otherwise specified)

Item or Group	Other Index Bases	Indexes		Percent Change to May 1970 From:	
		May 1970	April 1970	April 1970	May 1969
Housing -----		135.1	134.4	0.5	7.4
Shelter 1/ -----		144.7	143.7	.7	9.3
Rent -----		123.0	122.6	.3	4.1
Homeownership costs 2/ -----		153.3	152.1	.8	11.1
Mortgage interest rates -----		149.2	149.1	.1	11.1
Property taxes -----	Dec.63	139.4	138.2	.9	8.7
Property insurance rates -----		153.2	153.6	.3	4.3
Maintenance and repairs -----		149.9	148.8	.7	7.4
Commodities 3/ -----	Dec.63	118.4	117.8	.5	.8
Exterior house paint -----		119.9	119.9	.0	3.5
Interior house paint -----	Dec.63	115.0	114.6	.3	3.0
Services -----	Dec.63	147.9	146.7	.8	10.2
Repainting living and dining rooms -----		191.7	187.9	2.0	11.8
Reshingling roofs -----		167.1	165.6	.9	9.7
Residing houses -----	Dec.63	137.4	137.1	.2	7.7
Replacing sinks -----	Dec.63	150.4	149.1	.9	11.2
Repairing furnaces -----	Dec.63	153.7	152.9	.5	12.7
Fuel and utilities -----		116.4	116.3	.1	3.4
Fuel oil and coal -----		121.0	120.9	.1	3.0
Fuel oil, #2 -----		118.0	117.8	.2	2.7
Gas and electricity -----		115.8	115.7	.1	4.1
Gas -----		123.2	123.1	.1	5.8
Electricity -----		108.2	108.0	.2	2.6
Other utilities:					
Residential telephone services -----		104.9	104.8	.1	1.5
Residential water and sewerage services -----		151.0	151.0	.0	5.3
Household furnishings and operation 4/ -----		122.5	122.0	.4	4.3
Housefurnishings -----		112.2	112.0	.2	3.1
Textiles -----		116.2	116.7	-.4	1.6
Sheets, percale or muslin -----		121.8	123.6	-1.5	3.0
Curtains, tailored, polyester marquisette -----		113.2	113.3	-.1	1.9
Bedspreads, chiefly cotton, tufted -----		116.8	117.8	-.8	-.4
Drapery fabric, cotton or rayon/acetate -----		127.3	127.0	.2	4.3
Pillows, bed, polyester or acrylic filling -----	Dec.63	106.3	107.4	-1.0	-2.2
Slipcovers, ready made, chiefly cotton -----	Dec.63	112.7	111.8	.8	3.0
Furniture and bedding -----		126.6	126.0	.5	4.1
Bedroom suites, good or inexpensive quality -----		100.5	100.4	.1	(5/)
Living room suites, good and inexpensive quality -----		128.1	127.9	.2	3.9
Lounge chairs, upholstered -----	Dec.63	122.5	121.9	.5	6.9
Dining room suites -----	Dec.63	100.2	100.2	.0	(5/)
Sofas, upholstered -----	Dec.63	119.1	118.7	.3	4.2
Sofas, dual purpose -----		123.3	122.6	.6	6.1
Aluminum folding chairs 6/ -----	June 64	114.7	111.8	2.6	.2
Cribs -----	Dec.63	121.4	120.0	1.2	3.7
Floor coverings -----		107.4	106.9	.5	1.1
Rugs, soft surface -----		104.2	103.8	.4	.0
Rugs, hard surface -----		113.7	113.7	.0	2.3
Tile, vinyl -----	Dec.63	113.1	111.8	1.2	4.7
Appliances 7/ -----		87.1	87.1	.0	1.8
Washing machines, electric, automatic -----		92.9	92.9	.0	3.0
Vacuum cleaners, canister type -----		81.5	81.6	-.1	.1
Refrigerators or refrigerator-freezers electric -----		87.3	87.5	-.2	2.8
Ranges, free standing, gas or electric -----		100.2	100.7	-.5	3.3
Clothes dryers, electric, automatic -----	Dec.63	101.9	102.1	-.2	2.8
Air conditioners, demountable 6/ -----	June 64	101.3	101.3	.0	2.1
Room heaters, electric, portable 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Garbage disposal units -----	Dec.63	107.4	107.2	.2	3.7
Other housefurnishings:					
Dinnerware, earthenware -----		138.3	138.1	.1	4.4
Flatware, stainless steel -----	Dec.63	120.8	120.7	.1	2.3
Table lamps, with shade -----	Dec.63	121.4	121.2	.2	6.9
Lawn mowers, power, rotary type 6/ -----	June 64	120.1	120.5	-.3	3.4
Electric drills, hand held -----	Dec.63	103.3	103.3	.0	1.0
Housekeeping supplies:					
Laundry soaps and detergents -----		110.0	109.8	.2	3.7
Paper napkins -----		138.5	136.4	1.5	9.0
Toilet tissue -----		129.4	127.8	1.3	9.7
Housekeeping services:					
Domestic service, general housework -----		185.5	184.8	.4	7.9
Baby sitter service -----	Dec.63	141.5	140.9	.4	6.3
Postal charges -----		165.5	165.5	.0	.0
Laundry, flatwork, finished service -----	Dec.63	150.0	149.8	.1	7.4
Licensed day care service, preschool child -----	Dec.63	132.5	132.1	.3	4.2
Washing machine repairs -----	Dec.63	140.4	139.8	.4	7.2

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Item and Group	Other Index Bases	Indexes		Percent change to May 1970 From:	
		May 1970	April 1970	April 1970	May 1969
Apparel and upkeep 8/ -----		131.9	131.1	0.6	4.2
Apparel commodities -----		131.2	130.4	.6	4.1
Apparel commodities less footwear -----		128.0	127.1	.7	3.7
Men's and boys' -----		133.9	133.4	.4	4.5
Men's:					
Topcoats, wool 6/ -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Suits, year round weight -----		160.2	159.8	.3	6.7
Suits, tropical weight 6/ -----	June 64	138.4	137.4	.7	6.5
Jackets, lightweight -----	Dec.63	125.1	125.3	-.2	-.2
Slacks, wool or wool blend -----		132.7	131.8	.7	5.1
Slacks, cotton or manmade blend -----		123.4	123.0	.3	8.0
Trousers, work, cotton -----		117.1	117.2	-.1	.5
Shirts, work, cotton -----		126.5	126.4	.1	3.2
Shirts, business, cotton -----		124.2	124.1	.1	2.4
T-shirts, chiefly cotton -----		134.6	134.1	.4	4.5
Socks, cotton -----		122.6	122.6	.0	2.7
Handkerchiefs, cotton -----	Dec.63	115.1	114.4	.6	3.2
Boy's:					
Coats, all purpose, cotton or cotton blend 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Sport coats, wool or wool blend 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Dungarees, cotton or cotton blend -----		130.1	129.5	.5	3.3
Undershirts, cotton -----		131.6	130.9	.5	4.4
Women's and girls' -----		126.6	125.2	1.1	3.4
Women's:					
Coats, heavyweight, wool or wool blend 6/ -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Carcoats, heavyweight, cotton 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Sweaters, wool or acrylic 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Skirts, wool or wool blend 6/ -----	Sept.61	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Skirts, cotton or cotton blend 6/ -----	Mar.62	136.3	135.2	.8	1.4
Blouses, cotton -----		129.7	127.1	2.0	5.1
Dresses, street, chiefly manmade fiber -----		156.5	158.9	- 1.5	6.0
Dresses, street, wool or wool blend 6/ -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Dresses, street, cotton 6/ -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Housedresses, cotton -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Slips, nylon -----		115.6	114.7	.8	5.0
Panties, acetate -----		113.3	112.7	.5	4.1
Girdles, manmade blend -----		121.4	121.3	.1	2.0
Brassieres, cotton -----	Dec.63	129.2	128.4	.6	7.0
Hose, nylon seamless -----		99.1	98.9	.2	.0
Anklets, cotton -----	Dec.63	120.1	120.1	.0	3.0
Gloves, fabric, nylon or cotton -----	Dec.63	111.2	110.6	.5	2.4
Handbags, rayon faille or plastic -----	Dec.63	119.3	118.8	.4	5.6
Girl's:					
Raincoats, vinyl plastic or chiefly cotton 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Skirts, wool or wool blend 6/ -----		(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Dresses, cotton -----		129.4	135.1	- 4.2	3.5
Slacks, cotton 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Slips, cotton blend -----	Dec.63	107.3	107.5	-.2	.3
Robes, duster style, quilted tricot or percale 6/ -----	Dec.63	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)	(6/)
Handbags -----	Dec.63	117.4	115.7	1.5	8.2
Footwear -----		147.6	147.2	.3	5.7
Men's:					
Shoes, street, oxford -----		145.3	144.7	.4	5.1
Shoes, work, high -----		142.9	142.6	.2	5.0
Women's:					
Shoes, street, pump -----	Dec.63	157.3	157.3	.0	6.3
Shoes, evening, pump -----	Dec.63	126.7	125.8	.7	6.4
Shoes, casual, pump -----	Dec.63	138.7	138.3	.3	9.1
Houseslipppers, scuff -----	Dec.63	127.7	127.7	.0	3.1
Children's:					
Shoes, oxford -----		146.6	146.3	.2	5.2
Sneakers, boys', oxford type -----	Dec.63	122.6	122.0	.5	5.9
Dress shoes, girls', strap -----	Dec.63	138.3	137.5	.6	5.8
Miscellaneous apparel:					
Diapers, cotton gauze -----		104.9	104.8	.1	2.1
Yard goods, cotton -----		127.6	126.8	.6	5.9
Wrist watches, men's and women's -----	Dec.63	103.8	103.7	.1	1.7
Apparel services:					
Drycleaning, men's suits and women's dresses -----		136.0	135.7	.2	4.8
Automatic laundry service -----	Dec.63	113.2	113.1	.1	2.6
Laundry, men's shirts -----	Dec.63	129.0	128.8	.2	5.7
Tailoring charges, hem adjustment -----	Dec.63	128.8	128.4	.3	4.3
Shoe repairs, women's heel lift -----		126.5	126.3	.2	5.3

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Item and Group	Other Index Bases	Indexes		Percent change to May 1970 From:	
		May 1970	April 1970	April 1970	May 1969
Transportation -----		129.9	128.9	0.8	4.8
Private 9/ -----		125.9	124.9	.8	3.9
Automobiles, new -----		104.1	104.3	-.2	2.3
Automobiles, used -----		127.5	121.1	5.3	.6
Gasoline, regular and premium -----		118.6	119.2	-.5	1.1
Motor oil, premium -----		142.8	142.6	.1	4.5
Tires, new, tubeless -----		118.6	118.6	.0	2.6
Auto repairs and maintenance 10/ -----		142.9	142.1	.6	7.5
Auto insurance rates -----		179.5	178.6	.5	13.5
Auto registration -----		140.9	140.9	.0	5.0
Parking fees, private and municipal -----	Dec.63	132.3	131.7	.5	11.8
Public -----		166.6	165.8	.5	12.6
Local transit fares -----		185.2	183.9	.7	16.0
Taxicab fares -----	Dec.63	131.5	131.5	.0	5.4
Railroad fares, coach -----		121.1	121.1	.0	5.7
Airplane fares, chiefly coach -----	Dec.63	117.8	117.8	.0	6.4
Bus fares, intercity -----	Dec.63	128.6	128.6	.0	8.4
Health and recreation -----		142.9	142.3	.4	5.3
Medical care -----		163.6	162.8	.5	5.9
Drugs and prescriptions -----		101.4	100.9	.5	2.1
Over-the-counter items -----	Dec.63	109.2	108.6	.6	2.1
Multiple vitamin concentrates -----	Dec.63	92.7	92.0	.8	.3
Aspirin compounds -----	Dec.63	109.2	108.1	1.0	2.8
Liquid tonics -----	Dec.63	101.9	101.9	.0	1.0
Adhesive bandages, package -----	Dec.63	121.4	119.8	1.3	3.8
Cold tablets or capsules -----	Dec.63	112.7	112.6	.1	3.1
Cough syrup -----	Dec.63	116.4	116.0	.3	1.1
Prescriptions -----		90.5	90.3	.2	2.1
Anti-infectives -----	Mar.60	63.1	63.0	.2	.0
Sedatives and hypnotics -----	Mar.60	114.2	113.7	.4	7.3
Ataractics -----	Mar.60	90.7	90.7	.0	.8
Anti-spasmodics -----	Mar.60	102.4	102.2	.2	1.3
Cough preparations -----	Mar.60	118.0	118.1	-.1	8.0
Cardiovasculars and anti-hypertensives -----	Mar.60	100.4	100.0	.4	3.6
Analgesics, internal -----	Mar.67	105.2	105.3	-.1	2.1
Anti-obesity -----	Mar.67	107.2	106.0	1.1	4.5
Hormones -----	Mar.67	94.2	93.6	.6	-.7
Professional services:					
Physicians' fees -----		165.6	164.3	.8	7.3
General physician, office visits -----		168.3	167.3	.6	8.0
General physician, house visits -----		173.6	172.5	.6	6.6
Obstetrical cases -----		161.1	159.2	1.2	8.4
Pediatric care, office visits -----	Dec.63	151.3	148.7	1.7	7.9
Psychiatrist, office visits -----	Dec.63	135.0	134.7	.2	4.5
Herniorrhaphy, adult -----	Dec.63	129.6	128.7	.7	4.6
Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy -----		156.1	154.2	1.2	6.0
Dentists' fees -----		151.2	150.7	.3	5.3
Fillings, adult, amalgam, one surface -----		153.3	152.5	.5	6.0
Extractions, adult -----		148.9	148.9	.0	4.4
Dentures, full upper -----	Dec.63	133.2	132.7	.4	4.6
Other professional services:					
Examination, prescription, and dispensing of eyeglasses -----		136.9	136.7	.1	4.7
Routine laboratory tests -----	Dec.63	121.3	121.2	.1	3.1
Hospital service charges:					
Daily service charges -----		283.1	282.3	.3	12.2
Semiprivate rooms -----		279.8	279.1	.3	12.6
Private rooms -----		272.3	271.4	.3	11.4
Operating room charges -----	Dec.63	180.9	180.3	.3	9.8
X-ray, diagnostic series, upper G.I. -----	Dec.63	129.4	128.1	1.0	6.0
Personal care -----		130.3	129.8	.4	3.6
Toilet goods -----		113.3	113.0	.3	2.6
Toothpaste, standard dentifrice -----		114.4	114.7	-.3	1.1
Toilet soap, hard milled -----		126.2	124.3	1.5	1.9
Hand lotions, liquid -----	Dec.63	111.5	111.3	.2	3.5
Shaving cream, aerosol -----		102.1	102.3	-.2	-.2
Face powder, pressed -----		131.6	131.0	.5	6.1
Deodorants, cream or roll-on -----	Dec.63	95.8	95.9	-.1	.4
Cleansing tissues -----		116.4	116.0	.3	7.9
Home permanent refills -----		98.4	98.3	.1	.0
Personal care services -----		151.3	150.5	.5	4.6
Men's haircuts -----		161.0	159.7	.8	5.2
Beauty shop services -----		141.2	140.9	.2	4.1
Women's haircuts -----	Dec.63	126.4	126.3	.1	3.9
Shampoo and wave sets, plain -----		159.0	158.6	.3	4.5
Permanent waves, cold -----		109.6	109.4	.2	2.9

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Item and Group	Other Index Bases	Indexes		Percent change to May 1970 From:	
		May 1970	April 1970	April 1970	May 1969
Reading and recreation <sup>11/</sup> -----		135.2	134.4	0.6	3.8
Recreational goods -----	Dec. 63	99.9	99.6	.3	1.3
TV sets, portable and console -----		80.1	80.0	.1	.0
TV replacement tubes -----	Dec. 63	118.3	117.5	.7	2.3
Radios, portable and table model -----		76.6	76.5	.1	.0
Tape recorders, portable -----	Dec. 63	90.4	90.3	.1	- 1.4
Phonograph records, stereophonic -----	Dec. 63	98.3	97.8	.5	.8
Movie cameras, Super 8, zoom lens -----	Dec. 63	82.0	81.4	.7	- 3.5
Film, 35mm, color -----	Dec. 63	100.0	99.7	.3	1.0
Golf balls, liquid center -----	Dec. 63	104.2	103.8	.4	.0
Basketballs, rubber or vinyl cover -----	Dec. 63	117.9	117.2	.6	4.2
Fishing rods, fresh water spincast -----	Dec. 63	119.0	119.0	.0	1.3
Bowling balls -----	Dec. 63	101.7	101.5	.2	3.2
Bicycle, boys' -----	Dec. 63	110.5	110.8	-.3	1.4
Tricycles -----	Dec. 63	113.1	111.6	1.3	4.2
Dog food, canned or boxed -----	Dec. 63	110.8	110.4	.4	3.0
Recreational services -----	Dec. 63	135.9	135.0	.7	5.2
Indoor movie admissions -----		217.9	215.4	1.2	10.4
Adult -----		212.8	210.9	.9	10.8
Children's -----		234.8	230.6	1.8	8.9
Drive-in movie admissions, adult -----	Dec. 63	168.9	168.1	.5	7.6
Bowling fees, evening -----	Dec. 63	115.2	115.2	.0	4.2
Golf greens fees -----	Dec. 63	141.5	139.3	1.6	5.8
TV repairs, picture tube replacement -----		98.6	98.7	-.1	- 3.6
Film developing, black and white -----	Dec. 63	117.7	117.6	.1	- 1.9
Reading and education:					
Newspapers, street sale and delivery -----		161.5	160.4	.7	5.1
Magazines, single copy and subscription -----	Dec. 63	130.5	129.3	.9	3.3
Piano lessons, beginner -----	Dec. 63	128.2	128.2	.0	4.9
Other goods and services -----		136.1	135.6	.4	7.2
Tobacco products -----		156.7	156.4	.2	10.1
Cigarettes, nonfilter tip, regular size -----		164.4	164.1	.2	10.1
Cigarettes, filter tip, king size -----	Mar. 59	157.2	156.8	.3	11.5
Cigars, domestic, regular size -----		108.6	108.6	.0	2.4
Alcoholic beverages -----		123.1	122.5	.5	5.4
Beer -----		118.5	118.2	.3	3.8
Whiskey, spirit blended and straight bourbon -----		112.5	111.8	.6	3.0
Wine, dessert and table -----	Dec. 63	119.4	118.9	.4	9.7
Away from home -----	Dec. 63	129.3	128.4	.7	7.3
Financial and miscellaneous personal expenses:					
Funeral services, adult -----	Dec. 63	119.3	119.0	.3	4.1
Bank service charges, checking accounts -----	Dec. 63	110.0	110.0	.0	1.9
Legal services, short form will -----	Dec. 63	146.1	145.6	.3	9.9
Other special groups:					
All items less shelter -----		132.1	131.5	.5	5.3
Commodities less food -----		122.3	121.6	.6	4.1
Nondurables less food and apparel -----		125.3	125.0	.2	4.2
Household services less rent -----		160.0	159.1	.6	10.3
Transportation services -----		156.1	155.5	.4	10.1
Other services -----		152.3	151.4	.6	5.3

<sup>1/</sup> Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.  
<sup>2/</sup> Also includes home purchase costs not shown separately.  
<sup>3/</sup> Also includes pine shelving, furnace air filters, packaged dry cement mix, and shrubbery not shown separately.  
<sup>4/</sup> Also includes venetian blinds, nails, carpet sweepers, air deodorizers, steel wool scouring pads, envelopes, reupholstering, and moving expenses.  
<sup>5/</sup> Not available.  
<sup>6/</sup> Priced only in season.  
<sup>7/</sup> Also includes radios and television sets, shown separately under reading and recreation.  
<sup>8/</sup> Also includes men's sport shirts, women's and girls' lightweight coats, women's slacks, cocktail dresses, bathing suits, girls' shorts, earrings, and zippers not shown separately.  
<sup>9/</sup> Also includes recapped tires and drivers' license fees not shown separately.  
<sup>10/</sup> Includes prices for water pump replacement, motor tune-up, automatic transmission repair, exhaust system repair, front end alignment, and chassis lubrication.  
<sup>11/</sup> Also includes outboard motors, nondurable toys, college tuition fees, paperback books, and college textbooks, not shown separately.

Reliability of Percent Changes in the CPI

A system of "replicated" samples introduced into the index structure in the 1964 revision permits an estimate of sampling error for the CPI. <sup>1/</sup> The table below shows standard errors for monthly, quarterly, and annual percent changes in the CPI for all items and for nine commodity groupings based on 1969 averages. The figures may be interpreted as follows: the chances are about 95 out of 100 that the percent change in the CPI as computed differs from the corresponding "complete coverage" change by less than twice the standard error. Data also are shown in terms of the relative error of the standard error of percent changes. The relative errors tend to decrease markedly for successively longer time periods, as expected.

Because the CPI is rounded to one decimal place, some ambiguity may arise in interpreting small index changes. The table below indicates, for example, that a month-to-month change of 0.1 percent in the all-items CPI is significant. Because of rounding, however, a change of this size in the published index might result from a much smaller change in the unrounded value. Hence, any particular change of 0.1 percent may or may not be significant. On the other hand, a published change of 0.2 percent is almost always significant, regardless of the time period to which it relates.

Standard and Relative Errors of Percent Changes in the  
CPI Based on 1969 Data

Component	Standard Error			Relative Error		
	Monthly Change	Quarterly Change	Annual Change	Monthly Change	Quarterly Change	Annual Change
All items -----	.03	.05	.07	.07	.04	.01
Food at home-----	.07	.11	.13	.10	.07	.03
Food away from home ----	.08	.14	.28	.13	.08	.05
Housing -----	.06	.09	.15	.10	.06	.02
Apparel -----	.14	.23	.22	.25	.18	.04
Transportation -----	.08	.13	.14	.13	.10	.04
Medical care -----	.13	.19	.36	.24	.12	.05
Personal care -----	.12	.20	.32	.36	.20	.07
Reading and recreation --	.09	.13	.20	.33	.15	.05
Other goods and services-	.13	.20	.34	.25	.14	.08

This replaces the table of average errors based on 1968 data which was included in the CPI report through December 1969.

<sup>1/</sup> The method of deriving these estimates is described in a paper by Marvin Wilkerson, "Measurement of Sampling Error in the Consumer Price Index," Journal of the American Statistical Association, September 1967.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures average changes in prices of goods and services usually bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers, both families and single persons living alone. It is based on prices of about 400 items which were selected to represent the movement of prices of all goods and services purchased by wage earners and clerical workers. Prices for these items are obtained in urban portions of 39 Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas (SMSA's) and 17 smaller cities, which were chosen to represent all urban places in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii. They are collected from grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments which wage earners and clerical workers patronize.

Prices of foods, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 56 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the 5 largest SMSA's and every 3 months in other SMSA's and cities. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain local transit fares, public utility rates, newspaper prices, fuel prices, and certain other items which change in price infrequently. Prices of most other goods and services are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of all wage earners and clerical workers. SMSA and city data are then combined in the total index with weights based on the 1960 populations of SMSA's and cities they represent. Index numbers are computed on the base 1957-59=100, and are also available on the bases of 1947-49=100 and 1939=100.

The national index (the United States city average) includes prices from the 23 SMSA's for which separate indexes are published in this report, as well as from the following additional locations:

Alabama - Florence	Louisiana - Baton Rouge*	Ohio - Findlay
Alaska - Anchorage	Maine - Portland*	Oklahoma - Mangum
California - Bakersfield*	Massachusetts - Southbridge	Oregon - Klamath Falls
Colorado - Denver*	Michigan - Niles	Pennsylvania - Lancaster*
Connecticut - Hartford*	Minnesota - Crookston	South Carolina - Union
Florida - Orlando*	Mississippi - Vicksburg	Tennessee - Nashville*
Indiana - Indianapolis*	New Jersey - Millville	Texas - Austin*
Indiana - Logansport	New York - Kingston	Texas - McAllen
Illinois - Champaign-Urbana*	North Carolina - Durham*	Utah - Orem
Iowa - Cedar Rapids*	North Dakota - Devils Lake	Virginia - Martinsville
Kansas - Wichita*	Ohio - Dayton*	Wisconsin - Green Bay*

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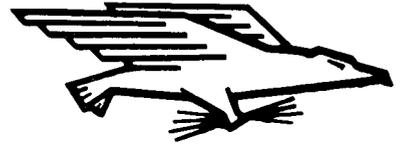
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