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## Price Movements

## January 1977

The Consumer Price Index rose 0.6 percent in January before seasonal adjustment to 175.3 percent of its 1967 base. The January CPI was 5.2 percent higher than in January 1976. Because some prices were collected early in January, particularly those for food, the January CPI does not reflect the full price impact of the severe winter weather that affected much of the Nation in late January.

## Seasonally adjusted changes

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI rose 0.8 percent in January. This rise compares with an average monthly increase of about 0.3 percent during the last 4 months of 1976. Price increases in the food and services components
were much larger than in recent months. Prices of commodities other than food increased about the same as in December.

The food index advanced 0.9 percent in January, compared with an increase of 0.6 percent for the entire year of 1976. Prices rose in January for most types of foods purchased in grocery stores. Prices turned up for pork, cereal and bakery products, dairy products, and processed fruits and vegetables. Prices for beef, poultry, eggs, and fresh vegetables continued to increase, and coffee prices rose sharply. (Grocery store food prices were collected on January 4, 5, and 6.)

The services index rose 0.9 percent in January, compared with increases of 0.4 percent in recent months. Charges for household services other than rent rose 1.3 percent after seasonal adjustment in January, following an average increase of about 0.2 percent in the last 4 months of 1976 .

Table A. Percent changes in CPI and components, selected periods

| Month | Changes from preceding month |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Changes in all items |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Compound annual rate from 3 months ago | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { From } \\ 12 \text { months } \\ \text { ago } \end{array}$ |
|  | All items |  | Food |  | Commodities less food |  | Services |  |  |  |
|  | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted |
| 1976: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January.. | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| February. | . 2 | . 1 | -. 4 | -. 9 | . 3 | . 3 | . 7 | . 7 | 4.9 | 6.3 |
| March | . 2 | . 2 | -. 7 | -. 6 | . 4 | . 3 | . 6 | . 7 | 3.9 | 6.1 |
| April. | . 4 | . 4 | . 3 | . 5 | . 6 | . 3 | . 3 | . 5 | 3.1 | 6.1 |
| May | . 6 | . 7 | . 4 | . 8 | . 8 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 | 5.4 | 6.2 |
| June | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 | . 2 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 | . 6 | 6.1 | 5.9 |
| July | . 6 | . 5 | . 7 | . 1 | . 4 | . 4 | . 7 | . 7 | 6.3 | 5.4 |
| August | . 5 | . 5 | . 2 | . 2 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | 5.5 | 5.6 |
| September | . 4 | . 3 | -. 4 | . 1 | . 6 | . 3 | . 8 | . 5 | 5.3 | 5.5 |
| October. . . | . 4 | . 3 | 0 | . 2 | . 4 | . 4 | . 5 | . 4 | 4.8 | 5.3 |
| November . | . 3 | . 3 | -. 3 | -. 3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 5 | . 4 | 4.0 | 5.0 |
| December. | . 3 | . 4 | . 3 | . 1 | . 2 | . 6 | . 4 | . 4 | 4.2 | 4.8 |
| 1977: <br> January. . | . 6 | . 8 | . 9 | . 9 | 0 | . 7 | . 9 | . 9 | 6.1 | 5.2 |

NOTE: Seasonal adjustment factors have been recalculated to reflect developments during 1976. For this reason, some of the
seasonally adjusted figures shown above and elsewhere in this issue differ from those previously reported.

A substantial rise in property taxes and an increase-after seasonal adjustment-in mortgage interest rates contributed to the large January rise. Mortgage interest rates had declined during the last 8 months of 1976. Charges for gas and electricity continued to move up-0.9 percent in January, following a rise of 2.3 percent in December. Transportation services rose 0.5 percent after seasonal adjustment in January, compared with an 0.2 percent increase in December. Charges for medical care services increased 0.8 percent in January, about the same as in December.

The index for commodities other than food rose 0.7 percent in January after seasonal adjustment, more than most monthly increases in 1976. On a seasonally adjusted basis, prices rose in January for most commodities except gasoline. Increases for fuel oil and coal, new cars, and used cars- 2.0 percent, 0.6 percent, and 3.8 percent, respectively-were larger than in December. Apparel prices rose 0.6 percent, about the same as in December, while the increase of 0.3 percent for household durables was half as large as in December. The index for gasoline and motor oil declined 0.7 percent, the first seasonally adjusted decline in 9 months.

## Monthly changes in detail (not seasonally adjusted)

The index for food purchased in grocery stores rose 1.1 percent before seasonal adjustment in January. Over onefourth of this rise was due to a 7.0 -percent increase in coffee prices. Fresh vegetable prices rose 4.0 percent-more than their usual seasonal increase. Pork prices increased 3.1 percent instead of moving down as they usually do in January; this increase followed declines in the last 5 months of 1976. Prices also rose contraseasonally in January for beef, poultry, cereal and bakery products, and salad and cooking oils. Prices for candy bars and chocolate syrupwhich declined during 1976 -rose 2.1 percent and 1.9 percent, respectively, reflecting increases in prices of cocoa
beans. Sugar prices, however, declined for the fifth consecutive month. Prices also declined for dairy products and fresh fruits.

The index for food away from home--restaurant meals and snacks-increased 0.7 percent in January, more than in recent months.

The index for commodities other than food was unchanged in January before seasonal adjustment. Price declines for some items, particularly apparel and textile housefurnishings, offset increases for fuel oil, tobacco products, new cars, tires, and other items such as toilet goods and housekeeping supplies. Fuel oil prices rose 2.8 percent in January, following a rise of 2.5 percent in December and 2.0 percent in November. Prices this January were 9.5 percent higher than in January 1976. The new car index increased 0.5 percent; the downward effect on the index of rebates on small cars was more than offset by increases for 1977 -model imports. The 0.1 -percent increase in gasoline prices was less than the usual seasonal rise. Clearance sales lowered the prices for apparel, textile housefurnishings, and furniture. The decline in the apparel index, however, was moderated by price increases for many cotton apparel items. The used car index declined 0.2 percent, considerably less than is usual for January.

The services index rose 0.9 percent in January, with increases in property taxes and natural gas rates accounting for more than one-third of this rise. The index for property taxes rose 3.9 percent, reflecting property reassessments, a rise in the tax rate, or both, in many cities, particularly Los Angeles, Cleveland, and New York. The index for natural gas rose 2.3 percent, bringing the increase since September to 10.6 percent. There were also large increases in January for other services: 1.8 percent for water and sewerage rates; 1.5 percent for laundering services; 1.2 percent for hospital service charges; 0.8 percent for physicians' fees; and 1.0 percent for auto repairs. Charges for electricity increased 0.3 percent and auto insurance rates 0.4 percent, while mortgage interest rates were unchanged and telephone rates declined.

## Consumer Price Index Revision

The completion of the comprehensive program to revise the Consumer Price Index will be delayed beyond the previously announced date of April 1977. Although much of the work required for the revision has been completed, serious problems have been encountered, principally in the design and operation of the new computer system required to process and calculate the indexes and in data validation. The Bureau now estimates that the additional time required will delay completion of the revision program and publication of a revised Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers as well as a new Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers until the fall of 1977..

Until these revised indexes are officially introduced, the Bureau will, of course, continue to publish the present CPI. In accordance with previously announced plans, the Bureau also will continue the present CPI for a 6 -month period after the introduction of the revised indexes.

Chart 1. All items index and its rates of change, 1967-77


Chart 2. Commodities less food index and its rates of change, 1967-77


1/ Computed from the unadjusted series.
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Chart 3. Total food index and its rates of change, 1967-77


1/ Computed from the unadjusted series.
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Chart 4. Services index and its rates of change, 1967-77


Table 1. CPI-U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and expenditure class

| Group or class | Relative importance | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to January 1977 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | January 1976 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { January } \\ & 1977 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { January } \\ & 1976 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | October to November | Novernber to December | December to January |
|  | Commodity and service groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 100.000 | 174.3 | 175.3 | 5.2 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 |
| All items (1957-59 = 100) | - | 202.7 | 203.8 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Commodities ... | 62.468 | 168.1 | 168.7 | 3.9 | . 4 | . 2 | . 4 | . 8 |
| Food | 23.667 | 181.7 | 183.4 | 1.4 | . 9 | -. 3 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Food at home | 18.456 | 179.3 | 181.2 | . 2 | 1.1 | -. 4 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Cereais and bakery products | 2.537 | 179.3 | 179.9 | -1.2 | . 3 | -. 6 | $-1.1$ | . 8 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish . . . . | 5.700 | 170.2 | 172.3 | -7.6 | 1.2 | -. 5 | -. 1 | 1.1 |
| Dairy products. . . . . . | 2.841 | 171.4 | 171.3 | 1.8 | $\cdots 1$ | -1.3 | -. 9 | . 5 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 3.019 | 175.5 | 177.6 | 2.5 | 1.2 | -1.5 | . 6 | -. 1 |
| Other foods at home | 4. 360 | 202.2 | 206.1 | 10.4 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.8 |
| Food away from home | 5.210 | 190.9 | 192.2 | 6.2 | . 7 | . 3 | . 5 | . 8 |
| Commodities less food... | 38.801 | 160.6 | 160.6 | 5.4 | 0 | . 4 | . 6 | . 7 |
| Nondurables less food | 22.795 | 162.3 | 161.9 | 4. 7 | -. 2 | . 4 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Apparel commodities ${ }^{1}$ | 7.811 | 149.9 | 147.6 | 4.3 | -1.5 | . 2 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Men's and boys' . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 2. 467 | 150.7 | 148.8 | 4.3 | -1.3 | . 1 | . 3 | . 5 |
| Women's and girls' | 2. 378 | 146.9 | 143.0 | 3. 5 | -2. 7 | . 3 | . 5 | . 9 |
| Footwear | 1. 383 | 153.4 | 153.2 | 5.9 | -. 1 | . 3 | . 3 | . 4 |
| Other apparel commodities | . 582 | 156.9 | 157.4 | 4.9 | . 3 | . 4 | . 6 | . 7 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel | 14.984 | 169.7 | 170.5 | 4.9 | . 5 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Gasoline and motor oit. | 3.426 | 179.9 | 180.0 | 3.0 | . 1 | . 7 | . 1 | -. 7 |
| Tobacco products | 1.873 | 163.7 | 165.4 | 4. 6 | 1.0 | . 7 | . 4 | 1.2 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 2.217 | 148.8 | 148.8 | 3. 3 | 0 | - 3 | . 3 | . 1 |
| Fuei oil and coal. . | 1.060 | 264.5 | 271.7 | 9.2 | 2.7 | . 2 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| Other nondurables. | 6.408 | 164.5 | 165.0 | 5.8 | . 3 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Durable commodities. | 16.006 | 158.4 | 158.9 | 6.6 | . 3 | . 4 | . 7 | . 9 |
| Household durables | 4.444 | 148.2 | 148.4 | 3.6 | - 1 | . 4 | . 6 | . 3 |
| New automobiles. | 1.909 | 104.4 | 141.1 | 5.1 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Used automobiles. Other durables . . | 2. 323 | 178.0 | 177.7 | 22.9 | -. 2 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 3.8 |
| Other durables. | 7.329 | 165. 1 | 166.0 | 4.5 | . 5 | *. 2 | *. 4 | *. 5 |
| Services | 37.532 | 185.8 | 187.5 | 7.2 | . 9 | . 4 | . 4 | . 9 |
| Rent | 4.525 | 148.3 | 149.0 | 5.5 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Services less rent | 33.007 | 192.6 | 194.4 | 7.4 | . 9 | . 4 | . 4 | . 9 |
| Household services less rent | 16.208 | 203.5 | 205.7 | 6.2 | 1. 1 | 0 | . 3 | 1. 3 |
| Transportation services. | 5. 295 | 180.8 | 182.2 | 9.1 | . 8 | . 6 | . 2 | . 5 |
| Medical care services Other services. | 5.958 | 205.7 | 207.6 | 10.4 | . 9 | 1.5 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Other services. | 5.547 | 165.7 | 166.7 | 6.4 | . 6 | . 5 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less food. | 76.333 | 172.2 | 172.9 | 6.3 | . 4 | *. 5 | *. 3 | *. 4 |
| Nondurable commodities. | 46.462 | 171.7 | 172. 4 | 3. 0 | . 4 | *. 2 | *. 2 | *. 4 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear | 6.428 | 149.2 | 146.5 | 4.0 | -1.8 | . 2 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Services less medical care services. | 31.575 | 182.7 | 184. 2 | 6.6 | . 8 | *. 3 | *. 4 | *. 8 |
| Insurance and finance | 9.864 | 200.4 | 202.9 | 5.2 | 1.2 | -. 3 | -. 4 | 1.5 |
| Utilities and public transportation | 5.675 | 179.6 | 181.3 | 9.3 | . 9 | . 5 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance service | 4. 830 | 216.7 | 217.6 | 7.3 | . 4 | *. 4 | *. 3 | *. 4 |
| Appliances (including radio and TV) ........ | 1.395 | 124.7 | 124.8 | 2.9 | . 1 | 0 | . 2 | . 2 |
|  | Expenditure classes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items. | 100.000 | 174.3 | 175.3 | 5.2 | . 6 | . 3 | . 4 | . 8 |
| Food | 23.667 | 181.7 | 183.4 | 1.4 | . 9 | -. 3 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Housing. | 34.202 | 181.6 | 183.0 | 5.7 | . 8 | *. 3 | *. 5 | *. 8 |
| Shelter ${ }^{1}$ | 21.256 | 182.4 | 183.9 | 4. 5 | . 8 | *. 1 | *. 2 | *. 8 |
| Rent | 4.525 | 148.3 | 149.0 | 5.5 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Homeownership ${ }^{2}$ | 16.328 | 195.0 | 196.7 | 4.2 | . 9 | *0 | *. 1 | *. 9 |
| Fuel and utilities ${ }^{\text {3 }}$. ${ }^{\text {Gas and electricity }}$. | 5.414 | 192.0 | 194.8 | 10.5 | 1.5 | . 4 | 1.6 | 1. 1 |
| Gas and electricity . . . . . . . . . . . | 2.913 | 201.4 172.3 | 204.2 172.6 150.0 | 13.8 5.4 | 1.4 | . 4 | 2. 3 | . 9 |
| Apparel and upkeep . . . . . . . Transportation . . . . . . . | 9.194 13.548 | 151.8 171.4 | 150.0 172.1 | 4.7 8.9 | -1.2 .4 | . 3 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Private | 12.227 | 170.7 | 171.4 | 9.3 | . 4 | . 5 | . 7 | . 9 |
| Public. | 1.321 | 178.0 | 178.7 | 5.0 | . 4 | . 2 | -. 3 | 1.0 |
| Health and recreation. | 19.013 | 168.0 | 169.0 | 6.6 | . 6 | *. 7 | *. 4 | *. 6 |
| Medical care. | 6.734 | 192.3 | 194. 1 | 9.9 | . 9 | *1.3 | *. 5 | *. 9 |
| Personal care | 2.554 | 165.2 | 166.2 | 6.7 | . 6 | *. 5 | *. 2 | *. 6 |
| Reading and recreation. | 5. 143 | 154. 4 | 154.9 | 4.5 | . 3 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 |
| Other goods and services Special indexes: | 4.582 | 155.9 | 156.7 | 4.1 | . 5 | . 5 | . 3 | . 6 |
| Special indexes: ${ }^{\text {All items less shelter. . . . . . . }}$ | 78.744 | 172.2 | 173.1 | 5.3 | . 5 | *. 4 |  |  |
| All items less medical care | 93.266 | 173.2 | 174.2 | 4.8 | . 6 | *. 2 | $*$ $*$ $*$ | *. 6 |
| All items less mortgage interest costs . . . | 95.840 | 172.3 | 173.3 | 5.4 | . 6 | *. 4 | *. 3 | *. 6 |
| CPI-domestically produced farm foods ${ }^{4}$. | 15.827 | 173.0 | 174.3 | -2. 4 | . 8 | *. 7 | *-. 1 | *. 8 |
| CPI-selected beef cuts ${ }^{3}$. . . . . . . . . . . . Purchasing power of consumer dollar: | 1.806 | 161.9 | 163.2 | -7.6 | . 8 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
|  | - | \$ 0.574 | \$ 0.570 | -5.0 | -. 7 | - | - | - |
| 1957-59=\$1.00.... | - | . 493 | . 491 | - | - | - | - | $\sim$ |

1 Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.
repairs.
repairs. ${ }_{3}$ Also includes residential telephone, fuel oil, coal, water, and sewerage services not shown separately.
${ }_{4}$ Calculated from the CPI food at home component by excluding fish, nonalcoholic beverages, bananas, chocolate candy bars, chocolate syrup and about half of the index weight for sugar.
${ }^{s}$ Calculated from the CPI beef and veal component by excluding veal cutlets and beef liver.

Not seasonally adjusted.
NOTE: Index applies to month as a whole, not to any specific date. Seasonal adjust ment factors have been recalculated to reflect developments during 1976. For this reason, some of the seasonally adjusted figures shown above differ from those previously reported.

Table 2. CPI-stasuriany adjusted U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and expenditure class


Table 3. CPI-food items, U.S. city average
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| Item and group | Index |  | Percent change to January 1977 from - |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | January 1977 |  | January 1976 | December 1976 |  |
|  | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted |
| Food | 183.4 | 183. 5 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Food away from home. | 192.2 | 192.0 | 6.2 | . 7 | ( 8 |
| Restaurant meals . . | 190.8 | (1) | 6.1 | . 5 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ |
| Snacks | 199.2 | 199.0 | 6.9 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| Food at home | 181.2 | 181.3 | . 2 | 1.1 | . 9 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 179.9 | 179.5 | -1.2 | . 3 | . 8 |
| Flour . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 147.8 | 144.8 | -8.3 | . 4 | -. 5 |
| Cracker meal | 223.9 | 227.1 | -. 8 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Corn flakes | 166.1 | 164.1 | -. 1 | . 6 | . 4 |
| Rice . . . . . | 187.8 | 184.8 | -9.6 | -. 1 | -. 8 |
| Bread, white. | 162.4 | 162.2 | -. 6 | . 2 | . 6 |
| Bread, whole wheat | 181.0 | 181.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| Cookies | 189.8 | 189.2 | 2.6 | -. 9 | -. 3 |
| Layer cake. | 187.4 | 187.2 | . 7 | .1 | . 8 |
| Cinnamon rolis | 197.0 | 195. 4 | . 5 | . 5 | 1.1 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | 172.3 | 174.0 | -7.6 | 1.2 | 1. 1 |
| Meats | 169.9 | 171.8 | -9.0 | 1.5 | 2.3 |
| Beef and veal .... | 162.1 | 165.2 | -7.3 | . 9 | 1.2 |
| Steak, round | 160.2 | 161.8 | -11.0 | 1.3 | . 6 |
| Steak, sirloin . . . . | 160.6 | 165.6 | -8. 5 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Steak, porterhouse. | 175.9 | 180.6 | -7.0 | . 7 | 2.3 |
| Rump roast . . . . . . | 159.3 | 161.7 | -8.6 | . 9 | . 7 |
| Rib roast . . . . . | 190.9 | 192.1 | -6. 5 | 1.7 | 1.9 |
| Chuck roast | 163.9 | 170.9 | -7.0 | 1.7 | 6.5 |
| Hamburger | 156.5 | 159.7 | -5.1 | . 1 | (i) ${ }^{6}$ |
| Beef liver. | 119.4 | (1) | -12.2 | -2.7 | (1) |
| Veai cutlets | 188.4 | 190.5 | -. 7 | 3.7 | 5.0 |
| Pork. . . . . . . . | 180.1 | 180. 1 | -14.3 | 3.1 | 4.5 |
| Chops. | 169.6 | 171.7 | -9.6 | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| Loin roast | 176.2 | 178.0 | -15.0 | 4.6 | 4.8 |
| Sausage | 203.2 | 205.0 | -14.3 | -. 6 | 2.1 |
| Ham, whole . | 197.0 | 184.5 | -10.9 | 3.5 | 4.1 |
| Picnics . . . . | 169.5 | 167.3 | -18.9 | 3.7 | 4.9 |
| Bacon . . . . | 178.1 | 181.0 | -18.0 | . 8 | 3.6 |
| Other meats. | 172.6 | 172.9 | -4. 3 | . 5 | 1.5 |
| Lamb chops. | 183.2 | 186.4 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| Frankfurters | 157.9 | 159.5 | -8.0 | . 6 | 1.9 |
| Ham, canned . . | 198.0 | 191.7 | -7. 1 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| Bologna sausage | 168.0 | 169.0 | -5. 5 | -. 7 | . 9 |
| Salami sausage . | 164.3 | 165.6 | -1.5 | -. 7 | 1.2 |
| Liverwusrt... | 163.2 | 163.0 | -5. 3 | . 6 | 1.4 |
| Poultry | 144.5 | 146.1 | -12.2 | . 3 | 1.5 |
| Frying chicken. | 144.2 | 146.4 | -14.2 | . 5 | 2.2 |
| Chisken breasts | 156.9 | 159.9 | -4.9 | . 4 | 1.9 |
| Turkey. | 133.8 | 132.0 | -9.7 | -. 7 | 0 |
| Fish. | 238.0 | 237.5 | 10.1 | . 2 |  |
| Shrimp, frozen . . . . Fish, fresh or frozen. | 233.1 269.2 | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ \text { (1) }\end{array}\right.$ | 12.9 16.3 | .8 .7 | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ 1 \\ 1\end{array}\right)$ |
| Fish, fresh or frozen. Tuna fish, canned. . | 269.2 195.0 | (t) 194.8 | 16.3 8.1 | .7 .7 | (1) 3 |
| Sardines, canned. | 253.8 | 253.5 | 3.8 | -1.4 | -. 4 |
| Dairy products. . . . | 171.3 | 170.3 | 1.8 | . 1 | . 5 |
| Milk, fresh, grocery | 161.7 | 160.9 | 1.3 | -. 1 | . 2 |
| Milk, fresh, skim. . . | 179.5 | 179.5 | 2. 3 | .1 | (i) ${ }^{6}$ |
| Milk, evaporated. . | 209.8 | (1) | 5.0 | .2 | (i) |
| lce cream. | 162.9 | 161.3 | 4.6 | -. 4 | . 2 |
| Cheese, American process | 201.8 | 200.4 | 2.3 | . 2 | 1.1 |
| Butter ........... | 154.1 | 151.5 | -2.1 | -. 3 | 3.3 |
| Fruits and vegetables . . . . . . Fresh fruits and vegetables. | 177.6 | 181.2 | 2.5 | 1.2 | -. 1 |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables . Fresh fruits . . . . . . . | 174.9 164.1 | 182.9 176.1 | 6.8 13.3 | 2.0 | . 2 |
| Fresh fruits . . . . . . | 164.1 | 176.1 | 13.3 | -. 6 | -1.3 |
| Apples . . . . . . Bananas . . . | 168.0 | 185.0 | 26.9 1.2 | .8 1.7 | $-1.3$ |
| Oranges | 148.5 | 154.2 | -. 9 | -4.6 | -2.1 |
| Orange juice, fresh | 156.7 | (1) | 4.1 | -. 2 | (i) |
| Grapefruit . . . . . | 146. 1 | $163.6$ | 4.6 | -i, 6 | -2. 1 |
| Grapes . . . . | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ 2 \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ 2 \\ 2\end{array}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) |
| Strawberries. | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ 2 \\ 2\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ \text { 2) }\end{array}\right.$ |
| Watermelon... Fresh vegetables. | ${ }^{(23)}$ | ${ }_{188}^{(2)} 7$ | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Fresh vegetables. . | 183.8 164.8 | 188.7 185.6 | 2.5 -13.8 | 4.0 -1.9 | 1.4 |
| Onions. | 162.8 | 184.0 | -12.1 | -1.9 4.4 | -2.0 4.5 |
| Asparagus. | ${ }_{(2)}$ | (2) | (2) | (i) | (2) |
| Cabbage . . | 222.6 | 219.3 | 28.1 | 18.3 | 13.3 |
| Carrots. . . <br> Celery | 204.6 | 209.0 | 33.9 -12.4 | 7. 3 | 11.5 |
| Celery . . . . . | 209.6 187.1 | 204.5 171.5 | -12.4 8.6 | 16.1 | 13.0 |
| Lettuce . . | 169.4 | (171.) | 8.6 6.9 | 5.2 7.8 | ${ }_{(1)}{ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Peppers, green | 178.3 | 165.7 | 13.6 | 2.7 | .$^{.4}$ |
| Spinach .... | 216.3 | 217.0 | 13.0 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Tomatoes. . . . . | 177.5 | 160.9 | 3.9 | -3.6 | -6.8 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. CPI-food items, U.S. city average-Continued
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| Item and group | January 1977 |  | January 1976 | December 1976 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted | Unadjusted | Unadjusted | Seasonally adjusted |
| Food-Continued <br> Food at home-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fruits and vegetables-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| Processed fruits and vegetables . | 181.5 | 181.0 | -3. 1 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| Fruit cocktail, canned | 180.8 | 180.3 | 2.8 | -. 1 | . 8 |
| Pears, canned | 157.4 | 156.9 | -2.2 | . 4 | 1. 3 |
| Pineapple-grapefruit drink, canned. | 177.7 | 177.0 | 2.2 | -. 4 | . 3 |
| Orange juice concentrate, frozen.. | 153.2 | (1) | -3.9 | . 1 | (1) |
| Lemonade concentrate, frozen | 184.9 | 184. 2 | -3.5 | . 8 | (i) 5 |
| Beets, canned. . . . | 189.9 | $\left.(1)^{1}\right)$ | 1.9 | -. 5 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Peas, green canned | 158.1 | 157.2 | -. 1 | -1. 7 | -1.3 |
| Tomatoes, canned | 185.6 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 3.5 | . 7 | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Dried beans . | 242.4 | 236. 7 | -22. 1 | -. 6 | $-1.0$ |
| Broccoli, frozen | 168. 0 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 7.4 | 2.5 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ |
| Other food at home. | 206. 1 | 202.3 | 10.4 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| Eggs. | 197.9 | 178.4 | 8.3 | 2.1 | . 4 |
| Fats and oils. | 178.8 | 176.2 | -2.0 | . 8 | 1.6 |
| Margarine. | 190.5 | 187.7 | -5.8 | . 1 | 2.0 |
| Salad dressing, Italian. | 159.1 | 158.2 | 4.3 | 1. 3 | . 8 |
| Satad or cooking oil . | 187.1 | 184.5 | -3, 3 | 1.1 | 2.8 |
| Sugar and sweets | 212.7 | 208. 7 | -5. 3 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Sugar | 176.9 | 168.3 | -17.2 | -. 8 | 1.5 |
| Grape jelly. | 216.6 | ( ${ }_{1}^{1}$ ) | -3.6 | -. 6 | $\binom{1}{1}$ |
| Chocolate bar | 233.8 | (1) | -3.5 | 2.1 | (1) |
| Syrup, chocolate flavored | 218.6 | 213.7 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Nonaicoholic beverages . . . . | 257.6 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | 34.8 | 4.3 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ |
| Coffee . . . . . . . . . | 331.4 | $\binom{1}{1}$ | 67.4 | 7.0 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Coffee, instant | 266.2 | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ \text { ) } \\ \text { ( }\end{array}\right.$ | 33. 1 | 2. 7 | (1) |
| Tea. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 157.8 | $\binom{1}{1}$ | 6.1 | 1.2 | (1) |
| Carbonated drink, cola flavored. | 198.5 | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ 1 \\ 1\end{array}\right)$ | 2.7 | 1.4 | (2) |
| Carbonated drink, fruit flavored. | 200.4 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | . 1 | . 1 | (1) |
| Prepared and partially prepared foods | 173.2 | 173.5 | 4.1 | . 1 | . 5 |
| Bean soup, canned. . | 208.9 | 209.3 | 4.5 | -. 5 | (i) 5 |
| Chicken soup, canned | 145.2 | (1) | 9.2 | . 9 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Spaghetti, canned . . . . . | 165.5 | 164.2 | . 5 | -. 4 | -. 5 |
| Mashed potatoes, instant | 158.0 | 158.5 | 1.9 | -. 6 | -. 1 |
| Potatoes, french fried, frozen | 181.3 | 181.8 | 2. 5 | . 2 |  |
| Baby foods . . . . | 178.9 | ${ }^{(18)}$ | 10.7 | . 8 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ |
| Sweet pickle relish | 188.4 | 185.8 | 4. 7 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Pretzels | 159.8 | 162.6 | . 8 | -1.1 | -. 2 |

Table 4. CPI-nonfood commodities and services, U.S. city average

| Item and group | Other index base | Indexes |  | Percent change to January 1977 from- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { January } \\ & 1977 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{1976}^{\text {January }^{2}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ |
| Housing |  | 181.6 | 183.0 | 5.7 | 0.8 |
| Shelter ' |  | 182.4 | 183.9 | 4.5 | . 8 |
| Rent, residential. |  | 148.3 | 149.0 | 5.5 | . 5 |
| Homeownership ${ }^{2}$. |  | 195.0 | 196.7 | 4.2 | . 9 |
| Mortgage interest rates. |  | 137.4 | 137.4 | -4.9 | 0 |
| Property taxes . . . . |  | 170.8 | 177.5 | 6.6 | 3.9 |
| Property insurance premium |  | 148.9 | 149.4 | 8.7 | . 3 |
| Maintenance and repairs |  | 206.0 | 206.9 | 7. 1 | . 4 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ${ }^{3}$. |  | 172.4 | 173.6 | 5.8 | . 7 |
| Exterior house paint |  | 168. 1 | 169.2 | 5.3 | . 7 |
| Interior house paint . . . . . . |  | 155.7 | 157.9 | 4.8 | 1.4 |
| Maintenance and repair services Repainting living and dining |  | 220.5 | 221.3 | 7.5 | . 4 |
| - rooms............ |  | 233.0 | 233.7 | 7.1 | - 3 |
| Reshingling house roof |  | 240.1 | 240.8 | 6.4 | - 3 |
| Residing house. . |  | 208.8 | 209.4 | 8. 8 | . 3 |
| Replacing sink . . . Repairing furnace. |  | 215.2 | 215.9 | 5.6 | . 3 |
| Repairing furnace. |  | 215.9 | 217. 1 | 8.8 | .6 |
| Fuel and utilities Fuel oil and coal |  | 192.0 264.5 | 194.8 271.7 | 10.5 9.2 | 1.5 2.7 |
| Fuel oil, No. 2 |  | 261.2 | 268.6 | 9.5 | 2.8 |
| Gas and electricity |  | ${ }^{4} 201.4$ | 204.2 | 13.8 | 1.4 |
| Gas. ...... |  | ${ }^{5} 221.9$ | 227.0 | 20.4 | 2.3 |
| Electricity |  | 182.4 | 183.0 | 7.0 | . 3 |
| Other utilities: <br> Residential telephone services |  | 131.5 | 130.5 | 2.0 | -. 8 |
| Residential water and sewerage |  | 131.5 | 130.5 | 2.0 | -. 8 |
| services. |  | 196.5 | 200.0 | 11.2 | 1.8 |
| Household furnishings and operation ${ }^{\text {6 }}$ |  | 172. 3 | 172.6 | 5.4 | . 2 |
| Housefurnishings . . . . . . . |  | 153.2 | 153.0 | 3.8 | -. 1 |
| Textiles |  | 152.5 | 149.9 | 6.1 | -1.7 |
| Sheets, full, flat |  | 155.4 | 142.9 | 0 | -8.0 |
| Curtains, tailored |  | 146.6 | 146.3 | 5.2 | $\sim 2$ |
| Bedspreads. ... |  | 153.5 | 156.7 | 10.3 | 2.1 |
| Drapery fabrics Pillows, bed |  | 182.7 | 184.6 | 8.2 | 1.0 |
| Pillows, bed $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Slipcovers and throws, ready-made |  | 141.2 | 141.0 | 4.7 | -. 1 |
| Furniture and bedding......... |  | 154.8 | 154.6 | 3.3 | -. 1 |
| Bedroom furniture, chest and dresser | Mar. 70 | 136.9 | 136.4 | 4.7 | -. 4 |
| Sofas, uphoistered ......... |  | 142.6 | 142.5 | 2.2 | -. 1 |
| Cocktail tables. . | Dec. 71 | 134.4 | 131.1 | 2.4 | -2.5 |
| Dining room chairs. . | Mar. 70 | 141.2 | 140.6 | 4.7 | -. 4 |
| Recliners, upholstered | Dec. 71 | 112.8 | 113.8 | 2.9 | . 9 |
| Sofas, dual purpose . |  | $139.3{ }^{\circ}$ | 139.3 | 1.0 | 0 |
| Bedding, mattress and box springs | June 70 | 137.8 | 137.6 | 5.0 | (i) ${ }^{1}$ |
| Aluminum folding chairs . . Cribs . |  | ${ }^{(7)}$ | ${ }^{(7)}$ | (7) | ${ }^{7}$ ) |
| Cribs ....... |  | 157.4 | 161. 1 | 6.9 | 2.4 |
| Floor coverings ....... Broadloom carpeting |  | 138.4 125.8 | 138.6 126.3 | 3.9 3.5 | . 1 |
| Broadioom carpeting Vinyl sheet goods. . |  | 168.0 | 167. 1 | 5.9 | -. 5 |
| Vinyl floor tile ..... |  | 167.4 | 167.4 | 3.3 | 0 |
| Appliances (excluding radio and TV) |  | 137.6 | 137.8 | 4.3 | . 1 |
| Washing machines, electric. |  | 143.3 | 143. 2 | 4.7 | -. 1 |
| Vacuum cleaners . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 123.0 | 123.3 | 4.1 | . 2 |
| Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, electric. |  | 136.5 | 137.2 | 3.6 | . 5 |
| Ranges, free standing, gas or electric. $\qquad$ |  | 141.1 | 141.0 | 3.6 | -. 1 |
| Clothes dryers, electric. . |  | 151.5 | 151.6 | 6.0 | (i) ${ }^{1}$ |
| Air conditioners, demountable. |  | ( ${ }^{7}$ ) | (7) | (7) | (i) |
| Room heaters, electric, portable |  | 134.0 | 133.4 | 4.3 | -. 4 |
| Garbage disposal units. |  | 135.9 | 136.9 | 4.3 | . 7 |
| Dinnerware, fine china. Flatware, stainless steel . |  | 192.1. 18 | 194.8 182.4 | 7.2 1.6 | 1.4 .3 |
| Table lamps, with shade. |  | 149.4 | 149.3 | (i) 7 | $\bigcirc 1$ |
| Lawn mowers, power, rotary type |  | 164.3 | (7) | (i) | (i) |
| Electric drills, hand-held ... |  | 128.9 | 129.6 | 1.3 | . 5 |
| Housekeeping supplies: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Laundry soaps and detergents |  | 178.9 | 180.3 | 7.1 | . 8 |
| Paper napkins. . . |  | 227.2 | 229.0 | 6.3 | . 8 |
| Toilet tissue . . . . . . . . . |  | 254.2 | 255.3 | 17.1 | . 4 |
| Housekeeping services: Domestic services, general |  |  |  |  |  |
| housework . . . . . . . . . |  | 214.8 | 215.9 | 5.6 | . 5 |
| Baby sitter services |  | 221.5 | 222.3 | 10.6 | . 4 |
| Postal charges. . |  | 225.6 | 225.6 | 3.4 | 0 |
| Laundry, flatwork, finished service |  | 210.6 | 213.7 | 9.1 | 1.5 |
| Licensed day care services, preschool child |  | 166.3 | 166.4 | 4.5 | . 1 |
| Washing machine repairs . |  | 205.5 | 206.3 | 6.8 | .4 |

Table 4. CPI-nonfood commodities and services, U.S. city average-Continued
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)


[^0]Table 4. CPI-nonfood commodities and services, U.S. city average-Continued
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| Item and group | Other index base | Indexes |  | Percent change to January 1977 from- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { January } \\ & 1977 \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{1976}{\text { January }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ |
| Transportation-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public ........... |  | 178.0 | 178.7 | 5.0 | 0.4 |
| Local transit fares. |  | 175.8 | 177.0 | 3.9 | . 7 |
| Taxicab fares. |  | 181.6 | 181.7 | 5.5 | . 1 |
| Railroad fares, coach |  | 169.4 | 169.4 | 7.2 |  |
| Airplane fares, chiefly coach |  | 177.8 | 177.8 | 7.4 | 0 |
| Bus fares, intercity . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 211.2 | 211.2 | 9.7 | 0 |
| Health and recreation. |  | 168.0 | 169.0 | 6.6 | . 6 |
| Medical care ${ }^{11}$... |  | 192.3 | 194. 1 | 9.9 | . 9 |
| Drugs and prescriptions. |  | 128.9 | 129.8 | 5.9 6.9 | . 7 |
| Over-the-counter items . . . . . . Multiple vitarnin concentrates |  | 142.5 | 143.7 | 6.7 3.0 | . 8 |
| Multiple vitarnin concentrates Aspirin compounds . . . . . . |  | 106.9 140.7 | 107.7 142.4 | 3.0 4.1 | .7 1.2 |
| Aspuid tonics . . . . |  | 121.6 | 121.8 | 2.1 | 1.2 |
| Adhesive bandages, packages |  | 192.7 | 195.9 | 14.7 | 1.7 |
| Cold tablets or capsules |  | 133.2 | 133.5 | 4.1 | . 2 |
| Cough syrup. |  | 150.7 | 151.4 | 7.2 | . 5 |
| Prescriptions.. |  | 117.5 | 118.2 | 5.2 | . 6 |
| Ant-infectives |  | 73.6 | 73.8 | 2.8 | . 3 |
| Sedative and hypnotics. |  | 167.8 | 168.7 | 5.9 | . 5 |
| Ataractics. . . . |  | 116.3 | 116.5 | 6.3 | . 2 |
| Antispasmodics... |  | 140.6 | 141.8 | 8.4 | . 9 |
| Cough preparations . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 186.9 | 190.3 | 10.8 | 1.8 |
| Analgesics, internal ............... |  | 122.4 121.9 | 122.8 122.2 | 2.7 1.6 | . 3 |
| Hormones . ..... |  | 112.6 | 113.8 | 5.9 | 1.1 |
| Professional services: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Physicians' fees. .. |  | 195.6 | 197.1 | 9.8 | . 8 |
| General physician, office visits. |  | 201. 7 | 203.0 | 10.2 | . 6 |
| General physicion, house visits. |  | 196. 7 | 198.9 | 9.4 | 1.1 |
| Obstetrical cases. . . . . P . |  | 198. 7 | 201. 4 | 11.5 | 1.4 |
| Pediatric care, office visits Psychiatrist, office visits. |  | 200. 1 | 203. 1 | 10.0 | 1.5 |
| Perniorrhapy, adult . . . |  | 166. 6 | 167.1 177.6 | 4.6 11.3 | . 3 |
| Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy |  | 185. 4 | 186.1 | 9.1 | .4 |
| Dentists' fees . . . . . . . . . |  | 177.9 | 178.7 | 6.9 | . 4 |
| Fillings, adult, amalgam, one surface |  | 183. 3 | 184. 2 | 7.0 | . 5 |
| Extractions, adult ......... |  | 178. 1 | 179.1 | 7.8 | . 6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Examination, prescription, and dispensing of eyeglasses. |  | 162.4 | 163.5 | 5.6 | . 7 |
| Routine laboratory tests . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 163.9 | 163.9 | 6.2 | 0 |
| Hospital service charges | Jan. 72 | 154.8 | 156. 7 | 10.4 | 1.2 |
| Semiprivate rooms... |  | 281.5 | 285.3 | 12.0 | 1.3 |
| Operating room charges . . . . . . . . |  | 290.3 | 296.1 | 14.6 | 2.0 |
| X-ray, diagnostic series, upper Gi. . Laboratory tests. . . . . . . . . . | Jan. 72 | 181.0 | 182.9 144.9 | 9.5 7.3 | 1.0 |
| Anti-infectives . | Jan. 72 | 126.6 | 127. 3 | 5.6 | . 6 |
| Tranquilizers | Jan. 72 | 131.4 | 133.1 | 5.1 | 1.3 |
| Electrocardiogram | Jan. 72 | 140.2 | 141.3 | 7.2 | . 8 |
| Intravenous solution | Jan. 72 | 148. 8 | 149.6 | 9.0 | . 5 |
| Physical therapy.... | Jan. 72 | 155.1 | 156.4 | 9.8 | . 8 |
| Oxygen, inhalation therapy | Jan. 72 | 134.0 | 136.0 | 7.3 | 1.5 |
| Personal care |  | 165.2 | 166.2 | 6.7 | . 6 |
| Toilet goods..... |  | 162.3 | 163.4 | 5.1 | . 7 |
| Toothpaste, standard dentifrice |  | 140.6 | 140.7 | 3.3 | . 1 |
| Toilet soap, hard-milled. Hand lotions ....... |  | 192.9 | 194.9 | -. 4 | 1.0 |
| Shaving cream |  | 168.2 139.0 | 168.3 140.3 | 5.6 6.3 | . 1 |
| Face powder. |  | 174. 1 | 175.1 | 10.6 | .6 |
| Deodorants |  | 123.5 | 123. 4 | 4.2 | -. 1 |
| Cleansing tissues |  | 224. 2 | 227.3 | 7.8 | 1.4 |
| Home permanent wave kits |  | 130.4 | 131.5 | 4.9 | . 8 |
| Personal care services. |  | 168.2 | 169.0 | 8.5 | . 5 |
| Men's haircuts . . . . Beauty shop services |  | 168.6 | 169.3 | 7.3 | . 4 |
| Beauty shop seavices |  | 168.0 198.5 | 168.9 200.5 | 9.4 16.8 | - 5 |
| Shampoo and wave sets, plain |  | 167. 1 | 167.9 | 7.4 | . 5 |
| Permanent waves, cold.... |  | 138.9 | 139.1 | 4.7 | .1 |
| Reading and recreation ${ }^{12}$. |  | 154.4 | 154.9 | 4.5 | . 3 |
| Recreational goods. . . . . . . . . |  | 128.7 | 128.9 | 2.9 | .2 |
| TV sets, portable and console . . TV replacement tubes . . ${ }^{\text {a }}$. |  | 102.9 | 102.8 | -. 2 | -. 1 |
| TV replacement tubes ........... |  | 168.0 | 169.2 | 3.6 | . 7 |
| Tape recorders, portable . . . . . . |  | 105.0 96.4 | 105.4 95.9 | 1.2 1.5 | .4 -8 |
| Phonograph records, stereophonic |  | 124. 1 | 123.5 | 1. 4 | -. 5 |
| Movie cameras, 8 mm |  | 95.7 | 95.7 | 1.1 | 0 |
| Film, 35 mm , color . |  | 128.4 | 128.7 | 7.6 | . 2 |
| Golf balls . . . . |  | 103.8 | 103.7 | -. 5 | -. 1 |

[^1]Table 4. CPI-nonfood commodities and services, U.S. city average-Continued
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| Item and group | Other index base | Indexes |  | Percent change to January 1977 from- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { January } \\ 1977 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { January } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reading and recreation-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recreational goods-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basketballs, rubber or vinyl cover |  | 146. 7 | 146. 4 | -0.3 | -0.2 |
| Fishing rods, fresh-water spincasting |  | 125.2 | 126.7 | 3.2 | 1.2 |
| Bowling balis.................... |  | 132.9 | 132.9 | 3.9 | 0 |
| Bicycles, boys' |  | 146.0 | 146.6 | 2.9 | . 4 |
| Tricycles |  | 152.5 | 153.6 | 5.6 | . 7 |
| Dog food, canned or boxed |  | 178.5 | 178.7 | 5.9 | . 1 |
| Recreational services |  | 158.5 | 159.5 | 4.9 | . 6 |
| Indoor movie admissions |  | 180.7 | 182.3 | 4.7 | . 9 |
| Adult . . |  | 174.0 | 176.0 | 3.8 | 1.1 |
| Children's. |  | 199. 7 | 200.0 | 7.2 | . 2 |
| Drive-in movie admissions |  | 183.0 | 184.8 | 5.8 | 1.0 |
| Bowling fees, evening. |  | 151. ${ }^{4}$ | 152. ${ }^{4}$ | ${ }^{5}{ }^{4}{ }^{4}$ | $\left(i^{7}\right.$ |
| Golf green fees. |  | (7) | ( ${ }^{\text {) }}$ | (7) | ( ${ }^{\text {( }}$ |
| Tilm repair ...... |  | 109.3 123.6 | 109.5 | 2.9 -.7 | - 2 |
| Reading and education: ${ }^{\text {a }}$, 123.6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newspapers, street sale and delivery. |  | 185.3 | 185.7 | 3.7 | . 2 |
| Magazines, single copy and subscription. |  | 194.0 | 194.0 | 9.1 | 0 |
| Piano lessons, beginner |  | 150.7 | 151.2 | 6.0 | . 3 |
| Other goods and services |  | 155.9 | 156.7 | 4.1 | . 5 |
| Tobacco products .... |  | 163.7 | 165.4 | 4.6 | 1.0 |
| Cigarettes, nonfilter tip, regular size. |  | 166.4 | 168.2 | 4.7 | 1.1 |
| Alcoholic beverages . . . . . . . . |  | 148.8 | 148.8 | 3.3 | $0^{-3}$ |
| Beer, at home |  | 145.8 | 144.7 | 2.6 | -. 8 |
| Whiskey, spirit blended and straight bourbon |  | 115.7 | 115.8 | . 2 | . 1 |
| Wine, dessert and table. . . . . |  | 158.9 | 158.9 | 1.9 | 0 |
| Beer, away from home. |  | 169.0 | 170.3 | 6.0 | . 8 |
| Financial and miscellaneous personal expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Funeral services, adult. |  | 152.2 | 152.9 | 3.9 | . 5 |
| Bank service charges, checking account |  | 131.9 | 132.2 | 7.9 | . 2 |
| Legal services, short form will |  | 203.6 | 207.5 | 6.9 | 1.9 |

${ }^{1}$ Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.
${ }^{2}$ Also includes home purchase costs not shown separately.
${ }^{3}$ Also includes pine shelving, furnace filter, packaged dry cement mix, and shrubbery not shown separately.
4 Revised indexes: October 1976, 194.4; November 1976, 196.1; December 1976, 201.4; Annual average 1976, 189.0
s Revised indexes: October 1976, 209.0; November 1976, 213.1; December 1976,
221.9; Annual average 1976, 201.2.

6 Also includes window shades, nails, carpet sweepers, air deodorizers, steel wool scouring pads, envelopes, reupholstering, and moving expenses. ' Priced only in season.

- Also includes men's sport shirts, women's and girls' lightweight coats, women's slacks, bathing suits, girls' shorts, earrings, and zippers not shown separately.
- Also includes storage batteries and drivers' license fees not shown separately. 10 Includes prices for water pump replacement, motor tune-up, automatic transmission repair, front-end alignment, and chassis lubrication; does not include prices for auto body repairs. In the CPI this component represents consumers' direct, out-ofpocket expenses for automobile repairs and maintenance.
${ }_{11}$ Also includes health insurance not shown separately.
${ }^{1} 2$ Also includes outboard motors, nondurable toys, college tuition fees, paperback books, and college textbooks, not shown separately.

Table 5. CPI-selected areas, all items index

## (Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers)

| Area ' | Pricing schedule ${ }^{2}$ | Indexes |  |  | Percent change from: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1967=100 | 1957-59=100 | Other bases |  |  |  |
|  |  | January 1977 |  |  | January <br> 1976 | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } \\ 1976 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| U.S. city average | M | 175.3 | 203.8 |  | 5.2 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Chicago | M | 169.5 | 192.5 |  | 5.6 | . 8 | . 2 |
| Detroit | M | 173.8 | 199.7 |  | 4.9 | 1.4 | . 4 |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach | M | 174.8 | 205.6 |  | 6.1 | 1.9 | 1.2 |
| N.Y.-Northeastern N.J . | M | 180.3 | 214.6 |  | 4. 4 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Philadelohia. | M | 176.7 | 206.4 |  | 4.5 | . 9 | . 7 |
|  |  | January 1977 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { January } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { October } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Boston . | 1 | 178.2 | 213.5 |  | 3.7 | 1.2 |  |
| Houston. | 1 | 183.6 | 210.1 |  | 6.6 | . 9 |  |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul . | 1 | 175.9 | 203.9 |  | 5.3 | 1.4 |  |
| Pittsburgh. | 1 | 172.9 | 198.9 |  | 5.4 | 1.2 |  |
|  |  | November 1976 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { November } \\ 1975 \end{gathered}$ | August 1976 |  |
| Buffalo. | 2 | 173.8 |  | ${ }^{3} 191.0$ | 4.8 | 1.0 |  |
| Cleveland | 2 | 173.0 | 195.3 |  | 5.2 | 1.4 |  |
| Dallas.... | 2 | 171.7 |  | ${ }^{3} 185.6$ | 5.7 | 1.6 |  |
| Milwaukee | 2 | 170.5 | 192.5 |  | 5. 6 | . 8 |  |
| San Diego. . . . . . . . . Seattle . . . . . . . . | 2 | 173.9 |  | ${ }^{4} 182.8$ | 5. 5 | 1.0 |  |
| Washington | 2 | 174.7 | 197.3 203.5 |  | 5.1 | 1.3 1.0 |  |
|  |  | December 1976 |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { December } \\ 1975 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } \\ 1976 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Atlanta... | 3 | 172.0 | 197.8 |  | 3.5 | . 2 |  |
| Baltimore. | 3 | 178.4 | 207.1 |  | 6. 0 | 1.1 |  |
| Cincinnati | 3 | 174.5 | 198.0 |  | 6.0 | 1.4 |  |
| Honolulu . | 3 | 165.5 |  | ${ }^{5} 178.4$ | 3. 6 | . 9 |  |
| Kansas City . . . . . . . . St. Louis . . . . . . | 3 3 | 170.7 | 202.6 196.5 |  | 4.7 4.9 | 1. 2 |  |
| St. Louis ........... San Francisco-Oakland | 3 | 168.2 172.5 | 196.5 205.2 |  | 4.9 5.1 | .7 1.5 |  |

' Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago which have more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions were established for the 1960
Census and exclude revisions made since 1960.
${ }_{2}^{2}$ 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.
${ }^{3}$ November 1963=100.
${ }^{4}$ November $1963=100$.
5 December $1963=100$.
NOTE: Price changes within areas are found in the Consumer Price Index; differences in living costs among areas are found in family budgets.

Table 6. CPI-areas ' priced monthly, by expenditure class, percent change from December 1976 to January 1977
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967 $=100$ )

| Expenditure class | $\underset{\substack{\text { U.S. } \\ \text { city } \\ \text { average }}}{ }$ | Chicago | Detroit | Los AngelesLong Beach | New YorkNortheastern New Jersey | Philadelphia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All items. | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| Food | . 9 | . 4 | . 5 | 1.3 | . 5 | 1.6 |
| Housing | . 8 | . 3 | . 5 | 2.1 | . 6 | . 4 |
| Apparel and upkeep. | -1. 2 | -3.1 | -. 6 | 0 | -2.5 | -1.2 |
| Transportation..... | . 4 | . 4 | . 3 | . 1 | . 6 | . 9 |
| Health and recreation. | . 6 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 5 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Medical care. | . 9 | 1.2 | $\mathrm{i}^{8}$ | (2) ${ }^{6}$ | 1.4 | . 8 |
| Personal care. . | . 6 | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ) |
| Reading and recreation | . 3 | 1.0 | - 1 | . 1 | . 3 | . 4 |
| Other goods and services | . 5 | . 4 | . 3 | . 8 | . 7 | . 3 |

[^2]${ }^{2}$ Not avaiiable.

Table 7. CPI-selected areas', by expenditure class
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| Expenditure class | U.S. city average | Boston | Chicago | Detroit | Houston | AngelesLong Beach | Minneapolis | New York-Northeastern New Jersey | Philadelphia | Pitts. burgh |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Indexes, January 1977 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 175.3 | 178.2 | 169.5 | 173.8 | 183.6 | 174.8 | 175.9 | 180.3 | 176.7 | 172.9 |
| Food | 183.4 | 182.8 | 181.2 | 178.4 | 190.7 | 178.3 | 188.4 | 187.7 | 189.0 | 182.5 |
| Food at home | 181.2 | 179.7 | 179.0 | 175.4 | 184.8 | 176.9 | 182.2 | 187.5 | 185.2 | 178.7 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 179.9 | 181.9 | 178.5 | 192.6 | 177.1 | 180.3 | 187.3 | 182.2 | 189.3 | 179.9 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | 172.3 | 173.1 | 173.1 | 164.3 | 179.2 | 172.4 | 171.7 | 173.4 | 177.4 | 175.4 |
| Dairy products. | 171.3 | 164.2 | 163.4 | 170.7 | 181.7 | 158.0 | 182.1 | 174.7 | 172.3 | 159.0 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 177.6 | 177.4 | 176.0 | 158.7 | 189.4 | 172.3 | 171.7 | 197.7 | 181.8 | 178.0 |
| Other food at home. | 206.1 | 204.7 | 206.5 | 201.7 | 196.1 | 198.4 | 200.0 | 217.8 | 210.3 | 198.8 |
| Food away from home | 192.2 | 193.8 | 190.0 | 191.9 | 211.5 | 182.1 | 215.9 | 188.6 | 204.7 | 205.2 |
| Housing | 183.0 | 182.7 | 167.7 | 179.0 | 198.9 | 185.9 | 187.7 | 186.8 | 184.7 | 180.9 |
| Sheiter . | 183.9 | 179.8 | 167.5 | 181. 2 | 208.6 | 194.6 | 193.3 | 185. ${ }^{1}$ | 193.9 | 183.4 |
| Rent, residential. | 149.0 | 162.2 | 139.8 | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | 149.7 | 150.5 | 145.9 | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | 161.6 | 142.8 |
| Homeownership. | 196.7 | 187.2 | 179.9 | 188.4 | 229.4 | 208.5 | 201.4 | 199.0 | 202.2 | 194.9 |
| Fuel and utilities | 194.8 | 204.5 | 173.9 | 200.8 | 198.7 | 162.9 | 195.2 | 215.3 | 184.6 | 187.1 |
| Fuel oil and coat | 271.7 | 259.3 | 266.4 | 274.3 | -28.7 | - | 276.9 | 280.7 | 264.2 | - |
| Gas and electricity. | ${ }^{3} 204.2$ | 190.7 | 183.8 | 219.8 | 228.7 | 189.6 | 202.0 | ${ }^{4} 241.1$ | 184. 1 | 220.6 |
| Household furnishings and operation | 172.6 | 174.5 | 164.5 | 157.6 | 181.1 | 166.3 | 167.3 | 174.7 | 168.0 | 170.7 |
| Apparel and upkeep. | 150.0 | 153.6 | 137.1 | 143.6 | 165.8 | 142.6 | 143.0 | 145.5 | 140.6 | 145.6 |
| Men's and boys'. | 148.8 | 143.5 | 129.6 | 155.0 | 157. I | 132.3 | 147.9 | 136.3 | 143.0 | 139.1 |
| Women's and girls' | 143.0 | 152.8 | 128.9 | 126.4 | 166.7 | 140.6 | 131.9 | 139.5 | 123.5 | 143.6 |
| Footwear .... | 153.2 | 156.4 | 145.4 | 149.5 | 164.6 | 145. 1 | 150.7 | 149.6 | 150.8 | 152.2 |
| Transportation | 172.1 | 198.0 | 176.0 | 167.1 | 163.5 | 175.5 | 162.6 | 190.6 | 172. 1 | 170.7 |
| Private.. | 171.4 | 203. 2 | 175. 1 | 166.7 | 163.0 | 177. 1 | 163.6 | 180.7 | 175. 3 | 170.6 |
| Public | 178.7 | 165.3 | 181.3 | 170.3 | 171.4 | 144.9 | 147.7 | 228.6 | 153.3 | 171.7 |
| Health and recreation | 169.0 | 166.2 | 171.0 | 179.1 | 176.3 | 166.2 | 167.1 | 175.8 | 173, 1 | 168.0 |
| Medical care. | 194.1 | 186.6 | 199.2 | 219.3 | 206. 1 | 195. 7 | 180.4 | 210.3 | 209.8 | 188.7 |
| Personal care | 166.2 | 162.2 | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | 164.4 | 175.7 | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | 167.2 | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | 163.0 | 158.9 |
| Reading and recreation . Other goods and services | 154.9 | 158.2 | 156.1 | 155.4 | 152.6 | 143.2 | 161.0 | 160.0 | 155.0 | 155.0 |
|  | 156.7 | 158. 1 | 159.5 |  |  |  |  | 161.2 | 157.9 | 164.9 |
|  | Percent changes, October 1976 to January 1977 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| Food | 1.0 | -. 2 | -. 4 | 2.2 | . 4 | 2.6 | . 6 | . 7 | 1.2 | . 3 |
| Food at home | . 9 | -. 4 | -. 9 | 2.5 | . 2 | 2.9 | -. 1 | .6 | 1.0 | -. 1 |
| Cereals and bakery products | -. 1 | -. 9 | -1.9 | 4.1 | 1.4 | 2.9 | -3.0 | -1.7 | 2.0 | -2.8 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | -1.4 | -1.6 | -2.0 | -. 2 | -3.1 | . 8 | -2.7 | -2.0 | -1.2 | -1.6 |
| Dairy products. . | -. 8 | -3.5 | -2.0 | 1.4 | -1.8 | . 3 | -3. 2 | -. 4 | -1.3 | -2.1 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 1.2 | -. 9 | -3. 9 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 1. 2 | 2.2 |
| Other food at home. | 5.6 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 5.5 | 3.6 |
| Food away from home | 1.5 | . 6 | 1.9 | . 9 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 2.5 |
| Housing. | 1.6 | 3.5 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 1. 3 | 1.0 | 2.5 |
| Sheiter. | 1.0 | 4.1 | ${ }^{5} .6$ | (2) | . 7 | ${ }^{5} 1.6$ | . 6 | (2) | ${ }^{5} 1.3$ | . 9 |
| Rent, residential. | 1.4 | 2.1 | . 9 | . 9 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 1.3 | . 7 | 2.7 | . 9 |
| Homeownership. | 1.0 | 4.9 | 1.4 | -. 7 | . 3 | 3.1 | . 4 | 1. 2 | 1.2 | .9 |
| Fuel and utilities | 4.5 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 10.7 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 11.8 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 9.0 |
| Fuel oil and coal | 7. 3 | 5.7 | 9.2 | 8.6 | 1. | 1.8 | 10.9 | 7.6 | 7. 8 | - |
| Gas and electricity . . . . . . . . . | 5.0 1.0 | 10.5 -.3 | 6.2 | 13.7 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 10.7 | 2.9 | 2.0 | 11.5 |
| Househoid furnishings and operation. | 1.0 | -. 3 | . 9 | . 3 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 1.1 | . 7 | -1.2 | 1.4 |
| Apparel and upkeep. | -. 6 | -1.8 | -3.0 | -. 9 | -. 6 | . 7 | -1.4 | -2.0 | -1.5 | -. 9 |
| Men's and bovs'. | -. 9 | -1.9 | -2. 2 | . 1 | 3.3 | -3.6 | . 7 | -2.6 | -3. 5 | -1.3 |
| Women's and girls' | -2. 1 | -3. 4 | -6.5 | -3. 1 | -5.1 | 3.5 | -5.3 | -4.9 | -2.8 | -2.1 |
| Footwear. | . 3 | . 1 | -1.0 | . 3 | 1.0 | -. 3 | . 9 | . 1 | -. 8 | 0 |
| Transportation. | .7 | . 8 | 1.3 | 1.6 | . 6 | . 2 | 2.1 | . 5 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Private | . 7 | . 8 | 1.4 | 1.7 | . 6 | . 2 | 2.2 | . 7 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Public | . 7 | . 4 | . 2 | . 2 | . 1 | . 3 | . 3 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Health and recreation. | 1.7 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Medical care. | 2.8 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 3.1 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Personal care | 1.4 | . 4 | ${ }^{2}$ ) | . 4 | 2.8 | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | . 3 | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | . 6 | 2.5 |
| Reading and recreation | . 9 | . 2 | 1.5 | . 7 | 1.5 | 1.5 | . 9 | . 4 | 1. 3 | 1.0 |
| Other goods and services | 1.5 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.3 | . 9 | . 6 | 1.0 |

[^3]Table 7-A. CPI-selected areas', 1976 annual average, by expenditure class


1 See footnote 1 , table 5.
3 1976 annual average indexes for Detroit and Philadelphia are 161.2 and 155.8
21976 annual average indexes for Chicago, Los Angeles-Long Beach, and Phila- respectively. delphia are $137.7,144.3$ and 155.7 respectively.

## Table 8. CPI-food groups, selected areas

(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, 1967=100)

| IConsumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, $1967=1001$ |
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- See footnote 1, table 5.

Table 9. CPI-gasoline indexes, U.S. city average and selected areas

| (Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, January $1976=100$ ) |
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${ }^{1}$ Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metro- extensive Standard Consolidated Areas are used. Area definitions are those established politan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago where the more for the $\mathbf{1 9 6 0}$ Census and do not include revisions made since 1960 .

Table 10. CPI-gasoline average prices, U.S. city average and selected areas
(Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers)

| (Consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers) |
| :--- |

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

| Group | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Commodity and service groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Commodities . | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | (1) | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Food | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ (1) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) |
| Food at home | (1) | (1) | (') | (1) | (1) | (1) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | (2) | (1) | (2) | (1) |
| Cereals and bakery products | 100.2 | 100.9 | 101.1 | 100.8 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.5 | 98.8 | 99.4 | 100.0 | 100.7 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | 99.0 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 98.5 | 98.4 | 99.5 | 101.8 | 102.0 | 102.1 | 101.0 | 99.8 | 98.9 |
| Dairy products | 100.6 | 101.6 | 101.2 | 100.9 | 100.2 | 99.5 | 98.3 | 98.0 | 98.6 | 99.6 | 100.4 | 101.1 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 98.0 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 101.4 | 102.0 | 104.6 | 104.8 | 103.2 | 97.0 | 96.0 | 97.0 | 96.8 |
| Other foods at home | 101.9 | 101.6 | 100.3 | 99.8 | 98.5 | 97.7 | 98.0 | 99.3 | 100.4 | 100. 5 | 100.3 | 101.8 |
| Food away from home | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100.3 |
| Commodities less food | $\left(^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | (1) | $\left(^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | (1) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Nondurables less food | $\binom{1}{$ (1) } | ${ }^{1}$ (1) | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ (1)\end{array}\right.$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}1 \\ \text { (1) }\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | $\left.{ }^{( }{ }^{1}\right)$ |
| Apparel commodities | (1) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | (1) | (1) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | (1) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) |
| Men's and boys' . | 98.8 | 98.9 | 99.7 | 100.3 | 100.6 | 100.4 | 98.9 | 99.6 | 100.3 | 100.7 | 101.0 | 100.6 |
| Women's and girls' | 98.3 | 98.7 | 99.3 | 99.2 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.7 | 98.8 | 101.3 | 102.1 | 102.6 | 101.9 |
| Footwear | 99.5 | 99.6 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 99.8 | 99.4 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.5 | 100.0 |
| Other apparel commodities | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.0 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel | (i) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (i) | (1) | (1) | (1) | (i) | ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ) |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 99.0 | 99.2 | 99.5 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 101.4 | 101.9 | 101.6 | 100.9 | 99.3 | 98.5 | 98.3 |
| Tobacco products | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 100.1 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.0 |
| Fuel oil and coal | 101.9 | 102.3 | 101.2 | 100.5 | 99.9 | 99.2 | 98.8 | 98.1 | 98.0 | 98.7 | 100.4 | 101.2 |
| Other nondurables | ${ }^{99}{ }_{(1)}{ }^{8}$ | 9999 ${ }_{\text {(1) }}$ | $99\left({ }^{9}\right.$ | 100. 1 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.1 | ${ }^{100}{ }_{(1)}^{1}$ | 100.1 |
| Durable commodities | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }_{9}^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(10}{ }^{\text {( })}$ | ${ }_{100}{ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }_{100^{(2)}}$ | ${ }_{100}{ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }_{100}{ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) |
| Household durables | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 99.9 |
| New cars | 100.8 | 100.4 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.5 | 98.9 | 98.0 | 100.6 | 100.8 | 100.9 |
| Used cars ... Other durables | ${ }^{95}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{8}$ | ${ }^{93.5}$ | ${ }^{94.0}{ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }_{(2)}^{96.2}$ | ${ }_{\text {9 }} 99.4$ | 102.0 ${ }_{\text {(2) }}$ | ${ }_{\left({ }^{\text {a }} \text { ) }\right.}^{104.0}$ | $\underset{\text { cene }}{\substack{102 \\(2)}}$ | 104. ${ }^{1}{ }^{6}$ | 104,2 $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | 102. ${ }_{(2)}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | ${ }^{99 .}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{6}$ |
| Services | (1) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Rent | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.0 |
| Services less rent | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ( ${ }^{\text {) }}$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ) | ${ }^{1}$ () | ${ }^{(1)}$ | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{1}\right)}$ | ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ) | ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| Household services less rent | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.4 | 100.5 |
| Transportation services | 100.4 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.1 |
| Medical care services | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.7 |
| Other services | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.1 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less food . . . . . Nondurable commodities | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{(2)}{ }^{2}$ ) | $\left(\begin{array}{l}(2) \\ (2) \\ \hline\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{(2}{ }^{2}$ (2) | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { ( } \\ (2) \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}\right)$ |
| Apparel commodities less footwear | 98.7 | 98.9 | 99.4 | 99.7 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 98.9 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Services less medical care services | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Insurance and finance | 100.7 | 100.6 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 99.2 | 99.3 | 99.8 | 100.4 | 100.7 | 100.9 |
| Utilities and public transportation . . . . . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{99.8}$ |  |  |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance service Appliances (including radio and TV) | $\begin{gathered} \left(2^{2}\right) \\ 100.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left.\mathbf{( 2}^{2}\right) \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ | $9\left(^{(2)} 9\right.$ | $\begin{gathered} \left({ }^{(2)}\right) \\ 99.8 \end{gathered}$ | $99.8$ | $\begin{gathered} \left(^{2}\right) \\ 99.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left({ }^{(2)}\right) \\ 99.7 \end{gathered}$ | 99.9 ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ 100.1 \end{array}$ | $\left({ }^{(2)}{ }^{2}\right.$ 100.2 | $\begin{array}{r} \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ 100.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{(2)}\right) \\ & 100.2 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Expenditure classes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ |
| Food | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | (1) | (1) | $\left.{ }^{1}\right)$ | (1) | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Housing | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ ) | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ |  |  |
| Shelter | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Rent $\qquad$ Homeownership | $\begin{gathered} 100.0 \\ \left.{ }_{(2}{ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.2 \\ \text { (2) }^{2} \end{gathered}$ | 100.1 ${ }^{2}$ | 100. ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1000 \\ \left.{ }^{2}{ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.0 \\ \left.\mathbf{2}^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | 99.9 (2) | ${ }^{99}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{9}$ | 99.9 | 100.0 ${ }_{\text {(2) }}$ | 99.9 | 100.0 |
| Fuel and utilities. | 100.4 | 100.9 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 100.2 | 99.9 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.7 | 100.1 |
| Gas and electricity | 100.4 | 100.7 | 100.8 | 100.7 | 100.4 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.3 | 99.0 | 99.5 | 99.9 |
| Household furnishings and operation | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.1 |
| Apparel and upkeep | 98.9 | 99.2 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 100.5 | 101.0 | 101.4 | 100.8 |
| Transportation | 99.2 | 99.0 | 99.2 | 99.4 | 99.9 | 100.6 | 101.0 | 100.7 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.2 | 99.7 |
| Private | 99.1 | 98.8 | 99.1 | 99.4 | 100.1 | 100.7 | 101.1 | 100.8 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.2 | 99.6 |
| Public ......... |  |  |  |  |  | 99.5 |  |  | 100.4 ${ }^{2}$, | 100. 5 | 100.4 ${ }^{4}$ |  |
| Health and recreation Medical care | ${ }_{\left({ }^{2}\right.}^{2}$ ) | (2) ${ }_{( }^{2}$ (2) | ${ }_{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $(2)_{(2)}^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ a ${ }^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\left({ }^{2}\right) \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{\left({ }^{2}\right)}^{(2)}$ |
| Medical care Personal care | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ <br> $(2)$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { (2) } \\ (2) \\ \\ \text { (2) }\end{array}\right.$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ |
| Reading and recreation | 99.9 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.0 |
| Other goods and services | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Special indexes:All |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shetter | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |  | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ |  |  | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}{ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) |  |
| All items less medical care. | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ ) | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{2}$ (2) | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { (2) } \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{c}2 \\ (2) \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ |
| All items less mortgage interest costs ... | $\left(\begin{array}{l} (2) \\ (2) \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left.2^{2}\right) \\ & \left.{ }^{2}\right\} \end{aligned}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l} (2) \\ (2) \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ & z^{2} \end{aligned}$ | (2) | $\left(\begin{array}{c}2 \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { (2) } \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}(2) \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | ${ }^{(2}{ }^{2}$ ) |
| CPI - domestically produced farm foods | $\left(2^{(2)}\right.$ | $08^{(2)}$ |  | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ 99.1 |  |  | (2) 103.3 |  | ${ }_{100 .}{ }^{(2)}$ | 99, ${ }^{(2)}$ | ( ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| CPI - selected beef cuts. | 98.0 | 98.2 | 100.0 | 97.1 | 99.1 | 100.5 | 101.9 | 103.3 | 103.0 | 100.8 | 99.5 | 98.8 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. CPI—seasonal adjustment factors for use with 1977 Indexes (calculated from data through December 1976)-Continued

| Item and group | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | Novernber | December |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food | ${ }^{1}{ }^{1}$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Food away from home | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.7 | $99.8$ | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.2 | $100,3$ | 100.3 |
| Restaurant meats | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Snacks | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.1 |
| Food at home | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | (i) | (1) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (2) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | (1) | (1) | (1) | (1) |
| Cereals and bakery products | 100.2 | 100.9 | 101.1 | 100.8 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.5 | 98.8 | 99.4 | 100.0 | 100.7 |
| Flour | 102.1 | 101.6 | 102.1 | 101.6 | 101.5 | 99.3 | 97.3 | 96.8 | 97.3 | 98.9 | 100.2 | 101.1 |
| Cracker meal | 98.6 | 99.6 | 100. 7 | 101.0 | 101.6 | 101.6 | 100.5 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 98.5 |
| Corn flakes | 101.2 | 100.9 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.8 | 99.0 | 99.3 | 100.4 | 101.0 |
| Rice | 101.6 | 101.6 | 101.2 | 100.7 | 100.1 | 99.4 | 98.3 | 97.9 | 98.3 | 99.4 | 100.5 | 100.9 |
| Bread, white | 100.1 | 100.8 | 101.1 | 100.9 | 100.1 | 99.6 | 99.2 | 98.4 | 98.9 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.5 |
| Bread, whole wheat | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 98.9 | 99.3 | 99.9 | 100.8 | 100.9 |
| Cookies | 100.3 | 102.2 | 101.1 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 99.5 | 98.4 | 99.2 | 98.7 | 99.6 | 98.7 | 101.0 |
| Layer cake | 100.1 | 100.6 | 101.0 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.4 | 99.8 | 99.0 | 100.3 | 100.8 |
| Cinnamon rolls | 100.8 | 101.1 | 100.7 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 99.6 | 98.6 | 97.8 | 98.5 | 99.6 | 100.9 | 101. 5 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | 99.0 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 98.5 | 98.4 | 99.5 | 101.8 | 102.0 | 102.1 | 101.0 | 99.8 | 98.9 |
| Meats | 98.9 | 98.7 | 101.3 | 97.5 | 97.2 | 98.0 | 101.7 | 102.2 | 102.4 | 101.9 | 100.8 | 99.7 |
| Beef and veal | 98.1 | 98.5 | 100.5 | 97.8 | 99.0 | 100.3 | 101.8 | 103.0 | 102.7 | 100.7 | 99.4 | 98.4 |
| Steak, round | 99.0 | 98.9 | 101.5 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 99.5 | 100.4 | 102.9 | 103.2 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 98.3 |
| Steak, sirloin | 97.0 | 97.0 | 100.2 | 95.7 | 98.9 | 101.7 | 103.0 | 105.3 | 104.0 | 101.2 | 99.1 | 97.2 |
| Steak, porterhouse | 97.4 | 97.8 | 98.2 | 96.4 | 98.1 | 101.3 | 102.4 | 104.6 | 103.8 | 101.8 | 99.6 | 98.9 |
| Rump roast | 98.5 | 99.3 | 100.5 | 97.9 | 99.4 | 100.4 | 100.6 | 102.3 | 103.3 | 100.3 | 99.5 | 98.3 |
| Rib roast | 99.4 | 98.7 | 100.0 | 97.0 | 98.1 | 99.8 | 100.5 | 103.6 | 102.6 | 101.5 | 99.3 | 99.6 |
| Chuck roast | 95.9 | 99.1 | 101.3 | 97.3 | 98.8 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 103.6 | 103.0 | 101.1 | 100.3 | 100.5 |
| Hamburger | 98.0 | 98.6 | 101.3 | 97.3 | 99.6 | 100.4 | 101.8 | $102.5$ | 101.2 | 101.1 | 99.8 | 98.5 |
| Beef liver | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right.$ ) | $\mathrm{c}^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{2}$ |
| Veal cutlets | 98.9 | 99.1 | 99.9 | 99.0 | 99.9 | 100.5 | 101.3 | 101.2 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.1 |
| Pork | 100.0 | 99.9 | 98.9 | 95.7 | 94.2 | 96.5 | 100.0 | 102.8 | 104.8 | 103.3 | 103.0 | 101.4 |
| Chops | 98.8 | 99.7 | 98.2 | 94.4 | 94.1 | 98.1 | 103.5 | 104.6 | 105.1 | 103.3 | 101.8 | 98.9 |
| Loin roast | 99.0 | 99.5 | 99.8 | 94.1 | 94.0 | 97.1 | 101.9 | 104.5 | 105.5 | 104.0 | 101.9 | 99.1 |
| Sausage | 99.1 | 99.5 | 99.8 | 97.1 | 95.7 | 95.6 | 98.3 | 102.5 | 103.8 | 104.3 | 102.6 | 101.8 |
| Ham, whole | 106.8 | 101.4 | 100.8 | 99.0 | 94.4 | 94.4 | 96.4 | 98.1 | 99.3 | 100.6 | 101.7 | 107.5 |
| Picnics. | 101.3 | 100.5 | 101.7 | 99.3 | 94.0 | 92.4 | 97.8 | 101.6 | 102.4 | 103.1 | 104.0 | 102.5 |
| Bacon | 98.4 | 99.4 | 98.4 | 93.8 | 93.3 | 93.6 | 98.3 | 103.6 | 109.1 | 107.0 | 104.3 | 101.1 |
| Other meats | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.3 | 98.8 | 98.4 | 98.8 | 99.3 | 100.6 | 100.9 | 101.2 | 101.1 | 100.9 |
| Lamb chops | 98.3 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 98.0 | 99.1 | 102.2 | 102.6 | 102.2 | 100.6 | 99.4 | 99.2 | 98.9 |
| Frankfurters | 99.0 | 98.7 | 99.5 | 98.6 | 97.9 | 98.9 | 99.6 | 102.1 | 102.0 | 102.1 | 101.2 | 100.3 |
| Ham, canned | 103.3 | 102.8 | 102.0 | 100.9 | 98.1 | 96.0 | 95.7 | 96.9 | 97.8 | 100.9 | 102.5 | 103.2 |
| Bologna sausage | 99.4 | 98.9 | 100.0 | 99.0 | 97.9 | 98.8 | 98.3 | 101.3 | 102.2 | 101.8 | 101.3 | 101.0 |
| Salami sausage | 99.2 | 99.0 | 99.4 | 98.8 | 98.9 | 98.5 | 99.8 | 101.0 | 101.1 | 101.6 | 101.5 | 101.1 |
| Liverwurst . . . | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 99.4 | 98.0 | 98.1 | 99.1 | 101.0 | 101.9 | 101.4 | 100.6 | 100.9 |
| Poultry | 98.9 | 97.8 | 98.3 | 98.1 | 95.8 | 98.3 | 102.0 | 102.9 | 105.4 | 101.9 | 101.0 | 100.1 |
| Frying chicken | 98.5 | 96.9 | 98.2 | 98.0 | 95.3 | 98.5 | 103.0 | 103.6 | 106.3 | 101.6 | 100.5 | 100.2 |
| Chicken breasts | 98.1 | 98.5 | 98.5 | 98.3 | 97.6 | 98.9 | 102.5 | 103.2 | 103.8 | 101.2 | 100.0 | 99.5 |
| Turkey | 101.4 | 98.4 | 99.2 | 98.9 | 96.4 | 96.9 | 96.8 | 99.9 | 101.9 | 103.6 | 104.5 | 102.0 |
| Fish.... | 100,2 | 100, 6 | 100. 1 |  |  | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.5 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 100,4 |
| Shrimp, frozen | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ 2 \\ 2\end{array}\right)$ | $\binom{2}{2}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{c}2 \\ 2 \\ 2\end{array}\right)$ | $\left(\begin{array}{c}2 \\ (2) \\ \hline\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{(2}^{2}$ 2) | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | $\left(^{2}\right.$ 2 | $\left({ }^{2}\right.$ 2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{c}2 \\ 2 \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{2}$ 2) |
| Fish, fresh or frozen | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Tuna fish, canned | 100.1 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.9 | 100.9 | 100.2 | 99.8 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 98.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 |
| Sardines, canned | 100.1 | 100.2 | 99.8 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.9 | 100.4 | 100.7 | 101.1 |
| Dairy products | 100.6 | 101.6 | 101.2 | 100.9 | 100.2 | 99.5 | 98.3 | 98.0 | 98.6 | 99.6 | 100.4 | 101.1 |
| Milk, fresh, grocery | 100.5 | 101.6 | 101.6 | 101.2 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 98.4 | 97.8 | 98.4 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 100.8 |
| Milk, fresh, skim .. | 100.0 | 101.2 | 101.3 |  | $100 \cdot 5$ | 99.9 | 98.9 | 98.2 | 98.8 | 99.4 | 100.0 | 100.5 |
| Milk, evaporated | $\left(2^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $(2)^{2}$ | $\mathrm{c}^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $\left.(2)^{2}\right)$ | $\left(2^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ |
| Ice cream | 101.0 | 100.9 | 100.7 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.0 | 98.3 | 98.9 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 101.7 |
| Cheese, American process | 100.7 | 101.7 | 101.3 | 101.2 | 100.8 | 99.7 | 98.0 | 97.4 | 98.2 | 98.8 | 100.4 | 101.5 |
| Butter | 101.7 | 101.3 | 100.1 | 98.9 | 97.4 | 95.5 | 95.8 | 97.5 | 101.0 | 102.6 | 102.8 | 105.4 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 98.0 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 101.4 | 102.0 | 104.6 | 104.8 | 103.2 | 97.0 | 96.0 | 97.0 | 96.8 |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables | 95.6 | 97.7 | 99.4 | 101.9 | 103.4 | 108.4 | 110.2 | 106.4 | 94.9 | 93.4 | 94.7 | 93.9 |
| Fresh fruits . | 93.2 | 94.0 | 94.1 | 99.8 | 101.5 | 108.1 | 109.3 | 109.5 | 103.0 | 99.4 | 95.4 | 92.5 |
| Apples | 90.8 | 92.3 | 93.2 | 96.6 | 101.3 | 109.8 | 120.5 | 118.0 | 107.9 | 90.6 | 89.8 | 88.9 |
| Bananas | 93.1 | 96.9 | 97.9 | 103.6 | 105.3 | 106.9 | 105.4 | 101.5 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 95.3 | 93.0 |
| Oranges | 96.3 | 95.2 | 95.3 |  | 98.2 | 98.0 | $100,9$ | $105.1$ | $105.0$ | 107. ${ }^{4}$ | 105.9 ${ }^{2}$ | 98.9 |
| Orange juice, fresh | (2) $^{2}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\mathrm{c}^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $(15)^{(2)}$ | $\mathrm{c}^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Grapefruit . . . . . | 89.3 | 88.8 | 88.1 | 90.5 | 95.4 | 102.8 | 109.0 | 121.2 | 120.2 | 115.2 | 91.3 | 87.9 |
| Grapes | - | - | - | - ${ }^{-}$ | - | - | 117.7 | 106.4 | 87.4 | 92.5 | 96.0 | - |
| Strawberries | - | - | - | 112.5 | 92.7 | 94.8 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Watermelon | - | - | - | - | - | 117.8 | 96.6 | 85.6 | - | - | - | - |
| Fresh vegetables | 97.4 | 100.3 | 103.1 | 102.4 | 106.3 | 108.4 | 110.8 | 102.7 | 89.5 | 89.5 | 94.4 | 95.0 |
| Potatoes | 88.8 | 94.8 | 97.3 | 98.3 | 104.0 | 124.0 | 122.1 | 114.9 | 89.9 | 88.1 | 88.8 | 88.7 |
| Onions | 88.5 | 97.3 | 94.3 | 100.6 | 114.1 | 110.1 | 111.9 | 111.4 | 100.0 | 93.6 | 89.2 | 88.6 |
| Asparagus | - | - | 118.8 | 93.1 | 91.4 | 94.6 | 102.1 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cabbage | 101.5 | 104.0 | 105.7 | 102.7 | 103.0 | 110.9 | 101.4 | 95.9 | 91.4 | 91.9 | 94.5 | 97.1 |
| Carrots | 97.9 | 101.0 | 100.7 | 96.9 | 100.0 | 102.2 | 107.5 | 103.3 | 94.0 | 97.9 | 96.7 | 101.7 |
| Celery | 102.5 | 103.0 | 97.0 | 92.1 | 100.0 | 102.7 | 108.2 | 101.2 | 93.3 | 96.1 | 104. 1 | 99.9 |
| Cucumbers | 109.1 |  |  | $128.8$ | $98,1$ | $100 ; 9$ | $99 \cdot 4$ | 81.9 | 75.4 | 83.1 | 78.6 | 93.9 |
| Lettuce | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{(2)}\right.$ | $\text { (2) }^{2}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) |
| Peppers, green | 107.6 | 103.8 | 103.7 | 114.6 | 119.4 | 102.4 | 108.5 | 85.5 | 78.8 | 77.0 | 94.1 | 105.2 |
| Spinach | 99.7 | 101.2 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 98.1 | 99.3 | 102.2 | 101.5 | 98.3 | 100.0 | 98.6 | 99.6 |
| Tomatoes | 110.3 | 108.3 | 107.3 | 100.5 | 105.4 | 109.8 | 111.4 | 83.0 | 80.1 | 81.8 | 95.4 | 106.7 |


| Item and group | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | Decem. ber |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food-ContinuedFood at home-ContinuedFruits and vegetables-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Processed fruits and vegetables | 100.3 | 100.8 | 100.9 | 101. 1 | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99.0 | 98.7 | 99.3 | 99.4 | 100.3 | 100.7 |
| Fruit cocktail, canned | 100.3 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.3 | 98.7 | 99.0 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 101.1 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 101.1 |
| Pears, canned | 100.3 | 100.3 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.8 | 98.8 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 100.6 | 101.2 | 101.2 |
| Pineapple-grapefruit drink, canned | 100.4 | 100. 1 | 100.0 | 99. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ 9 | 98.9 | 98.8 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 101.0 | 100. ${ }^{5}$ | $101.1$ |
| Orange juice concentrate, frozen | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $(2)^{2}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.(2)^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\text { (2) }^{2}$ |
| Lemonade concentrate, frozen | $100^{2} 4$ | $100,9$ | $101,1$ | $102,1$ | $101,2$ | $99.0$ | 98.0 | 98.1 | $98.9$ | 99.6 | $100.3$ | $100,1$ |
| Beets, canned | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | (i) | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | (2) | $\text { (2) }^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.(2)^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Peas, green canned Tomatoes, canned | $100.6$ | $100.7$ | $100 \cdot 3$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tomatoes, canned Dried beans ..... | $\begin{gathered} \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ 102.4 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{(2)}\right) \\ & 03.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ & 103.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} (2) \\ 103.8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ & 101,3 \end{aligned}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)^{x}$ $99.4$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ $96.6$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ $94.3$ | $\begin{gathered} (i) \\ 96.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{( 2 )}^{2} \\ & 96,9 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left(^{(2)}\right. \\ 100.3 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Broccoli, frozen | ( ${ }^{\text {a }}{ }^{4}$ | ${ }_{(2)}$ | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{1}{ }^{(2)}$ | (2) ${ }^{4}$ | ${ }^{96}{ }^{2}{ }^{6}$ | ${ }^{\text {(2) }}{ }^{3}$ | ${ }^{96}{ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{96}\left({ }^{9}{ }^{9}\right)$ | (2) ${ }^{3}$ | ${ }^{102}{ }^{2}$ ) |
| Other food at home | 101.9 | 101.6 | 100.3 | 99.8 | 98.5 | 97.7 | 98.0 | 99.3 | 100.4 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 101.8 |
| Eggs | 110.9 | 110.8 | 98.7 | 97.7 | 90.7 | 86.6 | 91.8 | 97.0 | 104.4 | 101.5 | 101. 1 | 109.1 |
| Fats and oils | 101.5 | 101.0 | 101.0 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 97.8 | 97.0 | 97.5 | 99.1 | 101.2 | 102. 2 | 102.2 |
| Margarine | 101.5 | 101.3 | 101.5 | 100.6 | 97.8 | 96.9 | 95.7 | 95.8 | 100.1 | 102.1 | 103. 3 | 103.4 |
| Salad dressing, Italian | 100.6 | 100. 4 | 101.1 | 100.8 | 100.7 | 100.1 | 99.2 | 98.7 | 98. 9 | 99.3 | 100. 1 | 100.1 |
| Salad or cooking oil | 101.4 | 100.5 | 100.4 | 100.1 | 99.3 | 97.3 | 96.6 | 97.4 | 99.8 | 101.7 | 102.6 | 103.0 |
| Sugar and sweets | 101.9 | 101.9 | 102.1 | 100.7 | 99.1 | 98.2 | 98.2 | 98.0 | 97.9 | 99.5 | 100. 5 | 102.1 |
| Sugar Grape jell | ${ }^{105}{ }_{(2)} 1$ | $\left.{ }^{102} 2^{2}\right)^{9}$ | $103_{(2)} 0$ | $99^{2}{ }^{0}$ | $\left.{ }^{95}{ }^{2}\right)^{7}$ | $94{ }^{2} 6$ | 95.2 | 9688 | 96.7 | $100{ }^{2} 3$ | 103, ${ }^{3}$ | $107{ }^{2} 2^{6}$ |
| Chocolate bar | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) |
| Syrup, chocolate flavored | 102, ${ }^{3}$ | 101. ${ }^{(2)}$ | 102. ${ }^{3}$ | $101 .{ }^{(2)}$ | 100.5 | 99.3 | 97.6 | ${ }_{\text {96. }}{ }^{7}$ | 97.1 | 98.7 | 100.2 | 101. ${ }^{7}{ }^{7}$ |
| Nonalcoholic beverages | $\left.{ }^{(2} 2\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2}^{2}$ (2) | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}(2) \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}(2) \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}\left({ }^{2}\right. \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ & (2) \end{aligned}$ |
| Coffee ..... | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | $(2)$ <br> $(2)$ | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right.$ 2) | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ 2\end{array}\right.$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Coffee, instant Tea ....... | (2) <br> $(2)$ <br> 2 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $(2)$ | $\left.{ }^{2} 2\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $(2)$ <br> $(2)$ | $(2)$ <br> $(2)$ <br> $2^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ |
| Carbonated drink, cola flavored | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Carbonated drink, fruit flavored | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Prepared and partially prepared foods | 99.8 | 100. 5 | 100.4 | 100.3 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 100. 1 | 100.3 |
| Bean soup, canned | 99.8 | 100.7 | ${ }^{101}{ }_{(2)}$ | $100.4$ | 99.9 | $1002$ | $100 \cdot{ }^{2}$ | 99.9 | 99.4 | 98.8 | 99.4 | $99 ; 8$ |
| Chicken soup, canned | $\left.{ }_{100}{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }_{100}^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(_{0}^{(2)}\right.$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{(2)}\right)}$ | ${ }_{100^{(2)}}$ | ${ }_{100}^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(20)}$ | ${ }_{100}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{100}{ }^{2}$ ) |
| Spaghetti, canned ..... | 100.8 | 100.5 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 99.0 | 99.3 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100.7 |
| Mashed potatoes, instant .. Potatoes, french fried, frozen | 99.7 | 99.9 | 99.4 98.9 | 99.6 99 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.2 |
| Potatoes, french fried, frozen Baby foods | ${ }^{99}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{7}{ }^{7}$ | $99\left({ }^{\text {(2) }}\right.$ | ${ }_{\text {98. }}{ }_{(2)} 9$ | ${ }^{99}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{4}$ | ${ }_{9}^{99}{ }_{(2)}$ | ${ }^{99.2}{ }^{\text {(2) }}$ | ${ }^{99}\left({ }^{\text {a }}\right.$ ) ${ }^{6}$ | ${ }^{100.5}{ }^{\text {a }}$ ) | 101. 1 | 100. ${ }^{\text {(2) }}$ ) | ${ }^{101.2}{ }^{2}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100.5 \\ \left(^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| Sweet pickle relish | 101.4 | 101.7 | 102.5 | 102.0 | 99.9 | 98.5 | 97.6 | 97.9 | 97.6 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 101.1 |
| Pretzels | 98.3 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 100.7 | 101.0 | 100.8 | 100.5 | 100.0 | 100.2 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.2 |
| Housing. | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ |  | ${ }^{2}$ (2) |  |  |  | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ 2\end{array}\right)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ $2^{2}$ |  |  |
| Shelter | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Rent, residential | 100. 0 | $100.2$ | $1001$ |  |  | $1000$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Homeownership | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | $\text { ( } \left.^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\text { ( } \left.^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{2}$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ |
| Mortgage interest rates | 101.4 | 100.6 | 99.3 | 98.4 | 97.9 | 98.1 | 98.6 | 99.3 | 100.1 | 101.7 | 102.3 | 102.2 |
| Property taxes | 100. ${ }^{4}$ | 100.6 | 100. ${ }^{4}$ | 100.2 |  |  | 99.5 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.6 | $100{ }^{2} 2$ | 100.6 |
| Property insurance premium | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.(2)^{2}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{2}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\text { ( } \left.^{2}\right)$ |
| Maintenance and repairs | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 100.4 | 100.3 | 100.5 | 100.4 | 100.1 | 100.0 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities | 99.1 | 99.0 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 101.0 | 101.0 | 100.9 | 100.4 | 99.8 | 99.5 | 99.3 |
| Exterior house paint | $\begin{gathered} 100.3 \\ (2) \end{gathered}$ | $100 \text { i } 1$ | $100{ }_{(2)}^{1}$ | $100.2$ | 99.7 | $99{ }^{9}{ }^{7}$ | ${ }^{99,2}{ }^{(2)}$ | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.9 | ${ }_{(200}{ }^{5}$ | $100.5$ |
| Interior house paint ...... Maintenance and repair services | $\begin{gathered} \left(^{2}\right) \\ 99.9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left({ }^{(2)}\right) \\ 99.5 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left(^{2}\right) \\ 99.5 \end{gathered}$ | $\left(^{(2)}\right.$ $99.4$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ 99.5 | (2) 99.9 | $\left({ }^{(2)}\right.$ 100.2 | ${ }_{100.2}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{100.5}^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ 100.6 | (2) 100.4 | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{(2)}\right. \\ & 100.1 \end{aligned}$ |
| Repainting living and dining rooms | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.3 | 98.9 | 99. 4 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100. 3 | 100.8 | 100.7 | 100.6 | 100.3 |
| Reshingling house roof | 99. 7 | 99. 5 | 99.1 | 99.4 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100. 4 | 100.7 | 100.6 | 100.2 | 100.0 |
| Residing house | 100. 1 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.5 | 99.3 | 99.9 | 100. 1 | 100.0 | 100.5 | 100.7 | 100.5 | 100.2 |
| Replacing sink | ${ }^{100.0}$ | 99.6 | $99\left({ }^{9}{ }^{9}\right.$ | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 100. ${ }^{7}$ | 100. ${ }^{5}$ | 100.4 | 100.2 |
| Repairing furnace | ${ }^{(20)}$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | ${ }_{10{ }^{(2)}}$ | ${ }^{(2)}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.(3)^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Fuel and utilities | 100.4 | 100.9 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 100.2 | 99.9 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.7 | 100. 1 |
| Fuel oil and coal | 101.9 | 102.3 | 101. 2 | 100.5 | 99.9 | 99.2 | 98.8 | 98.1 | 98. 0 | 98.7 | 100.4 | 101.2 |
| Fuel oil, No. 2 | 101.8 | 102.3 | 101.2 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.0 | 98.3 | 98. 0 | 98.7 | 100. 2 | 101.0 |
| Gas and electricity | 100.4 | 100.7 | 100.8 | 100. 7 | 100. 4 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.3 | 99.0 | 99.5 | 99. 9 |
| Gas | 100. 7 | 101.0 | 101.0 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 99.9 | 99.3 | 98.6 | 98.9 | 98.5 | 99.9 | 100.5 |
| Electricity | 99.8 | 100.4 | 100.8 | 100.6 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 99.0 | 99.4 |
| Other utilities: <br> Residential telephone services | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Residential water and sewerage services | 99.8 | 99.8 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 100.6 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 |
| Household furnishings and operation | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100. 1 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.1 |
| Housefurnishings | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100. 4 | 100.1 |
| Textiles | 98.3 | 100. 2 |  |  |  |  | 99.0 | 98.7 |  |  |  |  |
| Sheets, full, flat Curtains, tailored | 95. ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ ) 6 | ${ }_{\text {101. }}{ }^{\text {a }}$ ) 1 | $\begin{gathered} 101 ; 2 \\ \left.{ }^{( }{ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 101,3 \\ \left.{ }^{2}\right)^{2} \end{gathered}$ | ${ }_{\text {(2) }}^{\text {98. }}$ | $101.8$ | ${ }^{97}{ }^{\text {( }}$ ) ${ }^{7}$ | 94.8 ${ }^{\text {(2) }}$ | 101.9 <br> $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | $\begin{gathered} \left.{ }^{2}{ }^{2}\right)^{0} \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 102 \cdot{ }^{5} \\ \left({ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 101 ; 2 \\ \left({ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| Bedspreads .... | 97.5 | 99.0 | 100.7 | 100.9 | 101. 4 | 101.2 | 99.8 | 98.4 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.6 | 100.5 |
| Drapery fabrics | 99.4 | 99.5 | 100.3 | 100. 1 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 100. 5 | 100.4 | 100.0 | 100. 1 | 99.7 |
| Pillows, bed | 98. 3 | 100.7 | 101.5 | 100.3 | 99. 1 | 100.4 | 96. 7 | 96.7 | 99.4 | 101.6 | 102.5 | 102.8 |
| Slipcovers and throws, ready-made | 98. 8 | 100.2 | 100. 0 | 100.0 | 100. 0 | 100.2 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 99.6 | 100.4 |
| Furniture and bedding | 99.4 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 100. 1 | 100.5 | 100.5 | 100. 0 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 99.9 |
| Bedroom furniture, chest and dresser | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100. 1 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 100.5 | 100.2 |
| Sofas, upholstered Cocktail tables .. | $\left.{ }^{99}{ }^{2}{ }^{2}\right)^{6}$ | $99{ }^{\text {(2) }} 4$ | ${ }^{99}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{3}$ | ${ }^{99}{ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)} 9$ | $100_{\left({ }^{2}\right)}^{0}$ | $100{ }_{\left({ }^{2}\right)}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left.100 . i^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \left.100^{( }{ }^{2}\right) \end{gathered}$ | $100.3$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rl} 100 & 3 \\ \mathbf{( 2}^{2} \end{array}\right\}$ | $100 \cdot{ }^{2}{ }^{7}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100{ }^{4}{ }^{4}{ }^{4} \end{gathered}$ |
| Dining room chairs | 99.9 | 99.1 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 99. 9 | 99.3 | 99.7 | 100.4 | 100.5 | 100.3 |
| Recliners, upholstered | 99.6 | 99.3 | 100.1 | 100. 3 | 99.9 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.8 | 99.7 |
| Sofas, dual purpose | 99.6 | 99.5 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 99.8 | 100.4 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 99.8 |
| Bedding, mattress and box springs | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 100. 4 | 100.3 | 100.6 | 100.0 | 99.9 |


| Item and group | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | Novernber | Decem: ber |
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| Household furnishings and operation-Continued Housefurnishings-Continued Textiles-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Furniture and bedding-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aluminum folding chairs . | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Cribs ............ | 99.6 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 99.9 | 100. 3 | 100.5 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100.5 |
| Floor coverings | 99. 9 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 99. 5 | 99.5 | 100.2 | 100. 1 | 100.5 | 100.4 | 100. 3 | 100.2 |
| Broadloom carpeting | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99. 8 | 100.3 | 100. 3 | 100.5 | 100.4 | 100. 2 | 100.0 |
| Vinyl sheet goods | 100.0 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.4 | 99.3 | 99.5 | 99. 9 | 100.3 | 100.6 | 100.6 | 100.6 |
| $V$ inyl floor tile . | 100.4 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.1 | 99.5 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100. 2 | 99.6 |
| Appliances (excluding radio and TV) | 100.2 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100. 3 | 100. 5 | 100.3 |
| Washing machines, electric | 100.2 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.6 | 99. 7 | 100.1 | 100.2 | 100.5 | 100.4 |
| Vacuum cleaners | 99.8 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99. 8 | 100. 1 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 100. 1 | 100. 1 | 100. 1 | 100.0 |
| Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, electri | 100.3 | 100.2 | 99.8 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99. 4 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 100.1 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 100.6 |
| Ranges, free standing, gas or electric | 100.1 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.4 | 100.3 | 100.5 |
| Clothes dryers, electric | ${ }^{100.1}{ }^{1}$ | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 100. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 99.8 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100. 1 | ${ }^{100 .}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{100.5}$ |
| Air conditioners, demountable Room heaters, electric, portable | $\left({ }^{2}\right.$ (2) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $(2)$ | $\left({ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }_{(2)}^{(2)}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l}2 \\ (2) \\ (2)\end{array}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $(2)$ | ${ }^{\left({ }^{2}\right)}{ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2}{ }^{2}$ (2) | ${ }_{\left({ }^{2}\right)}^{(2)}$ | ( ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ ) | ( ${ }_{(2)}^{2}$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $(2)$ 9 |
| Garbage disposal units ...... | 100.2 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.9 | $i^{100.2}$ | 100.2 | 100.2 | 99.9 |
| Other housefurnishings: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dinnerware, fine china | 99.4 | 100.2 | 100. ${ }^{3}$ | 100. 2 | 100. 2 | 100. 2 | 100. ${ }^{3}$ | 100.5 | 100.6 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98. 8 |
| Flatware, stainless steel | $\left(2^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right.$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $(2)^{2}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right.$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Table lamps, with shade | 99.8 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 100. ${ }^{1}$ | 100. ${ }^{\circ}$ | 100. 2 | 100.1 |  | ${ }_{\text {120 }}{ }^{3}$ | ${ }_{\text {120 }}^{10} 1$ |
| Lawn mowers, power, rotary type Electric drills, hand-held $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left({ }^{2}\right) \\ & \mathbf{2}^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $(2)$ $(2)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)$ $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ |
| Housekeeping supplies: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Laundry soaps and detergents | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Paper napkins | 100.1 | 100.2 | 99.4 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.2 |
| Toilet tissue | 100.0 | 100.7 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 100.9 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 100.1 |
| Housekeeping services: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestic services, general housework | 99.1 | 98.6 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 100. 1 | 101.2 | 101.0 | 100.8 | 100.9 | 100.6 | 100.0 | 98.9 |
| Postal charges | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{(2}{ }^{2}\right)$ |
| Laundry, flatwork, finished service | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $(2)^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Licensed day care services, preschool child | 99.9 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100.5 | 100.5 | 100.3 |
| Washing machine repairs .. | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right.$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Apparel and upkeep | 98.9 | 99.2 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 99.8 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 100.5 | 101.0 | 101. 4 | 100.8 |
| Apparel commodities | 98.7 | 99.0 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100. 1 | 99.8 | 99.0 | 99.3 | 100.7 | 101.2 | 101.6 | 100.9 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear | 98.7 | 98.9 | 99.4 | 99.7 | 100.1 | 99.7 | 98.9 | 99.3 | 100.7 | 101.4 | 101.8 | 101.2 |
| Men's and boys' | 98.8 | 98.9 | 99.7 | 100.3 | 100.6 | 100.4 | 98.9 | 99.6 | 100.3 | 100.7 | 101.0 | 100.6 |
| Men's: ${ }_{\text {Topcoats and all-weather coats }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topcoats and all-weather coats Suits, year round weight | 98.1 | 98.3 | 99.2 | 101.0 | 101.5 | 100.4 | 97.6 | 98.9 | 100.3 | 101.6 | 102.1 | 100.7 |
| Sport jackets ....... | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) ${ }^{4}$ | (2) | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}{ }^{6}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Jackets, lightweight | 99.5 | 99.6 | 100.2 | 100.0 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 99.5 | 99.7 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100.1 | 99. 9 |
| Slacks, heavy weight | 98.9 | 99.4 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 100.6 | 99.7 | 99.0 | 99.6 | 100.4 | 100.8 | 101.0 | 100.4 |
| Slacks, lightweight | 99.9 | 100. 2 | 100.2 | 100.5 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 98.7 | 98.8 | 99.4 | 100.7 | 101. 1 | 100.6 |
| Trousers, work | 99.4 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 100. 7 | 100.3 | 100.2 | 100. 0 | 100. 0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.5 |
| Shirts, work | 99.3 | 99.7 | 99. 8 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 100.6 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100. 1 | 99.7 | 99. 7 | 99.7 |
| Shirts, business or dress | 98.5 | 98.6 | 99.1 | 99.8 | 100. 2 | 100.2 | 99.6 | 100. 2 | 100.7 | 100.9 | 101. 1 | 101.0 |
| T-shirts | 99.5 | 99.8 | 100. ${ }^{8}$ | ${ }^{100.83}$ | 100.5 | ${ }^{100}{ }^{2}{ }^{7}{ }^{7}$ | ${ }^{100}\left(2{ }^{3}\right.$ | 99.9 | ${ }^{100}{ }_{(2)}{ }^{0}$ | 99.7 | 99.3 | 99.1 |
| Socks | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $(2)^{2}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ |
| Handkerchiefs | 99.3 | 99.8 | 100.5 | 100. 5 | 100.7 | 100.6 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 99.9 | 99.4 | 98. 7 |
| Boys': Coats, heav |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coats, heavyweight . . . . . . . . Sport coats, wool or wool biends | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2} 2$ | ${ }^{2}$ | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ | $(2)$ | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ |
| Sport coats, wool or wool bends Dungarees | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | (2) |
| Undershorts | 99.5 | 99.7 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 100.2 | 100.3 | 99.8 |  | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.1 | 99.8 |
| Women's and girls' | 98.3 | 98.7 | 99.3 | 99.2 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 98.7 | 98.8 | 101.3 | 102.1 | 102.6 | 101.9 |
| Women's: |  | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ |  | ${ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ |
| Coats, heavyweight | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | $2)$ | $2)$ |
| Sweaters ....... | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ 2 | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Skirts, winter weight | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ (2) | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ (2) | ${ }^{2}$ |
| Skirts, summer weight | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | (2) |
| Blouses . ........... | 99.2 | 99.6 | 100.7 | 101.4 | 100.8 | 100. 1 | 98.1 | 99.4 | 99.7 | 100.1 | 100.5 | 100.0 |
| Dresses, street, year round weight | 99.7 | $100.2$ | 99.9 | $100.2$ | $100.2$ | ${ }^{99.1}$ | 97.3 | 99.0 | $100 .{ }_{(2)}$ | $100 \mathbf{i}^{2}{ }^{9}$ | $101 ;{ }_{(2)}$ | 101, ${ }^{5}$ |
| Slips | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2}{ }^{2}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ |  | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ |  |
| Panties | 99.8 | 99.4 | 99.7 | 99. 9 | 99.9 | 100. 1 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100. 1 | 100.3 | 100. 7 | 100.2 |
| Girdles | 99.3 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 100. 5 | 100.5 | 99.5 | 99.3 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 100. 1 | 100.2 | 100. 1 |
| Brassieres | 99.3 | 99.5 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 100.5 | 100. 1 | 99.9 | 100.3 | 99.5 | 99.9 | 100.3 | 100.4 |
| Hose or panty hose, nylon | 99.0 | 99.3 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.6 | 100.8 | 100.1 | 99.2 | 100.2 | 100.0 |
| Anklets or knee-length socks | 100.1 | 100. 1 | 100. 2 | 100.2 | 99. 9 | 99.9 | 100.2 | 99.2 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100. 4 | 100.3 |
| Gloves, fabric | 99.1 | 100. 1 | 100.3 | 100.7 | 100.7 | 100.5 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 99.3 |
| Handbags | 99.4 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 99.9 | 99.6 | 99.1 | 98.9 | 100. 1 | 100.7 | 100.8 | 101.0 | 101.5 |
| Girls': |  | ${ }^{(2)}$ |  |  | ${ }^{(2)}$ |  |  | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | $\left.{ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) |  |
| Raincoats $\ldots$.... Skirts, fall and win | (2) | (2) | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | ${ }^{2}$ ) |
| Dresses ......... | 97.4 | 99.1 | 99.9 | 98.5 | 100.2 | 99.4 | 99.0 | 101. 4 | 100.7 | 101, 3 | 102.1 | 101.0 |
| Slacks, fall and winter | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ | ${ }^{2}$ (2) | $\left.{ }^{(2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ 2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right.$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left.{ }^{2}{ }^{2}\right)$ |
| Slips ............ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(2^{2}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{2}\right)$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | $\left(^{2}\right)$ |
| Handbags | 98.2 | 98.4 | 100.3 | 99.7 | 100.0 | 99.3 | 98.8 | 99.6 | 100.7 | 101.2 | 101.7 | 102.0 |

See footnotes at end of table.


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Table 11. CPI—seasonal adjustment factors for use with 1977 indexes (calculated from data through December 1976)-Continued

${ }^{1}$ Seasonally adjusted indexes are dependently derived and, therefore, seasonal ${ }^{2}$ Series is not seasonally adjusted factors are not available in advance.

## 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. 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 major statistical areas and 17 smaller cities, which were chosen to represent all urban places in the United States. They are collected from about 18,000 establishments $-\cdots$ grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations. and other types of stores and service establishments.

Prices of food, 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 five largest areas and every 3 months in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by
personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain local transit fares, public utility rates, newspaper prices, fuel prices, and certain other items.

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. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published for 23 areas.

The index measures price changes from a designated reference date--1967--which equals 100.0. An increase of 22 percent, for example, is shown as 122.0. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: The price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers has risen from $\$ 10$ in 1967 to $\$ 12.20$.

## A Note About Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example in the accompanying box illustates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Seasonally adjusted percent changes in the U.S. All Items Index are based on seasonal adjustment factors and seasonally adjusted indexes carried to two decimal places. This procedure helps to eliminate rounding error in the percent changes.

Percent changes for 3 -month and 6 -month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12 -month
period. BLS does not publish annual rates based on data for 1 month.


## A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred, since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year-such as price movements resulting from changing
climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data are also used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index unadjusted for seasonal variation.

## 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. ${ }^{1}$ The table below shows standard errors for monthly, quarterly, and annual percent

## Average standard errors of percent changes in the CPI based on 1976 data

| Component | Standard error |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Monthly change | Quarterly change | Annual change |
| All items | . 04 | . 05 | . 10 |
| Food at home | . 10 | . 11 | . 22 |
| Food away from home | . 08 | . 14 | . 31 |
| Housing | . 06 | . 10 | . 18 |
| Apparel and upkeep | . 15 | . 27 | . 25 |
| Transportation. | . 07 | . 12 | . 20 |
| Medical care . | . 14 | . 19 | . 27 |
| Personal care | . 16 | . 26 | . 64 |
| Reading and recreation | . 09 | . 16 | . 33 |
| Other goods and services | . 11 | . 12 | . 18 |

changes in the CPI for all items and for nine commodity groupings based on 1975 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.

Because the CPI is rounded to one decimal place, some ambiguity may arise in interpreting small index changes. As the table indicates, for example, 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 for a 1 -month period is always significant.

This replaces the table of average errors based on 1975 data which was included in the CPI report through December 1976.

1 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.

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[^0]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^1]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ See footnote 1 , table 5.

[^3]:    ${ }_{2}^{1}$ See footnote 1 , table 5.
    2 Not available.
    Revised indexes: October 1976, 194.4; November 1976, 196.1; December 1976.
    201.4; Annual average 1976, 189.0.
    © Revised index: December 1976, 237.4.
    Change from November 1976.

