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The CPI Detailed Report is a monthly report on consumer price movements, including statistical tables and technical notes. The report covers two indexes, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Consumer Price Index for Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). The indexes reflect data for the U.S. city average and selected areas.

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## Price Movements

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 1.0 percent before seasonal adjustment in March to 209.1 (1967=100). The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 1.1 percent before seasonal adjustment in March to 209.3 ( $1967=100$ ). The CPI-U was 10.2 percent higher and the CPI-W was 10.3 percent higher than in March 1978.

## CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)--seasonally

 adjusted changesOn a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for All Urban Consumers rose 1.0 percent in March. This compares with an increase of 1.2 percent in February and 0.9 percent in January. During the 3 months ended in March, the CPI-U rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 13.0 percent, up from 8.5 percent for the 3 months ended in December and the largest quarterly increase since the third quarter of 1974. Price indexes for food and beverages and housing continued to increase sharply in March but by less than in February. The index for apparel and upkeep accelerated substantially in March, increasing 1.5 percent. The March index for entertainment also showed a larger increase than in February. A large increase in the transportation index was recorded for the fifth consecutive month. The indexes for medical care and other goods and services rose at about the same rate as in February.

The 1.0 percent increase in the March index for food and beverages compares with increases of 1.6 percent in

February and 1.4 percent in January. A 2.7 percent increase in meat prices accounted for over two-thirds of the 1.0 percent increase in grocery store foods. Beef and poultry prices advanced sharply for the sixth consecutive month. Egg prices rose substantially following seasonal adjustment, and prices for pork, fresh fruits, and dairy products also showed large increases in March. Prices for fresh vegetables declined sharply as lettuce and tomato prices dropped, reflecting an increase in supplies after adverse weather earlier this year. Restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages rose 1.1 percent and 0.8 percent, respectively, in March, slightly less than in January and February.

The housing index rose 1.0 percent in March compared with 1.3 percent in February. Rising homeownership costs and household fuels accounted for almost all the increase. Mortgage interest costs rose 1.9 percent in March, reflecting a 0.9 percent increase in house prices and a 1.6 percent increase in mortgage interest rates. Household fuels increased 1.7 percent in March following an increase of 1.2 percent in February as prices for fuel oil increased 5.5 percent. The index for gas and electricity increased 0.8 percent, about the same as for the last 2 months.

The transportation index rose 1.2 percent in March, about the same as in the previous 4 months. Gasoline prices increased 3.8 percent, the largest monthly increase since July 1975, and accounted for abouth three-fourths of the increase. New car prices increased 0.7 percent in

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

| Expenditure category | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unadjusted <br> 12 months ended March 1979 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | From preceding month |  |  |  |  |  |  | Compound annual rate 3 months ended March 1979 |  |
|  | 1978 |  |  |  | 1979 |  |  |  |  |
|  | September | October | November | December | January | February | March |  |  |
| All items. | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 13.0 | 10.2 |
| Food and beverages | . 7 | . 9 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 17.6 | 12.5 |
| Housing | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 5 | . 6 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 12.0 | 10.6 |
| Apparel and upkeep | . 6 | . 5 | . 1 | -. 1 | . 2 | . 3 | 1.5 | 8.7 | 5.0 |
| Transportation. | . 7 | . 4 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 14.6 | 10.1 |
| Medical care. | . 7 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 6 | 9.4 | 9.0 |
| Entertainment | . 5 | . 6 | . 3 | . 7 | . 8 | . 4 | . 9 | 8.9 | 6.1 |
| Other goods and services | 1.4 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 7 | . 7 | . 6 | 8.5 | 7.5 |

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

| Expenditure category | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unadjusted $\qquad$ <br> 12 months ended March 1979 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | From preceding month |  |  |  |  |  |  | Compound annual rate 3 months ended March 1979 |  |
|  | - 1978 |  |  |  | 1979 |  |  |  |  |
|  | September | October | Novem: ber | December | January | February | March |  |  |
| All items. | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 13.9 | 10.3 |
| Food and beverages | . 6 | . 9 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 19.2 | 13.0 |
| Housing . . . . . . . | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 6 | . 7 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 12.5 | 10.6 |
| Apparel and upkeep. | . 6 | . 6 | -. 1 | . 1 | . 4 | . 2 | 1.3 | 8.4 | 5.3 |
| Transportation.... | . 7 | . 5 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 15.3 | 10.4 |
| Medical care. | . 8 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 6 | 8.9 | 9.1 |
| Entertainment | . 4 | . 6 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 2 | . 9 | 6.8 | 5.7 |
| Other goods and services | 1.0 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 5 | 9.7 | 7.2 |

March following increases of over 1.0 percent in both January and February. Used car prices declined 0.3 percent in March, following substantial increases since last May.

In the apparel and upkeep category, prices of apparel commodites rose 1.6 percent in March following comparatively small monthly increases since last spring. Prices turned up in March for most types of clothing as higher priced spring wear items were introduced. Charges for apparel services rose 1.4 percent following increases of 1.4 percent in February and 1.1 percent in January.

The entertainment index rose 0.9 percent in March following an increase of 0.4 percent in February. Higher charges for entertainment services--particularly fees for participant sports and admissions--were primarily responsible for the increase. The March increase in entertainment commodities was about the same as in February.

The medical care index rose 0.6 percent in March, the same as in February. The index for other goods and services increased 0.6 percent in March compared with 0.7 percent in February.

## CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)--seasonally adjusted changes

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 1.1 percent in March. This compares with an increase of 1.2 percent in February and 1.0 percent in January. During the 3 months ended in March, the CPI-W rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 13.9 percent, up from 8.9 percent in December and the largest quarterly increase since the first quarter of 1974.

The 1.2 percent increase in the March index for food and beverages compares with increases of 1.7 percent in

February and 1.5 percent in January. A 2.8 percent increase in meat prices accounted for over two-thirds of the 1.1 percent increase in grocery store foods. Beef prices advanced sharply for the sixth consecutive month. Dairy products and egg prices rose substantially following adjustment, and prices for fresh fruits showed large increases in March. Prices for fresh vegetables declined sharply. Restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages rose 1.5 percent and 1.0 percent, respectively, slightly more than in January and February.

The housing index rose 1.0 percent in March compared with 1.3 percent in February. Rising homeownership costs and household fuels accounted for nearly all the increase. Mortgage interest costs rose 2.0 percent in March, reflecting a 0.9 percent increase in house prices and a 1.6 percent increase in mortgage interest rates. Household fuels increased 1.5 percent in March following an increase of 1.2 percent in February, as prices for fuel oil increased 5.5 percent. The index for gas and electricity rose 0.7 percent, about the same as in the prior 2 months.

The transportation index rose 1.2 percent in March, about the same as the last 4 months. Gasoline prices increased 3.8 percent and accounted for over three-fourths of the increase. New car prices rose 0.7 percent, and used car prices declined 0.3 percent.

In the apparel and upkeep category, prices of apparel commodities rose 1.4 percent in March, reflecting higher priced spring wear. Charges for apparel services rose 1.1 percent in March, the third successive large increase.

The entertainment index rose 0.9 percent in March following an increase of 0.2 percent in February. The medical care index rose 0.6 percent in March, compared with 0.7 percent in February. The index for other goods and services increased 0.5 percent in March compared with 0.8 percent in February.

Chart 1. CPI-W: All items, food and beverages, 1968-79


## Chart 2. CPI-W: Transportation and medical care, 1968-79



Chart 3. CPI-W: Housing, apparel and upkeep, 1968-79

$\begin{array}{llllllllllll}1968 & 1969 & 1970 & 1971 & 1972 & 1973 & 1974 & 1975 & 1976 & 1977 & 1978 & 1979\end{array}$ * Unodjusted data used to calculate 12 -month percent change. Percent changes over 1 -month spans are annual rates calculated from seasonally ad justed data.

Chart 4. CPI-W: Entertainment, other goods and services, 1968-79

$\begin{array}{llllllllllll}1968 & 1969 & 1970 & 1971 & 1972 & 1973 & 1974 & 1975 & 1976 & 1977 & 1978 & 1979\end{array}$ * Unadjusted data used to calculate 12 -month percent change. Percent changes over 1 -month spans are annual rates calculated from seasonally adjusted data.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Relative importance, December 1978 | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1978 | Feb. 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All iterns | 100.000 | 207.1 | 209.1 | 10.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| All items(1957-59=100) ............................................. |  | 240.8 | 243.2 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Food and beverages ............................................... | 19.242 | 222.4 | 224.4 | 12.5 | . 9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Food ................................................................... | 18.161 | 228.2 | 230.4 | 12.8 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Food at home ............................................... | 12.616 | 228.0 | 229.9 | 13.5 | 8 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............................ | 1.543 | 212.2 | 213.5 | 9.8 | . 6 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 5 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ........................... | 4.363 | 232.3 | 237.0 | 22.7 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 2.5 |
| Dairy products ................................................ | 1.683 | 200.6 | 201.5 | 12.4 | . 4 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| Fruits and vegetables ....................................... | 1.757 | 226.5 | 225.9 | 10.8 | -. 3 | 3.4 | . 6 | -1.0 |
| Sugar and sweets ............................................ | . 440 | 270.2 | 272.1 | 8.1 | . 7 | . 0 | -. 2 | . 6 |
| Fats and oils ................................................... | . 367 | 219.2 | 219.5 | 9.5 | . 1 | . 1 | 1.4 | . 5 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ${ }^{1}$................................. | 1.418 | 347.8 | 347.1 | 1.6 | -. 2 | 1.1 | . 7 | -. 2 |
| Other prepared foods ....................................... | 1.045 | 201.8 | 202.9 | 9.9 | . 5 | 1.3 | . 7 | . 5 |
| Food away from home ........................................ | 5.545 | 233.4 | 236.0 | 11.2 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 |
| Alcoholic beverages .............................................. | 1.080 | 167.7 | 169.2 | 8.1 | . 9 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Housing ................................................................. | 44.258 | 215.6 | 217.6 | 10.6 | . 9 | . 6 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Shetter ................................................................. | 29.827 | 225.9 | 228.0 | 12.4 | . 9 | . 7 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Rent, residential ................................................ | 5.535 | 171.0 | 171.3 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Other rental costs .............................................. | . 735 | 224.8 | 226.3 | 12.0 | . 7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | . 3 |
| Homeownership ................................................. | 23.557 | 245.6 | 248.2 | 13.7 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.8 | 1.3 |
| Home purchase ................................................ | 10.166 | 210.9 | 212.7 | 11.7 | . 9 | . 4 | 1.3 | . 9 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ........................ | 9.686 | 283.5 | 287.7 | 17.5 | 1.5 | . 9 | 2.9 | 2.0 |
| Maintenance and repairs .................................. | 3.705 | 245.9 | 247.5 | 9.8 | . 7 | . 9 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Maintenance and repair services ..................... | 2.846 | 265.7 | 267.8 | 10.4 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities .............. | . 859 | 199.9 | 200.1 | 7.6 | . 1 | . 4 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Fuel and other utilities .......................................... | 6.326 | 223.3 | 225.9 | 6.3 | 1.2 | 4 | . 8 | 1.1 |
| Fuels ................................................................. | 4.231 | 259.3 | 264.0 | 9.0 | 1.8 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| Fuel oll, coal, and bottled gas ........................... | . 879 | 326.1 | 339.5 | 14.2 | 4.1 | . 6 | 2.6 | 4.7 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ................................ | 3.352 | 241.2 | 244.0 | 7.7 | 1.2 | . 9 | . 8 | . 8 |
| Other utillties and public services .......................... | 2.096 | 159.0 | 158.8 | 1.0 | -. 1 | -. 4 | . 0 | -. 1 |
| Household furnishings and operation ...................... | 8.105 | 186.0 | 187.4 | 7.9 | . 8 | . 7 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Housefurnishings ................................................ | 4.457 | 160.0 | 161.2 | 6.4 | . 8 | . 6 | . 6 | . 4 |
| Housekeeping supplies ........................................ | 1.542 | 216.9 | 218.4 | 8.0 | . 7 | . 9 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Housekeeping services ........................................ | 2.106 | 241.4 | 242.9 | 11.3 | . 6 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Apparel and upkeep ................................................ | 5.486 | 161.4 | 164.3 | 5.0 | 1.8 | . 2 | . 3 | 1.5 |
| Apparel commodities ................................................ | 4.819 | 156.3 | 159.2 | 4.2 | 1.9 | . 1 | . 2 | 1.6 |
| Men's and boys' apparel .................................... | 1.532 | 156.7 | 158.7 | 1.9 | 1.3 | . 1 | -. 9 | . 7 |
| Women's and girls' apparel ................................. | 1.891 | 147.7 | 151.8 | 4.4 | 2.8 | -. 1 | . 6 | 2.8 |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel ............................... | . 118 | 213.7 | 216.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | -. 6 | -1.0 | 2.8 .6 |
| Footwear .......................................................... | . 698 | 168.9 | 171.6 | 6.8 | 1.6 | . 2 | -. 1 | 1.1 |
| Other apparel commodities .................................. | . 580 | $164.8$ | 166.6 | 7.3 10.9 | 1.1 | . 3 | 2.0 | 1.0 |
| Apparel services '................................................. | . 666 | 197.3 | 200.0 | 10.9 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.4 |

See footnotes at end of table.

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$(1967=100)$

| Group | Relative importance. December 1978 | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1978 | Feb. 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation | 17.806 | 195.6 | 198.1 | 10.1 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Private transportation ............................................ | 16.782 | 195.5 | 198.1 | 10.6 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| New cars .......................................................... | 3.934 | 162.3 | 162.7 | 7.7 | . 2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 7 |
| Used cars ........................................................ | 3.148 | 193.4 | 195.4 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.8 | . 8 | -. 3 |
| Gasoline ... | 4.183 | 213.0 | 220.6 | 16.5 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 3.8 |
| Maintenance and repair ...................................... | 1.515 | 233.9 | 236.3 | 9.8 | 1.0 | . 5 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Other private transportation ................................ | 4.001 | 192.5 | 193.4 | 6.0 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Other private transportation commodities ........... | 714 | 167.9 | 169.0 | 8.0 | . 7 | . 7 | 1.4 | .7 |
| Other private transportation services .................. | 3.288 | 200.9 | 201.8 | 5.6 | . 4 | . 1 | . 1 | . 7 |
| Public transportation ............................................. | 1.024 | 190.7 | 191.5 | 2.3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 8 | . 2 |
| Medical care .......................................................... | 4.959 | 232.6 | 233.9 | 9.0 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Medical care commodities ...................................... | . 845 | 150.1 | 150.7 | 6.9 | . 4 | . 6 | . 7 | . 4 |
| Medical care services ........................................... | 4.115 | 250.4 | 251.8 | 9.5 | . 6 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 6 |
|  | 1.982 | 220.7 | 221.7 | 8.4 | . 5 | 1.5 | . 7 | . 5 |
| Other medical care services ................................ | 2.133 | 286.4 | 288.2 | 10.5 | . 6 | . 9 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Entertainment ........................................................ | 3.963 | 183.2 | 184.8 | 6.1 | . 9 | . 8 | . 4 | . 9 |
| Entertainment commodities ................................... | 2.330 | 184.0 | 185.7 | 5.8 | . 9 | . 9 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Entertainment services ......................................... | 1.633 | 182.4 | 183.9 | 6.7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Other goods and services ....................................... | 4.287 | 191.9 | 192.8 | 7.5 | . 5 | . 7 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Tobacco products ................................................. | 1.152 | 185.2 | 185.8 | 7.0 | . 3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| Personal care ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 1.707 | 190.4 | 192.1 | 7.8 | . 9 | . 9 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances | . 762 | 184.2 | 186.1 | 7.4 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 9 | 1.0 |
| Personal care services ${ }^{1}$ | . 945 | 196.4 | 197.9 | 8.1 | . 8 | . 8 | . 6 | . 8 |
| Personal and educational expenses ........................ | 1.427 | 207.8 | 208.1 | 7.5 | . 1 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 |
| School books and supplies ................................. | . 183 | 191.2 | 191.6 | 6.1 | . 2 | 1.9 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Personal and educational services ....................... | 1.245 | 212.1 | 212.5 | 7.8 | . 2 | . 3 | . 3 | . 4 |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................... | 100.000 | 207.1 | 209.1 | 10.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Commodities ........................................................ | 59.213 | 198.3 | 200.5 | 10.4 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | 19.242 | 222.4 | 224.4 | 12.5 | . 9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ................... | 39.972 | 184.8 | 187.0 | 9.4 | 1.2 | . 9 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| 'Nondurables less food and beverages ................. | 16.671 | 184.2 | 187.8 | 8.7 | 2.0 | 1.2 | . 8 | 2.0 |
| Apparel commodities $\qquad$ <br> Nondurables less food, beverages, | 4.819 | 156.3 | 159.2 | 4.2 | 1.9 | . 1 | . 2 | 1.6 |
| and apparel ${ }^{1}$ | 11.852 | 201.9 | 206.0 | 10.7 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| Durables ............................................................ | 23.301 | 183.6 | 184.9 | 9.9 | . 7 | . 9 | 1.0 | . 5 |
| Services ................................................................ | 40.787 | 223.3 | 225.1 | 9.9 | . 8 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 9 |
| Rent, residential ................................................... | 5.535 | 171.0 | 171.3 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Household services less rent ................................. | 20.820 | 251.0 | 253.7 | 12.3 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Transportation services ......................................... | 5.828 | 205.5 | 206.7 | 6.1 | . 6 | . 3 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Medical care services ............................................. | 4.115 | 250.4 | 251.8 | 9.5 | . 6 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Other services ...................................................... | 4.489 | 193.6 | 195.0 | 7.9 | . 7 | . 6 | . 5 | . 8 |

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$(1967=100)$

| Group | Relative importance, December 1978 | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. 1978 | Feb. 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less food | 81.839 | 201.8 | 203.8 | 9.6 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| All items less shelter ............................................. | 70.173 | 201.6 | 203.7 | 9.3 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 9 | 1.0 |
| All items less mortgage interest costs ${ }^{1}$..................... | 92.728 | 202.3 | 204.1 | 9.1 | . 9 | . 8 | 1.0 | . 9 |
| All items less medical care ...................................... | 95.041 | 205.5 | 207.6 | 10.2 | 1.0 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Commodities less food .............................................. | 41.052 | 183.7 | 185.9 | 9.4 | 1.2 | . 9 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Nondurables less food ............................................ | 17.751 | 182.2 | 185.7 | 8.8 | 1.9 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.9 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel ${ }^{1}$........................ | 12.932 | 196.2 | 200.0 | 10.5 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.9 |
|  | 35.912 | 204.0 | 206.9 | 10.8 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Services less rent ................................................... | 35.252 | 232.9 | 235.0 | 10.3 | . 9 | . 6 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| Services less medical care ${ }^{\dagger}$..................................... | 36.672 | 219.0 | 220.8 | 9.9 | . 8 | . 8 | 1.0 | . 8 |
|  | 8.502 | 235.0 | 241.2 | 12.6 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 2.6 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 91.498 | 205.2 | 206.9 | 9.9 | . 8 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 8 |
| All items less food and energy' .............................. | 73.337 | 198.8 | 200.4 | 9.3 | . 8 | . 5 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Commodities less food and energy ...................... | 35.902 | 178.7 | 180.3 | 8.5 | . 9 | . 9 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Energy commodities ${ }^{1}$....................................... | 5.150 | 231.1 | 239.5 | 15.9 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 3.6 |
| Services less energy ........................................... | 37.435 | 222.0 | 223.7 | 10.0 | . 8 | . 5 | 1.0 | . 9 |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar: $\begin{aligned} & 1967=\$ 1.00^{\prime} \ldots \\ & 1957-59=\$ 1.00^{i} \end{aligned}$ | 100.000 | $\$ .483$ .415 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ .478 \\ .411 \end{array}$ | -9.3 | -1.0 - | -. 8 | -1.2 - | -1.0 - |

Not seasonally adjusted.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | June <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................. |  |  | - |  | 10.7 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 13.0 | 9.6 | 10.7 |
| Food and beverages | 215.7 | 218.8 | 222.3 | 224.6 | 17.7 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 17.6 | 11.1 | 13.7 |
| Food ....................................................................... | 221.3 | 224.5 | 228.1 | 230.5 | 18.3 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 17.7 | 11.3 | 13.9 |
| Food at home | 220.1 | 223.7 | 227.7 | 230.0 | 21.9 | 2.7 | 10.9 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 15.0 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 208.1 | 209.2 | 211.4 | 212.4 | 13.0 | 11.3 | 6.6 | 8.5 | 12.1 | 7.6 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ................................ | 219.5 | 224.6 | 233.0 | 238.9 | 38.5 | -8.6 | 27.7 | 40.3 | 12.5 | 33.8 |
| Dairy products | 195.3 | 197.2 | 199.4 | 201.3 | 14.8 | 8.5 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 11.6 | 13.2 |
| Fruits and vegetables ........................................... | 217.5 | 225.0 | 226.3 | 224.1 | 26.9 | 17.4 | -10.2 | 12.7 | 22.1 | . 6 |
| Sugar and sweets ................................................ | 268.0 | 267.9 | 267.3 | 268.9 | 16.0 | 9.0 | 6.5 | 1.4 | 12.4 | 3.9 |
| Fats and oils ......... | 216.6 | 216.8 | 219.9 | 221.0 | 19.5 | 7.2 | 3.6 | 8.4 | 13.2 | 6.0 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ' ..................................... | 341.7 | 345.4 | 347.8 | 347.1 | -. 1 | -2.1 | 2.3 | 6.5 | -1.1 | 4.3 |
| Other prepared foods .......................................... | 196.9 | 199.5 | 200.8 | 201.9 | 13.2 | 8.7 | 6.8 | 10.6 | 10.9 | 8.6 |
| Food away from home ........................................... | 227.8 | 230.7 | 233.6 | 236.2 | 10.8 | 9.7 | 8.7 | 15.6 | 10.2 | 12.1 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................................. | 164.9 | 166.5 | 168.0 | 169.4 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 11.4 | 7.1 | 9.2 |
| Housing | 211.6 | 212.9 | 215.6 | 217.7 | 11.4 | 10.5 | 8.8 | 12.0 | 11.0 | 10.4 |
| Shelter | 220.9 | 222.5 | 226.0 | 228.4 | 12.1 | 13.0 | 10.4 | 14.3 | 12.6 | 12.3 |
| Rent, residential | 169.6 | 170.1 | 170.8 | 171.1 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.6 |
| Other rental costs ................................................. | 218.5 | 222.2 | 225.7 | 226.3 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 14.8 | 15.1 | 9.2 | 14.9 |
| Homeownership ..................................................... | 239.4 | 241.3 | 245.7 | 248.8 | 13.2 | 14.6 | 10.9 | 16.7 | 13.9 | 13.7 |
| Home purchase ................................................... | 207.5 | 208.3 | 211.1 | 212.9 | 10.0 | 11.8 | 14.3 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 12.5 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ............................ | 272.5 | 275.0 | 282.9 | 288.6 | 18.6 | 19.6 | 7.0 | 25.8 | 19.1 | 16.1 |
| Maintenance and repairs ...................................... | 243.7 | 246.0 | 247.3 | 248.6 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 12.6 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 10.4 |
| Maintenance and repair services ......................... | 262.9 | 265.9 | 267.3 | 269.1 | 11.6 | 8.2 | 11.9 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 10.8 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ................... | 199.0 | 199.7 | 200.7 | 200.7 | . 9 | 12.1 | 14.7 | 3.5 | 6.3 | 8.9 |
| Fuel and other utilities .............................................. | 220.0 | 220.9 | 222.6 | 225.1 | 11.4 | 3.7 | . 7 | 9.6 | 7.5 | 5.1 |
| Fuels ................... | 252.9 | 255.2 | 258.2 | 262.5 | 16.2 | 4.6 | . 5 | 16.1 | 10.2 | 8.0 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ............................... | 310.3 | 312.3 | 320.3 | 335.5 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 14.0 | 36.7 | 4.6 | 24.8 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity .................................... | 236.9 | 239.0 | 241.0 | 243.0 | 19.5 | 4.5 | -2.8 | 10.7 | 11.8 | 3.7 |
| Other utilities and public services ............................ | 159.6 | 159.0 | 159.0 | 158.8 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 1.3 | -2.0 | 2.3 | -. 4 |
| Household furnishings and operation .......................... | 184.1 | 185.3 | 186.2 | 187.2 | 9.3 | 7.4 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 8.4 | 7.6 |
| Housefurnishings .................................................... | 158.6 | 159.5 | 160.5 | 161.2 | 7.0 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Housekeeping supplies ........................................... | 213.9 | 215.9 | 216.7 | 218.0 | 8.4 | 6.4 | 9.1 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 8.5 |
| Housekeeping services ........................................... | 238.0 | 240.3 | 241.2 | 242.4 | 14.9 | 11.5 | 13.0 | 5.8 | 13.2 | 9.4 |
| Apparel and upkeep | 161.8 | 162.2 | 162.7 | 165.2 | 6.8 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 8.7 | 4.5 | 5.4 |
| Apparel commodities ................................................ | 157.4 | 157.5 | 157.8 | 160.3 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 3.9 | 4.5 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ... | 159.1 | 159.3 | 157.8 | 158.9 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 2.6 | -. 5 | 2.7 | 1.0 |
| Women's and girls' apparel .................................... | 149.1 | 149.0 | 149.9 | 154.1 | 7.6 | . 0 | -3.4 | 14.1 | 3.8 | 5.0 |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .............................. | 218.9 | 217.6 | 215.4 | 216.8 | 5.7 | 2.8 | -. 2 | -3.8 | 4.2 | -2.0 |
| Footwear. | 169.6 | 169.9 | 169.7 | 171.6 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 10.6 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 7.6 |
| Other apparel commodities ..................................... | 161.6 | 162.1 | 165.3 | 166.9 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 13.8 | 5.1 | 9.4 |
| Apparel services ${ }^{1}$..................................................... | 192.5 | 194.6 | 197.3 | 200.0 | 10.4 | 7.6 | 9.2 | 16.5 | 9.0 | 12.8 |

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation | 193.2 | 195.4 | 197.5 | 199.9 | 6.3 | 9.0 | 11.1 | 14.6 | 7.8 | 12.8 |
| Private transportation. | 193.2 | 195.4 | 197.5 | 200.0 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 11.8 | 14.8 | 8.0 | 13.3 |
| New cars ................ | 157.3 | 159.1 | 161.0 | 182.1 | 10.2 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 12.8 | 8.7 | 6.7 |
| Used cars | 199.6 | 203.1 | 204.7 | 204.0 | 11.8 | 11.7 | 21.5 | 9.1 | 11.7 | 15.2 |
| Gasoline . | 207.3 | 211.4 | 215.6 | 223.7 | 1.5 | 13.0 | 18.2 | 35.6 | 7.1 | 26.6 |
| Maintenance and repair ... | 230.1 | 231.3 | 233.2 | 235.8 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 10.0 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 9.9 |
| Other private transportation .................................... | 190.3 | 190.8 | 191.5 | 192.7 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 8.6 | 5.1 | 5.4 | 6.9 |
| Other private transportation commodities ............... | 163.9 | 165.1 | 167.4 | 168.5 | 9.8 | 2.5 | 8.2 | 11.7 | 6.1 | 9.9 |
| Other private transportation services ...................... | 199.3 | 199.5 | 199.7 | 201.0 | 3.4 | 6.8 | 8.9 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Public transportation ................................................. | 188.6 | 189.4 | 190.9 | 191.3 | 1.5 | -. 2 | 1.9 | 5.9 | . 6 | 3.9 |
| Medical care ............................................................. | 228.4 | 230.9 | 232.3 | 233.6 | 7.3 | 8.7 | 10.8 | 9.4 | 6.0 | 10.1 |
| Medical care commodities ......................................... | 148.2 | 149.1 | 150.1 | 150.7 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 8.2 | 7.6 |
| Medical care services. | 245.4 | 248.5 | 250.0 | 251.4 | 7.7 | 9.2 | 11.3 | 10.1 | 8.5 | 10.7 |
| Professional services ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 215.9 | 219.2 | 220.7 | 221.7 | 6.4 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 11.2 | 7.2 | 9.7 |
| Other medical care services ................................... | 281.5 | 284.0 | 285.5 | 287.3 | 8.9 | 10.5 | 14.4 | 8.5 | 9.7 | 11.4 |
| Entertainment ............................................................ | 181.2 | 182.6 | 163.4 | 185.1 | 3.0 | 6.1 | 6.7 | 8.9 | 4.5 | 7.8 |
| Entertainment commodities ...................................... | 181.5 | 183.1 | 184.6 | 186.3 | 1.6 | 4.8 | 6.2 | 11.0 | 3.2 | 8.6 |
| Entertainment services ............................................. | 180.9 | 182.1 | 182.2 | 183.9 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| Other goods and services ............................................ | 188.7 | 190.0 | 191.4 | 192.6 | 5.9 | 13.1 | 2.4 | 8.5 | 9.5 | 5.4 |
| Tobacco products | 180.3 | 182.3 | 184.3 | 185.4 | 5.2 | 14.1 | -2.4 | 11.8 | 9.6 | 4.5 |
| Personal care ' .... | 187.3 | 188.9 | 190.4 | 192.1 | 6.7 | 8.7 | 5.3 | 10.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ' | 180.9 | 182.5 | 184.2 | 186.1 | 4.7 | 10.2 | 3.2 | 12.0 | 7.4 | 7.5 |
| Personal care services ' ......................................... | 193.7 | 195.2 | 196.4 | 197.9 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 9.0 | 6.0 | 8.1 |
| Personal and educational expenses ........................................................... | 205.2 | 206.3 | 207.0 | 207.9 | 5.5 | 17.8 | 2.8 | 5.4 | 11.4 | 4.1 |
| School books and supplies ..................................... | 184.8 | 188.3 | 189.7 | 190.6 | 7.1 | 19.2 | -12.5 | 13.6 | 13.0 | -. 3 |
| Personal and educational services .......................... | 210.3 | 210.9 | 211.5 | 212.3 | 5.2 | 17.3 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 11.1 | 4.6 |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ....................................................................... | - | - | - | - | 10.7 | 6.5 | 8.5 | 13.0 | 9.6 | 10.7 |
| Commodities .............................................................. | 194.6 | 196.7 | 199.1 | 201.3 | 10.5 | 7.3 | 9.6 | 14.5 | 8.9 | 12.0 |
| Food and beverages. | 215.7 | 218.8 | 222.3 | 224.6 | 17.7 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 17.6 | 11.1 | 13.7 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ....................... | 182.4 | 184.0 | 185.9 | 188.0 | 7.2 | 8.3 | 9.8 | 12.9 | 7.7 | 11.3 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ..................... | 181.3 | 183.4 | 184.9 | 188.6 | 5.2 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 17.1 | 6.0 | 11.8 |
| Apparel commodities $\qquad$ Nondurables less food, beverages, | 157.4 | 157.5 | 157.8 | 160.3 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 3.9 | 4.5 |
| and apparel ' $\qquad$ | 197.2 | 199.2 | 201.9 | 206.0 | 6.2 | 9.6 | 8.3 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 13.6 |
| Durables ................................................................. | 181.6 | 183.3 | 185.1 | 186.0 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 11.3 | 10.0 | 9.1 | 10.7 |
| Services .................................................................... | 219.5 | 220.7 | 223.1 | 225.1 | 11.0 | 10.3 | 7.2 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 8.9 |
| Rent, residential ....................................................... | 169.6 | 170.1 | 170.6 | 171.1 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.6 |
| Household services less rent ..................................... | 245.0 | 248.9 | 251.0 | 254.1 | 15.3 | 12.3 | 6.1 | 15.7 | 13.8 | 10.8 |
| Transportation services ............................................. | 203.2 | 203.8 | 204.7 | 206.1 | 4.6 | 6.3 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 5.4 | 6.8 |
| Medical care services ................................................ | 245.4 | 248.5 | 250.0 | 251.4 | 7.7 | 9.2 | 11.3 | 10.1 | 8.5 | 10.7 |
| Other services ........................................................... | 191.3 | 192.5 | 193.4 | 195.0 | 6.6 | 10.2 | 7.0 | 6.0 | 8.4 | 7.5 |

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less food | 198.6 | 200.2 | 202.3 | 204.3 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.5 | 12.0 | 9.1 | 10.2 |
| All items less sheiter | 198.3 | 200.2 | 202.1 | 204.1 | 10.0 | 6.6 | 8.0 | 12.2 | 8.3 | 10.1 |
| All items less mortgage interest costs ${ }^{1}$ | 198.7 | 200.3 | 202.3 | 204.1 | 11.6 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 11.3 | 9.2 | 9.0 |
| All items less medical care ......................................... | 201.7 | 203.6 | 206.0 | 208.1 | 10.8 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 13.3 | 9.7 | 10.9 |
| Commodities less food ................................................ | 181.3 | 182.9 | 184.8 | 186.9 | 7.2 | 8.3 | 9.6 | 12.9 | 7.8 | 11.2 |
| Nondurables less food | 179.4 | 181.4 | 182.9 | 186.4 | 5.5 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 16.5 | 6.2 | 11.5 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel ' | 191.7 | 193.7 | 196.2 | 200.0 | 6.3 | 9.5 | 8.1 | 18.5 | 7.9 | 13.2 |
| Nondurables ${ }^{1}$....... | 198.8 | 201.0 | 204.0 | 206.9 | 13.2 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 17.3 | 9.4 | 12.1 |
| Services less rent | 228.6 | 230.0 | 232.6 | 235.0 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 7.1 | 11.7 | 11.1 | 9.4 |
| Services less medical care ${ }^{1}$ | 215.0 | 216.8 | 219.0 | 220.8 | 10.5 | 11.5 | 6.4 | 11.2 | 11.0 | 8.8 |
| Energy ${ }^{1}$..................................................................... | 228.3 | 231.5 | 235.0 | 241.2 | 12.5 | 8.2 | 5.8 | 24.6 | 10.3 | 14.8 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{\text {a }}$................................................ | 201.3 | 202.9 | 205.2 | 206.9 | 12.0 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 11.6 | 10.2 | 9.6 |
| All items less food and energy ${ }^{1}$................................. | 196.0 | 197.0 | 198.8 | 200.4 | 10.4 | 9.7 | 7.7 | 9.3 | 10.1 | 8.5 |
| Commodities less food and energy .......................... | 176.8 | 178.4 | 179.8 | 181.0 | 8.4 | 7.2 | 8.3 | 9.8 | 7.8 | 9.1 |
| Energy commodities ${ }^{1}$.......................................... | 223.3 | 226.4 | 231.1 | 239.5 | 8.4 | 12.5 | 11.9 | 32.3 | 10.4 | 21.7 |
| Services less energy .................................................. | 218.2 | 219.4 | 221.7 | 223.7 | 10.2 | 10.8 | 8.3 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 9.4 |

' Not seasonally adjusted.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Food expenditure categories, U.S. city average
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1978 | Feb. <br> 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Food and beverages ...................................................................... |  | 222.4 | 224.4 | 12.5 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Food ........................................................................................... |  | 228.2 | 230.4 | 12.8 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Food at home ........................................................................... |  | 228.0 | 229.9 | 13.5 | . 8 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| Cereals and bakery products .................................................... |  | 212.2 | 213.5 | 9.8 | . 6 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 5 |
| Cereal and cereal products ${ }^{\text {a }}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 113.2 | 113.7 | 8.1 | . 4 | 1.3 | . 5 | . 4 |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 114.0 | 114.9 | 10.7 | . 8 | 1.7 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Cereal ' .............................................................................. | $12 / 77$ | 113.3 | 114.1 | 9.7 | . 7 | 1.4 | 1.1 | . 7 |
| Rice, pasta, and cornmeal ' ................................................. | 12/77 | 112.4 | 112.2 | 3.8 | -. 2 | . 6 | -. 4 | -. 2 |
| Bakery products ' ................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.7 | 10.5 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.3 | . 6 |
| White bread ' ...................................................................... |  | 185.8 | 187.0 | 11.6 | . 6 | . 9 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Other bread ${ }^{1}$...................................................................... | 12/77 | 111.9 | 112.6 | 10.3 | . 6 | . 5 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.1 | 10.2 | . 2 | 2.2 | 1.0 | . 2 |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes ${ }^{\text {' ................................................ }}$ | $12 / 77$ | 109.8 | 110.5 | 9.1 | . 6 | . 9 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Cookies ' ............................................................................ | 12/77 | 112.4 | 113.5 | 11.5 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Crackers and bread and cracker products ' ............... | 12/77 | 111.3 | 112.1 | 10.3 | . 7 | -. 8 | 4.5 | . 7 |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecake, and donuts ${ }^{1}$........................... | 12/77 | 110.4 | 110.7 | 7.8 | . 3 | . 3 | 1.9 | . 3 |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 112.6 | 113.8 | 10.6 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 6 | 1.1 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ................................................... |  | 232.3 | 237.0 | 22.7 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 2.5 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish' |  | 236.6 | 241.7 | 23.3 | 2.2 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 2.2 |
| Meats ................................................................................ |  | 238.6 | 244.2 | 26.1 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 2.7 |
| Beef and veal' ............................................................. |  | 243.4 | 252.1 | 38.5 | 3.6 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 3.6 |
| Ground beef other than canned ' .................................. |  | 255.5 | 264.6 | 48.2 | 3.6 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 3.6 |
| Chuck roast ${ }^{1}$............ |  | 259.1 | 270.8 | 46.6 | 4.5 | 6.8 | 11.1 | 4.5 |
| Round roast ${ }^{1}$........................................................... |  | 220.9 | 228.0 | 31.8 | 3.2 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 3.2 |
| Round steak ${ }^{1}$................................................................. |  | 224.8 | 236.5 | 33.2 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 4.9 | 5.2 |
| Sirloin steak' ............................................................ |  | 226.1 | 233.4 | 31.4 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 3.2 |
| Other beef and veal ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 137.3 | 141.7 | 33.2 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 5.4 | 3.2 |
| Pork ................................................................................ |  | 232.3 | 233.4 | 12.0 | . 5 | . 1 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| Bacon |  | 227.2 | 227.9 | 2.3 | . 3 | -. 7 | 1.0 | . 0 |
| Chops ' ......................................................................... |  | 224.6 | 223.6 | 16.1 | -. 4 | 3.2 | 5.1 | -. 4 |
| Ham other than canned ' ..................................................... | 12/77 | 106.8 | 108.0 | 8.7 | 1.1 | -1.5 | -3.1 | 1.1 |
| Sausage ........................................................................ |  | 282.2 | 285.4 | 14.5 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 2.2 | . 4 |
| Canned ham' .................................................................. |  | 236.6 | 236.7 | 8.2 | . 0 | 1.6 | . 7 | . 0 |
| Other pork ' .. | 12/77 | 131.2 | 132.2 | 19.9 | . 8 | 3.9 | 5.0 | . 8 |
| Other meats ${ }^{1}$.. |  | 229.6 | 233.9 | 17.8 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 1.9 |
| Frankfurters' . |  | 226.8 | 234.5 | 24.2 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ' ............................... | 12/77 | 126.3 | 129.0 | 18.9 | 2.1 | . 6 | 2.8 | 2.1 |
| Other lunchmeats '........... | 12/77 | 119.4 | 120.7 | 15.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 1.1 |
| Lamb and organ meats ' | 12/77 | 124.3 | 125.4 | 14.1 | . 9 | 2.4 | 2.5 | . 9 |
| Poultry ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 185.8 | 189.9 | 15.9 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.2 |
| Fresh whole chicken ${ }^{1}$ |  | 185.3 | 191.5 | 15.6 | 3.3 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 3.3 |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts ' | 12/77 | 118.6 | 121.6 | 15.4 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 3.2 | 2.5 |
| Other poultry ' | 12/77 | 122.5 | 123.0 | 17.1 | . 4 | 2.2 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| Fish and seafood ' .............................................................. |  | 293.0 | 294.0 | 9.9 | . 3 | 1.4 | . 9 | . 3 |
| Canned fish and seafood ' ................................................. | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.3 | 6.7 | . 4 | . 5 | -. 5 | . 4 |
| Fresh and frozen fish and seafood '.......................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.2 | 12.0 | . 4 | 1.9 | 1.7 | . 4 |
| Eggs .......................................................................................... |  | 182.1 | 181.3 | 12.8 | -. 4 | -. 2 | -. 4 | 11.5 |

[^1]Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Coneumers: Food expenditure categories, U.S. chty average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)


[^2]Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Food expenditure categories, U.S. ctty average-Continued (1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. 1978 | Feb. $1979$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Food away from home ....................................................................... |  | 233.4 | 236.0 | 11.2 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 |
|  | 12/77 | 113.9 | 115.2 | 11.5 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 |
| Dinner ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 113.1 | 114.2 | 11.0 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Other meals and snacks ${ }^{1}$........................................................ | 12/77 | 112.3 | 113.7 | 10.8 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Aicoholic beverages ..................................................................... |  | 167.7 | 169.2 | 8.1 | . 9 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Alcoholic beverages at home ${ }^{1}$...................................................... | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.9 | 7.4 | . 9 | . 7 | 1.0 | . 9 |
| Beer and ale ${ }^{1}$......................................................................... |  | 163.6 | 166.1 | 10.1 | 1.5 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.5 |
| Whiskey' .................................................................................. |  | 124.5 | 124.8 | 3.4 | . 2 | . 2 | .1 | . 2 |
| Wine ' .................................................................................... |  | 188.7 | 190.8 | 9.5 | 1.1 | 1.7 | . 9 | 1.1 |
| Other alcoholic beverages ' | 12/77 | 104.5 | 104.4 | 3.2 | -. 1 | . 3 | . 3 | -. 1 |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home ' .......................................................................... | 12/77 | 111.6 | 112.4 | 10.7 | . 7 | . 8 | . 9 | . 7 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestically produced farm food ' ................................................. |  | 218.5 | 220.7 | 15.7 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 1.0 |
| Selected beef cuts ' ..................................................................... |  | 244.8 | 253.4 | 38.4 | 3.5 | 5.8 | 6.9 | 3.5 |
| Imported food and fishery products ' ............................................. | 12/77 | 107.1 | 107.3 | 4.1 | . 2 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 2 |

1 Not seasonally adjusted.
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | June 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 |
| Food and beverages ......................................................................... |  | 222.3 | 224.6 | 17.7 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 17.6 | 11.1 | 13.7 |
| Food ............................................................................................. |  | 228.1 | 230.5 | 18.3 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 17.7 | 11.3 | 13.9 |
| Food at home .............................................................................. |  | 227.7 | 230.0 | 21.9 | 2.7 | 10.9 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 15.0 |
| Cereals and bakery products $\qquad$ <br> Cereal and cereal products $\qquad$ |  | 211.4 | 212.4 | 13.0 | 11.3 | 6.6 | 8.5 | 12.1 | 7.6 |
|  | 12/77 | 113.2 | 113.7 | 10.3 | 10.4 | 2.6 | 9.3 | 10.3 | 5.9 |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes ${ }^{\text { }}$ $\qquad$ Cereal ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 114.0 | 114.9 | 16.8 | 14.8 | -2.1 | 14.4 | 15.8 | 5.8 |
|  | 12/77 | 113.3 | 114.1 | 7.1 | 12.7 | 5.6 | 13.7 | 9.8 | 9.6 |
| Rice, pasta, and commeal ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 112.4 | 112.2 | 8.8 | 3.7 | 2.9 | . 0 | 6.2 | 1.4 |
|  | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.7 | 11.9 | 7.8 | 10.5 | 11.8 | 9.8 | 11.1 |
|  |  | 185.8 | 187.0 | 17.5 | 4.9 | 15.6 | 9.0 | 11.0 | 12.3 |
| White bread ' . ........................................................................................................................................ | 12/77 | 111.9 | 112.6 | 10.6 | 10.3 | 12.1 | 8.2 | 10.4 | 10.1 |
| Fresh biscuits, rolis, and muf...................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.1 | 12.6 | 6.6 | 7.7 | 14.2 | 9.6 | 10.9 |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes ' ................................................... | 12/77 | 109.8 | 110.5 | 12.4 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 10.0 | 9.9 | 8.3 |
| Cookies ${ }^{1}$ | $12 / 77$ | 112.4 | 113.5 | 7.7 | 8.8 | 10.2 | 19.7 | 8.2 | 14.9 |
| Crackers and bread and cracker products ${ }^{1}$.................................................................................... | 12/77 | 111.3 | 112.1 | 10.2 | 13.3 | . 0 | 18.7 | 11.7 | 8.9 |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecake, and donuts ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 110.4 | 110.7 | 6.8 | 4.7 | 9.4 | 10.4 | 5.7 | 9.9 |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 112.6 | 113.8 | 7.2 | 16.6 | 9.1 | 9.7 | 11.8 | 9.4 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ...................................................... |  | 233.0 | 238.9 | 38.5 | -8.6 | 27.7 | 40.3 | 12.5 | 33.8 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish' ........................................................... |  | 236.6 | 241.7 | 49.1 | -4.7 | 11.3 | 46.2 | 19.2 | 27.6 |
| Meats ................................................................................... |  | 241.7 | 248.2 | 40.1 | -8.5 | 30.2 | 51.5 | 13.2 | 40.5 |
| Beef and veal' ...................................................................................................................................... |  | 243.4 | 252.1 | 98.4 | -11.2 | 11.3 | 87.6 | 32.8 | 44.5 |
| Ground beef other than canned ' |  | 255.5 | 264.6 | 105.4 | -8.3 | 16.2 | 120.7 | 37.2 | 60.1 |
| Chuck roast ${ }^{1}$............................... |  | 259.1 | 270.8 | 87.7 | -13.7 | 20.8 | 135.9 | 27.3 | 68.9 |
| Rcund roast ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... |  | 220.9 | 228.0 | 83.3 | -19.3 | 13.0 | 80.5 | 21.6 | 42.8 |
|  |  | 224.8 | 236.5 | 90.7 | -15.3 | 5.1 | 85.7 | 27.1 | 39.7 |
|  |  | 226.1 | 233.4 | 143.7 | -15.3 | 2.7 | 40.7 | 43.7 | 20.2 |
|  | 12/77 | 137.3 | 141.7 | 94.8 | -8.0 | 7.3 | 63.6 | 33.9 | 32.5 |
| Pork ............................ |  | 234.6 | 237.4 | 6.6 | -16.7 | 57.9 | 12.1 | -5.8 | 33.1 |
| Bacon |  | 235.0 | 234.9 | 3.5 | -42.9 | 83.5 | 1.0 | -23.1 | 36.2 |
| Chops ' |  | 224.6 | 223.6 | 18.1 | -. 6 | 13.8 | 35.9 | 8.4 | 24.4 |
| Ham other than canned ' | 12/77 | 106.8 | 108.0 | -7.8 | 2.5 | 70.0 | -13.2 | -2.8 | 21.4 |
|  |  | 289.4 | 290.6 | 20.8 | -14.3 | 35.9 | 22.0 | 1.7 | 28.8 |
| Sausage ........................................................................................................................................... |  | 236.6 | 236.7 | 1.5 | -2.2 | 25.6 | 9.9 | -. 4 | 17.5 |
| Other pork ${ }^{1}$...................................................................... | 12/77 | 131.2 | 132.2 | 25.7 | 3.8 | 8.4 | 45.8 | 14.3 | 25.7 |
| Other meats ${ }^{1}$....................................................................... |  | 229.6 | 233.9 | 36.1 | 2.4 | 7.8 | 28.2 | 18.1 | 17.6 |
| Frankfurters' |  | 226.8 | 234.5 | 60.8 | -3.2 | 3.1 | 48.3 | 24.8 | 23.6 |
| Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 126.3 | 129.0 | 41.8 | 3.8 | 9.3 | 24.2 | 21.3 | 16.5 |
| Other lunchmeats ${ }^{\text {² }}$.............................................................. | 12/77 | 119.4 | 120.7 | 22.2 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 18.8 | 16.0 | 14.1 |
| Lamb and organ meats ${ }^{1}$....................................................................................... | 12/77 | 124.3 | 125.4 | 29.3 | -4.7 | 9.3 | 25.8 | 11.0 | 17.3 |
|  |  | 185.8 | 189.9 | 40.4 | -1.1 | -. 7 | 30.7 | 17.8 | 13.9 |
| Fresh whole chicken' |  | 185.3 | 191.5 | 55.7 | -9.4 | -8.4 | 38.0 | 18.8 | 12.4 |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts | 12/77 | 118.6 | 121.6 | 37.8 | -8.5 | 2.9 | 36.5 | 12.3 | 18.5 |
| Other poultry ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 122.5 | 123.0 | 23.5 | 23.1 | 7.4 | 15.3 | 23.3 | 11.3 |
| Fish and seatood ${ }^{\text {² }}$ |  | 293.0 | 294.0 | 9.4 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 10.9 | 9.6 | 10.3 |
| Canned fish and seatood ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.3 | 11.9 | 1.9 | 11.9 | 1.5 | 6.8 | 6.6 |
|  | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.2 | 8.5 | 14.6 | 8.0 | 17.0 | 11.5 | 12.4 |
| Fgrs .......................................... |  | 164.8 | 183.7 | -10.4 | -3.0 | 24.0 | 50.3 | -6.8 | 36.6 |

[^3]Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Food expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. $1979$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1979 |
| Dairy products | 12/77 | 199.4113.5 | 201.3 | 14.8 | 8.5 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 11.6 | 13.2 |
| Fresh milk and cream ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | 113.8 | 13.2 | 7.5 | 16.3 | 12.1 | 10.3 | 14.2 |
| Fresh whole milk |  | 184.2113.2 | 185.2113.6 | 17.2 | 8.2 | 12.7 | 10.8 | 12.6 | 11.7 |
| Other fresh milk and cream ' | 12/77 |  |  | 14.6 | 9.5 | 15.0 | 12.1 | 12.1 | 13.6 |
| Processed dairy products ${ }^{1}$. | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 113.2 \\ & 193.3 \end{aligned}$ | 114.0 | 12.4 | 10.8 | 17.9 | 9.3 | 11.6 | 13.5 |
| Butter ${ }^{1}$........................... |  |  | 194.5 | 13.6 | 28.0 | 19.2 | -1.8 | 20.6 | 8.2 |
| Cheese ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 |  | 114.6 | 11.1 | 10.8 | 20.1 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 15.4 |
| Ice cream and related products ' | 12/77 | $112.7$ | 113.4 | 16.8 | 5.8 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 11.2 | 13.6 |
| Other dairy products ${ }^{1}$............................................................. | 12/77 | 110.2 | 111.0 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 15.6 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 10.9 |
| Fruits and vegetables |  | 226.3 | 224.1 | 26.9 | 17.4 | -10.2 | 12.7 | 22.1 | . 6 |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables ...................................................... |  | 233.2 | 227.3 | 55.6 | 17.9 | -27.2 | 20.2 | 35.5 | -6.4 |
| Fresh fruits ..................................................................... |  | 229.4 | 233.0 | 28.8 | 58.1 | -42.2 | 37.7 | 42.7 | -10.8 |
| Apples |  | 229.4 | 230.1 | 104.5 | -26.3 | -26.4 | 18.6 | 22.8 | -6.6 |
| Bananas ${ }^{\text {. }}$ |  | 188.4 | 194.7 | -41.3 | -20.3 | 45.7 | 23.2 | -31.6 | 34.0 |
| Oranges .............. |  | 265.4 | 271.7 | 50.9 | 117.5 | -54.1 | 81.8 | 81.2 | -8.7 |
| Other fresh fruits ' | 12/77 |  | 115.5 | 96.7 | 36.8 | -63.9 | 72.4 | 64.0 | -21.1 |
| Fresh vegetables.. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 109.6 \\ & 238.8 \end{aligned}$ | 224.3 | 77.4 | -15.5 | -8.1 | 16.7 | 22.4 | 3.6 |
| Potatoes |  | 201.2 | 206.9 | 11.6 | 103.1 | -37.1 | -9.8 | 50.5 | -24.7 |
| Lettuce ${ }^{1}$ |  | 341.2 | 281.3 | 285.7 | -85.7 | 214.6 | 88.7 | -25.7 | 143.7 |
| Tomatoes ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ |  | 195.0 | 182.7 | 12.4 | -57.6 | 128.8 | -14.3 | -30.9 | 40.0 |
| Other fresh vegetables ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 137.7 | 136.6 | 34.0 | -46.0 | -14.2 | 139.5 | -14.9 | 43.3 |
| Processed fruits and vegetables |  | 220.5 | 221.2 | 9.8 | 8.9 | 9.7 | 7.0 | 9.4 | 8.4 |
| Processed fruits ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ | 12/77 | 115.5 | 115.9 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 27.1 | 9.5 | 7.1 | 18.0 |
| Frozen fruit and fruit juices ${ }^{1}$... | 12/77 | 114.0 | 114.1 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 21.3 | 6.2 | 3.1 | 13.5 |
| Fruit juices other than frozen ' | 12/77 | 112.8 | 113.3 | 11.4 | 5.8 | 16.3 | 10.1 | 8.6 | 13.2 |
| Canned and dried fruits ${ }^{\text { }}$...... | 12/77 | 119.7 | 120.3 | 4.0 | 14.3 | 44.6 | 12.2 | 9.0 | 27.4 |
| Processed vegetables ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 107.2 | 107.9107.1 | 2.8 | 8.8 | 5.4 | 4.6 | 5.7 | 5.0 |
| Frozen vegetables ${ }^{1}$................................. | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 107.3 \\ & 111.0 \end{aligned}$ |  | 5.6 | 7.2 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 6.4 | 4.0 |
| Cut corn and canned beans except lima ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 |  | 111.6 | 3.1 | 15.5 | 10.4 | 4.8 | 9.1 | 7.6 |
| Other canned and dried vegetables ' ......... | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 111.0 \\ & 105.3 \end{aligned}$ | 106.4 | 1.2 | 6.8 | 3.1 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 3.6 |
| Other foods at home |  | 261.2 | 261.8 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 7.5 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Sugar and sweets ................ |  | 267.3 | 268.9 | 16.0 | 9.0 | 6.5 | 1.4 | 12.4 | 3.9 |
| Candy and chewing gum ' .......... | 12/77 |  | $115.0$ | 16.3 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 12.8 | 11.3 | 9.7 |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners ' | 12/77 | 113.5 114.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 115.0 \\ & 114.5 \end{aligned}$ | 6.4 | -1.4 | . 4 | 14.9 | 2.4 | 7.4 |
| Other sweets ' ${ }^{\text {Fats and oils }}$ | 12/77 | 109.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 114.5 \\ & 109.5 \end{aligned}$ | 11.0 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 4.9 | 8.8 | 5.7 |
| Fats and oils |  | $219.9$ | 221.0 | 19.5 | 7.2 | 3.6 | 8.4 | 13.2 | 6.0 |
| Margarine ${ }^{1}$............................................. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 235.2 \\ & 109.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 235.5 \\ & 110.0 \end{aligned}$ | 31.4 | 3.2 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 16.4 | 3.1 |
| Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter ${ }^{1}$.. | 12/77 |  |  | 6.5 | 16.9 | 4.6 | 6.8 | 11.6 | 5.7 |
| Other fats, oils, and salad dressings ${ }^{1}$...... | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 113.2 \\ & 347.8 \end{aligned}$ | $113.0$ | 24.5 | 9.1 | 5.5 | 1.4 | 16.6 | 3.4 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ' |  |  | $347.1$ | -. 1 | -2.1 | 2.3 | 6.5 | -1.1 | 4.3 |
| Cola drinks, excluding diet cola ${ }^{1}$.......... |  | $\begin{aligned} & 347.8 \\ & 233.6 \end{aligned}$ |  | 9.7 | 5.2 | 7.4 | 15.8 | 7.4 | 11.5 |
| Carbonated drinks, including diet cola ${ }^{1}$................................. | $12 / 77$ | $\begin{aligned} & 233.6 \\ & 113.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 233.8 \\ & 113.8 \end{aligned}$ | 11.2 | 7.7 | 4.1 | 14.6 | 9.4 | 9.2 |
| Roasted coffee $\qquad$ |  | 357.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 348.3 \\ & 3327 \end{aligned}$ | -24.9 | -31.8 | -9.3 | -20.3 | -28.4 | -15.0 |
| Freeze dried and instant coffee ${ }^{\text { }}$ |  | 335.0 |  | -18.1 | -11.0 | -7.1 | -11.7 | -14.6 | -9.4 |
| Other noncarbonated drinks ${ }^{1}$ <br> Other prepared foods | 12/77 | 112.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 332.7 \\ & 112.5 \end{aligned}$ | 8.3 | 6.2 | 5.3 | 12.2 | 7.2 | 8.7 |
| Other prepared foods ................ |  | 200.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 112.5 \\ & 201.9 \end{aligned}$ | 13.2 | 8.7 | 6.8 117 | 10.6 | 10.9 | 8.6 |
| Frozen prepared foods ${ }^{1}$......... | 12/77 | $108.8$ | 109.2 | 4.4 12.6 | 5.2 8.2 | 117 | 10.5 | 4.8 | 11.1 |
| Snacks ${ }^{1}$..................... | 12/77 | $\begin{array}{\|l} 113.2 \\ 110.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 113.9 \\ & 112.0 \end{aligned}$ | 3.2 | 5.6 | 13.8 | 9.3 19.6 | 10.4 4.4 | 11.0 |
| Seasonings, olives, pickies, and relish ${ }^{1}$.................................. | 12/77 | 113.6 | $\begin{aligned} & 112.0 \\ & 114.8 \end{aligned}$ | 8.0 | 11.9 | 11.5 | 13.2 | 4.4 9.9 | 12.4 |
| Other condiments ${ }^{\text {' }}$.................. | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 110.4 \\ & 1122 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 110.7 \\ & 112.2 \end{aligned}$ | 10.9 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 7.4 |
| Miscellaneous prepared foods ${ }^{1}$.............................................. | 12/77 |  |  | 12.7 | 10.3 | 9.6 | 7.1 | 11.5 | 8.3 |
| Other canned and packaged prepared foods ' ......................... | 12/77 | 112.2 <br> 112.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 112.2 \\ & 112.7 \end{aligned}$ | 15.4 | 9.8 | 12.8 | 6.3 | 12.6 | 9.5 |

See footnotes at end of table. -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1978 | Mar. <br> 1878 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Food away from home ................................................................. |  | 233.6 | 236.2 | 10.8 | 9.7 | 8.7 | 15.6 | 10.2 | 12.1 |
| Lunch '...................................................................................... | 12/77 | 113.9 | 115.2 | 9.6 | 11.4 | 8.7 | 16.4 | 10.5 | 12.5 |
| Dinner ' ..................................................................................... | 12/77 | 113.1 | 114.2 | 10.9 | 9.8 | 7.6 | 15.7 | 10.4 | 11.6 |
| Other meals and snacks ${ }^{\dagger}$........................................................... | 12/77 | 112.3 | 113.7 | 12.6 | 9.0 | 6.8 | 15.0 | 10.8 | 10.8 |
| Alcoholic beverages ........................................................................ |  | 168.0 | 169.4 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 11.4 | 7.1 | 9.2 |
| Alcoholic beverages at home ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.9 | 6.4 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 11.3 | 6.0 | 8.9 |
| Beer and ale ' ............................................................................ |  | 163.6 | 188.1 | 6.0 | 10.3 | 7.3 | 17.3 | 8.1 | 12.2 |
| Whiskey' ..................................................................................... |  | 124.5 | 124.8 | 6.4 | 1.0 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 3.1 |
| Wine ' ....................................................................................... |  | 188.7 | 190.8 | 7.8 | 5.3 | 9.4 | 15.9 | 6.5 | 12.6 |
| Other alcoholic beverages ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 104.5 | 104.4 | 5.2 | . 0 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 3.7 |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home ' ........................................... | $12 / 77$ | 111.6 | 112.4 | 15.0 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 10.2 | 12.0 | 9.5 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestically produced farm food ' ................................................... |  | 218.5 | 220.7 | 29.9 | . 6 | 7.7 | 27.5 | 14.3 | 17.2 |
|  |  | 244.8 | 253.4 | 99.8 | -11.6 | 10.8 | 87.3 | 32.9 | 44.1 |
| Imported food and fishery products ' ............................................... | $12 / 77$ | 107.1 | 107.3 | 2.0 | . 8 | 5.1 | 8.6 | 1.4 | 6.9 |

[^4](1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | Mar. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Housing |  | 215.6 | 217.6 | 10.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Shelter .................................................................................... |  | 225.9 | 228.0 | 12.4 | . 9 | . 7 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Rent, residential |  | 171.0 | 171.3 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Other rental costs |  | 224.8 | 226.3 | 12.0 | . 7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | . 3 |
| Lodging while out of town ....................................................... |  | 235.1 | 237.4 | 15.1 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 2.0 | . 7 |
| Tenants' insurance ' ............................................................... | 12/77 | 106.3 | 106.4 | 5.3 | . 1 | . 0 | 1.7 | . 1 |
| Homeownership ....................................................................... |  | 245.6 | 248.2 | 13.7 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| Home purchase ....... |  | 210.9 | 212.7 | 11.7 | . 9 | . 4 | 1.3 | . 9 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ............................................... |  | 283.5 | 287.7 | 17.5 | 1.5 | . 9 | 2.9 | 2.0 |
| Property insurance ${ }^{1}$.............................................................. | 12/77 | 109.9 | 110.8 | 9.1 | . 8 | . 9 | 1.5 | . 8 |
| Property taxes ' ................................................................... |  | 180.8 | 181.1 | -5.6 | . 2 | . 3 | . 5 | . 2 |
| Contracted mortgage interest cost ${ }^{\text {' ....................................... }}$ | 12/77 | 127.6 | 130.0 | 25.7 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 1.9 |
| Mortgage interest rates ...................................................... |  | 157.6 | 159.2 | 12.5 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| Maintenance and repairs ......................................................... |  | 245.9 | 247.5 | 9.8 | . 7 | . 9 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Maintenance and repair services ........................................... |  | 265.7 | 267.8 | 10.4 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ..................................... |  | 199.9 | 200.1 | 7.6 | . 1 | . 4 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Paint and wallpaper, supplies, tools, and equipment ' ............ | 12/77 | 110.3 | 109.7 | 8.8 | -. 5 | . 5 | 1.1 | -. 5 |
|  | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.7 | 7.2 | . 7 | -. 5 | . 2 | . 7 |
| Plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling supplies ${ }^{1}$............... | 12/77 | 105.7 | 105.7 | 6.4 | . 0 | . 4 | . 4 | . 0 |
| Miscellaneous supplies and equipment ${ }^{\text {a }}$.............................. | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.2 | 6.8 | . 3 | . 4 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Fuel and other utilities ................................................................. |  | 223.3 | 225.9 | 6.3 | 1.2 | . 4 | . 8 | 1.1 |
| Fuels ....................................................................................... |  | 259.3 | 264.0 | 9.0 | 1.8 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ................................................. |  | 326.1 | 339.5 | 14.2 | 4.1 | . 6 | 2.6 | 4.7 |
| Fuel oil ............................................................................... |  | 330.4 | 346.4 | 17.8 | 4.8 | . 8 | 3.1 | 5.5 |
| Other fuels ${ }^{12}$................................................................ | 6/78 | 99.5 | 99.3 | -3.6 | -. 2 | . 4 | -. 2 | -. 2 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ...................................................... |  | 241.2 | 244.0 | 7.7 | 1.2 | . 9 | . 8 | . 8 |
| Electricity ........................................................................... |  | 205.7 | 208.7 | 5.1 | 1.5 | 1.2 | . 1 | 1.0 |
| Utility (piped) gas ................................................................. |  | 284.1 | 286.2 | 12.1 | . 7 | 2.2 | . 0 | . 7 |
| Other utilities and public services ............................................... |  | 159.0 | 158.8 | 1.0 | -. 1 | -. 4 | . 0 | -. 1 |
| Telephone services ${ }^{1}$.............................................................. |  | 132.2 | 132.1 | -. 2 | -. 1 | -. 6 | -. 2 | -. 1 |
| Local charges ' ...... | 12/77 | 100.5 | 100.4 | -. 4 | -. 1 | -. 9 | -. 1 | -. 1 |
| Interstate toll calls ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 98.4 | 98.3 | -. 9 | -. 1 | -. 5 | -. 3 | -. 1 |
| Intrastate toll calls ${ }^{1}$.............................................................. | 12/77 | 100.7 | 100.7 | 1.0 | . 0 | -. 4 | -. 2 | . 0 |
| Water and sewerage maintenance ........................................... |  | 240.6 | 240.7 | 5.1 | . 0 | -1.2 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Household furnishings and operation ............................................. |  | 186.0 | 187.4 | 7.9 | . 8 | . 7 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Housefurnishings |  | 160.0 | 161.2 | 6.4 | . 8 | . 6 | . 6 | . 4 |
| Textile housefurnishings .......................................................... |  | 169.2 | 172.3 | 6.2 | 1.8 | 1.9 | -. 7 | . 8 |
| Household linens ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ | 12/77 | 103.1 | 105.8 | 5.1 | 2.6 | -2.6 | 2.0 | 2.6 |
| Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials ' ................ | 12/77 | 108.0 | 109.1 | 7.4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 7 | 1.0 |
| Furniture and bedding ............................................................. |  | 172.1 | 174.1 | 7.6 | 1.2 | . 5 | . 6 | . 5 |
| Bedroom furniture ' ............................................................... | 12/77 | 108.8 | 110.1 | 8.9 | 1.2 | . 5 | -. 5 | 1.2 |
| Solas ' ................................................................................. | 12/77 | 103.8 | 105.1 | 5.3 | 1.3 | -. 5 | . 8 | 1.3 |
| Living room chairs and tables ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (........................................... | 12/77 | 102.9 | 103.3 | 4.0 | . 4 | -. 3 | -. 2 | . 4 |
| Other furniture ${ }^{1}$................................................................. | 12/77 | 110.5 | 112.4 | 10.6 | 1.7 | -. 6 | . 9 | 1.7 |
| Appliances including TV and sound equipment ${ }^{\dagger}$........................ |  | 134.5 | 134.8 | 5.0 | . 2 | . 6 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Television and sound equipment ${ }^{1}$.......................................... | 12/77 | 103.7 | 103.8 | 2.9 | . 1 | . 6 | -. 1 | . 1 |
| Television ' ................................................................................ |  | 102.9 | 103.0 | 1.6 | . 1 | . 2 | . 0 | . 1 |
| Sound equipment ${ }^{1}$..................................................................... | 12/77 | 105.5 | 105.6 | 4.0 | . 1 | . 8 | -. 1 | . 1 |
| Household appliances ' ......................................................... |  | 153.4 | 154.0 | 6.9 | . 4 | . 7 | . 9 | . 4 |
| Refrigerators and home freezers ' ....................................... |  | 151.3 | 151.7 | 5.8 | . 3 | . 2 | .7 | . 3 |
| Laundry equipment ${ }^{\text {a }}$......................................................... | 12/77 | 107.7 | 108.2 | 6.4 | . 5 | 1.0 | . 3 | . 5 |
| Other household appliances ' .............................................. | 12/77 | 108.3 | 108.8 | 7.8 | . 5 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 5 |
| Stoves, dishwashers, vacuums, and sewing machines ${ }^{1}$...... Office machines, small electric appliances, and | 12/77 | 109.1 | 109.3 | 7.8 | . 2 | . 4 | . 6 | . 2 |
| air conditioners ' ............................................................ | 12/77 | 107.5 | 108.2 | 8.0 | . 7 | 1.2 | 2.0 | . 7 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | Mar. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Housefurnishings-Continued: Other household equipment.. | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.6 | 7.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.6 |
| Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.6 | 7.7 | 1.2 | . 3 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Clocks, lamps, and decor items ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 104.1 | 105.3 | 4.1 | 1.2 | . 0 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ' .... | 12/77 | 111.8 | 112.3 | 10.6 | . 4 | . 9 | 2.1 | . 4 |
| Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ${ }^{1}$................ | 12/77 | 105.8 | 105.9 | 5.3 | . 1 | . 2 | . 4 | . 1 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................................................. |  | 216.9 | 218.4 | 8.0 | . 7 | . 9 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Soaps and detergents ${ }^{1}$....................... |  | 210.0 | 210.3 | 8.2 | . 1 | . 4 | . 5 | . 1 |
| Other laundry and cleaning products ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.1 | 109.0 | 6.8 | . 8 | . 4 | . 1 | . 8 |
| Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels and napkins ' | 12/77 | 114.1 | 115.1 | 13.2 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.4 | . 9 |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ${ }^{1}$........................... | 12/77 | 106.1 | 106.8 | 5.7 | . 7 | 1.2 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Misceilaneous household products ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 109.7 | 110.3 | 7.7 | . 5 | . 7 | . 2 | . 5 |
| Lawn and garden supplies ${ }^{1}$.................................................... | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.5 | 5.5 | 1.1 | 2.3 | . 3 | 1.1 |
| Housekeeping services ............................................................. |  | 241.4 | 242.9 | 11.3 | . 6 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Postage ${ }^{\text {' }}$................... |  | 257.3 | 257.3 | 14.1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Moving, storage, treight, household laundry, and drycleaning services ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 110.7 | 111.5 | 8.9 | . 7 | . 6 | 1.2 | . 7 |
| Appliance and furniture repair ${ }^{\text { ............................................... }}$ | 12/77 | 107.0 | 107.6 | 5.8 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Apparel and upkeep. |  | 161.4 | 164.3 | 5.0 | 1.8 | . 2 | . 3 | 1.5 |
| Apparel commodities ................................................................... |  | 156.3 | 159.2 | 4.2 | 1.9 | . 1 | . 2 | 1.6 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear ........................................... |  | 154.1 | 157.1 | 3.8 | 1.9 | . 1 | . 2 | 1.7 |
| Men's and boys' ........................................................................ |  | 156.7 | 158.7 | 1.9 | 1.3 | . 1 | -. 9 | . 7 |
| Men's ${ }^{1}$................................................................................ | 12/77 | 99.2 | 100.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 | -1.9 | -. 5 | 1.1 |
| Suits, sport coats, and jackets ' | 12/77 | 96.3 | 97.6 | -1.1 | 1.3 | -2.2 | -1.4 | 1.3 |
| Coats and jackets ' ............................................................ | 12/77 | 94.0 | 94.4 | -. 3 | . 4 | -4.0 | -1.4 | . 4 |
| Furnishings and special clothing ' ........................................ | 12/77 | 105.3 | 105.2 | 4.7 | -. 1 | -. 3 | - 5 | -. 1 |
| Shirts ${ }^{1}$.............................................................................. | 12/77 | 102.2 | 104.0 | 3.7 | 1.8 | -1.9 | . 7 | 1.8 |
| Dungarees, jeans, and trousers ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 98.0 | 99.5 | . 4 | 1.5 | -1.7 | -. 6 | 1.5 |
| Boys' ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 99.7 | 101.4 | 4.0 | 1.7 | -1.3 | -. 2 | 1.7 |
| Coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 92.5 | 96.8 | 2.3 | 4.6 | -3.5 | -. 8 | 4.6 |
| Furnishings ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.7 | 7.1 | . 5 | -. 4 | -. 6 | 4.6 |
| Suits, trousers, sport coats, and jackets ${ }^{1}$............................ | 12/77 | 103.2 | 103.4 | 4.0 | . 2 | . 1 | - 3 | . 2 |
| Women's and girls' ................................................................. |  | 147.7 | 151.8 | 4.4 | 2.8 | -. 1 | . 6 | 2.8 |
| Women's ${ }^{1}$............................................................................ | 12/77 | 99.0 | 101.5 | 4.9 | 2.5 | -3.0 | 1.0 | 2.5 |
| Coats and jackets ${ }^{1}$ |  | 161.0 | 169.3 | 16.6 | 5.2 | -4.8 | 1.9 | 5.2 |
| Dresses |  | 160.5 | 164.3 | 5.2 | 2.4 | -1.2 | 1.5 | 2.2 |
| Separates and sportswear ' ................................................ | 12/77 | 98.1 | 100.0 | 2.4 | 1.9 | -2.7 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| Underwear, nightwear, and hosiery ${ }^{1}$.................................... | 12/77 | 103.6 | 104.2 | 3.4 | . 6 | -. 7 | . 9 | . 6 |
| Suits ' .............................................................................. | 12/77 | 86.6 | 92.2 | 1.8 | 6.5 | -6.0 | -2.6 | 6.5 |
| Girls' ' .......................................... | 12/77 | 94.6 | 98.3 | 1.9 | 3.9 | -4.3 | -1.6 | 3.9 |
| Coats, jackets, dresses, and suits ${ }^{1}$..................................... | 12/77 | 92.8 | 99.3 | 2.2 | 7.0 | -5.7 | . 0 | 7.0 |
| Separates and sportswear ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 92.0 | 94.4 | -. 8 | 2.6 | -5.3 | -3.8 | 7.0 |
| Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ' ................. | 12/77 | 102.2 | 103.8 | 6.1 | 1.6 | -. 3 | -. 3 | 1.6 |
| Infants' and toddlers' .............................................................. |  | 213.7 | 216.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | -. 6 | -1.0 | 1.6 .6 |
| Other apparel commodities ......... |  | 164.8 | 166.6 | 7.3 | 1.1 | . 3 | 2.0 | 1.0 |
| Sewing materials and notions ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 100.6 | 102.5 | 6.3 | 1.9 | -. 4 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| Jowerry and luggage ${ }^{1}$................................................................................................................................. | 12/77 | 109.2 | 109.9 | 7.6 | . 6 | . 0 | 1.9 | . 6 |
| Footwear ............................................................................................................................................................. |  | 168.9 | 171.6 | 6.8 | 1.6 | . 2 | -. 1 | 1.1 |
| Boys' and girls ${ }^{\text {c }}$.............................................................................................................................. | 12/77 | 106.6 | 109.2 107.3 | 9.0 | 2.2 | -. 7 | . 3 | 2.2 |
| Women's ' ................................................................................................................ | $12 / 77$ | 104.5 | 106.4 | 5.1 | . 1.8 | .6 -1.0 | .5 -3 | . 7 |
| Apparel services ' ....... |  | 197.3 | 200.0 | 10.9 | 1.4 | -1.0 1.1 | -.3 1.4 | 1.8 1.4 |
| Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ' .................... | 12/77 | 114.6 | 116.4 | 12.1 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Other apparel services ' .................................................................. | 12/77 | 108.6 | 109.8 | 8.6 | 1.1 | . 3 | 1.1 | 1.1 |

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| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. $1979$ | Mar. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Transportation |  | 195.6 | 198.1 | 10.1 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Private ................................................................................. |  | 195.5 | 198.1 | 10.6 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| New cars ........................................................................ |  | 162.3 | 162.7 | 7.7 | . 2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 7 |
| Used cars ........................................................................... |  | 193.4 | 195.4 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.8 | . 8 | -. 3 |
| Gasoline ............................................................................ |  | 213.0 | 220.6 | 16.5 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 3.8 |
| Automobile maintenance and repair ............................................ |  | 233.9 | 236.3 | 9.8 | 1.0 | . 5 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Body work ' ........................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 113.1 | 10.2 | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 112.1 | 113.0 | 9.4 | . 8 | . 6 | 1.2 | . 8 |
| Maintenance and servicing ' ................................................... | 12/77 | 110.8 | 112.3 | 10.1 | 1.4 | . 8 | . 9 | 1.4 |
| Power plant repair ${ }^{1}$............................................................... | 12/77 | 110.5 | 111.5 | 9.2 | . 9 | 1.0 | 1.2 | . 9 |
| Other private transportation ....................................................... |  | 192.5 | 193.4 | 6.0 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Other private transportation commodities .................................. |  | 167.9 | 169.0 | 8.0 | . 7 | . 7 | 1.4 | . 7 |
| Motor oil, coolant, and other products ' | 12/77 | 106.2 | 107.8 | 6.1 | 1.5 | . 2 | . 8 | 1.5 |
| Automobile parts and equipment ${ }^{1}$.......... | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.4 | 8.2 | . 5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | . 5 |
| Tires ' ...................................... |  | 150.0 | 150.7 | 8.0 | . 5 | 1.3 | 1.4 | . 5 |
| Other parts and equipment ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 109.6 | 110.2 | 8.8 | . 5 | . 2 | 1.7 | . 5 |
| Other private transportation services ........................................ |  | 200.9 | 201.8 | 5.6 | . 4 | . 1 | . 1 | . 7 |
| Automobile insurance ${ }^{1}$............ |  | 222.2 | 223.4 | 3.6 | . 5 | -. 2 | . 2 | . 5 |
| Automobile finance charges ${ }^{\text { }}$................................................ | 12/77 | 112.1 | 112.6 | 11.7 | . 4 | 1.6 | . 9 | . 4 |
| Automobile rental, registration, and other fees ${ }^{1}$...................... | 12/77 | 105.1 | 105.3 | 4.4 | . 2 | . 4 | . 5 | . 2 |
| State registration ............................................................... |  | 143.9 | 143.9 | . 8 | . 0 | -1.4 | . 3 | -. 2 |
| Drivers' license ' ................................................................ | 12/77 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 3.1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Automobile inspection ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.0 | 1.7 | . 0 | . 0 | 1.6 | . 0 |
| Other automobile-related fees ' ........................................... | 12/77 | 109.8 | 110.1 | 9.2 | . 3 | . 7 | 1.1 | . 3 |
| Public transportation |  | 190.7 | 191.5 | 2.3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 8 | . 2 |
| Airline fare ${ }^{1}$ |  | 191.3 | 191.8 | . 1 | . 3 | . 5 | . 8 | . 3 |
|  |  | 246.4 | 248.0 | 4.1 | . 6 | . 2 | 1.0 | . 6 |
| Intracity mass transit ' ...................................................... |  | 186.4 | 186.8 | 3.8 | . 2 | . 4 | . 0 | . 2 |
| Taxi fare ' .............................................................................................. |  | 208.9 | 211.1 | 4.9 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 1 | 1.1 |
| Intercity train fare ' ................................................................... |  | 192.8 | 201.4 | 5.6 | 4.5 | . 0 | . 0 | 4.5 |
| Medical care ................................................................................... |  | 232.6 | 233.9 | 9.0 | . 6 | 1.1 |  | . 6 |
| Medical care commodities ................................................................. |  | 150.1 | 150.7 | 6.9 | . 4 | . 6 | . 7 | . 4 |
| Prescription drugs ${ }^{\text {a }}$............................................................................. |  | 138.4 | 139.2 | 7.6 | . 6 | . 8 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Anti-infective drugs ${ }^{\text { }}$............. | 12/77 | 109.1 | 109.7 | 7.2 | . 5 | 1.4 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Tranquilizers and sedatives ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 112.2 | 112.6 | 9.0 | . 4 | . 7 | . 7 | . 4 |
| Circulatories and diuretics ${ }^{1}$................................................. | 12/77 | 106.1 | 106.8 | 5.1 | . 7 | . 3 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Hormones, diabetic drugs, biologicals, and prescription medical supplies ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 114.9 | 116.1 | 10.4 | 1.0 |  | 1.5 | 1.0 |
| Pain and symptom control drugs ' ....................................................................................... | 12/77 | 110.0 | 110.6 | 7.4 | 1.0 .5 | 1.0 | 1.5 .5 | 1.0 .5 |
| Supplements, cough and cold preparations, and respiratory agents ' $\qquad$ | $12 / 77$ $12 / 77$ | 107.4 | 107.9 | 6.1 | . 5 |  | . 9 | . 5 |
| Nomprescription drugs and medical supplies ${ }^{1}$............................... | 12/77 | 107.8 | 108.1 | 6.3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 9 | . 3 |
| Eyeglasses ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 105.1 | 105.5 | 5.0 | . 4 | . 6 | . 5 | . 4 |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$ i...................... |  | 166.2 | 166.8 | 6.9 | . 4 | . 2 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ${ }^{1}$.................... Medical care services | 12/77 | 107.2 | 107.4 | 6.3 | . 2 | . 4 | . 8 | . 2 |
| Medical care services $\qquad$ Professional services ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 250.4 | 251.8 | 9.5 | . 6 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Professional services ' ${ }^{\text {P }}$ Physicians'..................................................................................................................... |  | 220.7 236.3 | 221.7 237.5 | 8.4 8.7 | . 5 | 1.5 | . 7 | . 5 |
| Dental services ${ }^{1}$....................................................................................................... |  | 236.3 209.4 | 237.5 210.3 | 8.7 8.4 | . 5 | 1.6 1.6 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Other professional services ${ }^{1}$........................................................ | 12/77 | 108.8 | 108.9 | 6.8 | . 4 | 1.6 | . 5 | . 4 |
| Other medical care services ........ |  | 286.4 | 288.2 | 10.5 | . 6 | 1.9 .9 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Hospital and other medical services ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$...................................... | 12/77 | 114.0 | 114.7 | 10.9 | . 6 | 1.3 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| Hospital room ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 359.3 | 361.3 | 12.1 | . 6 | 1.5 | 1.0 | . 6 |
| Other hospital and medical care services ' .............................. | 12/77 | 113.0 | 113.9 | 10.2 | 8 | 1.3 | 1.1 | . 8 |

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Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1978 | Feb. $1979$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Entertainment |  | 183.2 | 184.8 | 6.1 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| Entertainment commodities |  | 184.0 | 185.7 | 5.8 | . 9 | . 9 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Reading materials ${ }^{1}$................................................................... | 12/77 | 107.1 | 108.6 | 7.2 | 1.4 | . 5 | . 2 | 1.4 |
| Newspapers ${ }^{1}$........................................................................ |  | 208.3 | 209.7 | 6.0 | . 7 | . 8 | 1.0 | . 7 |
| Magazines, periodicals, and books ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.5 | 110.9 | 8.6 | 2.2 | . 0 | -. 6 | 2.2 |
| Sporting goods and equipment ${ }^{1}$......... | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.6 | 5.4 | . 8 | . 6 | 1.3 | . 8 |
| Sport vehicles ${ }^{1}$................................................................... | 12/77 | 106.2 | 107.0 | 5.8 | . 8 | NA | NA | . 8 |
| Indoor and warm weather sport equipment ' ............................. | 12/77 | 104.0 | 105.1 | 4.3 | 1.1 | -. 4 | -. 5 | 1.1 |
| Bicycles ' .............................................................................. |  | 155.6 | 157.3 | 5.9 | 1.1 | . 6 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Other sporting goods and equipment ' | 12/77 | 104.4 | 104.9 | 4.5 | . 5 | . 5 | . 6 | . 5 |
| Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ${ }^{1}$................................... | 12/77 | 106.4 | 107.1 | 5.1 | . 7 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ' ...................................... | 12/77 | 107.2 | 108.1 | 5.6 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Photographic supplies and equipment ${ }^{1}$.................................... | 12/77 | 105.7 | 106.3 | 3.7 | . 6 | . 4 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Pet supplies and expense ' ..................................................... | 12/77 | 105.4 | 106.0 | 5.3 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 3 | . 6 |
| Entertainment services ................................................................. |  | 182.4 | 183.9 | 6.7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Fees for participant sports ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.4 | 6.5 | 1.0 | . 4 | . 5 | 1.0 |
| Admissions ' | 12/77 | 111.4 | 112.3 | 8.3 | . 8 | 2.4 | . 3 | . 8 |
| Other entertainment services ${ }^{1}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.8 | 5.8 | . 9 | . 0 | -1.3 | . 9 |
| Other goods and services ............................................................... |  | 191.9 | 192.8 | 7.5 | . 5 | .7 | .7 | . 6 |
| Tobacco products ....................................................................... |  | 185.2 | 185.8 | 7.0 | . 3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| Cigarettes ' .............................................................................. |  | 187.9 | 188.4 | 7.0 | . 3 | 1.1 | 1.3 | . 3 |
| Other tobacco products and smoking accessories ' '.................... | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.9 | 7.1 | . 9 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 9 |
| Personal care ' ............................................................................ |  | 190.4 | 192.1 | 7.8 | . 9 | . 9 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ${ }^{\text { }}$, .............................. |  | 184.2 | 186.1 | 7.4 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 9 | 1.0 |
| Products for the hair, hairpieces, and wigs ' ............................... | 12/77 | 107.2 | 105.9 | 5.4 | -1.2 | . 6 | 1.3 | -1.2 |
| Dental and shaving products ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 109.0 | 110.6 | 10.4 | 1.5 | . 2 | 2.1 | 1.5 |
| Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements | 12/77 | 105.7 | 108.6 | 8.2 | 2.7 | 1.4 | . 5 | 2.7 |
| Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances * ............ | 12/77 | 106.7 | 107.7 | 6.3 | . 9 | 1.2 | . 3 | . 9 |
| Personal care services ' ........................................................... |  | 196.4 | 197.9 | 8.1 | . 8 | . 8 | . 6 | . 8 |
| Beauty parlor services for females ' ........................................ |  | 198.3 | 199.6 | 7.8 | . 7 | . 7 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ' ................. | 12/77 | 109.2 | 110.3 | 8.6 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 2 | 1.0 |
| Personal and educational expenses ............................................. |  | 207.8 | 208.1 | 7.5 | . 1 | . 5 | . 3 | . 4 |
| School books and supplies ....................................................... |  | 191.2 | 191.6 | 6.1 | . 2 | 1.9 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Personal and educational services ............................................. |  | 212.1 | 212.5 | 7.8 | . 2 | . 3 | . 3 | . 4 |
| Tuition and other school fees ' ................................................ | 12/77 | 108.5 | 108.6 | 7.7 | . 1 | . 0 | . 1 | . 1 |
| College tuition ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... | 12/77 | 108.7 | 108.8 | 7.8 | . 1 | . 0 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Elementary and high school tuition ' ....................................... | 12/77 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 6.9 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Personal expenses * ................................................................. | 12/77 | 109.9 | 110.6 | 8.3 | . 6 | . 7 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gasoline, motor oil, coolant and other products ' ......................... |  | 211.3 | 218.7 | 16.3 | 3.5 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 3.5 |
| Insurance and finance ' ...................................................................... |  | 254.0 | 257.1 | 14.3 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.2 |
| Utilities and public transportation ' $\qquad$ |  | 203.8 | 205.1 | 4.6 | .6 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance services ${ }^{\text { }}$......................... |  | 260.6 | 262.5 | 10.8 | . 7 | . 8 | . 4 | . 7 |

1 Not seasonally adjusted.
indexes were formerly on a December $1977=100$ base.
ma Data not adequate for publication.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar.$1979$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Housing | 12/77 | 215.6 | 217.7 | 11.4 | 10.5 | 8.8 | 12.0 | 11.0 | 10.4 |
| Shetter ...................................................................................... |  | 226.0 | 228.4 | 12.1 | 13.0 | 10.4 | 14.3 | 12.6 | 12.3 |
| Rent, residential .................................................................. |  | 170.8 | 171.1 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.6 |
| Other rental costs |  | 225.7 | 226.3 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 14.8 | 15.1 | 9.2 | 14.9 |
| Lodging while out of town ....................................................... |  | 235.8 | 237.4 | 11.7 | 11.2 | 15.5 | 22.6 | 11.5 | 19.0 |
| Tenants' insurance ${ }^{\text {a }}$......... |  | 106.3 | 106.4 | . 8 | 4.8 | 8.5 | 7.5 | 2.8 | 8.0 |
| Homeownership ...... |  | 245.7 | 248.8 | 13.2 | 14.6 | 10.9 | 16.7 | 13.9 | 13.7 |
| Home purchase |  | 211.1 | 212.9 | 10.0 | 11.8 | 14.3 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 12.5 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ................................................ |  | 282.9 | 288.6 | 18.6 | 19.6 | 7.0 | 25.8 | 19.1 | 16.1 |
| Property insurance ' ............................................................. | 12/77 | 109.9 | 110.8 | 15.8 | 3.1 | 4.2 | 13.7 | 9.3 | 8.9 |
| Property taxes ' ...... |  | 180.8 | 181.1 | 2.1 | 4.9 | -28.8 | 4.1 | 3.5 | -13.9 |
| Contracted mortgage interest cost ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 127.6 | 130.0 | 22.6 | 32.8 | 18.6 | 29.3 | 27.6 | 23.9 |
| Mortgage interest rates |  | 157.6 | 160.2 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 6.3 | 22.1 | 11.3 | 13.9 |
| Maintenance and repairs ......................................................... |  | 247.3 | 248.6 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 12.6 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 10.4 |
| Maintenance and repair services |  | 267.3 | 269.1 | 11.6 | 8.2 | 11.9 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 10.8 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ..................................... |  | 200.7 | 200.7 | . 9 | 12.1 | 14.7 | 3.5 | 6.3 | 8.9 |
| Paint and wallpaper, supplies, tools, and equipment ${ }^{1}$............ | 12/77 | 110.3 | 109.7 | . 4 | 15.9 | 15.8 | 4.1 | 7.9 | 9.8 |
| Lumber, awnings, glass, and masonry ' ................................ | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.7 | 8.1 | 8.7 | 10.5 | 1.8 | 8.4 | 6.1 |
| Plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling supplies ${ }^{\dagger}$............... | 12/77 | 105.7 | 105.7 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 10.1 | 3.1 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| Miscellaneous supplies and equipment ${ }^{1}$.............................. | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.2 | 5.6 | . 8 | 16.0 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 10.6 |
| Fuel and other utilities | 6/78 | 222.6 | 225.1 | 11.4 | 3.7 | 7 | 9.6 | 7.5 | 5.1 |
| Fuels ...................................................................................... |  | 258.2 | 262.5 | 16.2 | 4.6 | . 5 | 16.1 | 10.2 | 8.0 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ................................................. |  | 320.3 | 335.5 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 14.0 | 36.7 | 4.6 | 24.8 |
| Fuel oil |  | 324.6 | 342.3 | 6.1 | 6.8 | 17.9 | 44.3 | 6.4 | 30.4 |
| Other fuels ${ }^{12}$................................................................................... |  | 99.5 | 99.3 | -11.2 | -7.4 | 5.0 | . 0 | -9.3 | 2.5 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity |  | 241.0 | 243.0 | 19.5 | 4.5 | -2.8 | 10.7 | 11.8 | 3.7 |
| Electricity ................ |  | 206.3 | 208.3 | 24.1 | -3.2 | -7.1 | 9.3 | 9.6 | . 8 |
| Utility (piped) gas .................................................................. |  | 281.8 | 283.9 | 14.1 | 12.6 | 9.2 | 12.4 | 13.4 | 10.8 |
| Other utilities and public services |  | 159.0 | 158.8 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 1.3 | -2.0 | 2.3 | 10.8 -.4 |
| Telephone services ' ....................................................................................... |  | 132.2 | 132.1 | 2.6 .9 | 1.8 | . 0 | -3.6 | 2.3 1.4 | -8.4 -1.8 |
|  | $12 / 77$$12 / 77$$12 / 77$ | 100.5 | 100.4 | 1.2 | 3.2 | -1.6 | -4.3 | 2.2 | -2.9 |
| Interstate toll calls ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 98.4 | 98.3 | -. 4 | . 0 | . 4 | -3.6 | -. 2 | -1.6 |
| Intrastate toll calls ' ................................................................. |  | 100.7 | 100.7 | 2.0 | . 8 | 3.6 | -2.3 | 1.4 | . 6 |
| Water and sewerage maintenance ............................................ |  | 239.6 | 239.7 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 9.5 | -2.3 | 6.7 | 3.4 |
| Household furnishings and operation $\qquad$ Housefurnishings $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 186.2 | 187.2 | 9.3 | 7.4 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 8.4 | 7.6 |
|  |  | 160.5 | 161.2 | 7.0 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Textife housefurnishings |  | 169.0 | 170.3 | 4.6 | 7.6 | 4.7 | 7.9 | 6.1 | 6.3 |
| Household linens ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 103.1 | 105.8 | -. 8 | 8.6 | 4.8 | 7.9 | 6.1 3.8 | 6.3 |
| Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials ${ }^{\dagger}$................ | 12/77 | 108.0 | 109.1 | 5.6 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 11.4 | 6.2 | 8.6 |
| Furniture and bedding ..................................................................... |  | 173.7 | 174.6 | 8.9 | 7.9 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 8.4 | 6.7 |
| Bedroom furniture ' <br> Sofas ' | 12/77 | 108.8 | 110.1 | 15.0 | 2.7 | 13.5 | 4.9 | 8.7 | 9.1 |
| Sofas '................................................................................ | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \end{aligned}$ | 103.8 | 105.1 | 12.6 | 5.6 | -2.7 | 6.3 | 9.0 | 1.7 |
| Living room chairs and tables ' ................................................................................................... |  | 102.9 | 103.3 | 9.2 | 3.6 | 4.0 | -. 4 | 6.3 | 1.8 |
| Other furniture ' ..................................................................... |  | 110.5 | 112.4 | 11.5 | 10.8 | 12.1 | 8.2 | 11.1 | 10.1 |

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Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, uniess otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. 1978 | Dec. <br> 1978 | Mar. $1979$ | Sept. $1978$ | Mar. $1979$ |
| Housefurnishings-Continued: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Appliances including TV and sound equipment ........................... |  | 134.5 | 134.8 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 4.8 |
| Television and sound equipment ${ }^{1}$......................................... | 12/77 | 103.7 | 103.8 | 2.0 | 4.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 3.4 | 2.4 |
| Telovision ' ............................................... |  | 102.9 | 103.0 | $\leftarrow .8$ | 2.8 | 3.2 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 2.2 |
| Sound equipment ' | 12/77 | 105.5 | 105.6 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 5.4 | 2.7 |
| Household appliances ' |  | 153.4 | 154.0 | 10.7 | 3.0 | 6.3 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 7.1 |
| Refrigerators and home freezers ' ....................................... |  | 151.3 | 151.7 | 10.1 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 6.4 | 5.2 |
| Laundry equipment ' .......................................................... | 12/77 | 107.7 | 108.2 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 5.4 | 7.4 |
| Other household appliances ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.3 | 108.8 | 12.9 | 2.3 | 6.7 | 9.7 | 7.5 | 8.2 |
| Stoves, dishwashers, vacuums, and sewing machines ' ...... Office machines, small electric appliances, and | 12/77 | 109.1 | 109.3 | 15.9 | 3.5 | 7.8 | 4.5 | 9.5 | 6.1 |
| air conditioners ' ........................................................... | 12/77 | 107.5 | 108.2 | 9.5 | 1.6 | 4.7 | 16.7 | 5.5 | 10.6 |
| Other household equiprnent ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 107.9 | 108.6 | 8.2 | 5.5 | 6.3 | 9.8 | 6.8 | 8.0 |
| Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.6 | 3.6 | 7.3 | 8.8 | 11.4 | 5.4 | 10.1 |
| Clocks, lamps, and decor items ' .......................................... | 12/77 | 104.1 | 105.3 | 2.8 | 3.6 | . 8 | 9.2 | 3.2 | 4.9 |
| Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ${ }^{1}$......... | 12/77 | 111.8 | 112.3 | 16.7 | 8.2 | 3.4 | 14.8 | 12.4 | 8.9 |
| Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ' ................. | 12/77 | 105.8 | 105.9 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 11.8 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 7.2 |
| Housekeeping supplies .............................................................. |  | 216.7 | 218.0 | 8.4 | 6.4 | 9.1 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 8.5 |
| Soaps and detergents ${ }^{1}$........................................................... |  | 210.0 | 210.3 | 7.2 | 4.9 | 17.0 | 4.3 | 6.1 | 10.5 |
| Other laundry and cleaning products ' ....................................... | 12/77 | 108.1 | 109.0 | 2.8 | 11.3 | 7.8 | 5.3 | 7.0 | 6.5 |
| Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels and napkins ${ }^{1}$.............. | 12/77 | 114.1 | 115.1 | 21.2 | 5.7 | 11.6 | 14.8 | 13.2 | 13.2 |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ' ........................... | 12/77 | 106.1 | 106.8 | 5.2 | 2.4 | 6.0 | 9.5 | 3.8 | 7.7 |
| Miscellaneous household products ${ }^{\text {a }}$......................................... | 12/77 | 109.7 | 110.3 | 6.8 | 9.5 | 8.5 | 6.0 | 8.2 | 7.3 |
| Lawn and garden supplies ${ }^{1}$..................................................... | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.5 | . 0 | 2.4 | 4.7 | 15.8 | 1.2 | 10.1 |
| Housekeeping services ............................................................. |  | 241.2 | 242.4 |  | 11.5 | 13.0 | 5.8 | 13.2 | 9.4 |
| Postage ${ }^{1}$.......................................................................... |  | 257.3 | 257.3 | 69.2 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | 30.1 | . 0 |
| Moving, storage, treight, household laundry, and drycleaning services ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 110.7 | 111.5 | 7.2 | 9.5 | 8.5 | 10.3 | 8.4 | 9.4 |
| Appliance and furniture repair ' ................................................. | 12/77 | 107.0 | 107.6 | 5.2 | 2.4 | 8.8 | 7.0 | 3.8 | 7.9 |
| Apparel and upkeep ....................................................................... |  | 162.7 | 165.2 | 6.8 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 8.7 | 4.5 | 5.4 |
| Apparel commodities .................................................................. |  | 157.8 | 160.3 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 3.9 | 4.5 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear ............................................ |  | 155.7 | 158.3 | 6.2 | 1.3 | . 0 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 4.0 |
| Men's and boys' .................................................................... |  | 157.8 | 158.9 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 2.6 | -. 5 | 2.7 | 1.0 |
|  | 12/77 | 99.2 | 100.3 | 4.9 | 2.4 | 3.2 | -5.0 | 3.7 | -1.0 |
| Suits, sport coats, and jackets ' | $12 / 77$ | 96.3 | 97.6 | 6.6 | . 4 | -2.0 | -8.9 | 3.5 | -5.5 |
| Coats and jackets ${ }^{1}$..................... | 12/77 | 94.0 | 94.4 | 18.0 | 5.0 | -2.4 | -18.3 | 11.3 | -10.7 |
| Furnishings and special clothing ' . | 12/77 | 105.3 | 105.2 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 11.8 | . 4 | 3.4 | 6.0 |
| Shirts '...................................... | $12 / 77$ | 102.2 | 104.0 | 3.2 | . 0 | 9.8 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 5.8 |
| Dungarees, jeans, and trousers ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 98.0 | 99.5 | . 4 | 4.1 | . 4 | -3.2 | 2.2 | -1.4 |
| Boys' ' .................................................................................. | 12/77 | 99.7 | 101.4 | 6.3 | 2.9 | 6.2 | . 8 | 4.6 | 3.4 |
| Coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ${ }^{\text {' }}$.................................. | 12/77 | 92.5 | 96.8 | 4.7 | 4.2 | -. 4 | . 8 | 4.5 | $\begin{array}{r}\text {. } \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Furnishings ${ }^{\text {' }}$ Su...................................... | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.7 | 12.7 | . 0 | 18.9 | -1.9 | 6.2 | 8.0 |
| Suits, trousers, sport coats, and jackets ${ }^{1}$.. | 12/77 | 103.2 | 103.4 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 6.1 | 2.4 | 3.9 | 4.2 |
| Women's and girls' ................................................................. |  | 149.9 | 154.1 | 7.8 | . 0 | -3.4 | 14.1 | 3.8 | 5.0 |
| Women's ' .......................................................................... | 12/77 | 99.0 | 101.5 | 14.3 | 5.3 | -1.6 | 2.0 | 9.7 | . 2 |
| Coats and jackets ' |  | 161.0 | 169.3 | 93.7 | 1.6 | -13.2 | 8.2 | 40.3 | -3.1 |
| Dresses .................... |  | 160.5 | 164.1 | 5.0 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 10.4 | 3.6 | 6.7 |
| Separates and sportswear ' ............................................. | 12/77 | 98.1 | 100.0 | 6.3 | 5.8 | -3.1 | . 8 | 6.0 | -1.2 |
| Underwear, nightwear, and hosiery ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 103.6 | 104.2 | . 8 | 6.1 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Sults ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 86.6 | 92.2 | 27.1 | 4.7 | -10.6 | -9.8 | 15.3 | -10.2 |
| 'Girls' '............................................ | 12/77 | 94.6 92.8 | 98.3 | 7.7 | 11.9 | -2.7 | -8.1 | 9.8 | -5.5 |
| Separates and sportswear ${ }^{\text { }}$.............................................................................. | 12/77 | 92.8 92.0 | 99.3 94.4 | 3.8 11.4 | 15.5 12.8 | -12.4 | 3.7 -23.4 | 9.5 12.1 | -4.7 |
| Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ${ }^{\text {a }}$................................................. | 12/77 | 102.2 | 103.8 | 6.7 | 12.6 | 7.3 | -23.4 3.9 | 12.1 | -12.3 5.6 |

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Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | June <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. 1978 | Mar. 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Apparel commodities less footwear-Continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Infants and toddlers .......................................................... |  | 215.4 | 216.8 | 5.7 | 2.8 | -0.2 | -3.8 | 4.2 | -2.0 |
| Other apparel commodities ................................................ |  | 165.3 | 166.9 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 13.8 | 5.1 | 9.4 |
| Sewing materials and notions ${ }^{1}$.......................................... | 12/77 | 100.6 | 102.5 | 7.2 | -. 4 | 4.6 | 14.4 | 3.3 | 9.4 |
| Jowelry and luggage ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 109.2 | 109.9 | 6.0 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 10.5 | 6.6 | 8.7 |
| Footwear ................................... |  | 169.7 | 171.6 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 10.6 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 7.6 |
| Men's ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 106.8 | 109.2 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 12.0 | 7.7 | 8.1 | 9.8 |
| Boys' and girs' ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 12/77. | 106.6 | 107.3 | 8.2 | . 8 | 11.4 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 9.2 |
| Women's ' .... | 12/77 | 104.5 | 106.4 | 7.3 | 4.7 | 6.7 | 1.9 | 6.0 | 4.3 |
| Apparel services ${ }^{1}$................................................ |  | 197.3 | 200.0 | 10.4 | 7.6 | 9.2 | 16.5 | 9.0 | 12.8 |
| Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ${ }^{\text { }}$. | 12/77 | 114.6 | 116.4 | 9.2 | 7.0 | 12.8 | 20.1 | 8.1 | 16.4 |
| Other apparel services ${ }^{1}$............................................................ | 12/77 | 108.6 | 109.8 | 12.4 | 8.7 | 3.0 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 6.7 |
| Transportation .......................................................................... |  | 197.5 | 199.9 | 6.3 | 9.0 | 11.1 | 14.6 | 7.6 | 12.8 |
| Private ...................................................................................... |  | 197.5 | 200.0 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 11.8 | 14.8 | 8.0 | 13.3 |
| New cars |  | 161.0 | 162.1 | 10.2 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 12.8 | 8.7 | 6.7 |
| Used cars |  | 204.7 | 204.0 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 21.5 | 9.1 | 11.7 | 15.2 |
| Gasoline ........................................................................... |  | 215.6 | 223.7 | 1.5 | 13.0 | 18.2 | 35.6 | 7.1 | 26.6 |
| Automobile maintenance and repair ............................................ |  | 233.2 | 235.6 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 10.0 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 9.9 |
| Body work ' ..................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 113.1 | 7.6 | 10.3 | 9.3 | 13.8 | 9.0 | 11.5 |
| Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 112.1 | 113.0 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 10.4 | 11.0 | 8.1 | 10.7 |
| Maintenance and servicing ${ }^{1}$............................................... | 12/77 | 110.8 | 112.3 | 8.1 | 10.0 | 9.3 | 13.1 | 9.0 | 11.2 |
| Power plant repair ${ }^{1}$................................................................ | 12/77 | 110.5 | 111.5 | 6.8 | 9.6 | 7.4 | 13.2 | 8.2 | 10.2 |
| Other private transportation ........................................................ |  | 191.5 | 192.7 | 4.7 | 6.0 | 8.6 | 5.1 | 5.4 | 6.9 |
| Other private transportation commodities .................................. |  | 167.4 | 168.5 | 9.8 | 2.5 | 8.2 | 11.7 | 6.1 | 9.9 |
| Motor oil, coolant, and other products ' .................................. | 12/77 | 106.2 | 107.8 | 2.8 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 10.3 | 4.0 | 8.3 |
| Automobile parts and equipment ' ..................................... | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.4 | 6.5 | 5.2 | 8.7 | 12.6 | 5.8 | 10.7 |
| Tires ' ............................. |  | 150.0 | 150.7 | 7.1 | 3.7 | 8.1 | 13.5 | 5.4 | 10.7 |
| Other parts and equipment ${ }^{1}$............................................... | 12/77 | 109.6 | 110.2 | 5.6 | 8.8 | 10.7 | 10.0 | 7.2 | 10.4 |
| Other private transportation services ....................................... |  | 199.7 | 201.0 | 3.4 | 6.8 | 8.9 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Automobile insurance ' .......................................................... |  | 222.2 | 223.4 | -2.2 | 4.9 | 9.9 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 6.0 |
| Automobile finance charges ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 112.1 | 112.6 | 8.6 | 1.2 | 26.3 | 12.2 | 4.8 | 19.0 |
| Automobile rental, registration, and other fees ${ }^{1}$...................... | 12/77 | 105.1 | 105.3 | 2.4 | 6.0 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.5 |
| State registration ................................................................ |  | 143.6 | 143.3 | . 6 | 4.9 | 3.4 | -5.4 | 2.7 | -1.1 |
| Drivers' license ' ........... | 12/77 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 8.5 | 1.9 | 1.9 | . 0 | 5.2 | 1.0 |
| Automobile inspection ${ }^{1}$...................................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.0 | . 7 | -3.6 | 3.3 | 6.7 | -1.4 | 5.0 |
| Other automobile-related fees ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$.......................................... | 12/77 | 109.8 | 110.1 | 3.6 | 13.2 | 11.5 | 8.8 | 8.3 | 10.2 |
| Public transportation |  | 190.9 | 191.3 | 1.5 | -. 2 | 1.9 | 5.9 | . 6 | 3.9 |
| Airline fare ${ }^{1}$ |  | 191.3 | 191.8 | -1.2 | -3.1 | -1.7 | 6.5 | -2.2 | 2.3 |
| Intercity bus fare ' .................................................................... |  | 246.4 | 248.0 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 8.0 | 3.7 | 4.5 |
| Intracity mass transit ${ }^{\text {a }}$.............................................................. |  | 186.4 | 186.8 | . 2 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 3.4 | 4.3 |
| Taxi fare ' ............................................................................... |  | 208.9 | 211.1 | . 2 | 8.0 | 4.6 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 5.7 |
|  |  | 192.8 | 201.4 | 9.6 | 14.5 | -16.7 | 19.1 | 12.0 | -. 4 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar.1979 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | June 1978 | Sept. $1978$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. <br> 1978 | Mar. $1979$ |
| Medical care |  | 232.3 | 233.6 | 7.3 | 8.7 | 10.8 | 9.4 | 8.0 | 10.1 |
| Medical care commodities ...................................................... |  | 150.1 | 150.7 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 7.6 |
| Prescription drugs ${ }^{1}$............................................................... |  | 138.4 | 139.2 | 6.0 | 5.0 | 10.3 | 9.1 | 5.5 | 9.7 |
| Anti-infective drugs ' ........................................................... | 12/77 | 109.1 | 109.7 | 7.6 | 1.5 | 9.9 | 10.1 | 4.5 | 10.0 |
| Tranquilizers and sedatives ' | 12/77 | 112.2 | 112.6 | 4.7 | 3.5 | 21.2 | 7.4 | 4.1 | 14.1 |
| Circulatories and diuretics '... | $12 / 77$ | 106.1 | 106.8 | 3.2 | 6.4 | 3.9 | 7.0 | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| Hormones, diabetic drugs, biologicals, and prescription medical supplies : $\qquad$ | $12 / 77$ | 114.9 | 116.1 | 9.8 | 8.4 | 9.0 | 14.2 | 9.1 | 11.6 |
| Pain and symptom control drugs ${ }^{1}$............................................ | 12/77 | 110.0 | 110.6 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 10.6 | 8.8 | 5.1 | 9.7 |
| Supplements, cough and cold preparations, and respiratory agents ${ }^{\prime}$ | $12 / 77$ | 107.4 | 107.9 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 7.0 | 5.8 | 6.4 |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ' ............................... | 12/77 | 107.8 | 108.1 | 7.7 | 4.7 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Eyeglasses ${ }^{1}$.......................................................................... | $12 / 77$ | 105.1 | 105.5 | 6.5 | 4.8 | 2.7 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 4.3 |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ${ }^{1}$....................... |  | 166.2 | 166.8 | 7.9 | 5.1 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 7.2 |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ' ..................... | 12/77 | 107.2 | 107.4 | 9.4 | 3.1 | 7.5 | 5.4 | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Medical care services ................................................................. |  | 250.0 | 251.4 | 7.7 | 9.2 | 11.3 | 10.1 | 8.5 | 10.7 |
| Prolessional services ${ }^{1}$ |  | 220.7 | 221.7 | 6.4 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 11.2 | 7.2 | 9.7 |
| Physicians' services ' ............................................................. |  | 236.3 | 237.5 | 6.4 | 9.1 | 7.6 | 11.9 | 7.7 | 9.8 |
| Dental services ${ }^{1}$ |  | 209.4 | 210.3 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 11.4 | 6.9 | 9.9 |
| Other professional services ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 108.8 | 108.9 | 5.6 | 6.3 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 7.6 |
| Other medical care services ....................................................... |  | 285.5 | 287.3 | 8.9 | 10.5 | 14.4 | 8.5 | 9.7 | 11.4 |
| Hospital and other medical services ' ........................................ | 12/77 | 114.0 | 114.7 | 5.9 | 12.8 | 12.4 | 12.8 | 9.3 | 12.6 |
| Hospital room ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... |  | 359.3 | 361.3 | 6.6 | 13.9 | 15.2 | 12.9 | 10.2 | 14.1 |
| Other hospital and medical care services ' .............................. | 12/77 | 113.0 | 113.9 | 5.5 | 12.4 | 9.6 | 13.3 | 8.9 | 11.4 |
| Entertainment ................................................................................ |  | 183.4 | 185.1 | 3.0 | 6.1 | 6.7 | 8.9 | 4.5 | 7.8 |
| Entertainment commodities .......................................................... |  | 184.6 | 186.3 | 1.6 | 4.8 | 6.2 | 11.0 | 3.2 | 8.6 |
| Reading materials ' ................................................................... | 12/77 | 107.1 | 108.6 | 3.6 | 8.9 | 7.9 | 8.5 | 6.2 | 8.2 |
| Newspapers ${ }^{1}$ |  | 208.3 | 209.7 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 10.6 | 4.5 | 7.6 |
| Magazines, periodicals, and books ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.5 | 110.9 | 2.8 | 13.5 | 12.2 | 6.4 | 8.0 | 9.3 |
| Sporting goods and equipment ${ }^{\text { }}$................................................ | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.6 | 8.6 | -2.3 | 4.8 | 11.2 | 3.0 | 7.9 |
| Sport vehicles ' ...................................................................... | 12/77 | 106.2 | 107.0 | 10.7 | -6.0 | 5.6 | 14.2 | 2.0 | 9.8 |
| Indoor and warm weather sport equipment ' | 12/77 | 104.0 | 105.1 | 4.8 | 4.0 | 7.6 | . 8 | 4.4 | 4.1 |
| Bicycles ${ }^{1}$ |  | 155.6 | 157.3 | 7.8 | 6.2 | -1.6 | 11.4 | 7.0 | 4.7 |
| Other sporting goods and equipment ' ....................................... | 12/77 | 104.4 | 104.9 | 6.1 | . 0 | 5.6 | 6.3 | 3.0 | 6.0 |
| Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ' ......................................................... | 12/77 | 106.4 | 107.1 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 4.7 | 9.9 | 3.0 | 7.3 |
| Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ${ }^{1}$...................................... | 12/77 | 107.2 | 108.1 | 4.8 | . 0 | 5.5 | 12.3 | 2.4 | 8.9 |
| Photographic supplies and equipment ${ }^{1}$...................................... | 12/77 | 105.7 | 106.3 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 3.5 | 6.7 | 2.4 | 5.1 |
| Pet supplies and expense ${ }^{\text {a }}$.......... | 12/77 | 105.4 | 106.0 | 2.0 | 6.9 | 4.3 | 7.9 | 4.4 | 6.1 |
| Entertainment services .......................................................... |  | 182.2 | 183.9 | 5.2 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| Fees for participant sports ${ }^{\text { }}$. | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.4 | 3.6 | 9.8 9.3 | 5.4 | 7.7 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
|  | 12/77 | 111.4 | 112.3 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 5.3 | 14.8 | 6.7 | 9.9 |
| Other entertainment services ' .......... | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.8 | 5.7 | 10.6 | 9.1 | -1.5 | 8.1 | 3.7 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1979 | Sept. 1978 | Mar. $1979$ |
| Other goods and services | 12/77 | 191.4184.3 | 192.6185.4 | 5.9 | 13.1 | 2.4 | 8.5 | 9.5 | 5.44.5 |
| Tobacco products ........................................................................ |  |  |  | 5.2 | 14.1 | -2.4 | 11.8 | 9.6 |  |
| Cigarettes ${ }^{1}$......................................................... |  | 187.9 | 188.4 | 2.5 | 15.3 | . 0 | 11.1 | 8.7 | 5.4 |
| Other tobacco products and smoking accessories ' |  | 107.9 | 108.9 | 8.5 | 5.9 | 2.3 | 11.8 | 7.2 | 7.0 |
| Personal care ${ }^{1}$............................................................ |  | 190.4192 .1 |  | 6.7 | 8.7 | 5.3 | 10.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ${ }^{1}$............................... |  | 184.2 | 186.1 | 4.7 | 10.2 | 3.2 | 12.0 | 7.4 | 7.5 |
| Products for the hair, hairpieces, and wigs ${ }^{1}$............................... | $12 / 77$$12 / 77$ | 107.2 | 105.9 | 3.212.5 | 12.8 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 7.9 | 2.99.3 |
| Dental and shaving products ${ }^{1}$................................................. |  | 109.0 | 110.6 |  | 10.5 | 3.1 | 15.9 | 11.5 |  |
| Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ' | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \end{aligned}$ | 105.7 | 108.6 | . 4 | 14.7 | -1.1 20.3 |  | 7.3 | 9.0 |
| Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances ${ }^{1}$............ |  | 106.7 | 107.7 | 5.2 | . 8 | 9.3 | 10.3 | 3.0 | 9.8 |
| Personal care services ${ }^{1}$ |  | 196.4 | 197.9 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 9.0 | 8.0 8.1 |  |
| Beauty parlor services for females ' ................................... | 12/77 | $\begin{aligned} & 198.3 \\ & 109.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 199.6 \\ & 110.3 \end{aligned}$ | 7.89.4 | 7.28.7 | 7.37.4 | 9.18.8 | 7.5 8.2 |  |
| Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ${ }^{1}$............... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9.1 | 8.1 |
| Personal and educational expenses ............................................. |  | 207.0 207.9 |  | 5.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 17.6 \\ & 19.2 \end{aligned}$ | 2.8-12.5 | 5.4 | 11.4 | 4.1 |
| School books and supplies ....................................................... |  | $\begin{aligned} & 189.7 \\ & 211.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 190.8 \\ & 212.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.1 \\ & 5.2 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 13.63.9 | 13.011.1 | -.3 |
| Personal and educational services ............................................. |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 17.3 \\ 32.8 \end{array}$ | - 5.3 |  |  |  |
| Tuition and other school fees ' ................................................. | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 108.5 \\ & 108.7 \\ & 107.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 108.6 \\ & 108.6 \end{aligned}$ | . 0 |  | .71.1 | . 7 | 15.215.2 | . 7 |
| College tuition ${ }^{1}$............................. |  |  |  | . 0 | $\begin{array}{r} 32.8 \\ 32.7 \end{array}$ |  | . 7 |  |  |
| Elementary and high school tuition ' ....................................... |  |  | 107.5 | .06.8 | $\begin{array}{r} 29.9 \\ 11.7 \end{array}$ | .46.9 | .08.0 | 14.09.2 | .27.4 |
| Personal expenses ' ......................................................... |  | 109.9 | 110.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gasoline, motor oil, coolant and other products ' .......................... |  | $\begin{aligned} & 211.3 \\ & 254.0 \\ & 203.8 \\ & 260.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 218.7 \\ & 257.1 \\ & 205.1 \\ & 262.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10.8 \\ 12.6 \\ 9.7 \\ 14.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15.3 \\ 18.6 \\ 2.6 \\ 10.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9.5 \\ 8.0 \\ -.6 \\ 10.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 30.5 \\ 18.2 \\ 6.9 \\ 8.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13.1 \\ 15.6 \\ 6.1 \\ 12.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 19.6 \\ 13.0 \\ 3.1 \\ 9.2 \end{array}$ |
| Insurance and finance ' ............................................................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Utilities and public transportation ' ................................................ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance services ' ........................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Not seasonally adjusted
2 Indexes were formerly on a December 1977=100 base.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group
( $1967=100$ )

| Group | Relative importance, December 1978 | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. 1978 | Feb. 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................ | 100.000 | 207.1 | 209.3 | 10.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| All items(1957-59 = 100) ............................................ | - | 240.9 | 243.5 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Food and beverages ............................................... | 20.946 | 222.6 | 225.1 | 13.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Food ................................................................... | 19.777 | 228.5 | 231.1 | 13.3 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.2 |
| Food at home ................................................ | 13.899 | 227.9 | 230.0 | 13.7 | . 9 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.1 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............................ | 1.715 | 212.9 | 214.1 | 10.0 | . 6 | . 6 | . 9 | . 4 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ........................... | 4.862 | 232.2 | 236.9 | 22.9 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 2.4 |
| Dairy products ................................................ | 1.856 | 201.1 | 202.3 | 12.8 | . 6 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Fruits and vegetables ....................................... | 1.818 | 225.4 | 225.4 | 11.0 | . 0 | 3.7 | . 8 | -. 6 |
| Sugar and sweets ............................................ | . 472 | 270.2 | 272.4 | 8.1 | . 8 | -. 1 | . 0 | . 7 |
| Fats and oils ....................................................... | . 398 | 219.8 | 219.8 | 9.9 | . 0 | . 2 | 1.3 | . 4 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ' ................................. | 1.615 | 347.0 | 346.9 | 2.0 | . 0 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 0 |
| Other prepared foods ....................................... | 1.164 | 201.9 | 203.0 | 9.8 | . 5 | 1.4 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Food away from home ........................................ | 5.877 | 234.3 | 237.9 | 12.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Alcoholic beverages ............................................... | 1.169 | 167.7 | 169.6 | 8.2 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Housing ................................................................. | 40.957 | 215.4 | 217.5 | 10.6 | 1.0 | . 7 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Shelter ................................................................ | 26.969 | 226.2 | 228.5 | 12.6 | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.1 |
| Rent, residential ................................................ | 5.238 | 170.9 | 171.2 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 4 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Other rental costs .............................................. | . 504 | 224.7 | 226.3 | 11.9 | . 7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | . 3 |
| Homeownership ................................................. | 21.227 | 246.2 | 249.2 | 14.2 | 1.2 | . 8 | 1.9 | 1.4 |
| Home purchase ............................................... | 8.921 | 210.8 | 212.7 | 11.6 | . 9 | . 4 | 1.4 | . 9 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ........................ | 8.987 | 285.0 | 289.5 | 18.1 | 1.6 | . 9 | 3.0 | 2.0 |
| Maintenance and repairs .................................. | 3.320 | 245.7 | 248.4 | 10.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 7 | 1.1 |
| Maintenance and repair services ..................... | 2.351 | 265.8 | 269.3 | 11.5 | 1.3 | 1.5 | . 6 | 1.3 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities .............. | . 969 | 200.4 | 201.5 | 8.8 | . 5 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| Fuel and other utilities .......................................... | 6.221 | 223.5 | 226.0 | 6.3 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Fuels ................................................................. | 4.215 | 259.3 | 263.7 | 8.9 | 1.7 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.5 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ........................... | . 875 | 326.4 | 340.0 | 14.4 | 4.2 | . 6 | 2.6 | 4.8 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ................................ | 3.340 | 241.0 | 243.6 | 7.5 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Other utilities and public services ......................... | 2.006 | 159.1 | 158.9 | 1.0 | -. 1 | -. 3 | . 0 | -. 1 |
| Household furnishings and operation ...................... | 7.767 | 184.8 | 186.3 | 7.3 | . 8 | . 6 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Housefurnishings ................................................ | 4.571 | 159.4 | 160.8 | 5.9 | . 9 | . 7 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 1.601 | 216.3 | 218.1 | 8.0 | . 8 | . 4 | . 6 | . 8 |
| Housekeeping services | 1.596 | 240.5 | 241.6 | 10.7 | . 5 | . 4 | . 3 | . 5 |
| Apparel and upkeep ................................................ | 5.524 | 161.6 | 164.2 | 5.3 | 1.6 | . 4 | . 2 | 1.3 |
| Apparel commodities ............................................. | 4.886 | 156.7 | 159.3 | 4.6 | 1.7 | . 3 | . 1 | 1.4 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ..................................... | 1.531 | 157.6 | 159.4 | 2.6 | 1.1 | . 5 | -. 8 | . 6 |
| Womer's and girls' apparel ................................... | 1.927 | 147.7 | 151.2 | 4.5 | 2.4 | . 1 | . 5 | 2.3 |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel ............................. | . 131 | 214.6 | 217.7 | 2.9 | 1.4 | . 7 | . 2 | . 9 |
| Footwear .......................................................... | . 735 | 167.8 | 170.4 | 6.6 | 1.5 | . 2 | -. 3 | 1.2 |
| Other apparel commodities ................................. | . 562 | 167.5 | 168.9 | 8.6 | . 8 | . 2 | 1.8 | . 8 |
| Apparel services ${ }^{\text {'................................................ }}$ | . 637 | 196.8 | 199.0 | 10.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.1 |

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Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Relative importance, December 1978 | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1978 | Feb. 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation | 20.045 | 196.1 | 198.7 | 10.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Private transportation ............................................ | 19.121 | 195.9 | 198.5 | 10.8 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| New cars .......................................................... | 4.154 | 162.0 | 162.4 | 7.5 | . 2 | 1.1 | 1.3 | . 7 |
| Used cars ....................................................... | 4.019 | 193.4 | 195.4 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.8 | . 8 | -. 3 |
| Gasoline ... | 4.769 | 213.4 | 221.2 | 16.8 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 3.8 |
| Maintenance and repair ...................................... | 1.665 | 234.3 | 236.8 | 9.5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 9 | . 9 |
| Other private transportation ................................ | 4.514 | 193.1 | 193.9 | 6.1 | . 4 | . 3 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Other private transportation commodities ........... | . 804 | 170.2 | 170.0 | 7.9 | -. 1 | . 9 | 1.4 | -. 4 |
| Other private transportation services .................. | 3.710 | 201.1 | 202.2 | 5.8 | . 5 | . 2 | . 2 | . 8 |
| Public transportation ............................................ | . 924 | 191.4 | 192.1 | 2.6 | . 4 | . 4 | . 7 | . 2 |
| Medical care ........................................................... | 4.489 | 232.1 | 233.7 | 9.1 | . 7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Medical care commodities ...................................... | . 771 | 150.7 | 151.7 | 7.6 | . 7 | . 6 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Medical care services .......................................... | 3.717 | 249.6 | 251.3 | 9.4 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | . 7 |
| Professional services ${ }^{1}$........................................ | 1.900 | 220.9 | 222.7 | 8.7 | . 8 | 1.2 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Other medical care services ............................... | 1.817 | 284.5 | 286.1 | 10.0 | . 6 | . 5 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Entertainment ......................................................... | 3.794 | 182.4 | 184.0 | 5.7 | . 9 | . 6 | . 2 | . 9 |
| Entertainment commodities ................................... | 2.396 | 182.6 | 184.4 | 5.2 | 1.0 | . 7 | . 3 | 1.0 |
| Entertainment services .......................................... | 1.398 | 183.1 | 184.3 | 6.6 | . 7 | . 4 | -. 1 | . 7 |
| Other goods and services ........................................ | 4.245 | 191.9 | 192.6 | 7.2 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Tobacco products ................................................. | 1.392 | 185.4 | 185.8 | 7.0 | . 2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | . 4 |
| Personal care ' ................................................... | 1.762 | 190.4 | 191.5 | 7.0 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 6 |
|  | . 838 | 184.7 | 185.9 | 6.5 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.3 | . 6 |
| Personal care services ${ }^{1}$ | . 924 | 196.3 | 197.3 | 7.6 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 5 |
| Personal and educational expenses ........................ | 1.091 | 208.2 | 208.6 | 7.7 | . 2 | . 6 | . 3 | . 5 |
| School books and supplies ................................. | . 163 | 193.7 | 194.1 | 7.2 | 2 | 2.0 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Personal and educational services ............... ....... | . 929 | 212.1 | 212.5 | 7.8 | . 2 | . 4 | . 2 | . 4 |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................... | 100.000 | 207.1 | 209.3 | 10.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Commodities .......................................................... | 62.074 | 198.5 | 200.9 | 10.7 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | 20.946 | 222.6 | 225.1 | 13.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Commodities less food and beverages .................... | 41.128 | 184.7 | 187.0 | 9.5 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .................. | 17.651 | 184.7 | 188.4 | 9.2 | 2.0 | 1.2 | . 9 | 2.0 |
| Apparel commodities $\qquad$ <br> Nondurables less food, beverages, | 4.886 | 156.7 | 159.3 | 4.6 | 1.7 | . 3 | . 1 | 1.4 |
| and apparel ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12.765 | 202.2 | 206.5 | 11.0 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 2.1 |
| Durables ............................................................ | 23.477 | 183.2 | 184.5 | 9.7 | . 7 | . 9 | . 9 | . 5 |
| Services .................................................................. | 37.926 | 223.2 | 225.1 | 9.8 | . 9 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 9 |
| Rent, residential ................................................... | 5.238 | 170.9 | 171.2 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 4 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Household services less rent ................................. | 18.784 | 251.4 | 254.3 | 12.5 | 1.2 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.3 |
| Transportation services ......................................... | 6.299 | 206.1 | 207.4 | 6.3 | . 6 | . 4 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Medical care services ........................................... | 3.717 | 249.6 | 251.3 | 9.4 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | . 7 |
| Other services .................................................... | 3.888 | 193.9 | 195.0 | 7.7 | . 6 | . 7 | . 4 | . 7 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Eamers and Clerical Workers: U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
$(1967=100)$


Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1979 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | June 1978 | Sept. 1978 | Dec. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. $1978$ | Mar. 1979 |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | - | - | - | - | 10.5 | 8.2 | 8.9 | 13.9 | 9.4 | 11.4 |
| Food and beverages | 215.6 | 218.8 | 222.6 | 225.3 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 19.2 | 11.2 | 14.6 |
| Food ................. | 221.1 | 224.5 | 228.5 | 231.2 | 18.6 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 19.6 | 11.5 | 14.8 |
| Food at home | 219.7 | 223.5 | 227.7 | 230.1 | 21.9 | 2.3 | 10.9 | 20.3 | 11.7 | 15.5 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................................ | 209.1 | 210.3 | 212.1 | 213.0 | 14.3 | 10.6 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 12.4 | 7.5 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ............................... | 219.1 | 224.6 | 233.1 | 238.8 | 37.7 | -8.5 | 28.0 | 41.1 | 12.3 | 34.4 |
| Dairy products ....................... | 195.6 | 197.5 | 199.9 | 202.1 | 14.6 | 10.1 | 12.6 | 14.0 | 12.3 | 13.3 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 215.3 | 223.2 | 225.0 | 223.6 | 27.2 | 15.2 | -11.2 | 16.3 | 21.0 | 1.6 |
| Sugar and sweets | 267.5 | 267.3 | 267.3 | 269.2 | 16.0 | 8.5 | 5.7 | 2.6 | 12.2 | 4.1 |
| Fats and oils. | 217.4 | 217.8 | 220.7 | 221.6 | 21.8 | 7.8 | 3.2 | 8.0 | 14.6 | 5.5 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ' | 340.6 | 344.3 | 347.0 | 346.9 | . 5 | -2.0 | 2.3 | 7.6 | -. 8 | 4.9 |
| Other prepared foods ........ | 196.6 | 199.3 | 200.9 | 202.0 | 13.2 | 8.9 | 5.9 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 8.6 |
| Food away from home | 227.9 | 231.1 | 234.5 | 238.1 | 11.0 | 10.3 | 8.9 | 19.1 | 10.6 | 13.9 |
| Alcoholic beverages ........ | 165.2 | 166.6 | 168.0 | 169.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 6.3 | 11.1 | 7.7 | 8.7 |
| Housing | 211.2 | 212.6 | 215.3 | 217.5 | 11.2 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 12.5 | 10.6 | 10.6 |
| Shelter | 220.9 | 222.6 | 226.3 | 228.8 | 11.7 | 13.3 | 10.6 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 12.8 |
| Rent, residential. | 169.5 | 170.1 | 170.7 | 171.0 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.5 |
| Other rental costs | 218.4 | 222.1 | 225.6 | 226.3 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 8.9 | 15.0 |
| Homeownership ...................................................... | 239.6 | 241.6 | 246.3 | 249.7 | 13.0 | 14.6 | 11.4 | 18.0 | 13.8 | 14.7 |
| Horne purchase .................................................... | 207.2 | 208.1 | 211.0 | 212.9 | 9.6 | 11.8 | 13.8 | 11.5 | 10.7 | 12.6 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance | 273.7 | 276.2 | 284.4 | 290.1 | 18.6 | 20.1 | 8.1 | 26.2 | 19.3 | 16.8 |
| Maintenance and repairs ...................................... | 242.3 | 245.2 | 246.9 | 249.6 | 7.7 | 8.8 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 8.2 | 13.1 |
| Maintenance and repair services ......................... | 261.5 | 265.5 | 267.1 | 270.7 | 9.4 | 8.1 | 13.6 | 14.8 | 8.7 | 14.2 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities .................. | 198.6 | 199.4 | 201.4 | 202.3 | 3.7 | 10.4 | 13.5 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 10.6 |
| Fuel and other utilities ............................................. | 220.1 | 221.1 | 222.9 | 225.1 | 11.6 | 3.3 | . 9 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 5.1 |
| Fuels . | 253.0 | 255.2 | 258.3 | 262.2 | 16.8 | 3.9 | . 8 | 15.4 | 10.1 | 7.8 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .............................. | 310.5 | 312.5 | 320.6 | 336.0 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 14.1 | 37.1 | 4.8 | 25.1 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ................................... | 237.0 | 239.0 | 241.0 | 242.6 | 19.9 | 3.6 | -2.3 | 9.8 | 11.5 | 3.6 |
| Other utilities and public services ............................ | 159.6 | 159.1 | 159.1 | 158.9 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 1.0 | -1.7 | 2.3 | -. 4 |
| Household furnishings and operation. | 183.1 | 184.2 | 184.9 | 186.2 | 8.1 | 5.3 | 9.2 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 8.1 |
| Housefurnishings ................................................... | 158.0 | 159.1 | 159.7 | 160.8 | 5.4 | 3.7 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 4.5 | 7.5 |
| Housekeeping supplies ........................................... | 214.0 | 214.9 | 216.1 | 217.9 | 8.6 | 5.2 | 11.2 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 9.3 |
| Housekoeping services ........................................... | 238.3 | 239.2 | 240.0 | 241.1 | 15.9 | 10.3 | 12.3 | 4.8 | 13.1 | 8.5 |
| Apparel and upkeep ................................................... | 161.9 | 162.6 | 163.0 | 165.2 | 8.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Apparel commodities | 157.6 | 158.1 | 158.3 | 160.5 | 8.1 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 4.5 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ......................................... | 159.2 | 160.0 | 158.7 | 159.7 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 3.6 | 1.4 |
| Women's and girls' apparel. | 149.2 | 149.4 | 150.1 | 153.5 | 10.2 | -. 8 | -2.6 | 12.0 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Infants' and toddiers' apparel | 215.3 | 216.7 | 217.2 | 219.2 | 7.3 | . 0 | -2.7 | 7.4 | 3.6 | 2.2 |
| Footwear ........................... | 168.7 | 169.0 | 168.5 | 170.6 | 7.2 | 4.5 | 10.6 | 4.6 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Other apparel commodities | 164.6 | 165.0 | 168.0 | 169.4 | 10.9 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 12.2 | 8.0 | 9.3 |
| Apparel services ${ }^{1}$..................................................... | 191.9 | 194.1 | 196.8 | 199.0 | 8.7 | 6.4 | 10.7 | 15.6 | 7.6 | 13.1 |

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
( $1967=100$ )

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1979 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tıansportation | 193.7 | 196.2 | 198.4 | 200.7 | 6.3 | 9.2 | 11.7 | 15.3 | 7.7 | 13.5 |
| Private transportation | 193.6 | 196.0 | 198.2 | 200.6 | 6.6 | 9.7 | 12.2 | 15.3 | 8.1 | 13.7 |
| Now cars ............... | 156.9 | 158.7 | 160.7 | 161.8 | 9.6 | 7.2 | . 8 | 13.1 | 8.4 | 6.8 |
| Used cars | 199.6 | 203.1 | 204.7 | 204.0 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 21.5 | 9.1 | 11.7 | 15.2 |
| Gasoline ... | 207.6 | 211.6 | 216.0 | 224.3 | 1.3 | 13.0 | 19.2 | 36.3 | 7.0 | 27.4 |
| Maintenance and repair | 230.4 | 231.7 | 233.8 | 235.9 | 8.8 | 9.8 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 9.7 |
| Other private transportation | 190.8 | 191.4 | 192.1 | 193.1 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 8.8 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 6.9 |
| Other private transportation commodities .............. | 166.1 | 167.6 | 169.9 | 169.3 | 10.9 | 5.3 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.7 |
| Other private transportation services ..................... | 199.3 | 199.6 | 199.9 | 201.4 | 3.0 | 6.8 | 9.1 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 6.7 |
| Public transportation ................................................. | 189.5 | 190.3 | 191.6 | 191.9 | 1.3 | 4 | 3.2 | 5.2 | . 9 | 4.2 |
| Medical care .............................................................. | 228.5 | 230.4 | 231.9 | 233.4 | 7.5 | 9.1 | 10.6 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 9.7 |
| Medical care commodities ........................................ | 149.0 | 149.9 | 150.7 | 151.7 | 7.3 | 6.3 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 8.4 |
| Medical care services .............................................. | 245.3 | 247.5 | 249.2 | 250.9 | 7.5 | 9.8 | 11.0 | 9.4 | 8.6 | 10.2 |
| Professional services ' | 216.8 | 219.3 | 220.9 | 222.7 | 6.4 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 11.3 | 7.7 | 9.8 |
| Other medical care services | 280.5 | 282.0 | 283.6 | 285.2 | 8.8 | 10.7 | 13.8 | 6.9 | 9.7 | 10.3 |
| Entertainment ............................................................ | 181.3 | 182.4 | 182.7 | 184.3 | 1.4 | 5.8 | 9.1 | 6.8 | 3.6 | 7.9 |
| Entertainment commodities ....................................... | 181.1 | 182.4 | 183.0 | 184.8 | -1.4 | 6.1 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 2.3 | 8.3 |
| Entertainment services ............................................. | 182.5 | 183.2 | 183.1 | 184.3 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 11.3 | 4.0 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Other goods and services ........................................... | 188.0 | 189.9 | 191.4 | 192.4 | 5.9 | 11.2 | 2.2 | 9.7 | 8.5 | 5.9 |
| Tobacco products .................................................... | 180.1 | 182.6 | 184.7 | 185.4 | 5.2 | 14.1 | -2.8 | 12.3 | 9.6 | 4.5 |
| Personal care ${ }^{1}$. | 186.8 | 188.8 | 190.4 | 191.5 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 10.5 | 6.0 | 8.1 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ' ............. | 180.7 | 182.4 | 184.7 | 185.9 | 3.0 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 12.0 | 4.3 | 8.8 |
| Personal care services ' .......................................... | 193.0 | 195.2 | 196.3 | 197.3 | 9.5 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 9.2 | 7.6 | 7.6 |
| Personal and educational expenses ........................... | 205.4 | 206.7 | 207.3 | 208.3 | 5.7 | 17.6 | 2.6 | 5.8 | 11.5 | 4.2 |
| School books and supplies ..................................... | 186.6 | 190.4 | 192.0 | 193.3 | 7.3 | 22.9 | -13.0 | 15.2 | 14.8 | . 1 |
| Personal and educational services ........................... | 210.3 | 211.1 | 211.5 | 212.3 | 5.6 | 16.6 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 10.9 | 4.7 |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All iterns .............................................................................. | - | - | - | - | 10.5 | 8.2 | 8.9 | 13.9 | 9.4 | 11.4 |
|  | 194.6 | 196.9 | 199.4 | 201.7 | 10.5 | 7.0 | 10.0 | 15.4 | 8.7 | 12.7 |
| Food and beverages | 215.6 | 218.8 | 222.6 | 225.3 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 19.2 | 11.2 | 14.6 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ........................ | 182.2 | 184.1 | 186.0 | 188.2 | 6.7 | 8.3 | 10.0 | 13.8 | 7.5 | 11.9 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ..................... | 181.6 | 183.7 | 185.4 | 189.2 | 5.2 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 17.8 | 6.1 | 12.3 |
| Apparel commodities $\qquad$ <br> Nondurables less food, beverages, | 157.6 | 158.1 | 158.3 | 160.5 | 8.1 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 4.5 |
| and apparel ${ }^{1}$ | 197.5 | 199.5 | 202.2 | 206.5 | 5.9 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 19.5 | 7.8 | 14.2 |
| Durables ............................................................... | 181.4 | 183.0 | 184.7 | 185.6 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 11.3 | 9.6 | 8.9 | 10.5 |
| Services .................................................................... | 219.4 | 220.6 | 223.0 | 225.0 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 7.6 | 10.6 | 10.3 | 9.1 |
| Rent, residential .................................................. | 169.5 | 170.1 | 170.7 | 171.0 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.5 |
| Household services less rent | 245.1 | 247.1 | 251.3 | 254.5 | 15.3 | 12.3 | 6.4 | 16.2 | 13.8 | 11.2 |
| Transportation services ................................................... | 203.6 | 204.4 | 205.3 | 206.7 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 8.3 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 7.2 |
| Medical care services ................................................ | 245.3 | 247.5 | 249.2 | 250.9 | 7.5 | 9.8 | 11.0 | 9.4 | 8.6 | 10.2 |
| Other services .................................................................. | 191.7 | 193.0 | 193.7 | 195.0 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 8.6 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 7.8 |

[^5]Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued
$(1967=100)$

| Group | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & \text { 1979 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. <br> 1978 | Dec. <br> 1978 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less food | 198.4 | 200.1 | 202.2 | 204.3 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 8.9 | 12.4 | 8.8 | 10.7 |
| All items less shelter | 198.4 | 200.5 | 202.5 | 204.6 | 10.2 | 6.4 | 8.5 | 13.1 | 8.3 | 10.8 |
| All items less mortgage interest costs ${ }^{1}$......................... | 198.7 | 200.4 | 202.5 | 204.5 | 11.8 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 12.2 | 9.2 | 9.5 |
| All items less medical care .......................................... | 201.6 | 203.7 | 206.2 | 208.4 | 10.8 | 8.1 | 9.0 | 14.2 | 9.4 | 11.6 |
| Commodities less food. | 181.2 | 183.0 | 184.9 | 187.0 | 7.0 | 8.1 | 10.1 | 13.4 | 7.5 | 11.7 |
| Nondurables less food ................................................ | 179.7 | 181.7 | 183.4 | 187.0 | 5.5 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 17.3 | 6.3 | 12.1 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel ${ }^{1}$............................ | 192.0 | 193.9 | 196.5 | 200.5 | 5.9 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 18.9 | 7.8 | 13.7 |
| Nondurables ${ }^{1}$............................................................. | 199.0 | 201.4 | 204.5 | 207.6 | 13.7 | 5.9 | 7.4 | 18.4 | 9.8 | 12.8 |
| Services less rent ....................................................... | 228.5 | 229.8 | 232.6 | 234.9 | 11.1 | 10.2 | 7.7 | 11.7 | 10.7 | 9.7 |
| Services less medical care ${ }^{1}$........................................ | 214.9 | 216.8 | 219.0 | 220.8 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 7.0 | 11.4 | 10.5 | 9.2 |
| Energy ' ...................................................................... | 228.5 | 231.8 | 235.3 | 241.7 | 12.3 | 8.4 | 6.6 | 25.2 | 10.3 | 15.5 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{1}$................................................. | 201.2 | 202.9 | 205.3 | 207.1 | 12.5 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 12.3 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
|  | 195.8 | 196.8 | 198.5 | 200.2 | 10.4 | 9.2 | 7.9 | 9.3 | 9.8 | 8.6 |
| Commodities less food and energy .......................... | 176.4 | 178.3 | 179.6 | 180.7 | 8.4 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 10.1 | 7.8 | 8.8 |
| Energy commodities ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 223.6 | 226.9 | 231.5 | 240.0 | 8.4 | 13.1 | 12.1 | 32.7 | 10.7 | 22.0 |
| Services less energy .............................................. | 218.0 | 219.2 | 221.6 | 223.7 | 10.0 | 10.6 | 8.5 | 10.9 | 10.3 | 9.7 |

Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Food expenditure categories, U.S. city average
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | Feb. <br> 1979 | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Food and beverages ...................................................................... |  | 222.6 | 225.1 | 13.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Food ........................................................................................ |  | 228.5 | 231.1 | 13.3 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.2 |
| Food at home ........................................................................... |  | 227.9 | 230.0 | 13.7 | . 9 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.1 |
| Cereals and bakery products |  | 212.9 | 214.1 | 10.0 | . 6 | . 6 | . 9 | . 4 |
| Cereal and cereal products ${ }^{1}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 113.6 | 113.9 | 8.1 | . 3 | 1.3 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes ' ........................................... | $12 / 77$ | 115.1 | 115.2 | 10.1 | . 1 | 1.5 | . 9 | . 1 |
| Cereat ' ..... | 12/77 | 113.6 | 114.4 | 9.9 | . 7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | . 7 |
| Rice, pasta, and commeal ' ................................................. | 12/77 | 112.2 | 112.1 | 3.8 | -. 1 | .4 | -. 1 | -. 1 |
| Bakery products ${ }^{1}$.................................................................. | 12/77 | 112.4 | 113.1 | 10.7 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| White bread ' ...................................................................... |  | 185.7 | 187.6 | 12.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 2 | 1.0 |
| Other bread ${ }^{\text {t }}$ | $12 / 77$ | 113.5 | 114.2 | 10.8 | . 6 | . 5 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 112.4 | 9.1 | -. 4 | 1.8 | 1.3 | -. 4 |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes ${ }^{1}$................................................. | 12/77 | 110.6 | 110.6 | 8.4 | . 0 | . 7 | 1.0 | . 0 |
| Cookies ' ........................................................................... | 12/77 | 113.5 | 114.6 | 12.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Crackers and bread and cracker products ' ........................ | 12/77 | 110.6 | 112.5 | 11.2 | 1.7 | -. 8 | 3.5 | 1.7 |
| Fresh sweetrolis, coffeecake, and donuts ${ }^{1}$............................ | 12/77 | 112.4 | 112.4 | 8.8 | . 0 | . 6 | 2.1 | . 0 |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 111.0 | 112.3 | 9.2 | 1.2 | .4 | . 0 | 1.2 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ................................................... |  | 232.2 | 236.9 | 22.9 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 2.4 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish' ......................................................... |  | 236.4 | 241.5 | 23.4 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 4.2 | 2.2 |
| Meats ................................................................................. |  | 238.3 | 243.9 | 26.2 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 4.8 | 2.8 |
| Beef and veal' ............................................................. |  | 245.3 | 254.2 | 39.0 | 3.6 | 6.1 | 6.7 | 3.6 |
| Ground beef other than canned ${ }^{1}$................................ |  | 255.9 | 264.4 | 46.9 | 3.3 | 9.0 | 7.7 | 3.3 |
| Chuck roast' .............................................. |  | 267.9 | 279.3 | 47.5 | 4.3 | 7.3 | 11.2 | 4.3 |
| Round roast ${ }^{1}$............ |  | 222.7 | 230.1 | 32.7 | 3.3 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 3.3 |
| Round steak' ............. |  | 224.3 | 234.4 | 32.6 | 4.5 | 6.6 | 4.7 | 4.5 |
| Sirloin steak' .................................................................. |  | 226.0 | 233.0 | 30.3 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 3.1 |
| Other beef and veal ${ }^{1}$......................................................... | 12/77 | 138.0 | 143.1 | 34.7 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 5.4 | 3.7 |
| Pork ................................................................................ |  | 231.9 | 232.2 | 11.8 | . 1 | . 5 | 1.8 | . 7 |
| Bacon ........................................................................... |  | 229.1 | 229.2 | 2.6 | . 0 | -. 5 | 1.2 | -. 5 |
| Chops ${ }^{1}$ |  | 226.7 | 224.1 | 16.8 | -1.1 | 3.6 | 6.6 | -1.1 |
| Ham other than canned ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 105.6 | 106.8 | 6.6 | 1.1 | -1.6 | -3.4 | 1.1 |
| Sausage ........................................................................ |  | 278.9 | 280.5 | 14.1 | . 6 | 2.7 | 2.0 | -. 5 |
| Canned ham ${ }^{1}$............................................................ |  | 235.7 | 235.8 | 8.6 | . 0 | 1.7 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Other pork ' ................................................................... | 12/77 | 130.4 | 130.8 | 19.2 | . 3 | 3.4 | 5.3 | . 3 |
| Other meats ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... |  | 226.4 | 231.3 | 18.4 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 2.2 |
| Frankfurters' ............................... |  | 224.7 | 232.7 | 25.4 | 3.6 | 2.1 | 3.7 | 3.6 |
| Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ' | 12/77 | 123.8 | 127.8 | 19.4 | 3.2 | . 6 | 2.5 | 3.6 |
| Other lunchmeats '........... | 12/77 | 117.0 | 118.0 | 14.1 | . 9 | 1.5 | 1.7 | . 9 |
| Lamb and organ meats ' ............................................... | 12/77 | 124.8 | 126.7 | 16.5 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 1.5 |
| Poultry ${ }^{1}$.................................................................................... |  | 184.3 | 188.1 | 16.0 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 2.1 |
| Fresh whole chicken ' ....................................................... |  | 181.9 | 187.7 | 15.6 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 3.2 |
| Fresh and trozen chicken parts ' | 12/77 | 119.0 | 121.6 | 14.8 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 2.2 |
| Other poultry ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 121.9 | 122.2 | 18.1 | . 2 | 2.0 | 1.8 | . 2 |
| Fish and seafood ' .............................................................. |  | 290.8 | 292.6 | 9.3 | . 6 | 1.4 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Canned fish and seafood ' .................................................. | 12/77 | 107.3 | 107.9 | 6.4 | . 6 | . 8 | -. 5 | . 6 |
| Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ' ..................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.7 | 11.1 | . 7 | 1.8 | 1.5 | . 7 |
| Eggs .............................................................................................. |  | 182.4 | 182.0 | 13.7 | -. 2 | -. 4 | -. 8 | 11.9 |

[^6]Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Cierical Workers: Food expenditure categories, U.S. city average -Continued
( $1967=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. $1979$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. $1979$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Dairy products |  | 201.1 | 202.3 | 12.8 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Fresh milk and cream ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 113.7 | 114.2 | 12.8 | . 4 | . 9 | 1.8 | . 4 |
| Fresh whole milk |  | 186.3 | 187.4 | 13.0 | . 6 | . 8 | 1.4 | . 8 |
| Other fresh milk and cream ' .......................................... | 12/77 | 113.3 | 113.3 | 12.1 | . 0 | . 7 | 2.0 | . 0 |
| Processed dairy products ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 113.6 | 114.5 | 12.7 | . 8 | 1.2 | . 4 | . 8 |
| Butter' ........ |  | 194.6 | 196.2 | 15.2 | . 8 | . 2 | -1.2 | . 8 |
| Cheese ${ }^{1}$........................................................................ | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.6 | 12.7 | . 7 | 1.3 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Ice cream and related products ${ }^{1}$.................................... | 12/77 | 113.7 | 114.8 | 12.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | . 5 | 1.0 |
| Other dairy products ${ }^{1}$......................................................... | 12/77 | 110.6 | 111.6 | 10.1 | . 9 | 1.0 | -. 2 | . 9 |
| Fruits and vegetables |  | 225.4 | 225.4 | 11.0 | . 0 | 3.7 | . 8 | -. 6 |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .................................................... |  | 231.9 | 230.9 | 13.3 | -. 4 | 6.1 | 1.6 | -1.7 |
| Fresh fruits ......................................................................... |  | 215.2 | 223.2 | 10.8 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 2.5 | 1.2 |
| Apples |  | 209.4 | 213.7 | 5.0 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 1.8 | -. 4 |
| Bananas ${ }^{1}$ |  | 188.1 | 192.3 | -5.4 | 2.2 | -4.2 | 6.1 | 2.2 |
| Oranges |  | 245.1 | 252.0 | 21.7 | 2.8 | 11.7 | 1.0 | 2.3 |
| Other fresh fruits ' | 12/77 | 109.9 | 115.8 | 14.1 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 6.7 | 5.4 |
| Fresh vegetables.. |  | 247.0 | 237.9 | 15.4 | -3.7 | 10.5 | . 7 | -4.5 |
| Potatoes ........ |  | 197.8 | 201.0 | 6.9 | 1.6 | . 6 | -5.9 | 1.5 |
| Lettuce ' ..................................................................... |  | 341.6 | 293.2 | 50.1 | -14.2 | 44.0 | 1.8 | -14.2 |
| Tomatoes' .................................................................. |  | 199.0 | 187.7 | -1.4 | -5.7 | 14.8 | -8.2 | -5.7 |
| Other fresh vegetables ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 12/77 | 136.4 | 137.1 | 11.4 | . 5 | 12.1 | 11.2 | . 5 |
| Processed fruits and vegetables.. |  | 220.0 | 221.3 | 8.5 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 5 |
| Processed fruits ${ }^{1}$.................... | 12/77 | 115.3 | 115.9 | 12.4 | . 5 | 1.4 | . 9 | . 5 |
| Frozen fruit and fruit juices ' | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.4 | 8.7 | . 5 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 5 |
| Fruit juices other than frozen ${ }^{1}$ | $12 / 77$ | 113.0 | 113.4 | 10.5 | . 4 | 1.3 | . 8 | . 4 |
| Canned and dried fruits ${ }^{1}$.......... | 12/77 | 118.9 | 119.8 | 17.6 | . 8 | 2.2 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Processed vegetables ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 106.4 | 107.0 | 5.0 | . 6 | . 9 | -. 1 | . 6 |
| Frozen vegetables ${ }^{1}$. | 12/77 | 106.7 | 106.5 | 4.5 | -. 2 | . 6 | -. 1 | -. 2 |
| Cut corn and canned beans except lima ' ........................... | 12/77 | 110.2 | 111.0 | 8.4 | . 7 | 1.0 | . 3 | . 7 |
|  | 12/77 | 104.3 | 105.2 | 3.6 | . 9 | 1.0 | -. 3 | . 9 |
| Other foods at home |  | 261.5 | 262.2 | 6.0 | . 3 | 1.0 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Sugar and sweets .................................................................. |  | 270.2 | 272.4 | 8.1 | . 8 | -. 1 | . 0 | . 7 |
| Candy and chewing gum '...... | 12/77 | 113.8 | 115.3 | 11.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 114.5 | 114.8 | 4.1 | . 3 | 1.8 | 1.2 | . 3 |
| Other sweets ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 108.2 | 108.7 | 6.4 | . 5 | . 7 | . 3 | . 5 |
| Fats and oils. |  | 219.8 | 219.8 | 9.9 | . 0 | . 2 | 1.3 | . 4 |
| Margarine' |  | 235.2 | 234.6 | 9.3 | -. 3 | . 3 | . 5 | -. 3 |
| Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 109.1 | 110.3 | 8.6 | 1.1 | . 7 | . 1 | -. 1.1 |
| Other fats, oils, and salad dressings ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 113.8 | 113.4 | 10.7 | -. 4 | . 1 | . 4 | -. 4 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ${ }^{1}$ |  | 347.0 | 346.9 | 2.0 | . 0 | 1.1 | . 8 | -.4 .0 |
| Cola drinks, excluding diet cola ${ }^{1}$ |  | 230.7 | 232.9 | 10.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Carbonated drinks, including diet cola ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 111.9 | 111.6 | 8.2 | -. 3 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.0 |
| Roasted coffee ${ }^{1}$......................... |  | 357.4 | 349.8 | -21.6 | -2.1 | -1.1 | -1.4 | -2.1 |
| Freeze dried and instant coffee ${ }^{1}$ |  | 335.3 | 332.1 | -12.4 | -1.0 | -. 8 | -1.4 | -1.0 |
| Other noncarbonated drinks ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 111.5 | 111.3 | 7.4 | -. 2 | . 9 | 1.5 | -. 2 |
| Other prepared foods ............... |  | 201.9 | 203.0 | 9.8 | . 5 | 1.4 | . 8 | -. 5 |
| Canned and packaged soup ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.1 | 8.2 | . 2 | 1.4 .9 | . 8 | . 2 |
| Frozen prepared foods ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.9 | 10.9 | . 9 | . 9 | 1.3 | . 9 |
| Snacks ${ }^{1}$....................... | 12/77 | 111.9 | 112.4 | 10.8 | . 4 | 2.6 | 1.3 | . 4 |
| Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish '. | 12/77 | 113.0 | 113.5 | 9.2 | . 4 | . 7 | . 9 | . 4 |
| Other condiments ${ }^{1}$................... | 12/77 | 110.8 | 111.1 | 7.7 | . 3 | -1.4 | 1.0 | . 3 |
| Miscellaneous prepared foods ' .... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.4 | 10.0 | . 4 | . 7 | . 6 | . 4 |
| Other canned and packaged prepared foods ' ........................ | 12/77 | 111.7 | 112.7 | 11.1 | . 9 | . 6 | . 7 | . 9 |

See footnotes at end of table.
(1967 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjuited percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1978 | Feb. $1979$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Food away from home ............................................................... |  | 234.3 | 237.9 | 12.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Lunch ' ................................................................................... | 12/77 | 114.2 | 116.4 | 13.6 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Dinner ' ................................................................................... | $12 / 77$ | 113.2 | 114.6 | 11.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Other meals and snacks ${ }^{1}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 113.3 | 114.9 | 11.7 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.4 |
| Alcoholic beverages.. |  | 167.7 | 169.6 | 8.2 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Alcoholic beverages at home ' .................................................... | 12/77 | 109.6 | 110.8 | 8.1 | 1.1 | . 6 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Beer and ale ' ......................................................................... |  | 164.0 | 166.6 | 10.2 | 1.6 | . 6 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Whiskey' .................................................................................. |  | 125.9 | 126.1 | 4.6 | . 2 | . 6 | . 6 | . 2 |
| Wine ${ }^{1}$..................................................................................... |  | 190.9 | 194.2 | 10.6 | 1.7 | 1.0 | -. 1 | 1.7 |
| Other alcoholic beverages ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 103.6 | 103.8 | 2.5 | . 2 | . 2 | . 3 | . 2 |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home ' ........................................ | $12 / 77$ | 108.8 | 110.0 | 8.5 | 1.1 | . 4 | . 9 | 1.1 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestically produced farm food ${ }^{\text {' }}$.................................................... |  | 218.6 | 221.0 | 15.9 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 1.1 |
| Selected beef cuts ' ............................................................................... |  | 246.9 | 255.6 | 38.8 | 3.5 | 6.2 | 6.7 | 3.5 |
| Imported food and fishery products ' .............................................. | $12 / 77$ | 106.7 | 107.0 | 4.2 | . 3 | 1.1 | . 9 | . 3 |

1 Not seasonally adjusted.

Table 10. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Cierical Workers: Food expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average
(1967 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | June $1978$ | Sept. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. <br> 1978 | Mar. $1979$ |
| Food and beverages |  | 222.6 | 225.3 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 19.2 | 11.2 | 14.6 |
| Food ............................................................................................. |  | 228.5 | 231.2 | 18.6 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 19.6 | 11.5 | 14.8 |
| Food at home ............................................................................. |  | 227.7 | 230.1 | 21.9 | 2.3 | 10.9 | 20.3 | 11.7 | 15.5 |
| Cereals and bakery products |  | 212.1 | 213.0 | 14.3 | 10.6 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 12.4 | 7.5 |
| Cereal and cereal products ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 113.6 | 113.9 | 12.3 | 8.4 | 2.6 | 9.3 | 10.3 | 5.9 |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes ' | 12/77 | 115.1 | 115.2 | 17.9 | 11.9 | 1.1 | 10.3 | 14.9 | 5.6 |
| Cereal ' ................................ | 12/77 | 113.6 | 114.4 | 8.3 | 12.6 | 3.7 | 15.3 | 10.4 | 9.3 |
| Rice, pasta, and cormmeal ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 112.2 | 112.1 | 11.2 | 1.1 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 6.0 | 1.6 |
| Bakery products ' ..................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.4 | 113.1 | 12.7 | 7.8 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 10.2 | 11.1 |
| White bread ' |  | 185.7 | 187.6 | 18.2 | 4.0 | 19.3 | 9.5 | 10.8 | 14.3 |
| Other bread ' | 12/77 | 113.5 | 114.2 | 13.0 | 9.7 | 12.7 | 7.7 | 11.4 | 10.2 |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 112.9 | 112.4 | 12.6 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 11.0 | 9.3 | 8.9 |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes '.. | 12/77 | 110.6 | 110.6 | 11.4 | 6.2 | 8.9 | 7.2 | 8.8 | 8.1 |
| Cookies ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 113.5 | 114.6 | 11.8 | 7.4 | 9.3 | 20.0 | 9.6 | 14.5 |
| Crackers and bread and cracker products ' ............................. | $12 / 77$ | 110.6 | 112.5 | 9.4 | 14.2 | 3.0 | 18.6 | 11.8 | 10.5 |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecake, and donuts ${ }^{1}$.............................. | 12/77 | 112.4 | 112.4 | 10.9 | 5.8 | 7.3 | 11.4 | 8.3 | 9.3 |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 111.0 | 112.3 | 2.8 | 21.2 | 7.6 | 6.3 | 11.6 | 6.9 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs |  | 233.1 | 238.8 | 37.7 | -8.5 | 28.0 | 41.1 | 12.3 | 34.4 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ${ }^{9}$ |  | 236.4 | 241.5 | 48.4 | -4.5 | 11.5 | 46.8 | 19.0 | 27.9 |
| Meats ................................................................................... |  | 241.4 | 248.1 | 39.3 | -8.2 | 30.1 | 52.4 | 13.1 | 40.8 |
| Beef and veal' .................................................................. |  | 245.3 | 254.2 | 98.9 | -11.6 | 11.7 | 90.1 | 32.6 | 45.7 |
| Ground beet other than canned ${ }^{\dagger}$...................................... |  | 255.9 | 264.4 | 100.5 | -8.1 | 16.4 | 117.2 | 35.7 | 59.0 |
| Chuck roast' ......................................................... |  | 267.9 | 279.3 | 92.5 | -14.1 | 19.7 | 138.7 | 28.6 | 69.1 |
| Round roast ${ }^{\text {a }}$................................................................... |  | 222.7 | 230.1 | 84.2 | -21.9 | 16.1 | 85.7 | 19.9 | 46.8 |
| Round steak ${ }^{1}$.. |  | 224.3 | 234.4 | 77.9 | -13.0 | 7.7 | 85.3 | 24.4 | 41.3 |
| Sirloin steak' ..................................................................... |  | 226.0 | 233.0 | 145.9 | -19.0 | 2.5 | 41.3 | 41.1 | 20.3 |
| Other beef and veal ' ........................................................ | $12 / 77$ | 138.0 | 143.1 | 99.4 | -8.3 | 7.3 | 68.0 | 35.2 | 34.3 |
| Pork ............................................................................... |  | 234.5 | 236.2 | 6.4 | -16.4 | 55.9 | 12.6 | -5.7 | 32.5 |
| Bacon ... |  | 237.4 | 236.3 | 3.3 | -40.3 | 78.6 | 1.0 | -21.5 | 34.3 |
| Chops ${ }^{1}$......................... |  | 226.7 | 224.1 | 19.9 | . 0 | 9.3 | 42.0 | 9.5 | 24.6 |
| Ham other than canned ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 105.6 | 106.8 | -8.9 | . 4 | 65.2 | -14.6 | -4.3 | 18.8 |
| Sausage ........................................................................... |  | 286.9 | 285.6 | 20.0 | -11.4 | 34.6 | 18.2 | 3.1 | 26.1 |
| Canned ham' ${ }^{1}$..................................................................... |  | 235.7 | 235.8 | -1.3 | -6.1 | 40.0 | 7.3 | -3.7 | 22.6 |
| Other pork ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | $12 / 77$ | 130.4 | 130.8 | 25.5 | 4.6 | 8.1 | 42.6 | 14.5 | 24.1 |
| Other meats' $\qquad$ |  | 226.4 | 231.3 | 37.3 | 3.1 | 8.1 | 28.4 | 18.9 | 17.8 |
| Frankfurters' ..................................................................... |  | 224.7 | 232.7 | 62.1 | . 8 | 4.9 | 44.6 | 27.8 | 23.1 |
| Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ' ........................................ | 12/77 | 123.8 | 127.8 | 42.5 | 4.9 | 6.2 | 28.2 | 22.2 | 16.7 |
| Other lunchmeats ${ }^{1}$.......................................................... | 12/77 | 117.0 | 118.0 | 22.6 | 7.2 | 10.1 | 17.2 | 14.6 | 13.6 |
| Lamb and organ meats ${ }^{1}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 124.8 | 126.7 | 31.0 | -4.1 | 11.6 | 31.1 | 12.1 | 21.0 |
| Poultry' |  | 184.3 | 188.1 | 39.6 | -1.8 | . 9 | 30.8 | 17.1 | 14.9 |
| Fresh whole chicken ${ }^{1}$. |  | 181.9 | 187.7 | 53.3 | -11.2 | -4.5 | 37.3 | 16.7 | 14.5 |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts ${ }^{1}$....................................... | 12/77 | 119.0 | 121.6 | 36.2 | -8.1 | 2.5 | 35.5 | 11.9 | 17.9 |
| Other pouitry ${ }^{1}$.................................................................. | 12/77 | 121.9 | 122.2 | 23.9 | 24.3 | 7.9 | 17.0 | 24.1 | 12.3 |
| Fish and seafood ' .................................................................. |  | 290.8 | 292.6 | 4.9 | 12.0 | 8.4 | 12.0 | 8.4 | 10.2 |
| Canned fish and seafood ' .................................................... | 12/77 | 107.3 | 107.9 | 10.2 | 4.3 | 7.4 | 3.8 | 7.2 | 5.6 |
| Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ' ................................................................................................................ | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.7 | 2.0 | 16.9 | 8.9 | 17.5 | 9.2 | 13.1 |
| Eggs .................................................................................... |  | 164.8 | 184.4 | -13.5 | . 8 | 28.4 | 49.0 | -8.7 | 38.3 |

[^7]Table 10. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Food expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | June $1978$ | Sept. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Dairy products |  | 199.9 | 202.1 | 14.6 | 10.1 | 12.6 | 14.0 | 12.3 | 13.3 |
| Fresh milk and cream ' | 12/77 | 113.7 | 114.2 | 13.3 | 8.7 | 16.3 | 13.3 | 11.0 | 14.8 |
| Fresh whole milk |  | 184.6 | 186.1 | 17.6 | 9.7 | 12.1 | 12.7 | 13.5 | 12.4 |
| Other fresh milk and cream ' | 12/77 | 113.3 | 113.3 | 12.4 | 10.0 | 14.6 | 11.3 | 11.2 | 13.0 |
| Processed dairy products ${ }^{1}$...... | 12/77 | 113.6 | 114.5 | 11.9 | 13.2 | 16.1 | 9.6 | 12.6 | 12.8 |
| Butter' ....................... |  | 194.6 | 196.2 | 14.3 | 29.6 | 20.1 | -1.0 | 21.7 | 9.0 |
| Cheese ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.6 | 7.7 | 13.4 | 17.9 | 12.0 | 10.5 | 14.9 |
| ice cream and related products ${ }^{\text { }}$ | 12/77 | 113.7 | 114.8 | 17.1 | 9.4 | 11.9 | 12.4 | 13.2 | 12.2 |
| Other dairy products ${ }^{1}$................ | 12/77 | 110.6 | 111.6 | 12.8 | 5.9 | 14.7 | 7.1 | 9.3 | 10.8 |
| Fruits and vegetabies |  | 225.0 | 223.6 | 27.2 | 15.2 | -11.2 | 16.3 | 21.0 | 1.6 |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables ....................................................... |  | 231.4 | 227.5 | 56.5 | 14.6 | -27.2 | 26.1 | 34.0 | -4.2 |
| Fresh fruits .................... |  | 226.8 | 229.6 | 24.8 | 61.3 | -45.8 | 38.4 | 41.9 | -13.4 |
| Apples ... |  | 225.4 | 224.5 | 95.5 | -23.3 | -31.3 | 18.0 | 22.5 | -10.0 |
| Bananas ${ }^{\text {² }}$ |  | 188.1 | 192.3 | -39.9 | -22.2 | 47.4 | 16.5 | -31.6 | 31.0 |
| Oranges .............. |  | 254.8 | 260.6 | 20.5 | 123.1 | -54.0 | 77.7 | 63.9 | -9.5 |
| Other fresh fruits ' | 12/77 | 109.9 | 115.8 | 103.3 | 45.0 | -68.3 | 81.3 | 71.7 | -24.2 |
| Fresh vegetables |  | 238.6 | 227.9 | 81.1 | -20.6 | -3.5 | 27.9 | 20.0 | 11.1 |
| Potatoes. |  | 204.6 | 207.6 | 10.9 | 89.6 | -27.1 | -15.1 | 45.0 | -21.4 |
| Lettuce : |  | 341.6 | 293.2 | 366.4 | -86.4 | 221.2 | 149.9 | -20.4 | 183.3 |
| Tomatoes ${ }^{\text {' }}$ |  | 199.0 | 187.7 | 7.6 | -61.7 | 135.4 | -2.5 | -35.8 | 51.5 |
| Other fresh vegetables : | 12/77 | 136.4 | 137.1 | 37.5 | -50.2 | -8.6 | 145.7 | -17.2 | 49.8 |
| Processed fruits and vegetables |  | 218.9 | 220.0 | 10.0 | 8.3 | 7.0 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 7.9 |
| Processed fruits ${ }^{1}$............... | 12/77 | 115.3 | 115.9 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 22.2 | 11.9 | 8.1 | 16.9 |
| Frozen fruit and fruit juices : .-. | 12/77 | 113.8 | 114.4 | 8.2 | -. 7 | 19.2 | 9.2 | 3.6 | 14.1 |
| Fruit juices other than frozen ' | 12/77 | 113.0 | 113.4 | 12.2 | 6.6 | 13.3 | 10.1 | 9.4 | 11.7 |
| Canned and dried fruits ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 12/77 | 118.9 | 119.8 | 3.6 | 17.8 | 35.7 | 15.3 | 10.5 | 25.1 |
| Processed vegetables ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 106.4 | 107.0 | 3.6 | 6.4 | 4.7 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Frozen vegetables '............................. | 12/77 | 106.7 | 106.5 | 5.2 | 6.8 | 5.1 | 1.1 | 6.0 | 3.1 |
| Cut corn and canned beans except lima | 12/77 | 1102 | 111.0 | 5.6 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 3.1 |
| Other canned and dried vegetables ${ }^{1}$......... | 12/77 | 104.3 | 105.2 | 2.0 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 6.3 | 2.8 | 4.5 |
| Other foods at home |  | 260.9 | 261.6 | 8.5 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 8.2 | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| Sugar and sweets .............. |  | 267.3 | 269.2 | 16.0 | 8.5 | 5.7 | 2.6 | 12.2 | 4.1 |
| Candy and chewing gum ' ${ }^{\text {S }}$ Sug...... | 12/77 | 113.8 | 115.3 | 19.0 | 6.4 | 5.2 | 14.8 | 12.5 | 9.9 |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners ${ }^{1}$ | $12 / 77$ | 114.5 | 114.8 | 5.2 | -2.8 | 5.2 .7 | 14.0 | 1.1 | 7.9 |
| Other sweets ' | $12 / 77$ | 108.2 | 108.7 | 6.0 | 7.9 | 5.4 | 6.1 | 7.0 | 5.8 |
| Fats and oils |  | 220.7 | 221.6 | 21.8 | 7.8 | 3.2 | 8.0 | 14.6 | 5.5 |
| Margarine' ........................................ |  | 235.2 | 234.6 | 33.5 | 3.2 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 17.4 | 1.7 |
| Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter ' .................................. | 12/77 | 109.1 | 110.3 | 5.6 | 18.2 | 3.0 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 5.5 |
| Other fats, oils, and salad dressings ' ..................................... | 12/77 | 113.8 | 113.4 | 29.8 | 9.9 | 4.7 | . 7 | 19.4 | 2.7 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages ' ............... |  | 347.0 | 346.9 | . 5 | -2.0 | 2.3 | 7.6 | -. 8 | 4.9 |
| Cola drinks, excluding diet cola ' .......... |  | 230.7 | 232.9 | 10.2 | 5.8 | 7.3 | 17.1 | 8.0 | 12.1 |
| Carbonated drinks, including diet cola ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 111.9 | 111.6 | 8.8 | 6.6 | 2.3 | 15.7 | 7.7 | 8.8 |
| Roasted coffee ' $\qquad$ <br> Freeze dned and instant coffee ${ }^{1}$ |  | 357.4 | 349.8 | -24.5 | -33.1 | -9.6 | -17.2 | -28.9 | -13.5 |
| Freeze dried and instant coffee ${ }^{7}$ |  | 335.3 | $332:$ | -18.5 | -12.2 | -6.3 | -12.1 | -15.4 | -9.2 |
| Other noncarbonated drinks ' <br> Other prepared foods | $12 / 77$ | 111.5 | 111.3 | 9.2 | 6.2 | 5.3 | 9.1 | 7.7 | 7.2 |
| Canned and packaged soup ${ }^{1}$ |  | 200.9 1089 | 202.0 | 13.2 | 8.9 | 5.9 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 8.6 |
| Frozen prepared foods ${ }^{\text {a }}$......... | 12/77 | 108.9 112.9 | 109.1 113.9 | 7.3 11.4 | 4.4 9.8 | 12.9 | 8.5 | 5.8 | 10.7 |
| Snacks ${ }^{1}$....................... | 12/77 | 111.9 | 112.4 | 11.4 5.2 | 9.8 4 | 9.2 15.9 | 13.3 18.6 | 10.6 4.8 | 11.2 17.3 |
| Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish ' .................................. | 12/77 | 113.0 | 113.5 | 5.1 | 98 | 13.6 | 18.6 8.5 | 4.8 7.4 | 17.3 |
| Other condiments ${ }^{1}$................... | 12/77 | 110.8 | 111.1 | 11.3 | 5.0 | 3.4 | 11.2 | 8.1 | 7.2 |
| Misceilaneous prepared foods ${ }^{1}$............................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.4 | 11.4 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 7.1 | 11.1 | 8.9 |
| Other canned and packaged prepared foods ' ......................... | 12/77 | 111.7 | 112.7 | 15.9 | 8.2 | 11.3 | 9.4 | 12.0 | 10.3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 10. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Cierical Workers: Food expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. cfly average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. 1978 | Dec. <br> 1978 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. <br> 1978 | Mar. <br> 1979 |
| Food away from home. |  | 234.5 | 238.1 | 11.0 | 10.3 | 8.9 | 19.1 | 10.6 | 13.9 |
| Lunch ' | 12/77 | 114.2 | 116.4 | 11.0 | 13.2 | 9.1 | 21.4 | 12.0 | 15.1 |
| Dinner ${ }^{1}$... | 12/77 | 113.2 | 114.6 | 10.9 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 16.5 | 9.9 | 12.6 |
| Other meals and snacks ${ }^{\text {' } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~}$ | 12/77 | 113.3 | 114.9 | 11.3 | 10.6 | 4.9 | 20.4 | 11.0 | 12.4 |
| Alcoholic beverages ........................................................................ |  | 168.0 | 169.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 6.3 | 11.1 | 7.7 | 8.7 |
| Alcoholic beverages at home ' ...................................................... | 12/77 | 109.6 | 110.8 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 11.6 | 7.1 | 9.1 |
| Beer and ale ' ........................................................................... |  | 164.0 | 166.6 | 6.8 | 10.3 | 7.8 | 16.1 | 8.5 | 11.9 |
| Whiskey' .................................................................................... |  | 125.9 | 126.1 | 7.5 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 3.4 |
|  |  | 190.9 | 194.2 | 10.4 | 7.6 | 14.3 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 12.6 |
| Other alcoholic beverages ' ..................................................................................... | 12/77 | 103.6 | 103.8 | 2.8 | . 4 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 3.4 |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home ${ }^{1}$................................................................................... | 12/77 | 108.8 | 110.0 | 10.7 | 8.7 | 4.6 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 7.3 |
| Special indexes: <br> Domesticalty produced farm food ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ <br> Selected beef cuts ' $\qquad$ <br> Imported food and fishery products ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 218.6 | 221.0 | 29.7 | . 6 | 7.9 | 28.4 | 14.2 | 17.7 |
|  |  | 246.9 | 255.6 | 99.9 | -12.0 | 11.4 | 89.7 | 32.6 | 45.4 |
|  |  | 106.7 | 107.0 | 2.0 | . 8 | 4.7 | 9.5 | 1.4 | 7.1 |

1 Not seasonally adjusted.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, U.S. city average
( $1967=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. $1979$ | Mar. $1979$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. $1979$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Housing ....................................................................................... |  | 215.4 | 217.5 | 10.6 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Shelter ....................................................................................... |  | 226.2 | 228.5 | 12.6 | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.1 |
| Rent, residential ....................................................................... |  | 170.9 | 171.2 | 6.7 | . 2 | . 4 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Other rental costs ................................................................ |  | 224.7 | 226.3 | 11.9 | . 7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | . 3 |
| Lodging while out of town ...................................................... |  | 234.3 | 236.7 | 14.8 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 2.0 | . 7 |
| Tenants' insurance ' | 12/77 | 106.6 | 106.6 | 5.3 | . 0 | . 1 | 1.9 | . 0 |
| Homeownership ........................................................................ |  | 246.2 | 249.2 | 14.2 | 1.2 | . 8 | 1.9 | 1.4 |
| Homa purchase |  | 210.8 | 212.7 | 11.6 | . 9 | . 4 | 1.4 | . 9 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance |  | 285.0 | 289.5 | 18.1 | 1.6 | . 9 | 3.0 | 2.0 |
| Property insurance ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 110.0 | 110.9 | 9.2 | . 8 | . 9 | 1.8 | . 8 |
| Property taxes ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$................................................................... |  | 182.3 | 182.5 | -5.1 | . 1 | . 3 | . 6 | . 1 |
| Contracted mortgage interest cost ${ }^{\text { }}$....................................... | 12/77 | 127.6 | 130.1 | 25.7 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 2.0 |
| Mortgage interest rates ................... |  | 157.7 | 159.2 | 12.5 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| Maintenance and repairs .................................................... |  | 245.7 | 248.4 | 10.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 7 | 1.1 |
| Maintenance and repair services .......................................... |  | 265.8 | 269.3 | 11.5 | 1.3 | 1.5 | . 6 | 1.3 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ..................................... |  | 200.4 | 201.5 | 8.8 | . 5 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| Paint and walipaper, supplies, tools, and equipment ${ }^{1}$............ | 12/77 | 111.3 | 111.1 | 10.4 | -. 2 | . 5 | 2.0 | -. 2 |
| Lumber, awnings, glass, and masonry ${ }^{\text { }}$............................... | 12/77 | 109.5. | 110.6 | 7.9 | 1.0 | -. 4 | . 1 | 1.0 |
| Plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling supplies ' ............... | 12/77 | 106.0 | 106.7 | 8.4 | . 7 | . 5 | . 3 | . 7 |
| Miscellaneous supplies and equipment ' .............................. | 12/77 | 106.1 | 106.9 | 7.0 | . 8 | . 1 | 1.1 | . 8 |
| Fuel and other utilities ................................................................ |  | 223.5 | 226.0 | 6.3 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| Fuels ...................................................................................... |  | 259.3 | 263.7 | 8.9 | 1.7 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.5 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .................................................. |  | 326.4 | 340.0 | 14.4 | 4.2 | . 6 | 2.6 | 4.8 |
| Fuel oil ..... |  | 330.7 | 346.9 | 18.0 | 4.9 | . 8 | 3.2 | 5.5 |
| Other fuels ${ }^{12}$ | 6/78 | 99.6 | 99.2 | -3.7 | -. 4 | . 2 | -. 1 | -. 4 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ...................................................... |  | 241.0 | 243.6 | 7.5 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Electricity ............................... |  | 205.9 | 208.9 | 5.1 | 1.5 | 1.0 | . 1 | . 9 |
| Utility (piped) gas ................................................................. |  | 283.0 | 284.3 | 11.4 | . 5 | 2.3 | . 1 | . 4 |
| Other utilities and public services ................................................ |  | 159.1 | 158.9 | 1.0 | -. 1 | -. 3 | . 0 | -. 1 |
| Telephone services ' .............................................................. |  | 132.3 | 132.1 | -. 2 | -. 2 | -. 7 | -. 2 | -. 2 |
| Local charges ${ }^{\text {; }}$ | 12/77 | 100.6 | 100.5 | -. 3 | -. 1 | -. 9 | -. 1 | -. 1 |
| Interstate toil calls ${ }^{1}$............................................................. | 12/77 | 98.5 | 98.3 | -1.0 | -. 2 | -. 5 | -. 3 | -. 2 |
| Intrastate toll calls ${ }^{1}$............................................................. | 12/77 | 100.6 | 100.6 | 1.0 | . 0 | -. 3 | -. 3 | . 0 |
| Water and sewerage maintenance ........................................... |  | 241.1 | 241.2 | 5.1 | . 0 | -. 8 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Household furnisthings and operation ............................................ |  | 184.8 | 186.3 | 7.3 | . 8 | . 6 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Housefurnishings ...................................................................... |  | 159.4 | 160.8 | 5.9 | . 9 | . 7 | . 4 | . 7 |
| Textile housefurnishings ......................................................... |  | 170.4 | 174.3 | 7.0 | 2.3 | 1.7 | -1.0 | 1.4 |
| Household linens ${ }^{1}$................... | 12/77 | 103.4 | 105.5 | 4.9 | 2.0 | -2.1 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materiais ' ................. | 12/77 | 109.5 | 112.4 | 9.4 | 2.6 | . 4 | 1.3 | 2.6 |
| Furniture and bedding |  | 171.5 | 173.7 | 6.8 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Bedroom furniture ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 107.8 | 109.7 | 8.9 | 1.8 | . 1 | . 0 | 1.8 |
| Sofas ' | 12/77 | 103.8 | 104.8 | 2.8 | 1.0 | -. 4 | -. 3 | 1.0 |
| Living room chairs and tables ' | 12/77 | 103.8 | 104.7 | 3.9 | . 9 | . 5 | . 0 | . 9 |
| Other furniture ' .................................................................... | 12/77 | 109.7 | 111.2 | 10.0 | 1.4 | -. 2 | 1.0 | 1.4 |
| Appliances including TV and sound equipment ${ }^{1}$........................ |  | 134.0 | 134.5 | 5.0 | . 4 | . 8 | . 5 | . 4 |
| Television and sound equipment ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 103.0 | 103.3 | 2.6 | . 3 | . 5 | . 1 | . 3 |
| Television ${ }^{1}$ |  | $101 . \varepsilon$ | 102.0 | 1.2 | . 4 | . 3 | -. 3 | . 4 |
| Sound equipment ${ }^{1} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.5 | 3.7 | . 3 | . 7 | . 4 | . 3 |
| Household appliances ${ }^{1}$...................................................... |  | 153.1 | 153.8 | 7.3 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Refrigerators and home freezers ' |  | 154.3 | 155.2 | 7.3 | . 6 | . 3 | 1.0 | . 6 |
| Laundry equipment ${ }^{1}$.............. | 12777 | 107.1 | 108.0 | 6.5 | . 8 | 1.3 | . 1 | . 8 |
| Other household appliances ' .............................................. | 12/77 | 107.1 | 107.4 | 7.7 | . 3 | 1.3 | 1.0 | . 3 |
| Stoves, dishwashers, vacuums, and sewing machines ' Office machines, small electric appliances, and | 12/77 | 108.2 | 108.4 | 7.9 | . 2 | 1.8 | . 9 | . 2 |
| air conditioners ${ }^{\dagger}$........................................................... | 12/77 | 105.8 | 100.2 | 7.4 | . 4 | . 9 | 1.1 | . 4 |

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(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indsxes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. <br> 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Housefurnishings-Continued: <br> Other household equipment | 12/77 | 107.3 | 107.7 | 5.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.4 |
| Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 103.1 | 107.7 103.5 | 5.8 3.0 | 0.4 .4 | 0.3 1.2 | 1.0 .6 | 0.4 .4 |
| Clocks, lamps, and decor items ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 104.9 | 105.8 | 4.1 | . 9 | -. | 1.1 | . 9 |
| Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ${ }^{1}$......... | 12/77 | 109.9 | 110.7 | 7.4 | . 7 | . 3 | 1.1 | . 7 |
| Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ' ................. | 12/77 | 107.9 | 107.6 | 6.4 | -. 3 | . 3 | 1.1 | -. 3 |
| Housekeeping supplies .......................................................... |  | 216.3 | 218.1 | 8.0 | . 8 | . 4 | . 6 | . 8 |
| Soaps and detergents ${ }^{1}$........................................................... |  | 208.4 | 209.0 | 7.8 | . 3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 3 |
| Other laundry and cleaning products ${ }^{1}$...................................... | 12/77 | 108.1 | 109.1 | 7.2 | . 9 | -. 1 | . 7 | . 9 |
| Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels and napkins ${ }^{\text {' }}$............. | 12/77 | 114.1 | 115.2 | 13.7 | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.5 | 1.0 |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ${ }^{\text { }}$........................... | 12/77 | 105.4 | 106.1 | 4.4 | . 7 | . 5 | . 7 | . 7 |
| Miscellaneous household products ' ........................................ | 12/77 | 108.2 | 109.0 | 6.3 | . 7 | . 7 | . 2 | . 7 |
| Lawn and garden supplies ${ }^{1}$.................................................... | 12/77 | 108.2 | 110.0 | 8.5 | 1.7 | -. 4 | . 9 | 1.7 |
| Housekeeping services ............................................................ |  | 240.5 | 241.6 | 10.7 | . 5 | . 4 | . 3 | . 5 |
| Postage ${ }^{1}$.............................................................................................. |  | 257.2 | 257.2 | 14.0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Moving, storage, freight, household laundry, and drycleaning services ' $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 111.6 | 111.7 | 8.4 | . 1 | . 4 | 1.5 | . 1 |
| Appliance and furniture repair ${ }^{\dagger}$................................................ | 12/77 | 106.2 | 106.7 | 5.3 | . 5 | . 1 | . 7 | . 5 |
| Apparel and upkeep ...................................................................... |  | 161.6 | 164.2 | 5.3 | 1.6 | . 4 | . 2 | 1.3 |
| Apparel commodities ................................................................... |  | 156.7 | 159.3 | 4.6 | 1.7 | . 3 | . 1 | 1.4 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear ............................................ |  | 154.7 | 157.3 | 4.2 | 1.7 | . 4 | . 2 | 1.4 |
| Men's and boys' .................................................................... |  | 157.6 | 159.4 | 2.6 | 1.1 | . 5 | -. 8 | . 6 |
| Men's ${ }^{1}$.................................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 100.2 | 101.2 | 2.1 | 1.0 | -1.6 | -. 1 | 1.0 |
| Suits, sport coats, and jackets ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 95.5 | 96.3 | -3.4 | . 8 | -1.6 | -1.1 | . 8 |
| Coats and jackets ' .. | 12/77 | 97.8 | 99.0 | 4.3 | 1.2 | -2.4 | -. 6 | 1.2 |
| Furnishings and special clothing ${ }^{1}$........................................ | 12/77 | 104.1 | 104.2 | 4.3 | . 1 | -. 3 | . 0 | . 1 |
| Shirts | 12/77 | 102.6 | 104.4 | 3.7 | 1.8 | -3.1 | 1.1 | 1.8 |
| Dungarees, jeans, and trousers ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$......................................... | 12/77 | 100.4 | 101.7 | 3.1 | 1.3 | -. 9 | -. 3 | 1.3 |
| Boys' ' ................................................................................ | 12/77 | 99.0 | 100.4 | 3.9 | 1.4 | -1.1 | -. 5 | 1.4 |
| Coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ${ }^{\prime}$ | 12/77 | 91.3 | 95.0 | 2.6 | 4.1 | -3.3 | -1.7 | 4.1 |
| Furnishings ' .................................... | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.5 | 6.8 | . 3 | -. 2 | -. 4 | . 3 |
| Suits, trousers, sport coats, and jackets ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 102.7 | 102.6 | 3.8 | -. 1 | . 3 | . 4 | -. 1 |
| Women's and girls' ................................................................. |  | 147.7 | 151.2 | 4.5 | 2.4 | . 1 | . 5 | 2.3 |
| Women's ' ................ | 12/77 | 99.4 | 101.8 | 5.3 | 2.4 | -2.8 | . 9 | 2.4 |
| Coats and jackets ${ }^{1}$........................................................ |  | 163.5 | 175.5 | 21.5 | 7.3 | -6.6 | 2.7 | 7.3 |
| Dresses ......................................................................... |  | 158.6 | 158.7 | 1.3 | . 1 | -. 7 | -. 4 | -. 1 |
| Separates and sportswear ${ }^{1}$............. | 12/77 | 96.7 | 98.6 | 1.4 | 2.0 | -2.5 | . 7 | 2.0 |
| Underwear, nightwear, and hosiery ${ }^{\text { }}$ | 12/77 | 104.1 | 104.8 | 3.9 | . 7 | -. 5 | .7 | . 7 |
| Suits ${ }^{1}$............................................................................. | 12/77 | 91.5 | 97.5 | 7.3 | 6.6 | -5.1 | . 5 | 6.6 |
| Girls' ' .......... | 12/77 | 93.4 | 95.3 | . 8 | 2.0 | -4.5 | -1.9 | 2.0 |
| Coats, jackets, dresses, and suits ${ }^{\text { }}$.................................................... | 12/77 | 90.9 | 95.2 | -. 6 | 4.7 | -5.8 | -1.3 | 4.7 |
| Separates and sportswear ' ................................................ | 12/77 | 91.8 | 91.4 | . 3 | -. 4 | -5.2 | -3.1 | -. 4 |
| Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ${ }^{1}$................. | 12/77 | 100.5 | 102.5 | 4.4 | 2.0 | -1.4 | -. 5 | -. 2.0 |
| Infants' and toddlers' ................................................................... |  | 214.6 | 217.7 | 2.9 | 1.4 | . 7 | . 2 | 2.0 .9 |
| Other apparel commodities .......... |  | 167.5 | 168.9 | 8.6 | . 8 | . 2 | 1.8 |  |
| Sewing materials and notions ' ............................................ | 12/77 | 100.2 | 101.4 | 3.9 | 1.2 | -. 7 | 1.5 | 1.2 |
| Jewerry and luggage ${ }^{\text {a }}$............................................................. | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.8 | 10.7 | . 7 | . 5 | 1.4 | . 7 |
| Footwear $\qquad$ Men's ${ }^{1}$ |  | 167.8 | 170.4 | 6.6 | 1.5 | . 2 | -. 3 | 1.2 |
| Men's ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ <br> Boys' and girls' ' | $12 / 77$ <br> $12 / 77$ | 106.7 | 109.2 | 8.9 | 2.3 | -. 2 | . 0 | 2.3 |
| Boys' and girls' ' ................................................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.4 | 6.1 | . 6 | . 2 | -. 1 | . 6 |
| Apparel services ${ }^{1}$.................................................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 103.4 | 105.0 | 5.1 | 1.5 | -1.1 | -. 1 | 1.5 |
| Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ${ }^{1}$.................................................... | $12 / 77$ | 114.2 | 115.8 | 11.6 | 1.4 | 1.1 1.0 | 1.4 1.6 | 1.1 1.4 |
| Other apparel services ${ }^{1}$............................................................. | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.6 | 8.3 | . 6 | 1.5 | 1.0 | . 6 |

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(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ | Mar. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Transportation |  | 196.1 | 198.7 | 10.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Private ....................................................................................... |  | 195.9 | 198.5 | 10.8 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| New cars ............................................................................. |  | 162.0 | 162.4 | 7.5 | . 2 | 1.1. | 1.3 | . 7 |
| Used cars ........................................................................... |  | 193.4 | 195.4 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.8 | . 8 | -. 3 |
| Gasoline |  | 213.4 | 221.2 | 16.8 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 3.8 |
| Automobile maintenance and repair ..................................... |  | 234.3 | 236.8 | 9.5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 9 | . 9 |
| Body work ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 114.0 | 11.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.0 |
| Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.9 | 9.4 | . 9 | . 8 | 1.2 | . 9 |
| Maintenance and servicing ${ }^{1}$................................................... | 12/77 | 110.1 | 111.8 | 9.4 | 1.5 | . 9 | . 8 | 1.5 |
| Power plant repair ${ }^{1}$............................................................... | 12/77 | 111.0 | 111.8 | 8.9 | . 7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 7 |
| Other private transportation ....................................................... |  | 193.1 | 193.9 | 6.1 | . 4 | . 3 | . 4 | . 5 |
| Other private transportation commodities ............................. |  | 170.2 | 170.0 | 7.9 | -. 1 | . 9 | 1.4 | -. 4 |
| Motor oil, coolant, and other products ${ }^{1}$.......................... | 12/77 | 106.8 | 107.4 | 6.0 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 9 | . 6 |
| Automobile parts and equipment ${ }^{1}$.......................................... | 12/77 | 110.5 | 110.3 | 8.2 | -. 2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | -. 2 |
| Tires ${ }^{1}$ |  | 152.1 | 151.3 | 7.6 | -. 5 | 1.1 | . 9 | -. 5 |
| Other parts and equipment ' ......................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 111.4 | 112.2 | 9.9 | . 7 | . 7 | 2.1 | . 7 |
| Other private transportation services ....................................... |  | 201.1 | 202.2 | 5.8 | . 5 | . 2 | . 2 | . 8 |
| Automobile insurance ${ }^{\text {a }}$......................................................... |  | 222.2 | 223.5 | 3.6 | . 6 | -. 1 | . 1 | . 6 |
| Automobile finance charges ' | 12/77 | 111.3 | 112.0 | 11.3 | . 6 | 1.5 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| Automobile rental, registration, and other lees ${ }^{\text { }}$...................... | 12/77 | 105.5 | 105.6 | 4.2 | . 1 | . 6 | . 5 | . 1 |
| State registration ............................................................... |  | 143.7 | 143.7 | . 7 | . 0 | -1.4 | . 3 | -. 2 |
| Drivers' license ${ }^{\text { }}$....... | 12/77 | 104.3 | 104.3 | 3.1 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Automobile inspection ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 112.8 | 112.8 | 1.2 | . 0 | . 0 | 1.3 | . 0 |
| Other automobile-related fees ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 112.3 | 112.7 | 10.7 | . 4 | 1.6 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| Public transportation .................................................................... |  | 191.4 | 192.1 | 2.6 | . 4 | . 4 | . 7 | . 2 |
| Airline fare ${ }^{1}$............................................................................. |  | 190.8 | 191.4 | -. 1 | . 3 | . 6 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Intercity bus fare ${ }^{1}$ |  | 246.5 | 247.3 | 3.8 | . 3 | . 2 | 1.0 | . 3 |
| Intracity mass transit ' |  | 186.2 | 186.6 | 3.7 | . 2 | . 4 | -. 1 | . 2 |
| Taxi fare ${ }^{\text { }}$........... |  | 213.2 | 215.6 | 5.6 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 1 | 1.1 |
| Intercity train fare ' |  | 192.7 | 201.9 | 5.9 | 4.8 | . 0 | -. 1 | 4.8 |
| Medical care ............................................................................... |  | 232.1 | 233.7 | 9.1 | . 7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Medical care commodities ........................................................... |  | 150.7 | 151.7 | 7.6 | . 7 | . 6 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Prescription drugs ${ }^{1}$................................................................... |  | 139.1 | 139.9 | 7.9 | . 6 | . 9 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Anti-infective drugs ' .............................................................. | $12 / 77$ | 110.5 | 110.5 | 8.1 | . 0 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 0 |
| Tranquilizers and sedatives ${ }^{1}$................................................. | 12/77 | 112.1 | 112.8 | 9.3 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Circulatories and diuretics ${ }^{1}$............ | 12/77 | 106.9 | 108.2 | 6.4 | 1.2 | . 3 | . 7 | 1.2 |
| Hormones, diabetic drugs, biologicals, and prescription medical supplies $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 114.7 | 115.5 | 9.5 | . 7 | . 8 | 1.0 | . 7 |
| Pain and symptom control drugs ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 12/77 | 110.3 | 111.1 | 7.4 | . 7 | 1.0 | . 5 | . 7 |
| Supplements, cough and cold preparations, and respiratory agents ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.4 | 109.1 | 7.0 | . 6 | . 7 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Nomprescription drugs and medical supplies ' .............................. | 12/77 | 108.3 | 109.0 | 7.2 | . 6 | . 4 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Eyeglasses ${ }^{1}$......................................................................... | 12/77 | 105.5 | 106.1 | 4.8 | . 6 | . 6 | . 5 | . 6 |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ${ }^{1}$......................... |  | 167.3 | 168.5 | 8.4 | .7 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 7 |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ' ..................... | 12/77 | 107.4 | 108.1 | 6.5 | . 7 | . 2 | . 6 | . 7 |
| Medical care services ....................................................................... |  | 249.6 | 251.3 | 9.4 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | . 7 |
|  |  | 220.9 | 222.7 | 8.7 | . 8 | 1.2 | . 7 | . 8 |
|  |  | 236.2 | 238.2 | 9.1 | . 8 | 1.2 | 1.1 | . 8 |
| Dental services ' ........................................................................... |  | 210.9 | 212.2 | 8.8 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Other professional services ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 107.6 | 108.8 | 7.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | . 0 | 1.1 |
| Other medical care services ........................................................ |  | 284.5 | 286.1 | 10.0 | . 6 | . 5 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Hospital and other medical services '......................................$~$ | 12/77 | 113.3 | 113.7 | 10.4 | . 4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 4 |
|  |  | 356.8 112.3 | 358.5 1127 | 11.5 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Other hospital and medical care services ............................. | 12/77 | 112.3 | 112.7 | 9.3 | . 4 | . 9 | 1.1 | . 4 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, U.S. city average -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Unadjusted indexes |  | Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  | Seasonally adjusted percent change from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | Mar. <br> 1979 | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. to Jan. | Jan. to Feb. | Feb. to Mar. |
| Entertainment |  | 182.4 | 184.0 | 5.7 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.9 |
| Entertainment commodities ............................................................ |  | 182.6 | 184.4 | 5.2 | 1.0 | . 7 | . 3 | 1.0 |
| Reading materials ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 12/77 | 106.8 | 108.3 | 7.1 | 1.4 | . 5 | . 2 | 1.4 |
| Newspapers '....... |  | 208.0 | 209.3 | 6.0 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.1 | . 6 |
| Magazines, periodicals, and books ' | 12/77 | 108.3 | 110.9 | 8.6 | 2.4 | -. 1 | -. 9 | 2.4 |
| Sporting goods and equipment ' .................................................. | 12/77 | 103.9 | 104.4 | 4.8 | . 5 | . 5 | . 7 | . 5 |
| Sport vehicles ' ....................... | 12/77 | 103.9 | 104.2 | 5.4 | . 3 | NA | NA | . 3 |
| Indoor and warm weather sport equipment ${ }^{1}$............................... | 12/77 | 102.2 | 103.1 | 31 | . 9 | . 0 | . 6 | . 9 |
| Bicycles ' .................................................................................... |  | 154.9 | 156.5 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 9 | 1.0 |
| Other sporting goods and equipment ${ }^{1}$....................................... | 12/77 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 3.7 | . 0 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 0 |
| Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ${ }^{1}$...................................... | 12/77 | 106.0 | 107.3 | 4.7 | 1.2 | . 6 | . 3 | 1.2 |
| Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ${ }^{\text { }}$, ....................................... | 12/77 | 105.7 | 107.7 | 4.6 | 1.9 | . 5 | . 2 | 1.9 |
| Photographic supplies and equipment ' ....................................... | 12/77 | 105.6 | 105.8 | 3.3 | . 2 | . 6 | . 7 | . 2 |
| Pet supplies and expense ${ }^{1}$....................................................... | 12/77 | 106.9 | 107.3 | 5.4 | . 4 | . 8 | . 4 | . 4 |
| Entertainment services .................................................................... |  | 183.1 | 184.3 | 6.6 | . 7 | . 4 | -. 1 | . 7 |
| Fees for participant sports ' ......................................................... | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.3 | 6.0 | . 9 | . 6 | -. 6 | . 9 |
| Admissions ${ }^{\text {; }}$ $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 111.5 | 111.7 | 8.2 | . 2 | 1.3 | . 5 | . 2 |
| Other entertainment services ${ }^{1}$.................................................... | 12/77 | 106.3 | 107.3 | 5.4 | . 9 | . 3 | -. 5 | . 9 |
| Other goods and services |  | 191.9 | 192.6 | 7.2 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 8 | . 5 |
| Tobacco products ........................................................................... |  | 185.4 | 185.8 | 7.0 | . 2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | . 4 |
| Cigarettes ${ }^{1}$............................................................. |  | 188.2 | 188.6 | 7.1 | . 2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | . 2 |
| Other tobacco products and smoking accessories ' ...................... | 12/77 | 107.4 | 108.1 | 6.1 | . 7 | 1.6 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Personal care ${ }^{\text {a }}$................................................................................ |  | 190.4 | 191.5 | 7.0 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 6 |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ' ................................ |  | 184.7 | 185.9 | 6.5 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.3 | . 6 |
| Products for the hair, hairpieces, and wigs ' | 12/77 | 105.7 | 105.3 | 4.5 | -. 4 | . 6 | 1.2 | -. 4 |
| Dental and shaving products ' | 12/77 | 108.6 | 109.3 | 5.5 | . 6 | . 6 | 1.5 | . 6 |
| Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements | 12/77 | 106.5 | 107.9 | 8.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.3 |
| Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances ${ }^{1}$............ | 12/77 | 108.9 | 110.1 | 7.7 | 1.1 | 1.5 | . 4 | 1.1 |
| Personal care services ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ |  | 196.3 | 197.3 | 7.6 | . 5 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 5 |
| Beauty parlor services for females ${ }^{1}$......................... |  | 198.9 | 199.6 | 7.5 | . 4 | . 9 | . 7 | . 4 |
| Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ' .................. | 12/77 | 108.4 | 109.3 | 7.8 | . 8 | 1.7 | . 3 | . 8 |
| Personal and educational expenses |  | 208.2 | 208.6 | 7.7 | . 2 | . 6 | . 3 | . 5 |
| School books and supplies .......................................................... |  | 193.7 | 194.1 | 7.2 | . 2 | 2.0 | . 8 | . 7 |
| Personal and educational services ................................................ |  | 212.1 | 212.5 | 7.8 | . 2 | . 4 | . 2 | . 4 |
| Tuition and other school fees ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.4 | 108.5 | 7.6 | . 1 | . 0 | . 1 | . 1 |
| College tuition ' ......................................................................... | 12/77 | 108.7 | 108.8 | 7.8 | . 1 | . 0 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Elementary and high school tuition ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 107.4 | 107.4 | 7.0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Personal expenses ' ....... | 12/77 | 110.0 | 110.6 | 8.3 | . 5 | . 6 | . 6 | . 5 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gasoline, motor oil, coolant and other products ${ }^{1}$ |  | 211.7 | 219.2 | 16.5 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 3.5 |
| Insurance and finance ' $\qquad$ |  | 253.9 | 257.1 | 14.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 1.3 |
|  |  | 204.1 | 205.3 | 4.6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance services ' ............................ |  | 260.2 | 262.7 | 11.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 5 | 1.0 |

1 Not seasonally adjusted.
2 Indexes were formerly on a December $1977=100$ base.
m/ Data not adequate for publication.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specitic date.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. 1978 | Mar. $1979$ |
| Housing |  | 215.3 | 217.5 | 11.2 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 12.5 | 10.6 | 10.6 |
| Shelter ................................................................................. |  | 226.3 | 228.8 | 11.7 | 13.3 | 10.6 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 12.8 |
| Rent, residential |  | 170.7 | 171.0 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 3.6 | 7.8 | 5.5 |
| Other rental costs |  | 225.6 | 226.3 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 8.9 | 15.0 |
| Lodging while out of town |  | 235.0 | 236.7 | 10.9 | 11.0 | 15.2 | 22.7 | 11.0 | 18.9 |
| Tenants' insurance ${ }^{1} . . . . . . .$. | 12/77 | 106.6 | 106.6 | . 4 | 4.4 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 2.4 | 8.4 |
| Homeownership ...... |  | 246.3 | 249.7 | 13.0 | 14.6 | 11.4 | 18.0 | 13.8 | 14.7 |
| Home purchase |  | 211.0 | 212.9 | 9.6 | 11.8 | 13.8 | 11.5 | 10.7 | 12.6 |
| Financing, taxes, and insurance ............................................. |  | 284.4 | 290.1 | 18.6 | 20.1 | 8.1 | 26.2 | 19.3 | 16.8 |
| Property insurance ' .............................................................. | 12/77 | 110.0 | 110.9 | 14.9 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 15.0 | 9.1 | 9.3 |
| Property taxes ' |  | 182.3 | 182.5 | 2.1 | 4.8 | -27.2 | 4.0 | 3.5 | -12.9 |
| Contracted mortgage interest cost ${ }^{1}$....................................... | 12/77 | 127.6 | 130.1 | 21.7 | 32.9 | 19.1 | 29.7 | 27.1 | 24.3 |
| Mortgage interest rates ............... |  | 157.7 | 160.2 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 6.0 | 22.4 | 11.3 | 13.9 |
| Maintenance and repairs ......................................................... |  | 246.9 | 249.6 | 7.7 | 8.8 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 8.2 | 13.1 |
| Maintenance and repair services ........................................... |  | 267.1 | 270.7 | 9.4 | 8.1 | 13.6 | 14.8 | 8.7 | 14.2 |
| Maintenance and repair commodities ..................................... |  | 201.4 | 202.3 | 3.7 | 10.4 | 13.5 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 10.6 |
| Paint and wallpaper, supplies, tools, and equipment ${ }^{1}$............ | 12/77 | 111.3 | 111.1 | 6.1 | 11.4 | 14.9 | 9.3 | 8.7 | 12.2 |
| Lumber, awnings, glass, and masonry ${ }^{1}$........ | 12/77 | 109.5 | 110.6 | 9.7 | 7.4 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 8.6 | 7.2 |
| Plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling supplies ${ }^{1}$ | $12 / 77$ | 106.0 | 106.7 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 6.7 | 5.8 | 10.6 | 6.3 |
| Miscellaneous supplies and equipment ${ }^{\text {a }}$............................... | 12/77 | 106.1 | 106.9 | 9.5 | -2.7 | 13.7 | 8.3 | 3.2 | 10.9 |
| Fuel and other utilities ................................................................ |  | 222.9 | 225.1 | 11.6 | 3.3 | . 9 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 5.1 |
| Fuels ....................................................................................... |  | 258.3 | 262.2 | 16.8 | 3.9 | . 8 | 15.4 | 10.1 | 7.8 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ................................................. |  | 320.6 | 336.0 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 14.1 | 37.1 | 4.8 | 25.1 |
| Fuel oil ............................................................................... |  | 324.9 | 342.8 | 6.3 | 6.7 | 18.1 | 45.0 | 6.5 | 30.8 |
| Other fuels ${ }^{12}$..................................................................... | 6/78 | 99.6 | 99.2 | -11.2 | -6.2 | 4.5 | -1.2 | -8.7 | 1.6 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ...................................................... |  | 241.0 | 242.6 | 19.9 | 3.6 | -2.3 | 9.8 | 11.5 | 3.6 |
| Electricity ............................................................................. |  | 206.7 | 208.5 | 25.3 | -4.1 | -6.4 | 8.5 | 9.6 | . 8 |
| Utility (piped) gas ......................................................................... |  | 280.8 | 282.0 | 13.4 | 12.2 | 8.6 | 11.5 | 12.8 | 10.1 |
| Other utilities and public services |  | 159.1 | 158.9 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 1.0 | -1.7 | 2.3 | -. 4 |
| Telephone services ' |  | 132.3 | 132.1 | . 9 | 2.1 | . 0 | -3.8 | 1.5 | --4 |
| Local charges ${ }^{1}$................................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 100.6 | 100.5 | 1.6 | 3.2 | -1.6 | -4.3 | 2.4 | -1.9 |
| Interstate toll calls ', | 12/77 | 98.5 | 98.3 | -. 8 | . 4 | 4 4 | -4.0 | -. 2 | -1.8 |
| intrastate toll calls ' ..................... | 12/77 | 100.6 | 100.6 | 2.0 | . 4 | 4.1 | -2.4 | 1.2 | . 8 |
| Water and sewerage maintenance ........................................... |  | 240.1 | 240.2 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 8.8 | -1.0 | 6.6 | 3.8 |
| Household furnishings and operation |  | 184.9 | 186.2 | 8.1 | 5.3 | 9.2 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 8.1 |
| Housefurnishings |  | 159.7 | 160.8 | 5.4 | 3.7 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 4.5 | 7.5 |
| Textile housefurnishings ....................................................... |  | 169.9 | 172.2 | 2.3 | 7.4 | 10.3 | 8.3 | 4.3 | 9.3 |
| Household linens ${ }^{1}$............................................................ | 12/77 | 103.4 | 105.5 | -1.2 | 7.0 | 10.6 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 7.0 |
| Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials ' ................ | 12/77 | 109.5 | 112.4 | . 4 | 8.0 | 11.5 | 18.6 | 4.1 | 15.0 |
| Furniture and bedding |  | 172.9 | 174.0 | 5.8 | 4.9 | 9.1 | 7.5 | 5.3 | 8.3 |
| Bedroom furniture ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 107.8 | 109.7 | 11.6 | 1.9 | 15.0 | 7.6 | 6.7 | 11.3 |
| Sofas ' ................................................................................ | 12/77 | 103.8 | 104.8 | 7.3 | -1.5 | 4.7 | 1.2 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Living room chairs and tables ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (................................................................................................... | 12/77 | 103.8 | 104.7 | . 0 | 1.2 | 9.0 | 5.5 | . 6 | 7.2 |
| Other furniture ${ }^{1}$..................................................................... | 12/77 | 109.7 | 111.2 | 13.3 | 7.5 | 10.2 | 9.1 | 10.3 | 9.6 |

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Table 12. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar.$1979$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Dec. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. 1979 |
| Housefurnishings--Continued: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Appliances including TV and sound equipment |  | 134.0 | 134.5 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 6.8 | 4.7 | 5.3 |
| Television and sound equipment ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 103.0 | 103.3 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 3.4 |
| Television ' |  | 101.6 | 102.0 | -. 4 | . 0 | 3.6 | 1.6 | -. 2 | 2.6 |
| Sound equipment ' | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.5 | 3.6 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 5.5 | 3.2 | 4.3 |
| Household appliances ${ }^{1}$........................................................ |  | 153.1 | 153.8 | 11.6 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 9.6 | 7.5 | 7.0 |
| Refrigerators and home freezers ${ }^{\text {P }}$ |  | 154.3 | 155.2 | 12.1 | 6.3 | 3.2 | 7.8 | 9.2 | 5.5 |
| Laundry equipment ' | 12/77 | 107.1 | 108.0 | 6.5 | 4.3 | 5.9 | 9.4 | 5.4 | 7.6 |
| Other household appliances ' | 12/77 | 107.1 | 107.4 | 13.9 | 2.4 | 3.9 | 11.1 | 8.0 | 7.5 |
| Stoves, dishwashers, vacuums, and sewing machines........................ Office machines, small electric appliances, and | 12/77 | 108.2 | 108.4 | 14.7 | 1.2 | 3.9 | 12.3 | 7.7 | 8.0 |
| air conditioners ' .................................................. | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.2 | 13.1 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 6.7 |
| Other household equipment ${ }^{\text {a }}$.................................................. | 12/77 | 107.3 | 107.7 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 10.5 | 7.0 | 3.0 | 8.7 |
| Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 103.1 | 103.5 | -10.0 | . 0 | 14.6 | 9.0 | -5.1 | 11.8 |
| Clocks, lamps, and decor items ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 104.9 | 105.8 | 1.6 | 6.4 | 3.1 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 4.3 |
| Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ' | 12/77 | 109.9 | 110.7 | 11.3 | . 8 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 5.9 | 8.9 |
| Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ' ......... | 12/77 | 107.9 | 107.6 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 13.9 | 4.6 | 3.8 | 9.1 |
| Housekeeping supplies ........................................................ |  | 216.1 | 217.9 | 8.6 | 5.2 | 11.2 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 9.3 |
| Soaps and detergents ' ........................................................... |  | 208.4 | 209.0 | 6.6 | 4.3 | 16.6 | 4.3 | 5.4 | 10.3 |
| Other laundry and cleaning products ' ...................................... | 12/77 | 108.1 | 109.1 | 2.4 | 10.5 | 9.9 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 8.0 |
| Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels and napkins ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 114.1 | 115.2 | 23.1 | 8.9 | 9.5 | 13.9 | 15.8 | 11.7 |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ' | 12/77 | 105.4 | 106.1 | 6.0 | . 8 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 3.4 | 5.5 |
| Miscellaneous household products '. | 12/77 | 108.2 | 109.0 | 6.8 | 3.5 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 5.1 | 7.6 |
| Lawn and garden supplies ' .................................................... | 12/77 | 108.2 | 110.0 | 3.2 | -5.4 | 29.8 | 9.2 | -1.2 | 19.1 |
| Housekeeping services ............................................................. |  | 240.0 | 241.1 | 15.9 | 10.3 | 12.3 | 4.8 | 13.1 | 8.5 |
| Postage ' ............................................... |  | 257.2 | 257.2 | 68.9 | . 0 | . 0 | . 0 | 30.0 | . 0 |
| Moving, storage, freight, household laundry, and drycleaning services $\qquad$ | 12/77 | 111.6 | 111.7 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 9.7 | 8.3 | 7.9 | 9.0 |
| Appliance and furniture repair ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 106.2 | 106.7 | 4.4 | 3.6 | 8.4 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 6.7 |
| Apparel and upkeep ....................................................................... |  | 163.0 | 165.2 | 8.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Apparel commodities ................................................................... |  | 158.3 | 160.5 | 8.1 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 4.5 |
| Apparel commodities less footwear ............................................ |  | 156.4 | 158.6 | 8.1 | 1.3 | . 0 | 8.2 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| Men's and boys" ..................................................................... |  | 158.7 | 159.7 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 3.6 | 1.4 |
| Men's ${ }^{\text {a }}$............................................................................... | 12/77 | 100.2 | 101.2 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 2.0 | -2.7 | 4.7 | -. 4 |
| Suits, sport coats, and jackets ' .......................................... | 12/77 | 95.5 | 96.3 | 2.0 | -2.0 | -5.9 | -7.5 | . 0 | -6.7 |
| Coats and jackets ${ }^{\text { }}$............................................................ | 12/77 | 97.8 | 99.0 | 21.3 | 9.1 | -3.9 | -7.0 | 15.1 | -5.4 |
| Furnishings and special clothing ' ........................................ | 12/77 | 104.1 | 104.2 | 5.7 | 3.6 | 8.9 | -. 8 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| Shirts ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 102.6 | 104.4 | 6.1 | . 4 | 9.7 | -1.1 | 3.2 | 4.1 |
| Dungarees, jeans, and trousers ' | 12/77 | 100.4 | 101.7 | 2.5 | 9.2 | . 8 | . 4 | 5.8 | . 6 |
| Boys' ${ }^{1}$........................................... | 12/77 | 99.0 | 100.4 | 7.7 | 4.1 | 4.9 | -8 | 5.9 | 2.0 |
| Coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ' | 12/77 | 91.3 | 95.0 | 10.3 | 4.7 | . 4 | -4.5 | 7.5 | -2.1 |
| Furnishings ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 105.2 | 105.5 | 9.6 | . 4 | 19.5 | -1.1 | 4.9 | 8.7 |
| Suits, trousers, sport coats, and jackets ' | 12/77 | 102.7 | 102.6 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 5.1 | 2.6 |
| Women's and girts' |  | 150.1 | 153.5 | 10.2 | -. 8 | -2.6 | 12.0 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Women's ' | 12/7i | 99.4 | \%01.8 | 17.6 | 3.2 | -8 | 2.0 | 10.2 | 4.4 .6 |
| Coats and jackets |  | 169.5 | 175.5 | 118.6 | -5.8 | -6.1 | 12.5 | 43.5 | 2.8 |
| Dresses ........................................................................ |  | 158.6 | 159.5 | 4.9 | 3.3 | 1.8 | -4.7 | 4.1 | -1.5 |
| Separates and sportswear ${ }^{1}$............. | 12/77 | 96.7 | 98.8 | 2.9 | 8.4 | -5.5 | . 4 | 5.6 | -2.6 |
| Underwsar, nightwear, and hosiery | $12 / 77$ | 104.1 | 104.8 | 2.4 | 5.2 | 4.3 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
| Suits ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | 12/77 | 91.5 | 97.5 | 39.6 | -10.9 | -. 4 | 6.8 | 11.5 | 3.1 |
| Girs' ' .................................................................................. | $12 / 77$ | 93.4 | 95.3 | 65 | 17.3 | -. 8 | -16.5 | 11.8 | -9.0 |
| Coais, jackets, dresses, and suits ${ }^{1}$.................................................................................. | 12/77 | 90.9 | 95.2 | -1.7 | 13.2 | -2.4 | -10.2 | 5.5 | -6.4 |
| Separates and spotswear ' .............................................. Underwear, | 12/77 | 91.8 | 91.4 | 15.3 | 31.0 | -4.3 | -29.9 | 22.9 | -18.1 |
| Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ${ }^{1}$................. | $12 / 77$ | 100.5 | 102.5 | 5.4 | 4.1 | 7.8 | . 4 | 4.7 | 4.0 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in-- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Apparel commodities less footwear-Continued Infants and toddlers |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7.4 | 3.6 |  |
| Other apparel commodities ........................................................... |  | 168.0 | 169.4 | 10.9 | 5.1 | -2.6 | 12.2 | 8.6 | 2.2 9.3 |
| Sowing materials and notions ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 12/77 | 100.2 | 101.4 | 1.2 | -. 8 | 7.1 | 8.3 | . 2 | 7.7 |
| Jewerry and luggage ' .......................................................... | 12/77 | 112.0 | 112.8 | 17.1 | 8.2 | 6.4 | 11.4 | 12.5 | 8.9 |
| Footwear ................................................................................. |  | 168.5 | 170.6 | 7.2 | 4.5 | 10.6 | 4.6 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Men's ${ }^{1}$. | 12/77 | 106.7 | 109.2 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 7.4 | 8.9 | 9.6 | 8.2 |
| Boys' and girls' ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 105.8 | 106.4 | 9.1 | -1.2 | 14.4 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 8.4 |
| Women's ${ }^{1}$........................................................................... | 12/77 | 103.4 | 105.0 | 3.2 | 6.5 | 9.7 | 1.2 | 4.9 | 5.3 |
| Apparel services ' ...................................................................................... |  | 196.8 | 199.0 | 8.7 | 6.4 | 10.7 | 15.6 | 7.6 | 13.1 |
| Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ' .................... | 12/77 | 114.2 | 115.8 | 9.2 | 7.0 | 13.2 | 17.2 | 8.1 | 15.2 |
| Other apparel services ' ............................................................ | 12/77 | 108.9 | 109.6 | 8.1 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 13.4 | 7.0 | 9.6 |
| Transportation |  | 198.4 | 200.7 | 6.3 | 9.2 | 11.7 | 15.3 | 7.7 | 13.5 |
| Private ....................................................................................... |  | 198.2 | 200.6 | 6.6 | 9.7 | 12.2 | 15.3 | 8.1 | 13.7 |
| New cars |  | 160.7 | 161.8 | 9.6 | 7.2 | . 8 | 13.1 | 8.4 | 6.8 |
| Used cars |  | 204.7 | 204.0 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 21.5 | 9.1 | 11.7 | 15.2 |
| Gasoline |  | 216.0 | 224.3 | 1.3 | 13.0 | 19.2 | 36.3 | 7.0 | 27.4 |
| Automobile maintenance and repair |  | 233.8 | 235.9 | 8.8 | 9.8 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 9.7 |
| Body work ' ...................................................................... | 12/77 | 112.9 | 114.0 | 10.1 | 8.6 | 10.0 | 15.4 | 9.4 | 12.7 |
| Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ' | 12/77 | 112.9 | 113.9 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 9.2 | 12.1 | 8.2 | 10.6 |
| Maintenance and servicing ${ }^{\text {c }}$........................................................... | 12/77 | 110.1 | 111.8 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 8.2 | 14.0 | 7.8 | 11.0 |
| Power plant repair ${ }^{1}$................................................................ | 12/77 | 111.0 | 111.8 | 5.6 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 12.7 | 7.1 | 10.6 |
| Other private transportation ....................................................... |  | 192.1 | 193.1 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 8.8 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 6.9 |
| Other private transportation commodities .................................. |  | 169.9 | 169.3 | 10.9 | 5.3 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.7 |
| Motor oil, coolant, and other products ' .................................. | 12/77 | 106.8 | 107.4 | . 4 | 9.0 | 3.9 | 11.1 | 4.6 | 7.5 |
| Automobile parts and equipment ${ }^{\text {' }}$ /........................................ | 12/77 | 110.5 | 110.3 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 7.8 | 8.7 |
| Tires ' ............................... |  | 152.1 | 151.3 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 6.0 | 8.1 | 7.1 |
| Other parts and equipment ${ }^{1}$............................................... | 12/77 | 111.4 | 112.2 | 6.8 | 7.9 | 9.8 | 15.2 | 7.4 | 12.5 |
| Other private transportation services |  | 199.9 | 201.4 | 3.0 | 6.8 | 9.1 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 6.7 |
| Automobile insurance ' |  | 222.2 | 223.5 | -2.0 | 4.9 | 9.5 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 5.9 |
| Automobile finance charges ${ }^{1}$............................ | 12/77 | 111.3 | 112.0 | 6.9 | 1.2 | 25.1 | 13.5 | 4.0 | 19.2 |
| Automobile rental, registration, and other fees ${ }^{1}$...................... | 12/77 | 105.5 | 105.6 | 1.6 | 4.8 | 6.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 5.3 |
| State registration ................... |  | 143.4 | 143.1 | . 8 | 4.3 | 3.1 | -5.1 | 2.5 | -1.1 |
| Drivers' license ' ..................... | 12/77 | 104.3 | 104.3 | 8.6 | 2.0 | 1.9 | . 0 | 5.2 | 1.0 |
| Automobile inspection ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ | $12 / 77$ | 112.8 | 112.8 | 7 | -3.9 | 2.9 | 5.1 | -1.6 | 4.0 |
| Other automobile-related fees ${ }^{\text { }}$................................................ | 12/77 | 112.3 | 112.7 | 2.4 | 11.8 | 16.9 | 12.2 | -1.0 | 14.5 |
| Public transportation ............................ |  | 191.6 | 191.9 | 1.3 | . 4 | 3.2 | 5.2 | 7.0 .9 | 4.2 |
| Airline fare ' .......................... |  | 190.8 | 191.4 | -1.9 | -3.1 | -1.7 | 6.7 | -2.5 | 2.4 |
|  |  | 246.5 | 247.3 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 6.2 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| Intracity mass transit ' ................................................................ |  | 186.2 | 186.6 | . 2 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 4.4 |
| Taxi fare ${ }^{1}$ |  | 213.2 | 215.6 | -1.4 | 9.6 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 4.0 | 4.4 |
|  |  | 192.7 | 201.9 | 9.6 | 12.9 | -15.5 | 20.3 | 11.2 | $\begin{array}{r}\text {. } \\ \hline\end{array}$ |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. clty average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 |
| Medical care ............................................................................. |  | 231.9 | 233.4 | 7.5 | 9.1 | 10.6 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 9.7 |
| Medical care commodities ....................................................... |  | 150.7 | 151.7 | 7.3 | 6.3 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 8.4 |
| Prescription drugs ' ................................................................. |  | 139.1 | 139.9 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 10.3 | 9.1 | 6.3 | 9.7 |
| Anti-infective drugs ' ......................................................... | 12/77 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 8.5 | 5.1 | 11.9 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 9.5 |
| Tranquilizers and sedatives ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 112.1 | 112.8 | 5.9 | 2.7 | 18.6 | 10.6 | 4.3 | 14.5 |
| Circulatories and diuretics ${ }^{1}$.. | 12/77 | 106.9 | 108.2 | 4.8 | 6.4 | 5.5 | 9.0 | 5.6 | 7.2 |
| Hormones, diabetic drugs, biologicals, and prescription medical supplies ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 114.7 | 115.5 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 7.4 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 8.9 |
| Pain and symptom control drugs ' ............................................ | 12/77 | 110.3 | 111.1 | 2.3 | 5.9 | 12.7 | 9.1 | 4.1 | 10.9 |
| Supplements, cough and cold preparations, and respiratory agents ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 108.4 | 109.1 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 6.6 | 8.9 | 6.2 | 7.8 |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ' .............................. | 12/77 | 108.3 | 109.0 | 9.4 | 3.9 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 6.6 | 7.8 |
| Eyeglasses ${ }^{1}$........................................................................... | 12/77 | 105.5 | 106.1 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 5.7 |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ${ }^{\text { }}$....................... |  | 167.3 | 168.5 | 10.7 | 4.3 | 10.0 | 8.5 | 7.5 | 9.3 |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ' ..................... | 12/77 | 107.4 | 108.1 | 11.1 | 2.7 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 6.8 | 6.2 |
| Medical care services ................................................................. |  | 249.2 | 250.9 | 7.5 | 9.8 | 11.0 | 9.4 | 8.6 | 10.2 |
| Professional services ${ }^{1}$ |  | 220.9 | 222.7 | 6.4 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 11.3 | 7.7 | 9.8 |
| Physicians' services ${ }^{1}$.............................................................. |  | 236.2 | 238.2 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 6.9 | 13.3 | 8.1 | 10.0 |
| Dental services ${ }^{1}$.................................................................... |  | 210.9 | 212.2 | 5.7 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 9.6 | 7.5 | 10.1 |
| Other prolessional services ${ }^{\text { }}$................................................... | 12/77 | 107.6 | 108.8 | 4.4 | 9.3 | 6.6 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 7.8 |
| Other medical care services ....................................................... |  | 283.6 | 285.2 | 8.8 | 10.7 | 13.8 | 6.9 | 9.7 | 10.3 |
| Hospital and other medical services ' ....................................... | 12/77 | 113.3 | 113.7 | 6.0 | 13.7 | 12.4 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 11.0 |
| Hospital room ${ }^{1}$ |  | 356.8 | 358.5 | 6.0 | 14.9 | 15.7 | 9.9 | 10.3 | 12.8 |
| Other hospital and medical care services ${ }^{\dagger}$.............................................................................. | 12/77 | 112.3 | 112.7 | 5.5 | 12.4 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 8.9 | 9.7 |
| Entertainment ............................................................................... |  | 182.7 | 184.3 | 1.4 | 5.8 | 9.1 | 6.6 | 3.6 | 7.9 |
| Entertainment commodities .......................................................... |  | 183.0 | 184.8 | -1.4 | 6.1 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 2.3 | 8.3 |
| Reading materials ' ................................................................... | 12/77 | 106.8 | 108.3 | 3.6 | 8.5 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 8.2 |
| Newspapers ${ }^{1}$.......................................................................... |  | 208.0 | 209.3 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 11.0 | 4.5 | 7.6 |
| Magazines, periodicals, and books ' | 12/77 | 108.3 | 110.9 | 2.8 | 13.9 | 12.6 | 5.6 | 8.2 | 9.0 |
| Sporting goods and equipment ${ }^{1}$................................................. | 12/77 | 103.9 | 104.4 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 9.9 | 6.8 | 1.4 | 8.3 |
| Sport vehicles ${ }^{1}$ | 12/77 | 103.9 | 104.2 | 1.2 | . 8 | 14.4 | 5.6 | 1.0 | 9.9 |
| Indoor and warm weather sport equipment ${ }^{1}$............................. | 12/77 | 102.2 | 103.1 | . 8 | . 4 | 5.3 | 6.0 | . 6 | 5.7 |
| Bicycles ' ............................................................................... |  | 154.9 | 156.5 | 4.6 | 4.0 | -. 8 | 12.7 | 4.3 | 5.7 |
| Other sporting goods and equipment ${ }^{1}$, ..................................... | 12/77 | 103.8 | 103.8 | . 8 | 1.6 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 1.2 | 6.3 |
| Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ' ${ }^{\text {a }}$................................... | 12/77 | 106.0 | 107.3 | . 4 | 4.0 | 5.9 | 8.6 | 2.2 | 7.3 |
| Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ${ }^{1}$. | 12/77 | 105.7 | 107.7 | . 4 | -1.5 | 9.3 | 10.7 | -. 6 | 10.0 |
| Photographic supplies and equipment ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 12/77 | 105.6 | 105.8 | 2.0 | 5.6 | . 0 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 2.9 |
| Pet supplies and expense ${ }^{1}$................................................ | 12/77 | 106.9 | 107.3 | . 0 | 13.2 | 2.7 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 4.4 |
| Entertainment services ............................................................. |  | 183.1 | 184.3 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 11.3 | 4.0 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Fees for participant sports ' ........................................................ | 12/77 | 107.3 | 108.3 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 8.2 | 3.4 | 6.2 | 5.8 |
|  | 12/77 | 111.5 | 111.7 | 10.5 | 6.2 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.2 |
| Other entertainment services ${ }^{1}$. | 12/77 | 106.3 | 107.3 | . 4 | 2.8 | 16.1 | 3.0 | 1.6 | 8.2 9.4 |

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Table 12. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Nonfood expenditure categories, seasonally adjusted, U.S. city average-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group and item | Other index base | Seasonally adjusted indexes |  | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb. 1979 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | 3 months ending in- |  |  |  | 6 months ending in- |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1979 | Sept. 1978 | Mar. 1979 |
| Other goods and services | 12/77 | 191.4 | 192.4 | 5.9 | 11.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 2.2 \\ -2.8 \end{array}$ | 9.712.3 | 8.5 | 5.9 |
| Tobacco products ...................................................................... |  |  |  | 5.2 | 14.1 |  |  | 9.6 |  |
| Cigarettes ' ......... |  | 188.2 | 188.6 | 2.5 | 15.2 | -. 4 | 11.8 | 8.7 | 5.5 |
| Other tobacco products and smoking accessories ${ }^{1}$..................... |  | 107.4 | 108.1 | 6.8 | 5.1 | -. 4 | 13.2 | 6.0 | 6.28.1 |
| Personal care ${ }^{1}$.............................................................................. |  | 190.4 | 191.5 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 10.5 | 6.0 |  |
| Toilet goods and personal care appliances ' ...................... |  | 184.7 | 185.9 | 3.0 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 12.0 | 4.3 | 8.8 |
| Products for the hair, hairpieces, and wigs ' | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \end{aligned}$ | 105.7 | 105.3 | -. 4 | 5.3 | 7.2 | 5.9 | 2.4 | 6.6 |
| Dental and shaving products ' ................................................. |  | 108.6 | 109.3 | 3.5 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 11.4 | 2.7 | 8.4 |
| Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ' | $12 / 77$$12 / 77$ | 106.5 | 107.9 | 3.7 | 10.3 | . $8 \quad 18.1$ |  | 6.9 | 9.1 |
| Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances ' ............ |  | 108.9 | 110.1 | 5.6 | 3.1 | 9.9 | 12.5 | 4.4 | 11.27.6 |
| Personal care services ${ }^{1}$...................................................... |  | 196.3 | 197.3 | 9.5 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 9.2 | 7.6 |  |
| Beauty parior services for females ' ......................................... | 12/77 | 198.9 199.6 |  | 10.3 | 4.1 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 7.1 7.8 |  |
| Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ${ }^{1}$.................. |  | 108.4109 .3 |  | 8.5 | 8.0 | 3.13.62.6 | 11.85.8 | 8.311.5 | 7.3 |
| Personal and educational expenses ............................................. |  | 207.3 | 208.3 | 5.7 | 17.6 |  |  |  |  |
| School books and supplies ....................................................... |  | $\begin{aligned} & 192.0 \\ & 211.5 \end{aligned}$ | 193.3 | 7.3 | 22.9 | -13.0 | 15.2 | 14.8 | .14.7 |
| Personal and educational services ............................................. |  |  | 212.3 | 5.6 | 16.6 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 10.9 |  |
| Tuition and other school fees ' | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \\ & 12 / 77 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 108.4 \\ & 108.7 \\ & 107.4 \\ & 110.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 108.5 \\ & 108.8 \\ & 107.4 \end{aligned}$ | .0.0.07.7 | $\begin{aligned} & 32.3 \\ & 32.7 \\ & 30.5 \end{aligned}$ | . 7 | . 7 | 15.015.2 | .7.9. |
| College tuition ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 1.1 | . 7 |  |  |
| Elementary and high school tuition ${ }^{1}$....................................... |  |  |  |  |  | . 4 | . 0 | 14.2 |  |
| Personal expenses ${ }^{1}$............................................................... |  |  | 110.6 |  | 11.2 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 9.4 | 7.2 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gasoline, molor oil, coolant and other products ' ........................... |  | $\begin{aligned} & 211.7 \\ & 253.9 \\ & 204.1 \\ & 260.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 219.2 \\ & 257.1 \\ & 205.3 \\ & 262.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10.6 \\ & 11.7 \\ & 10.2 \\ & 13.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15.3 \\ 18.3 \\ 2.4 \\ 9.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10.2 \\ 8.9 \\ -.2 \\ 11.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 31.2 \\ 18.5 \\ 6.5 \\ 10.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12.9 \\ 14.9 \\ 6.2 \\ 11.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 20.2 \\ 13.6 \\ 3.1 \\ 10.8 \end{array}$ |
| Insurance and finance ${ }^{1}$............................................................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Utilities and public transportation ${ }^{1}$................................................. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housekeeping and home maintenance services ' ........................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

' Not seasonally adjusted.
${ }^{2}$ Indexes were formerty on a December 1977=100 base.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, all items index
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, and population size class | Pricing schedule' | Other index base | Indexes |  |  |  | Percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  |  | Percent change to <br> Feb. 1979 from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ |
| Area ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. city average ...................................... |  |  | 202.9 | 204.7 | 207.1 | 209.1 | 10.2 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 9.9 | 2.1 | 1.2 |
| Chicago, III.-Northwestern Ind .................... | M |  | 198.6 | 199.7 | 202.6 | 206.6 | 10.9 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 2.0 | 1.5 |
| Detroit, Mich ............................................ | M |  | 202.2 | 205.1 | 208.8 | 211.6 | 12.3 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 12.5 | 3.3 | 1.8 |
| L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif ................ | M |  | 197.1 | 199.6 | 201.9 | 203.8 | 8.8 | 2.1 | . 9 | 8.3 | 2.4 | 1.2 |
| N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J ....................... | M |  | 201.5 | 202.9 | 205.2 | 206.4 | 7.4 | 1.7 | . 6 | 7.5 | 1.8 | 1.1 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J ................................. | M |  | 201.1 | 202.3 | 204.1 | 204.8 | 8.0 | 1.2 | . 3 | 8.4 | 1.5 | . 9 |
| Anchorage, Alaska | 1 | 10/67 | - | 198.1 | - | 201.0 | 11.2 | 1.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Baltimore, Md ........................................... | 1 |  | - | 204.2 | - | 209.1 | 6.8 | 2.4 | - | - | - | - |
| Boston, Mass ... | 1 |  | - | 201.6 | - | 205.1 | 9.0 | 1.7 | - | - | - | - |
| Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky-Ind | 1 |  | - | 211.2 | - | 215.7 | 12.2 | 2.1 | - | - | - | - |
| Denver-Boulder, Colo ................................. | 1 |  | - | 216.2 | - | 223.0 | 14.3 | 3.1 | - | - | - | - |
| Miami, Fia ................................................ | 1 | 11/77 | - | 108.9 | - | 111.2 | 8.8 | 2.1 | - | - | - | - |
| Milwaukee, Wis ........................................ | 1 |  | - | 200.6 | - | 207.6 | 11.4 | 3.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Northeast Pennsyivania | 1 |  | - | 200.2 | - | 203.5 | 8.8 | 1.6 | - | - | - | - |
| Portland, Oreg.-Wash ................................ | 1 |  | - | 211.7 | - | 215.4 | 12.4 | 1.7 | - | - | - | - |
| St. Louis, Mo.-III ........................................ | 1 |  | - | 203.4 | - | 208.4 | 13.3 | 2.5 | - | - | - | - |
| San Diego, Calif ... | 1 |  | - | 214.8 | - | 221.4 | 15.7 | 3.1 | - | - | - | - |
| Seattle-Everett, Wasi ${ }^{3}$.............................. | 1 |  | - | 202.0 | - | 207.0 | 10.6 | 2.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va .......................... | 1 |  | - | 208.7 | - | 212.6 | 11.3 | 1.9 | - | - | - | . |
| Atlanta, Ga | 2 |  | 198.8 | - | 201.8 | - | - | - | - | 8.4 | 1.5 | - |
| Butfalo, N.Y | 2 |  | 199.7 | - | 203.0 | - | - | - | - | 8.3 | 1.7 | - |
| Cleveland, Ohio | 2 |  | 205.7 | - | 210.1 | - | - | - | - | 12.6 | 2.1 | - |
| Dalias-Fort Worth, Tex | 2 |  | 201.6 | - | 205.8 | - | - | - | - | 10.2 | 2.1 | - |
| Honolulu, Hawaii ......... | 2 |  | 191.3 | - | 196.2 | - | - | - | - | 10.2 | 2.6 | - |
| Houston, Tex ............................................ | 2 |  | 219.7 | - | 224.2 | - | - | - | - | - 12.7 | 2.0 | - |
| Kansas City, Mo.-Kans ............................... | 2 |  | 198.8 | - | 204.6 | - | - | - | - | 11.3 | 2.9 | - |
| Minneapolis-St.Paul, Minn.-Wis .................... | 2 |  | 208.6 | - | 211.8 | - | - | - | - | ${ }^{4} 10.5$ | 1.5 | - |
| Pittsburgh, $\mathrm{Pa} .$. | 2 |  | 205.2 | - | 209.2 | - | - | - | - | + 12.2 | 1.9 | - |
| San Francisco-Oakland, Calif ..................... | 2 |  | 200.8 | - | 203.9 | - | - | - | - | 7.8 | 1.5 |  |
| Region ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast ............................................ | 2 | 12/77 | 107.9 | - | 110.0 | - | - | - | - | 8.9 | 1.9 |  |
| North Central ........................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 110.0 | - | 112.4 | - | - | - | - | 10.8 | 2.2 |  |
| South ...................................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 109.8 | - | 111.7 | - | - | - | - | 10.3 | 1.7 | . |
| West ....... | 2 | 12/77 | 108.4 | $\sim$ | 111.0 | - | - | - | - | 9.7 | 2.4 | . |
| Population size class ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 .................................................................. | 2 | 12/77 | 107.8 | - | 110.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.8 | 2.1 | . |
| A. 2 | 2 | 12/77 | 109.4 | - | 111.4 | - | - | - | - | 10.2 | 1.8 | . |
| B | 2 | 12/77 | 109.6 | - | 111.9 | - | - | - | - | 10.6 | 2.1 | - |
| C... | 2 | 12/77 | 109.9 | - | 112.3 | - | - | - | - | 10.9 | 2.2 | - |
| D ............................................................ | 2 | 12/77 | 109.1 | - | 111.0 | - | - | - | - | 9.6 | 1.7 | - |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, all Items index-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, and population size class | Pricing scheduie ${ }^{1}$ | Other index base | Indexes |  |  |  | Percent change to <br> Mar. 1979 from- |  |  | Percent change to Feb. 1979 from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Dec. <br> 1978 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. $1979$ | Mar. <br> 1978 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Feb. <br> 1978 | Dec. $1978$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ |
| Region/population size class cross classification ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A | 2 | 12/77 | 107.4 | - | 109.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.0 | 1.6 | - |
| North Central/A | 2 | 12/77 | 110.1 | - | 112.7 | - | - | - | - | 11.1 | 2.4 | - |
| Scuth/A | 2 | 12/77 | 109.2 | - | 111.3 | - | - | - | - | 10.0 | 1.9 | - |
| West/A | 2 | 12/77 | 107.8 | - | 110.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.9 | 2.1 | - |
| Northeast/B | 2 | $12 / 77$ | 108.3 | - | 110.8 | - | - | - | - | 9.8 | 2.3 | - |
| North Central/B ........ | 2 | 12/77 | 110.2 | - | 112.7 | - | - | - | - | 11.3 | 2.3 | - |
| South/B | 2 | 12/77 | 110.1 | - | 112.0 | - | - | - | - | 10.8 | 1.7 | - |
| West/8 | 2 | 12/77 | 109.4 | - | 112.2 | - | - | - | - | 10.4 | 2.6 | - |
| Northeast/C | 2 | 12/77 | 109.9 | - | 112.7 | - | - | - | - | 11.4 | 2.5 | - |
| North Central/C. | 2 | 12/77 | 109.8 | - | 111.8 | - | - | - | - | 10.4 | 1.8 | - |
| South/C. | 2 | 12/77 | 110.5 | - | 112.5 | - | - | - | - | 10.9 | 1.8 | - |
| West/C | 2 | 12/77 | 108.9 | - | 112.0 | - | - | - | - | 10.8 | 2.8 | - |
| Northeast/D | 2 | 12/77 | 108.2 | - | 110.3 | - | - | - | - | 9.2 | 1.9 | - |
| North Central/D... | 2 | 12/77 | 109.8 | - | 111.7 | - | - | - | - | 10.3 | 1.7 | - |
| South/D ...... | 2 | 12/77 | 108.9 | - | 110.7 | - | - | - | - | 9.0 | 1.7 | - |
| West/D ............................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 108.4 | - | 110.9 | - | - | - | - | 10.0 | 2.3 | - |

1 Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated

M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November. 2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.
Area is generally the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA), exclusive of farms. L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif. is a combination of two SMSA's, and N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J. and Chicago, III.Northwestern Ind. are the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1973, except for Denver-Boulder, Colo. which does not include Douglas County. Definitions do not include revisions made since 1973.

Revised indexes: $11 / 78=203.6$ and $1 / 79=202.0$
Annual rate based on 10 -month change.

5 Regions are defined as the four Census regions.
The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

| A-1 | More than $4,000,000$. |
| ---: | ---: |
| A-2 $-1,250,000$ to $4,000,000$. |  |
| B $-385,000$ to $1,250,000$. |  |
| C $-\quad 75,000$ to $385,000$. |  |
| D $-\quad$ Less than 75,000 . |  |

Population size class $A$ is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

NOTE: Price changes within areas are found in the Consumer Price index; differences in living costs among areas are found in Family Budgets.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, population size class | Other index base | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ${ }^{\prime}$ | Dairy products | ```Fruits and vegetables``` | Other foods at home ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Indexes, March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Area ${ }^{2}$ | 10/67 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. city average ......................................... |  | 229.9 | 213.5 | 237.0 | 201.5 | 225.9 | 262.4 |
| Anchorage, Alaska ....................................... |  | 223.4 | 205.2 | 245.8 | 188.5 | 203.7 | 249.0 |
| Atlanta, Ga .................................................. |  | 236.0 | 223.1 | 222.5 | 229.1 | 251.3 | 266.1 |
| Baltimore, Md .............................................. |  | 232.5 | 205.8 | 235.1 | 198.7 | 233.8 | 276.9 |
| Boston, Mass .............................................. |  | 224.4 | 212.1 | 236.4 | 192.9 | 215.8 | 256.7 |
| Buffalo, N.Y .... |  | 227.7 | 207.2 | 236.3 | 198.4 | 217.6 | 258.7 |
| Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind ....................... |  | 232.4 | 216.4 | 244.0 | 200.8 | 229.8 | 264.5 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind ................................. |  | 244.4 | 238.6 | 240.9 | 213.3 | 240.9 | 288.2 |
| Cleveland, Ohio ............................................ |  | 238.7 | 227.0 | 247.4 | 213.9 | 220.9 | 271.8 |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex .................................. |  | 224.4 | 211.5 | 225.0 | 204.2 | 223.3 | 251.5 |
| Denver-Boulder, Colo ................................... |  | 226.5 | 203.6 | 232.0 | 211.9 | 217.4 | 265.3 |
| Detroit, Mich ................................................. |  | 223.4 | 223.1 | 226.8 | 216.6 | 204.0 | 251.6 |
| Honolulu, Hawaii .......................................... |  | 240.1 | 211.5 | 242.5 | 218.6 | 275.1 | 251.0 |
| Houston, Tex ............................................... |  | 231.2 | 201.6 | 245.6 | 219.6 | 221.6 | 243.9 |
| Kansas City, Mo.-Kans ................................. |  | 232.7 | 219.8 | 234.1 | 219.8 | 226.5 | 261.3 |
| L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif .................. |  | 224.8 | 213.7 | 240.5 | 181.4 | 214.2 | 253.8 |
| Miami, Fla .................................................... | 11/77 | 120.3 | 115.6 | 130.7 | 112.6 | 119.9 | 113.0 |
| Milwaukee, Wis ........................................... |  | 225.4 | 214.5 | 240.3 | 212.6 | 209.3 | 241.1 |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wis .................... |  | 228.8 | 228.5 | 232.3 | 221.5 | 221.9 | 240.8 |
| N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J ......................... |  | 233.2 | 215.5 | 230.6 | 200.7 | 241.2 | 276.5 |
| Northeast Pennsylvania ............................... |  | 225.3 | 200.5 | 239.5 | 196.0 | 223.9 | 259.3 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J ..................................... |  | 232.5 | 225.6 | 240.1 | 201.0 | 220.3 | 273.6 |
| Pittsburgh, Pa .............................................. |  | 230.1 | 214.2 | 236.9 | 193.2 | 226.4 | 268.0 |
| Portland, Oreg.-Wash .................................. |  | 228.1 | 212.4 | 255.1 | 186.7 | 208.9 | 261.2 |
| St. Louis, Mo.-III .......................................... |  | 232.2 | 222.6 | 229.6 | 214.6 | 232.7 | 265.2 |
| San Diego, Calif .......................................... |  | 217.8 | 206.3 | 237.3 | 184.7 | 209.7 | 242.2 |
| San Francisco-Oakland, Calif ....................... |  | 233.6 | 213.3 | 248.6 | 185.4 | 230.6 | 274.3 |
| Seattie-Everett, Wash .................................. |  | 218.8 | 203.7 | 238.0 | 188.1 | 192.5 | 254.1 |
| Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va .............................. |  | 240.3 | 228.7 | 233.9 | 192.5 | 255.4 | 289.8 |
| Region ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast .................................................... | 12/77 | 117.8 | 112.2 | 130.7 | 111.9 | 116.7 | 107.5 |
| North Central | 12/77 | 118.9 | 113.2 | 133.4 | 116.0 | 114.8 | 108.6 |
| South ........................................................... | 12/77 | 119.2 | 112.7 | 131.7 | 115.6 | 119.4 | 109.2 |
| West ........................................................... | 12/77 | 119.0 | 114.2 | 133.3 | 111.6 | 118.7 | 109.2 |
| Poputation size class ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 ............................................................. | 12/77 | 117.8 | 112.0 | 130.6 | 113.1 | 115.0 | 108.0 |
| A-2 | 12/77 | 119.3 | 113.8 | 132.0 | 114.7 | 118.8 | 109.8 |
| B ................................................................. | 12/77 | 118.4 | 112.8 | 131.3 | 113.7 | 119.2 | 108.4 |
| C ................................................................ | 12/77 | 119.2 | 113.8 | 133.4 | 113.9 | 117.4 | 108.5 |
| D ................................................................ | 12/77 | 119.5 | 112.7 | 135.7 | 114.8 | 116.8 | 108.3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumera: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, population size class | Other index base | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ${ }^{1}$ | Dairy products | Fruits and vegetables | Other foods at home' |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Indexes, March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Region/population ske class crose clacelification ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A | 12/77 | 117.4 | 111.6 | 129.7 | 111.7 | 116.2 | 107.5 |
| North Central/A ........................................ | 12/77 | 119.3 | 113.6 | 132.2 | 117.8 | 115.8 | 109.4 |
| South/A | 12/77 | 119.6 | 113.8 | 131.4 | 116.3 | 118.0 | 111.0 |
| West/A | 12/77 | 118.4 | 113.6 | 132.7 | 110.3 | 117.6 | 108.6 |
| Northeast/B | 12/77 | 118.2 | 111.8 | 131.4 | 112.8 | 120.7 | 106.9 |
| North Central/B | 12/77 | 117.0 | 111.5 | 130.1 | 114.9 | 114.5 | 108.1 |
| South/B ..................................................... | 12/77 | 118.5 | 113.1 | 130.7 | 114.7 | 119.4 | 108.7 |
| West/B . | 12/77 | 119.4 | 114.3 | 132.9 | 112.2 | 120.9 | 109.5 |
| Northeast/C | 12/77 | 118.6 | 114.9 | 133.2 | 112.2 | 115.6 | 107.6 |
| North Central/C ......................................... | 12/77 | 119.2 | 112.5 | 135.6 | 113.6 | 116.3 | 107.6 |
| South/C .................................................... | 12/77 | 119.5 | 113.4 | 131.9 | 115.1 | 118.7 | 109.2 |
| West/C ..................................................... | 12/77 | 119.3 | 115.4 | 133.8 | 113.5 | 118.4 | 109.5 |
| Northeast/D .............................................. | 12/77 | 118.9 | 114.5 | 134.5 | 111.6 | 115.0 | 108.8 |
| North Central/D ......................................... | 12/77 | 119.4 | 114.3 | 138.0 | 114.5 | 109.9 | 108.1 |
| South/D .................................................... | 12/77 | 119.1 | 109.2 | 133.4 | 117.1 | 123.6 | 107.1 |
| West/D ..................................................... | 12/77 | 121.0 | 116.0 | 137.8 | 113.4 | 118.4 | 111.3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories-Continued

| Area, region, population size class | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry. fish, and eggs | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dairy } \\ & \text { products } \end{aligned}$ | Fruits and vegetables | Other toods at home |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent change from February 1979 to March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Area ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. city average ......................................................... | 0.8 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 0.4 | -0.3 | 0.2 |
| Anchorage, Alaska ...................................................... | 1.2 | . 5 | 2.7 | -1.8 | . 7 | 1.3 |
| Atlanta, Ga ................................................................... | 1.2 | 1.8 | . 6 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| Baltimore, Md ............................................................... | 1.3 | . 2 | 2.3 | . 5 | -. 3 | 1.5 |
| Boston, Mass .............................................................. | 1.2 | -. 8 | 2.4 | 1.3 | 2.2 | -. 3 |
| Buftalo, N.Y .................................................................. | 2.4 | 1.2 | 6.0 | -. 1 | . 3 | . 1 |
| Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind ......................................... | . 6 | . 7 | 1.9 | . 1 | -1.5 | . 0 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.Ind .................................................. | . 3 | -2.6 | 1.6 | . 7 | -. 5 | . 1 |
| Cleveland, Ohio ............................................................ | . 6 | 1.6 | 2.3 | -1.4 | -2.2 | . 1 |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex .................................................. | 1.5 | 1.5 | 2.6 | . 8 | . 6 | 1.1 |
| Denver-Boulder, Colo ..................................................... | 1.7 | . 6 | 3.8 | -. 1 | 3.5 | -. 2 |
| Detroit, Mich ................................................................ | 4 | . 5 | . 2 | 1.5 | 1.0 | -. 1 |
| Honolulu, Hawaii | 3.2 | . 9 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 8.5 | . 9 |
| Houston, Tex .............................................................. | . 6 | . 2 | 2.5 | 2.0 | -4.0 | - 3 |
| Kansas City, Mo.-Kans .................................................. | . 5 | . 0 | 1.7 | -. 9 | . 5 | . 0 |
| L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif ............... | 1.0 | . 7 | 4.6 | -. 2 | -4.2 | . 0 |
| Miami, Fla .................... | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.3 | . 4 | 1.3 | . 6 |
| Milwaukee, Wis ............................................................ | 1.0 | . 3 | 2.9 | . 0 | . 4 | -1 |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wis ...................................... | -. 7 | -. 1 | -. 3 | . 1 | -. 9 | -1.6 |
| N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J ........................................... | . 7 | . 6 | 1.5 | . 4 | -. 5 | . 5 |
| Northeast Pennsytvania ................................................ | 1.2 | -1.2 | 2.3 | . 7 | 4.3 | -. 6 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J ................... | . 9 | . 2 | 1.0 | 1.9 | . 0 | 1.1 |
| Pittsburgh, Pa ................... | . 9 | . 9 | 2.5 | . 3 | -1.3 | . 3 |
| Portland, Oreg.Wash .................................................... | 1.1 | . 1 | 2.8 | . 3 | -2.4 | 1.2 |
| St. Louis, Mo.-III ............................................................ | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.9 | -. 6 | . 1 | . 8 |
| San Diego, Calif. | 1.2 | 1.8 | 3.1 | . 2 | -3.1 | 1.7 |
| San Francisco-Oakland, Calif | 2.0 | . 0 | 3.9 | . 6 | . 9 | 1.6 |
| Seattle-Everett, Wash .................................................... | 1.0 | . 3 | 1.4 | . 9 | 2.6 | -. 2 |
| Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va .................................................... | 1.1 | 1.3 | 2.9 | . 4 | 2.1 | -1.6 |
| Region ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast ................................................................ | . 9 | . 7 | 1.6 | . 5 | -. 2 | . 5 |
| North Central . | . 6 | . 4 | 1.6 | . 2 | -. 1 | -. 1 |
| South ......................................................................... | . 9 | . 5 | 1.9 | . 6 | . 8 | . 1 |
| West ...................................................................... | 1.1 | . 7 | 3.5 | . 5 | -2.0 | . 3 |
| Population slze class ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 .............................................................................. | . 8 | . 5 | 2.0 | . 5 | -1.2 | 4 |
| A-2 .............................................................................. | 1.1 | . 5 | 2.6 | . 4 | . 1 | . 3 |
| B ................................................................................. | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.9 | . 6 | 1.4 | . 1 |
| C .......................................................................... | . 7 | . 4 | 1.9 | . 3 | -. 7 | . 1 |
| D .......................................................................... | . 7 | . 5 | 1.6 | . 3 | -. 9 | . 3 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories-Continued

| Area, region, population size ciass | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | Dairy products | Fruits and vegetables | Other foods at nome |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent change from February 1979 to March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Region/population size class croas claseffication ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A ............................................................. | 0.9 | 0.5 | 1.8 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.5 |
| North Central/A .......................................................... | . 6 | . 5 | 1.6 | . 2 | -. 6 | . 0 |
| South/A ...................................................................... | 1.2 | 1.1 | 2.3 | . 9 | . 2 | . 3 |
| West/A ... | 1.3 | . 6 | 4.0 | . 2 | -2.3 | . 5 |
| Northeast/B | . 9 | 1.7 | 1.2 | . 9 | 1.7 | -. 3 |
| North Central/B .......................................................... | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.7 | . 2 | 4.4 | . 2 |
| South/B. | . 8 | . 1 | 1.6 | . 5 | 1.1 | -. 1 |
| West/B | 1.4 | . 7 | 3.3 | . 8 | -. 1 | . 5 |
| Northeast/C | . 8 | 1.1 | 1.2 | . 2 | -. 8 | . 9 |
| North Central/C .......................................................... | . 5 | -. 4 | 2.0 | . 1 | -. 8 | -. 2 |
| South/C | . 8 | . 4 | 1.8 | . 4 | . 8 | . 0 |
| West/C. | . 5 | 1.1 | 3.3 | . 0 | -3.9 | -. 4 |
| Northeast/D | . 4 | .4 | 1.8 | -. 7 | -2.2 | . 8 |
| North Central/D | . 3 | . 0 | 1.3 | . 2 | -1.3 | . 0 |
| South/D | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.8 | . 6 | 1.0 | . 4 |
| West/D ...... | . 6 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 1.3 | -3.1 | . 2 |

- Index is on an April 1967 $=100$ base in Northeastern Pennsylvania and Portland, Oreg.Wash.
${ }_{2}$ Area is generally the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA), exclusive of farms. L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif, is a combination of two SMSA's, and N.Y., N.Y.Northeastern N.J. and Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind. are the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1973, except for Denver-Boulder, Colo. which does not include Douglas County. Definitions do not include revisions made since 1973.
- Regions are defined as the four Census regions. The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

A-1 - More than $4,000,000$.
A-2 - 1,250,000 to $4,000,000$.
B - 385,000 to $1,250,000$.
C - 75,000 to 385,000 .
Less than 75,000 .
Population size class $A$ is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Coneumers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change from February 1978 to March 1979

| Group | $\begin{gathered} \text { U.S. } \\ \text { city } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ | Chicago, III.Northwestern Ind. | Detroit, Mich. | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................... | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Food and beverages ............................................... | . 9 | 1.3 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | 1.0 |
| Food ................................................................... | 1.0 | 1.3 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | . 9 |
| Food at home .................................................... | . 8 | . 6 | . 4 | 1.0 | . 7 | . 9 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............................ | . 6 | . 7 | . 5 | . 7 | . 6 | . 2 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ........................... | 2.0 | 1.9 | . 2 | 4.6 | 1.5 | 1.0 |
| Meats, poultry, and fith ................................... | 2.2 | 1.7 | . 5 | 4.7 | 1.7 | . 5 |
| Dairy products ................................................. | . 4 | . 1 | 1.5 | -. 2 | . 4 | 1.9 |
| Fruts and vegetables ....................................... | -. 3 | -1.5 | 1.0 | -4.2 | -. 5 | . 0 |
| Other foods at home ........................................ | . 2 | . 0 | -. 1 | . 0 | . 5 | 1.1 |
| Food away from home ........................................ | 1.1 | 2.9 | 1.1 | . 7 | . 5 | . 8 |
| Alcoholic beverages .............................................. | . 9 | 1.5 | 1.2 | . 5 | . 5 | 2.7 |
| Housing ................................................................. | . 9 | 2.9 | 2.1 | . 7 | . 3 | -. 2 |
| Shelter ................................................................ | . 9 | 3.4 | 2.4 | . 8 | . 0 | -1.9 |
| Flent, residential ................................................ | . 2 | . 7 | . 3 | . 2 | -. 1 | . 3 |
| Other rental costs .............................................. | . 7 | 4.6 | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 0 |
| Homeownership ................................................. | 1.1 | 4.2 | 2.8 | . 9 | . 1 | -2.6 |
| Fuel and other utilities .......................................... | 1.2 | 2.8 | 2.0 | . 2 | 1.5 | 2.5 |
| Fuels ................................................................ | 1.8 | 3.9 | 2.6 | . 3 | 1.9 | 3.3 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ............................ | 4.1 | 2.9 | 5.1 | -. 3 | 5.4 | 4.5 |
| Gas (plped) and electricity ................................ | 1.2 | 4.0 | 2.2 | . 3 | . 2 | 2.6 |
| Household furnishings and operation ....................... | . 8 | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 4 | 2.1 |
| Apparel and upkeep ............................................... | 1.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 2.0 | -. 9 |
| Apparel commodities ............................................. | 1.9 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 2.4 | -1.4 |
| Men's and boys' apparel .................................... | 1.3 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 1.8 | . 7 | -1.3 |
| Women's and girls' apparel ................................... | 2.8 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 3.7 | -4.5 |
| Footwear ........................................................... | 1.6 | . 5 | 8.4 | -1.8 | 3.2 | 5.1 |
| Transportation ........................................................ | 1.3 | 1.0 | . 8 | 1.7 | . 9 | 1.2 |
| Private transportation ............................................ | 1.3 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Public transportation .............................................. | . 4 | . 2 | . 7 | . 1 | . 3 | -. 2 |
| Medical care ........................................................... | . 6 | . 2 | . 2 | . 5 | . 2 | . 0 |
| Entertainment ............................................................ | . 9 | 1.9 | -1.8 | 2.4 | . 9 | . 6 |
| Other goods and services ........................................ | . 5 | 1.3 | . 6 | -. 3 | . 4 | . 4 |
| Personal care ..................................................... | . 9 | 3.2 | . 5 | -. 7 | 1.1 | . 7 |

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change from February 1979 to March 1979-Continued

| Group |  | Chicago, III. Northwestern Ind. | Detroit, Mich. | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................... | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Commodities | 1.1 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 | . 9 | . 5 |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | . 9 | 1.3 | . 7 | . 9 | . 7 | 1.0 |
| Commodities less food and beverages .................... | 1.2 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.1 | . 2 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ................. | 2.0 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 1.0 |
| Durables ........................................................ | . 7 | 2.2 | 1.7 | . 7 | -. 1 | -. 6 |
| Services ................................................................ | . 8 | 2.0 | 1.2 | . 7 | . 2 | . 0 |
| Medical care services ........................................... | . 6 | . 1 | -. 1 | . 4 | . 3 | . 1 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter .............................................. | 1.0 | 1.4 | . 8 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.0 |
| All items less medical care ....................................... | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.0 | . 6 | . 3 |
| All items less energy .............................................. | . 8 | 1.8 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 5 | . 0 |
| Energy ................................................................... | 2.6 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 3.3 |
| Commodities less food ............................................ | 1.2 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.1 | . 3 |
| Nondurables less food ............................................. | 1.9 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.2 |
| Nondurables ........................................................... | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Services less rent ................................................... | . 9 | 2.1 | 1.3 | . 8 | . 3 | . 0 |
| Services less medical care ........................................ | . 8 | 2.1 | 1.3 | . 8 | . 2 | . 0 |

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Uban Consumers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group |  |  | Chicago, III. Northwestern Ind. |  | Detroit, Mich. |  | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. |  | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. |  | Philadetphia, Pa.-N.J. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 209.1 | 2.1 | 206.6 | 3.5 | 211.6 | 3.2 | 203.8 | 2.1 | 206.4 | 1.7 | 204.8 | 1.2 |
| All items (1957-59=100) ........................................ | 243.2 | - | 234.7 | - | 243.1 | - | 239.7 | - | 245.7 | - | 239.2 | - |
| Food and beverages | 224.4 | 2.8 | 226.6 | 2.9 | 221.2 | 2.3 | 218.6 | 2.6 | 220.9 | 2.4 | 227.7 | 2.4 |
| Food .................... | 230.4 | 2.9 | 232.7 | 3.0 | 224.2 | 2.4 | 225.4 | 2.7 | 228.4 | 2.4 | 235.8 | 2.3 |
| Food at home | 229.9 | 3.0 | 232.4 | 2.8 | 223.4 | 2.5 | 224.8 | 2.6 | 233.2 | 2.8 | 232.5 | 2.5 |
| Cereals and bakery products .......................... | 213.5 | 1.7 | 216.4 | 1.8 | 223.1 | 1.4 | 213.7 | . 8 | 215.5 | 1.2 | 225.6 | . 9 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 237.0 | 6.1 | 244.0 | 5.1 | 226.8 | 3.4 | 240.5 | 7.8 | 230.6 | 5.9 | 240.1 | 6.2 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .... | 241.7 | 6.5 | 248.9 | 5.2 | 228.7 | 3.7 | 244.6 | 8.1 | 233.2 | 6.2 | 244.2 | 6.3 |
| Dairy products .. | 201.5 | 1.6 | 200.8 | 2.8 | 216.6 | 3.2 | 181.4 | 1.9 | 200.7 | . 8 | 201.0 | . 0 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 225.9 | 1.9 | 229.8 | 1.5 | 204.0 | 3.4 | 214.2 | -4.7 | 241.2 | 1.3 | 220.3 | . 4 |
| Other foods at home | 262.4 | . 9 | 264.5 | . 6 | 251.6 | 1.1 | 253.8 | 1.3 | 276.5 | . 6 | 273.6 | . 7 |
| Food away from home. | 236.0 | 2.5 | 235.9 | 3.5 | 235.2 | 1.9 | 227.6 | 2.8 | 216.7 | 1.4 | 251.7 | 2.0 |
| Alcoholic beverages ............................................ | 169.2 | 1.9 | 165.1 | 1.4 | 202.6 | 2.1 | 166.9 | 1.7 | 161.0 | 2.3 | 166.2 | 3.0 |
| Housing ............................................................... | 217.6 | 2.1 | 209.1 | 5.0 | 220.9 | 5.2 | 211.7 | 2.1 | 208.1 | 1.1 | 203.6 | . 0 |
| Shelter .. | 228.0 | 2.3 | 221.0 | 5.5 | 236.1 | 7.2 | 226.4 | 2.4 | 208.1 | . 6 | 208.9 | -1.8 |
| Rent, residential | 171.3 | . 6 | 157.2 | . 4 | 171.1 | 1.3 | 180.5 | . 7 | 185.4 | . 3 | 179.2 | . 5 |
| Other rental costs | 226.3 | 2.3 | 223.6 | 8.6 | 200.9 | . 5 | 222.8 | . 2 | 250.2 | . 9 | 228.6 | . 4 |
| Homeownership ............................................... | 248.2 | 2.7 | 249.5 | 6.9 | 249.1 | 8.1 | 240.2 | 2.9 | 221.4 | . 7 | 215.6 | -2.6 |
| Fuel and other utilities ........................................ | 225.9 | 2.0 | 204.2 | 3.5 | 233.6 | . 6 | 182.3 | . 4 | 244.8 | 2.4 | 220.1 | 3.3 |
| Fuels. | 264.0 | 3.0 | 247.9 | 4.9 | 269.0 | . 6 | 228.0 | . 4 | 301.5 | 3.2 | 258.9 | 4.5 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ' ....................... | 339.5 | 7.3 | 331.6 | 7.3 | 354.2 | 8.5 | 98.2 | -. 1 | 367.7 | 9.7 | 349.8 | 7.9 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity .............................. | 244.0 | 1.9 | 228.1 | 4.5 | 257.8 | -. 4 | 228.4 | . 4 | 270.9 | . 3 | 222.3 | 2.6 |
| Household furnishings and operation .................... | 187.4 | 1.4 | 178.8 | 3.9 | 172.3 | 1.7 | 180.0 | 1.7 | 190.2 | 1.7 | 188.4 | 2.1 |
| Apparel and upkeep | 164.3 | 2.2 | 149.2 | 3.3 | 147.7 | 2.0 | 150.4 | 1.7 | 159.1 | 3.7 | 154.3 | 4.2 |
| Apparel commodities .......................................... | 159.2 | 2.2 | 142.1 | 2.9 | 140.7 | 2.0 | 147.6 | 1.9 | 151.2 | 4.1 | 148.2 | 4.4 |
| Men's and boys' apparel .................................. | 158.7 | . 8 | 126.5 | 2.1 | 153.6 | 3.3 | 139.8 | . 6 | 140.7 | 1.2 | 145.3 | -4.4 |
| Women's and girls' apparel .............................. | 151.8 | 3.3 | 139.0 | 4.1 | 127.8 | 2.4 | 142.8 | 3.9 | 145.0 | 7.7 | 135.1 | 14.2 |
| Footwear | 171.6 | 1.7 | 165.0 | 1.9 | 151.3 | 1.8 | 155.7 | -1.5 | 166.4 | 2.0 | 173.9 | 3.9 |
| Transportation ...................................................... | 198.1 | 2.2 | 200.4 | 1.9 | 197.8 | 1.6 | 201.1 | 2.4 | 212.9 | 1.9 | 202.9 | 1.9 |
| Private transportation ......................................... | 198.1 | 2.2 | 201.5 | 2.0 | 197.8 | 1.6 | 203.8 | 2.6 | 204.9 | 2.2 | 204.5 | 2.0 |
| Public transportation ........................................... | 191.5 | . 8 | 186.3 | . 4 | 197.3 | . 9 | 152.8 | . 3 | 239.4 | . 5 | 191.5 | . 0 |
| Medical care ....................................................... | 233.9 | 1.4 | 234.2 | . 2 | 268.3 | . 6 | 237.3 | . 8 | 243.6 | 1.6 | 248.5 | 1.1 |
| Entertainment ....................................................... | 184.8 | 1.4 | 190.4 | 3.9 | 177.8 | -1.1 | 165.6 | 1.5 | 190.4 | 3.2 | 182.6 | . 9 |
| Other goods and services ..................................... | 192.8 | 1.2 | 194.2 | 1.4 | 193.8 | . 9 | 185.4 | . 8 | 197.4 | . 8 | 192.4 | 1.0 |
| Personal care .................................................. | 192.1 | 1.7 | 186.4 | 1.9 | 190.8 | . 6 | 177.1 | 1.0 | 191.6 | . 8 | 186.7 | 1.5 |

[^8]Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979-Continued
( $1967=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | $\begin{gathered} \text { U.S. } \\ \text { city } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ |  | Chicago, III.Northwestern ind. |  | Detroit, Mich. |  | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. |  | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. |  | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items . | 209.1 | 2.1 | 206.6 | 3.5 | 211.6 | 3.2 | 203.8 | 2.1 | 206.4 | 1.7 | 204.8 | 1.2 |
| Commodities | 200.5 | 2.4 | 200.2 | 3.7 | 195.0 | 3.3 | 193.2 | 2.4 | 196.8 | 2.6 | 198.0 | 1.9 |
| Food and beverages | 224.4 | 2.8 | 226.6 | 2.9 | 221.2 | 2.3 | 218.6 | 2.6 | 220.9 | 2.4 | 227.7 | 2.4 |
| Commodities less food and beverages | 187.0 | 2.2 | 183.9 | 4.3 | 180.7 | 3.9 | 180.7 | 2.3 | 179.5 | 2.6 | 179.2 | 1.6 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ............... | 187.8 | 3.0 | 180.7 | 3.9 | 180.4 | 2.7 | 179.5 | 3.3 | 185.8 | 4.0 | 183.1 | 3.8 |
| Durables .......................................................... | 184.9 | 1.6 | 184.3 | 4.5 | 178.5 | 4.6 | 181.8 | 1.6 | 169.1 | 1.1 | 175.8 | -. 6 |
| Services .............................................................. | 225.1 | 1.8 | 218.2 | 3.0 | 234.2 | 2.9 | 222.6 | 1.8 | 224.0 | . 8 | 219.9 | . 3 |
| Medical care services ......................................... | 251.8 | 1.4 | 257.6 | -. 1 | 282.4 | . 4 | 252.2 | . 4 | 262.3 | 1.7 | 273.3 | 1.5 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter ............................................ | 203.7 | 2.1 | 200.7 | 2.6 | 203.1 | 1.5 | 196.5 | 2.0 | 206.2 | 2.2 | 205.0 | 2.2 |
| All items less medical care .................................... | 207.6 | 2.2 | 204.7 | 3.6 | 207.1 | 3.3 | 201.6 | 2.2 | 204.2 | 1.8 | 202.0 | 1.3 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{2}$........................................... | 206.9 | 2.0 | 114.6 | 3.2 | 114.5 | 3.2 | 110.1 | 1.9 | 108.9 | 1.5 | 109.0 | . 8 |
| Energy ${ }^{3}$ | 241.2 | 4.2 | 112.3 | 5.1 | 105.1 | 2.5 | 111.7 | 4.5 | 108.5 | 4.1 | 111.1 | 5.1 |
| Commodities less food ......................................... | 185.9 | 2.2 | 183.0 | 4.2 | 181.7 | 3.8 | 179.8 | 2.2 | 177.8 | 2.7 | 178.0 | 1.6 |
| Nondurables less food ........................................... | 185.7 | 3.0 | 179.1 | 3.6 | 182.0 | 2.6 | 177.9 | 3.1 | 182.3 | 3.9 | 181.0 | 3.8 |
| Nondurables . | 206.9 | 2.9 | 205.0 | 3.3 | 201.7 | 2.4 | 199.9 | 2.9 | 204.9 | 3.1 | 207.6 | 3.0 |
| Services less rent ................................................. | 235.0 | 2.0 | 232.1 | 3.5 | 241.0 | 3.0 | 230.3 | 2.0 | 235.1 | . 9 | 224.7 | . 3 |
| Services less medical care ................................ | 220.8 | 1.8 | 211.5 | 3.3 | 222.8 | 3.1 | 217.9 | 2.0 | 218.8 | . 7 | 210.8 | . 1 |

[^9]Table 17. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979
(1967 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{\prime}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Anchorage, Alaska ${ }^{2}$ |  | Baltimore, Md. |  | Boston, Mass. |  | Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. |  | DenverBouider, Colo. |  | Miami, Fla. ${ }^{3}$ |  | Milwaukee, Wis. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 201.0 | 1.5 | 209.1 | 2.4 | 205.1 | 1.7 | 215.7 | 2.1 | 223.0 | 3.1 | 111.2 | 2.1 | 207.6 | 3.5 |
| All items (1957-59=100) ...................................... | 219.5 | - | 242.7 | - | 245.7 | - | 244.8 | - | 237.5 | - | - | - | 234.4 | - |
| Food and beverages | 241.6 | 2.6 | 227.3 | 2.2 | 216.6 | 2.9 | 233.5 | 2.5 | 221.5 | 2.7 | 118.2 | 2.7 | 222.0 | 2.9 |
| Food | 223.4 | 2.7 | 232.6 | 2.3 | 222.6 | 3.1 | 239.5 | 2.5 | 229.1 | 2.6 | 118.7 | 2.8 | 231.2 | 3.0 |
| Food at home.... | 223.4 | 2.9 | 232.5 | 2.6 | 224.4 | 4.2 | 244.4 | 2.2 | 226.5 | 3.8 | 120.3 | 4.0 | 225.4 | 3.0 |
| Cereals and bakery products ....................... | 205.2 | 1.8 | 205.8 | . 4 | 212.1 | -. 3 | 238.6 | -1.9 | 203.6 | 2.0 | 115.6 | 4.4 | 214.5 | . 3 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 245.8 | 5.9 | 235.1 | 4.9 | 236.4 | 8.0 | 240.9 | 3.7 | 232.0 | 8.5 | 130.7 | 5.3 | 240.3 | 7.8 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ....... | 249.0 | 5.9 | 239.9 | 5.1 | 240.7 | 8.4 | 243.4 | 3.7 | 235.1 | 9.3 | 131.2 | 5.4 | 244.1 | 8.2 |
| Dairy products ............................................ | 188.5 | -1.3 | 198.7 | 2.1 | 192.9 | 1.3 | 213.3 | 3.6 | 211.9 | -. 4 | 112.6 | 1.4 | 212.6 | 1.9 |
| Fruits and vegetables .................................. | 203.7 | 3.0 | 233.8 | 2.6 | 215.8 | 4.4 | 240.9 | 1.3 | 217.4 | 1.0 | 119.9 | 6.7 | 209.3 | 3.0 |
| Other foods at home ................................... | 249.0 | 1.0 | 276.9 | . 7 | 256.7 | 2.2 | 288.2 | 2.0 | 265.3 | 2.7 | 113.0 | 1.5 | 241.1 | -1.2 |
| Food away from home ................................... | 228.5 | 2.4 | 235.1 | 1.6 | 222.9 | 1.2 | 223.3 | 2.9 | 239.6 | . 9 | 115.8 | . 4 | 250.5 | 3.0 |
| Alcoholic beverages ......................................... | 188.3 | 1.9 | 183.0 | . 3 | 165.8 | . 9 | 189.6 | 2.0 | 173.5 | .6 | 108.1 | . 3 | 158.9 | 1.2 |
| Housing ............................................................ | 199.8 | 1.7 | 219.6 | 1.7 | 206.7 | . 4 | 222.9 | 2.9 | 251.9 | 3.4 | 109.6 | 2.0 | 209.0 | 5.2 |
| Shelter ........................................................... | 184.4 | 1.6 | 233.5 | 1.2 | 208.9 | -. 9 | 237.9 | 3.3 | 289.3 | 4.3 | 110.9 | 2.0 | 214.4 | 7.2 |
| Rent, residential ............................................ | 161.6 | -1.2 | 160.3 | . 3 | 178.8 | . 4 | 148.5 | . 3 | 163.3 | 2.7 | 106.8 | 1.6 | 164.6 | . 9 |
| Other rental costs ......................................... | 205.5 | -3.7 | 206.8 | 12.3 | 213.2 | -. 3 | 216.0 | 2.1 | 215.8 | 5.9 | 108.9 | . 6 | 210.3 | . 3 |
| Homeownership ............................................. | 188.9 | 2.3 | 264.1 | 1.2 | 222.6 | -1.4 | 277.5 | 3.9 | 327.0 | 4.5 | 112.3 | 2.2 | 232.4 | 9.5 |
| Fuel and other utilities | 176.9 | 3.3 | 223.6 | 5.0 | 230.5 | 4.3 | 249.5 | 2.5 | 203.6 | . 4 | 103.9 | 4.3 | 227.8 | 3.4 |
| Fuels 4 ......................................................... | 199.2 | 5.6 | 266.2 | 6.5 | 257.2 | 5.8 | 288.8 | 3.4 | 262.0 | . 6 | 106.8 | 7.3 | 264.4 | 4.6 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ${ }^{5}$.................... | 248.2 | 5.3 | 351.0 | 6.7 | 351.6 | 10.7 | 112.3 | 5.7 | 100.7 | . 2 | 98.6 | 1.2 | 368.4 | 8.1 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ${ }^{4}$......................... | 139.1 | 5.6 | 233.8 | 6.4 | 186.3 | . 6 | 273.1 | 3.0 | 263.4 | . 6 | 107.0 | 7.4 | 238.3 | 3.6 |
| Household furnishings and operation ................. | 246.9 | 1.5 | 192.0 | . 9 | 183.9 | 1.1 | 175.5 | 1.6 | 185.7 | 1.0 | 109.0 | . 7 | 183.9 | . 6 |
| Apparel and upkeep ........................................... | 157.5 | -. 3 | 175.3 | 7.4 | 181.9 | 7.4 | 173.4 | -2.9 | 172.1 | 6.4 | 106.7 | 1.4 | 177.8 | 5.6 |
| Apparel commodities ....................................... | 146.6 | . 3 | 167.2 | 8.6 | 179.3 | 8.5 | 167.8 | -4.2 | 153.5 | 7.3 | 104.9 | 1.5 | 177.0 | 6.2 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ............................... | 144.9 | 2.5 | 174.6 | 7.1 | 161.6 | 4.3 | 161.1 | -7.6 | 177.6 | 2.9 | 107.7 | . 9 | 176.7 | 6.7 |
| Women's and girls' apparel ............................ | 145.5 | -2.4 | 151.3 | 12.4 | 185.1 | 17.2 | 161.5 | -6.3 | 166.9 | 14.4 | 100.4 | 1.2 | 168.8 | 5.4 |
| Footwear ...................................................... | 156.7 | -. 8 | 202.3 | 5.3 | 178.4 | 3.1 | 188.1 | 2.3 | 159.5 | 4.7 | 107.7 | . 2 | 195.2 | 10.6 |
| Transportation ................................................... | 184.9 | . 6 | 187.7 | 2.0 | 211.4 | 1.8 | 185.3 | 1.9 | 196.5 | 3.0 | 109.4 | 2.0 | 199.1 | 1.7 |
| Private transportation ....................................... | 192.2 | . 6 | 189.4 | 2.1 | 218.2 | 2.0 | 191.8 | 2.0 | 197.8 | 2.6 | 109.2 | 2.1 | 198.1 | 1.8 |
| Public transportation ......................................... | 136.4 | . 1 | 170.0 | . 4 | 167.3 | -. 1 | 124.8 | . 2 | 177.6 | 11.3 | 112.3 | . 5 | 197.8 | 1.0 |
| Medical care ...................................................... | 243.7 | -. 4 | 236.1 | 2.8 | 225.1 | 1.2 | 270.1 | . 6 | 216.1 | 1.3 | 116.4 | 3.3 | 233.4 | 1.3 |
| Entertainment ..................................................... | 190.4 | . 2 | 183.8 | 2.7 | 183.6 | 1.6 | 175.9 | 2.6 | 195.2 | 3.0 | 108.4 | 1.4 | 193.0 | . 4 |
| Other goods and services ................................... | 190.1 | 1.8 | 193.5 | 3.8 | 192.4 | 1.1 | 190.1 | . 8 | 190.3 | 1.6 | 107.5 | . 7 | 186.1 | 1.0 |
| Personal care | 199.8 | 1.8 | 196.9 | 6.4 | 179.5 | 1.6 | 179.8 | . 8 | 187.2 | 2.1 | 107.6 | -. 3 | 193.8 | 1.2 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Anchorage, Alaska ${ }^{2}$ |  | Baltimore, Md. |  | Boston, Mass. |  | Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. |  | DenverBoulder, Colo. |  | Miami, Fia. ${ }^{3}$ |  | Milwaukee, Wis. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items .............................................................. | 201.0 | 1.5 | 209.1 | 2.4 | 205.1 | 1.7 | 215.7 | 2.1 | 223.0 | 3.1 | 111.2 | 2.1 | 207.6 | 3.5 |
| Commodities | 194.3 | 2.0 | 207.2 | 3.1 | 201.2 | 2.6 | 209.6 | 1.8 | 210.9 | 3.5 | 111.5 | 2.0 | 201.3 | 3.7 |
| Food and beverages | 241.6 | 2.6 | 227.3 | 2.2 | 216.6 | 2.9 | 233.5 | 2.5 | 221.5 | 2.7 | 118.2 | 2.7 | 222.0 | 2.9 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ............... | 169.3 | 1.8 | 195.2 | 3.5 | 189.8 | 2.4 | 192.0 | 1.4 | 205.4 | 3.8 | 108.2 | 1.6 | 189.6 | 4.1 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ............. | 171.5 | . 7 | 194.4 | 5.4 | 204.7 | 5.4 | 193.5 | . 8 | 184.6 | 3.9 | 109.9 | 2.2 | 198.7 | 4.5 |
| Durables ....................................................... | 161.7 | 2.3 | 198.1 | 2.1 | 166.6 | -. 9 | 187.8 | 1.6 | 223.7 | 3.8 | 106.9 | 1.1 | 173.8 | 3.8 |
| Services ............................................................ | 223.1 | . 7 | 212.9 | 1.2 | 2.13 .9 | . 6 | 227.9 | 2.6 | 245.4 | 2.8 | 110.9 | 2.3 | 219.9 | 3.3 |
| Medical care services ....................................... | 265.2 | -. 5 | 255.4 | 3.0 | 244.6 | 1.5 | 286.0 | . 5 | 234.6 | 1.2 | 117.9 | 3.8 | 251.5 | 1.5 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter ......................................... | 211.1 | 1.4 | 204.8 | 2.8 | 203.8 | 2.6 | 208.2 | 1.6 | 201.8 | 2.5 | 111.3 | 2.1 | 204.9 | 2.2 |
| All items less medical care ................................... | 203.0 | 1.5 | 207.6 | 2.4 | 204.0 | 1.7 | 212.4 | 2.2 | 223.2 | 3.3 | 110.9 | 2.0 | 206.1 | 3.6 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{4}$......................................... | 112.4 | 1.4 | 106.6 | 2.0 | 109.2 | 1.3 | 112.7 | 1.9 | 115.8 | 3.1 | 111.2 | 1.8 | 114.5 | 3.3 |
| Energy ${ }^{7}$.............................................................. | 105.8 | 3.2 | 100.9 | 6.1 | 114.6 | 5.6 | 109.3 | 3.9 | 114.6 | 3.9 | 111.0 | 5.9 | 113.4 | 5.0 |
| Commodities less food ....................................... | 171.2 | 18 | 194.5 | 3.4 | 188.0 | 2.3 | 192.1 | 1.4 | 203.1 | 3.7 | 108.2 | 1.6 | 187.4 | 3.9 |
| Nondurables less food .................................... ... | 173.9 | . 9 | 193.3 | 5.1 | 200.3 | 5.1 | 192.9 | . 9 | 182.8 | 3.7 | 109.8 | 2.0 | 193.3 | 4.3 |
| Nondurables ....................................................... | 207.7 | 1.8 | 211.4 | 3.7 | 211.2 | 4.1 | 216.4 | 1.7 | 203.6 | 3.2 | 114.4 | 2.5 | 211.0 | 3.5 |
| Services less rent. | 235.9 | 1.1 | 221.7 | 1.4 | 220.7 | . 5 | 244.8 | 2.9 | 258.8 | 2.7 | 111.7 | 2.4 | 229.9 | 3.7 |
| Services less medical care | 217.3 | . 8 | 207.5 | 1.0 | 210.4 | .4 | 217.5 | 2.9 | 245.7 | 2.9 | 110.1 | 2.1 | 215.5 | 3.5 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979-Continued
( $1967=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northeast Pennsylvania |  | Portland, Oreg.-Wash. |  | St. Louis, Mo. III. |  | San Diego, Calif. |  | SeattleEverett, Wash. ${ }^{8}$ |  | Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
| All items $\qquad$ <br> All items $(1957-59=100)^{9}$ $\qquad$ | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 203.5 | 1.6 | 215.4 | 1.7 | 208.4 | 2.5 | 221.4 | 3.1 | 207.0 | 2.5 | 212.6 | 1.9 |
|  | 240.2 | - | 254.6 | - | 243.4 | - | 232.7 | - | 243.2 | - | 247.6 | - |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | 215.8 | 2.0 | 222.9 | 2.8 | 226.5 | 2.5 | 222.7 | 2.7 | 216.3 | 4.7 | 238.0 | 2.8 |
| Food | 223.7 | 2.1 | 229.3 | 2.8 | 230.3 | 2.4 | 230.7 | 2.7 | 223.6 | 4.9 | 241.7 | 2.9 |
| Food at home | 225.3 | 1.7 | 228.1 | 3.9 | 232.2 | 3.2 | 217.8 | 2.5 | 218.8 | 4.2 | 240.3 | 3.6 |
| Cereals and bakery products .......................... | 200.5 | . 1 | 212.4 | 1.6 | 222.6 | 1.5 | 206.3 | 3.0 | 203.7 | 1.9 | 228.7 | 2.6 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ${ }^{10}$...................... | 239.5 | 5.7 | 255.1 | 6.5 | 229.6 | 4.8 | 237.3 | 6.0 | 238.0 | 7.5 | 233.9 | 6.9 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ................................ | 241.6 | 6.0 | 259.9 | 6.7 | 233.4 | 4.9 | 241.4 | 6.4 | 244.9 | 7.5 | 237.8 | 7.3 |
| Dairy products .............................................. | 196.0 | 1.4 | 186.7 | 4.2 | 214.6 | 2.0 | 184.7 | 2.6 | 188.1 | 2.1 | 192.5 | . 6 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 223.9 | -2.1 | 208.9 | 2.4 | 232.7 | 3.4 | 209.7 | -1.1 | 192.5 | 6.2 | 255.4 | 6.3 |
| Other foods at home ${ }^{10}$..................................... | 259.3 | -. 2 | 261.2 | 1.9 | 265.2 | 2.2 | 242.2 | . 5 | 254.1 | 1.5 | 289.8 | -. 2 |
| Food away from home ..................................... | 214.4 | 3.3 | 234.0 | . 5 | 227.1 | . 8 | 263.8 | 3.0 | 236.2 | 6.2 | 248.2 | 1.6 |
| Alcoholic beverages ........................................... | 151.2 | . 4 | 167.0 | 3.3 | 188.1 | 3.6 | 159.6 | 3.7 | 167.3 | 1.8 | 197.6 | 1.9 |
| Housing ............................................................... | 212.6 | 1.7 | 229.2 | . 6 | 213.0 | 2.7 | 251.4 | 4.1 | 220.4 | 1.9 | 216.2 | 1.1 |
| Shelter ............................................................... | 233.6 | 2.9 | 256.2 | . 2 | 222.1 | 2.7 | 294.8 | 4.8 | 241.4 | 1.9 | 224.3 | . 3 |
| Rent, residential | 201.6 | 2.1 | 183.1 | . 7 | 142.4 | -2.5 | 197.8 | 2.1 | 184.6 | 1.2 | 176.9 | 2.1 |
| Other rental costs | 231.0 | . 7 | 207.4 | . 1 | 215.1 | -. 8 | 229.1 | -4.0 | 235.6 | 8.5 | 229.2 | 5.1 |
| Homeownership.. | 242.9 | 3.1 | 282.6 | . 1 | 245.3 | 3.8 | 330.3 | 5.3 | 257.8 | 1.9 | 250.3 | -. 4 |
| Fuet and other utilities ........................................ | 283.7 | . 2 | 239.7 | 2.7 | 218.1 | 3.9 | 173.5 | 1.5 | 198.0 | 2.7 | 218.5 | 3.6 |
| Fuels | 286.5 | . 3 | 245.1 | 4.0 | 262.0 | 5.4 | 196.0 | 2.8 | 236.8 | 4.7 | 269.9 | 5.1 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas " | 354.6 | 5.2 | 351.1 | 10.7 | 310.8 | 2.9 | 104.8 | 2.0 | 313.1 | 8.3 | 347.4 | 6.6 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity .............................. | 170.1 | -3.9 | 188.3 | . 0 | 247.0 | 5.7 | 205.7 | 2.9 | 179.6 | 1.9 | 254.7 | 4.8 |
| Household furnishings and operation .................... | 163.2 | . 4 | 180.5 | 1.5 | 189.1 | 1.4 | 175.5 | 1.1 | 185.6 | 1.4 | 192.4 | 2.8 |
| Apparel and upkeep .............................................. | 156.1 | 1.2 | 169.6 | 3.1 | 166.6 | 6.7 | 161.2 | . 6 | 164.9 | 4.0 | 167.7 | 5.5 |
| Apparel commodities .......................................... | 155.8 | 1.3 | 169.0 | 3.3 | 162.5 | 7.6 | 158.1 | . 7 | 160.1 | 4.5 | 158.3 | 6.2 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ................................... | 174.8 | 1.2 | 160.7 | 4.6 | 155.8 | 3.4 | 160.4 | -2.3 | 165.6 | 2.0 | 159.0 | 3.9 |
| Women's and girs' apparel ............................... | 130.7 | . 0 | 175.0 | 3.9 | 160.9 | 15.5 | 152.8 | 3.9 | 145.0 | 6.6 | 145.5 | 7.9 |
| Footwear ............................................................. | 168.6 | . 8 | 177.1 | 3.5 | 170.7 | 3.5 | 163.4 | . 5 | 175.8 | 1.9 | 175.3 | 6.0 |
| Transportation ..................................................... | 192.9 | 2.0 | 193.1 | 4.0 | 195.2 | 2.1 | 195.5 | 1.7 | 187.0 | 2.3 | 197.8 | 1.8 |
| Private transportation .......................................... | 200.6 | 2.0 | 201.6 | 4.3 | 202.1 | 2.2 | 198.3 | 1.7 | 189.5 | 2.4 | 197.4 | 1.9 |
| Public transportation ......................................... | 132.9 | . 5 | 158.1 | -. 6 | 106.8 | . 8 | 147.1 | -. 2 | 169.7 | 1.2 | 194.8 | 1.4 |
| Medical care ....................................................... | 232.5 | 1.9 | 231.0 | . 9 | 210.6 | . 3 | 225.4 | . 7 | 227.1 | 2.1 | 247.3 | 2.4 |
| Entertainment ....................................... | 181.0 | -. 2 | 185.7 | 3.1 | 191.7 | -. 6 | 175.3 | 1.0 | 174.8 | . 3 | 178.0 | 1.8 |
| Other goods and services ..................................... | 192.3 | . 1 | 197.3 | 1.2 | 188.8 | 3 | 190.7 | 1.0 | 190.1 | 2.6 | 195.3 | . 9 |
| Personal care ........................................................... | 204.8 | . 8 | 199.9 | 1.2 | 191.8 | -. 7 | 190.2 | 1.0 | 209.6 | 3.6 | 182.4 | . 2 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979, and percent changes, January 1979 to March 1979-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northeast Pennsylvania |  | Portland, Oreg.Wash. |  | St. Louis, Mo. III. |  | San Diego, Calif. |  | SeattleEvereth, Wash. ${ }^{8}$ |  | Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................ | 203.5 | 1.6 | 215.4 | 1.7 | 208.4 | 2.5 | 221.4 | 3.1 | 207.0 | 2.5 | 212.6 | 1.9 |
| Commodities | 199.9 | 1.9 | 205.5 | 1.9 | 205.4 | 3.0 | 210.7 | 2.7 | 196.8 | 2.6 | 204.2 | 2.2 |
| Food and beverages .......................................... | 215.8 | 2.0 | 222.9 | 2.8 | 226.5 | 2.5 | 222.7 | 2.7 | 216.3 | 4.7 | 238.0 | 2.8 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ................. | 190.3 | 1.8 | 197.0 | 1.7 | 190.4 | 3.1 | 204.0 | 2.7 | 186.7 | 1.7 | 184.8 | 1.8 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ............... | 193.9 | 2.4 | 194.7 | 4.0 | 187.8 | 4.3 | 189.4 | 2.3 | 188.8 | 3.9 | 188.6 | 4.0 |
| Durables .......................................................... | 182.9 | 1.2 | 195.9 | . 4 | 190.7 | 2.3 | 213.2 | 2.9 | 184.0 | . 5 | 176.2 | . 4 |
| Services .............................................................. | 211.7 | 1.2 | 233.3 | 1.5 | 214.5 | 1.6 | 240.2 | 3.5 | 226.3 | 2.4 | 226.2 | 1.5 |
| Medical care services ........................................ | 253.0 | 2.0 | 250.6 | . 9 | 224.0 | . 1 | 241.5 | . 7 | 243.6 | 2.1 | 266.9 | 2.5 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter ............................................ | 197.4 | 1.4 | 202.3 | 2.7 | 204.1 | 2.3 | 196.0 | 1.7 | 196.9 | 2.8 | 208.2 | 2.7 |
| All items less medical care ................................... | 201.8 | 1.7 | 213.9 | 1.8 | 207.8 | 2.5 | 220.9 | 3.2 | 205.7 | 2.5 | 210.3 | 1.8 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{6}$.......................................... | 111.4 | 1.5 | 114.6 | 1.5 | 113.2 | 2.1 | 118.9 | 3.0 | 113.4 | 2.3 | 113.5 | 1.7 |
| Energy ${ }^{7}$.............................................................. | 109.1 | 2.7 | 111.2 | 5.2 | 109.1 | 5.7 | 107.8 | 4.7 | 110.0 | 4.8 | 107.5 | 4.6 |
| Commodities less food ......................................... | 187.7 | 1.8 | 195.4 | 1.7 | 190.6 | 3.1 | 201.6 | 2.8 | 185.2 | 1.7 | 185.7 | 1.9 |
| Nondurables less food .......................................... | 189.2 | 2.3 | 191.9 | 4.0 | 188.0 | 4.3 | 186.1 | 2.4 | 185.9 | 3.7 | 189.4 | 3.9 |
| Nondurables ..................................................... | 205.3 | 2.1 | 208.9 | 3.4 | 209.3 | 3.3 | 206.5 | 2.5 | 203.1 | 4.3 | 213.8 | 3.4 |
| Services less rent ............................................................................... | 213.0 | 1.0 | 242.6 | 1.6 | 224.2 | 2.0 | 248.3 | 3.8 | 232.8 | 2.5 | 239.6 | 1.3 |
| Services less medical care .................................... | 204.5 | 1.1 | 229.3 | 1.6 | 211.3 | 1.8 | 238.9 | 3.9 | 223.4 | 2.4 | 220.3 | 1.4 |

' Areas priced on pricing schedule 2 (See table 13) will appear next month.
2 Indexes on an October 1967 = 100 base unless otherwise indicated.
3 Indexes on a November $1977=100$ base unless othenwise indicated.
4. Index on a June $1978=100$ base in Miami, Fla.; formerly on a November $1977=100$ base.

5 Indexes on a June $1978=100$ base in Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.Ind. and Miami, Fla.; formerly on the bases listed in footnote 6 below. Index on a January 1978 = 100 base in Denver-Boulder, Col.

- Indexes are on the bases listed below:

Anchorage, Alaska.................January $1978=100$.
Baltimore, Md........................................................ $1978=100$.
Boston, Mass........
B78 $=100$
Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind......... March $1978=100$.
Denver-Boulder, Colo............January $1978=100$.
Miami, Fla...............................November $1977=100$.
Milwaukee, Wis......................November $1977=100$.
Northeastern Pennsylvania...November $1977=100$.
Portland, Oreg.Wash...........January $1978=100$.

San Diego, Calif...............................November $1977=100$.
Seattle-Everett, Wash..............November $1977=100$.
Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va......November $1977=100$.

7 Indexes on a June 1978=100 base; formerty on the bases listed in footnote 6.

| *Revised indexes: Nover | November 1978 January 1979 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All items | 203.6 | 202.0 |
| All items( $1957-59=100)$ | 239.3 | 237.3 |
| Housing | 222.7 | 216.3 |
| Shelter | 247.5 | 237.0 |
| Homeownership | 269.9 | 253.1 |
| Commodities | 193.6 | 191.9 |
| Commodities less food | 186.0 | 182.1 |
| Commodities less food and beverages | 187.5 | 183.5 |
| Durables | 190.3 | 183.1 |
| Services | 222.7 | 221.1 |
| Services less rent | 230.8 | 227.1 |
| Services less medical care | 220.1 | 218.2 |
| All items less medical care | 202.5 | 200.6 |
| All items less energy (Nov. $1977=100$ ) | 112.0 | 110.9 |

9 The $1957-59=100$ base is not available for San Diego, Calif;; index is on a February $1965=100$ base.
${ }^{10}$ Index is on an April 1967=100 base in Northeastern Pennsylvania and Portland, Oreg.Wash.
" Index on a June 1978=100 base in San Diego, Calif.; formerly on a November $1977=100$ base.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, all Items Index
(1967 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, and population size class | Pricing schedule' | Other index base | Indexes |  |  |  | Percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  |  | Percent change to Feb. 1979 from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | Mar. $1979$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 1979 \end{gathered}$ |
| Area ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. city average ...................................... |  |  | 202.9 | 204.7 | 207.1 | 209.3 | 10.3 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 9.9 | 2.1 | 1.2 |
| Chicago, Ill.-Northwestem Ind ..................... | M |  | 198.5 | 199.7 | 202.4 | 206.2 | 11.1 | 3.3 | 1.9 | 10.1 | 2.0 | 1.4 |
| Detroit, Mich ............................................. | M |  | 201.9 | 204.9 | 208.8 | 211.6 | 12.6 | 3.3 | 1.3 | 12.4 | 3.4 | 1.9 |
| L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif ................ | M |  | 197.0 | 199.7 | 202.3 | 204.4 | 9.2 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 8.3 | 2.7 | 1.3 |
| N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J ........................ | M |  | 200.9 | 202.3 | 204.7 | 206.3 | 7.5 | 2.0 | . 8 | 7.3 | 1.9 | 1.2 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J ................................. | M |  | 202.4 | 203.9 | 205.8 | 206.8 | 9.0 | 1.4 | . 5 | 9.1 | 1.7 | . 9 |
| Anchorage, Alaska ................................... | 1 | 10/67 | - | 197.3 | - | 200.5 | 10.9 | 1.6 | - | - | - | - |
| Baltimore, Md ............................................ | 1 |  | - | 205.0 | - | 210.4 | 7.5 | 2.6 | - | - | - | - |
| Boston, Mass ... | 1 |  | - | 200.7 | - | 204.3 | 8.8 | 1.8 | - | - | - | - |
| Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind | 1 |  | - | 212.3 | - | 216.7 | 12.7 | 2.1 | - | - | - | - |
| Denver-Boulder, Colo ...... | 1 |  | - | 218.0 | - | 225.0 | 15.0 | 3.2 | - | - | - | - |
| Miami, Fla ................................................ | 1 | 11/77 | - | 109.2 | - | 112.4 | 9.9 | 2.9 | - | - | - | - |
| Milwaukee, Wis ......................................... | 1 |  | - | 201.6 | - | 209.5 | 12.3 | 3.9 | - | - | - | - |
| Northeast Pennsylvania ............................. | 1 |  | - | 202.1 | - | 206.6 | 10.4 | 2.2 | - | - | - | - |
| Portland, Oreg.Wash ....... | 1 |  | - | 212.1 | - | 215.8 | 12.5 | 1.7 | - | - | - | - |
| St. Louis, Mo.-111 ... | 1 |  | - | 201.4 | - | 207.0 | 12.5 | 2.8 | - | - | - | - |
| San Diego, Calif ......................................... | 1 |  | - | 212.5 | - | 218.6 | 14.3 | 2.9 | - | - | - | - |
| Seattle-Everett, Wash ${ }^{3}$........................ | 1 |  | - | 200.4 | - | 205.8 | 10.2 | 2.7 | - | - | - | - |
| Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va ........................... | 1 |  | - | 209.4 | - | 213.4 | 11.8 | 1.9 | - | - | - | - |
| Atlanta, Ga .............................................. | 2 |  | 199.2 | - | 202.7 | - | - | - | - | 8.7 | 1.8 | - |
| Buffalo, N.Y ... | 2 |  | 199.5 | - | 203.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.3 | 1.8 | - |
| Cleveland, Ohio ....................................... | 2 |  | 206.0 | - | 211.0 | - | - | - | - | 13.1 | 2.4 | - |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex | 2 |  | 201.2 | - | 206.3 | - | - | - | - | 10.5 | 2.5 | - |
| Honolulu, Hawaii ........... | 2 |  | 191.2 | - | 196.0 | - | - | - | - | 10.4 | 2.5 | - |
| Houston, Tex ............................. | 2 |  | 218.3 | - | 223.1 | - | - | - | - | - 12.1 | 2.2 | - |
| Kansas City, Mo.-Kans | 2 |  | 198.9 | - | 204.2 | - | - | - | - | 10.7 | 2.7 | - |
| Minneapolis-St.Paul, Minn.-Wis ................... | 2 |  | 209.2 | - | 212.5 | - | - | - | - | - 10.9 | 1.6 | - |
| Pittsburgh, Pa ............................................ | 2 |  | 204.2 | - | 208.6 | - | - | - | - | - 11.8 | 2.2 | - |
| San Francisco-Oakland, Calif ..................... | 2 |  | 200.4 | - | 204.2 | - | - | - | - | 7.8 | 1.9 | - |
| Region ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast ..... | 2 | 12/77 | 107.8 | - | 110.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.9 | 2.1 | - |
| North Central .......................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 110.1 | - | 112.4 | - | - | - | - | 11.0 | 2.1 | - |
| South ... | 2 | 12/77 | 109.6 | - | 111.7 | - | - | . | - | 10.4 | 1.9 | - |
| West ......... | 2 | 12/77 | 108.4 | - | 111.0 | - | - | - | - | 9.6 | 2.4 | - |
| Population stze clase ${ }^{\text {s }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 .......................................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 107.8 | - | 110.2 | - | - | - | - | 8.8 | 2.2 | - |
| A-2 ......................................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 109.3 | - | 111.4 | - | - | - | - | 10.2 | 1.9 | - |
| B ............................................................ | 2 | 12/77 | 109.7 | - | 112.0 | - | - | - | - | 10.6 | 2.1 | - |
| C ............................................................ | 2 | 12/77 | 109.8 | - | 112.3 | - | - | - | - | 11.0 | 2.3 | - |
| D .................................................................. | 2 | 12/77 | 109.4 | - | 111.3 | - | - | - | - | 9.9 | 1.7 | - |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, all Items index-Continued (1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, and population size class | Pricing schedule | Other index base | Indexes |  |  |  | Percent change to Mar. 1979 from- |  |  | Percent change to Feb. 1979 from- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jan. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1979 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1978 \end{aligned}$ | Jan. $1979$ |
| Region/population size class cross chaselfication ${ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A ............................................. | 2 | 12/77 | 107.2 | - | 109.1 | - | - | - | - | 8.0 | 1.8 | - |
| North Central/A ........................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 110.1 | - | 112.7 | - | - | - | - | 11.3 | 2.4 | - |
| South/A | 2 | 12/77 | 109.2 | - | 111.6 | - | - | - | - | 10.3 | 2.2 | - |
| West/A $\qquad$ | 2 | 12/77 | 107.4 | - | 109.9 | - | - | - | - | 8.5 | 2.3 | - |
| Northeast/B | 2 | 12/77 | 108.3 | - | 111.0 | - | - | - | - | 9.8 | 2.5 | - |
| North Central/B | 2 | 12/77 | 110.7 | - | 113.1 | - | - | - | - | 11.4 | 2.2 | - |
| South/B | 2 | 12/77 | 109.9 | - | 111.7 | - | - | - | - | 10.6 | 1.6 | - |
| West/B $\qquad$ | 2 | 12/77 | 109.7 | - | 112.4 | - | - | - | - | 10.5 | 2.5 | - |
| Northeast/C | 2 | 12/77 | 109.9 | - | 113.1 | - | - | - | - | 11.8 | 2.9 | - |
| North Central/C | 2 | 12/77 | 109.6 | - | 111.5 | - | - | - | - | 10.2 | 1.7 | - |
| South/C | 2 | 12/77 | 110.0 | - | 112.3 | - | - | - | - | 10.9 | 2.1 | - |
| West/C | 2 | 12/77 | 109.5 | - | 112.6 | - | - | - | - | 11.5 | 2.8 | - |
| Northeast/D $\qquad$ | 2 | 12/77 | 108.5 | - | 110.7 | - | - | - | - | 9.4 | 2.0 | - |
| North Central/D | 2 | 12/77 | 110.2 | - | 112.1 | - | - | - | - | 10.8 | 1.7 | - |
| South/D | 2 | 12/77 | 109.2 | - | 110.8 | - | - | - | - | 9.1 | 1.5 | - |
| West/D ....................................................... | 2 | 12/77 | 108.7 | - | 111.3 | - | - | - | - | 10.5 | 2.4 | - |

${ }^{1}$ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, arid November.
2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.
Area is generally the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA), exclusive of farms. L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif. is a combination of two SMSA's, and N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J. and Chicago, Ill.Northwestern Ind. are the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1973, except for Demver-Boulder, Colo. which does not include Douglas County. Definitions do not include revisions made since 1973.

Revised indexes: $11 / 78=202.1$ and $1 / 79=200.4$
4 Anrual rate based on 10 -month change.

5 Regionsiare defined as the four Census regions.
The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

$$
\text { A-1 More than } 4,000,000 \text {. }
$$

A-2 - $1,250,000$ to $4,000,000$.
B - 385,000 to $1,250,000$.
D - $\quad 75,000$ to 385,000 .
Population size class $A$ is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

NOTE: Price changes within areas are found in the Consumer Price Index; differences in living costs among areas are found in Family Budgets.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)


See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories-Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Area, region, population size class | Other index base | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ${ }^{\text {' }}$ | Dairy products | Fruits and vegetables | Other foods at home' |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Indexes, March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Region/population cize class cross claselfication ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A ... | 12/77 | 117.5 | 111.1 | 130.3 | 112.4 | 116.0 | 106.8 |
| North Central/A .......... | 12/77 | 119.3 | 114.6 | 132.1 | 117.2 | 116.4 | 108.7 |
| South/A ........ | 12/77 | 119.5 | 113.3 | 131.7 | 116.6 | 118.0 | 109.9 |
| West/A .......... | 12/77 | 118.2 | 114.3 | 132.4 | 111.5 | 114.8 | 109.5 |
| Northeast/B | 12/77 | 117.7 | 113.6 | 129.8 | 112.4 | 119.9 | 106.8 |
| North Central/B | 12/77 | 119.8 | 115.9 | 133.3 | 116.7 | 117.1 | 109.8 |
| South/B .................................................... | 12/77 | 118.6 | 112.6 | 130.9 | 114.8 | 119.9 | 108.8 |
| West/B ..................................................... | 12/77 | 119.5 | 115.1 | 133.0 | 113.4 | 121.1 | 109.0 |
| Northeast/C .... | 12/77 | 118.3 | 115.0 | 132.1 | 113.9 | 113.0 | 108.5 |
| North Central/C ........................................ | 12/77 | 119.9 | 112.4 | 136.9 | 113.2 | 116.8 | 107.3 |
| South/C .................................................... | 12/77 | 118.9 | 112.2 | 131.4 | 115.4 | 118.7 | 109.0 |
| West/C ..................................................... | 12/77 | 120.3 | 112.9 | 135.0 | 114.1 | 121.9 | 110.1 |
| Northeast/D .............................................. | 12/77 | 119.7 | 116.0 | 132.8 | 113.4 | 119.2 | 109.2 |
| North Central/D | 12/77 | 118.3 | 116.8 | 134.9 | 115.2 | 110.1 | 109.8 |
| South/D ....................................................... | 12/77 | 118.7 | 110.4 | 132.5 | 117.5 | 121.3 | 107.4 |
| West/D ..................................................... | 12/77 | 120.2 | 117.5 | 134.2 | 112.2 | 117.6 | 112.8 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, food at nome expenditure categories-Continued

| Area, region, population size class | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | Dairy products | Fruits and vegetables | Other foods at home |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Area ${ }^{2}$ <br> U.S. city average | Percent change from February 1979 to March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0.9 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anchorage, Alaska ....................................................... | 1.8 | 1.0 | 3.8 | -. 9 | . 9 | 1.4 |
| Attanta, Ga | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.1 | -. 5 | 3.5 | 1.0 |
| Baltimore, Md ............................................................... | 1.3 | 1.1 | 2.5 | -. 3 | -. 7 | 1.3 |
| Boston, Mass | 1.1 | - 1 | 2.4 | . 9 | 2.2 | -. 8 |
| Butfalo, N.Y ................................................................. | 3.1 | 2.0 | 6.2 | -. 4 | 3.7 | . 2 |
| Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind | . 8 | . 8 | 1.4 | 1.1 | -. 5 | . 4 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.Ind ................................................. | . 5 | -. 3 | 1.9 | . 6 | -1.6 | -. 2 |
| Cleveland, Ohio ... | . 9 | 1.3 | 3.5 | -3.7 | . 9 | -. 6 |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex .................................................. | 1.6 | . 2 | 3.2 | . 8 | . 7 | 1.0 |
| Denver-Boulder, Colo ..................................................... | . 2 | -. 2 | 1.4 | . 5 | . 0 | -. 8 |
| Detroit, Mich ................................................................ | 1.3 | . 2 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 2.0 | . 8 |
| Honolulu, Hawaii | 1.7 | . 4 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.2 | -. 1 |
| Houston, Tex ........................................................ | . 9 | . 7 | 2.7 | . 5 | -1.8 | -. 2 |
| Kansas City, Mo.-Kans .. | . 6 | . 6 | 1.5 | -. 4 | . 0 | . 3 |
| L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif | 1.6 | 1.1 | 5.5 | . 2 | -4.5 | . 9 |
| Miami, Fla ................................................................... | 1.8 | 1.3 | 3.2 | . 4 | . 9 | . 5 |
| Milwaukee, Wis | . 6 | -1.4 | 3.8 | -2.0 | -1.2 | -. 7 |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wis ...................................... | -. 1 | -. 3 | . 4 | . 3 | -3.6 | . 5 |
| N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J ..................................... | . 8 | . 4 | 1.1 | 1.6 | . 7 | . 3 |
| Northeast Pennsytvania ................................................ | 1.4 | 1.8 | 3.1 | . 5 | . 9 | -. 4 |
| Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J ..................................................... | . 3 | -1.2 | . 5 | 1.1 | 1.8 | -. 2 |
| Pittsburgh, Pa .............................................................. | . 9 | . 7 | 2.3 | . 5 | -1.1 | . 5 |
| Portland, Oreg.-Wash ............................................... | . 5 | 1.2 | 1.5 | -. 1 | -. 8 | -. 3 |
| St. Louis, Mo.-III ...................................................... | 1.3 | . 9 | 2.7 | -. 2 | 2.7 | -. 1 |
| San Diego, Calif ....... | 1.3 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 1.0 | -3.0 | . 7 |
| San Francisco-Oakland, Calif .. | 1.4 | . 0 | 2.7 | 1.3 | -1.4 | 2.0 |
| Seatte-Everett, Wash | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | . 4 | 2.4 | 1.1 |
| Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va ............................................... | . 9 | . 0 | 3.1 | . 9 | 1.2 | -1.7 |
| Region ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast .................................................................. | . 9 | . 7 | 1.5 | 1.1 | . 5 | . 2 |
| North Central. | . 6 | . 3 | 1.9 | . 3 | . 7 | . 2 |
| South ............... | . 8 | . 4 | 1.9 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 |
| West ......................................................................... | 1.2 | . 9 | 3.6 | . 5 | -2.3 | . 5 |
| Population size class ${ }^{\text {3 }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 ............................................................................ | . 9 | . 4 | 1.8 | 1.2 | -. 3 | . 5 |
| A-2 ............................................................................ | 1.1 | . 5 | 2.6 | . 0 | . 3 | . 2 |
| B ............................................................................... | . 8 | 1.2 | 1.9 | . 9 | . 0 | . 0 |
| C .............................................................................. | . 9 | . 3 | 2.1 | . 3 | . 6 | . 2 |
| D ...................... | . 8 | . 4 | 1.8 | . 3 | -. 5 | . 5 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, food at home expenditure categories-Continued

| Area, region, population size class | Total food at home | Cereals and bakery products | Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | Dairy products | Fruits and vegetables | Other foods at home |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent change from February 1979 to March 1979 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Region/population slze class cross clasaification ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Northeast/A . | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 |
| North Central/A ........................................................... | . 8 | . 4 | 1.9 | . 2 | . 1 | . 2 |
| South/A ............ | 1.3 | . 7 | 2.7 | . 4 | . 4 | . 2 |
| West/A ............................................................... | 1.5 | 1.0 | 4.4 | . 5 | -3.1 | 1.1 |
| Northeast/B | . 9 | 2.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | . 1 | -. 3 |
| North Central/B | 1.4 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 3.3 | . 1 |
| South/B .............................................................. | . 8 | . 5 | 1.8 | . 6 | -1.0 | . 3 |
| West/ B . | . 7 | . 7 | 2.2 | . 8 | -1.1 | -. 3 |
| Northeast/C | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.9 | . 3 | -. 8 | 1.2 |
| North Central/C | . 9 | -. 8 | 2.2 | . 4 | 1.1 | -. 2 |
| South/C. | . 9 | . 1 | 1.6 | . 2 | 2.1 | . 0 |
| West/C ....................................................................... | . 8 | . 7 | 3.1 | . 2 | -2.2 | . 1 |
| Northeast/D ............................................................... | . 8 | . 9 | 2.5 | . 0 | -. 8 | . 1 |
| North Central/D ........................................................... | . 3 | -. 3 | . 9 | . 1 | -. 2 | . 3 |
| South/D ..................................................................... | . 7 | . 6 | 1.2 | . 3 | -. 4 | . 8 |
| West/D ....... | 1.6 | 1.5 | 4.0 | . 9 | -. 9 | . 7 |


#### Abstract

' Index is on an April 1967=100 base in Northeastern Pennsylvania and Portland, Oreg.-Wash. 2 Area is generally the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA), exclusive of farms. L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif. is a combination of two SMSA's, and N.Y., N.Y.Northeastern N.J. and Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind. are the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1973, except for Denver-Boulder, Colo. which does not include Douglas County. Definitions do not include revisions made since 1973.


${ }^{3}$ Regions are defined as the four Census regions.
The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

A-1 - More than $4,000,000$.
A-2 - $1,250,000$ to $4,000,000$.
B - 385,000 to $1,250,000$.
C - 75,000 to 385,000 .
D - Less than 75,000 .
Population size class $A$ is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change from February 1979 to March 1979

| Group | $\begin{gathered} \text { U.S. } \\ \text { city } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ | Chicago, III.Northwestern Ind. | Detroit, Mich. | Los AngelesLong Beact., Anaheim, Calii. | New York, N.Y.Northeastern N.J. | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ....................................................................... | 1.1 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Food and beverages ............................................... | 1.1 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.7 | . 8 | 1.7 |
| Food ................................................................... | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.7 | . 8 | 1.7 |
| Food at home ................................................... | . 9 | . 8 | 1.3 | 1.6 | . 8 | . 3 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............................ | . 6 | . 8 | . 2 | 1.1 | . 4 | -1.2 |
| Meats, poultry, tish, and eggs ........................... | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 5.5 | 1.1 | . 5 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ................................... | 2.2 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 5.6 | 1.1 | . 2 |
| Dairy products ................................................. | . 6 | 1.1 | 1.4 | . 2 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Fruits and vegetables ....................................... | . 0 | -. 5 | 2.0 | -4.5 | . 7 | 1.8 |
| Other foods at home ....................................... | . 3 | . 4 | . 8 | . 9 | . 3 | -. 2 |
| Food away from home ........................................ | 1.5 | 3.5 | 1.1 | 2.0 | . 8 | 5.0 |
| Alcoholic beverages ............................................. | 1.1 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.5 | . 2 | 2.1 |
| Housing ................................................................. | 1.0 | 2.7 | 2.1 | . 9 | . 3 | -. 3 |
| Shelter ................................................................ | 1.0 | 3.5 | 2.4 | . 8 | . 0 | -1.8 |
| Rent, residential ................................................. | . 2 | . 7 | . 3 | . 2 | -. 1 | . 3 |
| Other rental costs .............................................. | . 7 | 5.2 | . 1 | . 1 | . 0 | . 1 |
| Homeownership .................................................. | 1.2 | 4.3 | 2.7 | 1.0 | . 0 | -2.5 |
| Fuel and other utilities .......................................... | 1.1 | 2.8 | 1.9 | . 2 | 1.6 | 2.4 |
| Fuels ................................................................ | 1.7 | 3.9 | 2.5 | . 3 | 2.1 | 3.3 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ............................ | 4.2 | 3.1 | 4.6 | -. 3 | 5.8 | 4.5 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ................................ | 1.1 | 4.0 | 2.2 | . 3 | . 2 | 2.6 |
| Househoid furnishings and operation ...................... | . 8 | -. 2 | 1.0 | 1.4 | . 6 | 1.4 |
| Apparel and upkeep ............................................... | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | . 0 | 2.2 | -1.5 |
| Apparel commodities ............................................. | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 | . 1 | 2.5 | -2.0 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ....................................... | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 | -. 3 |
| Women's and girls' apparel ................................. | 2.4 | 2.4 | 1.1 | -. 3 | 3.6 | -5.4 |
| Footwear ........................................................... | 1.5 | 2.0 | 7.6 | -2.2 | 2.9 | . 0 |
| Transportation ........................................................ | 1.3 | 1.3 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Private transportation ............................................ | 1.3 | 1.4 | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| Public transportation ............................................. | . 4 | . 1 | . 9 | . 0 | . 2 | -. 1 |
| Medical care ........................................................... | . 7 | . 5 | . 6 | . 4 | . 5 | . 2 |
| Entertainment .......................................................... | . 9 | 2.5 | -1.6 | -. 1 | 1.6 | . 2 |
| Other goods and services ............................................................................................ Personal care ......... | .4 .6 | . 3 | -. 2 | . 2 | . 4 | -. 2 |
| Personal care ....................................................... |  | . 1 | -1.4 | . 3 | . 9 | -. 5 |

Table 20. Coneumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earmers and Clerical Workerz: Areas priced montily, by expendilure category and commodity and eervice group, percent change from February 1979 to March 1979-Continued

| Group |  | Chicago, … <br> Northwestern ind. | Detrot, Mich. | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. | New York, N.Y.Northeastern N.J. | Philadelphia, Pa.N.J. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................... | 1.1 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Commodities ....................................................... | 1.2 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.1 | .81.7 |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | 1.1 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.7 | . 8 |  |
| Commodities less food and beverages ................... | 1.2 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.4 | .2.8 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages | 2.0.7 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 2.6 |  |
| Durables |  | 1.8 | 1.6 | . 3 | . 1 | . 98 |
| Services ................................................................ | . 8 | 2.0.3 | 1.0.4 | .8.2 | . 2 | . 0 |
| Medical care services ........................................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter .............................................. | 1.1 | 1.4 | . 9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| All items less medical care ....................................... | 1.1 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 1.1 | . 8 | . 5 |
| All items less energy .............................................. | . 8 | 1.7 | 1.2 | . 9 | . 6 | . 1 |
| Energy ................................................................... | 2.7 | 3.6 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 2.4 | 3.8 |
| Commodities less food ............................................ | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.3 | . 2 |
| Nondurables less food ............................................. | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.0 |
| Nondurables ........................................................... | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Services less rent ................................................... | . 8 | 2.2 | 1.1 | . 9 | . 2 | . 0 |
| Services less medical care ....................................... | . 8 | 2.1 | 1.1 | . 9 | . 1 | . 0 |

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group |  |  | Chicago, II.. Northwestern ind. |  | Detroit, Mich. |  | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. |  | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. |  | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items | 209.3 | 2.2 | 206.2 | 3.3 | 211.6 | 3.3 | 204.4 | 2.4 | 206.3 | 2.0 | 206.8 | 1.4 |
| All items (1957-59=100) ........................................ | 243.5 | - | 234.3 | - | 243.1 | - | 240.4 | - | 245.5 | - | 241.5 |  |
| Food and beverages ............................................. | 225.1 | 3.1 | 226.0 | 2.7 | 223.9 | 2.8 | 218.8 | 3.6 | 221.9 | 2.8 | 234.1 | 3.6 |
| Food ................................................................. | 231.1 | 3.2 | 231.4 | 2.8 | 227.2 | 2.9 | 225.6 | 3.7 | 229.6 | 2.9 | 243.1 | 3.6 |
| Food at home | 230.0 | 3.2 | 230.7 | 2.4 | 226.4 | 3.3 | 225.2 | 3.2 | 233.1 | 3.3 | 233.4 | 2.2 |
| Cereals and bakery products ......................... | 214.1 | 1.5 | 218.4 | 1.3 | 220.5 | . 9 | 216.1 | 1.6 | 213.6 | . 8 | 225.0 | . 2 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .......................... | 236.9 | 6.1 | 239.9 | 4.0 | 231.3 | 5.0 | 239.0 | 7.7 | 233.8 | 5.9 | 236.7 | 4.6 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ................................ | 241.5 | 6.4 | 246.0 | 4.2 | 233.8 | 5.5 | 243.1 | 7.9 | 236.4 | 6.2 | 240.5 | 4.7 |
| Dairy products .................. | 202.3 | 1.8 | 198.5 | 3.1 | 217.8 | 3.7 | 184.9 | 2.2 | 203.4 | 2.1 | 199.6 | . 7 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 225.4 | 2.6 | 231.8 | 1.7 | 206.8 | 2.9 | 210.1 | -3.0 | 236.3 | 3.4 | 233.5 | 1.2 |
| Other foods at home ..................................... | 262.2 | 1.1 | 262.7 | . 7 | 252.7 | 1.6 | 257.6 | 1.9 | 272.0 | . 6 | 275.6 | 1.1 |
| Food away from home ...................................... | 237.9 | 3.2 | 235.5 | 3.6 | 238.5 | 2.1 | 227.6 | 4.9 | 220.8 | 2.0 | 277.1 | 7.4 |
| Atcoholic beverages ........................................... | 169.6 | 2.1 | 172.1 | 2.4 | 201.2 | 2.3 | 165.7 | 2.5 | 160.8 | . 9 | 163.1 | 2.5 |
| Housing ............................................................... | 217.5 | 2.2 | 207.7 | 4.5 | 220.3 | 5.5 | 212.6 | 2.5 | 206.2 | 1.1 | 203.8 | . 1 |
| Shelter ............................................................... | 228.5 | 2.5 | 220.8 | 5.6 | 235.4 | 7.3 | 228.0 | 2.6 | 208.4 | . 5 | 210.0 | -1.6 |
| Rent, residential .............................................. | 171.2 | . 5 | 157.2 | . 4 | 171.1 | 1.3 | 180.5 | .7 | 185.4 | . 3 | 179.2 | . 5 |
| Other rental costs ............................................ | 226.3 | 2.3 | 228.7 | 10.3 | 200.0 | . 3 | 229.1 | . 1 | 249.2 | . 6 | 227.2 | . 4 |
| Homeownership .............................................. | 249.2 | 3.0 | 249.8 | 7.2 | 247.8 | 8.1 | 242.6 | 3.1 | 219.7 | . 7 | 217.3 | -2.3 |
| Fuel and other utilities | 226.0 | 1.9 | 204.6 | 3.6 | 234.0 | . 5 | 182.0 | . 5 | 245.3 | 2.6 | 219.9 | 3.3 |
| Fuels | 263.7 | 2.9 | 248.0 | 5.0 | 269.6 | . 6 | 227.3 | . 4 | 302.1 | 3.5 | 259.1 | 4.5 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ${ }^{\dagger}$................................ | 340.0 | 7.4 | 333.8 | 7.6 | 360.5 | 7.8 | 98.2 | . 0 | 367.6 | 10.0 | 350.3 | 8.0 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity .............................. | 243.6 | 1.7 | 228.0 | 4.5 | 257.9 | -. 4 | 228.1 | . 4 | 270.8 | . 3 | 222.3 | 2.5 |
| Household furnishings and operation ................... | 186.3 | 1.5 | 175.8 | 1.6 | 171.6 | 3.1 | 178.3 | 2.5 | 185.9 | 1.4 | 185.9 | 2.0 |
| Apparel and upkeep .............................................. | 164.2 | 1.9 | 152.3 | 4.3 | 152.4 | 1.1 | 154.5 | 1.1 | 159.7 | 4.8 | 140.0 | -1.5 |
| Apparel commodities .......................................... | 159.3 | 1.9 | 145.0 | 3.8 | 146.3 | 1.0 | 151.7 | 1.2 | 153.4 | 5.6 | 133.3 | -1.9 |
| Men's and boys' apparel .................................. | 159.4 | . 8 | 135.5 | 2.0 | 149.0 | . 9 | 137.6 | 2.9 | 142.5 | 2.2 | 145.6 | . 7 |
| Women's and girls' apparel. | 151.2 | 2.7 | 138.9 | 5.3 | 143.0 | 1.9 | 143.5 | 1.8 | 148.6 | 10.2 | 99.9 | -6.7 |
| Footwear | 170.4 | 1.4 | 158.0 | 4.4 | 154.0 | . 0 | 161.8 | -2.2 | 168.5 | 3.1 | 173.8 | -1.6 |
| Transportation ............. | 198.7 | 2.2 | 201.3 | 2.1 | 197.0 | 1.6 | 202.2 | 2.5 | 213.8 | 2.0 | 206.5 | 2.2 |
| Private transportation ....... | 198.5 | 2.2 | 202.2 | 2.3 | 196.9 | 1.6 | 204.6 | 2.5 | 205.5 | 2.3 | 208.1 | 2.3 |
| Public transportation ........................................... | 192.1 | . 6 | 185.6 | . 3 | 199.9 | 1.1 | 154.5 | . 3 | 240.9 | . 3 | 193.1 | . 1 |
| Medical care | 233.7 | 1.5 | 238.8 | . 7 | 267.3 | . 6 | 234.3 | . 7 | 240.8 | 1.3 | 253.6 | 1.1 |
| Entertainment | 184.0 | 1.0 | 186.2 | 4.0 | 176.9 | -1.2 | 158.3 | -. 9 | 188.4 | 2.2 | 193.2 | . 6 |
| Other goods and services ..................................... | 192.6 | 1.2 | 195.2 | 1.0 | 192.5 | . 2 | 185.4 | 1.1 | 198.2 | 1.1 | 189.5 | . 6 |
| Personal care ..................................................... | 191.5 | 1.4 | 188.3 | . 4 | 188.6 | -1.5 | 177.5 | 1.8 | 195.0 | 1.5 | 182.6 | . 1 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Eamers and Clerical Workers: Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979 Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | $\begin{gathered} \text { U.S. } \\ \text { city } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ |  | Chicago, III.. Northwestern Ind. |  | Detroit, Mich. |  | Los AngelesLong Beach, Anaheim, Calif. |  | New York, N.Y.- <br> Northeastern N.J. |  | Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................. | 209.3 | 2.2 | 206.2 | 3.3 | 211.6 | 3.3 | 204.4 | 2.4 | 206.3 | 2.0 | 206.8 | 1.4 |
| Commodities | 200.9 | 2.6 | 199.6 | 3.4 | 196.0 | 3.5 | 192.8 | 2.6 | 197.4 | 2.8 | 199.4 | 2.0 |
| Food and beverages | 225.1 | 3.1 | 226.0 | 2.7 | 223.9 | 2.8 | 218.8 | 3.6 | 221.9 | 2.8 | 234.1 | 3.6 |
| Commodities less food and beverages | 187.0 | 2.2 | 183.0 | 3.7 | 181.2 | 3.8 | 180.0 | 2.0 | 179.8 | 2.8 | 177.7 | 1.0 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages ................ | 188.4 | 3.1 | 182.2 | 3.6 | 182.5 | 2.6 | 180.4 | 3.7 | 187.4 | 4.6 | 177.5 | 2.3 |
| Durables ......................................................... | 184.5 | 1.5 | 181.9 | 3.8 | 177.8 | 4.5 | 180.1 | 1.0 | 167.9 | . 7 | 178.1 | -. 3 |
| Services | 225.1 | 1.9 | 218.2 | 3.2 | 232.3 | 2.7 | 224.6 | 2.0 | 222.1 | . 7 | 222.6 | . 3 |
| Medical care services ......................................... | 251.3 | 1.6 | 261.0 | . 5 | 281.9 | . 4 | 248.4 | . 2 | 257.9 | 1.1 | 279.4 | 1.1 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter | 204.0 | 2.2 | 201.1 | 2.5 | 203.8 | 1.6 | 196.5 | 2.2 | 206.4 | 2.4 | 206.8 | 2.2 |
| All items less medical care ................................... | 207.8 | 2.3 | 204.0 | 3.4 | 207.0 | 3.3 | 202.4 | 2.4 | 204.1 | 2.0 | 203.8 | 1.4 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{2}$........................................... | 207.1 | 2.1 | 114.4 | 3.2 | 114.5 | 3.3 | 110.4 | 2.2 | 108.8 | 1.7 | 110.1 | . 9 |
| Energy ${ }^{3}$.............................................................. | 241.7 | 4.3 | 112.5 | 5.0 | 106.2 | 2.7 | 112.1 | 5.1 | 109.1 | 4.3 | 111.5 | 5.7 |
| Commodities less food .......................................... | 185.9 | 2.2 | 182.4 | 3.7 | 182.2 | 3.8 | 179.1 | 2.1 | 178.0 | 2.7 | 176.5 | 1.1 |
| Nondurables less food. | 186.3 | 3.0 | 181.1 | 3.5 | 184.0 | 2.7 | 178.6 | 3.5 | 183.8 | 4.4 | 175.6 | 2.3 |
| Nondurables | 207.6 | 3.1 | 205.6 | 3.2 | 204.1 | 2.8 | 200.4 | 3.6 | 206.3 | 3.6 | 208.0 | 3.0 |
| Services less rent ................................................................... | 235.0 | 2.0 | 232.2 | 3.7 | 238.9 | 2.8 | 232.8 | 2.3 | 232.5 | . 8 | 227.8 | . 3 |
| Services less medical care | 220.8 | 1.8 | 211.2 | 3.4 | 220.8 | 2.9 | 220.4 | 2.2 | 217.0 | . 6 | 213.2 | . 2 |

${ }^{1}$ Indexes on a June $1978=100$ base in L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, ${ }^{3}$ Indexes on a June $1978=100$ base; formerly on a December Calif.; formerly on a December $1977=100$ base.
2 Indexes on a December $1977=100$ base, except U.S. city average.

Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Anchorage, Alaska ${ }^{2}$ |  | Baltimore, Md. |  | Boston, Mass. |  | Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. |  | DenverBoulder, Colo. |  | Miami, Fla. ${ }^{3}$ |  | Milwaukee, Wis. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
| All items <br> All items $(1957-59=100)$ | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 200.5 | 1.6 | 210.4 | 2.6 | 204.3 | 1.8 | 216.7 | 2.1 | 225.0 | 3.2 | 112.4 | 2.9 | 209.5 | 3.9 |
|  | 219.0 | - | 244.3 | - | 244.8 | - | 245.9 | - | 239.6 | - | - | - | 236.6 | - |
| Food and beverages | 246.5 | 4.0 | 226.8 | 2.7 | 215.5 | 3.4 | 235.2 | 2.2 | 221.1 | 1.9 | 122.4 | 5.4 | 226.4 | 3.6 |
| Food | 228.4 | 4.4 | 232.0 | 2.7 | 221.0 | 3.4 | 241.3 | 2.2 | 228.5 | 2.0 | 122.9 | 5.6 | 236.2 | 3.9 |
| Food at home.. | 222.9 | 4.2 | 231.9 | 3.0 | 224.2 | 4.5 | 245.4 | 2.5 | 225.6 | 2.5 | 120.1 | 4.2 | 228.7 | 3.7 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 201.4 | 2.3 | 209.5 | 1.8 | 212.9 | -. 3 | 244.5 | . 9 | 205.7 | . 4 | 113.9 | 2.9 | 226.0 | 1.6 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 244.4 | 8.7 | 235.3 | 5.2 | 234.5 | 8.4 | 242.6 | 3.4 | 225.7 | 6.0 | 131.7 | 7.6 | 244.6 | 9.0 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish | 249.4 | 8.9 | 239.6 | 5.4 | 239.0 | 8.9 | 246,4 | 3.5 | 228.8 | 6.5 | 132.0 | 7.8 | 248.5 | 9.3 |
| Dairy products | 186.6 | -. 9 | 198.6 | 1.7 | 193.1 | 1.8 | 210.2 | 3.1 | 212.3 | . 4 | 113.4 | 1.4 | 210.7 | 1.2 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 212.7 | 3.8 | 231.7 | 2.7 | 217.0 | 8.0 | 239.4 | 2.4 | 220.6 | 2.2 | 117.2 | 2.4 | 213.6 | 5.2 |
| Other foods at home.. | 245.7 | 1.9 | 272.7 | 1.0 | 257.3 | . 7 | 288.5 | 1.9 | 266.8 | . 9 | 110.6 | 1.7 | 239.4 | -1.6 |
| Food away from home | 244.9 | 4.8 | 234.4 | 2.2 | 217.1 | . 9 | 226.7 | 1.2 | 239.3 | . 7 | 129.6 | 8.9 | 259.8 | 4.2 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 189.1 | . 8 | 182.8 | 1.8 | 168.9 | 3.4 | 189.8 | 1.9 | 175.8 | 1.2 | 112.4 | 1.6 | 155.5 | . 3 |
| Housing ............................................................ | 197.7 | 1.6 | 223.8 | 2.7 | 207.3 | . 5 | 224.4 | 3.2 | 253.9 | 3.5 | 109.5 | 2.0 | 211.0 | 5.8 |
| Shelter ..... | 182.0 | 1.4 | 239.1 | 1.8 | 210.0 | -1.0 | 239.6 | 3.5 | 291.1 | 4.3 | 111.0 | 2.2 | 218.4 | 8.1 |
| Rent, residential .. | 161.6 | -1.2 | 160.3 | . 3 | 178.8 | . 4 | 148.5 | .3 | 163.3 | 2.7 | 106.8 | 1.6 | 164.6 | . 9 |
| Other rental costs ......................................... | 206.6 | -3.9 | 206.7 | 12.1 | 213.1 | -. 3 | 216.4 | 2.2 | 214.4 | 5.5 | 109.6 | . 5 | 210.1 | . 3 |
| Homeownership ............................................ | 188.2 | 2.3 | 272.2 | 2.1 | 223.3 | -1.5 | 277.4 | 4.0 | 329.9 | 4.6 | 112.6 | 2.5 | 235.7 | 10.0 |
| Fuel and other utilities ...................................... | 176.5 | 3.2 | 224.4 | 5.0 | 230.6 | 4.3 | 250.2 | 2.3 | 203.5 | . 4 | 104.0 | 4.3 | 227.8 | 3.4 |
| Fuels 4 ................................... | 198.9 | 5.5 | 267.5 | 6.7 | 257.2 | 5.7 | 289.9 | 3.1 | 261.5 | . 6 | 106.6 | 7.0 | 264.3 | 4.6 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas ${ }^{5}$ | 244.8 | 4.7 | 351.2 | 6.7 | 351.6 | 10.7 | 112.1 | 5.7 | 100.8 | . 1 | 98.6 | 1.2 | 366.3 | 7.8 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity ${ }^{4}$......................... | 139.2 | 5.7 | 233.9 | 6.6 | 186.6 | . 6 | 274.7 | 2.7 | 263.5 | . 6 | 106.8 | 7.1 | 238.2 | 3.7 |
| Household furnishings and operation ................. | 248.2 | 1.8 | 194.3 | 3.3 | 184.7 | 1.4 | 176.5 | 2.7 | 188.4 | 1.4 | 109.3 | -. 3 | 181.3 | . 7 |
| Apparel and upkeep ........................................... | 157.2 | -1.3 | 172.6 | 4.6 | 172.4 | 4.6 | 175.4 | -3.7 | 184.6 | 5.3 | 106.6 | 3.4 | 178.0 | 4.0 |
| Apparel commodities ........................................ | 144.4 | -1.7 | 164.2 | 5.3 | 168.4 | 5.1 | 170.2 | -4.4 | 165.3 | 6.2 | 104.4 | 2.9 | 176.6 | 4.7 |
| Men's and boys' apparel ... | 144.4 | 1.7 | 171.1 | 4.4 | 158.7 | 2.6 | 162.9 | -9.0 | 181.5 | . 9 | 104.8 | . 9 | 184.0 | 6.0 |
| Women's and girls' apparel | 139.9 | -6.6 | 149.3 | 6.4 | 171.0 | 11.1 | 168.0 | -4.9 | 187.1 | 16.1 | 101.3 | 3.5 | 165.3 | 3.7 |
| Footwear | 156.8 | . 6 | 182.6 | 4.5 | 166.0 | -. 2 | 178.2 | -. 8 | 168.1 | -2.8 | 106.0 | 1.4 | 187.5 | 8.3 |
| Transportation .......... | 186.1 | .7 | 186.5 | 2.1 | 213.4 | 2.3 | 184.9 | 1.8 | 196.1 | 3.5 | 110.4 | 2.4 | 199.1 | 2.4 |
| Private transportation | 193.1 | . 7 | 187.8 | 2.2 | 220.2 | 2.4 | 191.2 | 1.8 | 197.3 | 2.8 | 110.2 | 2.5 | 197.9 | 2.4 |
| Public transportation ........................................ | 136.4 | . 1 | 171.2 | . 3 | 168.4 | -. 1 | 125.6 | . 2 | 175.6 | 20.1 | 116.9 | . 5 | 197.5 | . 9 |
| Medical care ..................................................... | 252.9 | -. 6 | 235.8 | 3.1 | 220.3 | . 9 | 269.2 | . 4 | 218.9 | 1.9 | 112.6 | 1.3 | 233.6 | 1.0 |
| Entertainment ....................................................... | 180.5 | . 1 | 184.3 | 1.2 | 182.1 | . 9 | 172.5 | . 6 | 190.3 | 2.8 | 110.3 | 3.5 | 192.5 | -. 4 |
| Other goods and services ................................... | 188.8 | 2.1 | 188.7 | 3.0 | 192.6 | 1.5 | 195.2 | 1.3 | 193.3 | 2.9 | 107.3 | 1.3 | 190.2 | 1.6 |
| Personal care .................................................. | 196.8 | 1.8 | 188.9 | 5.9 | 179.8 | 2.8 | 192.5 | 1.5 | 185.3 | 5.3 | 104.4 | . 0 | 201.0 | 3.4 |

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Table 22. Consumer Price index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979 -Continued
(1967 $=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Anchorage, Alaska |  | Baltimore, Md. |  | Boston, Mass. |  | Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. |  | DenverBoulder, Colo. |  | Miami, Fla. ${ }^{3}$ |  | Milwaukee, Wis. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ............................................................. | 200.5 | 1.6 | 210.4 | 2.6 | 204.3 | 1.8 | 216.7 | 2.1 | 225.0 | 3.2 | 112.4 | 2.9 | 209.5 | 3.9 |
| Commodities | 194.0 | 2.3 | 207.4 | 3.2 | 200.3 | 2.6 | 210.2 | 1.7 | 212.3 | 3.4 | 113.8 | 3.3 | 203.4 | 4.0 |
| Food and beverages | 246.5 | 4.0 | 226.8 | 2.7 | 215.5 | 3.4 | 235.2 | 2.2 | 221.1 | 1.9 | 122.4 | 5.4 | 226.4 | 3.6 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ............... | 167.2 | 1.5 | 195.7 | 3.5 | 189.1 | 2.1 | 192.3 | 1.6 | 207.4 | 4.0 | 109.1 | 2.0 | 190.6 | 4.3 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages | 172.2 | . 3 | 194.2 | 4.9 | 202.4 | 4.7 | 194.6 | 1.1 | 187.7 | 4.3 | 110.7 | 3.3 | 199.9 | 4.1 |
| Durables | 158.9 | 2.3 | 198.9 | 2.3 | 167.5 | -. 7 | 187.3 | 1.9 | 225.3 | 3.9 | 107.8 | . 9 | 174.4 | 4.4 |
| Services ............................................................ | 222.1 | . 7 | 215.8 | 1.7 | 212.3 | . 6 | 229.7 | 2.5 | 248.4 | 3.0 | 110.2 | 2.4 | 221.5 | 3.7 |
| Medical care services ...................................... | 274.0 | -. 6 | 254.4 | 3.6 | 237.4 | . 9 | 286.8 | . 2 | 236.9 | 1.9 | 113.0 | 1.3 | 251.4 | 1.2 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter .......................................... | 212.7 | 1.7 | 204.3 | 2.9 | 202.7 | 2.6 | 209.1 | 1.5 | 203.5 | 2.5 | 112.9 | 3.2 | 206.3 | 2.5 |
| All items less medical care ................................. | 202.3 | 1.7 | 209.0 | 2.7 | 203.5 | 1.9 | 213.5 | 2.1 | 224.9 | 3.3 | 112.4 | 3.0 | 208.1 | 4.1 |
| All items less energy ${ }^{\text {c }}$........................................ | 112.1 | 1.5 | 107.3 | 2.3 | 108.7 | 1.4 | 113.2 | 1.9 | 117.0 | 3.2 | 112.4 | 2.6 | 115.6 | 3.8 |
| Energy ${ }^{7}$ | 106.5 | 3.1 | 101.8 | 6.2 | 115.0 | 5.8 | 109.6 | 3.7 | 114.2 | 3.5 | 111.6 | 6.4 | 113.4 | 5.0 |
| Commodities less food | 169.2 | 1.5 | 194.9 | 3.5 | 187.5 | 2.1 | 192.4 | 1.5 | 205.1 | 4.0 | 109.2 | 2.0 | 188.2 | 4.1 |
| Nondurables less food ........................................ | 174.6 | . 3 | 193.2 | 4.7 | 198.4 | 4.6 | 193.9 | 1.1 | 185.8 | 4.1 | 110.8 | 3.2 | 194.1 | 3.8 |
| Nondurables ........ | 210.7 | 2.4 | 211.1 | 3.7 | 209.5 | 4.0 | 217.9 | 1.7 | 205.2 | 3.0 | 117.1 | 4.5 | 214.1 | 3.8 |
| Services less rent .............................................. | 236.1 | 1.2 | 225.2 | 1.9 | 218.8 | . 6 | 246.4 | 2.8 | 262.9 | 3.0 | 110.9 | 2.5 | 231.3 | 4.1 |
| Services less medical care ................................. | 215.8 | . 8 | 210.6 | 1.4 | 209.5 | . 5 | 219.4 | 2.9 | 248.0 | 3.0 | 109.8 | 2.5 | 217.2 | 4.0 |

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Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979 Continued
( $1967=100$, unless otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northeast Pennsylvania |  | Portland, Oreg.Wash. |  | St. Louis, Mo. III. |  | San Diego, Calif. |  | SeattleEverett, Wash. ${ }^{9}$ |  | Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
| All items $\qquad$ <br> All items $(1957-59=100)^{\circ}$ $\qquad$ | Expenditure category |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 206.6 | 2.2 | 215.8 | 1.7 | 207.0 | 2.8 | 218.6 | 2.9 | 205.8 | 2.7 | 213.4 | 1.9 |
|  | 243.8 | - | 255.1 | - | 241.8 | - | 229.8 | - | 241.8 | - | 248.7 | - |
| Food and beverages | 214.1 | 3.1 | 226.2 | 2.4 | 227.1 | 3.1 | 224.1 | 3.1 | 216.1 | 4.6 | 235.0 | 2.4 |
| Food ................................................................ | 221.6 | 3.3 | 231.6 | 2.2 | 230.4 | 2.9 | 231.9 | 3.2 | 223.3 | 4.7 | 238.4 | 2.6 |
| Food at home ................................................. | 225.2 | 3.5 | 229.0 | 3.1 | 232.2 | 2.7 | 218.7 | 2.8 | 220.6 | 4.4 | 238.5 | 3.7 |
| Cereals and bakery products .......................... | 201.5 | 1.9 | 212.2 | 3.4 | 229.3 | 1.5 | 206.4 | 3.0 | 203.4 | 2.6 | 225.9 | 1.3 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ${ }^{10}$ | 232.6 | 6.6 | 253.8 | 4.9 | 229.3 | 5.3 | 239.4 | 8.3 | 241.9 | 8.0 | 230.1 | 6.6 |
| Meats, poultry, and fish ................................ | 234.4 | 7.2 | 258.9 | 5.3 | 232.9 | 5.6 | 243.6 | 9.0 | 249.0 | 8.1 | 233.2 | 7.1 |
| Dairy products | 197.1 | 1.0 | 186.4 | 3.2 | 210.1 | 1.8 | 190.9 | 3.0 | 187.7 | 1.5 | 192.2 | 1.0 |
| Fruits and vegetables .................................... | 233.9 | 6.8 | 209.3 | 2.7 | 238.2 | -1.0 | 205.6 | -2.1 | 195.0 | 6.8 | 259.3 | 6.8 |
| Other foods at home ${ }^{10}$................................... | 260.7 | -. 1 | 265.3 | . 7 | 262.7 | 2.1 | 243.4 | -. 4 | 258.1 | 1.3 | 288.1 | . 7 |
| Food away from home ...................................... | 206.7 | 2.3 | 239.6 | . 2 | 228.0 | 3.5 | 265.7 | 3.7 | 231.2 | 5.5 | 239.5 | . 0 |
| Alcoholic beverages ........................................... | 155.5 | . 6 | 178.6 | 4.4 | 195.4 | 5.2 | 161.5 | 2.5 | 167.7 | 2.9 | 195.7 | . 3 |
| Housing ............................................................... | 216.8 | 1.8 | 229.8 | . 8 | 213.7 | 3.2 | 248.4 | 3.8 | 220.1 | 2.2 | 218.3 | 1.3 |
| Shelter .............................................................. | 242.5 | 2.8 | 258.3 | . 5 | 222.3 | 2.9 | 292.2 | 4.5 | 241.1 | 2.2 | 228.0 | . 4 |
| Rent, residential | 201.6 | 2.1 | 183.1 | . 7 | 142.4 | -2.5 | 197.8 | 2.1 | 184.6 | 1.2 | 176.9 | 2.1 |
| Other rental costs | 231.1 | . 5 | 206.7 | . 0 | 216.1 | -. 6 | 229.9 | -4.5 | 237.3 | 8.9 | 227.4 | 4.8 |
| Homeownership ............................................... | 253.8 | 3.0 | 286.7 | . 4 | 245.1 | 3.9 | 327.8 | 5.0 | 257.4 | 2.2 | 262.6 | -. 8 |
| Fuel and other utilities ........................................ | 283.1 | . 1 | 239.3 | 2.4 | 218.2 | 3.9 | 173.6 | 1.6 | 197.4 | 2.5 | 218.3 | 3.6 |
| Fuels ........................................ | 285.5 | . 2 | 244.7 | 3.7 | 262.1 | 5.3 | 196.2 | 2.9 | 235.7 | 4.4 | 268.9 | 5.0 |
| Fuel oil, coal, and bottied gas ${ }^{11}$...................... | 352.0 | 4.8 | 349.7 | 10.5 | 310.9 | 2.6 | 107.0 | 3.0 | 313.4 | 8.3 | 344.2 | 6.1 |
| Gas (piped) and electricity .............................. | 170.1 | -3.8 | 189.0 | . 0 | 247.2 | 5.7 | 205.7 | 2.9 | 180.8 | 2.1 | 254.6 | 4.7 |
| Household furnishings and operation .................... | 163.5 | . 9 | 179.8 | 1.7 | 190.8 | 3.8 | 176.0 | 1.5 | 187.1 | 2.2 | 195.2 | 2.9 |
| Apparel and upkeep ............................................. | 172.0 | 5.3 | 165.2 | -. 8 | 159.8 | 6.3 | 149.1 | -. 7 | 162.0 | 4.2 | 160.7 | 4.1 |
| Apparel commodities ......................................... | 173.2 | 5.7 | 164.8 | -1.0 | 156.0 | 6.9 | 143.6 | -. 8 | 158.6 | 4.4 | 151.2 | 4.4 |
| Men's and boys' apparel .................................. | 176.4 | 3.7 | 165.6 | . 5 | 147.4 | . 4 | 150.4 | -1.6 | 169.0 | 3.7 | 165.4 | . 7 |
| Women's and girls' apparel ............................... | 165.3 | 8.5 | 169.1 | -2.2 | 151.5 | 15.4 | 129.8 | -. 6 | 137.3 | 6.3 | 127.8 | 5.4 |
| Footwear ........................................................ | 184.3 | 6.8 | 151.1 | -3.7 | 176.5 | 5.2 | 152.9 | . 8 | 175.0 | 2.8 | 173.4 | 7.4 |
| Transportation ..................................................... | 193.4 | 1.8 | 196.0 | 4.1 | 189.0 | 2.1 | 196.7 | 1.8 | 182.9 | 2.6 | 196.9 | 1.7 |
| Private transportation .......................................... | 201.2 | 1.9 | 204.6 | 4.3 | 195.6 | 2.1 | 199.3 | 1.8 | 184.9 | 2.6 | 196.3 | 1.7 |
| Public transportation .......................................... | 132.7 | . 4 | 162.6 | -. 9 | 106.0 | . 9 | 147.7 | -. 2 | 172.2 | 1.0 | 195.0 | 1.6 |
| Medical care | 231.6 | 1.2 | 227.4 | 2.0 | 214.8 | . 8 | 225.4 | 1.5 | 227.1 | 1.4 | 259.6 | 4.9 |
| Entertainment .... | 194.1 | . 4 | 178.8 | . 5 | 182.0 | -. 2 | 175.3 | . 9 | 177.4 | -. 1 | 197.9 | 1.5 |
| Other goods and services ...................................... | 195.7 | 1.3 | 191.7 | 1.4 | 191.1 | -. 5 | 189.2 | 1.0 | 188.5 | 2.7 | 201.0 | 1.0 |
| Personal care ........................................................ | 211.3 | 3.8 | 189.0 | 1.7 | 195.1 | -1.4 | 186.2 | . 9 | 206.2 | 3.3 | 202.1 | . 8 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Areas priced bimonthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group. Indexes, March 1979 and percent changes January 1979 to March 1979Continued
(1967 $=100$, uniess otherwise noted)

| Group | Area pricing schedule $1^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Northeast Pennsylvania |  | Portland, Oreg.Wash. |  | St. Louis, Mo.-III. |  | San Diego, Calif. |  | SeattleEverett, Wash. ${ }^{\circ}$ |  | Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va. |  |
|  | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change | Index | Percent change |
|  | Commodity and service group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items ................................................................ | 206.6 | 2.2 | 215.8 | 1.7 | 207.0 | 2.8 | 218.6 | 2.9 | 205.8 | 2.7 | 213.4 | 1.9 |
| Commodities ........................................................ | 202.5 | 2.8 | 206.1 | 1.7 | 203.5 | 3.3 | 207.8 | 2.6 | 196.3 | 2.9 | 202.4 | 2.1 |
| Food and beverages | 214.1 | 3.1 | 226.2 | 2.4 | 227.1 | 3.1 | 224.1 | 3.1 | 216.1 | 4.6 | 235.0 | 2.4 |
| Commodities less food and beverages ................. | 195.1 | 2.6 | 196.4 | 1.4 | 187.6 | 3.4 | 199.4 | 2.4 | 186.0 | 2.3 | 183.3 | 1.8 |
| Nondurables less food and beverages | 201.2 | 3.7 | 193.8 | 2.9 | 187.3 | 4.2 | 183.7 | 1.8 | 188.2 | 4.3 | 190.1 | 3.5 |
| Durables | 185.1 | 1.5 | 195.7 | . 6 | 186.1 | 2.9 | 210.4 | 2.7 | 183.3 | 1.0 | 172.8 | . 6 |
| Services .............................................................. | 215.5 | 1.1 | 233.6 | 1.9 | 214.0 | 1.8 | 237.8 | 3.2 | 224.3 | 2.3 | 231.3 | 1.8 |
| Medical care services ....................................... | 252.2 | 1.2 | 245.4 | 2.1 | 228.3 | . 5 | 241.8 | 1.6 | 242.5 | 1.6 | 280.8 | 5.4 |
| Special indexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All items less shelter ............................................ | 199.4 | 2.1 | 203.1 | 2.4 | 202.2 | 2.7 | 195.8 | 1.9 | 195.7 | 2.9 | 209.0 | 2.5 |
| All items less medical care | 205.0 | 2.3 | 214.5 | 1.8 | 206.1 | 2.8 | 218.0 | 2.9 | 204.4 | 2.7 | 210.7 | 1.8 |
| All iterns less energy ${ }^{8}$........................................... | 113.2 | 2.2 | 114.9 | 1.5 | 112.2 | 2.4 | 117.3 | 2.8 | 112.7 | 2.5 | 114.0 | 1.7 |
| Energy ${ }^{\text {a }}$.............................................................. | 109.2 | 2.8 | 111.1 | 4.8 | 110.2 | 5.9 | 107.9 | 4.7 | 110.6 | 5.4 | 107.3 | 4.4 |
| Commodities less food .......................................... | 192.4 | 2.6 | 195.2 | 1.5 | 188.0 | 3.5 | 197.2 | 2.4 | 184.6 | 2.3 | 184.1 | 1.8 |
| Nondurables less food .......................................... | 196.2 | 3.5 | 192.0 | 3.0 | 187.9 | 4.2 | 181.0 | 1.9 | 185.4 | 4.2 | 190.6 | 3.3 |
| Nondurables .... | 208.0 | 3.3 | 210.3 | 2.6 | 209.2 | 3.6 | 204.7 | 2.6 | 202.7 | 4.4 | 213.3 | 2.9 |
| Services less rent | 217.3 | . 9 | 243.3 | 2.1 | 223.6 | 2.2 | 245.4 | 3.4 | 230.3 | 2.4 | 247.3 | 1.7 |
| Services less medical care | 208.9 | 1.0 | 230.1 | 1.9 | 210.1 | 1.9 | 236.2 | 3.3 | 221.3 | 2.4 | 224.5 | 1.4 |

' Areas priced on pricing schedule 2 (See table 18) will appear next month.
${ }_{2}$ Indexes on an October $1967=100$ base unless otherwise indicated.
3 Indexes on a November 1977=100 base unless otherwise indicaled.
4 Index on a June 1978=100 base in Miami, Fla.; formenty on a November $1977=100$ base.
${ }_{5}$ Indexes on a June $1978=100$ base in Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. and Miami, Fla.; formenty on the bases listed in footnote 6 below. Index on a January 1978 = 100 base in Denver-Boulder, Col.

- Indexes are on the bases listed below:


7 Indexes on a June 1978=100 base; formerly on the bases listed in footnote 6.

| Revised indexes: | November | 1978 |
| :--- | ---: | :---: |
| All items | 202.1 | 200.4 |
| All items(1957-59=100) | 237.4 | 235.5 |
| Housing | 222.2 | 215.3 |
| Shelter | 247.2 | 236.0 |
| Homeownership | 269.8 | 251.8 |
| Commoditites | 192.3 | 190.7 |
| Commodities less food | 184.3 | 180.5 |
| Commodities less food and beverages 185.8 | 181.9 |  |
| $\quad$ Durables | 187.6 | 181.4 |
| Services | 221.0 | 219.3 |
| Services less rent | 228.8 | 224.8 |
| Services less medical care | 218.3 | 216.2 |
| All items less medical care | 200.8 | 199.0 |
| All items less energy | 111.1 | 110.0 |

- The $1957-59=100$ base is not available for San Diego, Calif.; index is on a February $1965=100$ base.
to Index is on an April 1967=100 base in Northeastern Pennsylvania and Portland, Oreg.Wash.
" Index on a June 1978 = 100 base in San Diego, Calif.; formerly on a November $1977=100$ base .


## Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing CPI's for two population groups: (1) a new CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population; and (2) a revised CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which represents about half the population covered by the CPI-U. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, shortterm workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and the other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from over 18,000 tenants, 18,000 housing units for property taxes, and about 24,000 estab-lishments-grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month 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 public utility rates, some 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 the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published for 28 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

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 in the CPI has risen from $\$ 10$ in 1967 to \$12.20.

For further details see the following: The Consumer Price Index: Concepts and Content Over the Years, Report 517, revised edition (Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 1978); The Revision of the Consumer Price Index, by W. John Layng, reprinted from the Statistical Reporter, February 1978, No. $78-5$ (U.S. Dept. of Commerce), and Revisions in the Medical Care Service Component of the Consumer Price Index, by Daniel H. Ginsburg, Monthly Labor Review, August 1978.

## 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 illustrates the computation of index point and 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.


## 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 con-
sumers 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.

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11 Variant of the Census Method II Seasonal Adjustment Program. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates will replace 5 years of seasonal data, e.g., data from 1974 through 1978 will be replaced at the end of 1978. The seasonal movement of all items and 35 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 45 selected components.

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

[^2]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^3]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^4]:    1 Not seasonally adjusted.

[^5]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^6]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^7]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^8]:    See footnotes at end of table.

[^9]:    Indexes on a June 1978=100 base in L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim
    Calif.; formerly on a December 1977=100 base.
    indexes on a June $1978=100$ base; formerty on a December
    ${ }^{2}$ Indexes on a December $1977=100$ base, except U.S. city average.

