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Price Movements

June 1975

The Consumer Price Index rose 0.8 percent in June to 160.6 percent of its 1967 base. Higher prices for meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, gasoline, and used cars and a rise in mortgage interest rates were responsible for about three-fourths of the June increase.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI rose 0.8 percent in June. In May, the CPI rose 0.4 percent, and in April it rose 0.6 percent. The increase was larger than in April and May primarily because of sharp price increases in meats and gasoline. The food index rose 1.5 percent in June, the largest increase since September of last year. The index for commodities other than food rose 0.5 percent and the index for consumer services rose 0.7 percent in June. Increases were larger than in May for both indexes.

Prices in the second quarter

Over the calendar quarter ended in June, the CPI rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 7.1 percent. This compares with a 6.0 percent rate in the quarter ended in March and an 11.0 percent rate in the fourth quarter of 1974. The acceleration in the March-June period occurred primarily in the food and energy components. Excluding foods and energy items (gasoline, motor oil, fuel oil, coal, natural gas, and electricity), the CPI rose at about a 4 percent rate in the second quarter and at about a 9 percent rate in the first quarter.

Consumer foods

About two-fifths of the rise in the CPI in the calendar quarter ending in June was due to higher prices for foods. After declining slightly in the first quarter, the food index rose 10.0 percent in the second quarter. In the WPI, the index for consumer foods rose at a 23.7 percent rate, after declining at a 12.9 percent rate in the first quarter (table B).

Much of the turnaround in the food indexes can be traced to changes in basic agricultural prices. The WPI for farm products rose 36.5 percent in the second quarter after declining 33.4 percent in the first quarter. The WPI for processed foods and feeds rose 5.6 percent, following a decline of 24.0 percent. The rise in the food component was due to a sharp reversal in meat, poultry,

and fresh vegetable prices. For most other types of food, prices declined. Sugar prices continued to fall at wholesale and retail, and prices turned down for many processed products including sugar-related items which had risen rapidly earlier in the year.

Beef prices increased, after declining in the 2 preceding quarters. Cattle prices turned sharply higher in late March and continued to advance rapidly until June when they remained relatively stable. During 1974 and early 1975, cattlemen sent their grass-fed animals to market instead of to feedlots, but this spring, with the resumption of grazing, marketings declined. In addition, marketing of grain-fed cattle, already at the lowest level since 1967 during the January-March quarter at 5,522,000 head, continued to decline in the April-June quarter to 5,013,000 head. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, placement of cattle and calves on feed in the 23 major cattle feeding States during the April-June quarter of 1975 totaled 5,535,000, a 17 percent increase from 1974. By July 1, the number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the 23 States totaled 8,452,000 head, up slightly from April 1, but down 15 percent from July 1, 1974.

Hog and pork prices rose because supplies declined steadily and the cattle market was stronger during the second quarter. In the summer and fall of 1974, production was cut as hog farmers' profits were reduced substantially due to unfavorable corn-hog price ratio. As a result, hog supplies were scarce this spring. Since the start of this year, corn prices have declined, but hog prices have risen sharply. Poultry prices also turned up in the second quarter in response to good demand as consumers began to resist higher beef and pork prices.

Fresh fruit and vegetable prices rose at a rapid rate in the second quarter. Potato, onion, and celery prices rose because of reduced acreage this year and bad weather in some states cut down yields. Prices for grapefruit and oranges rose due to end of season declines in supplies and apple prices increased because of diminishing stocks in storage.

Prices declined for other farm products such as wheat, milk, coffee, and cocoa beans. These declines, together with a sharp drop in sugar prices, a slower rise in non-

food costs, and reduced demand contributed to lower prices for most types of processed foods.

Lower prices for processed foods, as well as earlier declines in meat and poultry prices at the wholesale level, also contributed to a substantially slower rise in prices of restaurant meals and snacks. The CPI for food away from home rose at a 3.5 percent rate in the second quarter, compared with quarterly increases of about 11 percent in the preceding 5 quarters (table 2).

Commodities other than food

The rise in the index for commodities other than food moderated to a 5.9 percent rate in the calendar quarter ended in June from a 7.4 percent rate in the preceding quarter. Prices rose at a slower rate for many commodities, including household durables, housekeeping supplies, drugs, alcoholic beverages, recreational goods, and new cars. Apparel prices continued to show a downward trend. On the other hand, prices rose sharply for fuel oil, gasoline, and used cars.

Fuel products. About 25 percent of the rise in the non-food commodities index in the second quarter was due

to higher prices for fuel products. The gasoline and motor oil index rose at a 22.0 percent rate, compared with 1.0 percent rate in the first quarter. The index for fuel oil and coal rose at a 12.3 percent rate in the second quarter, after declining at an 8.1 percent rate in the first quarter. These increases reflected similar movements at the wholesale level.

Prices of refined petroleum products at the retail and wholesale levels reflected increases in nonfuel as well as crude fuel costs. Under Federal Energy Administration (FEA) regulations, refiners may change prices once each month to reflect changes in prices they paid for raw materials and for nonfuel costs in the preceding month. Regulations limit the amount of cost passthroughs that may be charged to gasoline. But, the FEA allows refiners to "bank" fuel changes and to apply them at some future date. Nonfuel costs which are not passed through in the following month cannot be recovered. Crude fuel costs accelerated in the second quarter. Although there is a ceiling of \$5.25 per barrel on the portion of domestic crude oil under price controls, prices on the portion exempt from controls have been moved up to levels comparable to those of landed imported crude oil. During the second quarter, prices of imported oil ranged from

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

Month	Changes from preceding month							Changes in all items	
	All items		Food		Commodities less food		Services ¹	Compound annual rate	From 12 months ago
								From 3 months ago	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted
1974:									
June	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.4	1.3	1.2	0.9	10.9	11.0
July .....	.7	.8	.1	-.6	1.0	1.3	1.1	11.7	11.5
August	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.8	1.3	1.3	1.0	12.3	11.0
September	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.1	1.2	13.4	12.0
October .....	.9	.9	.7	1.3	.9	.7	.8	13.6	12.0
November .....	.8	.9	1.0	1.1	.8	.8	.9	12.7	12.1
December .....	.7	.8	1.1	.9	.4	.6	.9	11.0	12.2
1975:									
January .....	.5	.6	.7	.9	0	.5	.7	9.8	11.7
February .....	.7	.5	.4	-.3	.7	.8	.8	8.2	11.1
March .....	.4	.3	-.2	-.6	.8	.5	.4	6.0	10.3
April .....	.5	.6	-.1	.4	.8	.8	.6	5.8	10.2
May .....	.4	.4	.4	.5	.6	.2	.2	5.0	9.5
June .....	.8	.8	1.5	1.5	.5	.5	.7	7.1	9.3

¹ Not seasonally adjusted; data contain little or no seasonal movements.

Table B. Percent changes ¹ in selected components of the Consumer and Wholesale Price Indexes

Component	1974				1975	
	December 1973 to March 1974	March 1974 to June 1974	June 1974 to September 1974	September 1974 to December 1974	December 1974 to March 1975	March 1975 to June 1975
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX						
All items	13.7	10.9	13.4	11.0	6.0	7.1
Food	17.0	5.4	11.7	14.3	-2	10.0
Commodities less food	15.7	13.7	15.6	8.8	7.4	5.9
Services ²	9.5	10.7	14.2	10.9	8.0	6.3
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX						
All commodities	24.8	11.0	34.9	14.2	-6.3	7.2
Farm products and processed foods and feeds	12.6	-29.6	60.5	18.8	-27.6	17.0
Crude foods and feeds ³	8.9	-52.8	96.5	4.3	-39.4	49.4
Intermediate materials for food manufacturing ⁴	60.0	19.0	74.2	90.4	-50.8	-35.2
Consumer foods	16.2	-13.7	33.7	20.7	-12.9	23.7
Industrial commodities	31.3	33.2	28.4	11.1	4.2	2.6
Crude materials except foods	85.1	9.8	29.4	-12.1	-10.3	14.9
Intermediate materials except foods	32.5	40.0	32.9	11.0	3.7	.7
Producers' finished goods	13.9	26.1	29.6	21.2	11.8	5.1
Consumer finished goods except foods	27.0	24.2	19.5	11.8	3.8	4.1

¹ Seasonally adjusted, except services, compound annual rates.

² Changes may differ from previously published data. The index was revised as a result of retroactive increases in residential rents for rent controlled units in New York City.

³ Does not include plant and animal fibers, which are included in the farm products index.

⁴ Does not include manufactured animal feeds, which are included in processed foods and feeds index.

about \$11.50 to \$12.00 per barrel, including the tariff of \$1.00 per barrel imposed last February. This tariff on crude oil, as well as the tariff of 60 cents per barrel on imported finished petroleum products, was doubled on June 1, the effects of which began to appear in retail prices in July.

Commodities other than food and fuels. In the second quarter, as in the first quarter, retailers were under pressure to improve sales and reduce inventories. They, therefore, continued promotional efforts—such as giving rebates and discounts and holding more frequent sales—which caused the slower rise in prices of many nonfood commodities in the second quarter.

As the price situation improved and incomes were bolstered by tax rebates and reductions in withholdings, retail sales picked up and retailers' inventories were reduced further during the second quarter. Much of the inventory liquidation in the first quarter was accom-

plished through order cutbacks. In May, retailers' inventories represented 1.49 times monthly sales. This was down from last November's peak of 1.68 and about the same as in the first 6 months of 1974. Improved sales were noted for autos and for most other types of consumer goods except household durables and building materials. Despite the improvement, auto sales in June were 11.3 percent below 1974, and 17.3 percent below the first 6 months of 1974. Continued weakness in housing starts was the main reason for the poor sales performances among household durable goods. In addition, consumer reluctance to increase spending to any noticeable extent is evident in an unusually large rise in savings rate—to 10.6 percent of disposable income in the second quarter—the highest rate in 29 years.

Another factor which contributed to a slower rise in retail prices of nonfood commodities is a substantial easing of prices at the manufacturers' level since the start

of this year. The WPI for finished consumer goods other than foods rose at a 4.1 percent rate in the second quarter, about the same as in the first quarter. Price increases continued to slow in the second quarter for most goods other than fuel products. During the past year, the effects of the economic slowdown on materials prices and unit labor costs influenced prices at the manufacturers' level.

The WPI for industrial materials and supplies at the intermediate stage of production—just below the finished goods level—was unchanged in the 3 months ending in June. The rise in this index peaked at a 40 percent rate in the second quarter of last year, slowed to an 11 percent rate by yearend, and to a 3.7 percent rate in the first 3 months of this year.

Prices turned down in the second quarter for chemicals, plastics, rubber, paper and steel mill products, and prices of nonferrous metals declined for the third consecutive quarter. The declines in prices of these materials were primarily due to continued weakness in demand from major users—automotive, housing, capital goods, and construction industries. Also contributing to lower prices for metals and metal products were factors such as large inventories held by users, import competition, and reduced demand in world markets. The decline in paper prices reflected slow demand, particularly for packaging materials.

Prices of some intermediate materials and supplies such as textile and leather products—which declined almost steadily during 1974 and in early 1975—increased in the second quarter. Price rises for textile and leather products followed increases in prices of raw cotton and hides and skins. These prices rose as textile mills and tanners started to increase production schedules and restock depleted inventories in anticipation of increased demand from manufacturers of apparel, footwear, and textile housefurnishings.

Consumer services

Charges for consumer services continued to decelerate from the peak reached in the third quarter of 1974. The services index rose 6.3 percent in the June quarter of 1975 compared with 8.0 percent in the first quarter. A broad range of consumer services including medical care, apparel, recreational, and personal care services rose at a significantly slower rate in the second quarter than in the first. Transportation services were the only major group of services to accelerate during the June quarter.

The second quarter increase in medical care services was less than in the previous quarter, but still substantial. Hospital service charges, which rose at an annual rate of 19.1 percent in the first quarter of 1975, decelerated to

a rate of 8.7 percent. To a large extent, the rapid increases throughout most of 1974 and early 1975 in hospital charges reflected the gradual passthrough of increasing costs that hospitals had experienced during the period of wage and price controls. For the second quarter, charges continued to rise rapidly, due in part to increases in such nonpayroll expenses as rent, interest, equipment, utilities, insurance, and supplies. Over the last 10 years, nonpayroll expenses have gradually made up a larger proportion of total hospital expenses, and today, are responsible for nearly half of all hospital expenses. Operating room charges and semi-private room rates, which rose at an annual of 22.5 and 21.2 percent, respectively, in the first quarter, slowed to less than half that rate in the June quarter. In addition, charges for medical care services which are not generally covered by health insurance plans—physicians' and dentists' fees and eyeglass exams—moderated in the second quarter after large increases in the initial quarter of 1975.

The increase in charges for household services other than rent in the second quarter was about the same as in the first quarter. Mortgage interest rates—which were responsible primarily for the slowdown in the services index in the first quarter—declined less in the second quarter than in the first. To a large extent, declines reflected an improvement in the money market conditions in general. Banks and savings and loan institutions experienced near record inflows this spring as consumers began to save with the easing of inflationary pressure on the economy. However, late in the second quarter, there was an upturn in home buying—principally of previously built homes—which increased demand for available mortgage money. In addition, higher interest on certificates of deposit, which are a major source of lendable funds, and concern over the Government's budget deficit contributed to uncertainty and subsequent upturn in mortgage interest rates late in the second quarter.

Among other household services, increases in charges for natural gas continued to be substantial. Increases in charges for electricity were much smaller than in the initial quarter of 1975, primarily because utility companies passed through to consumers smaller increases in fuel costs. In addition, in many large cities, requests for electricity rate increases were met with strong consumer resistance.

The Consumer Price Index for home and apartment rents increased 4.2 percent, down slightly from 5.5 percent in the first quarter. Demand for rental units remained high as some renters postponed buying homes until better economic conditions arrived.

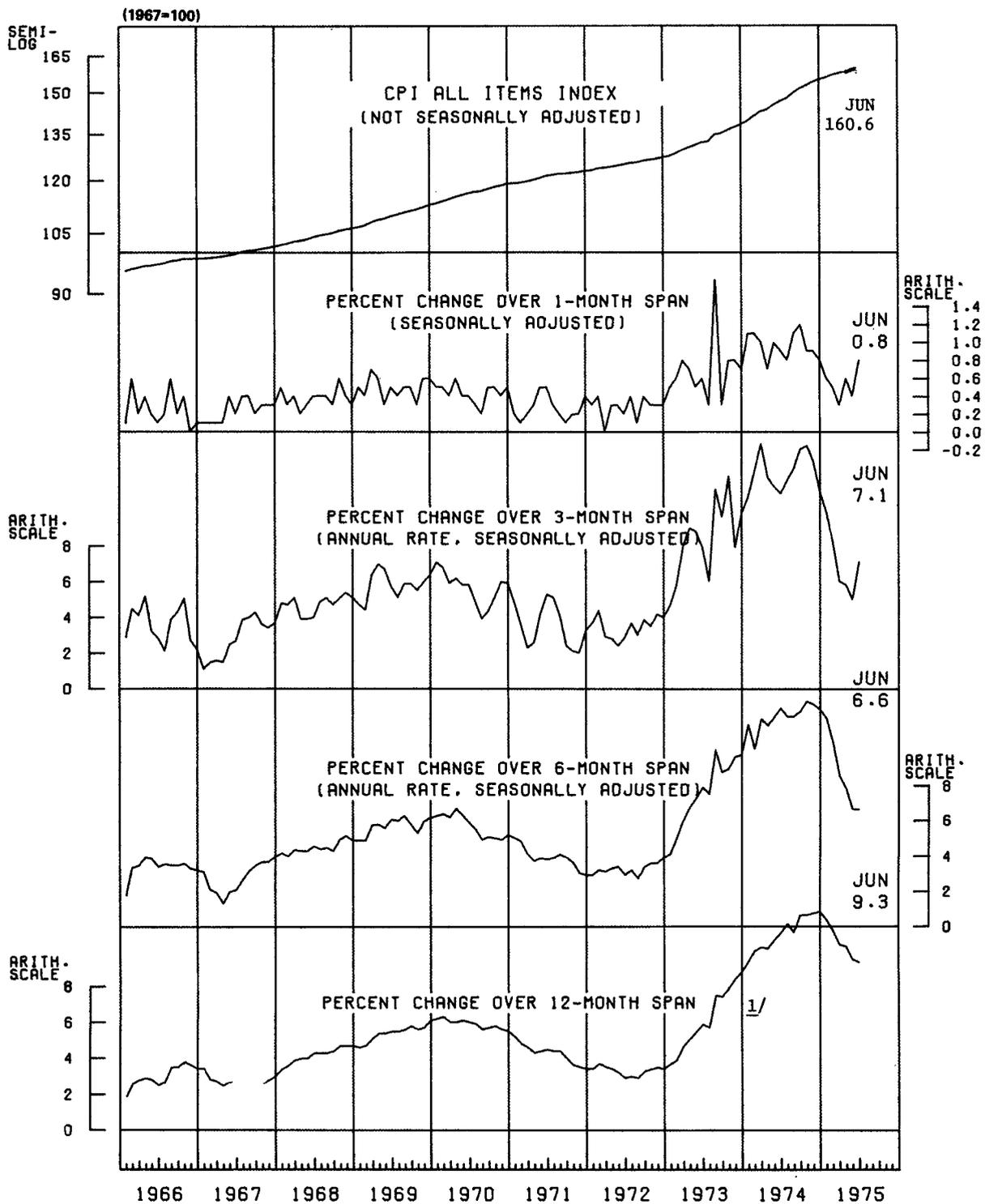
Among transportation services, charges for public transportation and auto insurance premiums accelerated sharply in the June quarter. Airline fares, which were

stable in the first quarter, increased substantially in the second quarter as charges for short-run flights more than offset the decreased fares on long-run and transcontinental flights. In addition, railroad fares were increased, as is customary, during the summer travel months. Despite fewer accidents, auto insurance companies sought higher rates during the second quarter

to cover higher repair bills.

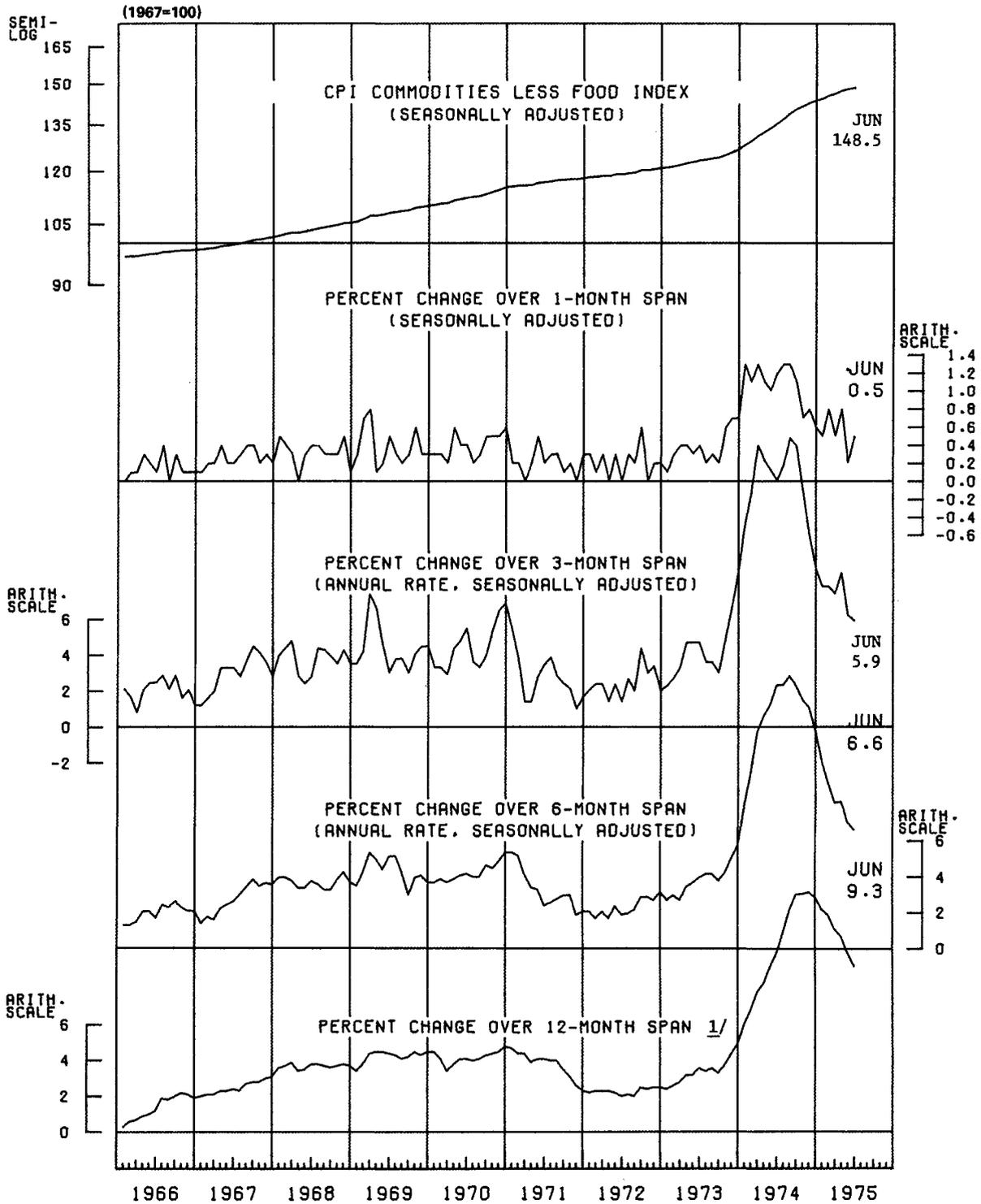
Other types of services including personal care, recreational, and apparel services rose at an annual rate of 2.4 percent, slowing from 7.5 percent in the first quarter of 1975. Smaller increases in materials costs, and cutbacks in consumer expenditures for some of these items contributed to the slowdown.

Chart 1. All items index and its rate of change, 1966-75



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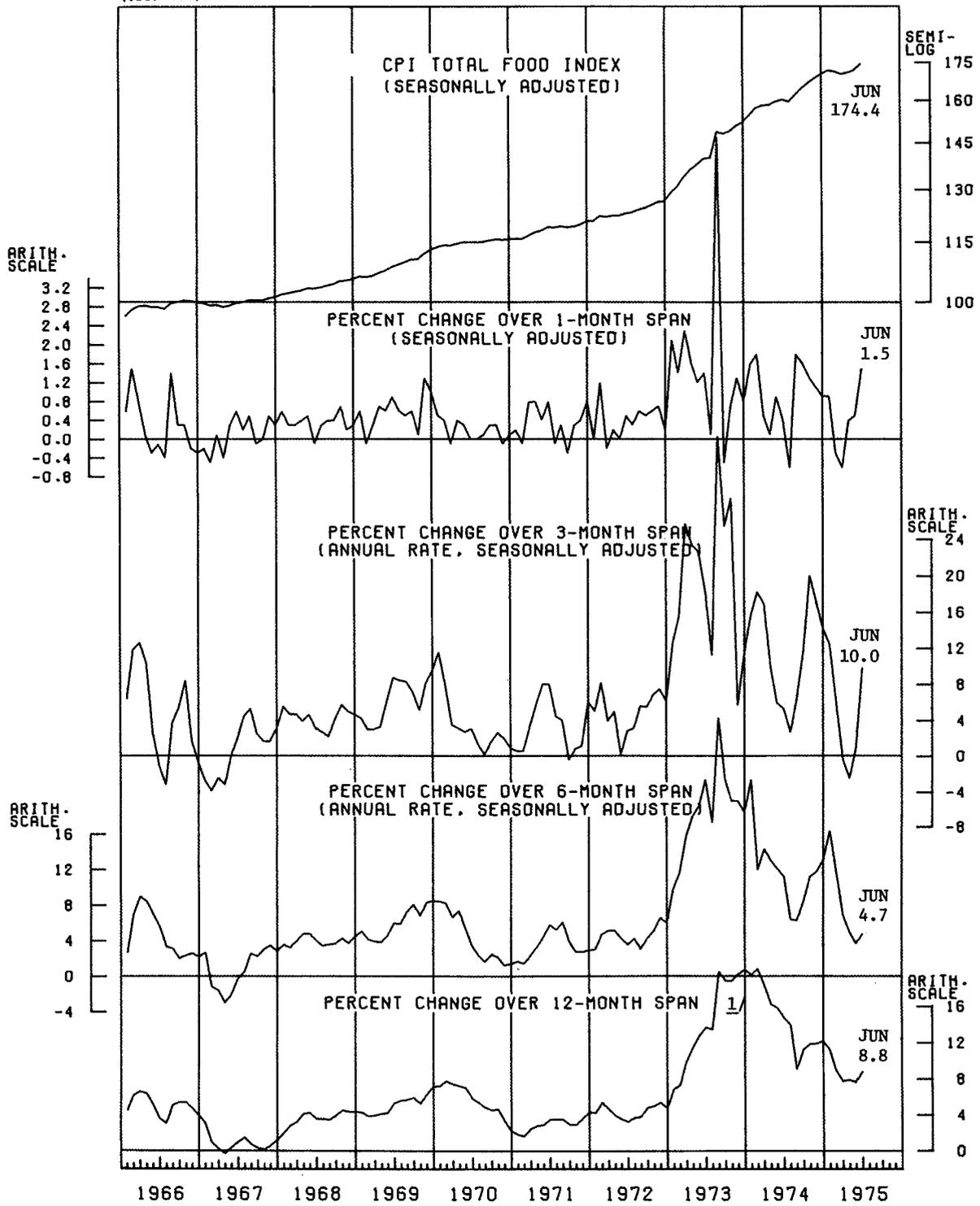
Chart 2. Commodities less food index and its rates of change, 1966-75



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Chart 3. Total food index and its rates of change, 1966-75

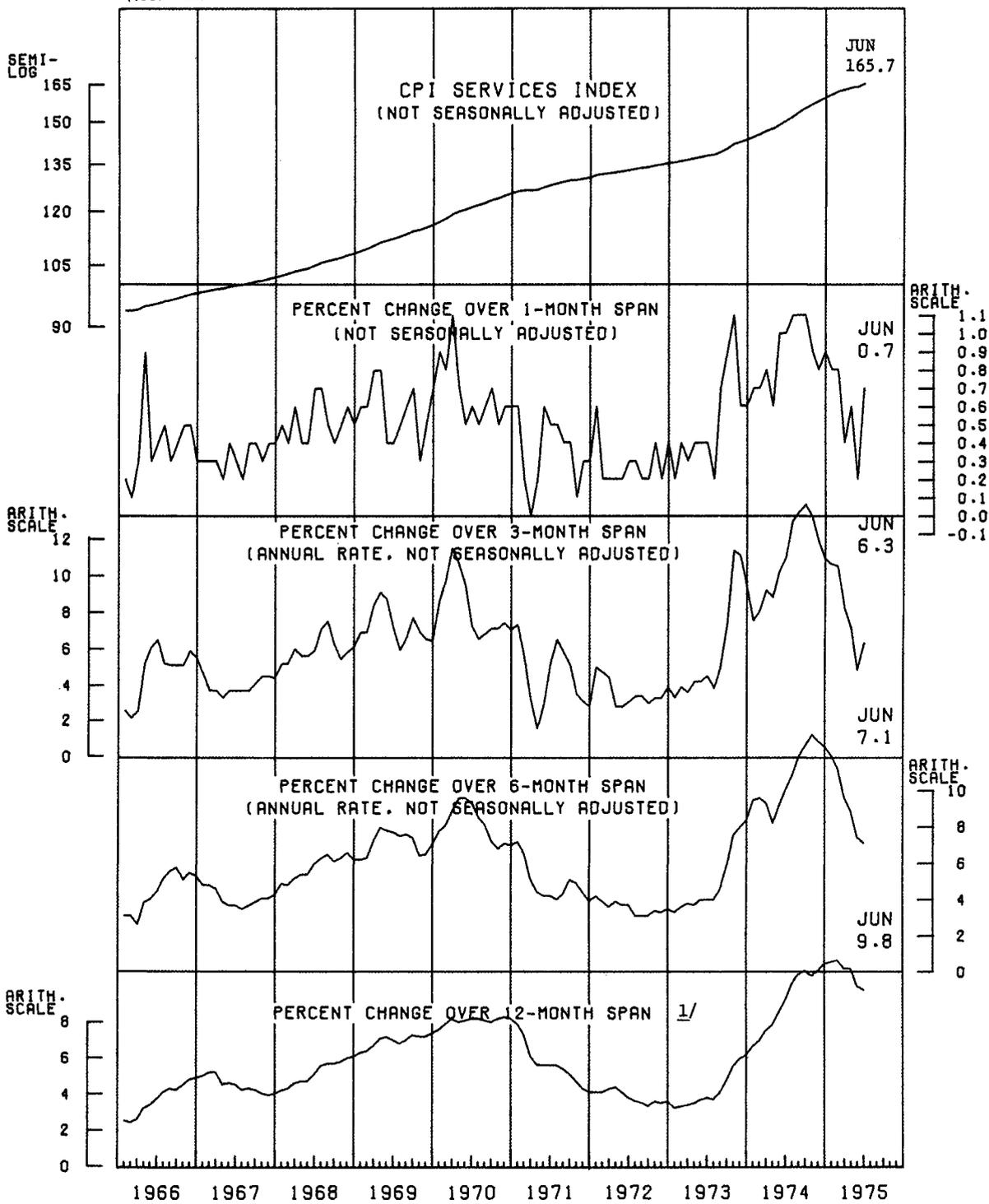
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Chart 4. Services index and its rates of change, 1966-75

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, by commodity and service groups, and expenditure classes

Group	Relative importance	Unadjusted indexes 1967=100 unless otherwise noted		Unadjusted percent change to June 1975 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		December 1974	May 1975	June 1975	June 1974	May 1975	March to April	April to May	May to June
Commodity and service groups								
All items	100.000	159.3	160.6	9.3	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.8
All items (1957-59=100)	-	185.2	186.8	-	-	-	-	-
Commodities	63.762	156.5	157.9	9.0	.9	.6	.4	.8
Food	24.785	171.8	174.4	8.8	1.5	.4	.5	1.5
Food at home	19.657	171.6	174.9	8.7	1.9	.4	.6	1.9
Cereals and bakery products	2.882	187.0	185.2	12.0	-1.0	-1.1	-1.9	-4.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	6.140	168.2	177.2	14.2	5.4	1.6	5.7	5.8
Dairy products	2.887	153.6	153.3	-3	-2	-3	-7	1
Fruits and vegetables	3.111	169.0	177.4	-3.1	5.0	-5	-4	2.4
Other foods at home	4.637	182.7	178.7	15.7	-2.2	-3	-2.0	-1.6
Food away from home	5.128	172.8	173.1	9.1	.2	.4	.3	.2
Commodities less food	38.977	148.1	148.9	9.3	.5	.8	.2	.5
Nondurables less food	23.255	150.5	151.2	7.2	.5	.6	.3	.5
Apparel commodities ¹	8.273	140.8	140.3	3.5	-4	0	-1	1
Men's and boys'	2.617	142.8	142.1	3.7	-5	-2	1	-4
Women's and girls'	3.611	136.7	136.3	2.0	-3	-1	-1	3
Footwear	1.438	144.5	143.8	4.7	-5	-1	-1	-1
Nondurables less food and apparel	14.982	156.3	157.7	9.3	.9	.6	.5	.9
Gasoline and motor oil	3.388	164.9	169.5	2.5	2.8	1.0	1.0	3.0
Tobacco products	1.936	153.3	153.6	7.6	.2	*.1	*.1	*.2
Alcoholic beverages	2.315	141.9	142.1	9.3	.1	*.2	*.1	*.1
Fuel oil and coal	1.028	230.2	230.6	7.7	.2	1.0	1.1	.8
Other nondurables	6.316	150.7	151.4	14.3	.5	.9	.3	.3
Durable commodities	15.722	144.8	145.8	12.4	.7	.8	.3	.3
Household durables	4.575	140.0	140.3	9.4	.2	.6	.3	0
New automobiles	1.905	126.8	127.0	9.1	.2	.5	-.5	.4
Used automobiles	2.026	142.2	147.5	20.7	3.7	*2.1	*3.0	*3.7
Other durables	7.217	154.3	154.9	13.0	.4	1.4	.8	.2
Services	36.238	164.5	165.7	9.8	.7	*.6	*.2	*.7
Rent	4.568	136.4	136.9	5.1	.4	*.3	*.4	*.4
Services less rent	31.670	169.6	170.9	10.5	.8	.6	.2	.7
Household services less rent	15.856	182.1	183.9	12.1	1.0	.7	.3	1.0
Transportation services	4.796	149.6	150.4	6.3	.5	.8	.3	.3
Medical care services	5.473	177.0	178.4	12.9	.8	.7	.7	.7
Other services	5.545	151.0	151.4	7.3	.3	.3	0	.3
Special indexes:								
All items less food	75.215	155.6	156.6	9.5	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.5
Nondurable commodities	48.040	160.8	162.4	8.0	1.0	.4	-.4	1.0
Apparel commodities less footwear	6.835	140.1	139.6	3.3	-.4	-1	-1	1
Services less medical care services	30.765	162.6	163.7	9.2	.7	*.5	*.2	*.7
Insurance and finance	9.634	177.2	178.9	10.8	1.0	.9	.1	.9
Utilities and public transportation	5.246	154.3	155.9	10.6	1.0	1.0	.7	1.2
Housekeeping and home maintenance service	4.691	191.6	192.9	10.2	.7	.4	.1	.4
Appliances (including radio and TV)	1.445	117.6	117.9	8.9	.3	*.3	*.3	*.3
Expenditure classes								
All items	100.000	159.3	160.6	9.3	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.8
Food	24.785	171.8	174.4	8.8	1.5	.4	.5	1.5
Housing	33.766	165.3	166.4	11.5	.7	.7	.4	.6
Shelter ²	21.293	168.2	169.4	10.8	.7	.7	.5	.5
Rent	4.568	136.4	136.9	5.1	.4	*.3	*.4	*.4
Homeownership ³	16.335	180.1	181.4	12.5	.7	1.0	.6	.5
Fuel and utilities ⁴	5.008	165.5	166.9	11.7	.8	1.1	.7	1.3
Gas and electricity	2.548	167.3	169.4	17.2	1.3	1.4	.7	2.0
Household furnishings and operation	7.465	157.4	158.1	13.6	.4	.8	.1	.4
Apparel and upkeep	9.633	141.8	141.4	4.2	-.3	0	-.1	-.1
Transportation	12.715	147.4	149.8	7.9	1.6	.8	.3	1.2
Private	11.450	146.8	149.3	8.4	1.7	.8	.3	1.4
Public	1.266	152.5	154.1	3.7	1.0	.4	.3	.3
Health and recreation	18.723	152.6	153.2	9.9	.4	.6	.2	.3
Medical care	6.241	166.8	168.1	12.5	.8	.9	.6	.7
Personal care	2.519	149.9	150.3	10.1	.3	.3	.2	.2
Reading and recreation	5.222	143.8	144.1	7.9	.2	.8	.1	0
Other goods and services	4.742	147.1	147.3	8.5	.1	.1	.3	0
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter	78.707	157.0	158.4	.9	.9	.6	.3	.9
All items less medical care	93.759	158.9	160.3	.2	.9	.6	.3	.8
All items less mortgage interest costs	95.615	157.3	158.6	9.1	.8	.5	.4	.8
CPI — domestically produced farm foods ⁵	17.214	169.1	172.9	7.9	2.2	*.2	*.5	*.2
CPI — selected beef cuts ⁶	1.976	166.3	177.7	9.8	6.9	*1.1	*8.6	*6.9
Purchasing power of consumer dollar:								
1967= \$1.00	-	\$0.628	\$0.623	-8.5	-.8	-	-	-
1957-59= \$1.00	-	.540	.535	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Also includes infants' wear, sewing materials, and jewelry not shown separately.

² Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.

³ Includes home purchase, mortgage interest, taxes, insurance, and maintenance and repairs.

⁴ Also includes residential telephone, fuel oil, coal, water, and sewerage service not shown separately.

⁵ Calculated from the food at home component by excluding fish, nonalcoholic beverages, bananas,

chocolate candy bars, chocolate syrup, and about half of the index weight for sugar.

⁶ Calculated from the CPI beef and veal component by excluding veal cutlets and beef liver.

* Not seasonally adjusted.

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

Table 2. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, by commodity and service groups, and expenditure classes

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes (1967=100)				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	March 1975	April 1975	May 1975	June 1975	3 months ending in			6 months ending in		
					September 1974	December 1974	March 1975	June 1975	December 1974	June 1975
	Commodity and service groups									
All items	-	-	-	-	13.4	11.0	6.0	7.1	12.2	6.6
Commodities	154.8	155.7	156.3	157.6	13.4	11.5	4.2	7.4	12.4	5.8
Food	170.3	170.9	171.8	174.4	11.7	14.3	-2.2	10.0	13.0	4.7
Food at home	169.9	170.5	171.6	174.9	11.4	16.4	-4.1	12.3	13.9	3.8
Cereals and bakery products	188.3	188.1	186.4	185.6	13.4	28.9	14.3	-5.6	20.9	3.9
Meats, poultry, and fish	158.0	160.5	169.7	179.5	20.2	6.2	-19.9	66.6	13.0	15.5
Dairy products	154.6	154.2	153.1	153.3	-4.9	7.6	-3.3	-3.3	1.2	-1.8
Fruits and vegetables	166.7	165.8	165.2	169.1	-15.3	1.9	-3.5	5.9	-7.1	1.1
Other foods at home	189.3	188.7	184.9	182.0	46.0	47.1	-2.1	-14.6	46.5	-8.5
Food away from home	171.8	172.5	173.0	173.3	10.7	11.2	11.2	3.5	11.0	7.3
Commodities less food	146.4	147.5	147.8	148.5	15.6	8.8	7.4	5.9	12.1	6.6
Nondurables less food	148.9	149.8	150.2	151.0	11.8	7.1	4.1	5.8	9.4	4.9
Apparel commodities ¹	140.3	140.3	140.1	140.2	11.1	4.1	-6.6	-3.3	7.5	-4.4
Men's and boys'	141.9	141.6	141.8	141.3	11.3	5.5	3.3	-1.7	8.4	-7.7
Women's and girls'	136.6	136.5	136.3	136.7	11.5	3.6	-3.7	3.3	5.9	-1.7
Footwear	144.1	144.0	143.9	143.8	10.9	3.4	5.5	-8.8	7.1	2.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	154.4	155.4	156.1	157.5	11.6	9.5	7.6	8.3	10.5	7.9
Gasoline and motor oil	160.8	162.4	164.1	169.0	-5.7	-5.1	1.0	22.0	-5.4	11.0
Tobacco products (not seasonally adjusted)	153.1	153.2	153.3	153.6	10.8	12.6	6.0	1.3	11.7	3.6
Alcoholic beverages (not seasonally adjusted)	141.4	141.7	141.9	142.1	18.4	8.8	8.6	2.0	13.5	5.3
Fuel oil and coal	224.9	227.2	229.7	231.5	17.6	10.6	-8.1	12.3	14.0	1.6
Other nondurables	148.8	150.1	150.5	150.9	20.8	18.8	12.1	5.8	19.8	8.9
Durable commodities	143.1	144.3	144.8	145.2	18.1	12.4	13.3	6.0	15.2	9.6
Household durables	138.7	139.5	139.9	139.9	15.9	11.0	7.9	3.5	13.4	5.7
New automobiles	126.9	127.5	126.8	127.3	16.7	10.6	8.6	1.3	13.6	4.9
Used automobiles (not seasonally adjusted)	135.3	138.1	142.2	147.5	53.0	7.6	-8.7	41.2	28.3	13.6
Other durables	151.3	153.4	154.6	154.9	11.2	11.5	19.5	9.9	11.4	14.6
Services (not seasonally adjusted)	163.2	164.1	164.5	165.7	14.2	10.9	8.0	6.3	12.6	7.1
Rent (not seasonally adjusted)	135.5	135.9	136.4	136.9	5.0	5.9	5.5	4.2	5.4	4.8
Services less rent (not seasonally adjusted)	168.5	169.5	169.9	171.1	14.1	11.5	10.1	6.3	12.8	8.2
Household services less rent	181.0	182.2	182.8	184.6	17.0	13.5	9.8	8.2	15.2	9.0
Transportation services	148.0	149.2	149.6	150.1	7.6	6.6	5.3	5.8	7.1	5.6
Medical care services	174.5	175.7	177.0	178.2	17.2	11.4	14.5	8.8	14.3	11.6
Other services	150.3	150.8	150.8	151.2	10.0	9.2	7.5	2.4	9.6	4.9
Special indexes:										
All items less food	154.2	155.2	155.6	156.4	14.1	9.5	8.5	5.8	11.8	7.1
Nondurable commodities	159.2	159.9	160.6	162.2	12.0	10.8	1.8	7.8	11.4	4.7
Apparel commodities less footwear	139.7	139.6	139.4	139.5	11.7	3.5	-1.1	-6.6	7.5	-9.9
Services less medical care services (not seasonally adjusted)	161.4	162.2	162.6	163.7	13.1	11.3	6.7	5.8	12.2	6.3
Insurance and finance	176.7	178.3	178.4	180.0	13.7	13.8	8.1	7.7	13.7	7.9
Utilities and public transportation	151.5	153.0	154.0	155.9	10.9	9.4	9.8	12.1	10.2	11.0
Housekeeping and home maintenance service	190.9	191.6	191.8	192.5	20.7	10.7	6.5	3.4	15.6	5.0
Appliances (including radio and TV)	116.9	117.2	117.6	117.9	14.4	11.9	6.0	3.5	13.1	4.7
	Expenditure classes									
All items	-	-	-	-	13.4	11.0	6.0	7.1	12.2	6.6
Food	170.3	170.9	171.8	174.4	11.7	14.3	-2.2	10.0	13.0	4.7
Housing	163.8	165.0	165.6	166.6	15.3	13.3	10.9	7.0	14.3	9.0
Shelter ²	166.9	168.1	168.9	169.7	12.8	12.4	11.0	6.9	12.6	8.9
Rent (not seasonally adjusted)	135.5	135.9	136.4	136.9	5.0	5.9	5.5	4.2	5.4	4.8
Homeownership ³	178.4	180.1	181.2	182.1	15.1	13.8	12.6	8.6	14.5	10.7
Fuel and utilities ⁴	162.0	163.8	165.0	167.2	13.7	10.2	9.4	13.5	12.0	11.4
Gas and electricity	162.9	165.1	166.3	169.6	19.9	14.2	17.7	17.5	17.0	17.6
Household furnishings and operation	155.9	157.1	157.2	157.8	23.1	17.4	9.8	5.0	20.2	7.4
Apparel and upkeep	141.3	141.3	141.2	141.3	11.4	4.4	1.4	0	7.8	.7
Transportation	145.4	146.5	147.0	148.8	15.3	3.1	4.2	9.7	9.0	6.9
Private	144.7	145.8	146.2	148.3	16.8	2.8	4.5	10.3	9.6	7.4
Public	152.0	152.6	153.0	153.5	2.5	6.9	1.6	4.0	4.6	2.8
Health and recreation	151.4	152.3	152.6	153.0	13.9	10.4	11.0	4.3	12.1	7.6
Medical care	164.4	165.8	166.8	167.9	16.2	11.3	13.7	8.8	13.7	11.2
Personal care	149.0	149.5	149.8	150.1	14.8	12.1	10.6	3.0	13.5	6.7
Reading and recreation	142.4	143.6	143.8	143.8	10.9	9.4	7.6	4.0	10.2	5.8
Other goods and services	146.8	146.9	147.4	147.4	12.9	11.0	8.6	1.6	12.0	5.1
Special indexes:										
All items less shelter	155.4	156.3	156.7	158.1	13.9	10.8	4.2	7.1	12.4	5.7
All items less medical care	157.5	158.4	158.9	160.1	13.1	11.0	5.8	6.8	12.1	6.3
All items less mortgage interest costs	155.7	156.5	157.1	158.3	13.3	10.5	5.9	6.8	11.9	6.4
CPI - domestically produced farm foods (not seasonally adjusted)	168.5	168.2	169.1	172.9	10.6	8.8	1.7	10.9	9.7	6.2
CPI - selected beef cuts (not seasonally adjusted)	151.6	153.2	166.3	177.7	26.5	-28.3	-15.2	88.8	-4.8	26.5

¹ Also includes infants' wear, sewing materials, and jewelry not shown separately.

² Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.

³ Includes home purchase, mortgage interest, taxes, insurance, and maintenance and repairs.

⁴ Also includes residential telephone, fuel oil, coal, water, and sewerage service not shown separately.

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

Table 3. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, food items, June 1975 indexes, and percent changes from selected dates

(1967=100)

Item and group	Index		Percent change to June 1975 from—			Item and group	Index		Percent change to June 1975 from—		
	June 1975		June 1974	May 1975			June 1975		June 1974	May 1975	
	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted		Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
Food	174.4	174.4	8.8	1.5	1.5	Food—Continued					
Food away from home	173.1	173.3	9.1	.2	.2	Food at home—Continued					
Restaurant meals	172.0	172.0	8.1	.2	.1	Fruits and vegetables—Continued					
Snacks	178.6	179.0	14.6	.2	.4	Fresh fruits and vegetables—Continued					
Food at home	174.9	174.9	8.7	1.9	1.9	Fresh fruits—Continued					
Cereals and bakery products	185.2	185.6	12.0	-1.0	-1.4	Oranges	152.4	154.6	1.9	0.8	-0.4
Flour	166.1	167.6	-3.9	-1.9	.4	Orange juice, fresh	146.6	146.5	5.5	-3	-6
Cracker meal	242.9	241.5	28.7	.9	.8	Grapefruit	175.1	171.2	19.1	6.1	-4.1
Corn flakes	166.7	165.4	26.8	-2	-4	Grapes	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Rice	217.5	219.5	-11.3	-2	.5	Strawberries	133.0	135.7	.5	-6.1	-12.8
Bread, white	164.1	164.6	2.9	-1.4	-1.3	Watermelon	242.0	203.5	12.2	(1)	(1)
Bread, whole wheat	176.6	178.0	9.1	-5	.5	Fresh vegetables	177.9	161.1	-14.6	10.3	7.3
Cookies	182.2	183.3	29.4	-3.3	-1.8	Potatoes	185.2	158.2	-42.7	20.6	3.2
Layer cake	193.7	194.1	25.5	-2	.4	Onions	214.7	203.1	42.5	5.1	-2.3
Cinnamon rolls	197.3	196.9	23.2	-1.2	-1.0	Asparagus	170.1	177.6	.8	8.0	3.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	177.2	179.5	14.2	5.4	5.8	Cabbage	177.7	162.4	7.8	13.8	11.9
Meats	177.8	179.8	14.9	5.9	5.8	Carrots	183.9	177.3	21.5	-2.4	-8.8
Beef and veal	176.6	177.8	7.7	6.1	6.7	Celery	162.3	158.0	4.2	6.1	4.7
Steak, round	181.1	181.8	13.5	6.5	6.8	Cucumbers	170.6	164.8	22.3	13.2	25.8
Steak, sirloin	180.2	180.2	18.0	10.2	9.4	Lettuce	153.8	138.1	-18.5	7.0	-4
Steak, porterhouse	186.3	186.3	20.4	11.1	10.0	Peppers, green	161.2	143.0	-6.1	-7.1	17.8
Rump roast	175.5	175.7	12.0	5.3	5.6	Spinach	179.2	179.4	1.1	1.1	.5
Rib roast	194.2	196.2	19.8	9.7	10.5	Tomatoes	188.8	171.9	4.4	20.9	17.7
Chuck roast	184.1	187.3	15.0	7.0	9.1	Processed fruits and vegetables	175.0	175.4	1.6	-2	0
Hamburger	167.3	168.3	-2.6	4.5	5.0	Fruit cocktail, canned	176.9	177.8	18.8	0	.2
Beef liver	144.7	143.4	-7.2	.8	1.1	Pears, canned	165.1	165.1	20.8	.1	-2.2
Veal cutlets	193.0	193.0	-2.5	1.4	1.6	Pineapple-grapefruit drink, canned	172.0	172.3	32.6	1.2	.9
Pork	187.9	191.7	33.1	7.0	5.2	Orange juice concentrate, frozen	152.0	152.3	7.6	.2	.2
Chops	181.3	185.6	30.6	9.7	7.2	Lemonade concentrate, frozen	192.6	193.2	44.9	-1.2	-8
Loin roast	192.1	196.4	33.4	10.9	8.5	Beets, canned	189.7	190.1	19.6	.5	.8
Sausage	206.5	211.4	27.5	5.5	6.6	Peas, green, canned	161.8	162.8	29.9	-6	-5
Ham, whole	170.9	175.5	25.8	5.0	4.6	Tomatoes, canned	176.6	176.8	21.3	.1	.5
Picnics	165.9	170.3	16.7	5.5	6.7	Dried beans	200.4	201.0	-53.8	-1.7	-1.5
Bacon	203.2	206.9	52.3	5.0	2.8	Broccoli, frozen	152.9	162.4	13.7	-1	-2
Other meats	166.4	167.6	8.0	3.7	3.6	Other food at home	178.7	182.0	15.7	-2.2	-1.6
Lamb chops	174.8	173.4	11.1	4.5	2.7	Eggs	137.2	156.4	6.9	-5.1	-8
Frankfurters	167.2	170.3	10.4	6.2	6.9	Fats and oils	195.8	197.4	13.7	-3.5	-2.9
Ham, canned	167.3	170.7	12.4	1.1	3.0	Margarine	215.9	218.3	10.6	-4.6	-4.5
Bologna sausage	170.3	172.4	7.7	4.4	4.7	Salad dressing, Italian	158.2	158.5	23.4	-2	.4
Salami sausage	158.4	159.5	1.7	3.1	3.3	Salad or cooking oil	213.0	215.2	10.6	-4.8	-3.5
Liverwurst	159.9	161.4	4.5	2.8	3.1	Sugar and sweets	236.8	236.1	28.6	-3.7	-3.6
Poultry	157.7	159.0	16.1	5.3	5.5	Sugar	260.7	259.9	11.1	-14.7	-15.4
Frying chicken	162.0	163.1	19.4	6.0	6.3	Grape jelly	233.2	232.5	43.3	.3	.8
Chicken breasts	156.6	157.5	13.2	4.1	4.9	Chocolate bar	240.3	238.4	25.8	.5	.8
Turkey	139.2	141.8	3.7	2.7	2.4	Syrup, chocolate flavored	215.8	215.8	39.0	.5	1.5
Fish	200.4	200.4	7.1	.7	.9	Nonalcoholic beverages	174.9	174.4	13.7	-2	-4
Shrimp, frozen	174.8	174.1	3.2	2.5	2.2	Coffee	164.5	164.5	2.6	-1	-1
Fish, fresh or frozen	218.1	218.5	1.3	.3	.8	Coffee, instant	173.0	171.5	9.2	.1	.3
Tuna fish, canned	172.9	171.7	1.9	-1.9	-1.7	Tea	146.8	146.4	23.4	1.9	1.7
Sardines, canned	234.5	235.4	20.4	1.6	2.1	Carbonated drink, cola flavored	200.4	200.0	26.4	-1.1	-1.2
Dairy products	153.3	153.3	-3	-2	.1	Carbonated drink, fruit flavored	203.7	202.9	28.8	-1.5	-1.7
Milk, fresh, grocery	150.1	150.0	-3.5	-3	.2	Prepared and partially prepared foods					
Milk, fresh, skim	165.2	164.7	-1.5	-2	.2	Bean soup, canned	162.4	162.4	14.1	-5	-3
Milk, evaporated	181.5	181.3	5.3	-2	.3	Chicken soup, canned	178.8	177.9	7.2	-1.3	-1.4
Ice cream	150.3	150.6	12.9	-2	.1	Spaghetti, canned	134.3	134.8	4.0	-1	.1
Cheese, American process	170.0	170.0	-1.0	.1	.8	Mashed potatoes, instant	162.3	162.3	16.7	0	-2
Butter	115.9	118.0	5.5	.3	1.4	Potatoes, french fried, frozen	156.6	155.8	14.1	0	-2
Fruits and vegetables	177.4	169.1	-3.1	5.0	2.4	Baby foods	165.2	165.4	12.9	-7	-4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	179.0	165.1	-5.9	8.7	4.4	Sweet pickle relish	161.8	161.2	18.3	.1	-2
Fresh fruits	180.6	168.0	7.5	6.8	-9	Pretzels	170.9	172.3	21.5	-8	.1
Apples	186.3	169.5	5.9	11.0	3.1		167.4	166.2	17.9	-1.2	-1.7
Bananas	167.0	160.6	12.0	.7	-2.7						

¹ Priced only in season.

Table 4. Consumers Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, indexes for selected items and groups, June 1975, and percent changes from selected dates

(1967=100)

Item and group	Other index base	Indexes		Percent change to June 1975 from:	
		May 1975	June 1975	June 1974	May 1975
Housing		165.3	166.4	11.5	0.7
Shelter ¹		168.2	169.4	10.8	.7
Rent, residential		136.4	136.9	5.1	.4
Homeownership ²		180.1	181.4	12.5	.7
Mortgage interest rates		138.7	140.2	2.5	1.1
Property taxes		157.6	158.0	5.4	.3
Property insurance premiums		129.6	130.6	4.8	.8
Maintenance and repairs		185.7	186.9	9.2	.6
Maintenance and repair commodities ³		160.7	161.5	5.5	.5
Exterior house paint		155.7	154.4	13.9	-8.8
Interior house paint		145.9	146.8	12.0	.6
Maintenance and repair services		196.5	197.9	10.6	.7
Repainting living and dining rooms		206.9	209.0	10.9	1.0
Reshingling house roof		215.5	217.0	10.7	.7
Residing house		186.5	186.5	10.0	0
Replacing sink		193.2	194.6	11.8	.7
Repairing furnace		189.3	192.4	9.9	1.6
Fuel and utilities		165.5	166.9	11.7	.8
Fuel oil and coal		230.2	230.6	7.7	.2
Fuel oil, No. 2		224.4	225.7	5.6	.6
Gas and electricity		167.3	169.4	17.2	1.3
Gas		171.1	173.8	23.2	1.6
Electricity		163.8	165.2	11.8	.9
Other utilities:					
Residential telephone services		124.3	125.3	3.5	.8
Residential water and sewerage services		168.9	168.8	9.3	-1.1
Household furnishings and operation ⁴		157.4	158.1	13.6	.4
Housefurnishings		144.0	144.6	11.6	.4
Textiles		140.2	142.9	9.0	1.9
Sheets, full, flat		142.1	153.1	11.3	7.7
Curteins, tailored		132.6	134.4	7.3	1.4
Bedspreads		146.8	146.7	7.9	-1.1
Drapery fabrics		167.8	168.3	10.9	.3
Pillows, bed		117.3	120.2	8.9	2.5
Slipcovers and throws, ready-made		134.0	133.8	6.9	-1.1
Furniture and bedding		147.7	147.8	8.4	.1
Bedroom furniture, chest and dresser	Mar. 70	127.8	128.3	6.3	.4
Sofas, upholstered		139.0	138.9	6.2	-1.1
Cocktail tables	Dec. 71	124.5	124.6	7.7	.1
Dining room chairs	Mar. 70	129.6	130.2	7.9	.5
Recliners, upholstered	Dec. 71	111.5	109.5	4.2	-1.8
Sofas, dual purpose		137.0	137.6	7.5	.4
Bedding, mattress and box springs	June 70	130.3	130.1	10.2	-2.2
Aluminum folding chairs		174.5	174.7	22.9	.1
Cribs		147.7	148.3	8.2	.4
Floor coverings		128.8	128.7	10.0	-1.1
Broadloom carpeting		118.9	118.2	6.5	-6.6
Vinyl sheet goods		149.9	151.8	18.7	1.3
Vinyl floor tile		154.0	154.2	14.8	.1
Appliances (excluding radio and TV)		127.0	127.6	12.2	.5
Washing machines, electric		130.4	130.7	13.9	.2
Vacuum cleaners		116.1	116.6	8.7	.4
Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, electric		127.7	128.4	15.3	.5
Ranges, free standing, gas or electric		128.9	129.1	13.3	.2
Clothes dryers, electric		134.8	136.4	14.4	1.2
Air conditioners, demountable		123.2	124.3	9.1	.9
Room heaters, electric, portable		(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Garbage disposal units		128.3	128.1	10.5	-2.2
Other housefurnishings:					
Dinnerware, fine china		175.5	175.9	21.7	.2
Flatware, stainless steel		170.2	170.6	17.4	.2
Table lamps, with shade		145.1	144.8	7.7	-2.2
Lawn mowers, power, rotary type		152.6	153.6	15.7	.7
Electric drills, hand-held		123.6	124.0	10.6	.3
Housekeeping supplies:					
Laundry soaps and detergents		161.0	161.3	25.7	.2
Paper napkins		207.5	206.0	26.2	-7.7
Toilet tissue		206.7	210.6	36.5	1.9
Housekeeping services:					
Domestic services, general housework		194.2	194.9	10.5	.4
Baby sitter services		189.0	192.2	14.5	1.7
Postal charges		175.3	175.3	0	0
Laundry, flatwork, finished service		185.9	187.4	9.7	.8
Licensed day care services, preschool child		152.6	153.4	9.0	.5
Washing machine repairs		186.0	186.5	13.7	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, indexes for selected items and groups, June 1975, and percent changes from selected dates—Continued

(1967=100)

Item and group	Other index base	Indexes		Percent change to June 1975 from:	
		May 1975	June 1975	June 1974	May 1975
Apparel and upkeep ⁷		141.8	141.4	4.2	-0.3
Apparel commodities		140.8	140.3	3.5	2.4
Apparel commodities less footwear		140.1	139.6	3.3	-0.4
Men's and boys'		142.8	142.1	3.7	-0.5
Men's:					
Topcoats and all-weather coats		143.9	143.6	(⁵)	-0.2
Suits, year round weight		142.3	140.0	2.0	-1.6
Sport jackets	June 74	103.5	103.0	3.0	-0.5
Jackets, lightweight		135.0	135.1	7.9	.1
Slacks, heavyweight		119.7	119.1	2.8	-0.5
Slacks, lightweight		142.6	142.0	-0.8	-0.4
Trousers, work		151.0	150.6	8.5	-0.3
Shirts, work		151.3	151.0	6.6	-0.2
Shirts, business or dress		128.3	128.4	4.9	.1
T-shirts		153.8	154.0	7.9	.1
Socks		128.6	128.5	5.9	-0.1
Handkerchiefs		154.4	153.6	7.5	-0.5
Boys':					
Coats, heavyweight		(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Sport coats, wool or wool blends		120.2	119.3	(⁶)	-0.7
Dungarees		172.8	170.8	5.9	-1.2
Undershorts		151.5	150.4	6.2	-0.7
Women's and girls'		136.7	136.3	2.0	-0.3
Women's:					
Coats, heavyweight		(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Carcoats, heavyweight		(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Sweaters		135.8	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Skirts, winter weight		151.6	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Skirts, summer weight		155.8	155.3	11.6	-0.3
Blouses		142.2	142.5	6.7	.2
Dresses, street, year round weight		144.7	141.3	1.9	-2.3
Slips		115.5	115.6	.8	.1
Panties		140.3	140.1	9.6	-0.1
Girdles		128.5	126.7	3.6	-1.4
Brassieres		142.6	142.5	8.1	-0.1
Hose or panty hose, nylon		92.5	92.6	.5	.1
Anklets or knee-length socks		132.7	132.6	9.0	.1
Gloves, fabric		128.5	128.0	5.2	-0.4
Handbags		170.4	168.9	4.1	-0.9
Girls':					
Raincoats		128.3	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Skirts, fall and winter		(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)	(⁵)
Dresses		131.8	127.6	-3.8	-3.2
Slacks, fall and winter		166.0	163.9	(⁵)	-1.3
Slips		127.0	126.6	9.1	-0.3
Handbags		141.5	140.5	-3.5	-0.7
Miscellaneous apparel:					
Diapers		183.1	180.9	20.0	-1.2
Yard goods		159.9	159.3	1.3	-0.4
Wrist watches, men's and women's		134.6	135.3	7.4	.5
Footwear		144.5	143.8	4.7	-0.5
Men's:					
Shoes, street		148.4	147.1	3.7	-0.9
Shoes, work, high		159.0	158.9	7.2	-0.1
Women's:					
Shoes, street, pump		140.3	139.3	3.3	-0.7
Shoes, evening, pump		132.0	131.9	3.1	-0.1
Shoes, casual		146.3	145.3	4.9	-0.7
House slippers, scuff		139.7	139.0	3.9	-0.5
Children's:					
Shoes, oxford		144.8	144.1	4.2	-0.5
Sneakers, boys', oxford type		149.3	148.6	7.7	-0.5
Dress shoes, girls'		150.9	151.7	7.6	.5
Apparel services:					
Drycleaning		149.5	150.2	11.2	.5
Automatic laundry service		132.6	132.9	7.0	.2
Laundry, men's shirts		151.6	152.1	6.3	.3
Tailoring charges		152.3	152.3	3.3	0
Shoe repairs		140.0	140.2	6.8	.1
Transportation		147.4	149.8	7.9	1.6
Private ⁸		146.8	149.3	8.4	1.7
Automobiles, new		126.8	127.0	9.1	.2
Automobiles, used		142.2	147.5	20.7	3.7
Gasoline, regular and premium		165.7	170.6	2.2	3.0
Motor oil		154.1	155.0	6.7	.6
Tires		125.2	125.6	5.6	.3
Auto repairs (mechanical) and maintenance ⁹		175.5	176.2	14.2	.4
Auto insurance premiums		141.9	142.9	3.4	.7
Auto registration fees		130.8	130.8	1.5	0
Parking fees, private and municipal		171.2	171.1	8.6	-0.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, indexes for selected items and groups, June 1975, and percent changes from selected dates—Continued

(1967=100)

Item and group	Other index base	Indexes		Percent change to June 1975 from:	
		May 1975	June 1975	June 1974	May 1975
Transportation—Continued					
Public		152.5	154.1	3.7	1.0
Local transit fares		147.8	147.4	-.1	-.3
Taxicab fares		167.8	168.0	9.0	.1
Railroad fares, coach		150.2	151.7	8.0	1.0
Airplane fares, chiefly coach		154.3	161.7	9.1	4.8
Bus fares, intercity		175.5	192.6	20.8	9.7
Health and recreation					
Medical care ¹⁰		152.6	153.2	9.9	.4
Drugs and prescriptions		166.8	168.1	12.5	.8
Over-the-counter items		118.1	118.7	9.2	.5
Multiple vitamin concentrates		129.5	130.3	11.7	.6
Aspirin compounds		201.1	101.3	4.8	.2
Liquid tonics		131.9	132.5	10.0	.5
Adhesive bandages, packages		115.0	115.8	9.6	.7
Cold tablets or capsules		164.7	166.2	22.9	.9
Cough syrup		124.9	125.0	7.9	.1
Prescriptions		132.8	133.9	10.7	.8
Anti-infectives		108.5	109.0	6.9	.5
Sedatives and hypnotics		70.9	71.0	4.7	.1
Ataractics		153.2	154.1	11.7	.6
Antispasmodics		105.4	105.5	.9	.1
Cough preparations		121.7	123.9	13.4	1.8
Cardiovasculars and antihypertensives		164.4	164.9	13.3	.3
Analgesics, internal		117.7	117.9	2.5	.2
Anti-obesity		118.8	118.9	5.8	.1
Hormones		(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Professional services:		101.9	102.9	8.3	1.0
Physicians' fees:					
General physician, office visits		167.2	168.8	12.3	1.0
General physician, house visits		171.2	173.0	12.3	1.1
Obstetrical cases		168.5	169.4	12.0	.5
Podiatric care, office visits		164.6	166.8	12.9	1.3
Psychiatrist, office visits		170.3	172.1	12.9	1.1
Herniorrhaphy, adult		151.8	153.0	9.2	.8
Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy		150.6	151.8	10.3	.8
Dentists' fees:					
Fillings, adult, amalgam, one surface		162.2	164.1	15.2	1.2
Extractions, adult		161.2	161.8	11.1	.4
Dentures, full upper		165.9	166.8	11.9	.5
Dentures, full lower		160.7	160.7	10.6	0
Other professional services:					
Examination, prescription, and dispensing of eyeglasses		148.7	149.2	7.3	.3
Routine laboratory tests		152.5	153.1	15.1	.4
Hospital service charges	Jan. 72	130.1	131.1	15.4	.8
Semiprivate rooms		230.1	232.8	17.3	1.2
Operating room charges		236.3	237.2	20.5	.4
X-ray, diagnostic series, upper GI		154.2	155.8	12.7	1.0
Laboratory tests:					
Anti-infectives	Jan. 72	127.5	128.0	16.0	.4
Tranquilizers	Jan. 72	110.5	111.4	7.0	.8
Electrocardiogram	Jan. 72	116.9	117.3	8.1	.3
Intravenous solution	Jan. 72	125.6	126.0	12.9	.3
Physical therapy	Jan. 72	128.2	128.6	19.1	.3
Oxygen, inhalation therapy	Jan. 72	135.9	136.3	19.5	.3
Personal care:	Jan. 72	124.9	118.6	7.6	-5.0
Toilet goods:					
Toothpaste, standard dentifrice		149.9	150.3	10.1	.3
Toilet soap, hard-milled		149.4	149.7	13.1	.2
Hand lotions		131.1	131.6	15.6	.4
Shaving cream		195.2	194.9	13.1	-.2
Face powder		152.6	153.6	15.2	.7
Deodorants		123.7	124.7	13.5	.8
Cleansing tissues		149.5	150.0	-2.6	.3
Home permanent wave kits		117.9	117.3	13.4	-.5
Personal care services:		197.6	197.5	27.7	-.1
Men's haircuts		119.5	120.1	7.3	.5
Beauty shop services:		150.4	150.9	7.2	.3
Women's haircuts		152.8	153.0	6.6	.1
Shampoo and wave sets, plain		148.7	149.4	7.6	.5
Permanent waves, cold		162.5	163.5	11.3	.6
Permanent waves, cold		151.8	152.3	7.3	.3
Permanent waves, cold		127.9	128.5	4.0	.5
Reading and recreation ¹¹ :		143.8	144.1	7.9	.2
Recreational goods:					
TV sets, portable and console		122.9	123.3	7.9	.3
TV replacement tubes		101.3	101.1	2.6	-.2
Radios, portable and table models		156.9	156.9	12.4	0
Tape recorders, portable		104.2	103.9	2.4	-.3
Phonograph records, stereophonic		95.7	95.3	.2	-.4
Movie cameras, 8mm		121.9	122.5	10.1	.5
Film, 35mm, color		94.0	94.3	2.9	.3
Golf balls		118.3	118.5	5.1	.2
Golf balls		104.4	104.3	0	-.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index—United States city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers, indexes for selected items and groups, June 1975, and percent changes from selected dates—Continued

(1967=100)

Item and group	Other index base	Indexes		Percent change to June 1975 from:	
		May 1975	June 1975	June 1974	May 1975
Health and recreation—Continued					
Reading and recreation—Continued					
Recreational goods—Continued					
Basketballs, rubber or vinyl cover		143.9	144.8	9.1	0.6
Fishing rods, fresh-water spin-casting		119.9	120.6	5.1	.6
Bowling balls		125.5	126.1	5.6	.5
Bicycles, boys'		143.5	144.1	8.3	.4
Tricycles		135.4	137.3	11.1	1.4
Dog food, canned or boxed		168.6	169.4	16.7	.5
Recreational services		148.7	148.6	5.9	-.1
Indoor movie admissions		170.0	171.2	8.5	.7
Adult		166.3	166.8	7.3	.3
Children's		180.6	183.3	11.6	1.5
Drive-in movie admissions		174.7	173.3	5.6	-.8
Bowling fees, evening		137.8	137.0	6.0	-.6
Golf green fees		151.1	151.6	2.9	.3
TV repair		105.2	105.0	3.4	-.2
Film developing		123.2	123.5	4.9	.2
Reading and education:					
Newspapers, street sale and delivery		173.7	174.3	10.7	.3
Magazines, single copy and subscription		170.4	170.4	21.1	0
Piano lessons, beginner		138.6	138.9	4.7	.2
Other goods and services		147.1	147.3	8.5	.1
Tobacco products		153.3	153.6	7.6	.2
Cigarettes, nonfilter tip, regular size		155.4	155.7	7.5	.2
Cigarettes, filter tip, king size		155.9	156.3	8.2	.3
Cigars, domestic, regular size		123.9	123.8	3.7	-.1
Alcoholic beverages		141.9	142.1	9.3	.1
Beer, at home		140.9	140.9	13.1	0
Whiskey, spirit blended and straight bourbon		113.2	113.7	3.6	.4
Wine, dessert and table		153.9	154.2	5.2	.2
Beer, away from home		156.5	156.7	9.1	.1
Financial and miscellaneous personal expenses:					
Funeral services, adult		142.8	143.2	6.2	.3
Bank service charges, checking account		119.6	120.1	16.4	.4
Legal services, short form will		186.3	187.0	6.6	.4

¹ Also includes hotel and motel rates not shown separately.
² Also includes home purchase cost not shown separately.
³ Also includes pine shelving, furnace filters, packaged dry cement mix, and shrubbery not shown separately.
⁴ Also includes window shades, nails, carpet sweepers, air deodorizers, steel wool scouring pads, envelopes, reupholstering and moving expenses.
⁵ Priced only in season.
⁶ Not available.
⁷ Also includes men's sport shirts, women's and girls' lightweight coats, women's slacks, bathing suits,

girls' shorts, earrings, and zippers not shown separately.
⁸ Also includes storage batteries and drivers' license fees not shown separately.
⁹ Includes prices for water pump replacement, motor tune-up, automatic transmission repair, front-end alignment, and chassis lubrication; does not include prices for auto body repairs. In the CPI this component represents consumers' direct, out-of-pocket expenses for automobile repairs and maintenance.
¹⁰ Also includes health insurance not shown separately.
¹¹ Also includes outboard motors, nondurable toys, college tuition fees, paperback books, and college textbooks, not shown separately.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index—United States and selected areas for urban wage earners and clerical workers, all items most recent index, and percent changes from selected dates

Area ¹	Pricing schedule ²	Indexes			Percent change from:		
		1967=100	1957-59=100	Other bases	June 1974	March 1975	May 1975
		June 1975			June 1974	March 1975	May 1975
U.S. city average	M	160.6	186.8		9.3	1.8	0.8
Chicago	M	156.5	177.8		7.5	.6	.6
Detroit	M	159.9	183.7		7.7	1.7	1.0
Los Angeles—Long Beach	M	156.7	184.3		10.8	1.6	-.1
N.Y.—Northeastern N.J.	M	165.2	196.6		7.4	1.1	.5
Philadelphia	M	163.5	190.9		8.3	1.5	.9
		April 1975			April 1974	January 1975	
Boston	1	159.0	190.5		9.5	1.7	
Houston	1	161.4	184.6		12.9	1.3	
Minneapolis—St. Paul	1	156.8	181.8		8.1	.4	
Pittsburgh	1	157.7	181.3		9.4	2.1	
		May 1975			May 1974	February 1975	
Buffalo	2	160.4		³ 176.3	8.7	1.8	
Cleveland	2	159.5	180.1		9.2	1.1	
Dallas	2	155.8		³ 168.4	8.9	1.2	
Milwaukee	2	155.4	175.5		9.4	2.1	
San Diego	2	158.8		⁴ 166.9	9.4	1.0	
Seattle	2	154.5	181.5		10.9	1.8	
Washington	2	160.0	186.5		8.4	1.3	
		June 1975			June 1974	March 1975	
Atlanta	3	160.9	185.1		9.3	1.5	
Baltimore	3	164.7	191.2		8.8	1.1	
Cincinnati	3	160.8	182.5		10.4	3.1	
Honolulu	3	153.6		⁵ 165.6	8.8	1.5	
Kansas City	3	157.2	186.6		9.7	1.6	
St. Louis	3	156.7	183.0		11.0	2.8	
San Francisco—Oakland	3	158.6	188.7		10.3	1.7	

¹ Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago which have more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions were established for the 1960 Census and exclude revisions made since 1960.

² Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all cities; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

- M — Every month.
- 1 — January, April, July, and October.
- 2 — February, May, August, and November.

³ — March, June, September, and December.

⁴ November 1963=100.

⁵ February 1965=100.

December 1963=100.

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

Table 6. Consumer Price Index—United States and selected areas¹ for urban wage earners and clerical workers, major groups, percent change from May 1975 to June 1975

Expenditure class	U.S. city average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles—Long Beach	New York—Northeastern New Jersey	Philadelphia
All items	0.8	0.6	1.0	-0.1	0.5	0.9
Food	1.5	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.5	2.0
Housing .....	.7	.3	1.0	-2.1	.6	.3
Apparel and upkeep	-.3	-.6	1.0	.4	-1.7	-.5
Transportation	1.6	1.5	2.0	1.9	1.1	1.9
Health and recreation .....	.4	.7	.3	.1	.3	.6
Medical care .....	.8	1.8	.8	.6	.6	1.3
Personal care .....	.3	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Reading and recreation .....	.2	.6	-.6	-.4	.3	.2
Other goods and services .....	.1	0	0	.1	.2	0

¹ See footnote 1, table 5.

² Not available.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index—United States and selected areas¹ for urban wage earners and clerical workers, commodity groups, June 1975 index, and percent changes from March 1975

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago	Detroit	Los Angeles—Long Beach	New York—Northeastern New Jersey	Philadelphia
Indexes (1967=100)						
All items	160.6	156.5	159.9	156.7	165.2	163.5
Food	174.4	172.2	170.8	169.7	178.7	179.1
Food at home	174.9	172.6	170.5	172.4	179.8	178.1
Cereals and bakery products	185.2	181.4	192.1	187.3	187.2	188.6
Meats, poultry, and fish	177.2	176.8	171.2	177.1	179.7	183.1
Dairy products	153.3	144.2	156.1	150.1	157.3	153.0
Fruits and vegetables	177.4	181.0	166.3	170.0	188.0	179.7
Other food at home	178.7	175.8	169.7	174.1	184.8	181.7
Food away from home	173.1	170.6	172.8	162.0	175.5	183.5
Housing	166.4	156.4	163.8	161.7	172.0	170.2
Shelter	169.4	159.5	170.5	165.0	173.0	179.5
Rent, residential	136.9	(²)	135.6	(²)	153.0	(²)
Homeownership	181.4	172.0	177.5	174.7	187.9	188.5
Fuel and utilities	166.9	151.2	162.2	157.0	183.6	163.4
Fuel oil and coal	230.6	219.4	217.3	-	³ 235.6	220.5
Gas and electricity	169.4	151.9	174.4	181.2	193.6	165.9
Household furnishings and operation	158.1	150.1	144.0	152.3	162.6	157.3
Apparel and upkeep	141.4	135.6	137.9	136.8	138.3	134.3
Men's and boys'	142.1	134.8	145.5	130.8	137.3	141.8
Women's and girls'	136.3	131.6	125.8	135.4	130.6	119.6
Footwear	143.8	140.0	147.1	140.6	139.2	140.2
Transportation	149.8	150.6	149.0	152.9	156.4	152.7
Private	149.3	148.2	147.9	154.6	153.0	153.0
Public	154.1	165.4	161.8	120.3	169.7	151.0
Health and recreation	153.2	153.4	160.1	146.9	159.0	157.9
Medical care	168.1	168.1	185.2	165.1	180.7	182.1
Personal care	150.3	145.7	(²)	140.6	(²)	(²)
Reading and recreation	144.1	145.5	144.4	132.3	148.3	147.9
Other goods and services	147.3	149.9	149.6	141.7	154.0	149.7
Percent changes March 1975 to June 1975						
All items	1.8	0.6	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.5
Food	1.8	-1	2.6	2.2	1.4	3.0
Food at home	2.0	-1.5	2.9	2.3	1.6	3.1
Cereals and bakery products	-2.1	-8.2	-1.2	-3	-1.8	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	9.5	7.7	10.1	10.8	8.8	10.9
Dairy products	-1.4	-5.4	-7	-1.4	-2.8	-5
Fruits and vegetables	6.0	4.2	7.8	5.3	3.0	5.5
Other food at home	-6.0	-7.8	-6.7	-6.4	-5.4	-5.4
Food away from home	1.1	1.4	1.8	2.1	3	2.6
Housing	1.7	.1	1.0	.1	1.8	.2
Shelter	1.7	-4	1	-7	1.9	.8
Rent, residential	1.0	(²)	4.6	(²)	4.8	(²)
Homeownership	1.8	-9	-1	-1.1	2.4	.8
Fuel and utilities	2.4	2.5	6.3	2.4	.7	-3.3
Fuel oil and coal	1.0	3.5	-1	-	.4	.3
Gas and electricity	3.3	3.6	9.7	3.4	1.7	-6.7
Household furnishings and operation	1.6	-1	.6	1.5	2.1	1.2
Apparel and upkeep	.4	-7	.6	1.9	-2.2	-.8
Men's and boys'	.6	1.8	.4	3.0	-1.1	-.9
Women's and girls'	.1	-3.4	1.5	2.1	-4.6	-4
Footwear	-.1	.5	-.5	.5	-1.0	-2.3
Transportation	3.5	3.1	3.2	4.9	1.9	3.2
Private	3.7	3.6	3.4	5.0	2.1	3.9
Public	1.2	.3	2.0	2.4	1.0	-.2
Health and recreation	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.3
Medical care	2.1	2.6	2.5	2.8	1.9	2.1
Personal care	.9	-1.0	(²)	.5	(²)	(²)
Reading and recreation	1.5	1.4	.1	.6	1.2	2.4
Other goods and services	.5	.1	.8	.9	.1	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index—United States and selected areas¹ for urban wage earners and clerical workers, commodity groups, June 1975 index and percent changes from March 1975—Continued

Group	Atlanta	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Honolulu	Kansas City	St. Louis	San Francisco—Oakland
Indexes (1967=100)							
All items	160.9	164.7	160.8	153.6	157.2	156.7	158.6
Food	179.4	177.1	177.2	174.7	176.5	174.8	171.6
Food at home	181.7	177.0	180.8	174.5	178.2	175.7	176.5
Cereals and bakery products	189.0	179.2	193.4	192.4	186.0	197.2	183.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	179.5	178.3	180.9	174.3	173.9	172.5	182.7
Dairy products	162.6	151.8	160.2	164.2	173.3	156.9	151.5
Fruits and vegetables	190.6	184.8	185.6	165.5	176.2	182.4	178.1
Other food at home	186.0	183.7	184.6	175.2	184.3	176.0	178.8
Food away from home	171.5	177.4	163.7	175.0	171.3	170.2	154.5
Housing	166.8	175.6	164.5	146.5	158.7	157.9	163.5
Shelter	171.9	186.4	168.7	147.7	163.2	156.6	167.0
Rent, residential	128.9	126.9	119.8	150.1	119.0	115.6	143.8
Homeownership	184.8	211.4	191.8	146.1	180.5	168.4	178.6
Fuel and utilities	159.3	161.8	173.3	139.4	148.3	161.8	154.4
Fuel oil and coal	-	224.9	-	-	-	245.2	-
Gas and electricity	165.5	165.5	173.2	158.9	161.3	163.5	171.8
Household furnishings and operation	159.5	160.0	148.5	146.4	153.7	158.1	156.8
Apparel and upkeep	136.5	146.7	140.8	141.1	144.7	134.7	140.5
Men's and boys'	144.9	146.3	140.6	134.9	144.1	134.6	140.8
Women's and girls'	128.8	135.6	132.5	133.0	143.1	129.3	138.1
Footwear	119.0	155.2	150.4	140.4	151.5	144.7	139.5
Transportation	143.0	146.3	144.1	147.6	147.4	145.3	152.1
Private	146.9	148.5	149.3	152.0	147.2	148.9	152.2
Public	92.7	131.1	104.5	123.9	148.8	102.3	148.2
Health and recreation	158.2	156.2	156.0	148.0	150.2	150.8	150.6
Medical care	182.5	180.5	176.3	164.7	159.4	155.6	166.8
Personal care	157.5	152.2	152.8	156.8	153.5	159.5	146.4
Reading and recreation	143.6	141.6	137.6	147.5	137.7	142.2	140.0
Other goods and services	138.8	151.2	154.6	125.3	151.9	148.3	140.7
Percent changes March 1975 to June 1975							
All items	1.5	1.1	3.1	1.5	1.6	2.8	1.7
Food	1.2	1.1	1.7	.6	1.6	3.2	3.1
Food at home	1.2	1.1	2.0	.5	1.9	3.8	3.6
Cereals and bakery products .....	.2	-4.4	-3.8	-1.4	-1.7	-.5	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	5.5	7.0	9.2	7.2	8.6	11.4	12.5
Dairy products	-1.4	.5	-4.3	-.1	.8	-.4	-.7
Fruits and vegetables	7.7	6.3	10.4	-1.6	6.3	8.6	6.3
Other food at home	-5.4	-6.8	-7.0	-6.8	-5.3	-3.9	-6.2
Food away from home	1.4	1.3	.4	1.2	.4	.5	1.4
Housing	2.0	.4	6.3	1.5	1.7	3.6	-.5
Shelter	3.1	-.2	9.5	1.7	2.1	3.4	-1.8
Rent, residential .....	.5	1.5	.8	.7	.8	.5	.6
Homeownership	3.6	-.8	12.5	2.3	2.4	4.0	-2.7
Fuel and utilities	-.7	1.1	1.9	.4	.7	4.4	1.1
Fuel oil and coal	-	0	-	-	-	4.3	-
Gas and electricity	-1.0	2.3	4.0	.8	1.1	6.6	2.0
Household furnishings and operation .....	.7	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.3	3.6	3.2
Apparel and upkeep	-1.5	-.4	-1.1	.6	-1.4	.6	-.4
Men's and boys'	-2.4	-1.3	.6	.2	-2.4	1.4	-2.9
Women's and girls'	-.8	-.1	-3.1	-.4	-2.0	0	-.6
Footwear	-6.2	.3	-2.7	2.4	-1.0	1.1	.6
Transportation	3.6	2.8	4.0	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.5
Private	3.8	3.1	4.5	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.6
Public	1.0	.3	.2	0	.2	1.4	.6
Health and recreation	1.2	2.1	1.2	1.8	.9	1.4	3.6
Medical care .....	.9	1.4	1.3	2.3	.1	2.2	5.6
Personal care	2.3	2.5	2.1	3.2	2.2	3.0	.7
Reading and recreation	1.5	1.3	2.5	1.3	1.1	1.9	3.0
Other goods and services .....	.3	3.6	.1	1.0	1.2	-1.0	1.0

¹ See footnote 1, table 3.

² Not available.

³ Revised indexes: February 1975, 235.7; March 1975, 234.7; April 1975, 235.0; May 1975: 235.0.

⁴ Change from April 1975.

⁵ Revised indexes: September 1974, 133.0; December 1974, 134.2; 1974 Annual average, 129.0; March 1975, 135.9.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index—United States and selected areas for urban wage earners and clerical workers, food and its subgroups, June 1975 indexes, and percent changes from May 1975

Area ¹	Total food	Food at home						Food away from home
		Total	Cereals and bakery products	Meats, poultry, and fish	Dairy products	Fruits and vegetables	Other foods at home	
Indexes (1967=100)								
U.S. city average	174.4	174.9	185.2	177.2	153.3	177.4	178.7	173.1
Atlanta	179.4	181.7	189.0	179.5	162.6	190.6	186.0	171.5
Baltimore	177.1	177.0	179.2	178.3	151.8	184.8	183.7	177.4
Boston	172.7	172.5	187.6	174.2	145.5	173.6	178.0	173.2
Buffalo	175.2	175.2	195.2	175.2	149.4	179.3	179.1	175.8
Chicago	172.2	172.6	181.4	176.8	144.2	181.0	175.8	170.6
Cincinnati	177.2	180.8	193.4	180.9	160.2	185.6	184.6	163.7
Cleveland	175.0	175.9	187.2	178.7	153.2	179.1	178.1	170.6
Dallas	171.3	169.8	175.7	172.6	147.8	171.5	174.5	176.9
Detroit	170.8	170.5	192.1	171.2	156.1	166.3	169.7	172.8
Honolulu	174.7	174.5	192.4	174.3	164.2	165.5	175.2	175.0
Houston	179.6	177.7	180.7	180.5	166.6	179.6	177.3	186.5
Kansas City	176.5	178.2	186.0	173.9	173.3	176.2	184.3	171.3
Los Angeles—Long Beach	169.7	172.4	187.3	177.1	150.1	170.0	174.1	162.0
Milwaukee	170.1	170.9	186.4	171.3	147.4	181.7	172.4	(²)
Minneapolis—St. Paul	176.0	173.7	193.5	176.9	155.1	171.2	175.6	185.8
N.Y.—Northeastern N.J.	178.7	179.8	187.2	179.7	157.3	188.0	184.8	175.0
Philadelphia	179.1	178.1	188.6	183.1	153.0	179.7	181.7	183.5
Pittsburgh	177.8	176.6	192.4	179.6	148.8	184.6	175.9	184.7
St. Louis	174.8	175.7	197.2	172.5	156.9	182.4	176.0	170.2
San Diego	172.3	171.2	183.2	180.9	151.4	164.9	167.3	(²)
San Francisco—Oakland	171.6	176.5	183.4	182.7	151.5	178.1	178.8	154.5
Seattle	169.7	173.4	185.5	184.4	158.0	162.8	172.7	157.8
Washington	180.1	179.7	186.1	176.2	144.7	196.4	192.9	180.9
Percent changes May 1975 to June 1975								
U.S. city average	1.5	1.9	-1.0	5.4	-0.2	5.0	-2.2	0.2
Atlanta	1.2	1.3	-.7	3.7	-1.3	7.5	-2.5	.5
Baltimore	2.0	2.5	.4	5.3	0	7.3	-2.5	.3
Boston	1.1	1.3	-1.7	4.9	-.5	2.7	-2.1	.1
Buffalo	2.3	2.7	.1	5.2	-1.4	8.5	-.8	.6
Chicago	1.1	1.3	-2.4	3.4	.1	4.5	-1.2	.4
Cincinnati	1.7	2.0	-1.1	5.9	-1.4	5.4	-2.6	.4
Cleveland	2.3	2.7	-1.3	6.5	.1	6.9	-1.5	.4
Dallas	1.2	1.6	-3.4	6.3	-.9	3.9	-1.9	-.1
Detroit	1.3	1.5	-1.9	4.4	.3	5.2	-3.0	.5
Honolulu .....	.7	1.1	1.2	4.4	-.2	-1.5	-1.9	0
Houston	1.2	1.6	-2.3	6.6	.1	2.2	-2.2	.2
Kansas City	1.6	2.1	.3	5.9	.4	3.6	-1.2	.2
Los Angeles—Long Beach	1.6	2.0	-.9	4.8	-.1	4.4	-1.4	.4
Milwaukee	1.6	1.9	-.9	6.3	-.3	5.0	-2.9	(²)
Minneapolis—St. Paul .....	.9	.8	-.3	4.1	-.4	2.7	-2.7	1.1
N.Y.—Northeastern N.J.	1.5	2.0	-1.0	5.3	.3	4.9	-2.4	-.1
Philadelphia	2.0	2.4	-.5	5.8	-.3	5.6	-1.9	.3
Pittsburgh	2.0	2.3	-1.3	6.7	-.1	6.6	-3.6	.5
St. Louis	1.7	2.0	.3	5.4	.1	4.8	-2.4	.1
San Diego .....	.8	1.0	-.9	3.8	.4	.5	-2.7	(²)
San Francisco—Oakland	1.8	2.1	-1.7	5.2	-.3	5.6	-1.4	.8
Seattle	1.3	1.5	-1.3	6.2	.4	2.1	-2.5	.4
Washington	1.8	2.2	-2.1	5.8	-.1	8.1	-2.8	.8

¹ See footnote 1, table 5.

² Not available.

Table 9. Consumer Price Index—Regular and premium gasoline indexes, selected areas, and U.S. city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers

(October 1973=100)

Area ¹	Regular gasoline			Premium gasoline		
	Index		Percent change to June 1975 from—	Index		Percent change to June 1975 from—
	May 1975	June 1975		May 1975	June 1975	
U.S. city average ²	167.4	172.5	3.0	161.4	165.9	2.8
Atlanta	139.9	145.5	4.0	139.4	143.7	3.1
Baltimore	139.6	143.4	2.7	137.0	140.5	2.6
Boston	135.6	138.7	2.3	133.3	135.7	1.8
Buffalo	138.6	141.8	2.3	136.3	139.0	2.0
Chicago	133.3	137.3	3.0	130.9	134.5	2.8
Cincinnati	136.0	141.4	4.0	133.5	138.3	3.6
Cleveland	136.7	141.4	3.4	134.2	138.1	2.9
Dallas	145.6	149.4	2.6	141.8	145.1	2.3
Detroit	130.5	135.7	4.0	128.7	133.0	3.3
Honolulu	143.6	149.0	3.8	140.5	145.8	3.8
Houston	143.1	148.5	3.8	140.7	145.3	3.3
Kansas City	136.3	138.6	1.7	133.8	136.5	2.0
Los Angeles—Long Beach	136.5	140.4	2.9	134.3	137.6	2.5
Milwaukee	133.5	137.9	3.3	133.1	135.9	2.1
Minneapolis—St. Paul	133.4	141.0	5.7	132.3	139.4	5.4
N.Y.—Northern N.J.	132.1	135.1	2.3	132.3	135.1	2.1
Philadelphia	137.0	141.4	3.2	134.9	139.5	3.4
Pittsburgh	138.4	141.9	2.5	133.9	138.0	3.1
St. Louis	134.5	137.4	2.2	132.6	135.5	2.2
San Diego	137.4	140.2	2.0	135.6	137.8	1.6
San Francisco—Oakland	136.5	139.8	2.4	134.1	137.4	2.5
Seattle	136.2	139.5	2.4	132.9	136.1	2.4
Washington	137.6	140.0	1.7	134.7	137.4	2.0

¹ Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago where the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas

are used. Area definitions are those established for the 1980 Census and do not include revisions made since 1980.

² 1967=100.

Table 10. Consumer Price Index—Regular and premium gasoline prices, selected areas and U.S. city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers

Area ¹	Regular gasoline			Premium gasoline		
	Average price per gallon					
	April 1975	May 1975	June 1975	April 1975	May 1975	June 1975
U.S. city average	\$0.540	\$0.550	\$0.567	\$0.581	\$0.591	\$0.607
Atlanta	.544	.556	.578	.591	.604	.622
Baltimore	.560	.571	.587	.607	.613	.629
Boston	.545	.549	.561	.586	.591	.602
Buffalo	.541	.558	.571	.580	.597	.609
Chicago	.554	.561	.577	.591	.601	.618
Cincinnati	.538	.551	.573	.579	.593	.614
Cleveland	.548	.557	.576	.588	.597	.615
Dallas	.496	.512	.525	.536	.552	.564
Detroit	.541	.545	.567	.584	.588	.608
Honolulu	.623	.649	.673	.654	.684	.710
Houston	.482	.497	.516	.528	.543	.560
Kansas City	.506	.521	.530	.549	.564	.575
Los Angeles—Long Beach	.545	.551	.567	.583	.591	.605
Milwaukee	.504	.514	.531	.551	.562	.574
Minneapolis—St. Paul	.516	.527	.557	.564	.575	.605
N.Y.—Northern N.J.	.557	.560	.572	.604	.606	.619
Philadelphia	.533	.547	.565	.590	.598	.618
Pittsburgh	.543	.554	.568	.586	.592	.610
St. Louis	.532	.547	.559	.575	.588	.601
San Diego	.560	.569	.580	.599	.609	.618
San Francisco—Oakland	.579	.583	.597	.618	.622	.637
Seattle	.538	.548	.562	.579	.588	.602
Washington	.558	.569	.579	.602	.614	.626

¹ Area coverage includes the urban portion of the corresponding Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) except for New York and Chicago where the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas

are used. Area definitions are those established for the 1980 Census and do not include revisions made since 1980.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index—Population size groups,¹ 5 classes and U.S. city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers

Area and group	Relative importance	Indexes (1967=100)			Percent change to June 1975 from	
		December 1974	June 1974	March 1975	June 1975	March 1975
United States:						
All items	100,000	146.9	157.8	160.6	9.3	1.8
Food	24,785	160.3	171.3	174.4	8.8	1.8
Housing	33,766	149.2	163.6	166.4	11.5	1.7
Apparel and upkeep	9,633	135.7	140.9	141.4	4.2	.4
Transportation	12,715	138.8	144.8	149.8	7.9	3.5
Health and recreation	18,723	139.4	151.1	153.2	9.9	1.4
Class A-1 (3.5 million or more):						
All items ²	32,525	149.2	159.4	161.3	8.1	1.2
Food	8,346	161.9	172.9	175.4	8.3	1.4
Housing ³	10,752	151.7	164.4	166.0	9.4	1.0
Apparel and upkeep	3,192	133.3	138.6	137.2	2.9	-1.0
Transportation	4,059	142.9	148.9	153.4	7.3	3.0
Health and recreation	6,176	143.2	154.0	155.9	8.9	1.2
Class A-2 (1.4 million to 3.5 million):						
All items	11,701	146.1	157.0	160.2	9.7	2.0
Food	2,955	159.4	171.0	174.8	9.7	2.2
Housing	3,945	147.3	160.8	163.5	11.0	1.7
Apparel and upkeep	1,146	137.2	142.7	142.8	4.1	.1
Transportation	1,466	138.2	144.9	150.4	8.8	3.8
Health and recreation	2,189	138.6	150.3	153.5	10.8	2.1
Class B (250,000 to 1.4 million):						
All items	25,644	145.7	156.9	159.9	9.7	1.9
Food	6,084	159.2	171.0	174.2	9.4	1.9
Housing	8,846	147.4	162.1	165.7	12.4	2.2
Apparel and upkeep	2,449	137.0	142.2	142.6	4.1	.3
Transportation	3,404	137.3	142.4	147.5	7.4	3.6
Health and recreation	4,861	138.7	150.7	152.5	9.9	1.2
Class C (50,000 to 250,000):						
All items	12,531	145.8	157.0	160.5	10.1	2.2
Food	3,074	158.5	169.0	172.7	9.0	2.2
Housing	4,280	149.4	164.2	167.9	12.4	2.3
Apparel and upkeep	1,236	138.0	142.9	145.3	5.3	1.7
Transportation	1,624	135.7	143.3	148.5	9.4	3.6
Health and recreation	2,318	136.7	148.7	150.7	10.2	1.3
Class D (2,500 to 50,000):						
All items	17,223	145.8	157.6	161.1	10.5	2.2
Food	4,326	160.8	170.6	173.9	8.1	1.9
Housing	5,944	148.3	165.3	168.9	13.9	2.2
Apparel and upkeep	1,611	135.2	140.6	143.8	6.4	2.3
Transportation	2,162	136.6	142.4	147.9	8.3	3.9
Health and recreation	3,179	136.1	148.9	151.0	10.9	1.4

¹ Based upon 1960 Census of Population.

² Revised index for December 1974, 157.3.

³ Revised indexes for: March 1974, 148.6; June 1974, 156.7; September 1974, 157.0; December 1974, 161.1.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index—Regional groups, 4 areas and U.S. city average for urban wage earners and clerical workers

Area and group	Relative importance	Indexes (1967=100) ¹			Percent change to June 1975 from	
		December 1974	June 1974	March 1975	June 1975	March 1975
United States:						
All items	100,000	146.9	157.8	160.6	9.3	1.8
Food	24,785	160.3	171.3	174.4	8.8	1.8
Housing	33,766	149.2	163.6	166.4	11.5	1.7
Apparel and upkeep	9,633	135.7	140.9	141.4	4.2	.4
Transportation	12,715	138.8	144.8	149.8	7.9	3.5
Health and recreation	18,723	139.4	151.1	153.2	9.9	1.4
Northeast:						
All items ²	32,821	150.7	160.7	163.1	8.2	1.5
Food	8,729	162.4	173.5	176.6	8.7	1.8
Housing ³	10,698	155.6	167.3	169.8	9.1	1.5
Apparel and upkeep	3,381	135.7	141.8	141.1	4.0	-.5
Transportation	3,835	141.5	147.8	151.9	7.3	2.8
Health and recreation	6,177	143.0	153.6	155.4	8.7	1.2
North Central:						
All items	27,925	145.0	155.2	158.1	9.0	1.9
Food	6,881	160.5	169.3	172.0	7.2	1.6
Housing	9,417	142.9	157.1	160.2	12.1	2.0
Apparel and upkeep	2,537	135.2	140.3	141.6	4.7	.9
Transportation	3,740	139.5	143.7	148.7	6.6	3.5
Health and recreation	5,301	139.9	151.7	153.8	9.9	1.4
South:						
All items	22,077	147.7	160.1	163.3	10.6	2.0
Food	5,315	160.9	174.6	177.7	10.4	1.8
Housing	7,631	151.9	168.0	171.6	13.0	2.1
Apparel and upkeep	2,181	137.4	142.3	143.4	4.4	.8
Transportation	2,887	137.2	143.6	148.9	8.5	3.7
Health and recreation	4,062	139.6	152.6	154.5	10.7	1.2
West:						
All items	16,346	142.1	154.4	157.3	10.7	1.9
Food	3,733	155.2	166.3	170.1	9.6	2.3
Housing	5,883	145.2	162.6	164.4	13.2	1.1
Apparel and upkeep	1,449	133.7	137.6	138.6	3.7	.7
Transportation	2,192	135.2	143.0	148.9	10.1	4.1
Health and recreation	3,088	132.2	144.2	146.8	11.0	1.8

¹ Regional index and relative importance data exclude Anchorage, Alaska and Honolulu, Hawaii which are included in the U.S. level data. Consequently, regional relative importances will not add to U.S. totals.

² Revised indexes for all times: March 1974, 147.5; September 1974, 155.5.

³ Revised indexes for housing: March 1974, 152.3; June 1974, 155.6; September 1974, 161.3; December 1974, 165.4.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures average changes in prices of goods and services usually bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers. It is based on prices of about 400 items which were selected to represent the movement of prices of all goods and services purchased by wage earners and clerical workers. Prices for these items are obtained in urban portions of 39 major statistical areas and 17 smaller cities, which were chosen to represent all urban places in the United States. They are collected from about 18,000 establishments—grocery and department stores, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments.

Prices of foods, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 56 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest areas and every 3 months in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by

personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain local transit fares, public utility rates, newspaper prices, fuel prices, and certain other items.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of all wage earners and clerical workers. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published for 23 areas.

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

A Note About Calculating Index Changes

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

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

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month

period. BLS does not publish annual rates based on data for 1 month.

<i>Index Point Change</i>	
CPI	123.8
Less previous index	<u>123.2</u>
Equals index point change:	0.6
<i>Percent Change</i>	
Index point difference,	0.6
Divided by the previous index,	123.2
Equals,	0.005
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.005x100
Equals percent change:	0.5

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

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

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred, since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year—such as price movements resulting from changing

climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

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

Reliability of Percent Changes in the CPI

A system of "replicated" samples introduced into the index structure in the 1964 revision permits an estimate of sampling error for the CPI.¹ The table below shows standard errors for monthly, quarterly, and annual

percent changes in the CPI for all items and for nine commodity groupings based on 1974 averages. The figures may be interpreted as follows: The chances are about 95 out of 100 that the percent change in the CPI as computed differs from the corresponding "complete coverage" change by less than twice the standard error.

Average standard errors of percent changes in the CPI based on 1974 data

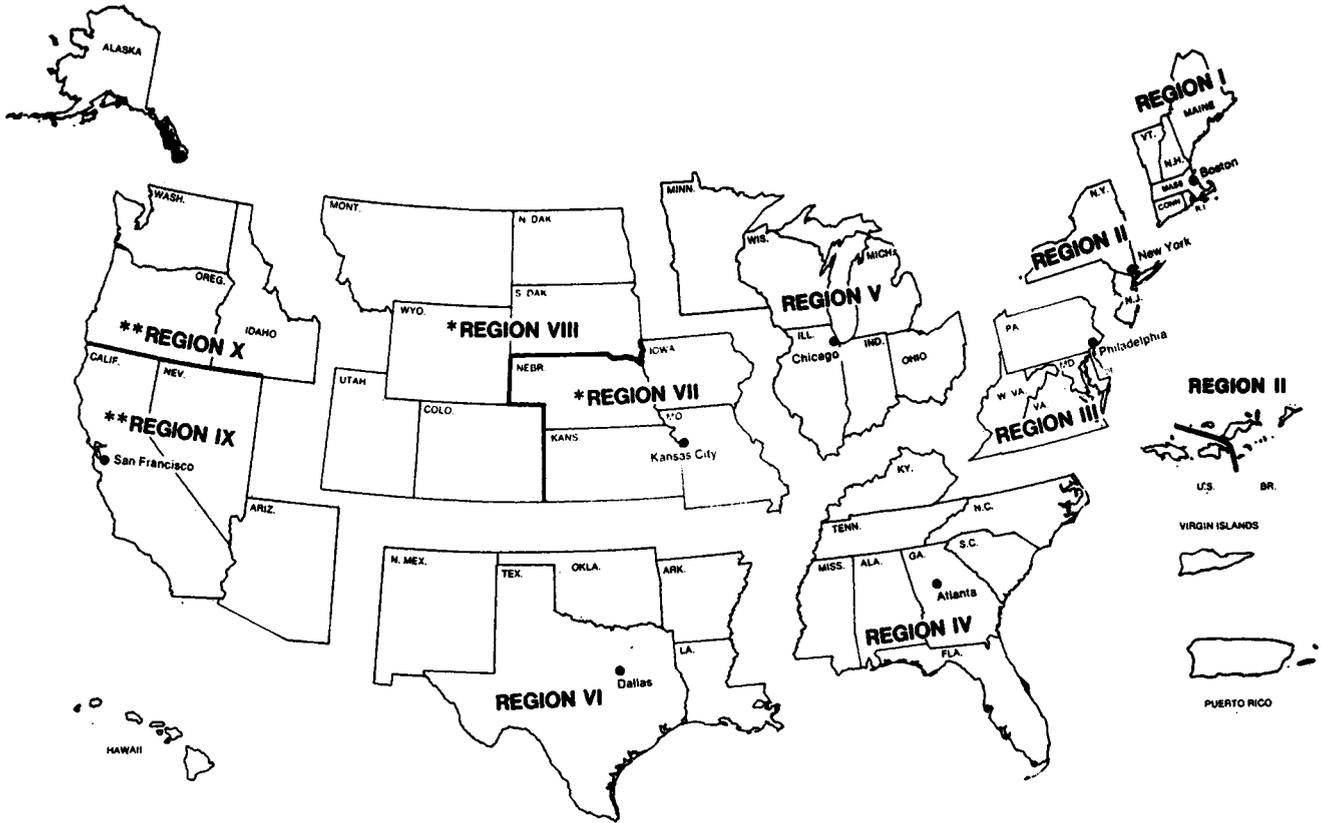
Component	Standard error		
	Monthly change	Quarterly change	Annual change
All items .....	.05	.07	.12
Food at home .....	.10	.19	.40
Food away from home .....	.13	.23	.42
Housing .....	.09	.15	.23
Apparel and upkeep ..	.21	.28	.33
Transportation .....	.07	.10	.20
Medical care .....	.16	.21	.28
Personal care .....	.19	.24	.34
Reading and recreation .....	.16	.21	.27
Other goods and services .....	.13	.18	.28

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

This replaces the table of average errors based on 1973 data which was included in the CPI report through January 1975.

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

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